

TUSCANIA

Wescott, Ralph Rogers 1894 WI – 1951 WI



Ralph Rogers Wescott is 3rd from left in the front row – “Green Bay (WI) Press Gazette”
Wednesday 9 Jun 1937 p 8 - <https://www.newspapers.com/image/187371397/>

Rites Set for Ralph Wescott

**Prominent Shawano
Figure Died Tuesday
After Active Lifetime**

Special to Press-Gazette
SHAWANO, Wis. — Funeral services for Ralph R. Wescott, 57, member of a prominent pioneer Shawano family and a resident of the city for many years, will be held at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon in the chapel at Woodlawn cemetery. Mrs. Wescott died suddenly in the Shawano Municipal hospital at 7 o'clock Tuesday evening. The Rev. Donald Keuper will officiate at the services.

Known as "Chi," Mr. Wescott was born May 23, 1894, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dayne Wescott. He was a retired army officer, holding the rank of major, and had served as a police captain and lawyer. He had been ill for several years and hospitalized the past three weeks.

The family had been making its home on the north beach of Shawano lake since returning to Shawano at the close of World War II.

Grandson of Settler

Mr. Wescott also was the grandson of Charles Wescott, who in 1843 became the first white settler in Shawano.

He had a varied and colorful career. He enlisted in the army shortly after the United States entered World War I in 1917, joining Shawano's famed Company F. Before embarking to France, however, Ralph and three other members were transferred to a 32nd division truck company and were aboard the ill fated troop transport Tuscania, sunk by German torpedoes off the coast of Ireland in 1918.

Wescott and his three hometown buddies, Dr. A. A. Cantwell, Paul Buettner and the late Ted Regling, survived the sinking and were landed in Northern Ireland by rescue boats.

At the close of the first war, Wescott applied for and won a commission in the reserve officers corps and was made a major in the quartermaster corps at the outbreak of World War II.

Was District Attorney

After the first war, Wescott had served for several years as a police captain on the West Allis police force at State Fair park while studying law nights at Marquette university.

He returned to Shawano in 1920 to take over management of his father's insurance agency and to establish his law practice. He also finished out his father's term as city clerk and was elected district attorney of Shawano county in 1932.

He served one term as Chef de Gare(commander) of the 40 et 8 and was a member of the local American Legion post. He also was highly active in civic and community affairs, a member of the Presbyterian church, past master of the Shawano lodge, F. and AM, and a member of the chapter of Royal Arch Masons, serving as high priest of the group for one year.

Surviving are Mrs. Wescott, the former Theresa Featherston, who married Mr. Wescot in 1920; one son, Dayne, now with the army at Ft. Riley, Kas.; a brother, Ward, Crandon; and four grandchildren. A daughter, Mrs. Sheldon Schmidt died in 1948.

The Schweers Funeral home in Shawano is in charge of arrangements. Burial will be in the Woodlawn cemetery.

Obituary of Ralph Rogers Wescott - "Green Bay (WI) Press-Gazette" Wednesday 1 Aug 1951 p 24

Ralph R. Wescott Dies in Shawano

Ralph R. Wescott, 57, prominent Shawano resident who was well known in Rhinelander, died suddenly Tuesday morning in his home, it was learned here today.

A retired Army officer, police captain and lawyer, he at one time was district attorney of Shawano county. He served in World War I as an enlisted man and in World War II as an officer, winding up as a major.

Between his military service he served on the West Allis, Wis., police force, studying law at Marquette university at night. He managed the insurance agency of his father in Shawano and established a law practice there. Later he returned to West Allis to become captain in charge of the State Fair Park police.

His wife is the former Theresa Featherston of Rhinelander. Also surviving are one son, Dayne, now in the Army and stationed at Ft. Riley, Kans.; one brother, Ward Wescott of Crandon, and four grandchildren. His only daughter, Mrs. Sheldon (Florence) Schmidt, died in Washington, D. C., Dec. 25, 1948.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. Friday in the Schweers Funeral Home in Shawano. Burial will be in the Shawano cemetery.

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State Fair Park Police [edit]

The Wisconsin State Fair Park Police Department is a law enforcement agency that protects the fair grounds and, if necessary, the area surrounding it. Officers enjoy full police powers, and has close connections to the West Allis Police Department.^[4]

The department was founded in 1907 as a police entity. It continued to operate as such until 1999, when it was dissolved. Between 2000 and 2006, the [Wisconsin Capitol Police](#) were responsible for law enforcement operations during the [Wisconsin State Fair](#). In 2007, the Wisconsin State Fair Park Police Department was recreated to provide year-round protection for the park grounds.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wisconsin_State_Fair_Park

Life:

R. R. Wescott has left for his home in Appleton after spending the past few days in the city.

“Green Bay (WI) Press-Gazette” Tuesday 11 Nov 1913 p 11

PERSONNEL OF GLEE CLUB IS ANNOUNCED

CLUB COMPRISES TWENTY-SEVEN
VOICES TAKEN FROM
FIFTY

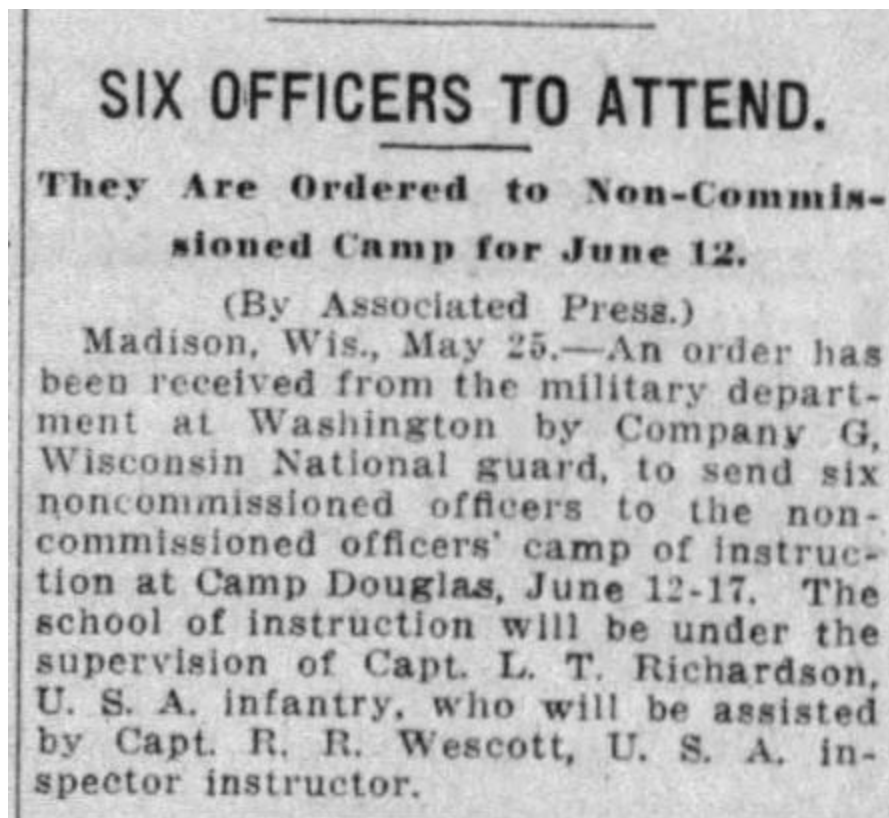
After two try-outs Dean Evans chose twenty-seven out of fifty voices to institute the Glee club for this season.

In all probability an extended tour into Illinois and Iowa will be made next spring, Dean Evans being anxious to show the citizens of Des Moines what Lawrence boasts of. He is at present at work on the itinerary and has written to several northern Illinois and Iowa towns for dates. The personnel is as follows: First tenor—Raymond Greene, Herman Smith, Earl Van Dusen, Arthur Wittman and Amil Zeilmar; second tenor—H. Fisk Henry Grady, Edson Hardy, John Moody, Carl Nelson, LeMayne Patterson and Arthur Peterson; Baritone—Leland Forman, Richard Hardy, Arthur Johnson, Carl McKee, Chase Mix and Don O'Connor; Basses—David Anderson, Earl Hagan, Robert McKee, Gordon Roach David Unruh, Lloyd Watson, Ralph Wescott, Paul Winner and Allyn Wright.

