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1911

Harold Gerald Allen

1991

Harold G. Allen, a Fellow of the Society, died March 10, 1991 in Santa Rosa, California. He was 79 years old.

Born in Mecosta County, Michigan, on October 9, 1911, Mr. Allen graduated from the University of Michigan in 1934 and immediately joined the actuarial staff at The Bankers Life Company (now Principal Financial Group). Except for four years service in the U.S. Marine Corps, where he fought at Iwo Jima and participated briefly in the post-war occupation of Japan, he continued in his company until retiring in 1976 from the post of Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. His company board service ended in 1984.

Harold had a remarkable record as an outdoorsman, one of his feats being five summers in a canoe with a coworker charting every navigable stream in Iowa. And he was a Civil War buff who toured the battlefields extensively. In his company he has been described as an excellent decision-maker and warm human being.

He is survived by his wife, Jean, and two daughters.

1930

Robert Arthur Bacon

1991

Robert (Bob) A. Bacon, a Fellow of the Society, died in Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania on January 8, 1991. He was 60 years old.

Born in Rochester, New York on October 24, 1930, Mr. Bacon graduated from Yale University in 1952. After three years service in the U.S. Navy, he joined the actuarial staff of Connecticut Mutual Life in 1955 and earned his Fellowship in 1960. Leaving there as Associate Actuary in 1964, he went

to INA Life in Philadelphia, where he became Vice-President and Actuary. From 1968 to 1976, he was Vice-President and Actuary at Huggins and Company. He then founded his own company, Bacon & Wollman Associates, specializing in actuarial services to smaller companies. He was President there when he died.

Mr. Bacon was notably bright and affable as well as being a highly competent actuary. As an example of his caring disposition, he established in his will the Robert A. Bacon Memorial Scholarship at Yale. And his determination was such that even a major heart attack suffered in 1981 failed to deter him either from his actuarial work or from his enjoyment of gardening and other outdoor activities. He is survived by a brother, Kenneth, of New York City.

1927

James John Bagshaw

1991

James J. Bagshaw, an Associate of the Society, died in Sarasota, Florida on August 9, 1991. He was 64 years old.

Born in Astoria, New York on May 14, 1927, Mr. Bagshaw graduated from Bowdoin College in 1948 and then joined the staff of Metropolitan Life Insurance Company. After earning his Associateship in 1952, he entered the consulting field as an employee of Towers, Perrin, Forster & Crosby in Philadelphia. In the early 1960s he was Chief Actuary of Pension Corporation of America in New York City. In 1967 he moved to Metuchen, New Jersey, where he opened his own consulting firm; in 1990 he moved his firm to Sarasota.

Mr. Bagshaw is survived by his wife, Alice, his father, a daughter, and a sister.

1908

Benjamin Franklin Blair

1991

B. Franklin Blair, a Fellow of the Society, died in Medford, New Jersey on November 25, 1991. He was 83 years old.

Born in Lansdowne, Pennsylvania on July 13, 1908, Mr. Blair graduated from Haverford College in 1930 and earned a master's degree at Princeton in 1931. He then joined the actuarial staff of Provident Mutual Life Insurance

Company for a 42-year career that brought him to the post of Senior Vice-President and Actuary. He achieved his Fellowship in 1939 and retired in 1973.

Throughout his active years Frank Blair contributed substantially to actuarial literature through papers and discussions on a wide variety of topics. He was also prominent in education and examination work. He became an authority on life insurance taxation; a Philadelphia-area intercompany tax discussion group that he had founded became known in his honor as the Blair Group. His views and actions on all essential matters showed how thoroughly he was imbued with Quaker philosophy.

After his retirement Mr. Blair continued professionally active. In 1979 he entered the Medford Leas retirement community and began giving major attention to financial and budgetary aspects of such bodies. He served on the Medford Leas management board and its finance committee, gaining experience that led to his appointment by New Jersey Governor Kean to that state's Continuing Care Advisory Council.

His wife, Ann, having predeceased him in 1985, he is survived by a sister, a son, two daughters, and four grandchildren.

1901

Samuel Lewis Booke

1991

Samuel (Sam) L. Booke, a Fellow of the Society, died in Winston-Salem, North Carolina on June 8, 1991. He was 90 years old.

Born in London, England on January 30, 1901, Mr. Booke came to Winnipeg, Canada with his family in 1907 and graduated from the University of Manitoba in 1922. Through the influence of Prof. L. A. H. Warren he abandoned his planned electrical engineering career in favor of this profession and joined the actuarial staff of the Department of Insurance in Ottawa, remaining there until earning his Society Fellowship in 1926. He then migrated to North Carolina, where he was first employed by Pilot Life in Greensboro. In 1929 he moved to Winston-Salem to become Secretary and Actuary of the Security Life and Trust Company, now Integon Corporation, and showed his remarkable managerial talent by bringing that small company through the Depression.

In 1941, while still serving as Vice-President and Actuary at Security Life, Mr. Booke founded the actuarial consulting company, Booke & Company (in its early days named Pension Service Company). He retired from

Security Life in 1965, where he had reached the post of Chairman of the Board. He headed *Booke & Company* for several years, effectively preparing it to become a major consulting firm, continuing as a Director until named Honorary Chairman in 1986.

Mr. Booke possessed an unusual ability to inspire his colleagues and was widely admired for his friendly interest in people and for his imagination, good humor and innovative talent. His wife, Anne, having predeceased him, he is survived by two sons, five grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

1907

Joseph Harry Brett

1990

J. Harry Brett, a Fellow of the Society, died in Bayport, New York on November 22, 1990. He was 83 years old.

Born in Kenora, Ontario on March 24, 1907, Mr. Brett graduated from the University of Toronto in 1928. From then until 1931, he was employed at National Life Assurance Company in Toronto; he then joined the actuarial staff of New York Life Insurance Company and earned his Fellowship the following year.

In December 1942 he became ill, and although he returned to his company in January 1944, by November 1944 he was unable to carry on. It was concluded that he was totally and permanently disabled, qualifying him for what proved to be a lifetime benefit.

Mr. Brett was supported through those many years by his personal courage, his family's support and his strong religious faith. He is survived by a son, a daughter, ten grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

1905

Earl Fay Bucknell

1991

Earl F. Bucknell, a Fellow of the Society, died on January 24, 1991 in Sarasota, Florida after a long illness. He was one month short of his 86th birthday.

Born in Sturgis, Michigan on February 23, 1905, Mr. Bucknell graduated in 1926 from the University of Michigan's actuarial course under the tuition of Professor James W. Glover. Until 1928 he worked for the Maccabees in Detroit and then joined the staff of New World Life in Spokane, Washington. In 1930 he began a 47-year career with The Bankers Life Company (now

The Principal Financial Group) in Des Moines, Iowa. Rising through its actuarial ranks, he was elected Vice-President in 1946, Executive Vice-President in 1960, President in 1961, and Board Chairman and Chief Executive Officer in 1968. After retirement in 1970, he remained a board member until 1977.

