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EDITORIAL.

We are returning to the pre-war conditions of the Magazine, namely one each term. We hope that the standard of the contributions will steadily rise ; this in the case of the present girls, who do at least offer us plenty of choice as a rule ; and in the case of the old girls, we hope that in their greater leisure and less painful pre-occupation they may provide us with those interesting articles, which all would like to see but so very few supply !

The Magazine is now free from debt.

A balance sheet will in future be issued each year, and while a School Magazine can perhaps hardly hope to be *self-supporting*, we must see that the deficit is wiped off before it reaches the proportions which it had assumed long before the war.

When the last Magazine appeared, in July, no one realised that that wonderful progress had begun, which, with scarcely a set back, was to bring us to Armistice Day. And for the silence of the guns, and the removal of that dread pressure, we do indeed give thanks. But there are many whose sense of

irreparable loss has been freshly stirred by the sight of the returning soldiers and sailors, and they still need our sympathy and our prayers.

Again (when this goes to Press), the righteous Peace, for which our men have fought and died, is not yet signed, nor even formulated ; and in the world of industry, it is hard to see where justice leads ; the problems of housing and national health and national *morals* all await solution.

To most of us the war brought a deeper knowledge of the reality of Intercessory Prayer—we must see to it that we do not slacken—the need could hardly be greater than it is to-day.

To the Old Girls.

When all the answers to the circular have come in, a Register will be at once prepared and issued to Guild Members ; other old girls may *buy* it (3d.) if they apply promptly and send the money with the application.

There seems no doubt (from the papers received) that there is a demand for an Old Girls' Association, with an elected Executive Committee, Officers, and annual publication, which would give interesting news of the present School, Examination Results, etc., but be mainly concerned with the fortunes and doings of Old Girls.

At the June Guild Meeting, which we hope will be a good one, suggestions for the Constitution of such an O.G.A. will be submitted for full discussion ; an agenda will be sent out before the Meeting.

Miss Spurling hopes to give an At Home early in January, in London ; at which she hopes she may see many Old Girls, especially any who are unable to come to Worcester in June, and who may be leaving England before the Gathering of 1920.

Goblin Market.

On February 27th and March 1st, performances of Goblin Market were given in the School Hall, in aid of the Mayor's Homes for Discharged Sailors and Soldiers. A cheque for £50 was sent as the result. The success of the performance is shewn by the subjoined extract from the local paper. We are very grateful to Miss Rogers for the time and trouble which she lavished upon the preparations, which, owing to the influenza of the Michaelmas Term, had to be crowded into little more than three weeks—and as over 60 girls took part, the dresses alone were no light undertaking.

“It was a happy idea which suggested so pleasing an entertainment on behalf of the Mayor's Homes as the performance of the ‘Goblin Market’ (Christina Rosset) by the pupils of the Alice Ottley School on Thursday afternoon. The performance gave much pleasure to the large audience of parents and friends. Its success was due largely to the efforts of Miss Dorothy Rix, the dancing mistress, who not only possesses marked ability as a danseuse, but is also an able instructress in the art, her pupils giving evidence of careful rehearsal.

The pretty story of ‘Goblin Market’ concerns the fate of a maiden who was lured by the goblins of the glade to buy the fruit which tasted as ‘honey to the throat, but was poison to the blood,’ and whose restoration to health and happiness was secured by a sister's self-sacrificing devotion. The Fountain Dance with which the programme opens, was charmingly performed, after which as from a distance come the sounds of the ‘Goblin's Song.’ Six Goblins gave a ‘dance in the glen at twilight’—a weirdly amusing little scene. Penelope Brierley, attired as a wood nymph, was delightful in a Dryad's dance (Schubert); while stately and effective was the ‘Nocturne’ (Chopin) danced by Betty Gillespy, Phyllis and Jacqueline Henery, and Betty Kirkham, which was greatly enjoyed. Miss Dorothy Rix gave a realistic interpretation of

Valse Triste (Sibelius), for which she was deservedly recalled, and kindly responded with a repetition. An intricate cymbal dance was well executed by Rosemary Hansen-Bay, the First Goblin, to music by Greig, and following a picturesque almond blossom dance, Miss Rix again appeared in Humoresque (Dvorak), for which an encore was demanded, and a scarf dance, in which Miss Margery Jones took the principal part, and which was exceedingly pretty, closed this part of the programme. In their spoken parts Phyllis Henery as Laura and Agnes Payne as Lizzie acquitted themselves with credit."

