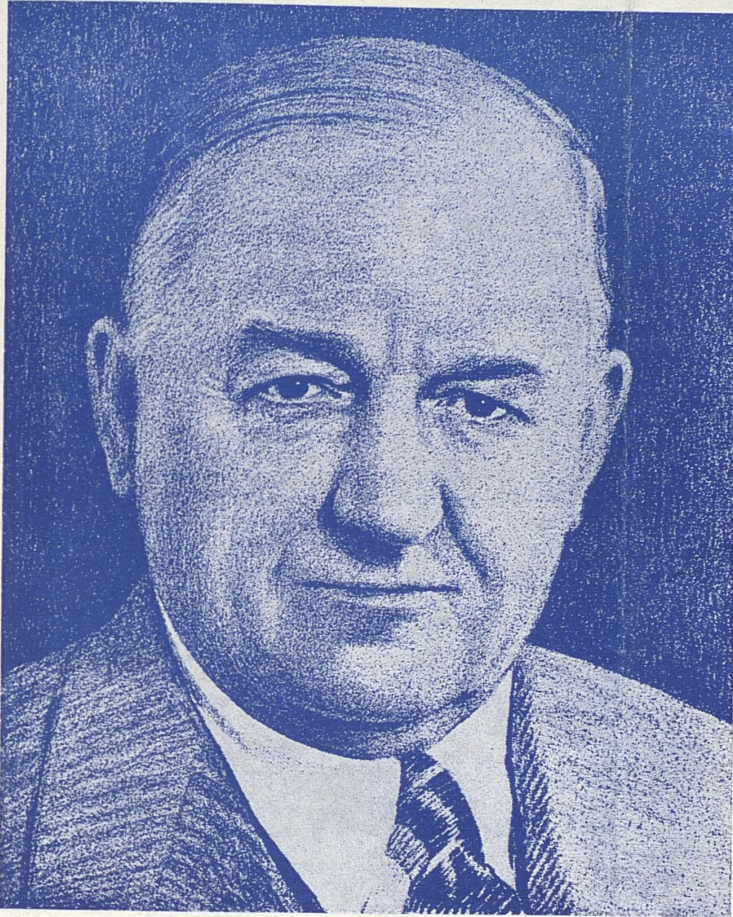


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James Graves Scrugham, 1900

## KENTUCKIAN ELECTED UNITED STATES SENATOR BY ADOPTED COMMONWEALTH

James Graves Scrugham, who was elected United States Senator of the State of Nevada, November 3, 1942, is a native of Kentucky, a graduate of the University of Kentucky in 1900 and has had one of the most fantastic careers of any of those men of destiny who were graduated under the guiding directions of "Little Paul" and became engineers, teachers, leaders even beyond their own State.

"Jim" Scrugham accepted that familiar slogan of "Go West, young man, go West" and shortly after graduation took up his residence in Nevada. Within three years he was teaching in the University of Nevada and in 1916 was made Dean of the Engineering College. Of course Jim, like every other Kentucky A&M College graduate, had his training in military tactics and served in the Army from 1917 to 1919, leaving the service with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel and upon returning to Nevada he took up his duties again as engineer, acting on the Public Service Commission for four years and in 1923 he was elected Governor of Nevada, an office which he held four years. From 1933 to 1942 he was representative in Congress from Nevada and was elected last November to the Senatorship to fill out the unexpired term of Senator Key Pittman.

Since the United States entered the present war, Senator Scrugham has been called upon to serve as Lt. Colonel, Anti Aircraft Artillery, in training camps at Ft. Monroe, Va., and in Camps Haan, Callan and Elliott, California.

For eight years Congressman Scrugham served on Naval Appropriations Committee of the House, the last four years as chairman, passing upon and authorizing approximately fifty million dollars worth of Naval construction and has specialized in the radio echo fire control for Anti-Aircraft Artillery.

