

Cockrill, Ralph Scott 1879 - 1956

Ralph Scott Cockrill [also known as R. Scott Cockrill] was born in Gorleston, Suffolk England on 24 September 1879. He was articled to his father, John William Cockrill (1849-1924), in Great Yarmouth, Norfolk from 1896 to 1899, and remained as his assistant. His father was Borough Surveyor of Great Yarmouth for forty years and came to be known as "Concrete Cockrill" for his fondness for the use of it as a building material.

Ralph Scott Cockrill became an architect in 1901 and was elected an Associate of the Royal Institute of British Architects (ARIBA) in 1902.

Cockrill subsequently practised as an architect in Great Yarmouth. Early architectural projects by Cockrill included the Hippodrome in Great Yarmouth, Norfolk (1903), and the Fastolff House, Regent Street (1908).

Photographs of the exterior, the entrance hall and the dining room of a house at Lowestoft, Suffolk and designed by Cockrill are illustrated in 'The Studio Yearbook of Decorative Art' 1911 (pp.20, 21, 22).

By the early 1920s Cockrill was working in the London office of architect Hubert Lidbetter (1885-1966). A pastel drawing by Cockrill of 'Hydecroft' at Lowfield Heath in Surrey, designed by Lidbetter is illustrated in 'The Studio Yearbook of Decorative Art' 1924 (p.17), and a sketch by Cockrill of Gerbeston Manor in Somerset, designed by Hubert Lidbetter is illustrated in 'The Studio Yearbook of Decorative Art' 1926 (p.23). Cockrill exhibited once at the Royal Academy in London in 1924.

He died in Bath, Somerset in September 1956

Worked in

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