Having earned his Fellowship in 1931, Mr. Bucknell continued his active participation in Society affairs throughout his career. He was a leader in the insurance world, serving as chairman of the Institute of Life Insurance in 1970 and on the Health Insurance of America board. He was also influential in his city's civic and community affairs.

Mr. Bucknell was consistently cheerful and an excellent companion. He is survived by his wife, Wave, of Sarasota, a son, Robert, who is a Fellow of this Society, a daughter, seven grandchildren, and two sisters.

1898

Paul William Compeck

1991

Paul W. Compeck, an Associate of the Society, died on October 26, 1991 following a four-year bout with Parkinson's disease. He was a few weeks short of his 93rd birthday.

Born in Newark, New Jersey on November 18, 1898, Mr. Compeck graduated from Barringer High School in 1917. Then, after completing a year's mathematics study at Cooper Union Day School, he joined the actuarial department staff of Prudential Insurance Company in June 1919 for a career of 44 years. He earned his Associateship in 1925 and retired in 1963.

Mr. Compeck's duties at Prudential embraced annual statement work and premium and expense limitation analysis. His title in his early days was Mathematician; later it was Associate Actuarial Director. Celebration of his retirement at age 65 from the latter post was noted as the longest in memory as some of his friends attended on the day before Thanksgiving, some the day after, and some both days.

Paul's diligence at Prudential carried over into a host of outside activities. He became active in the Prudential Retiree Activities, serving in various posts including president of that body. He was a devoted worker in his local chapter of the American Red Cross and on the Board of Trustees of his church.

He is survived by his wife, Mary, and a daughter.

1899

Stuart Fulton Conrod

1991

Stuart F. Conrod, a Fellow of the Society, died in Sarasota, Florida on April 10, 1991. He was 92 years old.

Born in New Glasgow, Nova Scotia on April 1, 1899, Mr. Conrod graduated from the University of Saskatchewan in 1922 and later attended in turn both the University of Michigan and University of Toronto actuarial courses. From 1922 until 1940, except for absences for the above-mentioned actuarial courses and for a short period at the New York consulting firm of Woodward, Fondiller and Ryan, he was employed at two Winnipeg firms—first the Great-West Life Assurance Company, then the Western Empire Life Insurance Company where he was the actuary for some twelve years. He then joined the Loyal Protective Life in Boston, where he remained until his retirement to Florida in 1970. He earned his Society Fellowship in 1934.

Mr. Conrod was known to his colleagues as a cheerful, fun-loving person with solid performance of his professional duties. He is survived by his wife, Dora.

1920

Mitchell Dezube

1990

Mitchell Dezube, a Fellow of the Society, died on November 18, 1990. He was 70 years old.

Born in Philadelphia on June 26, 1920, Mr. Dezube graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1942 headed for a career in chemistry. But after war service in the Navy, he chose the actuarial profession, joining Provident Mutual in Philadelphia in 1946 and then United States Life in New York City from 1948 to 1953. Then after two years in the New York Insurance Department, during which he earned his Fellowship, he became an actuary at Manhattan Life, remaining there until his retirement in 1982.

Mitchell was a quiet, considerate, good-natured person, always a pleasure to work with. He was utterly devoted to his family. He is survived by his wife, Miriam, three children, and seven grandchildren.

1907

Wayne Wilburn Garnett

1991

Wayne W. Garnett, an Associate of the Society, died in Maysville, Kentucky on April 28, 1991. He was 84 years old.

Born in Hillsboro, Kentucky on January 23, 1907, Mr. Garnett graduated from Kentucky Wesleyan College in 1927 and earned a master's degree from the University of Kentucky in 1929. He then taught mathematics at University of Michigan, during which time he sat for its actuarial course. From 1931 to 1937 he was in the actuarial department at Central Life Assurance Company in Des Moines, after which he taught for two years at University of Washington and then earned his Associateship while employed for two years at American United Life in Indianapolis. From 1939 to 1942 he was Actuary of the Michigan Insurance Department and then served in the U.S. Navy from 1942 to 1945 with rank of Lieutenant J.G.

After the war Mr. Garnett was Actuary of Kentucky Home Mutual Life until joining the staff of State Life, Indianapolis, where he was Actuary from 1948 to 1956 and President until 1963. While recovering from a serious automobile accident, he returned to American United, where he was Chief Actuary from 1969 till his retirement in 1973. Finally he did consulting work for Indianapolis Life for three or four years.

Mr. Garnett had an excellent sense of humor and was an exceptionally capable actuary and administrator. He nevertheless was quiet and unassuming. He showed his interest in others as a teacher of life insurance mathematics for LOMA students. He and his wife were childless but served as guardians for three teenagers whose parents had died.

1903

Manuel Gelles

1991

Manuel Gelles, a Fellow of the Society, died in Solana Beach, California on August 20, 1991. He was 88 years old.

Born in New York City on April 9, 1903, Mr. Gelles graduated cum laude from New York University in 1924. He was employed for the next 28 years at Mutual Life of New York where he earned his Fellowship in a mere three years; under the rules of those days it was awarded on his twenty-fifth birthday in 1928. He was later elected Associate Actuary. In 1952 he joined New York Life where he attained the post of Second Vice President and Actuary and held major responsibility for policy dividend calculations. He retired in 1966.

Mr. Gelles participated actively in discussions at Society meetings and was known for his succinct statements of fact and opinion. His 1946 paper, "Overhead and Unit Costs" (*TASA*, Vol. XLVII, p. 286) explored a subject

that had been given too little attention in our literature until then; it was followed by another on the same topic in 1952 (*TSA*, Vol. IV, p. 621) and by discussions of various subjects including financing of Social Security, about which he was well informed and deeply concerned.

Manuel Gelles was respected by those who knew him for his keen mind. He was comfortable with conceptual analysis and yet able to convey understanding of complex questions. His wife Katharine survives him.

1908 **Patrick List Humphrey** 1990

Patrick L. Humphrey, a Fellow of the Society, died in Overland Park, Kansas on September 6, 1990. He was 82 years old.

Born in Shelbina, Missouri on May 19, 1908, Mr. Humphrey graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1929 and in 1930 entered upon an actuarial career at the Kansas City Life Insurance Company. Except for one year of graduate study at the State University of Iowa in 1933-1934 and Navy service during World War II, he remained with that company until his retirement in 1972 from the post of Vice-President and Actuary. He qualified as a Fellow of the Society in 1946.

