

usual bibliographical ones exchanged by men in the profession. He was elected to membership in 1945, but on his retirement from active duty a year later his contacts with us ceased abruptly; he never attended a meeting. After a long illness he died on June 11, 1960, at the Naval Medical Center, Bethesda, leaving his wife, the former Lily Hazard McCalla of Santa Barbara, and one son, Commander Dudley Sargent Knox, USNR. C. K. S.

ARTHUR HOBSON QUINN

Arthur Hobson Quinn was born in Philadelphia on the ninth of February, 1875, the son of Michael A. and Mary (MacDonough) Quinn. After a lifetime in Philadelphia, he died there on October the sixteenth, 1960. Quinn was educated in the Philadelphia public schools, graduated with the class of 1894 from the University of Pennsylvania and in the fall of that year joined the Faculty as an instructor in mathematics. He transferred his activities to the English Department in 1895, where he remained for the next fifty-nine years. Quinn received his Ph.D. from Pennsylvania in 1897, spending the following year in further study at Munich. His progression through the academic maze was satisfactory, and by 1912 he found himself Dean of the College Faculty, a post he held for ten years. St. John's College awarded him a Litt.D. in 1918, Pennsylvania following suit in 1931. In 1939 he was appointed to the John Welsh Centennial Professorship of History and English Literature, a chair which he held until he became professor-emeritus in 1945, although he continued to lecture and take an active part in University affairs until 1954, when he retired.

It is safe to say that Professor Quinn's most significant contribution to American letters is the three generations of

scholars who were trained by him, but he also left an important body of scholarship. He is best known, probably, for his two volume *History of American Drama*, first published in 1923 and 1927. Poe studies were another forte, and he and Clarence Brigham exchanged many letters on this subject.

Quinn's relationship to the Society was largely confined to correspondence, and there is a great deal of the same for a twenty year period, commencing in 1927. His letters exhibit a lively interest in bibliographical matters and show him to be a man of warmth and toughness of mind. In 1944 he delivered a paper, "American Literature and Politics," at the only meeting he attended.

His time was taken up with many interests; the Modern Language Association, of which he was Vice President in 1922-23; American National Theatre; American Philosophical Society; Society for American Studies, and so forth.

Dr. Quinn married Helen McKee in 1904. She survives him, as do his five children, twelve grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

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ST. GEORGE LEAKIN SIOUSSAT

St. George Leakin Sioussat, a member of this Society since October, 1930, died at the age of eighty-two, on August 31, 1960.

Sioussat was the son of Albert W. and Annie (Leakin) Sioussat of Baltimore, Maryland, where he was born on the thirteenth of March, 1878. His mother published several books of local history which may explain the interest of the son in historical matters. After being admitted to the degrees of A.B. and Ph.D. at Johns Hopkins University, he commenced a long and distinguished career of teaching and historical scholarship which took him to Smith College, 1899-1904; the University of the South, 1904-1911; Vander-

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