OBITUARY

ROBERT J. HILLAS 1858 - 1940

Robert J. Hillas, a charter member of the Casualty Actuarial Society, died at his home in Morristown, New Jersey, on May 17, 1940.

Mr. Hillas was born in Green Bay, Wisconsin, on October 25, 1858. After completing grammar school, he began his business career in a law office. He entered the casualty insurance field in 1876 when he became an office boy with the Fidelity and Casualty Company of New York, in whose service he remained for sixty-four years. In 1880 he was appointed assistant secretary, succeeded to the secretaryship in 1888 and added the office of treasurer to his other duties in 1892. In 1903 Mr. Hillas became vicepresident of the company, and in 1910 was named to the presidency, a position which he held until his retirement in 1929. He remained a director until his death.

By constant study, Mr. Hillas achieved a thorough knowledge of all aspects of the casualty insurance business. Foresight and sound executive ability marked his long and successful career.

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WILLIAM ANTHONY GRANVILLE 1863 - 1943

William Anthony Granville, Ph.D., L.L.D., vice-president and director of the Washington National Insurance Company, Evanston, Illinois, passed away at his home in Chicago on February 4, 1943, at the age of 79. Death resulted from a heart attack. He is survived by his widow, two daughters, and a granddaughter.

Dr. Granville performed his duties right up to the day of his passing. Services were held at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Chicago Saturday, February 6.

Dr. Granville was nationally known as an outstanding mathematician, and several of his textbooks on calculus and other mathematical subjects are used in schools and colleges throughout the country. He was a professor of mathematics at Yale from 1895 to 1910, following which he served as president of Gettysburg College until 1923, and for several years he also occupied the post of president of the American Federation of Lutheran OBITUARY

Brotherhoods. On March 1, 1923 he became affiliated with the Washington National Insurance Company.

Those of his colleagues who had the privilege of knowing Dr. Granville personally, knew him to be a man of boundless energy, keenly interested in his work to the end and extremely successful in any task he set out to accomplish. They knew him as a person of broad knowledge not only of his own work but of all important subjects of the day. Dr. Granville was a very able and convincing public speaker.

With all his high attainments, his colleagues especially like to remember him as a friend who was never too busy to help the cause of others.

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WILLIAM ANDERSON HUTCHESON

1868 - 1942

William Anderson Hutcheson, a Fellow of the Casualty Actuarial Society for twenty-one years, died at his home in Gladstone, New Jersey, November 19,1942, after a brief illness.

Born in Greenock, Scotland, July 13, 1868, Mr. Hutcheson was educated at the Greenock Academy and at Merchiston Castle School. In 1887 he went directly from school to the Scottish Widows' Fund and Life Assurance Society. There followed a remarkable business career of more than fifty years in the life insurance field. He attained Fellowship in the Institute of Actuaries in 1894 and in the Faculty of Actuaries in 1895.

In 1899 he came to the United States as Associate Actuary of The Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, under Emory McClintock, whom he succeeded as Actuary in 1911. He became Second Vice President in 1917 and Vice President in 1931. He retired in 1940.

Mr. Hutcheson's actuarial career was unique in that, attaining Fellowship by examination in The Actuarial Society of America in 1902, he was the first to attain thus the three degrees, F.I.A., F.F.A., and F.A.S., to which were subsequently added Fellowship in the American Institute of Actuaries and in this Society.

In addition to the many responsibilities imposed by his executive duties in a large company, he took an active interest in the numerous pension funds of New York City, serving for several years as chairman of the Committee of Actuaries of the Committee on Pensions. During the first World War he headed a committee of the Y.M.C.A. which arranged a broad life, accident, and health coverage for Y.M.C.A. Secretaries overseas. He was President of The Actuarial Society of America from 1920 to 1922. A man of absolute integrity, gracious and friendly bearing, vast and varied insurance experience, Mr. Hutcheson will be deeply missed in actuarial circles.

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ARNETTE ROYCE LAWRENCE 1888 - 1942

Arnette Royce Lawrence, a Fellow of this Society for twenty years, died at his home in Montclair, New Jersey, on December 1, 1942.

Mr. Lawrence was born October 21, 1888 in Yonkers, New York and graduated from Stevens Institute of Technology in 1911 with the degree of Mechanical Engineer. Almost his entire business career was devoted to workmen's compensation rate administration, a field in which he distinguished himself. After brief periods of employment with the New York Edison Company and the Fidelity and Casualty Company, he was employed in 1914 by the Compensation Insurance Rating Board shortly after its organization, becoming its Assistant Chief Inspector. In 1917 he became Assistant General Manager of the Pennsylvania Compensation Rating and Inspection Bureau, and the following year organized and became Manager of the Workmen's Compensation Inspection Rating Bureau of Virginia.

In 1921 he was appointed Manager of the Compensation Rating and Inspection Bureau of New Jersey, as well as Special Deputy Commissioner of Banking and Insurance, and continued until his death in this dual capacity. As such he shaped the course of compensation rate regulation in New Jersey and built up the Bureau into one of the outstanding rating organizations. He was a pioneer in the compensation business and a leader in its development from the beginning. His broad experience in this field and his thorough knowledge of the subject made him especially valuable in helping solve many of the problems which have arisen in this branch of insurance.