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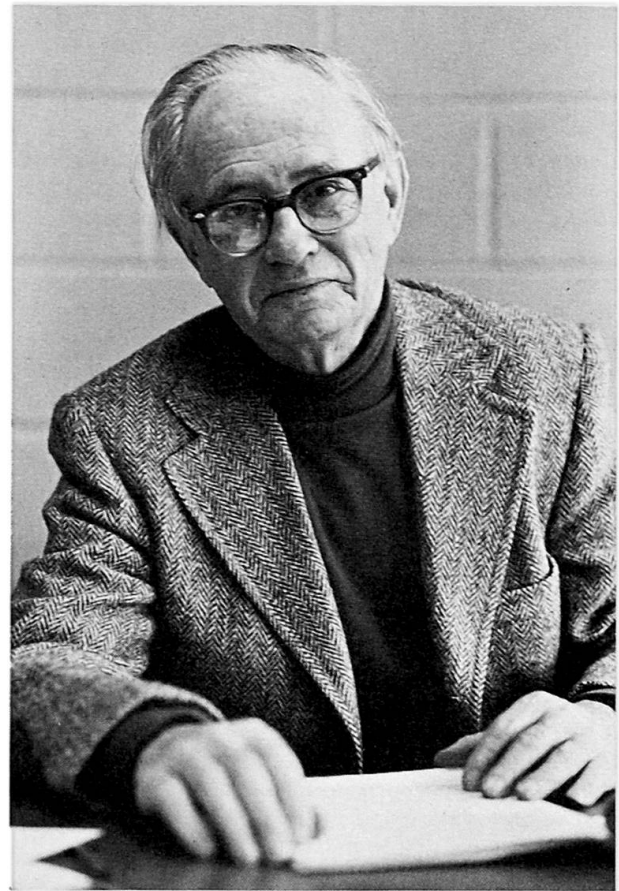
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## 1. Obituary In memoriam George Winter

*At the IABSE Symposium in Washington, DC last September 9, 1982, the President of IABSE, Professor Thürlimann, presented the International Award of Merit in Structural Engineering to Professor George Winter in appreciation of his outstanding contribution to research and teaching in structural engineering. An article was published in George Winter's honour in the November 1982 IABSE Bulletin. While proceeding with the mailing of this November Bulletin, we received the sad news of George Winter's death. The following is an obituary prepared by Professor A. Nilson, Chairman of the Department of Structural Engineering, Cornell University.*



Prof. George Winter, internationally known expert in structural engineering and Chairman of the Department of Structural Engineering at Cornell University from 1948 to 1970, died on November 3rd 1982. Dr. Winter, born in 1907 in Vienna, received his Ph.D. at Cornell in 1940 and had been on the faculty at Cornell since that time. He was the Class of 1912 Professor of Engineering, emeritus, at the time of his death.

His contributions to structural engineering were unique in that he was a leader in research and building code development in all three major modern building materials — concrete, structural steel, and cold-formed, light gage steel. His pioneering research at Cornell in the latter material led to the development of the entire building code for light gage steel. He was co-author of a number of editions of the widely used textbook, *Design of Concrete Structures*, and the author of nearly 100 technical papers and other contributions to handbooks and the *Encyclopedia Britannica*.

Prof. Winter was a member of the National

Academy of Engineering, the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Honorary Member of the American Society of Civil Engineers and the American Concrete Institute, and a member of many technical societies. He received three awards from the American Concrete Institute: Wason Research Medal in 1965, Henry C. Turner Medal in 1972, and the Joe W. Kelly Award in 1979, as well as three awards from the American Society of Civil Engineers: Moisseiff Award in 1948, Croes Medal in 1961, and the E. E. Howard Award in 1981. In September 1982 he received the coveted International Award of Merit in Structural Engineering from the International Association for Bridge and Structural Engineering.

Prof. Winter pursued many interests outside of engineering. He was an avid member of the American Archaeological Institute and was a member of the archaeological expedition to Egypt in 1966. He served as Chairman of the Cornell Faculty Committee on Music, the Friends of Music at Cornell, and the University Lecture Committee.