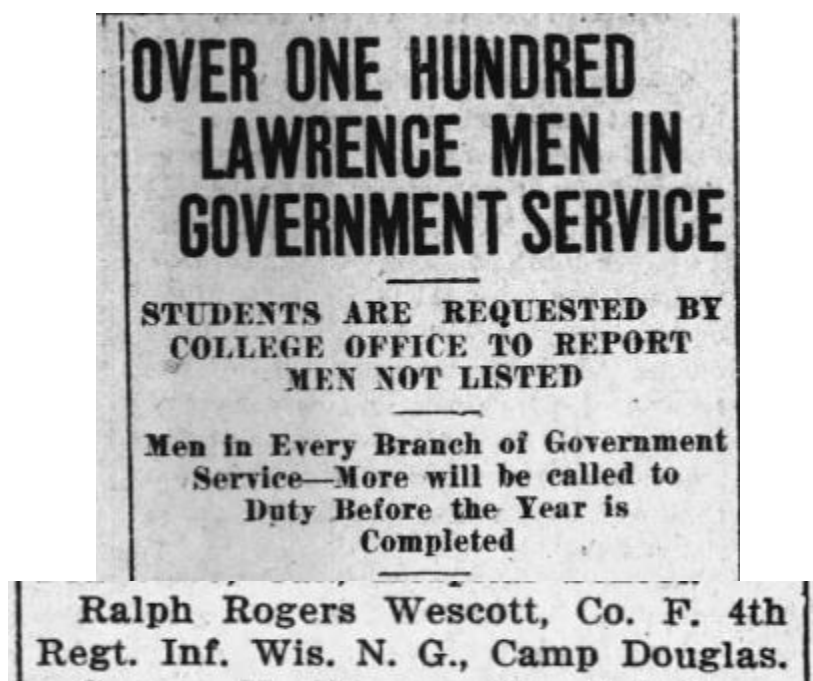
“Appleton (WI) Post-Crescent” Tuesday 4 Nov 1913 p 5

R. R. Wescott has left for his home in Shawano after spending the past few days in this city on business.

“Green Bay (WI) Press-Gazette” Friday 7 Aug 1914 p 7



Is this him? – “Oshkosh (WI) Northwestern” Saturday 27 May 1916 p 1



“Appleton (WI) Post-Crescent” Tuesday 16 Oct 1917 p 7

MORE OF WISCONSIN'S TUSCANIA'S SURVIVORS

Joe Inda, Wildrose.
 John Jacobson, Waupaca.
 Charles Hans Jacobson, Waupaca.
 Charles W. Knaup, Roysippi.
 Byder Ludwig Leer, Northland.
 George A. McDonnell, Augusta.
 Robert Hiram McCarthy, New
 Auburn.
 George Gottfred Nelson, West-
 Boro.
 William Richard Olson, Stanley.
 Arleigh L. Herron, Plainfield.
 Dell E. Rogers, Dancy.
 Aaron Walker Rhodes, Waukesha.
 Theodore Regling, Shawano.
 John Thaddens Wehloester, Wat-
 erloo.
 Ralph Rogers Wescott, Shawano.
 Guy Wiseman, Sand Creek, Dunn
 County.
 Harley Rameigh, Plainfield.
 El Boyden, Cumberland.
 Harry H. Burpee, Whitefish Bay.
 Glen H. Gustin, Wautoma.
 Oscar Bjerk, Chippewa Falls.
 Joseph Bartell, Abrams.

[list continues]

"Eau Claire (WI) Leader-Telegram" Tuesday 12 Feb 1918 p 2

FORMER LAWRENTIANS ON TORPEDOED BOAT

Three Lawrence undergraduates are reported to have been on the transport Tuscania, which was wrecked off the coast of Ireland while on its way to France. The men are Robert Wiley, who was a famous quarterback on the Lawrence football team while in college; Herschel North of Edgerton, and Ralph Wescott of Shawano, who was in college a number of years ago. No report has been received at the College office as yet concerning the safety of the Lawrence men.

"Appleton (WI) Post-Crescent" Thursday 14 Feb 1918 p 3

Kenoshans Attend a Tuscania Dinner

**Thirty Wisconsin Survivors Meet at
Milwaukee and Recount An-
niversary**

Milwaukee—(AP)—A night of terror aboard the Tuscania when the ship was struck by a German torpedo near the coast of Ireland were revived Sunday by 30 Wisconsin boys who were part of the contingent of Wisconsin and Michigan national guardsmen aboard the vessel.

They attended the anniversary dinner of the Tuscania Survivors association and indulged in reminiscences of the sinking of the troopship ten years ago Sunday, and expressed disgust with stories of the catastrophe.

Capt. H. J. Pettigrew, of Milwaukee, formerly of Oconto, who commanded Company D, 107th Supply, took Irvin S. Cobb and other writers to task. The survivors claim that only three torpedos were fired, the first probably taking effect.

Among those attending the dinner were Elmer Williams, Kenosha; Chas. Jacobson, Waupaca; R. B. Pierce, Cudahy; James Chilson, Waukesha; E. C. Boehmke, Waukesha; H. V. Vanderburg, Mukwonago; William Jacobson, Neenah; Fred A. Scholey, Kenosha; Eric R. Galpin, Appleton; R. L. Leer, Waupaca, and E. E. Mitchell, of Hartford. Ralph Wescott is president.

Local Women Among 72 To Pass Bar Test

(Continued from page 1)

gan; Stephen J. Conway, Crandon;
John Hary Esch, La Crosse;

larence A. Tennesen, Kenosha;
Willis Paul Tichenor, Waukesha;
Harold E. Fisher, Milwaukee; Leonard
Case Fons, Milwaukee; Daniel Tracy,
Mondovi; Joseph Patrick Hand, Mil-
waukee; George J. Uhlar, uperior; Al-
fred J. Unger, Milwaukee; Robert Ir-
ving Hayes, Milwaukee; James Max
Henderson, Edgerton; Harry T. Volk,
Waukesha.

Henry P. Hughes, Oshkosh; Ralph
R. Wescott, West Allis; Roland K.
Wilde, Milwaukee; Clement W. Win-
zenburg, Milwaukee; Arthur R. Wool-
folk, Wauwatosa; Eugene John Young,
Racine; Herbert Jacob Steffes, Mil-
waukee;

Passes the bar examination – excerpt: "Madison (WI) Capital Times" Sunday 29 Jul 1928 p

RALPH E. WESCOTT IS APPOINTED CITY CLERK

(Special to Press-Gazette)

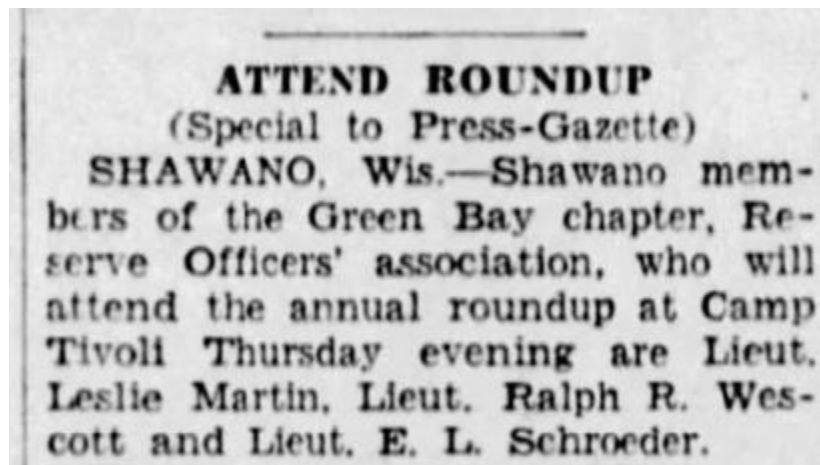
SHAWANO, Wis.—Ralph E. Wescott was on Tuesday evening appointed by Mayor Paul J. Winter to fill the vacancy in the office of city clerk caused by the recent death of his father, Dayne E. Wescott, who had held the post for 29 years. The appointment was read at the meeting of the council on Tuesday evening, and was at once confirmed.

The new clerk is a native of Shawano, but has for the last few years been connected with the West Allis Police department, and is now on leave of absence from his duties as desk sergeant. He completed a night course in law at Marquette University, and was admitted to the bar a year ago. He will take up the practice of law in this city, and will also continue his father's extensive insurance business.

"Green Bay (WI) Press-Gazette" Thursday 18 Jul 1929 p 4



"Green Bay (WI) Press-Gazette" Monday 16 Mar 1931 p 3



"Green Bay (WI) Press-Gazette" Monday 25 May 1931 p 5

SHAWANO MAN ATTENDS "SURVIVORS" REUNION

(Special to Press-Gazette)

SHAWANO, Wis.—Ralph R. Wescott and Leslie Martin returned from Milwaukee Sunday evening after attending a four-day reunion of survivors of the Tuscania, sunk by a German submarine off the north coast of Ireland, in the World war.

Wescott was one of four Shawano men on board the ill-fated vessel, and all were saved. The others were Ted Regling, now of Wausau; Paul Buettner, who left here a number of years ago, and Arthur A. Cantwell, a practicing physician here. Martin, a lieutenant in the late war, attended the reunion as a guest. Cablegrams from captains of rescue ships and one from the captain of the destroyer, were read at the banquet.

"Green Bay (WI) Press-Gazette" Tuesday 9 Feb 1932 p 7

**PHILLIP HOFFMAN
WINS NOMINATION
FOR G.O.P. SHERIFF**

**Louis W. Cattau Nominated
by Republicans for Shawano
County Dist.-Atty.**

(Special to Press-Gazette)

SHAWANO, Wis.—Phillip A. Hoffman was nominated for Shawano county sheriff on the republican ticket in the election held Tuesday when he polled a total of 1829 votes. Hoffman was victorious in a field of twelve candidates. Others who ran and their vote follow: Arthur Lubitzke, 1,000, A. B. Roemer, 965, Clifford A. Porter, 402, William J. Pingel, 331, W. H. Melsner, 317, Art Kuhn, 440, L. B. Howel, 158, O. L. Hersfeld, 801, David L. Farris, 210, Charles O. Eberlein, 356, and H. A. Schultz, 188.

