Barent Ten Eyck, 66, Lawyer And Dewey Rackets Aide; Dies

SALISBURY, Conn., Jan. 23 — Barent Ten Eyck, a retired lawyer and former head of the old Frauds Bureau under District Attorney Thomas E. Dewey, died at his home here today after a heart attack. He was 66 years old.

In 1935, when Mr. Dewey was made special prosecutor charged with crushing racketeering and organized crime in New York County, Mr. Ten Eyck became one of his four chief assistants. In this job he directed an investigation into the baking and flour trucking industries that led to convictions for extortion and murder.

He also participated in the white-slavery trial of Charles (Lucky) Luciano and was responsible for obtaining the testimony of (Cokey) Flo Brown, who proved to be the key witness against Luciano.

When Mr. Dewey was elected District Attorney he brought Mr. Ten Eyck with him, naming him head of his newly created Frauds Bureau.

Joined Insurance Bureau

Mr. Ten Eyck left the District Attorney's office in 1939 to become general solicitor of the Association of Casualty and Surety Executives, a bureau established to uncover fake accident claims and other frauds against insurance companies.

Since then he had worked as a lawyer for several firms. His last position before his retirement a few years ago was head of the London office of Coudert Brothers.

In 1945 he directed the mayoral campaign of Newbold Morris, who was running on the No Deal ticket against William O'Dwyer, who won, and Judge Jonah Goldstein, the Republican candidate.

Mr. Ten Eyck traced his ancestry to Coenradt Ten Eyck, an early settler of New Amsterdam, who arrived in 1651.

Native of Newark

Mr. Ten Eyck was born in Newark and educated in Newark public schools. He attended Princeton University, where he played piano in a jazz band and where he translated two Norwegian novels. He received a degree from Columbia Law School in 1928, and was admitted to the bar the next year.

After three years with the law firm of Satterlee & Canfield, he became assistant United States attorney, where he first worked for Mr. Dewey. After serving as administrative assistant United States attorney, he accepted appointment as Assistant Corporation Counsel of New York City in 1934. From there he went on Mr. Dewey's staff.

Mr. Ten Eyck is survived by his widow, the former Leslie Van Ness, and two daughters, Mrs. Whitney North Seymour Jr., the wife of the former State Senator from Manhattan, and Mrs. Hubert Pratt of Laconia, N. H. Funeral tonight.