



Capt. Kirke Charles Godfrey



Played with Adelaide University



Cricket Club: 1909/10

Degree obtained MB BS (1914)

¹ Photo: AWM.6060

Background

Coinciding with the Centenary of Anzacs our incentive behind the series of biographical publications is the Adelaide University Football and Cricket Club's desire to honour our players who served in the Great War (1914 - 1918). These brave men put on hold their academic, professional and sporting careers for King and Country in the name of peace and freedom. The AUFC/AUCC WW1 Memorial Committee is endeavouring to identify every one of our players who served and prepare life stories on all. This is to ensure their sacrifices and further contributions to society will be recognised by future generations.

On Anzac Day 2015, the Centenary of the Gallipoli landing, a memorial plaque was unveiled on the Adelaide University Oval Pavilion and this was followed by the erection of a picket fence between the pavilion and the scoreboard with each picket bearing a plaque with the name of an AUFC/AUCC player who served.

The following documentation relates to the life of Kirke Charles Godfrey. It is compilation of information and photographs collected from a variety of historical sources.

The AIF Project

<https://www.aif.adfa.edu.au/showPerson?pid=113057>



Kirke Charles GODFREY


Religion	Church of England
Occupation	Medical practitioner
Address	Althorpe Place, Glenelg, South Australia
Marital status	Single
Age at embarkation	27
Next of kin	Father, C G Godfrey, Althorpe Place, Glenelg, South Australia
Enlistment date	1 February 1915
Rank on enlistment	Captain
Unit name	Infantry Brigade 7, Field Ambulance 7, Section B
AWM Embarkation Roll number	26/50/1
Embarkation details	Unit embarked from Adelaide, South Australia, on board HMAT A2 <i>Geelong</i> on 31 May 1915
Embarkation details	Unit embarked from Sydney, New South Wales, on board HMAT <i>Clan Mcewan</i> on 28 June 1915
Rank from Nominal Roll	Captain
Unit from Nominal Roll	Australian Army Medical Corps
Fate	Returned to Australia 12 November 1916

Service Record

<https://recordsearch.naa.gov.au/SearchNRetrieve/Interface/ViewImage.aspx?B=4818061>

Copy of Nominal Roll
30/12/15: C.R.

C.M. Form A. 22.
(Revised 1.7.14.)

AUSTRALIAN  MILITARY FORCES.

Application for a Commission in the *7th Field Ambulance*

No.	Particulars.	
1.	Surname ... Other names (in full) ...	GODFREY <i>Nike Charles</i>
2.	Educational Qualifications... (Certificate to be attached for notation at District Headquarters.)	
3.	Military Qualifications (previous Military Service, if any, to be stated) (Attention is directed to third sub-para. of C.M. Regulation 66.) Present rank and corps to be stated.	
4.	Date on which applicant qualified at a competitive examination for first appointment as 2nd Lieutenant (U.T. Regulation 132)	
5.	Present Civil Employment ... <i>Medical Practitioner</i>	
6.	Date of Birth, and Age ... (Certificate of Birth or Statutory Declaration to be attached for notation at District Headquarters.)	Date of Birth. ... Age. <i>27</i> Years. — Months.
7.	If a British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject ... (In the case of the latter, date and place of Naturalization to be stated.)	
8.	Married or Single ...	<i>Single</i>
9.	Postal Address ...	<i>Althorpe Place Elenely.</i>
10.	Next of Kin ...	<i>Father C. G. Godfrey same address</i>

Date (Signature of Applicant)

NOTE.—Candidates for Commissions in the Permanent Forces are required to attach a satisfactory certificate of moral character, or, if they are serving in the Permanent or Citizen Forces, to be recommended by their Commanding Officer. They are also to state on the back of this form the subjects in which they desire to be examined in Part II., and where exemptions are claimed for educational subjects, the authority for same is to be stated, and where necessary to be supported by certificates.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE.

