

Business Man's Death.---We regret to record the death at the County Hospital on Thursday of Mr. John Percival CLARK, aged 62, of 12 Star Street. As a youth he was employed by the late Ald. C. J. de LAUNAY, a former mayor.

In the first world war he served with the Machine Gun Corps in France and Italy. Afterwards he began a successful business career as a grocer at 22 Pier Street. He later acquired a bakery in Arthur Street, and over 20 years ago opened as a baker and confectioner at 33 St. John's Road. In 1937 he entered into partnership with his brother-in-law, Mr. H. W. TAYLOR and in 1944 formed a company known as J. P. CLARK (Ryde), Ltd., of which he was managing director, and which now has baking, confectionary, and catering premises at 168-9 High Street.

In the second world war he gave part-time service to the Auxiliary Fire Service. He was a vice-president of Ryde Sports Supporter's Club, keenly interested in the British Legion, and a member of the Caterers' Association of Great Britain, the I.W. Master Bakers' Association, the Ryde Hotel and Catering Association, and the Town Club.

He leaves a widow and two sons. The funeral service takes place at All Saints' Church on Monday at 3 p.m.
