

MEMOIRS

WALTER ERNEST HINDMARSH HICKOX

'WALLY' HICKOX, as he was known to his friends, was born in October 1903 and died in October 1969, after a short illness.

After matriculating, he decided to become an actuary and in 1920, at the age of 16, he entered the service of the Prudential Assurance Company.

In December of that year he passed the whole of Part I of the examinations and, apart from a blank year in 1921, he rapidly passed through the examinations and by May 1925 had become a Fellow.

In those days the promotion of young actuaries to posts of responsibility was slower than obtains today, but his progress in the Company was steady and impressive. By 1934 he was a Principal, then at six-year intervals he progressed through the ranks of junior and senior officer, becoming an Assistant Actuary to the Company in 1950.

During his career he took an active part in the affairs of the Institute and of the Students' Society, of which he was Honorary Secretary from 1933 to 1935. In 1936 he submitted a paper entitled 'Surrender Values and Paid-up Policy Amounts' (*J.I.A.* 80, 32).

From 1937 to 1950 he was an examiner, acting as Secretary to the Board of Examiners from 1945 to 1947 when he became Chairman of the Board, a position he held for three years. He was a Member of Council for ten years and was Joint Editor of the *Journal* from 1955 to 1957.

Hickox was a man of outstanding academic ability in his profession with an enquiring mind which could penetrate deep into the roots of any problem. However, it would be true to say that his mind ranged so widely on every aspect of a problem that he was at times reluctant to draw the conclusions or to make the decisions which would have justified his labours.

It would be wrong to give the impression that Hickox had no time for activities outside the actuarial world. He was a keen sportsman, playing football with great gusto and achieving a high standard of tennis. As would be expected, he was a distinguished chess player and won many trophies for his successes at the game.

He will be long remembered with affection by his many friends and colleagues in the profession.

A. S. CLARKE

ALFRED TREVOR HAYNES

ALFRED TREVOR HAYNES died suddenly on 14 November 1969 at the age of 62. He was born at Blundellsands and, after education at Haileybury, entered the Royal Insurance Co. Ltd. Head Office in Liverpool as an actuarial student in 1924. He completed the examinations of the Institute in 1927 when he was only 20 years of age and then moved to the Caledonian in Edinburgh, where he obtained his Fellowship of the Faculty in 1930. In 1935, when R. J. Kirton, who was then Assistant Secretary at the London Office of the Scottish Amicable, moved to the Head Office in Glasgow, Haynes was appointed to succeed him in London. There then began a lifelong personal friendship, professional collaboration and a remarkable similarity of careers. It seemed natural that three years later, when Kirton went back to London to become Chief Officer of the Equity & Law, Haynes should follow him in Glasgow as Joint Actuary of the Scottish Amicable. In 1940 Haynes also joined the Equity & Law as Actuary and Secretary, and