

to 1934 its President. He was also the Editor for Finland of *Skandinavisk Aktuarietidskrift* from 1923 to 1929, and again from 1934 till his death. He was most friendly with the actuaries of other countries and was always anxious to co-operate with them.

P. G. LAURIN

ON 18th September last there died Dr P. G. Laurin, former President of the Royal Insurance Department, Stockholm. Born on 25th August, 1863, he qualified as D.Ph. at Lund in 1887, and became Reader in Mathematics at Gøteborg in 1890, which he continued until 1908. Meantime he was appointed Actuary of the Svea Office in 1904. To his important post in the Inspection Department he succeeded in 1908, and, during the period of twenty-two years until his retirement, took a most active part in the many far-reaching changes affecting all aspects of insurance in his country. Many difficult problems were solved with his co-operation. Mention may be made of the revision of the laws as to insurance reports, and the various legal regulations with practical adjustments to the new valuation bases of the life offices and laws affecting compulsory traffic insurance. He assisted the State War Insurance Commission during the war, and served on various committees regarding state pension insurance. He possessed a wealth of ideas, and pursued his avocation with enthusiasm. He was interested not only in private insurance, which it was his official duty to supervise, but devoted much time and contributed numerous suggestions in establishing national social insurance. His paper to the London Actuarial Congress on Social Insurance in Sweden summarises his views on the subject.