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Address: Flora Cott, Marlboro' Road, Ryde, IW.

George PURSER. Head. M. 59. Gardener. Worcestershire.
Sarah PURSER. Wife. M. 54. Southsea, Hants.
George PURSER. Son. 15. Book Stall Clerk. Ryde, IW.
Annie PURSER. Dau. 14. Ryde, IW.
William PURSER. Son. 12. Ryde, IW.

*In 1911 **William** was living at Fernside, Marlborough-road, Ryde, with his parents and sister. He was listed as an Electrician.*

SNIPPETS

IW County Press 16 December 1939

Married in London - The marriage took place on Sunday at St. Peter's, Fulham, of Mr. Leslie William Richard **PURSER**, of the Post Office transport department, only son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. PURSER, of Lake Superior, Elmfield, and Miss Helen Georgina HAMILTON. The honeymoon has been spent in Ryde.

IW County Press 6 May 1944

Old Contemptibles Association - A letter has been sent to Chum **W. J. PURSER**, ill in the County Hospital, wishing him a speedy recovery, with gifts of cigarettes. Thanks were accorded Chums E.A. HENDY and C.J. FAULKNER, of Ryde, for visiting Chum PURSER.

IW County Press 3 June 1944

Old Contemptibles Association - At the meeting on Saturday in the Literary-Hall, Newport, Chum J.M. CONNOR opened with prayers. The Chums stood in silence as a tribute to the late Chum **W. J. PURSER**

IW County Press 29 July 1944

Licence Transfer - The licence of the Lake Superior, Marlborough-road, was transferred from the late **W. J. PURSER** to Albert EDWARDS.

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DEATH OF AN OLD CONTEMPTIBLE

The Island Branch of the Old Contemptibles' Association regret the passing of Chum **W. J. PURSER**, of the Lake Superior, Elmfield. The deceased was an ex-Sergt, of the R.F.A. and fought in France and Belgium in the last war and was discharged in 1919. He had belonged to the I.W. Branch of the Old Contemptibles since 1938.

The funeral was on Monday, following a service in St. John's Church, the Rev. E. T. H. ROYDS officiating, and the interment in Westridge Cemetery. The following Chums represented the branch and formed a guard of honour at the church: Chums the Rev. J. M. CONNOR, D.S.O., H. B. WESCOMB (hon secretary), W. A. DOWNER (standard bearer), W. WYKE, H. J. MORRANT, E. A. HENDY, A. BALCHIN, C. HOBBS, E. J. FAULKNER, H. J. MILLAR, B. BOYLE, W. J. KINGMAN, and H. C. COX.

At the Cemetery the last tribute was paid by his comrades. A wreath was sent inscribed "With deepest sympathy, from his Chums of the Branch."
