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SALVATIONIST'S DEATH

Many tributes were paid at the funeral on Wednesday of Mr. Frederick John **Fishenden OLD**, aged 69, of 36 Bettesworth-road, songster-leader and bandsman of the local corps of the Salvation Army. Mr. OLD died at St. Mary's Hospital, Newport, on Saturday. Born at Itchen, Hampshire, he came here in early childhood, and attended the corps Sunday School. He became a junior bandboy, and before the 1914-18 war rose to be the youngest bandmaster of the corps. Throughout the war he served with the Royal Hampshire Regiment and saw service in France. Afterwards he went to Australia, where he met and married his wife, returning to this country during the General Strike of 1926. He moved to Sutton, Surrey, where he joined the Salvation Army Corps and subsequently became a member of the Portslade, Sussex Corps. In 1965 he returned to the district and again took a deep interest in local corps activities. He leaves a widow, son and daughter. Brigadier Florence DENYER officiated at the funeral service at the Salvation Army Citadel and she and Bandmaster H. COGGER paid tributes to Mr. OLD's life and service. The mourners were Mrs. F. J. F. OLD (widow), Mr. and Mrs. C. F. OLD (son and daughter-in-law), Mr. and Mrs. L. BRUCE (son-in-law and daughter), the Misses W., J. and L. BRUCE (grand-daughters), Messrs. R. and F. GREGORY (step-brothers), and Miss E. GILL (sister-in-law). Under Bandmaster COGGER, the corps band played at the head of the cortege en route to Ryde Cemetery, where they accompanied the songsters who sang "When the roll is called up yonder" at the graveside. Messrs. H. V. TAYLOR and Son made the arrangements.