Mr. Humphrey's wife, Peggy, predeceased him in 1982. He is survived by two daughters, four grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

1913 **John Clifford Stanley Hymans** 1991

J. Clifford S. Hymans, a Fellow of the Faculty of Actuaries and an Associate of the Society, died in England on January 17, 1991. He was 77 years old.

Born in Glasgow, Scotland on June 21, 1913, Mr. Hymans graduated from Glasgow University in 1935. Always in the consulting actuarial field except for eight years of army service, his pre-war employment was at J. H. Robertson & Co. in Glasgow and his post-war until 1956 at RCB Lane Company. He then established his own firm, Clifford Hymans Company, later Hymans Robertson & Co. He retired in 1979.

Those who knew Mr. Hymans have described him as outgoing and generous to others. He obtained his Society Associateship by waiver in 1975 to help maintain his associations with U.S. actuarial organizations.

1906

Reuben Ingvald Jacobson

1991

Reuben (Jake) I. Jacobson, a Fellow of the Society, died in Arizona on July 17, 1991. He was 84 years old.

Born in Roland, Iowa on October 31, 1906, Mr. Jacobson graduated in 1928 from Luther College, Decorah, Iowa and earned a master's degree from the University of Pittsburgh in 1931. After a year as mathematics instructor at University of Wyoming and finding academic pay insufficient to support a family, he enrolled in Professor H.L. Rietz's actuarial program at the University of Iowa and then joined the actuarial staff at Prudential Insurance Company, where he achieved his Fellowship in 1938.

From 1940 to 1954 he discharged steadily broadening actuarial responsibilities in successively the Colonial Life in New Jersey, Northwestern National in Minneapolis, and Western & Southern in Cincinnati before joining Lutheran Brotherhood in Minneapolis. He stayed with Lutheran Brotherhood for a 20-year career, retiring in 1974 from the post of Senior Vice-President and Chief Actuary. And he played a key role in establishing Lutheran Life Insurance Society of Canada from the merged Canadian operations of Lutheran Brotherhood and Aid Association for Lutherans.

Mr. Jacobson was active in Society committee work and through numerous contributions to discussions. Especially memorable was his last in 1971 (*TSA*, Vol. XXIII, p. D215), in which he summarized his attitude toward the actuary's responsibilities to his company and to the public; he predicted that the prevailing treatment of policyholder dividend illustrations would receive increasing criticism.

He was one of the founders of the American Academy of Actuaries, served on its board of directors, and was a Vice-President from 1972 to 1974. In 1972 he presented a paper to the Nineteenth International Congress of Actuaries in Oslo, "Projection of Life Insurance Business under Various Conditions."

Mr. Jacobson was a gentle unassuming person and an enjoyable companion. He was a strong supporter of his alma mater, Luther College; he served on its Board of Regents from 1958 to 1970 and in 1978 received its Distinguished Service Award. He is survived by his wife, May, a son, a daughter, and seven grandchildren.

1934 Yeshwant Gajanan Kanitkar 1990

Yeshwant G. Kanitkar, an Associate of the Society, died in Pittsford, New York on July 25, 1990. He was 56 years old.

Born in Bombay, India on May 4, 1934, Mr. Kanitkar completed his college education at the University of Bombay, receiving two master's degrees—in pure mathematics in 1958 and in statistics in 1966—while working at the Reserve Bank of India and then as head of the mathematics department at a local commerce college. During these years he was active in Indian politics, the labor movement and community services, participating in relief of refugees from then East Pakistan. In 1968 he moved to England, where he was employed for two years with the Engineering Industry Training Board at Watford.

In 1970 Mr. Kanitkar migrated to the U.S., entering the actuarial consulting field, first with Johnson & Higgins in Philadelphia, then in 1974 with Peat, Marwick and Mitchell in Rochester, New York after earning his Associateship. His career was seriously interrupted from 1978 to 1984 by kidney failure, necessitating a transplant.

From February 1984 until his death, Mr. Kanitkar was a Senior Actuary with Smith, Everett & Associates in Pittsford where he exercised supervisory duties and frequently testified in court in pension-related matters.

Mr. Kanitkar's mental spirit was high despite his health problems, and he continued to help poor and disadvantaged people. He is survived by his wife, Vijaya, two sons, and one grandson.

1904 John Edward Kessler 1991

John E. Kessler, an Associate of the Society, died in Acton, Massachusetts on January 19, 1991. He was 86 years old.

Born in Pittsburgh on June 23, 1904, Mr. Kessler graduated in electrical engineering from Purdue University in 1930 and earned a master's degree from Yale in 1932. On October 1, 1932 he joined the actuarial staff of Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company in Philadelphia, where his primary responsibilities became assisting in technical actuarial matters and investment analysis. He qualified as an Associate in 1950 and remained with his company until

normal retirement in 1969. Some time later he moved to Massachusetts and was in declining health during his later years.

John was a conscientious, faithful worker. He is survived by two sons.

1915

Herbert W. Kimball

1991

Herbert W. Kimball, a Fellow of the Society, died in Ogunquit, Maine on May 25, 1991. He was 75 years old.

Born in Brooklyn, New York on November 19, 1915, Mr. Kimball graduated from Boro Hall Academy and beginning in 1934 was employed in the actuarial department of the Equitable Life Assurance Society. There he was encouraged to consider an actuarial career, in preparation for which he attended four years of evening classes at the College of the City of New York in 1938–1942. He then undertook the Society examinations, earning his Associateship in 1949 and his Fellowship in 1959.

Meanwhile in 1945 Mr. Kimball entered the consulting field, first with Marsh & McLennon in New York until 1952, then with R.P. Burroughs in New Hampshire until 1966, then again with Marsh & McLennan as a Vice-President until 1974, and with Connell Company in Waltham, Massachusetts until 1976. He then formed his own consulting firm, first in Waltham and from 1983 in Ogunquit.

Mr. Kimball is survived by his wife, Margaret.

1946

Thomas Frederick Lannert

1990

Thomas F. Lannert, a Fellow of the Society, died in St. Louis on July 4, 1990. He was 43 years old.

Born in St. Louis on September 7, 1946, Mr. Lannert graduated from the University of Missouri in 1968. After brief experience at Southwestern Bell Company, he joined General American Life in 1969 but moved a few years later to an actuarial post at the Life Investors Insurance Company in Cedar Rapids. In 1979 he was in the consulting field as Assistant Vice-President of William M. Mercer in Kansas City. Later he was Vice-President of Lannert & Wagner in St. Louis and then was with Compensation Management Inc. in that city. He earned his Fellowship in 1975.

Mr. Lannert is survived by two daughters.

1908

Harold Robert Lawson

1991

Harold R. Lawson, a Fellow of the Society and its President in 1966–67, died in Queensbury, New York on September 20, 1991 after a long illness. He was 83 years old.

