

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

J. HUGH JACKSON (1891 – 1962)

J. Hugh Jackson was born on a farm in Warren County, Iowa. He received the Bachelor of Arts degree from Simpson College in 1912, the Master of Business Administration with Distinction from Harvard University in 1920 and two honorary degrees from Simpson College, Doctor of Laws in 1930 and Doctor of Business Administration in 1955. He became a Certified Public Accountant in Wisconsin in 1919 and later was certified for both Massachusetts and California. His first college teaching post was at the University of Oregon, 1916-17. From 1918-19 he served as assistant professor of accounting at the University of Minnesota. On completion of his Master's degree in business he was made assistant professor of accounting at the Harvard Graduate School of Business in 1923 and was advanced to full professor there at the age of 32. During his time at Harvard, and until 1930 at Stanford, he was associated with the nationally known public accounting firm of Price Waterhouse & Co. In 1923 he served as a lecturer in auditing at New York University and held the same post at the University of Chicago in the summer of 1923.

In 1926, Dean Jackson joined the staff of Stanford's new Graduate School of Business as professor of accounting and in 1931 became its second dean, a post which he held for twenty-five years until his retirement in 1956. He served as acting comptroller at Stanford from 1937 to 1940 in addition to heading the Business School. During his administration, the Stanford Graduate School of Business Administration attained national stature and a high degree of respect in the business community. In the course of his long years of service, his sympathetic understanding and helpfulness had a lasting influence upon countless numbers of students. Himself an extraordinarily successful teacher, he insisted on the highest standards of teaching performance from his faculty.

He was a prolific writer of top standing in his chosen field. In addition to many articles he was author of the book "Audit Working Papers", 1923; co-author of "Bookkeeping and Business Knowledge", 1926; "Auditing Problems", 1929; "Accounting Principles", 1942 and "The Comptroller, His Functions and Organization", 1948. In 1932 he was Lecturer for the William A. Vawter Foundation on Business Ethics at Northwestern University and in 1947 he gave the Dickinson Lectures on Accounting at Harvard University.

In 1946 Dean Jackson was awarded the Diamond Key of the National Association of Teaching Certified Public Accountants "for distinguished contributions to the literature of accounting and auditing".

Always an active leader in local community life, he was a member of the Board of Directors of the Palo Alto Mutual Savings and Loan Association and on the Advisory Board of the Anglo-California National Bank. He served as president of the Stanford Book Store, the Stanford Chapter of the American Association of University Professors, the Palo Alto School Board and the Palo Alto Kiwanis Club. The Kiwanis activity was close to his heart and after serving in various lesser posts, he became international president of Kiwanis in 1949-50. He also served as president of the American Accounting Association, the National Association of

Cost Accountants, and the American Association of Collegiate Schools of Business, as a national director of the American Management Association, as a trustee of the Foundation for Economic Education, and as a trustee of the Teachers' Insurance and Annuity Association.

After his retirement in 1956, Dean Jackson remained active in academic and community affairs. In 1961 he completed a research project for the American Management Association on the effectiveness of employee training programs in large American corporations. At the time of his death he was a professor of business administration at the University of Santa Clara. His sudden passing on January 21, the day after his 71st birthday, came as a shock to his family, his colleagues and to a wide circle of friends.

His surviving family consists of a daughter, Mrs. Erling A. O. Forland of Palo Alto, a son, J. Hugh Jackson, Jr., Professor of Management at the United States Naval Post-graduate School at Monterey, and five grandchildren. To them, we of the Academic Council, extend our deepest sympathy.

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