



OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

March 16, 1954

I regret to announce the death at his Winchester home on March 15th of Professor Emeritus Harold K. Barrows, '85, a nationally-recognized authority on hydraulic engineering who served for thirty-three years on the faculty of the Department of Civil and Sanitary Engineering. He was 80 years old.

Professor Barrows was born in Melrose, and following his graduation from the Institute was associated with the Newton city engineer, the Metropolitan Water Board, and the faculty of the University of Vermont before returning to M.I.T. in 1910 as associate professor of hydraulic engineering. Professor Barrows was named professor in 1921 and, following his retirement in 1940, was an honorary lecturer for three years.

A specialist in hydraulic water power, water supply work, and flood control, he was employed as a consultant by many state, public utility, and power commissions. He headed a flood control study in New England and New York, acted as advisory engineer for the New England District of the Reconstruction Corporation, and was regional consultant for the National Resources Commission. Professor Barrows was also the author of numerous books and papers in the field of hydraulics.

A past president of the Boston Society of Civil Engineers, he was a member of the American Institute of Consulting Engineers and the American Society of Civil Engineers, and a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Professor Barrows is survived by his son, Kilbrith Jordan.

Private funeral services will be held in Winchester on Wednesday, March 17th.

J. R. Killian, Jr.  
President

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