

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Since 1945 he has been president of George Peabody College for Teachers in Nashville.

From 1935 to 1939 Dr. Hill was a member of the executive committee on Curricular Problems and Research of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, and in 1949 he was president of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. In 1946 he was a member of the United States Education Mission to Germany. He has been active in many other educational organizations and has contributed a number of articles to educational journals. Since Dr. Hill has been president of Peabody College he has taken a keen interest in the Tennessee Academy of Science and has faithfully supported this society.

Dr. Hill was married to Elizabeth Eloise Wilkes in 1922. They have one daughter, Adrienne Wilkes (Mrs. K. W. Todd).

JESSE M. SHAVER, HONORARY MEMBER OF THE TENNESSEE ACADEMY OF SCIENCE

Dr. Jesse Milton Shaver was highly honored at the Oak Ridge Dinner Meeting of the Tennessee Academy of Science, November 27, 1953, by a special program at which tributes were paid him by Dr. Henry H. Hill, President of George Peabody College for Teachers, Dr. John A. Behnke, Administrative Secretary of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, Dr. Nathan Woodruff, Assistant Manager for Operations, Atomic Energy Commission, and Dr. A. J. Sharp, President of the Tennessee Academy of Science and Head of the Department of Botany of the University of Tennessee. Dr. Shaver was presented a scroll indicating honorary membership in the Academy and a purse full of money by Dr. Sharp in behalf of the Tennessee Academy of Science in appreciation of Shaver's work for the Academy as editor of the *Journal of the Tennessee Academy of Science* for the last twenty-five years. Dr. Shaver wishes to express his gratitude for all of these honors.

Since Jesse M. Shaver is retiring from editorship of the *Journal*, it seems fitting to give a brief summary of his life so far, below.

Jesse was born at Gerber, Lookout Mountain, Walker County, Georgia, November 29, 1888. His early education was in a one-teacher three-month-per-year mountain school. Later, he attended the Lookout Mountain High School and then Central High School at Chattanooga. He worked his way through high school by carrying the afternoon paper (winning first prize in a city and county contest to increase subscribers), and by odd jobs. From here he went to the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, majoring at first in engineering and later in agriculture. He worked his way through the University by carrying the morning papers, waiting on tables, and doing numerous odd jobs. During his junior and senior years he was student assistant in botany. His degree, obtained in 1915, was B.S.A. He was a member of Phi Kappa Phi (the academic honor fraternity), Alpha Zeta (the agricultural honor fraternity) and other college



organizations. He secured the master's degree from Vanderbilt University in 1921, the Ph.D. degree from the University of Chicago in 1928, with zoology as a major, and was awarded the honorary Doctor of Science by Tusculum College in 1950.

Doctor Shaver has been a member of the faculty of George Peabody College for Teachers since 1915, first as instructor, then assistant professor, associate professor, and finally professor of biology and head of the department. He is now emeritus professor of biology having reached retirement age. He has been president of the Tennessee Ornithological Society, secretary for three years, and later president for three years, of the Wilson Ornithological Club. He is a member (a restricted class) of the American Ornithologists Union, a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, a member of the Wilson Ornithological Club, the Tennessee Ornithological Society, the American Fern Society, the Tennessee Academy of Science, and other organizations.

He was married in 1915 to Daisy Rule of Concord, Tennessee. There are six children, two boys and four girls. All are married and have their own homes with the exception of the older boy, Milton, who is single.