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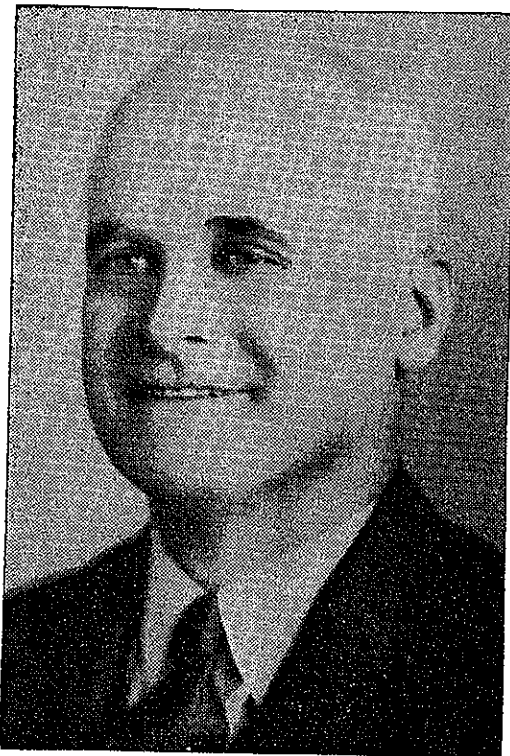
ering firm. In 1924, he returned to Windsor and established a practice as an Ontario Land Surveyor and Civil Engineer which he carried on to the date of his death.

Suddenly, as the result of a heart attack, Mr. Rolfson, at the age of 69, passed away on July 15th, 1954, and was buried in Lakeview Cemetery in Leamington. Throughout his life he had been an active member of the Anglican Church, and the burial service was held in All Saints Church in Windsor.

Mr. Rolfson, who was a bachelor, was an ardent and active Mason, and in that fraternity had risen to high preferment being a Royal Arch Mason, as also a Knights Templar, and a Mystic Shriner.

LIEUT. WILLIAM JESSIMAN FLETCHER
O.L.S., B.Sc. (Queens), M.E.I.C., Prof. Eng. (Ont.)

Lieutenant Fletcher was born in the Township of Tilbury East in south-western Ontario on October 3rd, 1885. His parents were John and Isobella (nee Dawson) Fletcher. These parents lived to long spanned ages, his father dying at age 98, and his mother at age 91. Our subject died at age 70.



In the country school of Tilbury East he received his childhood education, and was a student of no mean ability. Subsequently his education was received in the public school at Chatham and also the Collegiate Institute and Model School there. Thus he became well trained to enter the teaching profession which he did for about two years. However, higher education was calling him, so he entered Queen's University at Kingston, Ontario on an engineering course, graduating with the degree of B.Sc. in 1910.

Subsequent to graduation he was for a year in charge of a Canadian Pacific Railway irrigation survey in western Canada and then, in 1911-12, was a drafting designer with the Canadian Bridge Company at Walkerville Ontario. In 1913 he became an assistant to J. J. Newman, O.L.S. at Windsor, and on May 21st, 1915, was commissioned as an Ontario Land Surveyor.

He enlisted in the Canadian forces during World War 1, chose the engineers, and served in France until the cessation of hostilities. When fighting ceased he was one of those who went with the British forces to Russia at the time of the Bolshevik uprising. There he was in command at Vladivostock until the return of those forces in 1919.

In that year he was returned to Canada, discharged, and returned to Windsor to resume his surveying and engineering practice which he carried on until his death at the age of 70 years, in 1955.

BIOGRAPHIES

His practice was extensive and embraced many phases of municipal improvements. But aside also from his local surveying practice, he did survey many mining claims having had experience in prospecting for silver in Gowganda in 1908.

Mr. Fletcher was a staunch Presbyterian, active in the Masonic Order, a member of the Gyro and Algonquin Clubs, the Community Welfare and a lover of sport. Hockey, baseball and golf were to him of particular appeal.

His was a kindly, genial nature and well liked by all with whom he came in contact. His death was a matter of great regret to those of his city and our Association who knew him.

To mourn his passing were his widow, the former Anna Smith, and two daughters, Margaret (Mrs. Gordon Stubberfield) and Elizabeth (Mrs. Clark Campbell).

GORDON FOSTER SUMMERS O.L.S., D.L.S., B.A.Sc. (Tor. Univ.)

On April 14th, 1955, at the age of 77 there passed from our midst one of the best liked members of our Association. Never known to be out of good humor, ever courteous, kindly and helpful Gordon was a gentleman first and a land surveyor afterwards.

He was born in the town of Winchester, in south-eastern Ontario, on October 14th, 1878, his parents being James S. and Sarah Summers. In the public school there and later in Morrisburg Collegiate Institute he received the grounding that fitted him for entrance to Toronto University. He enrolled in an Arts course in 1903, but in 1904, switched to Engineering, graduated in 1907, but later in 1909, became a B.Sc.

His O.L.S. apprenticeship was served with Charles H. Fullerton, a former Surveyor General of Ontario and a former secretary of our Association. Mr. Summers received his admission to practice as an Ontario Land Surveyor on May 11st, 1908. In that year he joined the staff of Laird and Routly in Haileybury which was then in the throes of mining fever on account of rich silver mining at Cobolt, just 4 miles away. In 1910, Routly and Summers formed a partnership which continued until 1917. During this period the partnership also engaged in engineering and in road construction, Mr. Routly looking after the latter work which was in southern Ontario and Quebec. In 1917, the partnership was dissolved—Mr. Summers continuing the survey practice, and Mr. Routly the construction.

Amongst the very many surveys Mr. Summers made may be mentioned the

