MEMORIAL RESOLUTION
Lee H. Mathews
(1909-1994)

Born in Farmington, Wisconsin  Lee Mathews received all of his formal education in the State of Wisconsin. After graduating from the City High School in Whitewater in 1927 he completed a bachelors degree at Whitewater State Teachers College in 1931. He taught mathematics in Greenwood, Wisconsin from 1931-1933. Lee completed a Masters degree in education (1935) and a Ph.D. in education (1939) at the University on Wisconsin-Madison.

He participated in one of the first research studies ever conducted on the impact of radio on teachers and students. This study was funded by the Rockefeller Foundation at WHA, Madison and was followed by a research project with Professor Louis Rath at Ohio State and service with the American Council on Education in Washington, D.C. Dr. Mathews then joined the faculty of Milwaukee State Teachers College in 1942 but interrupted this service by accepting a commission in the U.S. Navy which he served from 1943-1946 as an amphibious training officer.

He returned to Milwaukee State Teachers College in 1946 as a teacher educator and from 1948-1956 served as the Director of Field Services. In January, 1955 he was appointed to the rank of full professor and from 1956-1963 served as Director of Placement. From 1963 until his retirement in 1980 he served as assistant to the Director of Placement and Career Development. His scholarly publications focused on measuring teaching ability, assessing teacher needs and attracting capable males into elementary teaching. In 1980 he was named Professor Emeritus. Lee mathews passed away on December 14, 1994. He is survived by his wife Isabelle.

Lee H. Mathews will be fondly remembered as a caring model of professionalism by those he helped to prepare as teachers. To countless numbers of educators in the Milwaukee area and throughout the State of Wisconsin he will be remembered as the individual who helped get them their first teaching job. To all of those who served with him, he will be remembered for his devotion to the students and his commitment to high standards of excellence in the service of others.