

Sydney James Knott

1911 England, Wales & Scotland Census

Fernlee, Castle Road, Newport, Isle of Wight, Hampshire, England

Name	Relationship	Status	Age	Occupation	Birthplace
<i>Sydney James Knott</i>	<i>Head</i>	<i>Married</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>Brewer</i>	<i>Newport, IOW</i>
Harriette Amy Knott	Wife	Married	28		Newport, IOW
Sydney James George Knott	Son	Single	2		Newport, IOW
Rose Check	Servant	Single	28	Domestic	Newport, IOW

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Town Councillor's Death in Action

On Wednesday the distressing news reached Newport that 2nd. Lieut. Sidney J. Knott, of the Worcestershire Regiment, had been killed in action on the Western front. A later communication from a fellow officer stated that he died on Saturday last of wounds received in the fighting on the previous night.

Lieut. Knott, who was 32 years of age, was the younger son of the late Mr. William Knott, the well-known brewer, of Orchard-street, to whose business he succeeded some time before the war. On the outbreak of hostilities his patriotism at once made him desire to join the Colours, and whilst arrangements were being made to gratify this wish he joined the Volunteer Training Corps, of which he was a keen and capable section-leader and an enthusiastic supporter.

About a year ago he received his commission in the Worcestershire Regiment, and he had been at the Front for several months when his death in action cut short a very promising career. He had been for some time a valued member of the Newport Corporation, which thus loses its first member in this great war. The sad news came as his colleagues on the Council were leaving the monthly meeting, and it caused deep sorrow in the Council and the town generally. As a Town Councillor, a member of the Joint Isolation Hospital Board, and other public bodies, he was proving a most valuable and outspoken public servant, and local public life will be the poorer for his death.

He was a popular member of the Literary Society, and for some time served on its committee. He was a much esteemed member of the Conservative Club, and rendered most valuable and much appreciated service in the position of hon. secretary of the Newport Benevolent Society, from which he retired just before entering the Army. He was a P.G.M. of the Earl Yarborough Lodge of Oddfellows.

He married Miss H. Cheverton, daughter of Ald. R. Bird Cheverton, J.P., and much sympathy is felt for his widow (who was engaged at the War Hospital Supply Depot when the news came) and young son, as well as for his sister and other relatives, in their irreparable bereavement.

Like his brother, Engr.-Lieut.-Comdr. Bertram W. Knott, who after distinguishing himself in the Royal Navy, holds an important position at the Admiralty, the late Lieut. Sidney J. Knott was an old Portland House Academy boy, and has proved worthy of the high traditions of his old school. At the meeting of the Carisbrooke Burial Committee on Wednesday a feeling reference was made to the loss of Lieut. Knott

by his colleagues, and on the proposition of Mr. J. J. Deacon, T.C., seconded by Mr. A. E. Harvey, T.C., and supported by Mr. J. W. Beverton, who all paid a tribute to his public work and said his death was a great loss to the town and district, a vote of condolence and sympathy was passed with the bereaved family in their sorrow.

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