

Obituary

HENRY BRADSHAW
GEORGE E. MYERS
BRUCE R. POWER

1916 Henry Bradshaw 1960

Henry Bradshaw, Actuary, Electronics, The Great-West Life Assurance Company, died in Winnipeg, on June 3, after a brief illness. He was 43.

"Harry" Bradshaw was born in Barrow-in-Furness, Lancashire, England in 1916. He came to Canada at an early age, to reside in Hamilton, Ontario. He graduated from McMaster University, Hamilton, in 1938 as a Bachelor of Arts (with Honours in Mathematics and Physics). Following graduation, he joined the Actuarial department of the Manufacturers Life Insurance Company, Toronto, where he pursued his actuarial studies until 1943. In that year, he enlisted in the Canadian Army. Upon discharge from the army in 1945, he joined the Great-West Life in Winnipeg as a supervisor in the Actuarial department. He became a Fellow of the Society of Actuaries in 1946. From 1947-1956, he was in charge of the Company's Statistical and Tabulating departments. In 1956 he was promoted to Associate Actuary and named to direct a committee charged with research and planning in connection with the introduction of advanced electronic data processing equipment. In recognition of his outstanding contribution to this project he was promoted to Actuary, Electronics, in January 1959, with over-all responsibility for the Company's electronics program.

His death was a great blow to his associates in Great-West Life and in his profession. To the difficult and arduous tasks which he undertook he brought a lively intelligence, sound knowledge, keen perception, and a persuasive but gentle leadership. He was popular with his associates and readily won their respect and admiration.

Within his professional and special fields, he had been President of the Winnipeg Actuaries Club, served on several institutional committees,

and, at the time of his death, was a director of the Computing and Data Processing Society of Canada.

In the community in which he lived, he served many cultural organizations. For example, he was President of the Winnipeg Chamber Music Society, 1953, and Production Manager and Vice-President of the Winnipeg Little Theatre, 1955-56. His love for music and drama was rivaled by his devotion to the game of bridge, at which he was a skillful player.

Harry Bradshaw will be greatly missed by all who knew him. His unassuming nature, his warmth of personality, and his quiet sense of humor, combined with his professional skills and cultural interests, won him a place of distinction in his adopted city.

He is survived by his wife, Thecla Jean, and two daughters, to whom our sympathy is extended.

1895 George E. Myers 1960

George E. Myers, an Associate of the Society of Actuaries, died suddenly of a heart attack on January 8th, 1960.

Mr. Myers was born on May 31st, 1895 in Waterloo, Ontario and received his early educational training in Kitchener, Ontario. Later he enrolled at St. Louis University in a course leading to a degree of Bachelor of Commercial Science.

In his early business years Mr. Myers was connected with the Dominion Life Assurance Company, the Missouri State Life Insurance Company, the International Life Insurance Company and the Cleveland Life Insurance Company. In September 1926 he became associated with the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada, where he served in several capacities in the Actuarial, Medical and Underwriting Departments and was a Senior Underwriter of the Company at the time of his death.

He developed a wide range of knowledge from studious reading and was an authoritative and interesting consultant on many subjects. His associates remember him with deep respect as a conscientious and sound underwriter.

Mr. Myers is survived by a daughter and three sons.

1908 Bruce R. Power 1960

Bruce R. Power was born in Toronto on December 11, 1908. After attending University of Toronto Schools, he enrolled at the University of Toronto and graduated in the Honour Mathematics course in 1930.

Besides achieving a fine academic record, he was very active in athletics at University of Toronto Schools, where he was a member of what turned out to be one of their most outstanding Rugby teams.

After graduation from the University, Mr. Power joined the Life Insurance Department of the Dominion of Canada General Insurance Company. There he pursued his actuarial studies and in due course attained his Fellowship in the Actuarial Society in 1937 and became Assistant Actuary of his Company.

In 1940 Mr. Power joined the Canadian Life Insurance Officers Association as Secretary and Actuary, which position he held at his death. The work of the Association proved very fitting to his talents and he became well and favorably known to many persons in the life insurance industry and to many other persons in the business community of Toronto through his active participation in the work of the Toronto Board of Trade.

Bruce Power was particularly well known in actuarial circles both in Canada and in the United States for his unfailing good humor and readiness to assist in any assignment with a thoroughness, patience and competence rarely equaled. Besides serving on several Committees of the Canadian Association of Actuaries, he was a member of Council in 1947-48 and Vice-President in 1959-60. On many occasions he served as an able spokesman for our Canadian members on various subjects under discussion in Society meetings.

It was with a sense of great loss that his many friends learned of his untimely death on September 1st, 1960. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Charlotte Power, and two daughters.