

ASSOCIATION OF ONTARIO LAND SURVEYORS



ALBERT RONALD WHITTIER, B.Sc., O.L.S.

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Mr. Whittier attended Queen's University, where his studies were interrupted at the end of his third year for overseas service in World War I in 1918-1919. He returned to Canada with the rank of major. In 1920, he graduated from Queen's with a B.Sc. in civil engineering.

After graduation, he worked for Dominion Bridge Co. in Montreal. On May 30, 1925, he was commissioned as an Ontario Land Surveyor, having served articles with T. H. Bartley, O.L.S., of Ottawa.

From 1938 to 1954, Mr. Whittier was superintendent of the Rideau Canal, in the then Department of Railways and Canals. He became Assistant Director of Canal Services in the Department of Transport and finally Chief Operations Engineer, Canals. He ceased to be an Ontario Land Surveyor on January 31, 1950, and retired from government service in 1961. From 1942 to 1945, he served three terms as Honorary Secretary-Treasurer of the Professional Institute of the Civil Service of Canada.

Mr. Whittier was an elder of Southminster United Church, Ottawa, and a Mason, having risen to 32nd degree in the Scottish Rite. He resided at 84 Grove Avenue, Ottawa.

On April 1, 1963, he passed away, his wife, the former Estelle Pearson, having predeceased him. He is survived by two sons, two daughters, and several grandchildren. His sons are A. Charles Whittier of Peterborough, and Dr. Donald Whittier of Dundas. His daughters are Mrs. K. L. M. Johnson (Alma) of Galt, and Mrs. Robert Walker (June) of Weston.