

Engine as Hearse Brigades and Police Pay Tribute to Inspector Cornish

Inspector Archie Cornish, Second Officer of the Sheffield Fire Brigade, who died in the Northern Police Convalescent Home, Harrogate, as a result of burns received in a fire at the Sheffield Royal Hospital on November 11th last, was buried this afternoon.

The fire bell rang as the cortege left the Sheffield Central Fire Station in Division Street on its journey to Crookes Cemetery, where the service was conducted by the Rev. Dawson Parsons, Chaplain to the Sheffield Brigade.

Long before the procession left the Fire Station a crowd of 2,000 had assembled in Division Street.

Heading the sad procession was No. 1 Tender conveying Supt. T. Breaks and inspector Hayworth. Next came a fire engine carrying the coffin and bearers followed by the family mourners in four cars.

Two more fire engines bore the comrades of the dead fireman, these being followed by many private cars, The cortege was, met at the cemetery by a contingent of police, headed by Chief Supt. May, Supt. Hale, and Superintendents of the Divisions.

It 'was impossible for all the members' .of the Fire Brigade to attend the funeral as a contingent had to remain behind in case of emergency.

The coffin was draped with a large Union Jack on it were also the uniform which Inspector Cornish was wearing when he received his injuries.

Attached to the top of the coffin were his epaulettes, which were buried with him.

The mourners included Mrs; Cornish (widow), Mr. Archie Cornish (son), Misses Peggy and Gracie, Cornish (daughters), Mr. Alf Cornish (brother), brothers and sisters, and other relatives.

Others present included ex-Superintendent Hadwick (formerly of Sheffield Brigade), Superintendent F. Briddon (Rotherham Fire Brigade), Superintendent Pepper (Nottingham Fire Brigade), 'Superintendent Hawkworth (Chesterfield Brigade), Captain Skinner (Dronfield Brigade), Captain Cope (Kiveton Park Brigade), Councillor W. Melling, Mr. Walton, Corps Superintendent Hamer Russell, and a number of men from St. John Ambulance Brigade.