

**Alice Delcia Crabb**

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**NEWPORT WOMAN DIES ON TRAIN**

Mr. R. Seaman, British Railways guard, found the body of a woman slumped across a seat when the last train of the day from Ryde arrived at Newport on Friday week. With the assistance of Mr. A. Pullinger and Mr. H. Blundy, railway employees, she was carried to the waiting room where she was recognised as Mrs. Alice Delcia Crabb, of 6 York Street, Newport, aged 51, also a railway employee. Dr. A. A. Heathcote was summoned and found that she was dead. Mrs. Crabb had been under medical supervision for some years and no inquest was considered necessary, Mrs. Crabb was particularly well-known to members of the travelling public as she had been in charge of the Newport railway station buffet and also one at Cowes station. For the last five years she had been in charge of the buffet at Ryde station. The funeral service took place quietly at St. John's Church, Newport, on Wednesday, interment following at Carisbrooke Cemetery.

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**NEWPORT.**

**The Late Mrs. A. D. Crabb.** – The funeral of Mrs. Alice Delcia Crabb, aged 51, of 6 York Road, whose sudden death was recorded last week, took place on Wednesday week. She was the widow of Mr. S. W. Crabb, who died in 1945, and was well known and highly esteemed, especially by the travelling public, who knew her in connection with her employment as manageress at the Newport, Cowes, and Ryde Pier station buffets. Mrs. Crabb had also worked for Messrs. Weeks, Ltd., and Mr. C. A. Masters at his Shanklin branch. The service in St. John's Church was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. S. F. Farnsworth) and the hymn "Lead us, Heavenly Father" was sung. The mourners were Miss H. L. Robinson and Mrs. Batten (sisters), Mr. and Mrs. B. Crabb (brother-in-law and sister-in-law), Miss J. Batten (niece), Mrs. S. J. Arnold, Mr. Palmer, and Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Dancaster. The interment followed at Carisbrooke Cemetery, and the floral tributes included wreaths from the staff at Ryde Railway Station and Longhurst Enterprises, Ltd., Ryde. Messrs. Damp's made the arrangements.

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