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BIOGRAPHY

Archibald Ellsworth Minard was born in King's County, Nova Scotia on January 18, 1878. He moved to the United States with his parents in 1889. Minard earned both a bachelor's and master's degree from Harvard University. In addition, he also studied at the University of Chicago, University of Wisconsin, and Oxford University in England.

Minard became an instructor of English and Philosophy at North Dakota Agricultural College (NDAC) in 1904. He was head of the English Department and later served as Dean of the School of Applied Arts and

Sciences from 1919 to 1949. Minard also served as acting president of NDAC from July to September 1929, after Dr. J.L. Coulter resigned. Minard resigned from his position as dean in 1949, but remained in the school as a professor of philosophy. Minard was a member of Phi Beta Kappa, American Association for the Advancement of Science, National Education Association, and the North Dakota Education Association. In addition, he was author of NDAC's school song, "The Yellow and the Green."

Minard married twice, first to Gladys May Pease on September 2, 1908. She died December 23, 1939. On August 6, 1941, he married Mrs. Elita Olson McArdle.

Minard died May 9, 1950 in Bethesda, Maryland. Friends and colleagues provided a memorial shelf of books on philosophy and science in the NDAC library in his memory. The science building, which housed the School of Applied Arts and Sciences, was rededicated as Minard Hall on June 4, 1951

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