

## Leslie Plucknett

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### NEWPORT

**Well Known Dog Breeder's Death.** – The death occurred suddenly on Monday of Mr. Leslie Plucknett, of 33 Whitepit Lane, aged 43. Working in the grounds of the County Mental Hospital, where he was employed as a gardener, he collapsed at about 8.30 a.m. and was taken into the hospital, where he was attended by Dr. Hines and Mr. Phillips, the head nurse. He recovered consciousness for a short while, but died soon afterwards. The facts were reported to the Coroner (Mr. R. E. A. Webster), but an inquest was deemed unnecessary as he had been receiving medical attention for heart trouble. Mr. Plucknett was a member of the I.W. Canine Association and won successes in local shows with his cocker spaniels, which he had bred for a number of years. He also took a keen interest in horticulture and was a skilful grower of chrysanthemums. Before the war he was an enthusiastic bird fancier and won several prizes with his canaries. Much sympathy is felt with his widow in her unexpected bereavement. The funeral took place on Thursday, the service being held at the Quay Street Methodist Church, the Rev. G. J. Chamberlain officiating. The mourners were Mrs. Plucknett, Messrs. E., S., R., and J. V. Plucknett (brothers), Mr. A. Morris (uncle), Mr. and Mrs. Ablitt and Mr. and Mrs. H. Boon (brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law), Mesdames E. and R. Plucknett and Miss Mundell (sisters-in-law), and Mr. and Mrs. H. Burns and Mr. and Mrs. E. Buckett. Mesdames J. and S. Plucknett (sisters-in-law) were unable to attend. The visiting committee of the County Mental Hospital, Whitecroft, were represented by Ald. W. Thompson (chairman), and Messrs. G. Snow, J.P., and G. Norman, C.C., and the hospital was represented by Messrs. R. S. Curry (clerk), A. J. Cross (farm bailiff), W. G. Brinton, T. J. Phillips, (engineer), and F. Prangnell. Others present included Mr. and Mrs. S. Cassford, Mesdames W. Heal, F. Flux, A. E. Hambry, C. W. Allee, and Ernest Plucknett, Ald. J. P. Collins, and Messrs. A. E. and J. Fry, W. O. Minns (also representing Mrs. Minns), and A. E. and D. Treavis. The interment took place at Carisbrooke Cemetery, and the numerous floral tributes included those from the visiting committee of the County Mental Hospital; farm and garden staff of the County Mental Hospital; and the I.W. Canine Association. Messrs. H. W. Parnell made the arrangements.

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