

Walter Johnson Emmons



During many years of membership in the Association of Asphalt Paving Technologists (AAPT), Mr. Walter Emmons did work of great benefit to the asphalt industry. He was President of AAPT in 1929 and its Secretary-Treasurer for 15 years. He is both an honorary and life member of the Association.

An educator for many years in the field of highway engineering, he devoted much of his time in this role also to asphalt technology. In 1920 he became Professor of Highway Engineering at Texas A&M College, remaining there until 1924. From 1924 to 1927 he did research in highway engineering in

Washington, D.C. and with the Michigan State Highway Department in Ann Arbor. Then, in 1927, he joined the staff of the University of Michigan, serving as Professor of Highway Engineering. Upon his retirement in 1959 he was appointed Associate Dean Emeritus.

He was the author of numerous articles on highway engineering and asphalt technology. He also frequently presented papers at technical sessions of the many organizations to which he belonged. At one time, he served on an Army Engineers Board of Consultants in connection with flexible pavement research being conducted at the Waterways Experiment Station in Vicksburg, Mississippi.

Born in Rhode Island in 1890, he attended Brown and Columbia Universities, receiving degrees from both. He served with the U.S. Army during World War I.

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