## ISLE OF WIGHT TIMES Thursday 26th September 1940

Death Notice:

**RUSSELL** - On Sept. 22, at the County Hospital, Charles William Henry RUSSELL, of 12, Mount Street, Ryde, aged 69 years.

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## MR. C. W. H. RUSSELL

Mr. Charles William Henry RUSSELL, a retired Warrant Officer of the Royal Navy, died at the County Hospital on Sunday following a month's illness. He resided at 12 Mount Street, Ryde.

Born 69 years ago he entered the Navy at the age of 16, and served throughout the Great War until invalided out at the time of the Armistice. He served during the battle of Heligoland Bight and was also stationed abroad for some years.

Since his return to Ryde he had been for 12½ years the caretaker of the Methodist Chapel in Garfield Road, and during the last 21 years has occupied a similar position at Prudential Assurance Offices in Union Street. He was well-known in the town as a member of the British Legion and the Legion and Conservative Clubs and was also a member of the Ryde Regatta Committee. He leaves a widow and a son and daughter.

The funeral was at the Parish Church yesterday afternoon, the Rev. F. H. ROLPH officiating. The family mourners were the widow, Mr. Charles RUSSELL (son), Mr. and Mrs. R. WICKETT (son-in-law and daughter), Mrs. BREWER (sister), Mrs. GUSTAR (stepsister), Miss A. COOMBES, Mr. M. SPENCER and Sergt. G. PHILLIPS.

Among others present at the church were Capt. W. S. RUSSELL (Chairman of the British Legion), Mr. G. EVANS (secretary), Mr. F. W. LAWRENCE (Secretary of the Legion Club), Mr. W. H. HALLAM (Prudential Assurance Company), and representatives of the Conservative Club and the British Legion. The wreaths included tributes from the Legion and the Prudential Assurance Company and from neighbours of Mount Street.

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