In the cases of Candidates for Commissions in the Permanent Forces, Proceedings of Medical Board, in accordance with instructions contained in "Standing Orders for the Army Medical Services," will be substituted for this Certificate; such Board, however, will not be assembled until after the nomination of the Candidate to undergo examination has been approved by the Military Board of Administration.

I,, do hereby certify to the correctness of the following particulars respecting the above-named applicant. I further certify that the applicant is not ruptured, has not been operated on for Hernia, and is capable of bearing the fatigue incident to the performance of military duty.

Height Weight

Chest Measurement Eyesight

(Signature of the Examining Medical Officer)

RECOMMENDATION AND CERTIFICATE OF COMMANDING OFFICER.
(Not required in the cases of Candidates for Commissions in the Permanent Forces.)

I recommend that the candidate above named be appointed a *Capt.* in the Corps under my command, and I certify:—

1. That such appointment will be within the authorized establishment for the current year.
2. †(a) That the provisions of U.T. Reg. 33 have been fully complied with, or
‡(b) That the provisions of U.T. Reg. 132 have been fully complied with,
(c) That all candidates higher in order of merit, by competitive examination, have been absorbed.

On appointment the candidate will be posted to *7th Field Ambulance* Squadron, Battery, or Coy., &c.

Date Commanding Regt. or Corps.

RECOMMENDATION OF DISTRICT COMMANDANT.
Recommended, candidate considered suitable.

Date Commandant Military District.

† Sub-para. not applicable to be struck out.

N.B.—Record of War Service (if any) to be shown on back of Form.
Seniority of Candidates as determined by competitive examination to be stated when two or more applications are forwarded on the same date.

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RSL Virtual Memorial

<https://rslvirtualwarmemorial.org.au/explore/people/236409>

Service number Officer, Captain, 7th Field Ambulance, AIF WW1, born 8 Mar 1888, Died 13 Nov 1978

Published Biography

Excerpt from **Blood Sweat and Fears: Medical Practitioners and Medical Students of South Australian who Served in World War 1**. Courtesy of the Authors

Kirke Charles Godfrey was born in Glenelg, South Australia on 8th March 1888. He was the son of Charles George Godfrey of Glenelg and his wife Mary Elizabeth, nee Kirkpatrick. Godfrey's father was the fourth member to join the Stock Exchange, his election had taken place on 27th January 1891. His father was also a fine opening bat and a notable cricketer in the eighties. He played in several international games. Godfrey attended St Peter's College in 1906 and studied medicine at the University of Adelaide graduating in May 1914.

Godfrey enlisted in the AIF and was commissioned on 1st May 1915 and allocated to 7FdAmb. He was single, aged 27 years of Althorpe Place, Glenelg with his father of the same address named as his next of kin. He sailed the same month. On arrival in Egypt he was transferred to 2 AGH and sent to Mena Hospital. He did not go to Gallipoli with the rest of his unit. He was posted to 6 FdAmb in February 1916 and went to France with this unit in March 1916. During the Battle of Pozières in August, Godfrey was gassed and evacuated to 4 LGH at Denmark Hill, London. As a result of this he became asthmatic, and was sent to No 2 Command Depot at Weymouth to await return to Australia for convalescence. He was taken off strength on the 12th November 1916 and sailed from Portland for Australia. Back in Australia he was passed as fit for Home Service only. He had served 624 days of which 579 were overseas. His appointment in the AIF was terminated on the 7th February 1917. Godfrey was issued with the 1914-15 Star, the British War Medal and the Victory Medal.