It is safe to venture the opinion that no part of Senator Scrugham's career has been more interesting or beneficial to his constituency than his work as a member of the original Colorado River Commission which promoted the Boulder Dam project which was built at a cost of one hundred and sixty million dollars. While on the Engineering Advisory Board of the Boulder Dam Power Project he placed his services at the disposal of Presidents Wilson, Harding, Coolidge and Hoover. Back and forth in the interest of this magnificent undertaking Mr. Scrugham went while the World War I, President Wilson's retirement, President Harding's death, many other unforeseen events stalled the work and plans were delayed and held up. In spite of all handicaps the great engineering was accomplished and Boulder Dam constructed. Legislation of benefit to mining and metallurgy, reclamation and road-build-

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## POSTHUMOUS AWARD MADE TO FRED B. HILL

Lieutenant Fred B. Hill, who was killed in action on November 8, 1942, during the North African invasion, has been awarded the Purple Heart posthumously for wounds received in combat. The announcement was sent by the Adjutant General and was received by Lieutenant Hill's parents, Mr. John P. Hill and Mrs. Hill of Somerset.

Lieutenant Hill was graduated in May, 1942 from the University of Kentucky, College of Arts and Sciences, majoring in Journalism. He was sports editor for the Kentucky Kernel, sports editor for the 1942 Kentuckian and publicity manager for the University athletics department while at the University and reported for active duty in the Army in July at Camp Wheeler, Ga.

The citation reward of the Purple Heart is exclusively a United States award and is given for a wound received in action.

## INSTALLATION SERVICE FOR GRADUATE OF UNIVERSITY

The Reverend Robert Jules Raible was installed as minister of The First Unitarian Church of Dallas, Texas, on Sunday, January 10, 1943, at 11 o'clock. The services included music, Invocation, Scripture, Prayer of Installation, Response, Welcome to the Civic Community, Welcome to the Religious Community, Welcome to the Southwestern Community and the Act of Installation which in churches of the Unitarian Order recognizes the relationship between the minister and the congregation and to the challenge of the Chairman the Minister and the Congregation (standing) respond in order.

Dr. Raible, son of Mrs. C. P. Raible of Louisville, attended the University of Kentucky from 1927 to 1921. As a theological student he attended Harvard University and his first assignment was as assistant minister of the First Parish in Cambridge. Before entering on his duties in Texas, he was for several years pastor of All Souls Church of Greenfield, Mass.



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### LEST WE FORGET—

The University of Kentucky, whose more than 2,500 former students are serving in the armed forces of the United States, receives daily messages of missing, imprisoned and dead heroes whose deeds of loyalty and patriotism are recorded in the daily papers and broadcast over the radio. Since the last publication of the Alumnus in November eight Kentuckians, graduates and ex-students of the University, have paid with their lives for their determination that 'no man can fight for me.' Some reported missing last fall have been located in Japanese and Spanish prisons and three new names were reported among the missing.

#### OUR HONORED DEAD

William B. Bywaters, Ex  
Ashland, Kentucky  
Virgil E. Beasley, Ex  
Lexington, Kentucky  
Fred Bruce Hill, 1942  
Somerset, Kentucky  
George S. Lawrence, 1941,  
Cadiz, Kentucky  
John William Montgomery, Ex  
Falmouth, Kentucky  
R. Lee Crowe, Ex  
Stanton, Kentucky  
William Herbert Popplewell, Ex  
Jamestown, Kentucky  
Letelle Stephenson, 1941  
Lexington, Kentucky

#### THE MISSING

John Sheridan Cole, 1941  
Nicholasville, Kentucky  
John S. Yankey, Ex  
Lexington, Kentucky  
William Ross Yankey, 1936,  
Lexington, Kentucky

#### RECEIVED CITATIONS

William Nelson Boaz, Ex  
Paducah, Kentucky  
Richard Samuel Starks, Ex  
Midway, Kentucky  
Thomas Wesley Spickard, Ex  
Princeton, Kentucky  
Victor Edsel Comley, 1942,  
Nicholasville, Kentucky  
Gordon Sympson, 1937  
Bardstown, Kentucky  
Fred B. Hill, 1942  
Somerset, Kentucky

#### PRISONERS REPORTED

A. P. Adair, III, Ex  
Paris, Kentucky  
William W. Buckhold, Ex  
Hazard, Kentucky  
Edward A. Cave, Ex  
Paducah, Kentucky  
William Henry Gentry, Ex  
Harrodsburg, Kentucky  
Basil Jones Gilbert, Ex  
Lexington, Kentucky  
James L. Leggett, 1937,  
Lexington, Kentucky  
Edwin Wilson Rue, Ex  
Harrodsburg, Kentucky  
George Alger Van Arsdall, Ex  
Harrodsburg, Kentucky  
Irvine C. Scudder, Ex  
Lexington, Kentucky  
Norman Aaron Wides, 1939  
Lexington, Kentucky

#### FRANCES WILSON HOUSE ENTERS FAMOUS ARMY SCHOOL

Frances Wilson House, 1930 graduate of the University, is one of the sixteen WAAC officers to attend the Command and General Staff School of the United States Army at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, beginning February 8.