On the republican ticket, Otto Weigand, polled a complimentary vote of 5,758 for county clerk. Republican county treasurer nomination was won by A. H. Gustman with a total vote of 3,428. Adrian P. Ganzen was second with 1,916, and A. H. Seering, third, with 1,270.

Harvey C. Stuebenvoll defeated Martin C. Karth for the republican nomination for coroner, 3551 to 2,602. Clifton A. Perry had a complimentary vote of 5,779 for clerk of circuit court. In the race for district attorney on the republican ballot, Louis W. Cattau defeated Matt Wallrich by a vote of 4,135 to 2,272. Tillie Stark won the republican nomination for register of deeds in a three corner fight with Kenneth Cole, and Fred Brel. She polled 4,135 votes, Cole 1,709, and Brel, 911.

On the democratic ticket Otto Druckrey won the nomination for sheriff from his three opponents when he had a total of 359 votes. His opponents received: Paul C. Roepke, 214, Kolin F. Kurtz, 258, and C. F. Lucke, 227. For coroner on the democratic ticket Merlin Griswold polled 893 votes and for democratic nomination for district attorney, Ralph R. Wescott had 911.

Nominated for district attorney on the Democrat ballot – “Green Bay (WI) Press-Gazette”
Wednesday 21 Sep 1932 p 11

HENRY W. GRAFER IS NAMED SHAWANO CLERK

(Special to Press-Gazette)

SHAWANO, Wis. —At a regular meeting of the city council held Tuesday evening Henry W. Grafer, third ward alderman, was elected city clerk from a field of 15 applicants, to complete the unexpired term of Ralph R. Wescott, who was elected district attorney at the November election.

Mr. Grafer had served as third ward alderman for the past ten years, and will enter on his new duties Jan. 1.

"Green Bay (WI) Press-Gazette" Wednesday 7 Dec 1932 p 18

WESCOTT TALKS TO LEGION AUXILIARY

National Defense Topic; Seedlings Donated to Forest.

(Special to Press-Gazette)

SHAWANO, Wis.—The inadequacy of our national defense was pointed out by Attorney Ralph R. Wescott, in a talk before the American Legion auxiliary at the business meeting Wednesday evening in the home of Mrs. Hans Ellefsen, Third-st.

He also explained the national draft act, predicted that profiteering will not be permitted in America in the event of another war, and described the probable points of attack in case of invasion. The talk was instructive and well-received by the large number in attendance, many from outside the city being present.

Plans for the Washington's birthday supper have been abandoned by the Legion and auxiliary. The meeting voted to donate 300 pine seedlings for planting in the Argonne National forest in memory of the World war dead. It will also aid in reforestation, and, in a small way, provide employment.

"Green Bay (WI) Press-Gazette" Saturday 10 Feb 1934 p 3

Two Nurses Saved From Drowning at Shawano Lake

Shawano, July 26.—Caspar Wallrich and Ralph Wescott saved the lives of two nurses on Tuesday evening, rescuing them from drowning. Miss Elizabeth Peterson and Miss Louise Price, who with other nurses, were being entertained at the Wallrich cottage at Shawano lake, while wading, stepped into a deep hole. Miss Price, who could swim, tried to rescue Miss Peterson, who grabbed her and both sank. Mr. Wallrich heard their cries for help and hurried to their assistance, but both of them grabbed him and all three went down. Mr. Wescott saw them struggling and got to them just in time to get hold of Wallrich, and drag them all to shallow water. Both Mr. Wallrich and Miss Price needed attention from a physician. Mr. Wallrich is a candidate for the Republican nomination for congress in this district.

“Wausau (WI) Daily Herald” Thursday 26 Jul 1934 p 9

MASONIC OFFICERS ARE INSTALLED AT SHAWANO

(Special to Press-Gazette)

SHAWANO, Wis.—With Ira Weeks as installing officer and Ralph Wescott as marshall, the local Masonic chapter held its installation of officers Monday evening in the lodge rooms.

Chapter officers installed were as follows: William Cantwell, sr., excellent high priest; Dr. H. B. Gordon, king; Blaine Page, scribe; Victor Czekleba, secretary; Albert Wendt, treasurer; Robert Bates, C. of H.; E. A. Lau, R. A. C.; Dr. H. J. Calkins, P. S.; Edward Rossow, M. of 3rd V.; Henry Emmanuel, M. of 2nd V.; Theodore Kleven, M. of 1st V.; Henry Grazer, Tilger.

“Green Bay (WI) Press-Gazette” Wednesday 2 Jan 1935 p 20

PROMOTION OF RALPH R. Wescott, Shawano, from first lieutenant to captain in the quartermaster-reserve was announced here today by Major C. P. Evers, instructor in the headquarters of the Sixth sector, organized reserve, U .S. Army.

"Green Bay (WI) Press-Gazette" Saturday 4 Jan 1936 p 23

NOTICE TO PROVE WILL AND
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF WISCONSIN, COUNTY
COURT, ONEIDA COUNTY,—IN
PROBATE

IN RE-ESTATE OF William Featherston, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That at the Regular Term of said court to be held on Tuesday, November 17, A. D. 1936, at the Court House in the City of Rhinelander, County of Oneida, and State of Wisconsin, there will be heard and considered, the application of Ralph R. Wescott to admit to probate the last Will and Testament of William Featherston late of the City of Rhinelander in said county, deceased, and for the appointment of an executor (or, administrator with will annexed);

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN, That at the Regular Term of said court to be held at said Court House, on Tuesday April 17th, A. D. 1937, there will be heard, considered and adjusted, all claims against said William Featherston, deceased:

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN. That all such claims for examination and allowance must be presented to said county court at the Court House in the City of Rhinelander, in said county and state, on or before the 17th day of April, A. D. 1937 or be barred.

Dated October 20, 1936.

By the Court

H. F. STEELE,
Judge.

10-21-28; 11-4

"Rhinelander (WI) Daily News" Wednesday 28 Oct 1936 p 3

SHAWANO MAN SPEAKS BEFORE ROTARY CLUB

(Special to Press-Gazette)

SHAWANO, Wis. — Painting a realistic picture of the horror and panic of a sinking ship, R. R. Westcott, Shawano attorney, gave an account before the Rotary club Monday of his experiences aboard the ship Tuscania, a troop ship that was sunk off the coast of Ireland in 1918.

Dr. A. A. Cantwell, also a survivor of that sinking, spoke on the disaster.

Five Shawano county men were on the boat at the time of the explosion, Ted Regling, now of Wausau; George Black, Angelica; and Paul Buettner, of whom there is no trace.

Plans were also laid at the meeting for a joint Valentine's day party of the Rotary and Lions clubs to be held at the country club Monday evening.

"Green Bay (WI) Press-Gazette" Wednesday 9 Feb 1938 p 2

J. H. LARSON RESIGNS - AS DIVORCE COUNSEL

(Special to Press-Gazette)

SHAWANO, Wis.—James H. Larson, district attorney-elect, resigned Thursday as acting divorce counsel of Shawano county, effective Jan. 1. Mr. Larson was appointed divorce counsel last May when Ralph R. Wescott left Shawano to become chief of police at State Fair park in West Allis.

The resignation was made in a letter to Circuit Judge Edgar V. Werner, Appleton. It was Judge Werner who made the appointment making Mr. Larson divorce counsel. The district attorney-elect also held the position of United States court commissioner, which he resigned in a letter to Federal Judge F. A. Geiger Monday. He will take office as district attorney Jan. 3.

"Green Bay (WI) Press-Gazette" Friday 23 Dec 1938 p 9

Ralph Wescott Called To Service As Officer

Special to Press-Gazette

SHAWANO, Wis.—Ralph Wescott, chief of police at State Fair park in West Allis for a number of years and a former Shawano county district attorney, has been called to active duty as a captain in the army reserve. He will report at Camp Lee, Va., Jan. 26.

Wescott was in the army during the World war, serving 15 months overseas. He is also a Tuscania survivor, and was saved at the time of that disaster by jumping to the deck of a destroyer.

“Green Bay Press-Gazette” Friday 9 Jan 1942 p 14

Children:

Rites in Shawano For Former Resident

Special to Press-Gazette

SHAWANO, Wis. —Word has been received here of the death on Saturday of Mrs. Sheldon Schmidt, 28, a former Shawano resident who died in Washington, D. C. The former Florence M. Wescott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wescott, Shawano Lake, was born in Shawano Sept. 29, 1920.

A graduate of Shawano High school, she is also a graduate of Milwaukee State Teachers college and the University of Wisconsin. She was married to Sheldon Schmidt of Shawano at Camp Wood, Mo., on April 13, 1943. For the past few years they have been living in Washington where both are employed by the federal government.

Besides her husband and her parents, she is survived by a daughter, Theresa Elise, 3, and a brother, Dana Wescott, Milwaukee.

The body will arrive at 1:05 Wednesday morning and will be taken to the Schweers funeral home. Friends may call at the funeral home until the time of the services.

Funeral services will be held at 10 o'clock Thursday morning in the funeral home. The Rev. Roy Bennett, pastor of the Episcopal church, will conduct the rites and burial will be in Woodlawn cemetery. Eastern Star services will be held at the cemetery.

