

IN MEMORIAM

ROBERT P. BENEDICT, professor of government at Boston University, died in Hamburg, Germany, in April.

GARY L. BEST, assistant professor of government at Miami University (Ohio) since 1961, died in Palo Alto, California, of a cerebral hemorrhage at the age of 28. He took his Ph.D. at Northwestern University in 1960 and had taught at the University of Oregon before coming to Miami.—
ALAN S. ENGEL

ESSON McDOWELL GALE, born in Bad Axe, Michigan, December 8, 1884, well known as a Sinologist and a specialist on Far Eastern affairs, died in Bay City, Michigan, on May 15, 1964. He had been connected with the University of Michigan as student, teacher and administrator; and had taught at the University of California and at Northwestern University. He had served in official capacities several times in the employ

of the American government and for many years in the employ of the Chinese government (in which he became Associate Director-General of China's Salt Administration). He was three times decorated by the Chinese government.

He was the author of several books, best known among which is *Salt for the Dragon*. In recognition of his scholarly work in the sinological field the University of Leyden conferred on him the degree Litt. Ph.D. He was a founder member of the Association for Asian Studies.

After retiring in 1955 as Director of the International Center at the University of Michigan, he and his wife made a last trip to the Far East and he served, from 1957 to 1959, on the faculty as Advisor to the Asiatic Research Center at the University of Korea. After a series of heart attacks, death came to him in his 79th year. He is survived by his wife, Annie Heron Gale.—
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