Guild Meeting.

On June 6th, 1918, the annual Guild Meeting was held in S. Oswald's, the address being given by the Rev. G. F. Hooper. There were no admissions. At the business meeting afterwards the following sums of money were allotted by vote :—(1) £1 to Rev. Richard Wilson, S. Augustine's, Stepney ; (2) £1 to the Palestine Relief Fund ; (3) £1 15s. to the Bursary Fund.

Archdeacon Greig's Lecture.

On Monday, November 18th, Archdeacon Greig gave an interesting lecture to Forms V. and VI., and the Students. His subject was "The Love of Poetry." He read many beautiful extracts, to show how poets possessed the power of insight as well as the power of expression, and finally advised his hearers to read good modern poetry, as well as the older writers.

The Cathedral King's School.

Old Girls will have read with regret of Canon Chappel's resignation of the Head Mastership, after 22 years' service at the King's School. We hope to see him from time to time, as

he remains a Governor of our School, but his work as Sub-dean of Coventry Cathedral will tie him considerably.

His successor, the Rev. Cuthbert Creighton, was for a short time a pupil at the King's School, when his father was a Residentiary Canon of Worcester Cathedral.

School News.

The School Speech Day and Prize Distribution was held on Saturday, November 16th. Owing to the absence of Lord Cobham, through illness, Canon Chappel presided. Canon Lacey kindly distributed the Prizes. The proceedings opened with the singing of the National Anthem and the Marseillaise, after which Forms VI. and V. sang "My love dwelt in a Northern Land (Elgar), and the IVth Forms, "Christe Eleison" (Vittoria), and "Hark the echoing air" (Purcel).

Canon Chappel referred to the Examination Successes of the last year and to the improvement of the financial position of the School. He was not obliged to sever his connection with the School.

After Miss Spurling had given her report on the year's work, Canon Lacey distributed the Prizes. He reminded the Girls that they had entered upon a great inheritance—perhaps not many of them understood how great it was. It was a happy thing that the School was known by the name it bore. It bore the name not of a founder who had the easy task of planking down some money for an endowment, nor of a King who graciously lent his name to adorn other men's work, but the name of one who did the real internal work of building up the institution. Sixty years ago the education of Girls in England was a by-word for inefficiency and poverty of aim. It had been lifted by the labours of a marvellous band of pioneers whom they could not sufficiently thank for the work's sake. There were great things still to be done. They had to insist that this great

work of Girls' Schools should not languish but should be carried on and developed to the limit of perfection that each generation could reach. It was the business of the pupils to turn to good account the inheritance they had received. The School could not flourish but by the work of the Girls in it. While they were there they must be constantly telling themselves that they must be worthy of the memory of Alice Ottley, and when they left they must carry on in their future education the inspiration they had received here. Whatever their vocation might be, school and college education would be making them ready for it. Their education was a preparation for the life of womanhood, whatever form that life might take.

THE PRIZE LIST.

CERTIFICATES AND PRIZES, 1918.

COUNCIL'S SCHOLARSHIPS.

2nd year—Christine Robinson.

1st year—Catherine Watson.

VICTORIA SCHOLARSHIP.

Mary Willis.

ALICE OTTLEY SCHOLARSHIP.

Jessie Lace.

OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE JOINT BOARD.

School Certificates.

Marjorie Garner,	passed with credit in	Scripture, English, History, Botany.
Margery Jones,	„ „	Scripture, English, History, French, Mathematics.
Olwen Rees,	„ „	Scripture, English, History, French, Mathematics.
Christine Robinson,	„ „	Scripture, English, History, French, Mathematics.
Doris Smith,	„ „	Scripture, English, History, French, Mathematics.

Lower Certificates.

Irene Grove,	First Class in 3 subjects, Second Class in 2.				
Phyllis Hansen-Bay,	„	2	„	„	3.
Aimee Hooke,	„	2	„	„	4.
Constance Mackenzie,	„	3	„	„	2.
Betty Pollard,	„	3	„	„	4.
Freda Rogers,	„	1	„	„	4.
Betty Stallard,	„	5	„	„	2.
Catherine Watson,	„	6	„	„	1.
Kathleen Wilson,	„	1	„	„	5.

