

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

HENRY BONNER McDANIEL (1903 – 1972)

Henry B. McDaniel, Professor of Education and Psychology, Emeritus, died in Los Angeles, Sunday, February 20, at the age of 68, while attending the annual meeting of the California Personnel and Guidance Association, an organization he and his former students had been instrumental in founding. Retiring in 1968 after twenty-two years of service to the School of Education, Bonner McDaniel, at the time of his death, was directing a bold new project -- Youth Guidance Systems -- in conjunction with the College Entrance Examination Board in Palo Alto. He was also serving as Research Director with the Foundation of Research in Education, an organization developing teaching materials for school children about the legal system and unlawful behavior.

Bonner McDaniel's life began in Hico, Texas, on March 20, 1903, and his early years were spent in Arizona. He taught school ten years in Arizona and California, and obtained an M.A. degree in 1935 in guidance from the University of Arizona, where he had also completed his A.B. in 1925. He left the West for Teachers College, Columbia University, and received his Ph.D. degree in Educational Research in 1940. Returning to California as Coordinator of Guidance Services for the San Diego City School District for three years, he then became Chief of the Bureau of Guidance for the California State Department of Education. In 1946 Bonner McDaniel came to Stanford as an Associate Professor in the School of Education, becoming Professor in 1949.

Fellow of the American Psychological Association, Diplomate in Counseling Psychology, American Board of Psychological Examiners and Trustee of the National Vocational Guidance Association were among his many professional honors. Perhaps the most distinguishing characteristic was his ceaseless effort in establishing and improving counseling and guidance services in public education. To many he was the warm and supporting "father" of counseling and guidance in California education.

Bonner McDaniel was known affectionately as "Dr. Mac" to his many students -- over 400 M.A. students and 150 doctorates. His warmth, a genuineness, an acceptance that communicated care and concern. His skill in working with students and colleagues was facilitated by his wit and a kindly sense of humor.

His contributions professionally to the field were many: publications, organizations, study groups. His Guidance in the Modern School, for example, was a seminal publication. Yet his main concern always remained with educating (and re-educating) those concerned with education -- teachers, counselors, psychologists, school administrators and parents.

While at Stanford he pioneered post-graduate training for counseling and guidance personnel in California through a series of two-week summer workshops at Stanford. He introduced well over a thousand graduate students to basic principles and techniques of

counseling and guidance in his Foundations of Guidance course. In 1956 he served as Acting Dean of the School of Education and also served as Chairman of the School's Committee on Advanced Graduate Degrees for several years.

In addition to his wife, Estella, Bonner McDaniel is survived by his son, Commander Rodney McDaniel, U.S.N., his daughter, Judith Cosgrove and two grandchildren. He is also survived by hundreds of individuals who had the opportunity to encounter in Bonner McDaniel a fine human being -- someone who consistently made a meaningful difference in the lives of the people he touched.

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