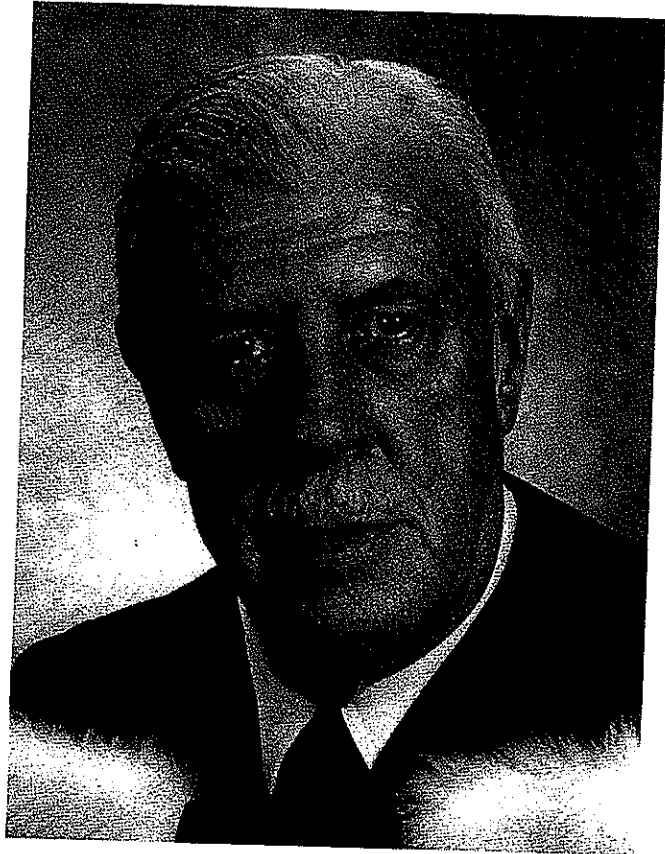


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Dave commenced his career with the Survey Department of Ontario Hydro in the mid 1940's and was commissioned as an O.L.S. in June 1946. He worked in the field in the latter part of the 1940's conducting engineering and legal surveys primarily for hydraulic generating sites in the Ottawa Valley.



About 1950, Dave was appointed District Surveyor for all of Northern Ontario. In this capacity, he would oversee all survey work associated with the construction of several new hydraulic projects in the James Bay watershed and many new transmission lines into developing mining centres as well as the first E.H.V. lines from James Bay to Toronto.

Dave succeeded the late C.E. Stauffer as Chief Surveyor in 1969. During the ensuing period the Surveys and Mapping Department continued to expand with the staffing of District Offices, Photogrammetry and Titles Sections. Dave was always in the forefront in the use of the latest survey technology, staff development and computer developments applicable to land surveying.

Dave was a highly respected administrator and friend to those of us who were privileged to be associated with him.

On a more personal note, Dad completed his B.A. from U of T in 1988 having taken most of his courses during his tenure as Chief Surveyor. A strong and proud family man, Dad was well known for his dry sense of humour and his love for his Scottish heritage. He was a very knowledgeable man; an avid reader of history and world affairs. In the winter months, he spent many hours working on his model railroad set-up.