“Letters.”	Phyllis Donkin,	3 First Class, 1 Second.			
	Peggy Jones,	2	„		
	Sybil Smith,	1	„	3	„
	Phyllis Davies,	1	„	3	„
	Elsa Taylor,			5	„
	Margaret Taylor,			5	„
	Evelyn Burston,			5	„
	Enid Wheaton,			4	„

OXFORD LOCAL EXAMINATION, SENIOR.

Margaret Bird.

Mary Brooke.

— HIGHER CERTIFICATE OF THE NATIONAL FRÆBEL UNION.

Part I.	Amina Gardner,	First Class in 4 subjects.			
	Margaret Thornton,	„	3	„	Distinction in Zoology.

MUSIC.

Associated Board of the R.A.M. and R.C.M. Local Centre Examination.

Advanced Grade. Violin—Ciceley Stranack.*Intermediate Grade.* Piano—Mary Brooke.

Violoncello—Stella Hancock.

Schools Examination.

Higher Division. Piano—Winifred Hildebrand.

Singing—Peggie Ottley.

Lower Division. Organ—Barbara Bayly.

„ —Agnes Payne.

	Piano—Kathleen Davies.
	„ —Mary Willis.
<i>Lower Division.</i>	Piano—Eileen Philips.
	„ —Mary Pratt.
	Violin—Beres. Martin.
<i>Elementary Division.</i>	Piano—Faith Powell.
	„ —Gwen. Evans.
	„ —Mary Tibbetts.
	„ —Philippa Blackall.
	„ —Vera Dingle.
	„ —Betty Holmes.
	„ —Joan Holmes.
	„ —Maisie Knight.
	Violoncello—Rosemary Hansen-Bay.

ROYAL DRAWING SOCIETY.

Bronze Star—(Spring Exhibition) Phyllis Mann.*Full Honours Certificate*—Eveline Cadbury (Prize in Division VI.)

Also 63 Honour and 35 Pass Certificates.

PERCENTAGE PRIZES.

(Won by gaining 80% on Term Marks and 75% on Examination).

Marks during 2 Terms of the Year.

<i>V.</i>	Catherine Watson	—English, Mathematics, Languages.
<i>IVa.</i>	Rosemary Hansen-Bay	—Mathematics.
	May Revill	— „
	Madge Hemus	— „
	Betty Gillespy	— „
	Ruth Longland	—English.
<i>IVb.</i>	Ursula Brierley	—Languages.
	Winifred Buckney	—English.
<i>IIIa.</i>	Sylvia Elton	—English, Languages.
	Gwen. Evans	—English, Languages.
	Dorothy Powell	—Languages.
	Nora Castley	—Languages.
<i>IIIb.</i>	Mary Watson	—Languages, Arithmetic.
	Molly Boyd	—Arithmetic.
	Dorothy Lloyd-Jones	—Languages.
	Margaret Taylor	—Languages.
	Valentine Noake	—Languages.
	Eleanor Howson	—English.

II.	Masie Knight	—English, Arithmetic, French.
	Rosalind Evans	—English, French.
	Katie Coomber	—Arithmetic, French.
	Beth Cadbury	—French.
I.	Freda Jones	—English, French.
	Isabel Gillespy	—English.

SPECIAL PRIZES.

Divinity.

Canon Chappel's Prize. VI.—Margery Jones.

The Bishop's Prizes. V.—Phyllis Donkin.

„ IVa.—Audrey Bird.

„ IVb.—Winifred Buckney.

„ *Remove* —Faith Powell.

„ IIIa.—Gwen. Evans.

„ IIIb.—Lilian Hubble.

„ II.—Masie Knight.

Latin.

Miss Hamilton's Prizes—May Revill.

—Ursula Brierley.

French.

Mademoiselle de Sabatier-Plantier's Prizes.—Christine Robinson.

—Catherine Watson.

History.

Christine Robinson.

Constance Mackenzie.

Mathematics.

Olwen Rees.

English.

Margery Jones.

Arithmetic.

May Revill.

Rosemary Hansen-Bay.

Doris Morley.

Jessie Lace.

Annie Grice.

Eliza Bradley.

Ruth Tillett.

History Illustration Books.

Kathleen Shaw.

Enid Barnett.

Plain Needlework Association Prizes.

- Section I.* Freda Jones.
Eleanor Watson.
- Section II.* Dorothy Lloyd-Jones.
Betty Griffiths.
Peggy Webb.
Doreen Knott.
- Section III.* Gwen Rvans
Lilian Hubble.
Margaret Lloyd-Jones.
- Section IV.* Joan Watson.
Winifred Hildebrand.
Mauritian Oliver.
- Section V.* Cicely Stranack.

