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abode: 6 Colenutts-road, Haylands, Ryde, IW.

Thomas MUNDELL. Head. M. 40. Blacksmith. Cowes, IW.

Maria MUNDELL. Wife. M. 39. Laundress. Ryde, IW.

Edith MUNDELL. Dau. 16. Laundress. Ryde, IW.

George MUNDELL. Son. 14. Butcher's Boy. Ryde, IW.

William MUNDELL. Son. 12. Ryde, IW.

Sydney MUNDELL. Son. 9. Ryde, IW.

Ernest MUNDELL. Son. 7. Ryde, IW.

Mabel MUNDELL. Dau. 3. Ryde, IW.

Robert MUNDELL. Son. 1. Ryde, IW.

MARRIAGE: 1918 at St. Helens Church.

Sydney H. MUNDELL & Annie CARPENTER.

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RYDE MAN FOUND HANGED

Coroner told of previous attempt

The Coroner (Mr. J. V. BULLIN) held an inquest at the Town Hall on Monday on **Sidney Herbert MUNDELL**, aged 66, who was found dead in his lodgings at 23 Arundel-road, Ryde, on Saturday.

P.C. G. R. RICHARDS said that he found MUNDELL's body lying beside his bed with a pyjama cord round his neck, which was knotted to the bedpost. The bed appeared to have been slept on. On May 27th, 1955, witness had been called to Windy Ridge, Great Preston-road, where MUNDELL had attempted to commit suicide by cutting his throat. No proceedings were taken then because his son and daughter-in-law promised to take care of him.

Unhappy Life

Sidney Henry Thomas MUNDELL said that his father was a widower who had been unemployed since October 1954. He had suffered from headaches and giddiness for as long as he could remember, and was very moody, becoming depressed at times. Since his wife's death in 1929 he lived with relatives and in lodgings, and in March 1955, came to live with witness and his family at Windy Ridge. After attempting to take his life in 1955 he spent four months in Whitecroft Hospital as a voluntary patient, and promised that he would never attempt to take his life again. His father had had a very unhappy life and could not interest himself in anything. His schooling had been

curtailed because of his headaches, and he had passed unfit for military service in the first world war.

Dr. A. B. EDDOWES said that death was caused by strangulation.

Lesley Thomas PAYTON, of 23 Arundel-road, said that during the 16 months he had known him, MUNDELL was often moody, but better when in company. At about 6.40 a.m. on Saturday he heard two bumps from his room, but as he was a heavy mover did not take any notice.

Affected by Thunderstorms

Nora PAYTON of the same address, said that MUNDELL became very nervous during thunderstorms, which made his headaches worse. On the evening before his death he asked her what shopping she wanted the next day, and went to bed early to get some sleep before the storm started.

Mr. Brian Peter PAYTON, serving with the Army in Germany, said that he had been visiting his father. At about 9 a.m. on Saturday he took a cup of tea up to MUNDELL's room. He knocked several times, but received no reply, so walked in. He found MUNDELL on the floor.

The Coroner recorded a verdict of suicide while the balance of the mind was disturbed.
