PRESIDENT RIGHTMIRE RETires

After twelve years at the helm of one of the largest universities in the country, President Rightmire has announced his intention to retire. This action is prompted solely by the fact that he has reached the retirement age. The President has led a very active life in the field of education since, while still enrolled in college as a student, he started teaching in a small country school. Throughout the entire time he has been affiliated with the University, first as an instructor, then as an official in an executive capacity, and finally as the President, his keynote has been conservatism.

Although he has not been spectacular in his work, because he has had such a policy he has accomplished things at the University which otherwise would have been impossible. During his twelve years as President the institution has gone through some of its most difficult years. The country as a whole has been facing a period of general social unrest which directly affected the student body and the faculty, with this great obstacle President Rightmire has carried on sanely and constructively. Although he has never made spectacular results from his work, Dr. Rightmire has succeeded in placing the University in the forefront of the nation's educational institutions.

Dr. Rightmire, as was necessary in handling his position, placed the utmost faith in his colleagues. The men around him to whom he gave responsibility were wisely chosen with the utmost care.

It is with sincere regret that we see the time approach when his active leadership of the University shall cease. However, he has earned his right to a life of quiet retirement; he has served well his school, his community, and his state.

The Board of Trustees faces a very difficult task, that of naming a successor. The choice of the successful candidate is one of importance to every citizen of the state of Ohio. Because of the fact that our institution presents the only available opportunity for higher education to a large body of Ohio's young men and women, a great deal of careful consideration must be given each candidate before the final choice is made. The man who is chosen must be the one who can best serve the University, the students, and the public. It will be hard to replace President Rightmire as men as level-headed, as selfless, as deeply interested in the fortunes of the University, and as well liked as he are seldom easily obtained. Although the average student seldom comes in personal contact with the President, his influence and his decisions are constantly felt throughout the length and breadth of this campus. We of the College of Engineering are cognizant of the value of President Rightmire's guidance. Accordingly his decision to retire makes all of us realize how important a good President is to this University. We extend to President Rightmire our sincere appreciation of his efforts as president of this University.

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ENGINEERS' LOSS

Another resignation keenly felt, especially by the staff of The Ohio State Engineer, is that of Miss Sada Harbarger, department of English. After many years of active service, Miss Harbarger, who directs all the English courses for engineering students, has resigned from her position on the Advisory Board of The Ohio State Engineer. Throughout her affiliation of some fifteen years with this publication she has taken a keen interest in the activities, policies and achievements of the Board.

Believing that the purpose of such a publication should be to represent the engineering students and to unify them, Miss Harbarger has encouraged all students to take advantage of the opportunity to write material to be published. She has endeavored to produce a correlation between English classes and The Engineer so that work done in or for class might be published.

Having played an important part in the editing of each issue, Miss Harbarger's aid will be missed greatly by the entire staff.