Daughter Florence Mary Wescott Schmidt (1920-1948) – “Green Bay (WI) Press-Gazette”
Monday 27 Dec 1948 p 21

SHAWANO GIRL GETS BIG ROLE IN OPERA

Gretchen Nommensen Promi-
nent in Music Clinic.

(Special to Press-Gazette)

SHAWANO, Wis.—Miss Gretchen Nommensen, daughter of Mrs. F. C. Nommensen of Shawano, has been chosen to sing the part of Lady Worthington in the all-state opera, "The Lass of Limerick Town" in the presentation to be given Thursday night at the Capitol theater in Madison. The opera is presented by students at the state high school music clinic sponsored by the University of Wisconsin.

The selection of Miss Nommensen as a principal character comes as a definite recognition of her voice by the 350 high school singers. Lady Worthington is a principal in the cast of 15 characters. Singers gathered from among the students from all over the state will make up a chorus for the opera of 350 voices.

Among other Shawano students at the clinic are Miss Charlotte Reichel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Reichel, who will sing in the opera chorus; Miss Dorothy Jane Raddant, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Raddant, playing her marimba in the all-state Marimba orchestra of 25 pieces; and Miss Florence Wescott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Wescott, who plays in the all-state band.

In the All-State Band – "Green Bay (WI) Press-Gazette" Wednesday 28 Jul 1937 p 17

Florence Wescott Weds Sgt. Schmidt, Shawano

SHAWANO, Wis. —Word has been received here of the marriage of Miss Florence Wescott, former Shawano resident and daughter of Capt. and Mrs. R. R. Wescott, of Camp Barkley, Tex., to Staff Sgt. Sheldon Schmidt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schmidt, Shawano, at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., on April 13.

Both young people were well known here and are graduates of Shawano High school. The bride's father was chief of police at State Fair park, West Allis, before entering service, and the family moved to West Allis from Shawano at the time he accepted the position.

“Green Bay (WI) Press-Gazette” Friday 28 Apr 1944 p 12



Sheldon Schmidt, passed away on 6/21/2016.

A proud WWII veteran where, as a tech sergeant, he led the 303rd Anti-Tank Company in the 97th Infantry Division. He served in both the European and Pacific theaters.

He was the 4th born in a family of 5 in 1920 and grew up in Gresham and Shawano Wisconsin. Married during the war, he and his first wife Florence Wescott had a daughter Theresa, born while he served overseas. Florence passed away 3 years later from auto immune disease. He remarried to Florabel, moved to Springfield Virginia and raised his family that added two sons, Scott and Randall.

Sheldon retired in 1980 after 30 years of service to the Federal Government spanning Department of Commerce, Air Force Intelligence, the Executive Office of Emergency Preparedness and the Institute for Defense Analysis – Weapons Systems Evaluation Group (WSEG). As his focus was on the nuclear war threat, he became an expert in the Soviet economy initially assessing their market for non-ferrous metals and later guiding U2 reconnaissance flights detecting communist missile production. Sheldon earned a BS in Economics from the University of Wisconsin and studied for his Masters at American University.

He and his wife Florabel were avid sailors. After a decade of sailing in the Chesapeake, they sailed from Annapolis to Cape Coral Florida, lived aboard a 30-foot sloop for a year then enjoyed 25 years of retirement in Florida. They then returned to Northern Virginia in 2008. Sheldon is survived by his younger sister Virgie, three children, five grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Sheldon had a zest for life and always advised to make the time to enjoy every day.

In lieu of flowers the family is asking that donations be made in his honor to either the wounded Warrior Project or Fisher House. Please select the donation link on this page.

A funeral service will be held 10 a.m., Thursday, July 21, at Adams-Green Funeral Home, 721 Elden St., Herndon, VA followed by interment with Military Honors at Quantico National Cemetery, Triagle, VA at 2 p.m. For additional information and directions please select the service information tab on this page.

Obituary of Sheldon Severin Schmidt -

<https://adamsgreen.com/tribute/details/3905/Sheldon-Schmidt/obituary.html>

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| Name | Dayne Eldridge WESCOTT ⁵³⁶ |
| Birth | 4 Jul 1922, Shawano, Shawano Co., Wisconsin |
| Death | 9 Mar 2001, Catonsville, Baltimore Co., Maryland ² |
| Father | <u>Ralph Roger WESCOTT</u> (1894-1951) |
| Mother | <u>Teresa Mae FEATHERSTON</u> (1892-1977) |

Spouses

1 (Private, Female) PFISTERER ⁵³⁶

Children (Private, Female)

Notes for Dayne Eldridge WESCOTT

Dayne Eldridge WESCOTT (1922 - 2002)

Shawano Leader: TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2002

OBITUARY EXTRACTION:

NAME & ADDRESS:

Shawano city native, Dayne Eldridge Wescott, died in Catonsville, Md., on March 9, 2002, after a long illness.

BIRTH & PARENTS:

The son of the late Ralph Roger "Cy" and Teresa M. (Feather-stone) Wescott, and brother of the late Florence Wescott Schmidt was born in Shawano on July 4, 1922.

EARLY YEARS & MARRIAGE:

Shortly after graduation from West Allis High School in 1940, Mr. Wescott enlisted in the army. He served overseas in North Africa and in Europe during World War II, and later in Korea during the Korean Conflict and the Territory of Hawaii. While serving in World War II, he met the former Shirley Pfisterer of Baltimore, Md, a WAC. They married in Baltimore on Jan. 2, 1946.

INTERESTS - EMPLOYMENT:

Upon his retirement from the army in 1961, the couple moved to the Baltimore area where Mr. Wescott worked for the Internal Revenue Service and part-time for an advertising firm. After retiring from the Internal Revenue Service in 1989, he worked part-time for a stock brokerage in Baltimore until incapacitated by colon cancer in August of 2000. An avid reader of history, Mr. Wescott was very proud of his family heritage. He was the grandson and namesake of Shawano Mayor Dayne E. Wescott, a descendant of Shawano city and county founder, Charles D. Wescott, and a descendant of Rhode Island co-founder, Stukley Wescott.

SURVIVORS:

In addition to his wife, Mr. Wescott is survived by: his five children, Joan L. Wilson of Apex, N. C., Dayan E. Wescott of Freeland, Md., Susan J. Gilbert of Annapolis, Md., Ralph E. Wescott of Kennewick, Wash., Laura Titus of Catonsville, Md.; seven grandchildren; numerous cousins in the Shawano area.

FUNERAL SERVICES AND BURIAL:

Condolences may be sent to the family c/o Susan Gilbert, 613 Fairglen Ln., Annapolis, MD 21401.
(Contributed by Donna Hance)

Son Dayne Wescott (1922-2002) – he died 9 Mar 2002 instead of 2001 -
https://freepages.rootsweb.com/~fitchett/genealogy/Person_Sheets/ps44/ps44_489.html

WESCOTT, Dayne Eldridge

On Saturday, March 9, 2002; MR. DAYNE ELDRIDGE WESCOTT. Beloved husband of Shirley A. (nee Pfisterer) Wescott; devoted father of Dayan E. Wescott, Ralph E. Wescott, Joan L. Wilson, Susan J. Gilbert and Laura A. Titus. Also, survived by seven grandchildren.

Friends may call at the LOUDON PARK FUNERAL HOME, 3620 Wilkens Avenue on Tuesday, March 12 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 PM. and on Wednesday, March 13 from 10 to 11 AM at which time Services will begin. Interment Loudon Park Cemetery.

Obituary of son Dayne Eldridge Wescott – "Baltimore (MD) Sun" Sunday 10 Mar 2002 p B7

Dayne Eldridge Wescott

in the U.S., Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936-2007

| | |
|-------------|---|
| Name | Dayne Eldridge Wescott [Dayne Wescott] |
| Gender | Male |
| Race | White |
| Birth Date | 4 Jul 1922 |
| Birth Place | West Allis M, Wisconsin |
| Death Date | 9 Mar 2002 |
| Father | Ralph R Wescott |
| Mother | Theresa Featherstone |
| SSN | 392187951 |
| Notes | Aug 1940: Name listed as DAYNE ELDRIDGE WESCOTT; 08 Feb 1994: Name listed as DAYNE WESCOTT; 26 Mar 2002: Name listed as DAYNE E WESCOTT |

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/29291407:60901>

Father:

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Obituary of father Dayne Eldridge Wescott – "Green Bay (WI) Press-Gazette" Monday 8 Jul 1929 p 4

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I, D.E. Wescott, residing in the city of Shawano, State of Wisconsin, being of sound mind and memory and mindful of the uncertainties of life, do make, publish and declare this my last will and testament in manner following, hereby revoking any and all former wills by me made.

I give devise and bequeath unto my beloved wife Harriett E. Wescott, all of my property both real and personal, of whatsoever name and nature and wheresoever situated, for her use, benefit and comfort during her lifetime, and after her death it is my will that whatsoever property still remains (if any), shall be divided among named persons in manner following, to-wit:

To my son Warde A. Wescott Four-fifteenths, to my son Percy E. Wescott and Emma Wescott, his wife, jointly, Four-fifteenths, to my son Ralph R. Wescott, Six-fifteenths, to my granddaughter Dayna Wescott, daughter of Dayn Bernard Wescott, deceased, One-fifteenth, of all my property (if any) still remaining after the death of my said wife.