Godfrey married Beatrice Adelaide Gepp in the St Peter's College Chapel on 6th April 1918. She was the youngest daughter of the late Thomas Gepp, S.M., and Mrs. Gepp, of 'Hockky,' Kensington Gardens. He remained in South Australia in the near country of Mt Pleasant and Clare where he became a Justice of the Peace in January 1921. Godfrey eventually moved to Perth WA in the 1930s. Godfrey made a round trip to Singapore from Fremantle as ship's surgeon on board the Centaur in 1933. This ship's name became renowned in 1943 when as 2/3 AHS she was sunk off Point Danger Queensland by a Japanese submarine. Godfrey's son Sgt David Kirke Godfrey, serving with 6 SQN RAAF as an air gunner, was shot down and killed over New Guinea in 1942. Godfrey became an anaesthetist, and joined the staff of Perth Public Hospital with his rooms in 222 St George's Tce and at 92 Thomas St, West Perth. He was elected to Honorary Membership of the Australian Society of Anaesthetists in 1961, recognising him as a pioneer specialist anaesthetist in Western Australia and a past president of the WA section of the society. Kirke Charles Godfrey died on the 13th November 1978.

Photo, AWM.6060

The Daily Herald Adelaide 18 Dec 1914

The Mail Adelaide 24 November 1917

The Mirror Perth 15 July 1939

Ancestry.com

Additional Biography

Education

Kirke attended St Peter's College and completed his Junior, Senior and Higher Public Examinations from 1903 - 1907. In addition to a fine academic record, Kirke competed in swimming and athletics competitions.²

Advertiser (Adelaide, SA : 1889 - 1931)
Friday 3 March 1905, page 8

SWIMMING.

The annual swimming matches in connection with St. Peter's College took place at the City Baths on Thursday. There was a good attendance. The races went off without a hitch, and much amusement was caused, particularly in the general natation, where the efforts of competitors to "ride the pig across the bath" were particularly funny. The officials were—Judges, the headmaster, Messrs. T. A. Caterer and P. H. Upton; handicappers, Messrs. Wyatt, J. Forrest, R. A. Baker, and A. J. Lindsay; starter, Mr. C. Bastard. Some good swimming was seen during the afternoon. Mr. H. B. James was the hon. secretary. The results were:—

Open Handicap (3 lengths).—J. Forrest, 12 sec.; L. H. Botlen, 17 sec. Diving for Objects.—K. C. Godfrey, L. A. Hayward, D. E. Lindsay. Senior Championship (4 lengths).—C. M. Muirhead, C. A. Hamilton. Under 14 years (2 lengths).—L. A. Hayward, 4 sec.; D. E. Lindsay, scratch. Neat Dive.—K. R. Roberts, A. W. Cooper, D. E. Lindsay. Junior Championship.—J. L. Sandford, K. R. Roberts. Shoot. K. R. Roberts, C. A. Hamilton, F. Fraser and R. F. Angus dead heat. Under 16 years (3 lengths).—C. M. Muirhead, scratch; K. R. Roberts, 10 sec.; E. T. Fraser, 10 sec. General natation, K. R. Roberts. Old Scholars (4 lengths).—J. Muirhead, Luxmore.

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Advertiser (Adelaide, SA : 1889 - 1931).
Friday 21 September 1906, page 8

