Catherine Ivy Squirrel

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SUNDAY-SCHOOL TEACHER'S DEATH - The death occurred on Sunday at St. Ives, Albany Road, of Miss Catherine Ivy Squirrel, aged 39, a member of the Hunnyhill Methodist Sunday-school since she was 2½ years old. At 14 she became a teacher and for the last 24 years had been head of the primary department. Her love for children was shown by the enthusiastic way in which she organised parties for them, both as a teacher and as a member of the Newport unit of the I.W. Gas Undertaking Social Club. She was employed by the Gas Undertaking for 11 years.

The large congregation at the funeral service on Thursday at the Pyle Street Methodist Church, Newport, included many friends from the Hunnyhill Methodist Church and Sunday-school and the Gunville Methodist Church. The Rev. W.C. Cardy (minister) officiated and Mr. H.F. Payn (organist) accompanied the hymns, "How sweet the Name" and "The King of Love". Mr. Cardy paid tribute to Miss Squirrell's work for the church. The mourners were Mrs. Squirrell (mother), Mr. and Mrs. F.E. Way (brother-in-law and sister), Mr. and Mrs. C., Mr. and Mrs. T., and Mr. J. Morris, Mrs. F. Marshall, Mrs. D. Squibb, and Miss E Squirrell (uncles and aunts), Mrs. B. Parish and Mrs. C. Munns (cousins), Mr. N. Hair (representing Mrs. B. Adams, cousin), and Mrs. R. Searle.

Others present included the following members of the Newport unit of the Gas Undertaking: Messrs. C.B. Jones (works manager), A.E. Matthews (district manager), T. Clamp and S.E. New (president and secretary, I.W. Gas Branch N.A.L.G.O.), F.A. Piper, C.W. Bell, P.A. Guy, R.W. Curling, F.G.W. Cooke, W. Coward, and G.E. Murch, and the Misses I.G. Whatley and G. Midlane; the borough branch of N.A.L.G.O. was represented by Mr. M.C. Parker, Wadhams Specialities (by whom she was employed for 12 years) by Mr. A. Barnes and Miss M. Mew. Former employees of the Newport Gas Company were also present. The 43 floral tributes included those from the Newport staff of Messrs. Weeks Ltd.; N.A.L.G.O.; the Hunnyhill Methodist Church and Sunday-school; and from friends in the district. The arrangements were made by Messrs. O.C. Hamilton and Son.

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