In case of the death of my said granddaughter Dayna Wescott, prior to the death of my said wife, it is my will that the share to which she would have been entitled, shall be divided between my said sons Warde A. Percy E. and Ralph R. Wescott or either of them still surviving, share and share alike.

In case of the death of either or any of my said sons, it is my will that the share or shares of such son or sons shall be apportioned to the child or children of such deceased son or sons, share and share alike; but in case no child or children shall survive such son or sons above mentioned or either of them shall die leaving no surviving child or children, then in that case it is my will that the portion to which such son or sons would have been entitled shall be apportioned to my surviving children and the children of any deceased son or sons above mentioned.

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I hereby nominate and appoint my sons Warde A. Wescott and Ralph R. Wescott, executors of this my last will and testament

Dated this 19th day of April, A.D. 1929.

Witnesses:

Antony Kuckuk
L. Ferguson

D.E. Wescott

We, the undersigned do hereby certify that the foregoing will signed by D.E. Wescott, was signed by him in our presence; that we signed said will as witnesses at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other on the day of the date thereof.

Antony Kuckuk
L. Ferguson

Last will & testament of father - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/2620008:9088>

Mother:

WIDOW OF LATE SENATOR SUCCUMBS AT SHAWANO

Shawano, Wis., May 5—(A)—Mrs. Harriet Wescott, 79, widow of the late State Senator Dayan Wescott, died at her home here today after a three-day illness. She was the first music teacher in Shawano. She is survived by three sons, Ward A., Crandon attorney; Percy P., Pasadena, Calif., and Ralph R., Shawano attorney. Funeral services will be conducted Friday.

Obituary of mother Harriette Coon Wescott – “Stevens Point (WI) Journal” Tuesday 5 May 1931 p 10

Siblings:

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| <h1 style="margin: 0;">Marriage License</h1> | | 22 5371 |
| <u>DICKINSON</u> COUNTY, MICHIGAN | | State File No. |
| | | 411 Local File No. |
| <p>To any person legally authorized to solemnize marriage in the State of Michigan,</p> <p>Greeting:</p> <p>Marriage May Be Solemnized in the State of Michigan, Between</p> | | |
| <p><u>MR. WARDE A. WESCOTT</u> and <u>MISS ANN GRAY</u></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Full Name of Male Full Name of Female</p> <p><u>71</u> <u>White</u> <u>51</u> <u>White</u></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Age at last birthday Color Age at last birthday Color</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Residence No. Street</p> <p><u>Brandon, Wisconsin</u> <u>Brandon, Wisconsin</u></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">City Zone No. State City Zone No. State</p> <p><u>Shawano, Wisconsin</u> <u>Mondovi, Wisconsin</u></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Birthplace—City and State Birthplace—City and State</p> <p><u>Lawyer</u> <u>None</u></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Occupation Occupation</p> <p><u>Wayne A. Wescott</u> <u>E. T. Gray</u></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Father's Full Name Father's Full Name</p> <p><u>Harriet Coon</u> <u>Bertha D. Wyre</u></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Mother's Maiden Name Mother's Maiden Name</p> <p><u>One</u> <u>None</u></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Number of times previously married Number of times previously married</p> <p>-----</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Maiden name (if a widow)</p> | <p>Parent's or Guardian's consent, in case she has not attained the age of eighteen years, has been filed in my office. An affidavit has been filed in this office, as provided by Public Act No. 128, Laws of 1887, as amended, by which it appears that said statements are true.</p> <p style="text-align: center; padding-top: 20px;">In Witness Whereof, I have signed and sealed these presents.</p> <p>this <u>16th</u> day of <u>December</u>, A. D. 19<u>46</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"> <u>County Clerk</u> </p> <p style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;">Deputy County Clerk</p> | |

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|---|--|
| <h2 style="margin: 0;">Certificate of Marriage</h2> | |
| Between Mr. <u>Warde A. Wescott</u> and Miss <u>Ann Gray</u> | |
| <p>I Heroby Certify that, in accordance with the above license, the persons herein mentioned were joined in marriage by me, at <u>Iron Mountain</u>, county of <u>Dickinson</u>, MICHIGAN, on the <u>16th</u> day of <u>December</u>, A. D. 19<u>46</u>, in the presence of</p> <p><u>Evelyn J. Carollo</u> of <u>Iron Mountain, Michigan</u> and</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Full Name Residence City State Full Name Residence City State</p> <p><u>Vivian A. Peterson</u> of <u>Iron Mountain, Michigan</u></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Full Name Residence City State</p> <p>as witnesses.</p> | |
| <p><u>Roy R. Derham</u></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Signature of Magistrate or clergyman</p> <p><u>Iron Mountain, Michigan</u></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Post Office</p> | <p><u>Judge of Probate</u></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Official Title</p> |
| <p><small>This copy is to be retained by the County Clerk until the original is returned; then it is to be completed by endorsement and forwarded on the first of the following month to the Michigan Department of Health.</small></p> | |

Brother Warde Arthur (Edward) Wescott (1875-1960) -
<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/1287064:9093>



WARDE ARTHUR WESCOTT
Shawano

Law.

Entered from Oberlin College.

Columbia.

'Varsity Football Team (1).

Thesis: Doctrine of Subrogation.

"I came in the time of need."

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/241654307:1265>

Warde Wescott

MONDOVI, Wis. (Special) — A funeral service was held this morning at the Methodist church, Crandon, Wis., for Warde Wescott, 85, husband of the former Ann Gray of the Mondovi area.

Wescott, a Crandon attorney who had been football coach at Eau Claire, died at home Sunday night. Masonic rites were held today at Crandon. A funeral service will also be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Kjenvet & Son Funeral Home, Mondovi, the Rev. Herbert C. Hanson officiating. Burial will be in Norden Cemetery, rural Mondovi.

Wescott was born Aug. 28, 1875, at Shawano, Wis., son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Dayan Wescott. He had lived at Crandon since 1897. He was a member of the Crandon Masonic Lodge and of the Tripoli Shrine, Milwaukee. He married Ann Gray Dec. 16, 1946. She survives. Three brothers, two infant sisters and his first wife, Frances, have died.

Friends may call at the Kjenvet Funeral Home this evening and Wednesday until the service.

Obituary of Warde Wescott – “Winona (MN) Daily News” Tuesday 20 Sep 1960 p 8

| Wisconsin, Births and Christenings Index, 1801-1928 | |
|---|------------------------|
| View record | |
| Name | Dayne Bernard Wescott |
| Gender | Male |
| Birth Date | 2 Jul 1877 |
| Birth Place | Shawano, Wisconsin |
| Father | Dayne Eldridge Wescott |
| Mother | Hattie Emeline Coon |
| FHL Film Number | 1305587 |

WI birth record of **brother Dayn/Dayne Bernard Wescott (1877-1910)** - <https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/109539087/person/390099959359/facts>

[16415]

WASHINGTON STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS
CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE

PLACE OF MARRIAGE
County of King
Town of Seattle
City of Seattle

License No. 24834

| GROOM | | PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS | | BRIDE | |
|---|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------|--|
| Full Name | <u>D. Bernard Wescott</u> | Full Name | <u>Grace May Darley</u> | | |
| Residence | <u>Seattle</u> | Residence | <u>Vancouver, B.C.</u> | | |
| Age at last Birthday | <u>32</u> years | Age at last Birthday | <u>21</u> years | | |
| Color or Race | <u>White</u> | Color or Race | <u>W</u> | | |
| Single, Widowed or Divorced | <u>Divorced</u> | Single, Widowed or Divorced | <u>Single</u> | | |
| Number of Marriage | <u>Second</u> | Number of Marriage | <u>First</u> | | |
| Birthplace | <u>Wisconsin</u> | Birthplace | <u>London, Ont.</u> | | |
| Occupation | <u>U.S. Customs</u> | Occupation | <u>at home</u> | | |
| Name of Father | <u>Dayne E. W.</u> | Name of Father | <u>Chas. H. D.</u> | | |
| Birthplace of Father | <u>Wisconsin</u> | Birthplace of Father | <u>Canada</u> | | |
| Maiden Name of Mother | <u>Harriet E. Coon</u> | Maiden Name of Mother | <u>Martha J. Noland</u> | | |
| Birthplace of Mother | <u>New York</u> | Birthplace of Mother | <u>Canada</u> | | |
| Maiden Name of the Bride, if she was previously Married | | | | | |

We, the groom and bride named in this certificate, hereby certify that the information given therein is correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

D. Bernard Wescott Groom. Grace May Darley Bride.

CERTIFICATE OF PERSON PERFORMING CEREMONY

I HEREBY CERTIFY, That D. Bernard Wescott and Grace M. Darley were joined in Marriage by me in accordance with the laws of the State of Washington, at Plymouth 6, Seattle this 29 day of August, 1909.

