

DR. K.W.I. MACKENZIE

It is with deep regret that we announce the death of Dr. **Kenneth Walter Ingleby MACKENZIE**, which took place at his residence, Landsdown House, John Street, Ryde, early on Thursday morning. By his passing the town and the medical profession in the Island have suffered a severe loss, and his genial personality will be greatly missed by a wide circle of friends. Dr. MACKENZIE had resided in the town for close to fifty years. He was educated at St. Bartholomew's, and after qualifying as M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. (London), he came to Ryde in 1886 as House Surgeon at the County Hospital, a post he held until 1889, when he set up in private practice. Although not a member of the hon. medical staff he continued to take a keen interest in the hospital, and for the past five years he has been a member of the Management Committee and the Finance Committee. Other medical posts which he held were Clinical Assistant and the Central London Ear and Throat Hospital, Hon. Medical Officer at Hazelwood Home of Rest. Hon. Medical Officer to the Ryde Dispensary, Surgeon to the County Police, and Medical Referee to a number of friendly societies. He was also a member and former president of the Isle of Wight Division of the British Medical Association. Dr. MACKENZIE was greatly admired as a family doctor, and was an especial favourite of the children. He also took a keen interest in the Old Volunteers and the Territorials, and was Major in the R.A.M.C. (Territorial) attached to the 8th Battalion, Hampshire Regiment. Dr. MACKENZIE was a vice-president of the Ryde branch of the British Legion. A member of the Ryde Town Council from 1920 to 1929 Dr. MACKENZIE rendered valuable service to the Borough, being for several years Chairman of the Sanitary and Health Committee, where his special knowledge was very valuable. For 21 years he was a member of the Isle of Wight Insurance Committee, of which he was Chairman in 1930.

A keen churchman, Dr. MACKENZIE was at the time of his death a churchwarden of the Parish Church. He first held that office forty years ago, serving with the late Mr. W. Hammond RIDDETT in 1895 and 1896. Again from 1912 to 1917 he served in the office, his fellow warden being the late Mr. J.B. PURNELL, who died this year. He was again appointed churchwarden in 1934. Dr. MACKENZIE was a prominent Freemason, and enjoyed the very unusual distinction in Masonry of having two Provincial honours. He was first a member of the East Medina (175) Lodge, but in 1892 joined the Ryde Lodge (698). He was in the chair in 1896, and for several years has been its secretary. At the meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge in Ryde three years ago he was given the past rank of Provincial Junior Grand Warden, having been previously Past Provincial Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies. He was also a member of the Rose Croix. It is perhaps as a sportsman that Dr. MACKENZIE was best known. He took a keen interest in the Ryde Sports Club, of which he was President for many years, and he rarely missed a match at Partlands where his services were always at the disposal of injured players. The death of "Dr. MAC" is a very severe blow to the Club. He was also a member of the Royal Victoria Yacht Club.

Dr. MACKENZIE married Miss SALE, a member of a well-known Ryde family, and a niece of Canon A. POOLE, who was Vicar of Ryde for many years. Their one surviving son is a Surgeon Commander in the Royal Navy, and was on his way home from the Mediterranean at the time of his father's death. A younger son lost his life during the War serving with the Royal Air Force.

THE FUNERAL

The funeral of Dr. MACKENZIE, which took place on Saturday at the Parish Church, was attended by a gathering representative of all activities in the town. The service was conducted by the Vicar of Ryde, the Rev. W. Neville MARTIN, who was assisted by the Rev. A.W.H. HARLOW, the Rural Dean of the East Wight, Canon C.W. HAMPTON WEEKS, the Rev. FORSE and the Rev. L. SHERLEY-PRICE. The mortal remains had been brought on Friday evening into the church where the doctor had worshipped for

close to fifty years. The choir led the singing of hymns, "Lead Kindly Light" and "Abide with Me," and at the interment in Ryde Cemetery the hymn "Let Saints on Earth" was sung. The brethren of the Masonic order dropped sprigs of acacia into the green lined grave.

The family mourners were Mrs. MACKENZIE (widow), Mrs. K.A.I. MACKENZIE (daughter-in-law), Miss Lily MACKENZIE (sister), Mrs. INGRAM and Mrs. SURTEES (nieces), and Mr. Roland MACKENZIE (nephew).

