

**ALDEN HART SAWYER**, of the Class of 1927, eminent member of the banking profession, devoted servant of the College, and for more than a decade, treasurer of the College. After graduation from the College, he entered employment in New York City, returning to Maine in 1931 as assistant trust officer of the Fidelity Trust Company in Portland. Two years later he joined the National Bank of Commerce of Portland, with which he was associated until 1958 when he joined what is now the Maine National Bank, where he rose through various positions to become its president. In the years since he returned to Portland, he has held numerous responsible positions, including the presidency of the Maine Bankers Association and of the Corporate Fiduciaries Association of Maine, as well as being a member of the executive council of the American Bankers Association, and the chairman of the Stockholder's Advisory Committee of the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston. His contributions to civic organizations, ranging from the American Red Cross to the Maine Home for Boys, have been legion. For Bowdoin College, he has always reserved a special place in his affections, and his record of service to the College is extraordinary. A member and former president of the Alumni Council, he has also served as chairman of the Alumni Fund, treasurer of the Sesquicentennial Fund, class bequest chairman, active worker in the 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Campaign, president of the Bowdoin Club of Portland, and Overseer and Trustee of the College since 1954. It is little wonder that he was the recipient of the Alumni Service Award, the highest honor the Alumni Council can bestow on an alumnus. Wise in the advice he has offered, prudent in the oversight of the College's resources, far-seeing in the growth and development of recent years, he has always brought credit to the College and bestowed upon it a devotion that none could surpass.

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