

[Weiskotten, E. Mercer]

E. M. Weiskotten, Engineer, Dies at 75  
Built Canal Locks

Utica—Funeral services for E. Mercer Weiskotten, 75, of 10 Eastwood Avenue, a retired civil engineer who built all of the canal locks between Fort Plain and Oswego, will be at 10:30 a.m. tomorrow from the Lankton, Townsend & Cronk Funeral Home, 12 Steuben Park. The Rev. Leon S. Simonetti, pastor of the Universalist-Unitarian Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Fort Plain.

Mr. Weiskotten died Wednesday in Faxton Hospital here after a brief illness.

Mr. Weiskotten was assistant civil engineer with the State Department of Public Works here upon his retirement in 1952. He was a specialist in overhead bridge design. He supervised the construction of the railroad station in Herkimer and the building which houses the department offices at 109 W. Genesee St.

Mr. Weiskotten had been with the department continuously from 1921. He took his first state post in 1911. He was active in civil service activities with the department. He was also a leading lay churchman in Utica.

He was a graduate of Syracuse University and had traveled around the world as a magazine writer before he entered college. He served overseas during World War I, and became field secretary for the YMCA.

He was born in Onondaga Valley June 19, 1882, a son of Eugene and Clara Mercer Weiskotten. He married Ethel Devoe of Fort Plain on May 27, 1916. He was a member of the Universalist-Unitarian Church here, former superintendent of the Sunday School, past president of the Men's Club, and supervisor of the Cam Club of the church.

Besides his wife, Mr. Weiskotten leaves a sister, Mrs. John O'Leary, Elmira; two brothers, retired Dean Herman G. Weiskotten of Syracuse University, living in Skaneateles; Ernest S. Weiskotten, Syracuse, and several nephews and a niece.

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