

ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY PRESS Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October 1963

**Death of Mr. A. F. A. KERRIDGE.**---Mr. Arthur Frederick Alexander KERRIDGE, aged 78, of 56 Park Road, died in hospital at Southampton last week. At one time he was employed as a printer and bookbinder in the town. He was a founder member of the re-formed Ryde Model Yacht Club and was responsible for the introduction of the Marblehead class of model yacht to this country. He was also a keen and valued member of the town Microscopical and Scientific Society and for several years was hon. secretary. During the 1914-1918 war he served with the British Red Cross Society at Hazelwood, Ashey Road, and was in the Home Guard in the last war. In his younger days' he was a member of Binstead Parish Church choir, and later joined the choir of St. John's Church. He was also a member of the Ryde Male Voice Choir.

The Rev. H. E. GIBSON (former vicar) conducted the funeral service at Holy Trinity Church on Friday week. The hymns "Now the labourer's task is o'er" and "Blest are the pure in heart" were sung. The mourners were Mrs. A. F. A. KERRIDGE (widow), Mr. and Mrs. G. WHITE (son-in-law and daughter), Miss S. WHITE, representing David WHITE, grandson), Mrs. E. KERRIDGE (sister-in-law) and Mrs. M. BURNETT. The Model Yacht Club and Microscopical and Scientific Society were represented. Interment was at Ryde Cemetery.

Messrs. H. V. TAYLOR and Son made the arrangements.

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## MODEL YACHTING

### RYDE MODEL Y.C.

The club resumed their annual championship at the Canoe Lake on Sunday when a local team met members of Portsmouth M.Y.C. in a competition for the Coronation Town cup. All the competing yachts were of the International Marblehead class. The result was a win for *Phldrake* (R.E.J. HAYLES, Ryde) 35 points, followed by *Easi-Flo* (Mr. BOXALL, Portsmouth) 31, and *Ladybird* (a new model just completed by D. KEARNS, Ryde, on her second outing, 29. Mr. A.W. LITTLEJOHN, of London, one of the foremost model yacht designers in the country, and a former winner of the cup, made the presentations.

During the racing the club's burgee was flown at half-mast from the boathouse as a tribute to the memory of Mr. **A. KERRIDGE**, one of the few life members and founder of the present club in 1933.

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**Microscopical and Scientific Society.** At the annual meeting at the Town Hall silent tribute was paid to the memory of three members. They were Mr. **A.F.A. KERRIDGE**, hon. Secretary and treasurer since the formation of the society and an experienced microscopist and authority on pond life. Mr. BARKER, of Sandown, who had given many interesting talks, and Mr. W. LENG.

Miss G.M. POLLARD, daughter of the society's first president, was elected president and Mr. E.J. PALETHORPE was appointed secretary and treasurer.

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