

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
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## Golding, Isabella Theresa (Belle)

(1864 - 1940)

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**Born** 25 November, 1864, Tambaroora New South Wales Australia

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**Died** 11 December, 1940, New South Wales Australia

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**Occupation** Factory inspector, Feminist, Suffragist

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### Summary

With her sisters, Annie Golding and Kate Dwyer, Belle Golding was a member of the Women's Progressive Association in New South Wales. Like Annie, Belle began work in the public schools, but in May 1900 became the first female inspector under the Early Closing Act of 1899. In December 1913 she was transferred to the inspectorate under the Factories and Shops Act as senior (women) inspector, and retired in 1926. Doubtless Annie Golding drew upon the knowledge and experience of her sister in her campaigns for equal pay for women, and equality in the workplace.

### Published resources

#### Resource Section

Golding, Isabella Theresa (Belle) (1864-1941), 2006,  
<http://www.adb.online.anu.edu.au/biogs/A090679b.htm>

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

#### Site Exhibition

The Encyclopedia of Women and Leadership in Twentieth-Century Australia, Smart, Judith and Swain, Shurlee (eds.), 2014,  
<http://www.womenaustralia.info/leaders>

### Archival resources

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