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## LAST SERVICES FOR DEAN BESSEY IN MEMORIAL HALL

REVEREND M. A. BULLOCK IN  
CHARGE OF CEREMONIES

### BODY LAY IN STATE SUNDAY

Friends View Remains from Two to  
Three O'clock—Reverend Waite  
Assists in Services.

The funeral services of Doctor Charles E. Bessey were held at 3 p. m. Sunday in Memorial hall, only a few steps from the scenes of his active work for more than thirty years.

The services were marked by the simplicity and sincerity that characterized his life.

The hundreds that were assembled evidenced the brotherly esteem in which Doctor Bessey was held by all. Friends and admirers from the city and from other parts of the state, as well as students and members of the faculty and administrative forces of the University, came to pay their last respects.

A brief service was conducted by the officiating clergymen at the home at 12:30, when only relatives, members of the staff of Professor Bessey's department, and a few other very near friends were present. After this private service the body was taken to Memorial hall where it lay in state from two until three o'clock. During this time a number of the graduate students and assistants in the department of botany acted as guards and ushers.

Many people passed by the remains during this hour who could not find room in the chapel for the public service.

Many and extremely rich were the floral emblems that covered and surrounded the casket and the adjacent platform. These represented the most evident feelings of sympathy and appreciation from Dean Bessey's former students in many parts of the country and from friends who knew him outside of college halls.

Among the plants which were banked about the chapel were many palms, ferns, and other plants which Professor Bessey himself had secured for the University conservatories.

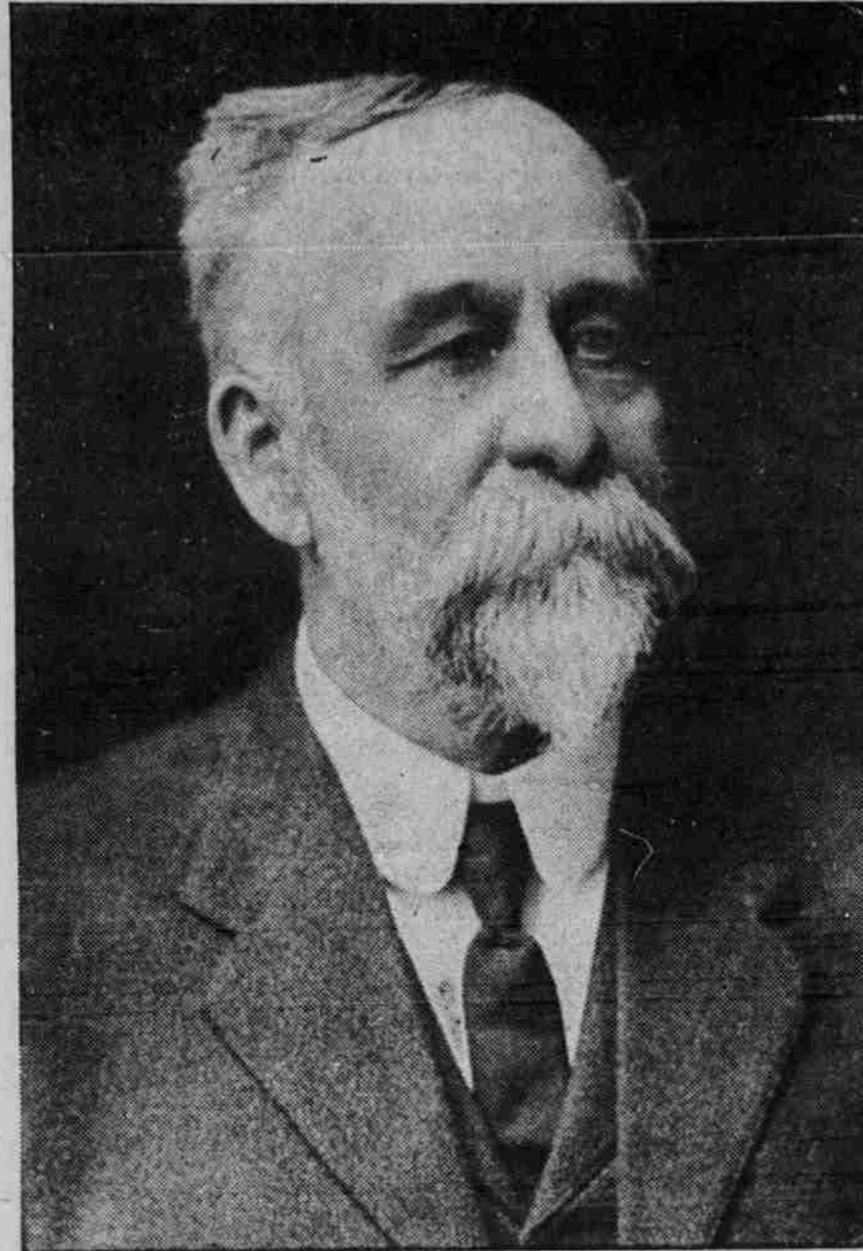
The public services which began at three o'clock were in charge of the Reverend M. A. Bullock, pastor of the Vine Congregational church, and an old friend of the family. He was assisted by the Reverend R. W. Waite, pastor of the First Congregational church, of which Doctor Bessey was a member for more than thirty years.