Born in Toronto on February 21, 1908, Mr. Lawson graduated from North Toronto Collegiate Institute in 1925. Instead of going to college, he decided to become an actuary and personally applied to the Crown Life Insurance Company, Toronto in March 1926. When that company's actuary asked him what he knew about actuarial work, Mr. Lawson showed himself prepared for such a question by promptly quoting the mortality rate at age 35 according to the American Experience table. He was thereupon hired and achieved his Fellowship in 1933.

In 1944 he moved to the U.S. to accept a position with the Massachusetts Protective Association and Paul Revere Life Insurance Company in Worcester. In 1952 he returned to Toronto to become Vice-President and Managing Director and in later steps President and then Chairman of the National Life Assurance Company of Canada. In 1954–55 he was President of the Canadian Association of Actuaries.

Mr. Lawson was a genius at product innovation. His Society meeting discussions in the 1950s and 1960s displayed his conviction that actuaries must change with changing times. In *TS4* Vol. XII (1960) p. 722, he told of his company's pioneering move in affiliating with a mutual fund that began to offer a variable annuity option, the mortality risk borne by the life company.

In 1957, Mr. Lawson had also arranged for affiliation of his company with Glens Falls Insurance Company to offer multiple line coverage. In 1966 he moved to Glens Falls to facilitate active management of that portion of the combined organization's activities. He remained there after that, ill health forcing his premature retirement in 1975.

Within the profession Mr. Lawson's talents were quickly noticed as he participated vigorously in Society affairs and in discussions at meetings. He served almost continuously on the Board of Governors for 15 years starting in 1953. In his presidential address he stressed the Society's international character, expressing his conviction that the Society "should do everything possible to meet the requirements of our Canadian brethren so that they can always look on the Society as their professional home and the source of all the formal education they will ever need."

Harold Lawson is particularly remembered by old-timers for his command of language and his sparkling humor. His influence within the profession was intensely directed toward high ethical standards and usefulness of actuaries to society. He was a remarkable man, able to cut through the superficial to the heart of a problem, possessing courage to swim against the tide of others' opinions, scrupulously honest, and considerate in his dealings.

Mr. Lawson's first wife, Emily, died in 1973. He remarried in 1975, but his second wife, Margaret, died in 1981. He is survived by two daughters, one grandson, two brothers, and two sisters.

1945

Denis M. Legendre

1991

Denis M. Legendre, a Fellow of the Society, died accidentally in Montreal on February 16, 1991. He was 45 years old.

Born in Montreal on September 4, 1945, Mr. Legendre graduated from the University of Montreal with a B.Sc. degree in 1967 and joined the actuarial staff of Standard Life Insurance Company in that city. After a few months, he moved to La Societe des Artesans and in 1973 to Sobeco Inc., both also in Montreal. After earning his Society Fellowship in 1976, he set up his own firm in 1979. His areas of practices were pensions and workmen's compensation.

Mr. Legendre was a friendly person with many interests. He was a keen tennis and golf player, excelling in both sports.

He is survived by his wife, Francine, three daughters, his mother, and two brothers.

1956

Laurent Letarte

1990

Laurent Letarte, an Associate of the Society, died in Quebec on November 3, 1990. He was 34 years old.

Born on April 24, 1956, Mr. Letarte graduated in December 1987 from the actuarial school at Laval University. In June 1988 he entered the employ of Sun Life of Canada, remaining there in the Group Pension Department for just a few months until forced to leave by illness. He qualified as an Associate of the Society in 1988.

Mr. Letarte is survived by the father.

1921

Liselott R. Lisle

1991

Liselott (Lottie) R. Lisle, an Associate of the Society, died in Alexandria, Virginia on January 2, 1991 after a brief illness. She was 69 years old.

Born Liselott Wohlman in Berlin, Germany on February 27, 1921, she moved with her parents to England in 1934 and from there to New York City in 1938. She graduated from Brooklyn College in 1943, attended Columbia University the next year and in 1952 to 1954 earned further graduate credits from her original alma mater. After teaching mathematics in New York City, she was employed in an actuarial position with the New York City Retirement Systems until 1959, when she joined the Office of the Actuary, Social Security Administration in Washington under the leadership of Robert J. Myers. She earned her Society Associateship in 1969 and prior to her retirement in 1986 held actuarial posts in the U.S. Department of Labor and the General Accounting Office.

Ms. Lisle engaged in part-time consulting work on pension plans. She served as president of the Middle Atlantic Actuarial Club and was an active member of the Conference of Actuaries in Public Practice. She was well known and admired for her professional ability, diligence, and warm personality. She is survived by two brothers.

1913

Daniel Malament

1990

Daniel Malament, an Associate of the Society, died in Brooklyn, New York on July 25, 1990. He was 77 years old.

Born in Brooklyn on February 1, 1913, Mr. Malament graduated from City College of New York in 1931 and earned his master's degree at Columbia University in 1933. Discouraged by advice from an actuary from then attempting to enter the Society, he became a mathematics teacher until 1955 when he found himself welcomed into a profession that he had believed closed to him.

From 1955 to 1958 Mr. Malament was employed at the Samuel N. Ain actuarial consulting firm. Then he moved to the post of Vice-President at the Pension Planning Company. In 1970 he became Actuary at Lybrand Brothers & Montgomery in New York, but was forced by ill health to retire the following year. He is survived by his wife, Esther.

1905

David Ball Mansur

1990

David B. Mansur, an Associate of the Society, died on October 7, 1990. He was 85 years old.

Born in Rock Island, Quebec on August 27, 1905, Mr. Mansur was educated at St. John's College, Winnipeg, graduated from the University of Manitoba in 1924, and joined the staff of Sun Life Assurance Company in Montreal, where he gained his Associateship in 1932. He was employed in the field of mortgage investments and in 1939 left Sun Life to become General Superintendent of the Central Mortgage Bank in Ottawa, a government institution.

During World War II, Mr. Mansur served successively as Assistant Chairman of Canada's Foreign Exchange Control Board and Assistant Chairman of the National War Insurance Committee. He was honored by being named a Companion of the Order of the British Empire (C.B.E.).

Mr. Mansur never returned to the actuarial field. From 1946 to 1954 he was President of the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation and from 1954 to 1960 President of the Consolidated Toronto Development Corporation. After that, he was a consultant in the mortgage field.

His first wife having predeceased him, he is survived by his second wife, two children, four grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

1904

Archibald Hendrie McAulay

1991

Archibald (Mac) H. McAulay, a Fellow of the Society, died in Briarcliff Manor, New York on March 13, 1991. He was eight days short of his 87th birthday.

