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This past semester a part of the law school passed into memory with the death of Professor Roy Moreland. Having joined the faculty in 1926, Mr. Moreland, as we all called him, is known by well over two generations of the Kentucky bar as an outstanding classroom instructor, a scholar of considerable stature, and a draftsman of the legislative reformation of this state's criminal laws. It is a criticism of recently proposed revisions of his revision of Kentucky's homicide laws which is the subject of the accompanying article by Mr. Moreland.

Having served many years as Faculty Editor of this Journal and continuing his contributions to it after his retirement from teaching in 1966, Mr. Moreland truly was the Law Journal's best friend, always anxious for its improvement. Though we enrolled in law school after his retirement from instruction, we came to know him and appreciate him as an eminent man of the law, despite the inevitable effects of the advance of age. We can therefore, well echo the words Dean W. L. Matthews chose upon Mr. Moreland's retirement as containing continued truth to the moment of his death in his law school office:

His concern for everything that affected the College was expressed often in his advice and counsel both to students and to faculty. Sometimes caustic and always witty, this comment and advice—whether soothing or abrasive—always had an effect on the listener. It was never limited to the classroom, and arose equally as well from the corridors, or his office, and the ones advised would be certain to remember the points made and who made them.

A man who, like Roy Moreland, dedicates his life to enthusiastically teaching and counseling students has dedicated himself to the development of others. To such a man the most fitting tribute is that which can sincerely be said of Roy Moreland: He Is Missed.