

College Flag at Half Staff As Death Takes First Dean

The flag was at half-staff today at College of Mines for Dr. Stephen Howard Worrell, first dean of the college.

Dr. Worrell died yesterday in Hawaii. He was 58.

Tribute to his memory will be a part of the assembly period Wednesday at 11 a. m. at the college. President Wiggins said today.

In 1913, Dr. Worrell talked Governor Colquitt and President Mezes of Texas University into agreeing to establish a branch of the university in El Paso. They were his personal friends. Dean John W. Kidd said today.

East of Fort

The State Legislature made the appropriation in 1913. The college was established in 1914 east of Ft. Bliss. Dr. Worrell was dean from 1914 until 1923. Dean Kidd worked with Dr. Worrell during those years. He was professor of engineering. He succeeded Dr. Worrell as dean in 1923.

In 1916, the College of Mines main building and equipment were destroyed by fire. Dean Worrell went to Austin in January, 1917, and was responsible for the Legislature's making the appropriation for new buildings on the present site. That appropriation was the only educational appropriation bill passed at the regular session.

Dr. Worrell left El Paso to return to engineering in Mexico. After two years, he went to Honolulu where he was engaged in construction work.

Goes to Honolulu

He was a graduate of Texas University in the class of 1902. He did graduate work at Colorado School of Mines. He went to Mexico as a mining engineer after his Colorado college studies. Then he returned to Texas University to take a position in the Bureau of Economic Geology.

Dr. Worrell is survived by his widow.

At Mrs. Worrell's suggestion, the Tibetan architecture for the Mines buildings was chosen.