Born in Alexandria, Dumbartonshire, Scotland on March 21, 1904, Mr. McAulay graduated from Glasgow University with first-class honors in 1925. After briefly teaching mathematics, he came to Canada in 1928 to accept a job offer from the Sun Life in Montreal. In 1939 he qualified as a Fellow of the Actuarial Society and moved to Minneapolis as Assistant Actuary of Northwestern National Life. From 1944 to 1954 he was employed at National Life of Vermont as Vice-President in charge of underwriting. The final phase of his career was as President of North American Reassurance Company in

New York City, from which post he retired in 1969. In retirement he did some consulting work and played golf, at which he was unusually accomplished.

Mr. McAulay has been described as boldly decisive, not so much as a technical actuary as in a leadership capacity, relying heavily upon his keen ability to evaluate people. His reinsurance post gave him opportunities to be helpful to many resultingly grateful people.

Mr. McAulay's first wife, Mina, died in the early years of his retirement and his second wife, Helen, also predeceased him. He is survived by a daughter.

1922 James Charles McIntyre 1990

James C. McIntyre, a Fellow of the Society, died of cancer in St. Louis, Missouri, on September 14, 1990. He was 68 years old.

Mr. McIntyre was born in St. Louis on June 5, 1922 and graduated from St. Louis University in 1943. After serving in the Army Air Corps, he joined the actuarial staff of General American Life Insurance Company in 1946. His career there continued until his retirement in 1987. He earned his Fellowship in 1961.

In 1979, Mr. McIntyre was elected Executive Vice-President in charge of individual insurance, the first person to hold that title with General American. He also served as Chairman of the Board of Walnut Street Securities and a board member of Paragon Life and St. Louis Re. He was a charter member of the St. Louis Actuaries Club and served a term as Chairperson of that organization.

In addition to his professional achievements, Mr. McIntyre was admired for his talent for dealing with people. When he retired, the company's general agents presented him and his wife with a trip to Australia and New Zealand as a symbol of their warm feelings for him. He was an avid golfer and loved to travel, especially if he could share the experiences with family and friends. He was an active member of his church and volunteered for many civic activities.

He is survived by his wife, June, three daughters, and six grandchildren.

1955

Donald Kevin Monson

1990

D. Kevin Monson, an Associate of the Society, died suddenly in his home in Lincoln, Nebraska on November 11, 1990. He was 35 years old.

Born in Osmond, Nebraska on October 2, 1955, Mr. Monson graduated in 1978 from the University of Nebraska–Lincoln where he was a charter member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity and played in the Cornhusker marching band.

Mr. Monson was employed at Capital Holding Corporation, J.C. Penney Life, World Insurance Company, and since 1987 at Ameritas Life in Lincoln. He earned his Associateship in 1982 and was working on his Fellowship when he died. His hobbies were sports cars and computers. He is survived by his parents.

1907

Gordon Gibson Myer

1990

Gordon (Gord) G. Myer, a 1936 Fellow of the Society, died in Simcoe, Ontario on November 26, 1990. He was 83 years old.

Born in Goderich, Ontario on May 31, 1907, Mr. Myer graduated from Toronto's McMaster University in 1928. After a year of employment at University of Western Ontario, he joined Confederation Life Association in June 1929 for an actuarial career that was to continue through 41 years of distinguished service until his retirement from the post of Actuary and Director of Corporate Planning in September 1970. He had earned his Fellowship in 1936.

Mr. Myer served as President of the Canadian Association of Actuaries in 1957–1958. He was active in professional matters. He is survived by his wife, Scottie, a son, a daughter, and two grandchildren.

1910

Richard Edward O'Keefe

1991

Richard E. O'Keefe, a Fellow of the Society, died on August 5, 1991. He was 81 years old.

Born in New York City on April 17, 1910, Mr. O'Keefe graduated from Columbia University in 1931 and joined the actuarial staff of Metropolitan

Life Insurance Company. He earned his Society Fellowship in 1938 and rose to the position of Third Vice-President in his company.

Mr. O'Keefe officially retired in 1975, but long before that his career had been severely interrupted by ill health. He is survived by his wife, Ella.

1902 **Henry Adams Plimpton** 1990

Henry A. Plimpton, an Associate of the Society, died in Sarasota, Florida on November 21, 1990. He was 88 years old.

Born in East Brookfield, Massachusetts on September 7, 1902, Mr. Plimpton graduated from Harvard College in 1925. From 1925 to 1937 he was on the actuarial staff of New England Mutual Life in Boston. From 1937 until his retirement to Sarasota in 1967, he was at the Columbian National Life and its successor company, Hartford Life, his final post being that of Second Vice-President and Actuary. He earned his Associateship in 1934.

Mr. Plimpton was an exceptionally quiet and unassuming person, unfailingly kind and patient. He is survived by his wife, Ida May, a brother and a sister.

1942 **Davis Allen Pollock** 1990

Davis A. Pollock, a Fellow of the Society, died of cancer in Madison, Wisconsin on September 28, 1990. He was 48 years old.

Born in Douds, Iowa on August 31, 1942, Mr. Pollock graduated from Drake University's actuarial course in 1964 and immediately became an actuarial trainee at Central Life Assurance Company in Des Moines, where he had been a summer employee. He continued with that company for more than 26 years, rising to the posts of Electronic Data Processing Vice-President in 1977, Vice-President of Corporate Planning in 1979, Senior Vice-President of Group Insurance in 1982, and Executive Vice-President of Corporate Development in 1989. He earned his Fellowship in 1973.

Mr. Pollock is survived by his wife, a son, and a daughter.

1932

Eugene Frederick Porter

1990

Eugene (Gene) F. Porter, a 1966 Fellow of the Society, died from a heart attack in Appleton, Wisconsin on December 18, 1990. He was 58 years old.

Born in Blue Earth, Minnesota on November 9, 1932, he graduated from Macalester College, St. Paul, Minnesota in 1954 and earned a master's degree in actuarial science from the University of Wisconsin in 1955.

He joined the staff of Aid Association for Lutherans, Appleton, Wisconsin in 1955 as an actuarial student. It soon became evident that his chief interests were in research and corporate planning. Beginning in 1966 he was deeply involved in every aspect of financial forecasting, planning and research, rising to Senior Vice-President—Corporate Research and Development.

In 1988 he joined the Equitable Reserve Association, Neenah, Wisconsin as Executive Vice-President. In May 1990 he became president of Secura Life Insurance Company in Appleton, the post he held until his death.

Mr. Porter served as President of the Fraternal Actuarial Association in 1974 and 1975.

Mr. Porter's greatest interest other than his wife and family was his intense application to his professional responsibilities. He was a highly principled gentleman who had the respect and admiration of his colleagues and is fondly remembered for his integrity and intellect.

He is survived by his wife, Marilyn, a son, and a daughter.

1924

Peter Harington Pudney

1990

Peter H. Pudney, an Associate of the Society and a Fellow of the Canadian Institute of Actuaries, died on November 24, 1990 after a short illness. He was 66 years old.

