

ELLA McCALEB

1856 - 1933

The death of Miss Ella McCaleb closed the life of one whose many years reached back well into the pioneer days of the college and gave her a vision of its growth now shared by only a few. In almost its entirety her long career was devoted to the service of her beloved alma mater. Even her short experience as a teacher in secondary schools helped her toward her ultimate duties as Dean.

Endowed with a kindly disposition and a deep sense of what is honorable Miss McCaleb was happily fitted to be a friend and counselor to the student body. While she fully appreciated the importance of scholarship she never forgot the value of character building as it touches both a decent industry and an intense loyalty to the principles upon which the college is based.

Nor did her interest in the students cease at graduation. Rather she maintained her contacts with the alumnae so successfully that her house was to them a homing place upon their return just as it had always been an hospitable hearth for undergraduates and faculty, and not least of all her small friends, the faculty children.

Properly she considered herself a liaison officer functioning between the college with its compacted interests and the outside world as it is represented by its alumnae.

In this memorial the faculty desires to record its deep sense of loss of a true friend and faithful servant of the college.

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