



OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

November 4, 1957

I regret to announce the death on Saturday, November 2, of William A. Wilson, Professor of Mechanical Engineering. He was 44 years old.

A native of Richland Center, Wisconsin, and a graduate of Columbia University, Professor Wilson joined the M.I.T. faculty in 1949 as associate professor and was promoted to a full professorship in July of this year.

His fifteen years' association with research and development in American industry began with a 1934 appointment as experimental engineer at Westinghouse Electric Corporation. During and after World War II, he was development engineer and mechanical division engineer in charge of gas turbine developments at the Elliott Company.

Professor Wilson is survived by his wife, the former Eleanor Lawson, and by four children, Carla L., Kathryn H., Grant M., and Douglas J. Wilson. Memorial services will be held at the White Church, Lincoln Center, at 2 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon, November 5. It is requested that flowers be omitted and that those who wish may contribute to the Cancer Fund.

J. R. Killian, Jr.
President

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