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NEWPORT CINEMA MANAGER'S DEATH

MR. A. V. ROGERS, OF RYDE

Mr. Alan Victor ROGERS, aged 63, of Cranemoor, Corbett Road, Haylands, Ryde died at St. Mary's Hospital, Newport, on Friday week, after an illness lasting four months. Born at Ryde, he was employed for 25 years in the High Street tailoring business owned by his father, the late Mr. Frederick ROGERS. For the last 14 years he was manager of the Grand Cinema, Newport, and during his management the old cinema was pulled down and a new one built on the same site. He was a member of St. Michael's Church, Swanmore, Ryde, and for several years had been a server. He leaves a widow.

The Vicar (the Rev. M.O.H. CATON), officiated at Vespers for the Dead at St. Michael's Church on Tuesday, and the coffin remained in the church overnight. The Vicar celebrated early morning Requiem Mass on Wednesday, and conducted the funeral service. Mr. P. WOODWARD (organist) accompanied the singing of "The King of love" and "Jesus, these eyes have never seen." The mourners were Mrs. A. V. ROGERS (widow), Mrs. E. TRUCKEL and Miss D. ROGERS (sisters), Mr. and Mrs. G. HOSKING (nephew and niece), Mrs. G. SCOVELL (niece), Mrs. M. BURNETT, Mrs. D. DRAKE and Mr. and Mrs. C. GERRISH (cousins), Miss F. MOORMAN and Mr. and Mrs. E. H. LOCKE. The directors and staff of I.W. Theatres Ltd., were represented. Interment took place at Ryde Cemetery. The wreaths included those from the congregation of St. Michael's Church, chairman and directors of I.W. Theatres and from the managers and staffs of all cinemas in the I.W. Theatres group.

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