Signature of Witnesses to the Marriage: J. J. Dora and James La Porte
Residence: Seattle

Signature of person performing the ceremony: F. J. Vautour
Official station: Clergyman
Residence: Seattle

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2nd marriage of Dayn Bernard Wescott on 29 Aug 1909 Seattle, King WA – to Grace May Darley b. Ontario, Canada - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/1253706:2378>

State of Washington, } ss. 5988 J. R. Mason
 County of King, }
 being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is personally acquainted with
 Dayn Bernard Wescott of Port Townsend and
 Ethel May Reynolds of Detroit Mich
 that the said D. B. Wescott is twenty-one years of age and over,
 and the said E. M. Reynolds is eighteen years of age and over,
 and that he knows of no legal impediment to their being joined in marriage.
 J. R. Mason
 Subscribed and Sworn to before me this 17 day of Aug 1901
 J. M. Inglis
 Deputy Auditor, King County, State of Washington.
 This affidavit filed and license issued Aug 17 1901
 Geo. B. Lamping
 County Auditor
 Fee for Recording Certificate paid County
 Clerk of KING County SEP 5 1901
 By J. M. Inglis
 Deputy.

1st marriage of Dayn Bernard Wescott, on 17 Aug 1901 in King Co. WA, to Ethel May Reynolds - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/678616:60226?tid=109539087&pid=390099959862&queryId=55ab28fe4a9fd0aef83df4902e11055&phsrc=hFB67222&phstart=successSource>

[10603]

STATE OF WASHINGTON }
COUNTY OF _____ } SS.

No. 5988

+ Marriage + Certificate +

This Certifies that the undersigned, Hugh W. Gilchrist
by authority of a License bearing date the 17th day of August A. D. 1901
and Issued by the County Auditor of the County of King did, on the 17th day of August
A. D. 1901, at the Residence of the Officiating Clergyman
County and State aforesaid, join in Lawful Wedlock Dayn Bernard Wescott
of the County of Jefferson and Mrs Ethel May Reynolds
of the County of Hyam with their mutual assent, in the presence of
J. R. Mason and Mrs H. C. Kilburn, witnesses.

In Testimony Whereof, witness the signatures of the parties to said ceremony, the witnesses and myself
this 17th day of August A. D. 1901.

| Witnesses: | Parties: | Officiating Clergyman or Officer: |
|--|--|---|
| <u>J. R. Mason</u> <u>H. C. Kilburn</u> | <u>Dayn Bernard Wescott</u> <u>Mrs Ethel May Reynolds</u> | <u>Hugh W. Gilchrist</u> P. O. Address <u>Seattle,</u> <u>Washington.</u> |
| Filed _____ | 190 <u>1</u> | |

This Certificate must be filed out and filed with the County Clerk of the County where the ceremony is performed, within three months after the ceremony.—
See Hill's Code, Vol. 1, Sec. 1286.
The County Clerk's Fee for recording this certificate is One Dollar, to be paid by the party applying for the license at the time each license is issued.—Hill's Code,
Vol. 1, Sec. 1287.
Failure to make and deliver Certificate to the County Clerk within three months is punishable by a fine of not less than \$25.00 or more than \$50.00.

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/497094:2378>

Dayn Bernard Wescott

Death • Canada, British Columbia Death Registrations, 1872-1986; 1992-1993

Name **Dayn Bernard Wescott**
Sex **Male**
Age **33**
Birth Year (Estimated) **1877**
Birthplace **Wisconsin, United States**
Event Type **Death**
Event Date **28 Dec 1910**
Event Place **Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada**

<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:FLK1-3M5>

BLAINE CUSTOMS MAN PASSES AWAY

**D. Bernard Wescott Dies After
an Operation---Captured
Opium Smugglers.**

Port Townsend, Wash., Dec. 30.—In the death at Vancouver, B. C., Wednesday of Customs Inspector D. Bernard Wescott that service loses one of its brightest and most promising officials, according to Collector F. C. Harper. The end followed an operation, after an illness of two months.

Mr. Wescott had a wide acquaintance on Puget sound, and had been in the customs work of this district for four years. He rendered particularly valuable service to the department as an attache of the government force at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition in Seattle last year.

With the close of the exposition he was transferred to the sub-port of Blaine, where he marked his administration with a sensational capture of opium smugglers early this year.

The dead man was a native of Shawano, Wis., to which place his body will be removed for burial. He is survived by a widow, to whom he was wed in a second marriage less than a year ago. Charles E. Coon, former lieutenant governor, of Port Townsend, is an uncle of Wescott.

| Deaths. | |
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| 1. Full name of deceased. | Florence |
| 2. Color. | White |
| 3. Sex. | Female |
| 4. Age. | 6 Months |
| 5. Name of the father of deceased. | Dayne E Wescott |
| 6. Name of the mother of deceased. | Hattie E Wescott |
| 7. Occupation. | |
| 8. Place of birth. | Shawano Wis |
| 9. Name of wife of deceased. | |
| 10. Name of husband of deceased. | |
| 11. Date of birth and date of death. | Nov 4 th 1886 Sep 12 th 1886 |
| 12. Cause of death. | Cerebral Meningitis |
| 13. Name of the place, town or township and county in which the person died. | Shawano Shawano Town |
| 14. Name and location of burial ground in which interred. | City Burial Grounds Town of Shawano |
| 15. Name of person returning certificate. | E. G. Munn M. D. B. H. |
| 16. Residence of each person. | Shawano Wis |
| 17. Date of certificate. | 1886. |
| 18. Date of registration. | Feb 7 th 1887 |

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Death of sister **Florence Hattie Wescott (1886-1886)** at age 6 months of cerebral meningitis
 - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/3074898:61483>

Faith Wescott

in the Wisconsin, U.S., Births and Christenings Index, 1801-1928

| | |
|-----------------|--------------------|
| Name | Faith Wescott |
| Gender | Female |
| Birth Date | 10 Sep 1887 |
| Birth Place | Shawano, Wisconsin |
| Father | D E Wescott |
| FHL Film Number | 1305587 |

WI birth record of sister **Faith Wescott (1887 -1887)** -
<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui->

[content/view/1117596:2544?tid=109539087&pid=390099959866&queryId=9497d11b77521aec30384f6bd6892cff&phsrc=hFB67233&phstart=successSource](https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/1117596:2544?tid=109539087&pid=390099959866&queryId=9497d11b77521aec30384f6bd6892cff&phsrc=hFB67233&phstart=successSource)

| Deaths. | |
|--|--------------------------------|
| 00829 | |
| 1. Full name of deceased. | Faith Wescott |
| 2. Color. | White |
| 3. Sex. | Female |
| 4. Age. | - |
| 5. Name of the father of deceased. | D. E. Wescott |
| 6. Name of the mother of deceased. | Hattie Wescott |
| 7. Occupation. | - |
| 8. Place of birth. | Shawano |
| 9. Name of wife of deceased. | - |
| 10. Name of husband of deceased. | - |
| 11. Date of birth and date of death. | Sept 10-1887 Oct 6 1887 |
| 12. Cause of death. | Diarthia |
| 13. Name of the place, town or township and county in which the person died. | Shawano |
| 14. Name and location of burial ground in which interred. | City Cemetery |
| 15. Name of person returning certificate. | W. B. Cochran |
| 16. Residence of such person. | - |
| 17. Date of certificate. | Oct 10 th 1887 |
| 18. Date of registration. | January 30 th 1888. |

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WI death record of Faith Wescott - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/3074925:61483>

PAYS TRIBUTE



PERCY E. WESCOTT

SHAWANO 'CLOSES' TO HONOR FATHER

Few boys ever grow up to see an entire town close its doors in honor of one man but Percy E. Wescott of the Pasadena police traffic squad had that privilege recently when business of Shawano, Wis., closed down in memory of his father, Dayne E. Wescott, who died at the age of 78.

The father of the Pasadena officer held the respect of Shawano's citizens through the years by serving them in every office within their gift. In 1872 he became treasurer and in 1894 went to the state senate, and was mayor for two years. His record as city clerk was unbroken for 30 years.

"It is difficult to describe the feeling a fellow has when he sees a whole town revere a man as it did my father," Officer Wescott said. "Such an occasion does not enter the life of every son, and I shall cherish the memory of my father as a man who performed well in the service of his community."

Brother [Percy Eldridge Wescott \(1889-1946\)](#) on the death of his father, "Pasadena (CA) Post" Thursday 5 Sep 1929 p 7

WESCOTT—Percy E. Wescott, 2885 Morningside, passed away May 12. A resident of Pasadena the past 24 years he is survived by his wife, Mrs. Emma A. Wescott; a daughter, Mrs. Otto L. (Harriet) Nepil, La Canada; brothers, Ralph R. Wescott, Milwaukee, and Warde A. Wescott, Candon, Wis. He was a veteran of the First World War a member of the Portland, Ore., Lodge No. 142 B. P. O. E., and a former member of the Pasadena Police Department. Services will be conducted by officers of the Pasadena Lodge No. 672, B. P. O. E., at Reynolds & Eberle Mortuary, 825 East Orange Grove at Lake, Wednesday, May 15 at 11 a. m.