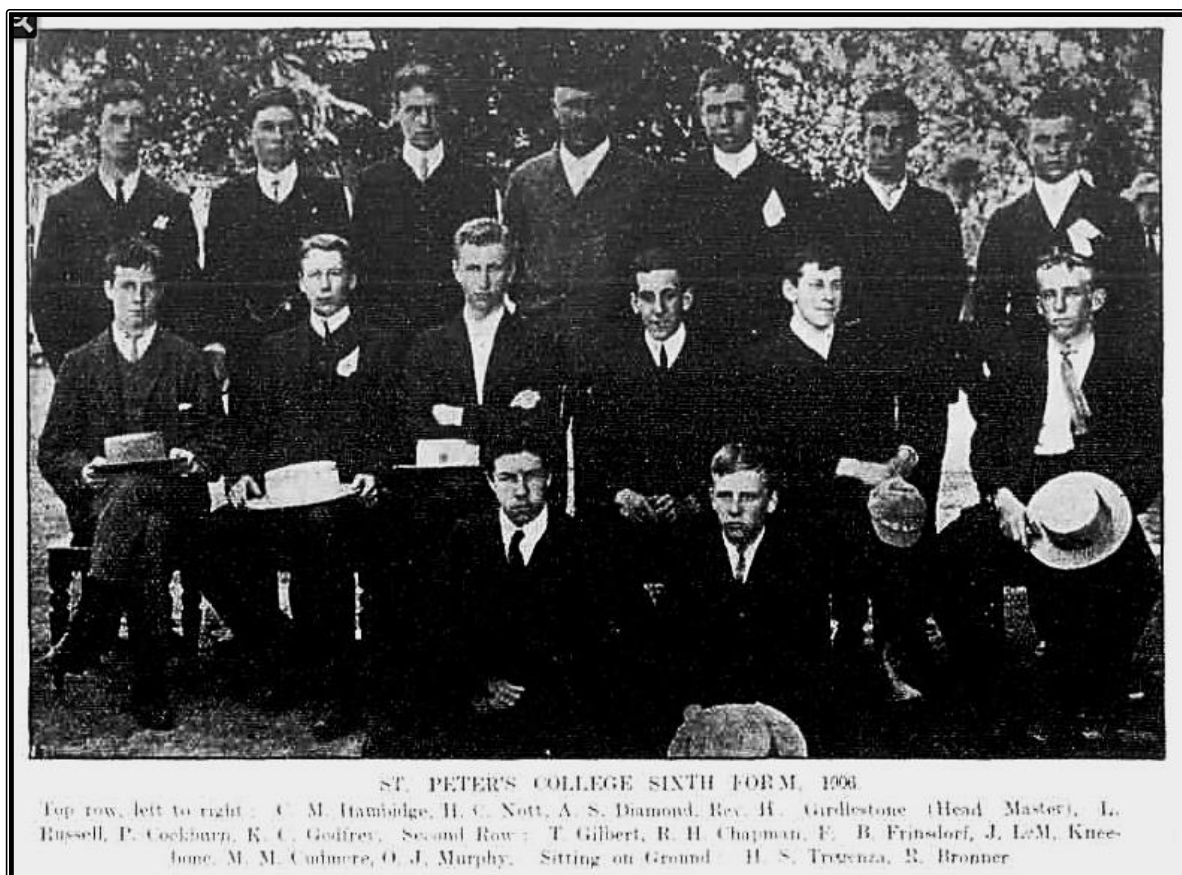
ST. PETER'S COLLEGE SPORTS.

The annual athletic sports, in connection with St. Peter's College were held on the Adelaide Oval on Thursday in the presence of a large number of spectators.

Half-mile Handicap.—W. E. Jervois, 65 yards; K. C. Godfrey, 70 yards; L. W. Bridgland, 35 yards.

250 Yards Steeplechase (old scholars).—Proctor, V. Cresshe, Phillips.

College Cup Event (one mile, run on Tuesday).—Sutherland, C. A. Hamilton, J. C. P. Strachan.



Sixth Form 1906 - Kirke C. Godfrey – Back Row – Far Right

² Various Newspaper articles tagged "Dr KC Godfrey"

Adelaide University

Kirke enrolled at the University of Adelaide in 1908 and completed his Medical Degree in 1914.

Adelaide University Second Year Medical Students - "The 'ruffians' of 1909"



Included are: Prof. Watson, A.E. Williams, S. Holder, L.G. Tassie, H.C. Nott, J. Gardner, K. Godfrey, F.N. LeMessurier G.H. Burnell, H.J. Penny, R.A. Baker, F.E. Osborn, H.C.C. Rennie.

University Sport

Cricket

In 1908/9, the year that the Adelaide University Cricket Club (AUCC) was admitted to the South Australian Cricket Association (SACA) A Grade competition, Kirke was playing B-Grade for Glenelg. Kirke did not possess the same cricketing skills of his father was not in-line for selection in the University team. University did have a second side the following season but was not selected in the B Grade XI, so he started with Glenelg again and in November fronted up against the University team. Even though he was a student at University, the SACA rules dictated that if he were

not selected in any AUCC team he could play for his original club. The game was a chance to prove himself, however he only made a "duck" in the 1st innings and 1 run in the 2nd innings.

