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"Mysticism and Science" will be the topic of social psychologist Dr. Ralph Hood, Jr., University of Tennessee-Chattanooga, when he delivers the Samuel C. Ratcliffe Lecture Thursday, Apr. 2, at Illinois Wesleyan University.

The program, which will be open free to the public, will be at 7 p.m. in the Davidson Room of Memorial Student Center.

The lecture series, which honors Dr. Samuel C. Ratcliffe, professor of sociology, emeritus, a member of the IWU faculty from 1927-60, is sponsored by the Social Science Division and the Religious Life Committee of the Student Senate.

In addition to the lecture, Hood will visit various classes Thursday and Friday, Apr. 2-3, to speak on such topics as "The Substance of the Scientific Study of Religion," "Research Methodology," "Mysticism" and "Methodology of the Scientific Study of Religion."

A graduate of U.C.L.A., Hood holds a master's degree from California State at Los Angeles and earned his doctorate at the University of Nevada. He taught at U.C.L.A., Nevada and South Dakota State University before going to Chattanooga in 1970.