Among others present were the Mayor of Ryde (Alderman A. DENNIS), Aldermen E.C. NOBLE and V.E.B. PHILIMORE, and Councillors H.E. INKER, F.A. SAUNDERS, H.V. TAYLOR, W.F. GAWN, H.B. HILL, A.F. SMITH and E.C. LOADER, Mrs. SHEPPARD and Mr. W. FROUD (co-opted members), the Town Clerk (Mr. T.J. FAWDRY), the Borough Surveyor (Mr. B.F. HOLNESS), the District Surveyor (Mr. C. PURSEY), the Medical Officer of Health (Dr. Hayward CARPENTER), the sanitary inspector (Mr. A. AINLEY), and the Pier and Entertainments Superintendent (Mr. R. LUGG), representing the Corporation of Ryde; Dr. L.A. FIRMAN EDWARDS, Major C.W. VINCENT, Mr. W.A. WORDSWORTH, Mr. E.P. MARVIN, Mr. G.D. HEADLEY, Mr. G. FARDELL, Mr. W.E. GRIFFIN, Mr. T.F. BOYD, (also representing Ryde School), Mr. J.G. FARDELL, Mr. H.C. FOWLER, Dr. T. SIM, Col. T.B. UNWIN, Dr. A.C. LIESCHING, Mr. F. HECKFORD (Ryde Lodge 698), Mr. M.J. OSBORNE, Lieut.-Col. C.L. ELLERY, Alderman A.F. WRIGHT, Mr. O. J FEBEN, Mr. J.H. DOWN, Mr. H.G. JOLLIFFE, Mr. R.H. TOOGOOD, Mr. G. BALLANTYNE, C.C., Mr. W.C. HARVEY, Mr. G.H. FRENCH, Mr. C. LANGDON (East Medina Lodge 175), Mr. J.J. RYDER, W.M., and Mr. H. NELSON PAYNE (Chine Lodge, Shanklin), Mr. F.A. WARNE, Mr. H.W. HORAN, Mr. J.W. ROGERSON, Mr. R.J. BURKE, Mr. G. PEARSON, Mr. G. WOODCOCK, and Mr. F.V. GREEN (representing other Lodges), Alderman A. ANDREWS (Chairman, County Hospital) and Miss WILLIAMSON (Matron), Capt. W.S. RUSSELL (Chairman), Mr. C.E.R. FAIR, Mr. B.L. WALLIS, Mr. D.O. HOGG, and Mr. A.J. TANCOCK (representing the Ryde Sports Club), Mr. F.H. MATTHEWS (clerk), Mr. W.G. COOPER (assistant), Mr. T.R. GRIMSDICK, and Mr. A.W. NICHOLLS (I.W. Insurance Committee), Lieut.-Col. J.E. RHODES and Mr. Wyndham RICKETTS (representing the Royal Victoria Yacht Club), Mr. G.J. EVANS (hon secretary), representing the Ryde Branch of the British Legion, and Miss G. ANDREWS (Chairman), representing the Woman's section, Mr. A.R. BALLARD (Manchester Unity of Oddfellows), Mr. F. JONES (Ancient Order of Foresters); A. PAYNE (representing the Prudential Assurance Company), Sir Henry SWEETMAN and Dr. and Mrs. Spencer CHURCHILL, Dr. T. KENNEDY, Dr. L.P. GIBSON, representing Dr. J.W. HUDSON and Dr. J. O'DONAHUE, Mr. P. THELUSSON, Major-General C.E. LAURIE, C.B., D.S.O., Dr. FORSTER, Mr. F.T. MINTER, Mr. W.G. DAISH, Lieut.-Col. A.F. MAYS, Mr. E.J. SOUTER, C.C, the Rev. V.J. FLETCHER, the Rev. A.C. and Mrs. DURHAM, Mrs. WILLIAMS (representing Councillor A.J. WILLIAMS), Mrs. BRODIE, J.P., Mrs. PRESTON, Dr. J. FAIRLEY (County Medical Officer of Health), Mr. G. NICHOLSON, Col. And Mrs. STAINER, (churchwarden), Mr. F.C. WATTS, Inspector H. ROGERS, Mr. M.C. RIDDETT, Mr. A.E. LANGDON, Mr. W.J.G. NEW, Mr. P.H. GULLIVER, Mr. and Mrs. A. BLACKBURN, Mr. and Mrs. T.W. KEMP, Mr. M.L. HARMAN, Mrs. R.B. WATTS, Mr. H. CAWLEY-WAY, Mr. and Mrs. H. COOK, Nurse H. TAYLOR, Mr. J. BUTCHER, Mrs. HUGHES, Mr. C. BRADING, Mr. and Mrs. D. PALMER, Mr. G. MONK, Mr. G.A. MILLETT, Captain H. Hugh LEE. (Yarmouth), Mr. D. McVINISH, Mr. J.W. BROOKS, Mr. A. TURNER (manager Lloyds Bank), Mr. W. ROSE, Mr. G. JANAWAY, Mr. E.F.N. BARTLETT, Mr. A.G. SALMON, Mr. W.A. DALLIMORE, Mr. A.V. ROGERS, Mr. W. ATTRILL, Mr. J. WOODFORD, Mr. E.G. BRETT, Mr. J. FARNWORTH, Mr. T.A. GAWN, Mr. F. KEMP, (Dr. ACKENZIE'S old gardener), Mr. H.B. CULLEN, Mr. C. WARNE, Mrs. WHITFIELD Mrs. WILLIS, Mrs. BLUNT, Miss LAWSON, Mr. A.B. WARD, Nurse BOLTON, Miss NUTT, Nurse WILLIAMS, Miss STROUD, Mr. H.E. TURTLE, and Mr. H.A. COMPTON (hon treasurer Ryde Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club), Among the wreaths were floral tributes from the Mayor and Corporation the worshipful Master, officials, Officers and brethren of Ryde Lodge, 698, Flag Officers and members of the Royal Victoria Yacht Club, Vectis Chapter, Rose Croix, the Ryde Sports Club, the members of the committee and Nursing staff of the County Hospital, and members of the Royal Croquet Club indoor and outdoor staff.