Chronicle (Adelaide, SA : 1895 - 1954).	
Saturday 6 November 1909, page 23	
B GRADE.	
GLENELG VERSUS UNIVERSITY.	
Won by University by an innings and 67 runs.	
UNIVERSITY.	
H. C. Nott, run out	24
J. Blacket, b. Harris	42
E. D. Jones, b. Gregory	7
H. Powell, st. Yuill, b. Rehn	22
L. Davies, run out	22
L. O. Murphy, c. Gibbs, b. Rehn	7
G. Fisher, st. Yuill, b. Rehn	10
R. Goode, c. Rehn, b. Gregory	25
H. W. D. Stoddart, c. Gibbs, b. Ward	13
A. Pavia, st. Yuill, b. Rehn	18
W. Potts, not out	0
Extras	16
Total	211
Bowling.—Ward, one for 88; Gregory, two for 47; Bennett, none for 16; Pontifex, none for 5; Bayer, none for 24; Harris, one for 20; Rehn, four for 46.	
GLENELG.	
First innings	88
Second Innings.	
G. Yuill, b. Powell	6
E. G. Gregory, b. Jones	8
L. C. Harris, run out	40
A. W. Cooper, c. Blacket, b. Jones	4
A. Rehn, c. Goode, b. Stoddart	20
K. Godfrey, b. Jones	1
T. M. Bennett, b. Powell	8
L. J. Pontifex, b. Jones	2
C. Bayer, c. Powell, b. Jones	8
W. Ward, b. Stoddart	4
W. C. Gibbs, not out	8
Extras	5
Total	56
Bowling.—Jones, five for 28; Stoddart, two for 4; Powell, two for 18.	
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Kirke was selected to play for University later in December in a mid-week match against PAC, which probably was a game organised to prepare PAC for the following weeks intercollegiate match against St Peter's College. It appears though that Kirke was unavailable to bat for University on the 2nd day of the match.

The Advertiser (Adelaide, SA : 1889 - 1931)	
/ Thu 2 Dec 1909 / Page 5	
PRINCE ALFRED COLLEGE versus UNIVERSITY.	
P.A.C.	
First innings	239
University.	
C. Drew, b. K. Steele	16
A. C. Wilton, c. Snow, b. K. Steele	29
Fisher, b. Ashby	0
J. W. Blacket, b. Cowan	2
Godfrey, absent	0
Jones, b. Ashby	7
Nott, b. Ashby	63
Penny, c. Sullivan, b. Cowan	10
Osborn, c. D. Steele, b. Ashby	51
LeMessurier, not out	8
Stoddart, b. D. Steele	8
Sundries	13
Total	203
Bowling.—K. Steele, two for 45; J. E. Ashby, four for 61; E. L. Goddard, none for 27; L. T. Cowan, two for 53; D. M. Steele, one for 23.	

The only other match that Kirke seems to have played for University is a match in Renmark in January 1910. With many of the students earning some money fruit picking during their vacation and although they were able to put a reasonable side together, they were thrashed by the locals. Kirke was one of the few players to reach double figures.

Cricket.

University Students v. Renmark.

Advantage was taken of the presence of numbers of University students in Renmark for the fruit harvesting to arrange a cricket match between them and a representative Renmark team. The match was played on the Recreation Ground on Wednesday, the 6th inst., and resulted in a one inning's victory for the local team. The knowledge that Dolling, the well-known Interstate player and former Prince Alfred College champion batsman, would be playing for the students, added interest to the match. Dolling, unfortunately, is just recovering from a severe bout of pneumonia, which has forced him to discontinue his medical studies, and he failed to score in the match, being bowled by Morres first ball in the first innings and being caught in his second innings, in the long field, by Fleming, after he made two or three very pretty strokes for seven runs. All the wickets were taken for Renmark by Logue and Morres, the last named securing 14 for 46 in the two innings. The weather was oppressively hot, but not sufficiently so to prevent the attendance of several lady spectators, amongst whom were noticed the Misses Robertson of Chowilla, and the Misses Clark and Cutlack. Appended are the scores:—

UNIVERSITY.

