August Carl Mahr (1886-1970)

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Dr. Mahr's busy career included professional participation in the Mediæval Academy of America, the Modern Language Association of America, and the American Council of College Studies in Switzerland, and a position as Correspondent to the Society for the History of the Germans in Maryland. The Ohio Historical Society accorded him the distinction of an honorary life membership. He was also elected to the Catholic Commission on Intellectual and Cultural Affairs, Washington, D.C.

Dr. Mahr affiliated with The Ohio Academy of Science in 1942 and was elected a Fellow in the same year, indicating how well established was his professional reputation. He was a charter member of the Anthropology and Sociology Section of the Academy, and served as its vice-president in 1944. Members may recall that his widow, Elizabeth Transeau Mahr, is the daughter-in-law of an early prominent member of the Academy.

Dr. Mahr will be remembered by generations of students as a kind and stimulating teacher. They had a warm affection for him as a person and a deep respect for his learning. On occasion, students accorded him the unusual accolade of asking him to repeat a lecture they had just heard. His genuine human concern and his warmth and sincerity were infectious. Those who were privileged to know him, whether as an intimate friend or a casual acquaintance, cherish memories of this dedicated man.