The services were opened by Mrs. Carrie B. Raymond, director of music of the University, with an organ solo, "Ase's Death" by Grieg. Following this the quartette of the First Congregational church sang "Lead Kindly Light," one of Doctor Bessey's favorite pieces.

Reverend Bullock read several fitting passages of Scripture, and Reverend Waite offered prayer.

Doctor Bullock stated, in beginning

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DEAN CHARLES E. BESSEY

### Social Events Postponed

Out of respect to the memory of Doctor Bessey, practically all of the University events for Friday and Saturday nights were cancelled. A club dance and the girls' basketball tournament, which were to have been held Friday night, were postponed. Only the fraternity formal parties and annual banquets which involve out-of-town guests remained on the calendar. The Wesleyan-Nebraska basketball game scheduled for Saturday night has been postponed until Wednesday evening.

"Punk," says a young lady to me, "you can't appreciate how hard it is for us girls not to look in when we go by a barber shop."—Daily Iowan.

### BELGIAN REFUGEES SEND WORDS OF THANKS

Letters of Appreciation to Kind People of America Sent by Destitute Belgian Refugees

So many Army people responded so generously to Mrs. Leonard Wood's appeal for contributions of warm clothing to the boxes she has sent from Governors Island from time to time this winter to the Belgian refugee camps near The Hague, that she feels they will be interested to know that every box has arrived safely and has been most gratefully acknowledged. The friend who has distributed the clothing at the camps says in a recent letter: "I must thank you again for all the splendid boxes. I distributed everything very carefully, and I am receiving such touching letters and all want their thanks to be sent to America, to the kind ladies that have given them so much comfort." Mrs. Wood is still sending out warm boxes of clothing. Contributions of summer clothing will be forwarded later.—Army and Navy Journal.

### WARRIORS GATHER UNDER TRUCE FLAG

High School League Debaters Organize—Next Meeting Will Be Held Thursday Evening

The Nebraska high school debaters met in U. 101 last evening and organized. Twenty-five ex-high school debaters were present, much enthusiasm was exhibited in the discussion as to the possibilities of such an organization.

The purposes of this club are: To take up the theoretical and practical study of parliamentary law, to discuss current political questions, to promote facility in the speech arts, and to further the interests of debating in the University and in the secondary schools of the state.

The following officers were chosen: President, R. B. Waring; secretary, E. D. Kiddoo; treasurer, D. Foster. The club will hold its next meeting in Law 202, Thursday, March 4, at seven-thirty.

