

MR. J. S. NEWNHAM

Mr. **James Saunders NEWNHAM** for 31 ½ years a member of the old Borough Police Force, died rather suddenly on Monday, August 14, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. SPENCER, of The Park, East Coker, Yeovil, Somerset, in his 80th year. Mr. NEWNHAM lived at 19 Warwick-Street, Ryde, with another daughter, Mrs. E.S. SCOTT, until two years ago. He retired from the Force 24 years ago, after serving under Inspectors BURT, HINKS, and GREENSTREET. Always a straight-forward, zealous and efficient officer, he was very popular with his colleagues in the Force. In his younger days he was a very keen on sport and with Alderman J.B. PURNELL, and Mr. W.H.P.F. THIRKELL, played football under the Rugby code. Cricket also claimed his support and he continued to watch matches long after he gave up taking an active part in the game. His grandson, Mr. Will SCOTT, has also played for the Ryde Club and also for the County on several occasions.

Mr. NEWNHAM was a very well known figure in the town, having a great reputation locally as an amateur veterinary surgeon and rat-catcher. He worshipped at All Saints' Church for many years and his passing will be generally regretted. He leaves a son and two daughters, his wife having predeceased him 22 years ago.

Members of the Ryde Police acted as bearers at the funeral which took place on A. W. H. HARLOW (curate) officiating. The interment followed at the Cemetery. The bearers were Sergeants PALMER and TARRANT, and Police Constables HODGES and PULLINGER.

The family mourners were Mr. and Mrs. NEWNHAM (son and daughter-in-law), Mr. and Mrs. SCOTT (son-in-law and daughter-in-law) (son and daughter-in-law), Mr. and Mrs. SPENCER (son-in-law and daughter), Mr. George NEWNHAM, O.B.E. (brother), Mrs. LILLEY (sister), Mr. W. SCOTT and Mr. T. SPENCER (grandsons), Mrs. V. NEWNHAM and Miss D. SCOTT (grand-daughters).

Among those at the church or cemetery were ex- P.C. WARNE (of the old Ryde Borough Police), Det.-Serg. DAWKINS (Metropolitan Police), Mr. H.G. JOLLIFFE, Mr. G. FURMIDGE, Mr. S. DARK, Mr. J. MCLUACHLIN, Mrs. G. WALKER (East Cowes), Mrs. J. TANSOM, Mrs. W. WILKINS, Mrs. E.R. GAWN, Mrs. G. DYER, Mrs. J. HUMBY, Mrs. ATTRILL, and Mrs. M. HUNTER.

There were 30 beautiful floral tributes, including one from the members of the old Ryde Borough Police Force.

Mr. H.V. TAYLOR carried out the funeral arrangements.