Also 15 First Class Certificates and 36 Second Class Certificates.

HOLIDAY TASKS.

- English Reading. *VI.*—Christine Robinson.
V.—Constance Mackenzie.
IVa.—Ruth Longland.
Marjorie Grove.
IVb.—Marjorie MacRae.
IIIb.—Betty Holmes.
Valentine Noake.
- War Diaries. *V.*—Betty Pollard.
Dorothy Earle.
IVa.—Jean Littlebury.
IVb.—Georgie Dingle.
- Geography. *IVa.*—Sheila Cavenagh.
Mary Highfield.
Joan Watson.
Winifred Elton.
IVb.—Violet Elton.
Margaret Downes.
IIIa.—Dorothy Powell.
Nora Castley.
IIIb.—Vera Dingle.
Doreen Knott.

- Botany.
- II.*—Katie Coomber.
V.—Phyllis Donkin.
 Irene Grove.
IVa.—Rhoda Snow.
IIIb.—Mary Watson.
II.—Molly Darling.
 Ruth Lloyd-Jones.
I.—Mary Vaughan Pryce.
V.—Phyllis Donkin.
 Phyllis Hansen-Bay.
- Drawing.
- IVa.*—Audrey Bird.
 Beres. Nartin.
 Ervene Hault.
IVb.—Mary Willis.
IIIa.—Philippa Blackall.
- Needlework.
- Constance Mackenzie.
 Iris Perkins.
 Margaret Taylor (V.)
 Sybil Smith.
 Bessie Stroyan.
 Winifred Hildebrand.
 Kathleen Whiteman.
 Ursula Brierley.
 Jacqueline Henery.
 Patience Nott
 Winifred Buckney.
 Nora Coombs.
 Irene Stroyan.
 Gwen. Evans.
 Margaret Lloyd-Jones.
 Marjory Tilt.
 Kathleen Shaw.
 Eliza Bradley.
 Peggie Webb.
 Margaret Taylor (IIIa.)
 Betty Griffiths.
 Dorothy Lloyd-Jones.
 Ruth Lloyd-Jones.
 Peggy Hiles.
 Freda Jones.

GAMES.

We have been on the whole unfortunate over our games this year. The hockey season went quite well until about half-term, when influenza put an end to any hopes of matches.

A. Payne has proved herself a keen and capable Captain. We did manage to get one match—School v. The Mistresses. It was a very even and hard-fought game, resulting in a draw, the goals being 4—4. We were unable to finish the form matches last term, but this term the winning of the shield was very well contested by IVA. and IVB., the former proving the stronger and carrying off the trophy.

This term we managed to get a very good match between the 3rd Company (Day Girls) and 4th Company (Springfield) Girl Guides. The Day Girls were unfortunate in having to play a substitute, but the game was even, both sides working hard. In the end Springfield won by 5—3 goals. After tea, we continued the contest in the Gymnasium in the equally strenuous game of "Scrum."

We were pleased to have quite an enthusiastic number of beginners, and there are also plenty of girls in the Middle School who, with a little hard work, should become quite good players. Amongst the Seniors there seems to be plenty of material for quite a good 1st XI. next year, and we hope for more matches in which the nature of the material can be put to the test. This term we have spent most of our energies upon lacrosse, but the weather has not done its best for us. We have an able Captain and a good player in C. Mackenzie.

So far we have only had one match amongst the Day Girls—Oxford v. Cambridge, the latter being victorious. Up to this term we have only managed to play off one round of the Form matches, but we still hope to get them finished before the end of the term. Amongst the Senior Girls there are quite a large number of keen players who, when they can remember to "use" their heads and not to "lose" them whilst playing, should become really efficient players.

There are again a large number of beginners, which bodes well for the future.

Amongst the Juniors, netball is quite a popular game, but it is difficult to arrange any matches for them, as they never play long enough to learn the game properly.

GIRL GUIDES.

3RD WORCESTER COMPANY.

The Company consists of 23 Guides, all of whom are day-girls. They are as follows :—B. Pollard, C. Watson, I. Grove, E. Taylor, M. Taylor, S. Cavenagh, M. Shaw, J. Watson, M. Grove, R. Chignell, G. Dingle, D. Earle, E. Watson, K. Shaw, N. Pollard, V. Dingle, M. MacRae, B. Hutchinson, J. Littlebury, P. Whitaker, M. Tibbetts, N. Castley, B. Holmes. Fourteen of these are Second-class Guides, and we hope that the others will be by the end of this term.