First Innings.

Penny, b Morres	...	...	3
Jones, b Morres	...	...	27
Dolling, b Morres	...	...	0
Rennie, c, b Logue	...	...	10
Godfrey, b Morres	...	...	13
Kneebone, b Morres	...	...	0
Moulden, run out	...	...	2
Baker, b Morres	...	...	7
Tassie, not out	...	...	0
Corry, b Morres	...	...	2
Black, stpd, b Morres	...	...	0
Sundries	...	...	4
Total	...	...	63

Bowling—Morres 8 for 23, Logue 1 for 30.

Second Innings.

Jones, b Morres	...	...	4
Moulden, b Morres	...	...	4
Rennie, run out	...	...	2
Penny, c, b Logue	...	...	15
Baker, c, b Logue	...	...	6
Dolling, c, b Morres	...	...	7
Black, b Logue	...	...	0
Corry, b Morres	...	...	7
Godfrey, not out	...	...	0
Tassie, b Morres	...	...	0
Kneebone, b Morres	...	...	0
Sundries	...	...	13
Total	...	...	58

Bowling—Morres 6 for 26, Logue 3 for 32.

Lacrosse

He also played Lacrosse for University from 1911-14, representing the University in the 1909, 1912, 1913 and 1914 Intervarsity competitions.

1909 AUCC Intervarsity Lacrosse Team



Back: I.C.Haines, H.Powell, K.C.Godfrey, O.M.Moulden, H.C.C.Rennie, J.S.Blackburn, G.R.West. Front: W.W.E.Gray, D.R.W.Cowan, D.M.Steele (capt), E.A.H.Russell, M.Ericksen, H.C.Nott. Held in Adelaide, won by Melbourne 11-1

1912 Intersarsity Lacrosse Team³



Back row: E.Millhouse, K.C.Godfrey, L.G.Tassie, C.Yeatman, J.Kneebone, G.Yuill, H.Wagstaff. Front row: S.E.Holder, H.C.C.Rennie, E.A.H.Russell (capt), J.S.Verco (sec), H.C.Nott. On ground: J.Larner (ref). Held in Adelaide, won by Adelaide 9-5

1913 Intersarsity Lacrosse Team



Back row: L.A.Whittington, C.L.Abbott, K.Healy, G.A.Yuill, E.Millhouse, J.S.Verco, H.Cairns. Front row: N.G.Abbott, K.C.Godfrey, H.C.C.Rennie (capt), S.E.Holder, L.G.Tassie, H.Wagstaff. Held in Melbourne. Results: Melbourne-11, Adelaide-4. Melbourne-14, Sydney-0. Adelaide-12, Sydney-3.

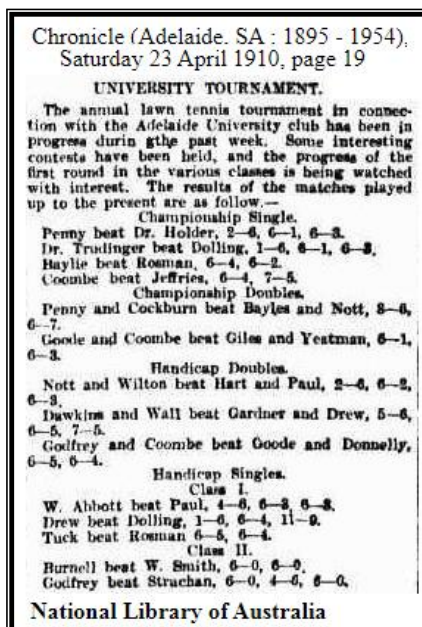
³ <http://hdl.handle.net/2440/58448>

1914 IntersVarsity Lacrosse Team



Tennis

Kirke was also a keen tennis player and played competitively for University from 1909 to 1914. He also played in the University's annual tournament. Tennis as a summer sport, possibly explains why he gave cricket away for lawn tennis.



