

## In Memoriam's

### Henry Edward Abt 1904—1962



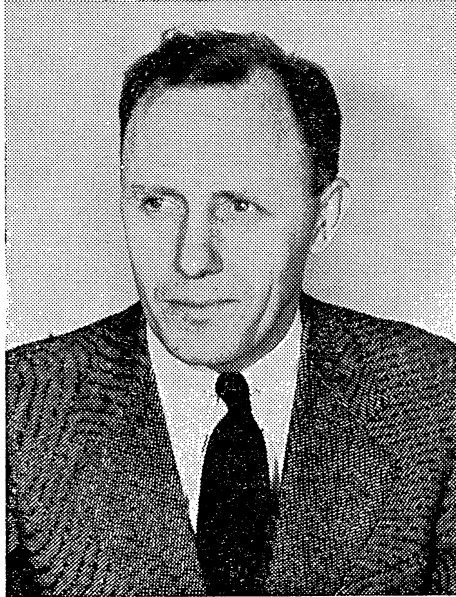
On November 29, 1962, the *ANS* lost one of its charter members, Henry Edward Abt, who had also been a Sustaining Member of the Society. An eminently successful business man, since 1945 Mr. Abt had been the president Brand Names Foundation, a membership corporation representing advertising agencies and advertising media. The group's aim is to strengthen the position of manufacturers' advertised brands.

Born in Chicago and a graduate from Cornell University, he served in various advisory capacities for Cornell, Ricker College, Wells College and Hobart College. He was the author of *The Care and*

*Education of the Crippled Child*, published in 1924, and other books and articles. He was one of the country's authorities on local stamps — that is, the issues of city postmasters before, and for a short period after, the Federal Government issued its first postage stamps in 1847. Mr. Abt was a trustee of the Philatelic Foundation of New York, a fellow of the Royal Philatelic Society in London, a member of the American Philatelic Society, the Collectors Club of New York, and the Society of Philatelic Americans. His loyal support to the *ANS* was particularly helpful during the early years of the group's existence.

## Arthur Minton 1904—1963

On February 2, 1963, at the age of 59 Arthur Minton died when he underwent surgery which had been expected to be minor. Thus the *ANS* lost one of its most enthusiastic workers and most ardent supporters. His onomastic activities included a lengthy three-part article on real estate names, and other publications in *Names*. For several years he had been an officer of the Society: during 1961 and 1962 he was Chairman of the Membership Committee, and since 1961 he



had served as a member of the Board of Managers. He had also appeared on the annual program — in December of 1962 at the Washington convention he read a paper entitled “*The Battle of Bunker Hill: an Onomastic Anomaly.*”

Born in New York City in 1904, Mr. Minton held an M.A. degree from the College of the City of New York, and had done graduate study at Columbia University and the University of Wisconsin. Until his retirement in 1957 he was a teacher in the New York City schools; and for a number of years he was an editorial consultant for the educational publications of the Wesleyan University Press. He contributed steadily to linguistic, educational and sociological journals, and in May of 1958 published a special supplement to *American Speech* which consisted entirely of his own papers. Survived by his wife, Margaret, and a sister, Mrs. Stuart Hedden, possibly Mr. Minton’s most significant achievement for the *ANS* was his outstanding work in connection with the obtaining of library membership while he was Chairman of the Membership Committee. A warm personal friend to those who knew him, his passing will be regretted by all with whom he had any contact.