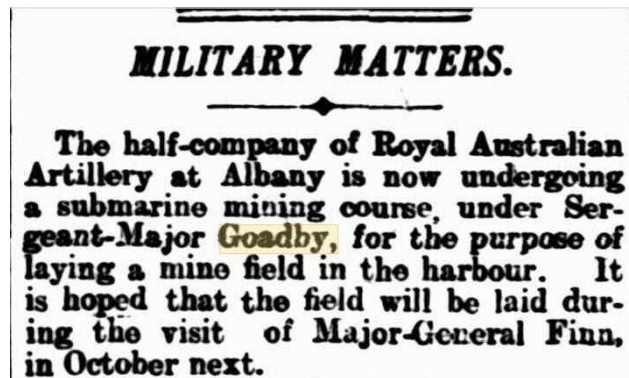


Lt(Hon)

BEDE THEODORIC GOADBY

Bede was born in Jhansi, India, on 20th August 1862, the son of Samuel Hill Goadby and his wife Annie Augusta, nee Smith.

He was an electrician by trade and enlisted in the Royal Engineers on 21st October 1886, service number 21348 and in the 1891 UK census is shown as being a Corporal with the Engineers. He was lent to the West Australian Government and is shown as reengaging in the Army for a further 3 years on 17th July 1899, now with the West Australian Engineers, service number 2.



A West Australian Newspaper article of 1905.

Before coming to Australia, he married Mary Emma Mello on the Isle of Wight on 28th December 1892.

On 27th September 1902 he requested he extend his service under the Federal Government for a further 5 years.

On 11th August 1914 he enlisted in the AN&MEF as Quartermaster and given the rank of Lt (Hon). Bede had his 52nd birthday the day after leaving Sydney on the BERRIMA. He was appointed Director of Lands and Survey on 4th October 1914 and returned from Rabaul and was discharged, term expired, on 4th March 1915.

LADY LAWLEY COTTAGE.

Lieut.-Col. Goadby Retires.

AT the monthly meeting of the general committee of the Lady Lawley Cottage, on September 11, opportunity was taken to make a presentation to Lieut.-Col. Goadby who, under medical advice, has retired from the post of honorary treasurer of the cottage.

In making the presentation on behalf of the past and present members of the committee, the president of the cottage (Mr. E. H. de Witt) referred to the fact that Lieut.-Col. Goadby had acted as treasurer for the past 15 years, about six years of which he also acted as honorary secretary. The work performed by Lieut.-Col. Goadby had been continuous and responsible, and apart from the clerical side of the work, which has always been heavy, Lieut.-Col. Goadby had always been ready with advice and assistance on matters which required attention. He had never missed an opportunity of furthering the interests of the cottage and its inmates.

Lieut.-Col. Goadby has been elected a life member of the institution in token of his invaluable services to the cottage and has also been co-opted a member of the general committee, so that he will be able to keep in touch with the affairs of the cottage. Mr. de Witt also welcomed Captain J. H. Utting, who has consented to take over the duties of honorary treasurer of the cottage.

Bede died at Mosman Park, Perth on 28th September 1944 and is buried at the Karrakatta Cemetery

Late Lt-Col B. T. Goadby.

Lt-Col Bede Theodoric Goadby (Royal Engineers, retired), of Harvey-street, Mosman Park, died in a private hospital in Cottesloe yesterday, aged 82 years. The late Lt-Col Goadby came to this State from England in the 1890's, having been lent by the Imperial Government to superintend the laying of submarine mines in Albany Harbour at the time of the Russian war scare. His original term of three years was extended a further three years and then he decided to remain in Australia and was transferred to the Commonwealth forces. Lt-Col Goadby spent the rest of his life in this State with the exception of six years in Sydney.

Lt-Col Goadby went with the first expeditionary force in the last war to the German territory afterwards known as New Britain. After the war his chief interests were botanical and church work. He was one of the best authorities on orchids in this State and was president for several years of the WA Naturalists' Club. He also served on the Mosman Park Road Board and was closely connected with the Lady Lawley Cottage-by-the-Sea, of which he was treasurer.

When the VDC was first formed in the present war, Lt-Col Goadby for a short time was in charge of the Mosman Park unit. In church work he was on the vestry of St Luke's, Cottesloe, for many years. His wife, who predeceased him some months ago, was also a great church worker. "A man of sterling worth—very modest and unassuming," was the tribute paid to him last night by the rector of St Luke's (the Rev C. W. Norwood). The late Lt-Col Goadby left a son and a married daughter.