A Tribute to Frank Long

FRANK M. LONG, '08as, '09 M.A., for seventeen and a half years Y. M. C. A. secretary at Porto Alegre, Brazil, has returned to the United States to make permanent residence at Knoxville, Tennessee.

When he and his wife left the South American country, newspapers there printed more than twenty-seven yards of copy in tribute to the great work done by the Longs. Their son, Frank, junior, came to Norman last year from Porto Alegre to enter the University.

One of the newspaper articles published by the Correio do Pravno at Porto Alegre carried the headline, "Two Worthy Educators of Youth, To the Couple Frank and Eula Long." A translation of the tribute follows:

"... In a few days you will leave this hospitable country, the country of your beloved children, to return to that great country, the United States. You go, after more than twenty years of important service rendered to this country, in a just and also patriotic cause, as if it were to the same country where you were born. With what pleasure you will tread your own land, reporting on the intense work you have done, always useful and most admired by the Greeks and Trojans.

"Dear Frank—You made athletics, basketball and other sports; more than this, you made the Y. M. C. A. organ not only of its members but of all Rio Grande do Sul, because it is today a great center of physical and intellectual education. How much effort it all represents! And as a corollary, you have left this monument—this dignified building, headquarters for youth, in which to educate itself, learn to love its own things and make itself useful to the community.

"Dear Eula—Now, two words thanking you for your beneficial action among our women, publishing useful books, writing for the papers, giving excellent advice; in a word, showing woman what is her true career. You gathered together our youth and taught them the great duties of life; you side-tracked them from what was harmful, always aided by your companion in struggles, your unselfish husband.

"Happy, a thousand times happy a couple that lives and labors for the welfare of their neighbors!...

"To conclude, these brief lines go to those who direct you, those in the United States, asking, nay, imploring them, not in my name, but in the name of all who recognize your noble virtues and your love for our land, that they make you return.

"All yearn for your return, because it will be useful not only to the Y. M. C. A., but to a young manhood grateful for all the benefits rendered.

"Dear Frank and Dona Eula—Your mission has not been entirely fulfilled; it still lacks a final effort for its greatest glory. You will, therefore, make known to the great leaders of the Y. M. C. A. the need we have of your service, your intelligent work.

"You will receive your rest within a few years more, when, with the same enthusiasm of today, we shall cover you with flowers for all that you have done for the education of a youth that is to guide the high destinies of its own country.

By A. Fortini."

(Sr. Fortini is the dean of the reporters of the Porto Alegre papers, a man very highly esteemed for his many services to the community. He is a Roman Catholic and leader in the life of his church.)

Ross Taylor to Kentucky

Ross Taylor, '30as, '33M.A., has been elected to the English department faculty at Centre College, Danville, Kentucky. During the past year he has been secretary in the national De Molay office at Kansas City.