Born in Montreal on May 30, 1924, Mr. Pudney graduated from the University of British Columbia in 1946 and in the following year followed his college professor's advice by joining the actuarial staff of the Manufacturers Life Insurance Company in Toronto for a career that was to last for 38 years. His speciality was group pensions, where he established a reputation as a conscientious and respected counselor. A man of humor and compassion, he was noted for his friendly and forthright relations with clients and agents. He retired in 1985 from the post of Manager, Pension Services Department.

His recreational activities included golf, tennis, curling, and bridge. With his sharp mind and engaging personality, he qualified for several national television appearances on popular quiz shows. Friends will remember his remarkable skill at impersonations ranging from Winston Churchill to a visit with the characters who resided down "Allen's Alley."

Mr. Pudney is survived by his wife, Rosamond, his mother, a brother, three daughters, and ten grandchildren.

1910 Philip Alfred Rabenau 1990

Philip (Phil) A. Rabenau, a Fellow of the Society, died on October 9, 1990. He was 79 years old.

Born in the Bronx, New York, on December 10, 1910, Mr. Rabenau graduated from the College of the City of New York in 1932. He then joined Metropolitan Life Insurance Company. He earned his Associateship in 1936 and Fellowship in 1939.

Mr. Rabenau entered military service in the Navy in January 1942 and served until May 1945 as a combat information officer on the aircraft carrier *U.S.S. Bennington*.

Mr. Rabenau spent his entire professional career at Metropolitan, as an actuary and as an executive with varying and increasing responsibilities. As a pioneer in developing individual pension business, he was held in high esteem by his colleagues and co-professionals. He was genuinely cherished for his friendliness and warmth, and for his skillful development of young actuaries. He retired as Vice-President and Actuary in 1973.

Mr. Rabenau's daughter, Carole, predeceased him and his wife, Marie, died within four months of his death. He is survived by a daughter, a son, and three grandchildren.

1907 Charles Frederick Bardsley Richardson 1991

Charles (Charlie) F. B. Richardson, a Fellow of the Society, died in his sleep on the night of January 2-3, 1991 at his home in Florida. He was a few days short of his 84th birthday.

Born in Leicester, England on January 11, 1907, Mr. Richardson graduated from Edinburgh University in 1930. He began his actuarial career in

1926 with the Scottish Life Assurance Company, Edinburgh almost by accident: his chosen career had been in accountancy but when he reported for his apprenticeship he found his expected principal inebriated; he thereupon turned to actuarial work as second choice. In 1931 he joined the Confederation Life Association at its London office and was promptly sent to its head office in Toronto. When he qualified as a Fellow of the Actuarial Society in 1934, he was sent to England again as Confederation's Actuary for Great Britain but returned to Canada in 1937 and soon afterwards joined Union Central Life in Cincinnati. In 1942 he joined Mutual Life in New York City, where he served as Associate Actuary. From 1960 to 1970, he was at Berkshire Life in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, becoming Senior Vice-President there. In 1971 he moved to Tennessee, first with H. W. Black & Associates, then for three trying years as Chief Actuary of the Tennessee Insurance Department. He retired in 1976.

Mr. Richardson was a prolific writer. His first major piece was a paper in 1931 to the Faculty of Actuaries on aviation risks. By 1937 he was already writing on what became one of his specialties, expense investigations. Papers to the Actuarial Society, the American Institute of Actuaries, and the Society of Actuaries followed; among the principal ones were "Guaranteed Cash Surrender Values under Modern Conditions" (*TASA*, Vol. XXXIX, p. 237); "Substandard Business" (*RAIA*, Vol. XXX, p. 122); and "Observations on Agency Management Problems" (*TSA*, Vol. I, p. 131). These and other papers and discussions showed their author's mastery of theory and practice, his exceptional clarity of expression, and his devotion to high ethical standards.

Mr. Richardson served the profession in many ways, particularly as a senior member of the Society's examination committees and as an advisor to the National Association of Insurance Commissioners in 1977 on statutory nonforfeiture values.

He became well known inside and outside the Society of Actuaries for his often unorthodox yet consistently well-supported views on controversial actuarial and agency questions through many life insurance eras. He is survived by his wife, Mary, four children, nine grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

1919

Harold Louis Rosini

1991

Harold (Bud) L. Rosini, a 1950 Associate of the Society, died in New York City on September 5, 1991. He was 72 years old.

Born in New York City on January 25, 1919, Mr. Rosini graduated from City College of New York in 1938 and earned his master's degree from Columbia University in 1939. After teaching in private high schools for several years, he joined the group annuities staff of Metropolitan Life in 1943. From then until his retirement in 1978, his professionalism and continually expanding pension expertise earned him the respect of his associates. His every business decision was made with an eye for accuracy and with keen regard for equity, flowing from his exceptional self-discipline and tolerance.

Mr. Rosini is remembered as a gentle, considerate and dedicated colleague and a caring, dependable friend. He was a private person, never married but devoted to his immediate family.

1904

John Young Ruddock

1991

John Y. Ruddock, a Fellow of the Society, died in New Orleans on August 20, 1991. He was a few weeks short of his 87th birthday.

Born in London, England on September 17, 1904, Mr. Ruddock graduated from the University of Toronto in 1927. He made exceptional progress with actuarial examinations, achieving Fellowship in 1930, only four years after first applying.

He was employed with State Mutual Life in Worcester until 1930, with Woodward, Fondiller & Ryan in New York City from then until 1934, and with Columbian National Life in Boston in 1935 and 1936.

Joining Pan-American Life Insurance Company in February 1937 as Vice-President and Actuary, Mr. Ruddock became Senior Vice-President in 1955, Executive Vice-President in 1959, President in 1961, Co-Chairman of the board in 1964, and Chairman in 1965. He retired in October 1969.

His wife, Margaret, having predeceased him, Mr. Ruddock is survived by a stepdaughter.

1907

Walter Livingstone Rugland

1991

Walter L. Rugland, a Fellow of the Society, died from cancer complications in Appleton, Wisconsin on September 27, 1991. He was 84 years old.

Born in Lawler, Iowa on August 2, 1907, Mr. Rugland graduated from Luther College, Decorah, Iowa in 1929 and earned a master's degree in actuarial science from State University of Iowa in 1932 as a student of the renowned Professor H. L. Reitz. During this latter period, he also taught high school at Grove City, Minnesota. In 1943, after 11 years service at Metropolitan Life, he was appointed Actuary of Aid Association for Lutherans, where he qualified for Society Fellowship in 1945. He rose to become President of the company, America's leading fraternal insurance body, in 1958. After retirement in 1972, he served as Chairman of its Board for five years.