He competed in the South Australian Lawn Tennis Association tournament in March 1913.⁴

WWI

Kirke enlisted and receive his commission on 1st May 1915 and was assigned to the 7th Field Ambulance.

⁴ ibid

ON ACTIVE SERVICE.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Gee, of 175, Gilles-street, have received a cablegram, stating that their son, Private G. T. Gee, has been slightly wounded.

Mrs. P. McGregor, of North Adelaide, has been officially informed that her husband, Lance-Corporal Peter McGregor, has been missing since July 20.

A cable has been received to-day stating that Lieutenant C. K. Hamilton is progressing well.

Mr. C. G. Godfrey, of the Stock Exchange, has received a cable stating that his son, Captain Kirke C. Godfrey, has been gassed in France. Captain Godfrey joined the forces at Christmas, 1914, and in June, 1915, left Adelaide as a member of the Field Ambulance. On arriving in Egypt he served for several months on the staff of Men's Hospital, and on the hospital being abandoned joined the Field Ambulance, serving in the desert, and was one of the first to leave for the front in France. He served there in the field hospital and advanced dressing post, and it is surmised that it was while doing duty in the front trenches he met with the misfortune. He is now in England, and it is hoped is out of danger and progressing favorably.

Mr. E. T. Watson, of Westbourne Park, has received a cable message, informing him that his son, Signaller J. J. Watson, was slightly wounded in the neck on August 11. He is in the 3rd Australian Hospital, Egypt, and is progressing favorably.

Country Practice

Following his repatriation to Australia after being gassed during the Battle of Pozieres, Kirke was discharged in February 1917 and return to civilian life and medical practice. In August 1918 he was appointed as health officer at Tungkillo.

Mount Barker Courier and Onkaparinga and Gumeracha Advertiser
(SA : 1880 - 1954). Friday 30 August 1918. page 3

SOUTHERN DISTRICTS.

The Central Board of Health has approved of the appointment of Dr. K. C. Godfrey as health officer for Tungkillo.

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After a year at Tungkillo, in August 1919 the Central Board of Health appointed Kirke as health office for Angas and he practised at Mt Pleasant until 1925⁵. He was also appointed as Justice of the Peace for the area.

Mount Barker Courier and Onkaparinga and Gumeracha Advertiser (SA : 1880 - 1954),
Friday 27 February 1925, page 5

MOUNT PLEASANT.

The members of the Croquet Club tendered a farewell afternoon to Mrs. K. C. Godfrey on Wednesday, 18th March, on the croquet lawn. Mrs. Godfrey had been secretary of the club during the first four years of its existence and had always carried out her duties capably and cheerfully.

On behalf of the members, the president (Mrs. Hillam) presented the departing guest with a large home-made box of chocolates made by one of the ladies. Afternoon tea was partaken of and a pleasant afternoon was spent.

Another wheel bed has been presented to the district hospital by Dr. and Mrs. K. C. Godfrey, with an inscription plate, "To the memory of Marian Godfrey" (aunt of the doctor).

The conditions attached to this gift are that, at the discretion and approval of the board, the bed may be lent out for the use of patients in their own homes where there is a long-standing illness.

Dr. Godfrey has left Mount Pleasant, where he has been the resident doctor for about seven years; the doctor has bought a practice at Clare.

Dr. Brymore Jones, who has been practising at Summertown and Uraidla, will take up his residence here, having bought the practice of Dr. Godfrey.

⁵ "ANOTHER EGOTIST." *The Register* (Adelaide, SA: 1901 - 1929) 5 March 1925: 3. Web. 13 Apr 2017 <http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article63709029>

FAREWELL TO DR. K. C. GODFREY.

