

OBITUARY.

ALDERMAN M. A. RALLI.

Alderman M. A. Ralli, one of the largest-hearted public men of North Wales, died at Mia Hall, his Flintshire residence, on Saturday. Mr Ralli had been in failing health for some months, but, though considerable anxiety prevailed concerning his condition about three months ago, he appeared to be recovering satisfactorily, and only about three weeks since he was manifesting something of his old interest in public affairs, though unable to leave his home. Unfortunately there was a relapse, and among those in touch with him during the last few days of his life the end had been anticipated, though not so soon.

A member of the well-known Greek family of Ralli, he was for years Greek Consul in Liverpool, but retired and took up his residence in Rhyl, where he owned much property. He subsequently acquired Mia Hall and spent much money on the place, not only for the develop-

ment of the grounds, but also to provide work for unemployed men in the district. He also built many houses in the village of Newmarket, being always ready to undertake work if there was any unemployment in the district.

After his wife died some 15 years ago he spent most of his time at Mia Hall, and to her memory erected a village hall in Newmarket, and presented it to the community. He was never known to refuse a request for help.

He was a liberal supporter of the Liberal party in Flintshire, and had been president of the Flintshire Liberal Association. He started the V.T.C. movement in his district, and refused to employ anyone of military age in his gardens. This season he announced that the whole of the crop of his extensive peach-houses would be devoted to the wounded soldiers, as before the war he had usually given the fruit to the school children who held their annual picnics at Mia Hall. He was an alderman of the Flint County Council, and until his recent illness took an active part in public work. Mr Ralli leaves a son and daughter.

Presiding at the Rhyl Police Court on Tuesday, Mr J. B. Linnell referred to the death of Mr Ralli, and moved that the sympathy of the Bench be tendered to his son, Mr A. M. Ralli, and his daughter, Miss Ralli, in their bereavement, and that a record thereof be made on the minutes of the court. He referred to the late Mr Ralli's generosity and to the services rendered by him to the county. The motion was seconded by Mr T. D. Jones, supported by Mr T. Amos Jones, on behalf of the solicitors, and by Mr F. J. Gamlin, the clerk, and carried.

The funeral took place at the Church Cemetery, Rhyl, on Wednesday afternoon, the interment being in the family vault. In accordance with the expressed wish of the deceased the funeral was of a private character, only members of the family being present.

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DEATH OF ALDERMAN RALLI

The death took place at his Flintshire residence, near Newmarket, on Saturday, of Alderman M. A. Ralli, a member of one of the best known Liverpool and North Wales families. He was formerly Greek Consul for Liverpool, and was connected with large commercial interests. He was well-known throughout Flintshire, had a residence at Rhyl, and was intimately connected with the Flintshire County Council and Education Body, and until his health failed took a leading part in county affairs, being a leading member of the Liberal party.

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