

OBITUARY

We regret to report the death of Shri Raghunatharao V. Badami, M.Sc., Assistant Meteorologist on 30th July 1950, after a brief illness, which brought a promising career to untimely end.

Shri Badami was born in May 1917 and after a brilliant career took his M.Sc. Degree in Mathematics from the Central College, Bangalore in 1938. While in the college he was a keen debator and was connected with various literary and scientific activities.

After serving for sometime as a lecturer in Mathematics in the University of Mysore and in the Survey of India, he joined the India Meteorological Department in December 1942. In the department he worked mainly in Forecasting Offices and had gained considerable experience. He was an energetic and enthusiastic officer and was popular amongst his colleagues. In June 1947, he accompanied the Snow Survey Expedition in the Nepal-Sikkim-Himalayas led by Dr. J.E. Church, the American Snow Survey Expert. He was also a member of the expedition party which proceeded to Garhwal Himalayas in June 1948 for selecting a site for the proposed High Altitude Observatory. He proved himself a keen mountaineer.

In August 1949, his services were lent to the Nautical and Marine Engineering College, Bombay, under the Ministry of Commerce where he worked as a lecturer in Mathematics and Meteorology until his last illness.