Frank and Ann Sutherland lived far apart in Canada until World War I. At that time Frank, a graduate of McGill University in Quebec, was sent to Pat’s Field near Ann’s home at Sidney, Vancouver Island. It was here she first noticed the short, but erect young soldier whose bearing exuded more purpose than some others her age. And most recently Frank had become acquainted with the Church of the Nazarene, meeting in a storefront church in Victoria with its message of “heart holiness.”

Soon the war took Frank to France where he was seriously wounded “first time over the top.” Evacuation to a hospital in England followed by a medical discharge saw Frank lose little time in looking up the girl he had left behind and they were married that same year in Oregon City.

The day after the wedding, they took the train to Nampa where Frank was employed as a professor of modern languages at Northwest Nazarene College in 1918. Two years later, with Dr. H. Orton Wiley’s reluctant blessing, the Sutherland’s sailed to China with some twenty other missionaries bound for China, India and other countries. They and their three sons were the only foreigners who lived in the walled city of Chengan for a period of five years.

Lack of mission funds brought the family home in 1926, where Frank served as history professor at Northwest Nazarene College for the next ten years. In 1936 they returned to North China with three sons and two daughters. Two older sons, John and David, remained at NNC to continue their education. During this missionary tour they lived in Taming where Frank was principal at the Bible School and Ann supervised the mission book store. In addition, she helped in the Bible School and played the organ for Sunday School. On Sunday afternoon she, along with other members of the Christian Workers Band, rode their bicycles to surrounding villages to spread the “Good News” of the Gospel.

In 1941, with the threat of widening war, the family returned to the United States where Frank rejoined the NNC faculty and taught until his retirement in 1960. In 1966 he became NNC’s first archivist, a position he held until his death in 1970.

Across the years, various family members have been told how an encouraging word from father helped an NNC student at a time they needed it. He made a lasting impression on students and faculty alike. At NNC’s 75th Anniversary Celebration, he was selected by former students as “Professor of the 1920’s Decade.”

Ann, who died in 1987, was a loyal wife, faithful supporter, family historian and loving mother to the family of five boys and two girls, most of whom graduated from NNC’s grammar school, academy, college and one from Samaritan’s Nursing Program. Ann also liked to cook and garden and used the produce from their abundant garden to provide meals for the family and hundreds of guests across the years, many of whom were either from the college community or missionaries passing through Nampa. Ann’s immediate family went on into the fields of medicine, teaching and business.

**Criteria for the Award**

1. The candidate's life should demonstrate practice and appreciation of Christian values and show promise for Kingdom service.

2. Nominations should be made through the Director of Financial Aid and added consideration shall be given to those recommended by the Chairman of Religion and Philosophy.

3. Special consideration shall be given to candidates preparing for full-time Christian service, with strong emphasis on missions, either foreign or domestic.

4. The general award requirements, including full-time sophomore student status and a 2.5 GPA, apply.

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