### CLASS DEBATE WILL BE HELD TONIGHT

Juniors and Seniors Will Clash Tonight—Contest Promises to Be Very Close

The Junior-Senior debate, which was to have been held Friday evening, was postponed and will be held tonight. The junior team is composed of A. H. Krebs, Guy Chambers, and Sam Zimmerman. The Senior team is made up of Wm. Sadleck, Joe Filippi and David Swarr. These men have all been working hard and the contest promises to be close. The judges will be Dean Hastings, Professor Virtue and Professor Persinger. The debates will be at eight o'clock in U. 106.

### Buried Treasure in Mount Oread

Did you know that there is several million dollars worth of buried treasure in this hill on which we live? It's not gold or silver, however. It's aluminum. This mineral is worth about fifty cents a pound, but several years ago it sold for \$50. Clay itself is a large per cent aluminum.—Daily Kansan.

### A New Way to Save Pencils

Numerous persons have the habit of borrowing pencils and inadvertently sticking them in their pocket and going off without thought of the owner. A bank in Kansas has devised a method to put an end to this.

On the pencil is stamped the legend, "Stolen from the First National Bank of Lawrence." Very few pencils are missed.

### MISS POUND TO WORK WITH SPEECH COMMITTEE

Will Co-operate in Work of General Committee on American Speech—To Study the Defects

Miss Louise Pound, assistant professor of the English language in the University, has recently been asked to co-operate in the work of the general committee on American speech lately appointed by the National Council of English Teachers. The chairman of the committee is Professor F. N. Scott of the University of Michigan and the secretary is R. A. Lyman of the University of Chicago. The purpose of this committee is to encourage the careful and scientific study of important problems in the oral use of the mother tongue, such as the most common causes of defects in the American speaking voices, the most efficient methods of improving speech, the study of American dialects, of foreign elements in American speech, and many similar topics.

## FRIENDS OF DEAN BESSEY JOIN IN APPRECIATIONS

CHANCELLOR AVERY SPEAKS ON  
BEHALF OF UNIVERSITY

### VERSES FROM CLASSROOMS

Words of Appreciation From Men Who  
Knew Him Best—Cotner Uni-  
versity Adopts and Sends  
Resolutions

In simple tribute to the man, whom years of association and friendship have brought them to honor and love, persons from all parts of the land are sending to the saddened home of the late Dr. Charles E. Bessey messages of sincere condolence.

Especially touched by the passing of so revered a one of their number, the members of the faculty of the University have been quick to acknowledge their loss. The sorrow that the whole University feels has elicited, among the others, these true appreciations of the life and service of a noble man.

Through his long years of activity among us as botanist, teacher and man, Doctor Bessey's valued and devoted services to the University of Nebraska have become known to all the world. His death is not only a misfortune to the University organization, in the upbuilding of which the effort of the greater part of his life was spent, but also a direct personal loss to students, alumni and faculty people among whom he numbered his friends by the hundreds. With Doctor Bessey's family, the University feels the grief of this irreplaceable loss, and extends to the bereaved relatives its most sincere and heartfelt sympathy.

S. AVERY.

Professor Bessey's passing falls with almost crushing force upon those of us who are left as members of the staff of the department which he founded. After years of constant association with him, we can never become accustomed to the absence of his round and cheery voice in the corridor and classroom. We will miss his firm rap upon our door and we will never again hear his pleasant "Come in," when we rap at his door. But most of all will we miss his warm handclasp and the constant inspiration of his glowing and infectious enthusiasm and of his every-ready kindly counsel and fatherly encouragement.

The summation of the philosophy of life is found, according to Professor Bessey's own expression in the word LOVE. How truly he lived up to this philosophy only the faculty and those who have been his long-time associates in departmental work can fully know. No one has ever heard him speak an unkind word about anyone whom he knew. He even sought to temper criticism whenever possible. His whole-souled devotion to his family and to his chosen field of labor are perhaps the most impelling characteristics of his striking personality.

His success in retaining his youthful, optimistic spirit and his power of

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