

In Memoriam

Claude E. Hawley

Claude E. Hawley, Vice President of John Jay College of Criminal Justice and President elect of the National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration, died in New York City, on October 28, 1971, at the age of 57.

Dr. Hawley brought to John Jay College an impressive background of professional experience. With a Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of Chicago he held various college teaching assignments and visiting professorships at the University of Missouri, the University of Florida, and the University of Southern California, as well as senior executive posts with the United States Information Agency, National Security Resources Board and the United States Office of Education. He also served as consultant to the Library of Congress, the Civil Service Commission and the Department of Defense. He was President of the Helen Dwight Reid Foundation, a member of several national and international educational and charitable institutions as well as business and financial organizations. An active United States Army reservist from 1935 to 1965, Dr. Hawley held the rank of Colonel and was the holder of the Legion of Merit. Contributor to *Goals for Political Science*, and co-editor of *Administrative Questions and Political Answers*, and author of articles and book reviews, Dr. Hawley also served on the Board of Editors of the *Journal of Politics*, of *Higher Education*, of *Public Administration Review*, and of *World Affairs*.

Claude E. Hawley left no family, except a large family of friends. He was a man who often hid his virtues and displayed his blemishes but his prickly exterior tended to conceal the sensitive, compassionate and fiercely loyal man underneath. Consequently, many of his contributions went unappreciated except for his closest associates. But those who knew him, knew that, with Claude, his work was the essence of his life. Months before he came to the College, but after he had agreed to become its first Dean of Graduate Studies, he spent untold hours working on the development of the program he was to head — and from the beginning it was a stronger program than the College had a right to expect. It was Claude's painstaking work on the MPA program — his abiding academic love — that turned sneers at the upstart cop College first to grudging respect and then to full acceptance within the University and across the country, culminating in his election last spring as the next president of the National

Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration.

But perhaps graduate students appreciated him most. It was they who most readily discovered the surprising depth of that spring of compassion under the bristly exterior. No student ever found him too busy or too preoccupied to drop what he was doing to listen to a problem and to lend his best efforts to its solution, whether it was cutting some errant piece of red tape, or to help with a personal or academic problem, or simply to make some calls to friends who might give assistance. His impact on students was epitomized by the former graduate student — now, with Claude's help, a doctoral student at University of Southern California — who called in tears because he couldn't afford to come for the service and who concluded, "He helped me so much."

Claude had only limited knowledge of the police, but he had such a deep concern for students that the police tended to look on him as one of them, not understanding that he felt that way about all students. He always reserved a special place in his heart for the part-time student with a full-time job.

But his greatest contributions to the College did not lie in his obvious role in the development of graduate studies. For more than 3 years he was, first de facto and then officially, the College's Vice President. It is in that role that he became virtually irreplaceable. He was the one who cheerfully took on the difficult and unpleasant jobs, who was always there to cut the red tape, who tirelessly worked at getting John Jay College of Criminal Justice the national reputation he believed it merited, and who systematically cultivated the respect of every agency which might have an interest in the work of the College.

Claude E. Hawley will be sorely missed — at the College, and by his host of friends in and out of the academic world.

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