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Headed For Florida!

Retired Law Professor Leaving City After 34 Years

Hugh E. Willis, retired Indiana University Law professor, will move Wednesday to Fort Lauderdale, Fla., after spending 34 years in the city of Bloomington.

The 80-year-old law professor said today that he has sold his home at 836 E. Sheridan Drive where he has lived almost the entire time he has been in Bloomington. He said he plans to spend the summer months on an estate near Fredericksburg, Va. Professor Willis' wife died last Dec. 29, and his sister now makes her home with him.

Prof. Willis came to Indiana University as professor of law in 1922, and held that position until his retirement in 1945. Before coming to Bloomington he was Dean and Professor of Law at the University of North Dakota.

He was born in Stratton, Vt., Feb. 27, 1875, receiving his A.B. degree from Yankton College in South Dakota 22 years later. He also received the degrees of A.M. and LL.D. from Yankton, later receiving the degrees of LL.B and LL.M from the University of Minnesota.

Prof. Willis is the author of several publications on the practice of law and law questions, among them are, "The Law of Social Justice," "Farmers's Manual of Law," and the "Constitutional Law of the United States."

Chief Justice of the Supreme Court Harlan F. Stone once wrote Willis, "You are the only one who has ever written on the Constitution of the United States who has the right approach to the subject."

The professor told of other judicial personalities as having written him about his works. He said he received a letter from Supreme Court Justice Benjamin Cardozo in which the law-maker said, "I turn to your book often in hours of perplexity."

Other letters he said he had

received were from Senator Paul Douglas of Illinois, Dean Acheson, and Wendell L. Willkie.

Professor Willis said since his retirement he has been engaged in writing of a treatise on the greatest subject he has ever undertaken to write about, "The Goal of Life." He will continue to write on this subject, he said, after moving to Florida. He hopes to make visits to Bloomington in the future.



PACKING UP—Prof. Hugh E. Willis, 80, packs his books to leave for Fort Lauderdale, Fla., after 34 years here. He is a retired teacher in the I.U. School of Law.