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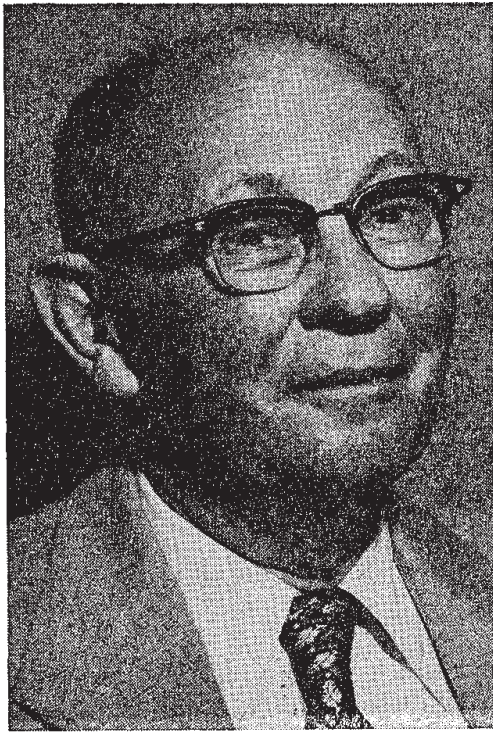
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William Knox Gardner, Professor of Law at Cleveland-Marshall Law School for the past thirteen years, was awarded the degree of Doctor of Laws, Honoris Causa, at the School's Commencement ceremonies in June of 1959. As Professor Gardner received the degree which granted to him "the honors, rights and privileges appertaining thereto," one knew that the only privilege, right, or honor dear to his heart

was to serve well his chosen profession. This he indeed has done with distinction.

Professor Gardner has given useful working tools to the entire legal profession in Ohio. In July of this year he completed his monumental six-volume work on "Pleadings and Practice." For years, "Gardner's Ohio Civil Code" has been a "must" in almost every Ohio court library, law school and law office. His journal articles are anticipated with great interest. An article written by him appears in this issue. We hope that he will contribute many more to this Law Review.

Besides the written word, Professor Gardner has unselfishly given to many persons "tools in aid of execution." His office door is never closed to anyone, nor does time limit his devotion to the legal problems of students, alumni, and professional colleagues. His joy is service to those who ask his aid.

Professor Gardner is a "self-made" man—a lawyer who "read law" in the old tradition. He acquired his basic legal education from Blackstone's Commentaries and from Swann's Treatise, after having been invited by a prominent Cleveland lawyer, the late George H. Eichelberger, to "come with me; I want to make a lawyer out of you."

Today, he has both the Doctor and Master of Laws degrees. Far more important than either of these degrees, he possesses in the highest measure that attribute which gives life and warmth to the cold logic of law—love and respect for the dignity of his fellowman.