

MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

C. H. GILBERT (b. 1859)

In the death of Dr. C. H. Gilbert, Professor Emeritus of Zoology, the Academic Council of Stanford University has lost one of its most loyal and most distinguished members.

Born in 1859 in Rockford, Illinois, Dr. Gilbert was educated at Butler University and at the University of Indiana. He taught in the University of Cincinnati, and subsequently in the University of Indiana, where he was intimately associated with Dr. Jordan, who had years before been his teacher in the Indianapolis High School. He came to Stanford as a member of the original faculty which Dr. Jordan gathered around him when the University opened in 1891, and continued to serve as Professor of Zoology until his retirement in 1925.

Dr. Gilbert always held a prominent place in the life of the University. He was one of the group to which was entrusted the task of formulating the Articles of Organization of the faculty and was a member of the original Advisory Board. He continued to serve on the board for many years. He was for a long period the chairman of the Committee on Delinquent Scholarship, and brought to the difficult work entailed by that position the same high seriousness that marked his work as a scholar. If he was austere and unbending in performing these duties, it was plain to all that he was actuated by high ideals of conduct and of scholarship, and those who from time to time may have differed from him in matters of opinion or of judgment did so while retaining their respect for the man.

Besides his activity as teacher and investigator, Dr. Gilbert rendered signal service by his work in connection with the United States Fish Commission from 1889 to 1898; by his service as assistant to the International Fish Commission in 1900; and later as expert on Salmon Fishery for the United States Bureau of Fisheries from 1909 until his death.

We desire to record our deep respect for our friend and colleague, and our sense of loss in his death; and we direct that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Board of Trustees of the University and to the family of Dr. Gilbert.