#### '42 HOME EC GRAD IN WAVES

Miss Josephine Howard, 22, daughter of Mr. Joseph Howard and Mrs. Howard, Versailles, has been accepted as a candidate for officers training school in the Waves. Miss Howard was graduated from the University of Kentucky in May, 1942, having majored in Home Economics.

#### U. K. POLITICAL SCIENCE HEAD TO JOIN U. S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Dr. Amry Vandembosch, head of the department of Political Science at the University of Kentucky, left January 1 to join the division of special research of the Department of State, at Washington, D. C. He has been granted an extended leave of absence from his duties at the University.

A member of the executive council of the American Society of International Law, Dr. Vandembosch was granted a leave last year to act as special Dutch East Indies advisor in the division of special information, Office of Coordinator of Information, at Washington.



Miss Wehle Now In England

Miss Ruth Dowling Wehle, who joined the American Red Cross military division for overseas service in November, is now on duty in England. Miss Wehle enlisted November 6 and took her preparatory instruction in Washington, D. C. and New York City. She has been assigned to duty with the rank of a lieutenant with the entertainment unit of the Red Cross, which travels as guests of the Army.

As an undergraduate on the campus Miss Wehle was honored by her associates who selected her for distinction many times and she was the representative of the University at the Pine Mountain Laurel Festival and the Rhododendron Festival at Asheville, N. C. She was selected May Queen in 1938 and was a member of Cwens, Mortar Board, Pan Hellenic Council, Phi Beta, Strollers and Guignol, and Alpha Gamma Delta.

Miss Wehle devoted much time and interest to the Community theatre and portrayed star roles many times for the Guignol. After graduation she was a member of the staff of Columbia Broadcasting System in New York for nine years and resigned from that position to enlist in the American Red Cross for overseas duty. As far as our records go she is the first of the University alumnae to receive an overseas assignment. Since the organization of the Stage Door Canteen a year ago in New York Miss Wehle took an active part in its entertainment features and also as hostess, as only notables of the stage screen and radio were eligible for this service her membership was all the more complimentary.

#### MISS FLORENCE LEACH

##### BECOMES A WAAC

Mary Florence Leach, Lexington, a senior in the College of Arts and Sciences, majoring in elementary education, was called January 12, 1943, to take up her duties as member of the Woman's Army Auxiliary Corps, for which she had enlisted last December. Miss Leach was ordered to Daytona Beach, Florida, where she has taken training in Administration. She had planned to continue her work in the University during the Winter quarter and had enrolled and classified.

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**CLYDE JOHNSON BRINGS FIRST ALL-AMERICAN FOOTBALL TITLE TO KENTUCKY**

Kentucky went 51 years without football All-Americans, but when Clyde Elmer Johnson did turn up this fall he certainly showed the ability, determination and attitude that it takes to make a successful athlete. He was big enough to make up for what we might have missed in the past decades.

That massive hulk of humanity, six feet, six inches tall, tipped the meter at 238 pounds, and on the gridiron he was a Wildcat in the full sense of the word, though off the field he was as quiet and assuredly as unassuming as any one could be.

Johnson, following the Tennessee game this fall, became the first All-American in the history of football at the University when he was selected as the left tackle on the Associated Press charmed eleven. He had previously been named on the All-Southeastern Conference squad, and all opponents roster of Vanderbilt, Alabama and West Virginia.

For the native Kentuckian, he hails from Ashland, it was a distinction that Kentucky gridgers have sought for years, but one that was never attained—not even by Kelly, the Davis boys, or Kercheval.

Clyde, "Big John" to his mates, earned the honor the hard way—in the line, digging and pounding for 50 minutes of every contest in his three years of collegiate football. That in itself is enough to justify some honor—playing 50 minutes of every contest.

