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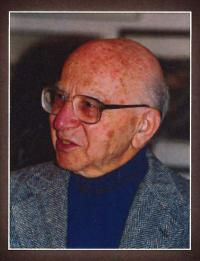
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IN CELEBRATION OF

ERIC STEIN

1913-2011



THE POPLARS OF EAST AND WEST

Even the poplars of Bohemia marching along the lonely road fade in the descending darkness after sunset in the foreshortening landscape leaves fluttering in the gentle evening breeze simple, stolid, without pretense hordes from the West hordes from the Fast come, stay - go? no freedom left in the darkening land or in the home only in the heart The poplars of Flanders marching along the abandoned canal bent by the icy western winds from the sea with long memories of sturdy ships loaded with luxurious vestments of the crackling sounds from Spanish muskets hordes from the West hordes from the Fast an interval now of freedom. good life for the burghers and internal discord The poplars of the meseta of Castile scattered clumps of stragglers from defeated armies

if you observe long enough they vanish in the island of dark oak woods emerging again after a longish while marching toward the horizon which holds desperately on a dark cloud pulling and pulling until freed propelled by the wind races exuberantly across the blue sky The great kings are buried in the Escorial the great inquisitors the noble errant knights the buccaneer explorers all vanished with the curse of power The poplars of Michigan, weather beaten guarding the white-red light house the white gleaming in the July sun the red muted in the November fog moving in from the steely, churning lake the fog horn droning a melancholy dirge Since the last Indian moved North nothing - but nothing ever happens only the passing of seasons in the established order Peace - and seagulls

-Eric Stein

WELCOME

Virginia Stein

and

Evan Caminker

Dean and Branch Rickey Collegiate Professor of Law

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Reception Immediately Following

