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## ACTUARIES WHO PRACTICED IN NORTH AMERICA UP TO 1869

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Earliest Year Practiced in Company Shown	Name	Dates of Birth & Death	Earliest Year Practiced in Company Shown	Name	Dates of Birth & Death
<i>Northwestern Mutual</i> (f. 1857)			<i>Southern Mutual Life Insurance Company of Georgia</i>		
1867	Edward Hsley	1798-1886	(1847-1856)		
1871	Emory McClintock (later Soc.)	1840-1916	1848	Charles F. McCay	1810-89
Charles A. Loveland, company's actuary in 1889, became its first Society member.			<i>Union Central Life</i> (f. 1867)		
<i>Pennsylvania Company for Insurances on Lives &amp; Granting Annuities</i> (1812-72)			1867	Norman W. Harris	1846-1916
1812	Jacob Shoemaker, Jr.	1758-1822	Elbert P. Marshall, company's actuary in 1888, became its first Society member.		
1831	Joseph Roberts, Jr.	unknown	<i>Union Mutual Life</i> (f. 1848)		
1836	Sears C. Walker	1805-53	1866	Lucy J. Wright	1842-67
1850s	William B. Hill	unknown	Samuel S. Boyden, company's actuary in 1892, became its first Society member.		
<i>Penn Mutual</i> (f. 1847)			<i>United States Life</i> (f. 1850)		
1847	John W. Hornor	1809-73	1850s	Nicholas G. DeGroot	? -1885
1859	Lewis Merrill	1834-96	1869	William D. Whiting (later Soc.)	1844-99
1872	James Weir Mason (later Soc.)	1836-1904	William T. Standen, company's actuary in 1886, became its first Society member.		
Jesse J. Barker, company's actuary in 1880, became its first Society member.			<i>United States Insurance, Annuity &amp; Trust Company</i> (1850-62)		
<i>Phoenix Mutual</i> (f. 1851)			1850	Pliny Fisk	unknown
1863	Henry Gay	unknown	<i>Washington Life Insurance Company of New York</i> (1860-1908)		
1864	James F. Burns	unknown	1865s	William A. Brewer, Jr.	1835- ?
John M. Holcombe, company's actuary in 1874, became its first Society member.			Israel C. Pierson, company's actuary in 1879, became its first Society member.		
<i>Presbyterian Ministers Fund</i> (f. 1759)			<i>Widows' &amp; Orphans' Benefit Society</i> (1864-71)		
1792	Robert Patterson	1743-1824	1860s	William P. Stewart	unknown
Robert P. Field, company's actuary in 1884, became its first Society member.			<i>Consulting Actuaries Who Practiced Up To 1869</i>		
<i>Provident Mutual</i> (f. 1865)			1840s	John F. Entz	1798-1872
1865	Rowland Parry	1805- ?	1840s	T. Russell Jencks	unknown
Asa S. Wing, company's actuary in 1873, became its first Society member.			1844	Elizur Wright	1804-85
<i>Security Life Insurance &amp; Annuity Company of New York</i> (1862-76)			1848	Charles F. McCay	1810-89
1860s	Theodore R. Wetmore	unknown	1849	Ezekiel B. Elliott	1823-88
<i>State Mutual</i> (f.1844)			1865	David P. Fackler	1841-1924
William E. Starr (1812-1903) who gave mathematical guidance to this company in 1848 though not himself actuarially trained, became its actuary in 1870 and its first Society member.			1868	William Sheffler	unknown
			<i>Insurance Department Actuaries Who Practiced Up To 1869</i>		
			1850s	Ezekiel B. Elliott, Massachusetts	1823-88
			1858	Elizur Wright, Massachusetts	1804-85

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## UNIVERSAL LIFE GAAP—A SURVEY

by Douglas C. Doll

Some companies are approaching the problem of how to accommodate Universal Life in GAAP statements thus:

Use a simple method producing not unreasonable results, and wait for consensus on appropriate methodology to develop.

Has that consensus formed? Not yet, says a mini-survey we've just conducted. Among eleven reporting companies there are as many as nine procedures.

Six companies set GAAP benefit re-

serves equal to the accumulated fund, and defer any excess of acquisition expenses over additional first-year loadings. Their amortizations of deferred acquisition costs are:

1. Over premiums (3 cos.)
2. Over cost of insurance charges (1)
3. Over in-force volume (1)
4. Ten years straight line (1)

Four companies calculate benefit reserves, and generally try to develop GAAP earnings, as level percentages of premiums. Large margins for adverse deviations in assumptions would still cause a material part of earnings to be

reported as earned. Three use projections and apply ratios of benefit reserves to the accumulated fund. The fourth solved for the year-end benefit reserve that would generate the expected earnings expressed as a percentage of premiums.

One company proposed a pure release-from-risk approach. Its benefit reserves are equal to the accumulated fund; all acquisition expenses are deferred and amortized over all sources of earnings.

Readers wishing more details, or willing to contribute their approach to this list, please write or phone me at my Yearbook location. □