Mr. Rugland gave distinguished service to the profession. As a past President of the Fraternal Actuarial Association, he participated influentially in launching the American Academy of Actuaries in 1965 and served as that body's President in 1969-1970. His numerous discussions in our journals were uniformly thoughtful and constructive, ranging from his seconding the motion in 1948 "on behalf of the younger members of the [American] Institute" to merge that body into the Society of Actuaries (*RAIA*, Vol. XXXVIII, p. 127) to his last formal remarks, about Elizur Wright, in 1984 (*RSA*, Vol. 11, p. 2402).

Walter Rugland's high principles have rubbed off onto many of our members who have benefitted from his guidance and example through the years, including notably his own son, who serves as the Society's 1991-92 President-Elect. His other survivors include his wife, Nora, a daughter, and three grandchildren.

1907

George Ryrie

1991

George Ryrie, a Fellow of the Society, died in Toronto on January 3, 1991. He was 83 years old.

Born in Edinburgh, Scotland on May 3, 1907, Mr. Ryrie came to Ontario with his parents in 1913 and completed studies at Weston High School in 1923. He never went to college; his own amusingly worded account of his difficulties in persuading actuaries of major Toronto companies to take seriously his ambition to enter the profession appears in the Society book, *Our Yesterdays*, page 402. He obtained employment in North American Life Assurance Company in 1925 and completed all the Fellowship examinations in 1931, one year ahead of the then minimum Fellowship age. This would

make his FSA year 1932; but the Society mistakenly sent him a certificate dated 1931 and sent him another one in 1932, giving him an opening of which he puckishly decided to avail himself many years later. Thus, year-books for more than 40 years list him as FSA 1932, but beginning in 1980 some official must have responded to being shown his 1931 certificate by having the date changed to 1931.

In 1941 he enlisted in the Royal Canadian Air Force and accepted a major assignment in administering the Empire Training Plan. His ability and hard work earned him the rank of Wing Commander and in the 1946 King's Honour List he was made a Member of the British Empire (M.B.E.).

On returning to his company in 1946, he was appointed Actuary. Promotions followed rapidly, culminating in his appointment as President and Chief Executive Officer in 1966. He retired in 1972 but continued as a Director until 1978.

In 1949 Mr. Ryrie was elected President of the Canadian Association of Actuaries. He served on the Board of Governors of the Society of Actuaries from 1966 to 1968. He was also active and influential in industry bodies, one being the Life Office Management Association, of which he was elected President in 1965.

He worked hard and played hard. He became an enthusiastic golfer, a keen bridge player and a dedicated gardener. In his later years he did thorough research into the formation and development of his company and wrote its history.

Mr. Ryrie expected much from those who worked with and for him, but his ability, integrity and fairness were widely recognized. Always, just under the surface were his sense of humor and dry Scottish wit.

He is survived by his wife, Nora Elizabeth.

1955

Susan Jane Schneider

1991

Susan J. Schneider, an Associate of the Society, died on August 5, 1991 after a fall in her home. She was 35 years old.

Born in Milwaukee on November 24, 1955, Ms. Schneider graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1984. She was employed at Washington National Insurance Company in Evanston, Illinois. She qualified as an Associate of the Society in 1991.

She enjoyed outdoor activities such as hiking and bicycling. She is survived by her parents and by three brothers.

1945

Alan Shane

1991

Alan Shane, a Fellow of the Society, died in Hingham, Massachusetts on March 12, 1991. He was 45 years old.

Born in Chelsea, Massachusetts on August 9, 1945, Mr. Shane graduated from Boston University in 1967. He went on to earn a master's degree at Northeastern University, where he taught mathematics from 1968 to 1971. He was employed at John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company from 1970 to 1981 and then as Associate Group Actuary at New England Mutual Life between 1981 and 1983. He qualified as a Fellow of the Society in 1978.

In 1983 Mr. Shane's promising actuarial career was abruptly ended by disability, which eventually led to his death from kidney failure.

Alan is survived by his wife, Barbara, and four sons.

1906

Frederick Parmlee Sloat

1991

Frederick (Fred) P. Sloat, a Fellow of the Society, died after a long illness in New Providence, New York on February 12, 1991. It was his 85th birthday.

Born in Barryville, New York on February 12, 1906, Mr. Sloat graduated from Wesleyan University, Middletown, Connecticut in 1927. He earned his Society Fellowship in 1933.

In essentially his farewell address to the Society in 1969 (*TSA*, Vol. XXI, p. D783), Mr. Sloat identified the three stages of his 40-year career thus: "The first was as an employee of an insurance company [the Equitable Society, 1927-1949], the second as a partner of a consulting firm [with W. W. Terryberry in New York City, 1949-1964], and the third as a principal . . . of a large accounting firm [Coopers & Lybrand, New York City, from 1949 until his retirement in 1971]." That he held that last position at that critical time proved to be of major advantage to the profession.

Mr. Sloat contributed importantly to actuarial knowledge and literature, especially during the 1960s when close working relationships with the accounting profession had to be achieved. In 1966 (*TSA*, Vol. XVIII, p. D13),

he was in a position to state that any seeming attitude of accountants that the actuary is of secondary importance in such matters as pension cost accounting had completely disappeared; much of the credit for this was the result of his own work with the Accounting Principles Board as well as with actuaries concerned.

Mr. Sloat was a member of the Society's first full-fledged Committee on Professional Conduct, serving as its chairperson in the late 1960s. He also served on the Committee to Study Pension Fund Accounting.

He was a man of many community as well as professional activities and was particularly in demand because of his talent as an organist. His first wife, Edna, died in 1985 and his second, Eugenia, died in 1990. He is survived by a sister, two sons, four grandchildren, and a great-granddaughter.

1898

John Lester Stearns

1991

John L. Stearns, a Fellow of the Society, died on December 1, 1991. He was 93 years old.

Born in Washington, D. C. on July 22, 1898, Mr. Stearns graduated from Johns Hopkins University in 1920 and gained his M.B.A. degree at Harvard in 1922. In 1923 he enrolled in a training course at New England Mutual Life Insurance Company with an auditing career in mind, but learning that there was an actuarial profession he sat for the first Society examination and passed it. By 1929 he had achieved his Fellowship.

He was to devote his entire business career to the New England Mutual until retiring in 1963 from the post of Vice-President and Senior Actuary, the company's chief actuary position. After retirement, he did consulting work for the Massachusetts General Life Insurance Company.

Mr. Stearns was devoted to his company and especially to the best interests of its agency force. He was first and foremost a practical actuary although with due respect to the theoretical side of actuarial science. He retained interests in skiing and mountain-climbing for many years.

His wife, Amelia, having predeceased him, Mr. Stearns is survived by two daughters, ten grandchildren, and twelve great-grandchildren.

1915

William Isaac Struble

1991

William (Bill) I. Struble, a Fellow of the Society, died on March 16, 1991 while travelling in Medan, Sumatra. He was 75 years old.

