OBITUARY

Mr. Robin Penman

Honorary Secretary of the Society (1956-58)

The untimely death on June 19, 1958, of Mr. Robin Penman, Honorary Secretary of the Siam Society from 1956 to 1958, was a considerable loss to the Society.

For many years he devoted much of his time to secretarial work for the Siam Society. As Honorary Assistant Secretary, he helped in the arrangements for the Golden Anniversary Commemoration Dinner in 1954, and other special functions, besides regularly attending meetings and participating in excursions. His businesslike zeal in the Society's cause was given recognition by his promotion to the Honorary Secretaryship. In this capacity he was instrumental in helping to make the Society better known to the public, as a result of which there was an increase in membership and in the sale of publications. On behalf of the Society, he visited the American Siam Society in California in 1957, and was duly elected an honorary member of that institution.

Mr. Penman was prompt and efficient in all his work for the Siam Society. The last service he rendered to the Society and which was completed only a short time before his death, was a typescript of the minutes of the previous day's Council meeting.