In Memoriam

ISADORE TOPPER

On October 31, 1969, The Ohio State University College of Law lost a dear friend and devoted supporter with the passing of Isadore Topper. It is most fitting and proper that the staff of the Ohio State Law Journal dedicate this issue to his memory.

Mr. Topper was born in Toledo, Ohio in 1903 and received his public school education in that city. He completed his Bachelor's degree at the University of Toledo in 1925 and received his LL.B. from The Ohio State University in 1927. For over forty years he practiced law in Columbus, where he became one of the most respected attorneys and humanitarians in the city. Mr. Topper's learning and wisdom made him a source of counsel and advice for civic and political leaders at all levels of government.

His dedication to The Ohio State University College of Law was manifested in many ways. Students at the College have benefited directly from his generosity and the example he set for them through his maintenance of the highest standards of personal and professional conduct. In 1964 the College formally recognized his outstanding stature when it named him as the first recipient of the Student Bar Association's Outstanding Alumnus Award. A portion of the text of that award expresses the feelings of the Law Journal staff:

His acts of generosity have been an inspiration to his professional colleagues and a stimulus to law students. The prudence of his counsel and the consequences of his initiative have well served the College of Law.

In his eulogy delivered at the funeral, Mr. R. Brooke Alloway, his partner in the practice of law, referred to Mr. Topper's nickname, "Top," in the following words: "He was the Top, in character, ability, integrity and love for his fellow man." We are proud to dedicate this issue to the memory of such a man.