

John Edward Hunnybun

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DIED AFTER FALL IN HOSPITAL.

A verdict of accidental death was recorded by Mr. H. H. Johnson (deputy coroner) at an inquest at the County Hall on Monday on Mr. John Edward Hunnybun (85), formerly of 2 West Street, Newport, who died at Whitecroft Hospital on March 3rd.

Charles Leigh, student male nurse at Whitecroft Hospital, said Mr. Hunnybun was very unsteady on his feet and had to be assisted in his movements about the ward. On February 21st he found the patient in a sitting position on the floor of the toilet adjoining the ward. There appeared to be something wrong with his leg and witness had to summon assistance to get Mr. Hunnybun back to bed.

Dr. Peter Duncan Swainstend (pathologist), said death was due to broncho pneumonia following a fracture of the right femur. The fracture could have been caused by a fall.

Dr. James George Sahakian, medical officer at Whitecroft Hospital, said that Mr. Hunnybun was admitted on January 12th 1950, where he had remained ever since. His condition, which was already senile, deteriorated after the fall. Operative treatment was not advised because of his condition.

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