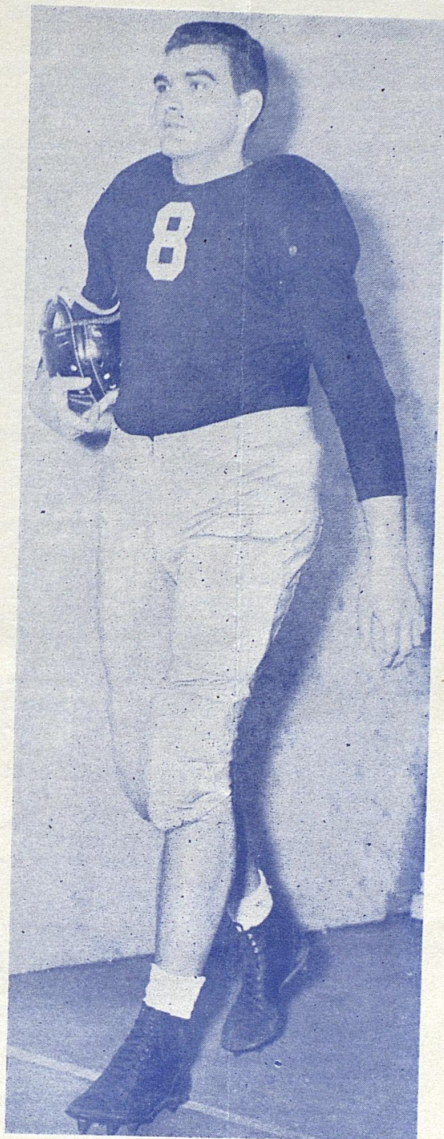
In his three years, he missed just two contests, and then he was so stoved up it was an utter impossibility for him to walk, let alone play football.

The Tennessee game in 1941 "Big John" was on the sidelines with a painfully injured knee. Two years ago against Southwestern, he was out with a bruised back.

At the conclusion of the season, Johnson was named a tackle on the Blue-Gray squad, the fourth player from the University ever to be chosen to participate in this game. Playing almost three quarters, John's Gray mates won handily over the Northerners, 28-0. John will be graduated from Advanced Military this June, and then he'll start to fight on the biggest team of them all—Uncle Sam's Army.

Majoring in physical education, with a good standing in academics, Johnson has impressed his associates and opponents with his quiet dignified manner. Down south the men who met him could not believe that this quiet, self-effacing man could be an All-American and if he was it certainly had not 'gone to his head' as the saying goes. Accepting compliments and congratulations in the most retiring fashion he has not hesitated to express his appreciation and the assistance of his fellows and the importance of his coaching.

Between halves at the Kentucky-Vanderbilt basketball game in Alumni Gymnasium, Tuesday night, January 26, which Kentucky won 39-38, Clyde Johnson was presented with a traveling bag by the "K" Club and with a gold basketball, suitably inscribed, a gift from the staff of the athletic department.



All-American Johnson

**JAMES GRAVES SCRUGHAM**

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ing can be traced to Mr. Scrugham's farsighted vision and the success of many interior projects may be attributed to his judgment and leadership.

Like many successful men whose public interests have taken them beyond their profession even into hobbies, Senator Scrugham was at one time owner, editor and publisher of the Nevada State Journal. His classical learning, studies which he pursued back in Kentucky along with his technical training, gave him the ability required for successful editorship and the instinct that is born with most Kentuckians for keen discernment in matters of politics have evidenced their existence in the life of James Graves Scrugham, now United States Senator from Nevada.

**BASKETBALL TEAM LEADS CONFERENCE AT MIDSEASON**

The Kentucky Wildcat basketball team, champions of the Southeastern Conference last year, has had an interesting record so far this season culminating the schedule up to date by defeating Notre Dame in the Jefferson County Armory, Saturday night, January 23, before a crowd estimated at more than 7,000. It was the first win over Notre Dame in a nine-game series. The game was full of thrills and both teams played a style of basketball seldom seen in any land, and decidedly wonderful to the many Kentucky fans, who realized throughout the game that the 'Cats had a big job to do.

Kentucky started her season by losing two games, one of which was in the Armory at Louisville. The first game was lost to University of Indiana, December 23, and the second to Ohio State in Lexington on New Year's night. Both games were well attended.

In the Southeastern Conference Kentucky has met Georgia at Athens and Tennessee and Georgia Tech on their own floor. The basketekers on their first southern swing of the campaign came from behind in the Tennessee game to eke out a narrow 30-28 victory and one night later the Kentuckians went on to Athens where their victory of 60-28 over Georgia was overwhelming.

