

ROBERT BRADFORD FOX, Ph.D. (Chicago)
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The National Museum, Manila, Philippines, deeply regrets to announce the passing away of DR ROBERT BRADFORD FOX, former curator of its Anthropology Division, at the age of 67. He served this institution with distinction since 1948, as well as the University of the Philippines and PANAMIN (Presidential Assistant for National Minorities).

While performing the duties of Dean of Brent School (Baguio City) in 1975 and of consultant to the President of the Philippines on anthropological matters, Dr Fox suffered a stroke which impaired his speech and right arm, preventing him from pursuing his teaching and research work. Subsequent strokes consigned him to the home for indefinite rest and recovery.

As anthropologist serving the Philippine Government, Dr Fox's name will be associated intimately with pioneer work in Philippine and prehistoric research, and for having led the Tabon Caves research project which was responsible for the discovery of Late Pleistocene human fossil remains and associated stone implements. He also initiated exploration and excavation in the Cagayan Valley on sites of Early Man and ancient megafauna, as well as systematic work on sites containing protohistoric trade ceramic wares. His monographs on the Tagbanua of Palawan and the Pinatubo Negritos of Zambales, as well as on the Tabon Caves, are outstanding contributions to Philippine anthropology.

Among his awards are the following:

1. Rizal Pro-Patria Award of the Republic of the Philippines (1964).
2. Foundation Award in Philippine Anthropology from the Research Foundation in Philippine Anthropology and Archaeology, Inc. (1964).