

OBITUARY

Mr. Charles Martin Anderson

Siam Society Council Member—1950

It is with sincere regret that the Siam Society must record the passing of Mr. Charles Martin Anderson, former member of the Council, whose sudden and untimely death occurred on July 31, 1961 in India, the result of an automobile accident. He is survived by his wife and two daughters residing in England.

An officer in the British Foreign Service, Mr. Anderson was born on July 1, 1918 in England. He was appointed a Probationer Vice-Consul in Bangkok in October, 1939. After serving in a number of posts he returned to Thailand in March, 1949, as First Secretary and was Chargé d'Affaires, a.i. of the British Embassy during 1949 and 1950. He was appointed a member of the United Kingdom's delegation to the United Nations in June, 1951 and lived in New York until 1953 when he was appointed to Luxembourg. He was transferred to the British Foreign Office in 1956 and promoted to Counsellor. In 1959 he was seconded to the office of the High Commission of the United Kingdom at New Delhi. Following the State visit of Her Majesty the Queen of England to India in 1961, Mr. Anderson was made Commander of the Victorian Order.

Mr. Anderson was greatly interested in the Thai language which he spoke and wrote with ability. He was elected a member of the Siam Society in 1949 and a member of the Council in 1950.