In the language of a sports writer "the toughest game of the swing" was against Georgia Tech. After trailing for the major portion of the contest Kentucky rallied late to edge out a 38-37 victory.

Vanderbilt and Alabama are yet to be met for two games each and others are scheduled for Tennessee and Georgia Tech and an outside game with DePaul, Chicago, before the 'Cats face a tournament series in Louisville. Tickets are being reserved for the post season game with Great Lakes, in Louisville, on March 6.

The personnel of the Wildcat squad includes Ticco, Davis, Noel, Brewer, Landers, Akers, Parker, Rollins, Barlow, Webber, Hamm and Althaus.

**COACH KEMPER RESIGNS TO TAKE ARMY POST**

D. C. Kemper, athletic director and Science teacher at University Training School since 1929, reported January 20 for duty in the chemical warfare branch of the United States Army. He entered the Army as a second lieutenant.

**"RUPP AND READY"**

"He's Rupp and Ready," that is the title of Esquire's personality feature on Baron Adolph Rupp, the master of Kentucky basketball wars, in the February issue. "Rupp and Ready" was written by Jimmy Jones, former Courier-Journal sports writer. Jones first met the Baron of basketball back in the early thirties when he was playing the trade on the Atlanta Constitution. It's as funny as locker-room chat with the Baron and it's good reading.



### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HOLDS MONTHLY MEETING

The Executive Committee of the Alumni Association has held three meetings since the publication of the November Alumnus. The monthly meetings are held on the second Monday, usually at the Lafayette Hotel, with individual members acting as host or hostess for the dinner which precedes the business hour.

At the November meeting the committee voted to send 2,000 copies of President Donovan's address, "When A University Goes to War," to Alumni and to the Kentucky Press. Many letters of appreciation have been received by President Donovan on the expressions of policy and prospective action on the part of the University.

At the December meeting the Committee voted to request the cooperation financially of the University in sending news to the University men and women now in the service. The matter was presented to the Board of Trustees and the Alumni Association was authorized to prepare a publication which would be sent. It was decided to prepare about sixteen columns of printed matter of the length of the weekly Kernel and send it to the service men and women in a sealed envelope as first class mail. The Secretary of the Alumni Association and a committee composed of Helen King, Niel Plummer, Don Grote was named to do the mechanical work; the staff in the Alumni office to address and mail the sheets and the University to defray the expenses. The first edition was placed in the mail January 23.

Coach Rupp was a guest of the Committee for the December meeting. He was as usual very frank in discussing the possibilities of the basketball season which was about to open and also expressed his opinion about how we could expect to get good athletes from Kentucky and beyond. The Executive Committee went on record as expressing their desire that athletics be continued.

Bernie Shively announced the testimonial dinner to be given by the business men in honor of Kentucky's All-American football player, Clyde Johnson. It was suggested that a letter of congratulations be sent to Johnson and that Mr. Shively represent the Executive Committee at the dinner and on behalf of the Association he was asked to present the All-American with a War Bond.

Coach Ab Kirwan was a special guest at the January meeting and in the absence of the president and vice-president, Dr. Cronly Elliott, past president, presided and it was reported that the end of 1942 found 1,613 paid-up members in the Association. A letter of appreciation was read from Clyde Johnson and he inclosed dues for membership in the Alumni Association and wrote "I am glad I came to the University and will be proud when I graduate that I can be an alumnus of the University. I am enclosing \$1.00 for my Alumni dues for the first year after I graduate. In all probability I will be in the Army and away from Kentucky next year but I want my name to be among the members of the Alumni Association next year." Coach Kirwan talked over the future of athletics on the campus with the Committee expressing the opinion that the field house would help the sports greatly and he complimented Coach Shively on the development of Clyde Johnson.

### GREEN NAMED MANAGER

C. Hunter Green, a graduate of the University of Kentucky in the class of 1927, has been named district manager of the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company, Inc., at Louisville.

Mr. Green, who is a native of Louisville, was educated in the Louisville public schools and was graduated from the Louisville Male High School in 1922. Following his graduation he worked one year in Louisville before entering the University of Kentucky in the fall of 1923.

