

## **Robert Stuart Elliott**

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#### **DEATH OF MR. R. S. ELLIOTT OF NEWPORT**

The death occurred on Thursday week of Mr. Robert Stuart Elliott, aged 42, of 102 Clatterford Road, one of the most popular inspectors of the Southern Vectis Omnibus Co. A native of the Island, Mr. Elliott joined the Southern Vectis staff in 1931, and, after being employed as a conductor and driver, he was promoted to inspector in 1953. With a talent for organisation he played a prominent part in staff relations, and in his spare time was a popular officer and player in sports and social clubs. For five years, from 1948, he was the assistant secretary of the I.W. (No.2) branch of the N.U.R. and played a leading role in the union's social life. He was also the assistant secretary and games secretary of the Southern Vectis Social and Sports Club, where he played snooker and won the championship several times. He took a keen interest in the Newport and District Billiards and Snooker League. Mr. Elliott was also a member of the British Road Services Sports Club, the Ryde Railwaymen's Club, and the Parkhurst Prison Officers' Club. A lover of cricket, he was also connected with the Newport and District Time Limit League. Wherever he went Mr. Elliott made many friends and was greatly respected. He is survived by a widow and two children.

Carisbrooke Church was filled with a large congregation for the funeral service on Monday, many being in Southern Vectis uniform. The Vicar (the Rev. J. Souttar) conducted the service, and the hymn "How sweet the name of Jesus sounds" was sung. The mourners were Mrs. Elliott (widow), Miss J. Elliott (daughter), Mr. C. Elliot (father), Mr. and Mrs. W. Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. F. Elliott, Mr. H. Elliott, and Mrs. D. Barton (brothers and sisters-in-law), Mrs. D. Lockhart, Mrs. F. Ryall, and Mrs. C. Cooke (sisters), Mr. C. Sibbeck (father-in-law), Miss Elliott (niece), Mr. F. Squibb, Mr. and Mrs. C. Sibbeck, Mrs. A. Sibbeck, and Mrs. M. Fry (uncles and aunts), Mr. S. Sibbeck, Mr. and Mrs. L. Sibbeck, Mr. A. Brown, and Mr. N. Squibb (cousins), Mr. and Mrs. W. Bryant, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Hutchinson, Mr. W. Reech, and Mrs. A. Barton. Among those present were senior officials and former senior officials of the Southern Vectis Omnibus Company, Ltd., and inspectors, drivers, and conductors and members of the maintenance and office staff from all departments of the company. The many social clubs of which he was connected were also represented, and Southern Vectis Inspectors A. Diment and J. Meadows and Drivers W. Barton, S. Daish, H. B. Hemming, and B. Pritchard acted as bearers.

The interment followed at Carisbrooke cemetery. The arrangements were made by Messrs. O.C. Hamilton and Son.

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