



OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

August 11, 1958

To Members of the Faculty:

I regret to announce the death of Professor Emeritus Charles B. Breed on August 9 in Camden, Maine. Professor Breed, Head of the Department of Civil and Sanitary Engineering from 1934 to 1944, was widely known as a consulting engineer and author of engineering textbooks. He was an authority on the elimination of grade crossings, and served as consultant to several state public utility commissions on problems pertaining to valuations, bridges, traffic control, pavement design and performance.

Born in Lynn, Professor Breed graduated from M.I. T. in 1897. The following year he returned to the Institute as an Assistant in Civil Engineering, and remained an active member of the faculty until his retirement in 1946. He became an Assistant Professor in 1907, Associate Professor in 1910, and Professor in 1914. From 1940 to 1942 he served as Chairman of the Faculty.

Professor Breed was co-author, with Professor George L. Hosmer, of a two-volume book on Principles and Practice of Surveying, for many years the standard text. He also wrote a short text on surveying, a surveying instruction manual for the Armed Forces Institute in World War II, and many technical articles and reports. In 1940 he was made an honorary member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, the highest individual honor that the Society bestows. He was a past president of the Boston Society of Civil Engineers and of the New England Railroad Club, national honorary member of Chi Epsilon, honorary member of Tau Beta Pi, and a member of numerous other professional groups.

He was the husband of the late Elsa P. Edson Breed, and leaves two sons, Charles A. of Newtonville and David E. of Branford, Conn., and a daughter, Mrs. Donald A. Campbell of Wilbraham, Mass.

Funeral services will be held at the Camden Congregational Church at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, August 12. It is requested in lieu of flowers, gifts be sent to the Camden Memorial Hospital.

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