

B O R O U G H O F C O W B R I D G E

THE MAYOR

Alderman Mrs. G. Tilley, J.P.

invites the Members and Officers of the
Council to meet her at the Church Vestry
on Wednesday, 29th August, 1962, at
2.45 p.m.

to attend the funeral of the late
Councillor Mrs. F.E. Hinton, J.P.

27th August, 1962.

Robes will be worn.

'Goldie' Was A Woman In A Million

Vale Mourns The Death Of Much Loved Personality

THE town of Cowbridge and indeed the whole Vale of Glamorgan is in mourning this week for one of the borough's best loved daughters, Coun. Mrs Florence Elizabeth Hinton, J.P., of Southgate, Cowbridge (writes Tony Hughes).

Mrs Hinton, who passed away at Bridgend General Hospital on Saturday, had been ill for only a few weeks and indeed a few days before entering a Cardiff hospital for a check-up she had been carrying out her public duties as a magistrate.

A native of Cowbridge, Mrs Hinton's maiden name was Goulden, and from this she derived the nickname of 'Goldie,' by which she was affectionately referred to by her many friends.

She loved the Borough and its great traditions, and yet would not let them stand in the way of progress in the town.

'Goldie' was without doubt the hardest working woman I have ever known. She tackled many jobs and brought to each an enthusiasm, speed and thoroughness which amazed everyone.

BUSY HOUSEWIFE

For many years she was a newsagent in Cowbridge and when she gave up this business she became the proprietress of the Cowbridge Gift Shop, in High Street, which she ran until a few months ago.

In addition to the shop she was also a busy housewife and delighted in making her own preserves, etc., many of which she sold in her shop.

About fifteen years ago her friends persuaded her to stand as a member of the Borough Council and she was elected. She served the Council well for 15 years, and at the time of her death was senior councillor.

In 1951-52 Mrs Hinton was appointed mayor, a job which she tackled with her usual enthusiasm. It was a full-time job in addition to the duties which would have normally fallen to her she had a tremendous number of additional tasks to perform both in the Borough and the surrounding Vale of Glamorgan.

MAGISTRATE

During her year of office she was, of course, a Justice of the Peace, and her active work on the Bench during that period was recognised a short time later when she was appointed a County Justice.

She became an active member of the Cowbridge Bench and not only took her own turn to sit as a magistrate, but often deputised for people who failed to attend. On many occasions when an S.O.S. had been sent out from the court, Mrs



It came as a tremendous shock to learn a short time later that in fact she was critically ill and that there was little hope of recovery. The news cast a gloom over the Vale and prayers were offered for her recovery not only in the Church of the Holy Cross, of which she was a staunch member, but also at meetings of the Borough Council.

SELFLESS

Mrs Hinton's death is going to leave a gap in the public and social life of the Vale which will be difficult to fill.

She was a woman in a million, energetic, hardworking, kind, giving selfless service to her fellow men and women of her. I am only one of many when I say that with the death of Mrs Hinton I have lost a true friend and a person who throughout the dozen or so years I have covered the Vale of Glamorgan for this newspaper, went out of her way to help me in every way possible.