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It is fitting that the 1949 *Ames Forester* has been dedicated to Professor Gilmour Byers MacDonald. It is to him that credit belongs for the first *Ames Forester* and for the Forestry Club which sponsored it. Yet we students at that time thought that the idea and the decisions were ours. It is thus that Prof. Mac builds professional foresters.

For nearly forty years Prof. Mac has directed the course of the Forestry Department at Ames. During that period the forestry student body has grown from a mere handful to more than three hundred. With the growth in student enrollment has come an enlarged faculty and an expanded curriculum. The standards have been raised to meet present needs.

One might expect that management of a large department at Iowa State College would be a full-time job. But not so with Prof. Mac. His limitless energy has enabled him to become a national leader in Scouting, a city councilman of Ames, and a leader in Rotary; and for years he was a member of the Council of the Society of American Foresters.—More space would have to be allotted were I to list the many other civic, religious, and professional responsibilities redeemed by Professor MacDonald during the past forty years.

I might sum up by saying that he is and long will be a fine tradition at Ames. This year’s *Ames Forester* does honor to itself in dedicating this issue to Doctor Gilmour Byers MacDonald—Prof. Mac to all of the readers.

—Lyle F. Watts