

**DEATH OF MR. W. L. SQUIBB.-** The death occurred at the County Hospital on Saturday of Mr. **Walwin Lambert SQUIBB**, a former local postman, who since the Great War until nine months ago, when he removed to Ryde, was very prominent in the social and sporting life of the West Wight. He was one of those who restarted the carnivals here just after the war, and for several years acted as hon. secretary and organiser. He had been hon. secretary of the West Wight Football Club and West Wight Social Club for long periods, vice-chairman and assistant hon. secretary of the branch of the British Legion, an active member of the R.A.O.B. and Liberal Association, sports organiser for the Horticultural Society, and a worker for the benefit and enjoyment of others in numerous other directions. Mr. SQUIBB, who was only 56, retired from the local postal staff for health reasons about nine months ago, and was residing at 70 Church-street, Ryde. He had an operation for mastoids at the County Hospital just before Christmas, and for a time appeared to be making a good recovery, but complications arose, and he again entered the hospital on Wednesday week. A second operation was necessary, and this proved too much for his heart to withstand. Sincere sympathy is felt with his widow and two sons in their unexpected bereavement.

He had had a varied career. Leaving his native village of Niton as a boy, he joined the Royal Navy, served with the Naval Brigade in the South African War, and was then invalided from the service, owing to defective sight. He next joined the London Fire Brigade, but after a short time transferred to the Post-office, and was postman for 26 years. He came from London to the local Post-office staff in 1910, and for some years also carried on business as a boot and shoe repairer at Freshwater and Totland. He joined the Hampshire Regt. soon after the Great War broke out, and became sergeant shoemaker, in which capacity he served in France for the greater part of the period of hostilities. After the war he resumed his work as a postman and shoemaker.

The funeral took place at Ryde on Tuesday, the Rev. A. C. DURHAM officiating at a service in St. Michael's Church, Swanmore, and at the interment in Ryde Cemetery. The chief mourners were the widow, Mr. and Mrs. Norman S. SQUIBB (son and daughter-in-law), Mr. Leslie G. SQUIBB (son), Mr. and Mrs. E. SIBBECK (brother-in-law and sister), Mrs. SPENCER (mother-in-law), Mrs. C. BROWN, Mr. G. GROVES (Ventnor Post Office), Mr. S. URRY, and Mr. and Mrs. C. SHENTON. The floral tributes included those from the following: His former colleagues at the Freshwater Post Office; the British Legion; the West Wight Social Club; the Ubique Lodge, R.A.O.B.; and the Ryde Rovers Football Club.

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