One of the outstanding men on the campus during his college career, Mr. Green maintained a high scholastic standing and participated in many extra-curricular activities. He was a member of Sigma Chi social fraternity, Keys, Mystic Thirteen, the SuKy Circle, and held offices in each of these groups. He was graduated in three and one-half years, remaining out of school the first semester of his senior year, to return in February and graduate with his class in June, 1927.

Mr. Green began work with the Southern Bell Telephone Company in Louisville on July 15, following his graduation from the University, and has remained with the company ever since. During his fifteen years he has served in every capacity in the commercial department, from clerk to the present position of district manager, which he assumed January 1 of this year.

He is active in many civic organizations in Louisville.

Mr. Green is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Green, 208 Kennedy Court. His wife was the former Miss Estelle Wright, also of Louisville.

### CURTISS-WRIGHT SELECTS CADETS

Louise Wells, Bloomfield, Education sophomore, and Mary Catherine Heath, Frankfort, Arts and Sciences junior, have been selected by the Curtiss-Wright Corporation to be Engineering Cadets under a new program recently begun by that company in an effort to prepare more engineers for its wartime organization which is expanding. Miss Wells and Miss Heath will enter one of the engineering schools cooperating in the program sometime between February 1 and 15. Schools to which they may be assigned include: Cornell, Iowa State, Minnesota, Purdue, Pennsylvania State, University of Texas or Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

### SWIFT PARRISH

Swift Parrish, 56, a member of the graduating class of 1907 and an active member in the Alumni Association since graduation, died at his home in Lexington Monday, January 18. He is survived by his parents, Mr. Dabney Parrish and Mrs. Parrish.

Mr. Parrish attended private schools for his elementary training and was graduated from the University with a degree in Engineering, minoring in the Natural Sciences. He was one of the committee on entertaining the class of 1907 at its 1942 reunion. He was a member of Sigma Chi fraternity. At the time of his death he was employed as a bookkeeper for the Greyhound Bus Company.

### McHENRY RHOADS

McHenry Rhoads, 84, retired member of the faculty of the College of Education of the University of Kentucky, died Saturday, January 16, at the Good Samaritan Hospital after an illness of ten days. He was retired from active campus duties in the spring of 1928, when he was 70 years old, and spent the following summer travelling in Europe.

Mr. Rhoads' life from the age of 18 years was devoted to educational work. He taught and studied the remainder of his life. He received a master's degree in 1833 and was honored by a doctorate from Georgetown College in 1923. In 1891 he was elected superintendent of the city schools at Frankfort and in 1911 came to the University of Kentucky as professor of secondary education. He was granted a leave by the University to serve for four years as State Superintendent of Public Instruction after which he returned to his duties in the University where he remained until his retirement.

Professor Rhoads was the author of many articles for educational journals and his "Analysis of Educational Legislation was published in 1935.

One daughter, Mrs. E. P. Hatter, of Franklin, Ky., and five sons survived Mr. Rhoads. Major Wayland Rhoads of Camp Gruber, Oklahoma; Captain Harold Rhoads of Fort Benning, Ga.; and Private Raymond Rhoads of Camp Shelby, Mississippi were called to Lexington by their father's death. George William Rhoads came from Chester, S. C. and Crawford C. Rhoads and Mrs. Hatter were with their father when he died.

### HENRY E. CURTIS

Henry E. Curtis, 73, a member of the staff of the College of Agriculture of the University of Kentucky for 54 years, died at the Good Samaritan Hospital in Lexington, November 11, 1942. Professor Curtis was retired August 30, 1939, but continued some of his duties until his health failed.

At the age of 14, Henry Curtis matriculated in the Academy of the old A & M College and having passed the entrance examinations was admitted to the College the following year. His association with the Experiment Station dates back to 1885 when he was 16 years old and was employed as a graduate assistant. After his graduation in 1888 he became a full time employee of the institution. In 1896 Professor Curtis became head of the fertilizer-control division and continued with the University until his retirement.

As an alumnus Mr. Curtis was an active helper of the organized Association and could be depended upon at all times to assist substantially in any undertaking. He served as president in 1896, having been at various times, a member of special committees, often as chairman, member of the Executive Committee and vice-president. He became a member of the Association early when the value of the membership fee was unusually important to the organization.

Resolutions on the death of Professor Curtis were written by the College of Agriculture and Home Economics and the Kentucky Experiment Station and he was the subject of an appreciative editorial which was published in the Lexington Herald.