Dr. K. C. Godfrey has disposed of his practice in Clare to Dr. Clive Sangster, and will leave Clare this week.

On Monday afternoon a large number of his friends met at Bentley's Hotel to bid him farewell, and make him a presentation as a token of their esteem.

Mr. J. Bails (Mayor of Clare) presided, and said they had met to say farewell to Dr. Godfrey, whom they held in high esteem as a citizen. His association with Dr. Godfrey in connection with the hospital and other matters had been of a pleasant nature. At the hospital his attention and kindness to patients had made for him many friends. They could ill afford to lose a man of his calibre. He had been associated with many things for the benefit of the town, and had taken a keen interest in sport. He would go away taking with him their best wishes, and they felt they could not allow him to depart without some token of their appreciation. He was a young man, and he wished him long life and every success in his career. (Applause).

Dr. A. A. Smith spoke on behalf of the lawn tennis players, Dr. Godfrey having been a valued member of the club, and amongst the most

energetic of their players. They hoped to send him to England with the Davis Cup team later on when he had a bit more practice. They had found him a good fellow and good sport, and he had the best wishes of the club and every citizen. (Applause).

Mr. L. A. Davies said that while Dr. Godfrey was not a bowler, he had engaged in many other games he had had many other business transactions with him, and had always found him as straight as a die. One of his best virtues was optimism, and they were sorry to lose him from Clare. He wished Dr. and Mrs. Godfrey success and happiness in their new home. (Applause).

Councillor P. T. Brebner said he was sorry Dr. Godfrey was leaving Clare. His relations with him had always been most satisfactory. Dr. Godfrey had not stayed long enough to become a bowler, but he thought his form was developing in that direction. Dr. Godfrey would be much missed on the tennis courts, in which he had taken a keen interest. He wished Dr. and Mrs. Godfrey all success in the West. (Applause).

Mr. H. W. Moss said Dr. Godfrey had proved himself a gentleman and a good sport in the games he had

played on the courts, with always a ready smile, with no use of unnecessary language. He had always played the game, and he wished him all success. (Applause).

The Mayor then presented Dr. Godfrey with a kit-bag as a token of their esteem.

Dr. Godfrey in reply said he had thought out a speech, but now that he was amongst them had forgotten it. He had spent some happy years in Clare, and thought that the greens at the north of the town were what had helped him to decide on settling here. He had spent more happy hours on those tennis courts than anywhere else, and had won the only trophy he had won in his life there. His optimism however did not lead him as far as the Davis cup. He had spent four of the happiest years of his life in Clare, and thanked them heartily for their good wishes and presentation.

The Mayor then extended a welcome to Dr. Clive Sangster, and hoped that he would not be like Dr. Godfrey and stay only four years in Clare.

Dr. Sangster expressed his appreciation of their welcome. He was fortunate in being able to come to Clare, and hoped to have a happy time here. He wished Dr. Godfrey success and happiness in his new sphere.

Perth

In 1929 Kirke moved, with his wife and two sons to Perth, WA. His wife, Beatrice, was heavily involved in the Girl Guide movement and frequently played bridge.⁸

One son – Sergeant David Kirke Godfrey was involved in the sinking of a Japanese submarine off the eastern coast of Australia in June 1942.⁹ Sadly he was killed in action later that year. Their other son Robert Charles graduated from Adelaide University with a MB BS in 1944.

Death

Kirke Charles Godfrey died on the 13th November 1978.

Profile Compiled by Beth Filmer AUFCAUCC WWI Memorial Committee

Godfrey, Kirke Charles v.2

⁸ Various WA Newspaper articles tagged "Dr KC Godfrey"

⁹ "WA Flier Helped To Sink Sub" *The Daily News (Perth, WA: 1882 - 1950)* 11 June 1942: 12 (HOME EDITION). Web. 13 Apr 2017 <http://nla.gov.au/nla.news-article78278448>