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IN MEMORIAM

RALPH ROBERT NEUHOFF, 1894 - 1964*

The knowledge that he would thoroughly disapprove if he were still alive makes commemorating Ralph R. Neuhoff difficult. He rarely felt that his achievements were worth mentioning. Yet they are memorable.

He was a successful practicing lawyer, everywhere recognized as an expert in his fields of taxation and estate planning. He was an outstanding scholar whose publications spanned almost fifty years. The appended bibliography lists one book and forty-five articles, but does not mention the twenty-eight book reviews that appeared in legal journals or the uncounted occasional pieces he composed regularly. These traits of scholarship and dedication he brought to the classroom, where he added those of patience and cheerfulness. No answer, however misguided, ever was so far off the target as to be useless. We on the LAW QUARTERLY remember him best for the time he generously gave as a member of the Advisory Board.

In short, Ralph Neuhoff was an anachronism. Practitioner, scholar and teacher, he was dedicated in an age of cynicism, generous in an age of greed, cheerful in an age of gloom, modest in an age of vanity. We will miss him.

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