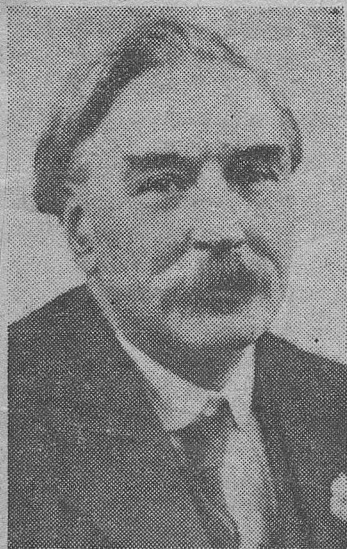


*Worshipful Jul May 10th 1947*

## Mainly Personal

ONE OF THE BEST KNOWN AND MOST POPULAR FIGURES IN THE STROUD DISTRICT IS MR. F. L. DANIELS, THIS YEAR'S CHAIRMAN OF THE STROUD URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL, AN ENGINEER OF NATION-WIDE REPUTE AND LEADING CHURCH AND SOCIAL WORKER.

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Two of Mr. Daniel's chief recreations are bowling and singing. He is a President of the Pfince Albert Bowling Club and a member of the Stroud Club, and for a period approaching half a century, he has been a member of the Stroud Choral Society which he still assists. He is a founder member of the Stroud Rotary club and a past president of the organisation.

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A member of an old Stroud family Mr. Daniels has crowded and still is much into his life. A grandson of the founder of the firm of T. H. and J. Daniels Ltd. engineers of Lightpill which was established about 1840 he has had an association extending over 54 years with the business, of which he is joint managing director, and also chairman of the subsidiary company of Daniels (Cam) Ltd., leatherboard manufacturers.

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A staunch nonconformist he has had a lifelong association with Rodborough Tabernacle, and he is member of the diaconate choir. He is a past chairman of the executive committee of the Glo'shire and Herefordshire Congregational Union which he still serves as a committee man.

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For nearly 40 years he has been keenly interested in the Boy Scout movement and was a Scoutmaster as long ago as 1909. He was largely responsible for the formation of the Rodborough Tabernacle Troop, the first to be started in the County, and he is still a strong supporter of the scout movement, at present serving as Honorary Treasurer of the Glo'shire Scouts Association.

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He has always taken an active part in local government, and after serving as a member of the Rodborough Parish Council for a long period he was elected a member of the Stroud Urban District Council for the Rodborough ward when the Stroud boundaries were extended in 1936, and has retained his membership since and was elected chairman last month.

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Besides having served as Chairman of the Highways Committee and a member of the Finance Committee he has been a member of the Stroud Water Board since it was formed, of the Joint Sewerage Committee, and of other bodies connected with the Council.

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Mr. Daniels has been for a long time a valued member of the Stroud District Planning Committee, while his sympathy, has found expression in his work for the Gyde Orphanage at Painswick of which he is member of the Management Committee.

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For over 30 years until recently he was a governor of the Stroud Secondary Schools. In addition he is a foundation governor and member of the executive council of Wycliffe College.

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The Stroud General Hospital has found in Mr. Daniels one of its staunchest supporters, and for many years he has been a member of the management board.