The funeral arrangements were carried out by Messrs. PURNELL and PURNELL.

Memorial Service at the Parish Church

A memorial service took place at the Parish Church on Sunday morning conducted by the Vicar, the Rev. W. Neville MARTIN, assisted by the Rev. E.J. FORSE, and the Rev. L. SHERLEY-PRICE.

The Vicar, who took as his text the verse from Revelations, "And I heard a voice saying unto me, write, from henceforth, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord; even so, saith the Spirit; for they rest from their labours, and their works do follow them," said they were met to give praise to Almighty God for the life and example of Kenneth MACKENZIE, and to offer a token of affection and remembrance of him and all he had done for the church he loved so well and for the town in which he spent the whole of his working life. During the eleven or twelve weeks of his long and painful illness one could not go down John Street without seeing someone coming away from the door having read the bulletin. Nothing could speak more plainly of the affection in which he was held by all classes of people, rich and poor, high and low. They all loved the doctor, and he personally felt he had lost a very dear friend. There was no doubt that there were hundreds of people in Ryde, whom had come that morning to pay their last respects to his memory, who had known him for many more years than he (the Vicar) had, and they did feel that they had lost a real friend. For nine years he had been churchwarden in this church at different times, and for the last two years had been Vicar's Warden, so that not only had he lost a friend, he had lost one to whom he could go anytime for counsel and advice in matters appertaining to the ordering of the church. He knew from what the Dr. had said to him that nothing had been nearer to his heart than All Saints' Church, and he asked them to look upon Dr. MACKENZIE as the best type of churchman. Hardly a Sunday, if his duties permitted him and he was in Ryde, was he away from his place in the church, and with great regularity they met him at the Alter. Now he had gone into the living presence of the Master whom he served all this life.

The Vicar said that their attitude towards the departure of those whom they loved in the presence of God was surely one first of all of thanksgiving, and they had sought to make that the note of the service. The hymns spoke of the Easter joy, and they gave thanks that he had been delivered from the pain, distress and weakness that he endured so patiently and courageously during the past ten weeks. Those who had been privileged to see him knew with what courage he faced his end, and so they gave thanks to Almighty God for his deliverance. But it was natural they should mourn him because he was such a vivid personality that would seem very strange to them not to see him going busily about his work in the streets of the town. They were right as they stood beside the grave to mourn their personal loss, but he was also sure that the compilers of the Burial Service had the right point of view. As they stood by the grave with their thoughts perhaps fixed on the bodily part of the departed they lifted their eyes and heard the wonderful word he had taken as his text. That was the view they must take. They were not dead. They were still full of the same vitality in the spirit they had on earth, but in Heaven all labour of work and the pain and suffering had been done away with. The interest in the work they were so keen upon on earth was with them and followed them. The example which Dr. MACKENZIE set upon earth in Ryde, the example of cheerfulness, of devotion to duty, of encouragement which he always brought into every sick room that he entered, the example of life well spent working for the betterment of his fellow creatures and definitely devoted to the service of his God, would remain with them.

Mr. E.G. WELSH (organist) played the Funeral March by Mendelssohn at the commencement of the service, and at the end the choir sang the Russian Contakion (anthem for the dead). The hymns were, "Ten thousand times ten thousand" and "Jesus lives."