Obituary of Percy Eldridge Wescott – “Metropolitan Pasadena (CA) Star-News” Tuesday 14 May 1946 p 2

| PLACE OF MARRIAGE | | RETURN OF MARRIAGE | |
|-------------------------------------|---|---|--------------|
| County of <u>Clatsop</u> | Registered No. _____ | No. _____ | Street _____ |
| or City of <u>Hammond</u> | Date of Marriage <u>Jan. 8th '12</u> | MONTH | DAY YEAR |
| HUSBAND | | WIFE | |
| Full Name <u>Percy E. Wescott</u> | Full Maiden Name <u>Emma A. Johnson</u> | | |
| Residence <u>Port Stevens, Orz</u> | Residence <u>Hammond, Ore</u> | | |
| Color <u>W</u> ; Age <u>22</u> | Color <u>W</u> ; Age <u>18</u> | | |
| Birthplace <u>Thurston</u> | Birthplace <u>Oregon</u> | | |
| Occupation <u>Soldier</u> | Occupation _____ | | |
| No. of Marriage <u>1</u> | No. of Marriage <u>1</u> | | |
| Father's Birthplace <u>N.Y.</u> | Father's Birthplace <u>Sweden</u> | | |
| Mother's Birthplace <u>N.Y.</u> | Mother's Birthplace <u>11</u> | | |
| Fill out and Return to County Clerk | | (Signed) <u>W. S. Gilbert</u> County Clerk | |
| | | <u>Pastor Pres. Church</u> | |

Marriage of Percy Eldridge Wescott to Emma A. Johnson on 8 Jan 1912 in Hammond, Clatsop OR - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/120649520:61677>

Divorce Mill

Divorce suits filed: Mary Smith against Percy Smith, cruelty; Florence D. Ayer against Fred B. Ayer, desertion; Hazel T. Winsor against Ralph H. Winsor, cruelty; Hazel M. Toon against Ebb H. Toon, cruelty; Emma A. Wescott against Percy E. Wescott, cruelty.

Divorce suit by Emma against Percy – "Oregon Daily Journal" (Portland OR) Thursday 6 Jan 1921 p 2

This blank to be filled in by the Minister, Priest or official performing the marriage ceremony and returned to the County Auditor of the county in which the marriage took place, within ten days from the date of marriage. Write PLAINLY with unfading ink. This is a permanent record. See that EVERY BLANK is properly filled.

| GROOM | | Personal and Statistical Particulars | | BRIDE | |
|--|--|---|--|---|--|
| Full Name <u>Percy E. Wescott</u> | | Full Name <u>Emma A. Wescott</u> | | Full Name <u>Emma A. Wescott</u> | |
| Residence <u>830 Samis St.</u> | | Residence <u>830 Samis St.</u> | | Residence <u>830 Samis St.</u> | |
| Age at last Birthday <u>32</u> Years | | Age at last Birthday <u>38</u> Years | | Age at last Birthday <u>38</u> Years | |
| Color or Race <u>White</u> | | Color or Race <u>White</u> | | Color or Race <u>White</u> | |
| Single, Widowed or Divorced <u>Divorced</u> | | Single, Widowed or Divorced <u>Divorced</u> | | Single, Widowed or Divorced <u>Divorced</u> | |
| Number of Marriages <u>One</u> | | Number of Marriages <u>One</u> | | Number of Marriages <u>One</u> | |
| Birthplace <u>Shawano</u> State or Country <u>Wisconsin</u> | | Birthplace <u>Hammond</u> State or Country <u>Ind.</u> | | Birthplace <u>Hammond</u> State or Country <u>Ind.</u> | |
| Occupation <u>Clerk</u> | | Occupation <u>Clerk</u> | | Occupation <u>Clerk</u> | |
| Name of Father <u>James E. Wescott</u> | | Name of Father <u>Leif W. Johnson</u> | | Name of Father <u>Leif W. Johnson</u> | |
| Birthplace of Father <u>Shawano</u> State or Country <u>Wisconsin</u> | | Birthplace of Father <u>Europe</u> State or Country <u>Europe</u> | | Birthplace of Father <u>Europe</u> State or Country <u>Europe</u> | |
| Maiden Name of Mother <u>Harriett E. Coane</u> | | Maiden Name of Mother <u>Leif W. Johnson</u> | | Maiden Name of Mother <u>Leif W. Johnson</u> | |
| Birthplace of Mother <u>Hammond</u> State or Country <u>Ind.</u> | | Birthplace of Mother <u>Sweden</u> State or Country <u>Sweden</u> | | Birthplace of Mother <u>Sweden</u> State or Country <u>Sweden</u> | |
| Maiden Name of Bride, if She Was Previously Married <u>Emma A. Johnson</u> | | | | | |
| We, the groom, and bride named in this certificate, hereby certify that the information given herein is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief. | | | | | |
| <u>Percy E. Wescott</u> Groom | | <u>Emma A. Wescott</u> Bride | | | |
| CERTIFICATE OF PERSON PERFORMING CEREMONY | | | | | |
| I HEREBY CERTIFY That <u>Percy E. Wescott</u> and <u>Emma A. Wescott</u> were joined in Marriage by me in accordance with the laws of the State of Washington, at <u>Vancouver, Wash.</u> this <u>21st</u> day of <u>August</u> 19 <u>22</u> | | | | | |
| Signature of Minister | | Signature of the person performing the ceremony | | Signature of the person performing the ceremony | |
| <u>James George Thom</u> | | <u>Frauk A. Vaughn</u> | | <u>Frauk A. Vaughn</u> | |
| Res. <u>Portland, Oregon</u> | | Official Station <u>Justice of the Peace</u> | | Official Station <u>Justice of the Peace</u> | |
| Witnesses | | Witnesses | | Witnesses | |
| <u>Mellie Vaughn</u> | | <u>Mellie Vaughn</u> | | <u>Mellie Vaughn</u> | |
| Res. <u>Vancouver, Wash.</u> | | Res. <u>Vancouver, Wash.</u> | | Res. <u>Vancouver, Wash.</u> | |

Remarriage of Percy Eldridge Wescott to Emma A. Johnson Wescott, on 21 Aug 1922 in Vancouver, Clark WA - <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/5513321:2378>

Percy Eldridge Wescott

in the California, U.S., Death Index, 1940-1997

| | |
|----------------------|------------------------|
| Name | Percy Eldridge Wescott |
| Gender | Male |
| Birth Date | 21 Nov 1889 |
| Birth Place | Wisconsin |
| Death Date | 12 May 1946 |
| Death Place | Los Angeles |
| Mother's Maiden Name | Coon |
| Father's Surname | Wescott |

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/7828468:5180>

Percy Eldridge Wescott

in the Wisconsin, U.S., Births and Christenings Index, 1801-1928

| | |
|-----------------|------------------------|
| Name | Percy Eldridge Wescott |
| Gender | Male |
| Birth Date | 21 Nov 1889 |
| Birth Place | Shawano, Wisconsin |
| Father | Dayne E Wescott |
| Mother | Hattie E Coon |
| FHL Film Number | 1305587 |

<https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/1116775:2544>

Pedestrian Shot By Irate Police

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 18.—(U.P.) --Because some man did not have a dime to pay street car fare, Percy Wescott was in a hospital today with a bullet wound in his thigh.

Patrolman Fitzsimmons shouted to the man who was clinging on the outside of the rear end of a street car. The man fled. Fitzsimmons drew his gun and fired at him. The bullet struck the pavement, ricocheted and hit Wescott, a pedestrian.

Note—The Portland police manual prescribes use of police firearms only in self defense or on an escaping felon.

PORTLAND COP SUSPENDED FOR SHOOTING BYSTANDER

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

PORTLAND, Nov. 21 — Patrolman Charles L. Fitzsimmons, who accidentally wounded Percy Wescott, Friday will be suspended from the police force for thirty days on order today of Chief of Police L. V. Jenkins. Fitzsimmons was chasing a man who had stolen a ride on the rear end of a street car, and fired a bullet into the pavement to halt the man. The bullet glanced and struck Wescott who was standing on the street.

Left: "Coos Bay (OR) World" Friday 18 Nov 1932 p 1 and right: "Roseburg (OR) News-Review" Tuesday 22 Nov 1932 p 2

Abbreviations:

b = born

d = died

F: = Find A Grave (www.findagrave.org)

NOK = next-of-kin

Name: Ralph Rogers Wescott

Name variations: nickname: Chi – although Roger is used as his middle name on his Find A Grave record & online family trees, it is Rogers on his WWII draft card & on his Social Security record

Military:

On Tuscania: 107th Supply Co. A - corporal

Serial number: 250,956

Entered service from: Shawano, Shawano WI

Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Ralph Rogers Wescott

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": father D.E. Wescott, Shawano WI

Returned from war on: "Virginian" May 1919

Sailed on return ship as: Ralph R. Wescott

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: father Dayn Wescott, Shawano WI (pvt, Co. A, 107th Supply Train) [i.e. Dayne Eldridge Wescott]

World War I draft registration (1917): as Ralph Rogers Wescott - b. 23 May 1894 Shawano WI; res: Shawano, Shawano WI. Single. Deputy city clerk for D.E. Wescott, Shawano WI.

Claimed exemption from draft: "member W.N.G." [WI National Guard]] Tall, medium build.

National Tuscania Survivors Association (1939): 1542 S. 80th St., West Allis WI

World War II draft registration (1942): as Ralph R. Wescott - b. 23 May 1894 Shawano WI; res: State Fair Park, 2408 S. 83rd St., West Allis WI. NOK wife Theresa Wescott, same address. Employed at State Fair Park, West Allis WI. Height: 6'1 ½" – 210 lbs.