Born in Minneapolis on July 3, 1915, Mr. Struble graduated from St. Thomas College, St. Paul, Minnesota in 1937 and from Professor H. L. Reitz's actuarial course at the State University of Iowa in 1938. He then joined the actuarial staff at Travelers Insurance Company, Hartford, remaining with that company for 40 years until his retirement in 1978 from the post of Second Vice-President and Actuary in the company's group pension department. He earned his Fellowship in 1950.

Descriptive words about Mr. Struble in recollections by his former associates include "considerate, decent, honorable, soft-spoken." He was quite athletic, particularly at tennis and was a frequent traveller after retirement to California. He is survived by his second wife, Shirley, and by a daughter and grandchild from his first marriage.

1931

Harold Edward Tifenbach

1991

Harold (Hal) E. Tifenbach, a Fellow of the Society, and his wife, Muriel, died suddenly on September 27, 1991. He was 59 years old.

Born in Moose Jaw on November 25, 1931, Mr. Tifenbach graduated from the University of Saskatchewan in 1953. He was already an officer in the Canadian army, his service including membership in the Canadian Honour Guard at Queen Elizabeth II's coronation in 1952.

Mr. Tifenbach's college ambition to become an actuary having to be set aside for a time, he joined the Saskatoon field force of North American Life Assurance Company a year or so after graduation, earning his CLU designation in 1956. In 1962, having passed some of the early actuarial examinations, he was accepted into his company's actuarial staff in Toronto and earned his Society Fellowship in 1968. About 1970 he entered the consulting field in Toronto, his final post being with Actrex Partners from 1989 until his death.

He was active in golf, curling and bridge. Within the profession his reputation was that of competence in a quiet, unassuming manner. He is survived by two brothers and two sisters.

1915

Ian Melville Tod

1991

Ian M. Tod, a Fellow of the Faculty of Actuaries and an Associate of the Society, died in Toorak, Victoria, Australia on April 21, 1991. He was 75 years old.

Born in Edinburgh, Scotland on October 21, 1915, Mr. Tod was educated at Melville College and George Watson's College, graduating from the latter in 1932. For the next 16 years, he was employed in the Life Association of Scotland, except for six years service during World War II in which he was a captain in the artillery. He qualified as a Fellow of the Faculty in 1948 and shortly thereafter accepted an appointment as Assistant Actuary with the Colonial Mutual Life Assurance Society in Melbourne, Australia. He remained with that firm until his retirement in June 1980 as Assistant General Manager and Actuary. During those years he experienced the impact on actuarial thinking of the rapid growth of life insurance worldwide and was involved in introducing many new company systems.

In 1951 Mr. Tod was among the first to accept the Society's invitation to apply for Associateship on the strength of his Faculty qualification, to assist him in keeping abreast of actuarial ideas on this continent. He was always a staunch supporter of the profession, giving encouragement to many students, and was active in his country's life insurance industry affairs.

In his younger days in Scotland Ian had been a keen rugby player; in Melbourne he maintained his interest in the game as a referee. A keen and competitive squash player until a few years before his death, he also became interested in polo, again as a referee. And he worked in fund-raising activities on behalf of returned servicemen.

Mr. Tod leaves behind a close-knit family of his wife Elma, three children, their spouses, and a number of grandchildren.

1913

Robert Jesse Towne

1991

Robert (Bob) J. Towne, a Fellow of the Society, died in Jacksonville, Florida on December 10, 1991. He was 78 years old.

Born in Omaha, Nebraska on May 25, 1913, Mr. Towne graduated as a mathematics major from Harvard College in 1934. After one year in Aetna Life Insurance Company's actuarial department and five years at Union Central Life Insurance Company in Cincinnati, he joined the actuarial staff

at Life Insurance Company of Virginia in Richmond in 1941, the same year that he earned his Society Fellowship.

In October 1948 Mr. Towne became a founder and senior partner of Bowles, Andrews and Towne, the first actuarial consulting firm organized by Fellows south of Washington, D.C. About eight years later, he opened an office of that firm in Portland, Maine, where he did consulting work until opening his own firm in nearby Yarmouth, Maine in the late 1960s. Ill health caused him to move to Florida only a few months before his death.

Mr. Towne had a keen analytical mind that enabled him to penetrate to the core of actuarial and management problems; also he was especially talented in transferring his knowledge to others. Dozens of actuaries around the continent can testify that Bob's teaching contributed substantially to their professional development.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth, four daughters, a son, and five grandchildren.

1901

William Lincoln Wadleigh

1991

William (Bill) L. Wadleigh, a Fellow of the Society, died in Bridgeport, Connecticut on May 19, 1991. He was 89 years old.

Born at Springfield, Massachusetts on September 26, 1901, Mr. Wadleigh graduated from Amherst College in 1923 and joined the actuarial staff at Metropolitan Life Insurance Company for a career that was to last for 43 years. He held several administrative posts and was an assistant actuary at his retirement at the end of 1966.

Mr. Wadleigh recalled that he had picked that company because they guaranteed a \$5 per week increase for each actuarial examination passed. "I had no idea," he said, "how much work I would have to do to earn it. But it was worth it." He earned his Fellowship in 1930.

His major avocation was collecting early American clocks; this brought him to the presidency of the National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors in 1965 and later to that of vice-president of the American Clock Museum in Bristol. He lectured throughout Connecticut about his hobby and on one occasion presented a watch to President Nixon on behalf of the Association.

Mr. Wadleigh's first wife, Gertrude, died in 1981 and his second wife, Jane, died in 1987. He is survived by a brother.

1938

Dennis John Whimpey

1991

Dennis J. Whimpey, a Fellow of the Society, died in his sleep on January 9, 1991 in Southbury, Connecticut. He was 52 years old.

Born in Galesburg, Illinois on August 10, 1938, Mr. Whimpey graduated from Knox College there in 1960 and after further study at Stanford University joined the actuarial staff at Equitable Life Assurance Society, where he had previously been a summer student. He earned his Fellowship in 1965 and, except for a brief period with Buck Consultants in 1980, remained with the Equitable until 1987, when he assumed the post of Executive Vice President and Chief Insurance Officer of EQUICOR, a joint venture of Equitable and the Hospital Corporation of America. When, in 1990, EQUICOR was acquired by CIGNA Corporation, Mr. Whimpey became a member of that firm as Senior Vice-President and Chief Financial Officer of its Employee Benefits Companies.

In addition to his brilliance as an executive, Mr. Whimpey was a man of excellent humor, considerate of people and a good listener. He loved ballet, theatre and especially the opera. His knowledge and appreciation of fine wines was extraordinary. He liked to help and develop young people, a trait displayed by his involvement with Equitable's actuarial training program. A scholarship fund at Knox College has been established in his memory.

Mr. Whimpey is survived by his mother.

