

there was. His mind lives on, in his work, his students, and his students' students. The great task he set himself—to help to understand war and to abolish it—is still before us. Our hearts go out to those whose love sustained him for so long—Louise Wright, his wife, Rosalind Wright Harris, his daughter, and Christopher Wright, his son. But Quincy Wright's memory and voice remain in our thoughts and in our hearts, telling us to get on with the task he has left us.

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Vernon J. Puryear

Vernon J. Puryear, professor emeritus of political science at the University of California, Davis, died in Norman, Oklahoma, after a brief illness, on November 10, 1970. At the time of his death he was serving as Visiting Professor of History at the University of Oklahoma.

Professor Puryear was born in Sulphur Springs, Oklahoma, in 1901. He received his A.B. degree from Baylor University, an M.A. from the University of Missouri, and the Ph.D. from the University of California, Berkeley. His initial academic appointment was at Albany College in Oregon. Later he taught at Humboldt State College. In 1937 Professor Puryear was appointed to the faculty of the University of California, Davis, and from that date until 1952, except for the war years when he taught on the Berkeley campus, Professor Puryear was chairman of the Department of History and Political Science on the Davis campus. As the senior social scientist at Davis, he played an important role in planning the creation of a College of Letters and Science, which came to fruition in 1951.

Beginning in 1952 Professor Puryear taught courses in political science and, for many years, he had sole responsibility for offerings in the fields of international relations and comparative government. His teaching will be remembered by many and perhaps especially by students aspiring to careers in the Foreign Service. An inter-departmental major in international relations was the work of Professor Puryear, and the program was elected by many students, some of whom embarked upon successful careers in government service and teaching.

Professor Puryear's publications, in addition to articles and reviews, include four important books on the diplomacy of major European powers in the Near East. His book, *England, Russia, and the Straits Question, 1844-1856*, was awarded the Herbert Baxter Adams Prize of the American Historical Association in 1931. All of his major scholarly works were widely reviewed and were characterized by probing analyses of neglected archival records.

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