Veterans Administration Military Index: cannot locate

Enlisted:

Discharged:

Address:

Rank/unit:

Birth & death:

Born: 23 May 1894 Shawano, Shawano WI

Died: 31 Jul 1951 Shawano, Shawano, WI (at Shawano Municipal Hospital, hospitalized for past 3 weeks but ill for several years)

Find A Grave record: 39156540 – presence on Tuscania indicated in text

Burial location: Shawano, Shawano WI

Cemetery: Woodlawn

Tombstone: veteran flat: Wisconsin Capt 1851 Svc Comd Unit WW I & II

Father: Dayne Eldridge Wescott, 11 Dec 1850 Waukau, Winnebago WI – 7 Jul 1929

Shawano, Shawano WI. Son of Charles Dayn Wescott & Jane Driesbach. Charles Wescott was the founder of Shawano city & Shawano County. Dayne served as Shawano WI city clerk & WI state senator. Buried in Woodlawn Cemetery, Shawano, Shawano WI.

Find A Grave: 39156093

Mother: Harriette Emeline Coon Wescott, 20 Sep 1851 Friendship, Allegany NY – 5 May 1931 Shawano, Shawano WI. Daughter of Albon Arthur Coon & Emeline Everts. Her brother, Charles Edward Coon, served as the fifth lieutenant governor of the state of Washington (1905-1909). Buried in Woodlawn Cemetery, Shawano, Shawano WI.

Find A Grave: 39156160

Parents' marriage: 1874

Spouse: Theresa May ("Tress") Featherston Wescott, 18 Apr 1892 Tomahawk, Lincoln WI – 17 Nov 1977 Rhinelander, Oneida WI. Buried in Woodlawn Cemetery, Shawano, Shawano WI.

Spouse Find A Grave: 39156853

Marriage: 1920 Brown Co. WI

Children:

- Florence Mary Wescott Schmidt, 29 Sep 1920 Shawano, Shawano WI – 25 Dec 1948 Washington, District of Columbia US. Graduate of Milwaukee State Teachers College & U of WI. Married Sheldon Severin Schmidt (10 Apr 1920 Rhinelander, Oneida WI – 21 Jun 2016, buried in Quantico National Cemetery, Quantico, Prince William VA, F: 167349065), the son of Walter & Elise Schmidt, on 13 Apr 1943 at Fort Leonard Wood MO. Both she & her husband were employees of the federal government in Washington DC at the time of her death. Also survived by 3-year-old daughter, Theresa Elise Schmidt born 31 Oct 1945 in WI, who married Charles Antton Walters Jr., son of Charles Antton Walters Sr. & Ruby Inez Packard, on 30 Aug 1969 in Fairfax VA. Buried in Woodlawn Cemetery, Shawano, Shawano WI. F: 39157052
- Dayne Eldridge Wescott, 4 Jul 1922 Shawano, Shawano WI – 9 Mar 2002 Catonsville, Baltimore MD. Stationed with the US Army at Fort Riley KS at the time of his father's death in Aug 1951. Enlisted in the US Army soon after his high school graduation & served in North Africa & Europe during WWII. Also served in the Korean War. Met Shirley Ann Pfisterer (29 Dec 1923 – 10 May 2013 Catonsville, Baltimore MD) of Baltimore MD, a WAC, during WWII; they married 2 Jan 1946 in Baltimore MD. Employed by the US Internal Revenue Service. According to his obituary, buried in Loudon Park Cemetery. There are 2 in Baltimore, Baltimore MD: Loudon Park and Loudon Park National.

Siblings: Ralph was the youngest child. His 2 sisters died in infancy.

- Warde Arthur (Edward) Wescott, 28 Aug 1875 Shawano, Shawano WI – 18 Sep 1960 Crandon, Forest WI. – Registered for the WWI draft as Warde Arthur Wescott. – Married 21 Dec 1895 to Frances E. (Frankie) Phelps (1872-1922, F: 234184883), the daughter of Truman H. Phelps & Margaret Maria Lawler. – Married 16 Dec 1946 in Iron Mountain, Dickinson MI to Anna Gray (1895-1978, FP: 916491911). Buried in Trinity Lutheran Church Cemetery, Mondovi, Buffalo WI. F: 91649277
- Dayn Bernard Wescott, 2 Jul 1877 Shawano, Shawano WI – 28 Dec 1910 Vancouver, Greater Vancouver Regional District, British Columbia, Canada. Used the name D. Bernard Wescott. – Married Ethel May Reynolds on 17 Aug 1901 in Seattle, King WA. - Married 29 Aug 1909 in Seattle, King WA, to Grace May Darnley (b. 10 Mar 1888 Middlesex, Ontario Canada), the daughter of Charles Henry Darnley (1857-1915) & Martha Jessie Noland (1884-1943). It was her 1st & D. Bernard's 2nd marriage. – Customs agent. Died following an operation, 16 months after his marriage. - Buried in Woodlawn Cemetery, Shawano, Shawano WI. F: 39156338.
- Florence Hattie Wescott, 14 Mar 1886 Shawano, Shawano WI – 12 Sep 1886 Shawano, Shawano WI. Died at age 6 months of cerebral meningitis. Buried in Woodlawn Cemetery, Shawano, Shawano WI. F: 39156465
- Faith Wescott, 10 Sep 1887 Shawano, Shawano WI – 6 Oct 1887 Shawano, Shawano WI. Died less than 1 month old, of diarrhea. According to her WI death record, buried in the City

Cemetery at Shawano WI, presumably Woodlawn Cemetery, Shawano, Shawano WI, where her parents & siblings are, but not on Find A Grave as of 19 Jun 2023.

- Percy Eldridge Wescott, 21 Nov 1889 Shawano, Shawano WI – 12 May 1946 Los Angeles Co. CA. Husband of Emma A. Johnson (1893-1951, F: 70333342), the daughter of Fred W. & Lena Johnson, both b. Sweden. Percy married Emma Johnson on 8 Jan 1912 in Hammond, Clatsop OR. In the 1920 census, the couple reside in Portland, Multnomah OR. Emma sued for divorce in Jan 1921. Percy Wescott & Emma Wescott, of the same address, remarried on 21 Aug 1922 in Vancouver, Clark WA. Both said they had been married once before & were divorced. - Buried in Mountain View Cemetery & Mausoleum, Altadena, Los Angeles CA. F: 70333334

Notes:

Family tree at: https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/109539087/person/390086290846/facts?_phsrc=hFB67217&_phstart=succesSource

Ralph's paternal ancestor was Stukley /StukelyWescott (1592-1677), one of the co-founders of the colony of Rhode Island & a member of the first Baptist church in the US.

Wikipedia entry at: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stukely_Wescott.

Other descendants of Stukely Wescott included General Benedict Arnold (Revolutionary War traitor), Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry (hero of the War of 1812, famous for uttering the words following the Battle of Lake Erie: "We have met the enemy and they are ours"), Oliver's brother Commodore Matthew C. Perry (sent to open Japan to trade) & Stephen Arnold Douglas, defeated by Abraham Lincoln for the U.S. presidency.

Pre-war:

Wartime:

Post-war:

Obituary:

Social Security number: 395-01-3755

Censuses:

1880 Shawano, Shawano WI

Dayna Wescott, 29 WI, parents b. NY, county clerk

Hattie, 28 NY, father b. NY, mother b. VT, keeping house

Wardie, 4 WI

Bernard, 3 WI

1900 Shawano, Shawano WI

Dayn E. Wescott, 48 WI, Dec 1850, parents b. NY, married 26 years, insurance agent

Harriet, 48 NY, Sep 1851, father b. NY, mother b. VT, gave birth to 6 children, 4 are living, housewife

Bernard, 22 WI, Jul 1877, at school

Percey, 10 WI, Nov 1889, at school

Ralph, 6 WI, May 1894, at school

1910 Shawano, Shawano WI – Sawyer St.

Dayn E. Wescott, 59 WI, parents b. NY, married 35 years, agent, insurance

Harriet E., 58 NY, father b. NY, mother b. VT, gave birth to 7 children, 4 are living

Ralph R., 15 WI

1920 Shawano, Shawano WI

Dane E. Wescott, 69 WI, parents b. NY, insurance agent, insurance office

Harriette E., 68 NY, father b. NY, mother b. VT

Ralph R., 25 WI, single, no occupation listed

1930 Shawano, Shawano WI – 218 Sawyer St.

Ralph R. Wescott, 35 WI, father b. WI, mother b. NY, age 25 at 1st marriage, lawyer, general practice, WWI veteran

Teresa, 36 WI, father b. Canada (English), mother b. WI, age 26 at 1st marriage

Florence M., 9 WI

Dayne, 7 WI

& mother Harriet Wescott, 78 NY, parents b. NY, widow

1940 West Allis, Milwaukee WI – 1542 S. 80th St. in Shawano, Shawano WI in 1935

Ralph Wescott, 45 WI, chief police, state employe [sic]

Theresa, 47 WI

Dayne, 17 WI

Florence, 19 WI

1950 Wescott, Shawano WI

Ralph R. Wescott, 55 WI, unable to work

Thressa M., 57 WI

Thresa E. Schmidt, 4 Wi [granddaughter]