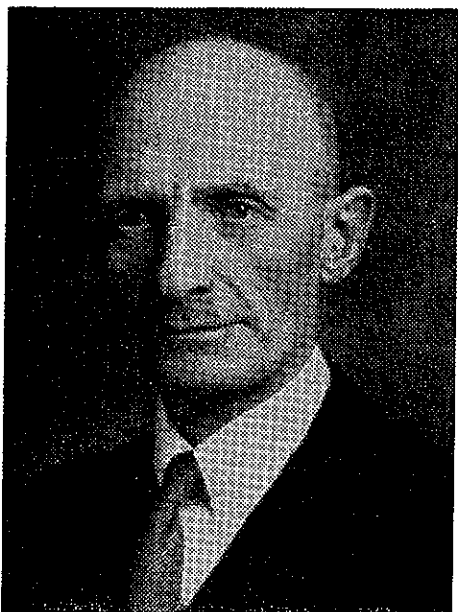


PROFESSOR SAMUEL RUTHERFORD CRERAR

Professor Crerar was born on March 5, 1876, on a farm near Brussels, Ontario, where he attended public school, stopping at 12 years of age to help at home on the farm. When he was 19 he returned to school, prepared himself for teaching, and taught in a country school for a few years. He earned the S.P.S. Diploma in 1904 and B.A. Sc., University of Toronto in 1905. About the year 1907 he was married to Jean McArter.



He joined the Staff in Surveying as a Fellow in 1906, received promotions through the various academic ranks to full Professor in 1943. Professor Crerar retired on June 30, 1946.

When the University of Toronto Survey Camp was established in 1919, he took a major part in laying out the grounds and monumenting the area for student problems prior to attendance of the first class the following year. He was a thoughtful and patient teacher, always interested in the students' problems and painstaking in his efforts to lend clarity to his instruction. More than one present day surveyor can remember being helped in his apprenticeship days by Professor Crerar's willingness to give of his own time on Saturday afternoons to instruct them in mathematics and astronomy.

Professor Crerar was admitted to practice as an Ontario Land Surveyor in 1906, and during his early years on the University staff spent a number of summers on township layout surveys in Northern Ontario where one township bears his name. He was also a Dominion Land Surveyor, and did some work in Manitoba. Later he was active as a consultant on civil engineering and land surveying work in Southern Ontario. Several subdivisions in the Toronto area were laid out by him.

Professor Crerar was an active member of High Park Presbyterian Church, and later of Erskine United Church where he was superintendent of the Sunday School and for several years an elder. In his latter years he attended Kingsway Lambton United Church. He was for many years an active member of High Park Curling Club.

Professor Crerar is survived by two daughters—Jean, Mrs. Douglas Garrett of Acton, Ontario, and Eleanor, Mrs. Robert Christie of Toronto, and two sons—J. Ross Crerar of Leamington, Ontario, and J. Stewart Crerar of Toronto, both of whom graduated in engineering from the University of Toronto. There are 10 grandchildren.

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