Besides these 23 Guides, 11 recruits have joined this term :—A. Grice, K. Littlebury, J. Holmes, E. Barnett, B. and I. Stroyan, B. Jerram, M. Revill, J. Dorrell, E. Phillips, and K. Desalis. Several girls wish to join next term.

There are five patrols in the Company ; they are :—The Lily, Pansy, Primrose, Wild Rose, and Honeysuckle patrols. The leaders are C. Watson, I. Grove, B. Pollard, E. Taylor, and M. Taylor.

Next term we are going to compete for a Challenge Shield, given by the Mayoress, Mrs. Arthur Carlton, for competition by the Worcester Girl Guides. Marks will be given for the best orderly parade, number of proficiency badges, and number of first-class badges in the Company, signalling and ambulance, and also for the best company drill taken by a Patrol Leader or Guide.

We compete every term for a shield given to the most efficient Patrol in our Company. Our weekly letters count for this, marks are also gained for excellents and proficiency in games, but lost for bad marks and returned lessons.

The Primrose Patrol holds the Shield for last term.

We are all working for our ambulance badges, and learn and practise bandaging at every meeting. Morse signalling also takes up a part of nearly every meeting ; we play signalling games or signal in patrols. Every week we have company drill, which is taken by a Patrol Leader or a Second.

We have our meetings from 4—5 o'clock on Thursday afternoons in the Gymnasium. A Court of Honour, consisting of the Captain, Lieutenant, Patrol Leaders and Seconds, is held every week to discuss the affairs of the Company.

THE 4TH WORCESTERS.

At the beginning of the School Year Miss Knott became the Captain of the Springfield Company of Girl Guides, taking Miss Twining's place. Since then several more girls have joined the Company and become Second-class Guides ; one of them had been a Guide at her last School. One Brownie from a Horley Company is attached to the 4th Worcesters.

Miss Knott is taking the Company for a course of sick-nursing, but the progress was hindered somewhat last term by influenza.

On March 15th the 4th Worcesters challenged the 3rd Worcesters at hockey, and after a very even game the goals were 5—3 to the 4ths.

DEBATING SOCIETY.—SPRING TERM.

Miss Home and Miss Cowell have joined the Debating Society this term.

At a business meeting of the Society, Christine Robinson was elected Vice-President, Phyllis Mann Secretary, and Betty Pollard a member of the Committee. The next debate is to be held on Monday, March 24th.

On Saturday, Jan. 25th, the Mistresses and VI. and V. had a very pleasant dance in the large Hall, by Miss Spurling's kind invitation.

THE SCHOOL PREFECTS.

VIA.—C. Robinson.	IVA.—R. Chignell.
VIB.—P. Hansen-Bay.	Sub.—M. Hulse.
VA.—B. Gillespy.	IVB.—E. Watson.
VB.—J. Littlebury.	Sub.—J. Henery.
	III.—A. Beavan.

MISTRESSES.

Summer, 1918.—Miss Webb, Miss Twining, and Miss Budge left. Miss Cowell came to teach French, Miss Knott drill, and Miss Margoliouth art.

Christmas, 1918.—Miss Crapper left. Miss Home has joined the Staff this term in her place.

Owing to her father's severe illness, Mdle. de Sabatier-Plantier has been unable to leave home this term. Miss Dunell is here during her absence.

CHILDREN AND STUDENT'S LEFT.

Summer, 1918.—Betty Yates, Joan Barnard, Mary Knight, Evelyn Burston, Cicely Stanack, Stella Hancock, Barbara Bayly, Jane Harvey, Margaret Thornton, Amina Gardner, Margaret Bird, Doris Smith, Dorothy Sievers, Lina Sievers, Isabel Coomber, Lilian Hubble, David Lloyd-Jones, Mona Lawson, Pamela Newnham, Enid Wheaton, Ethel Noake, Paul Wissler, Violet Knowles, Lilly Jelfs, Queenie Marcus, Ivy Marcus, Rosemary Chignell, Mary Brooke, Eileen Ranford.

Christmas, 1918.—Aimée Hooke, Winifred Higginson, Pauline Wadams.

NEW GIRLS.

September, 1918.

VIB.—Margaret Luckham.

VA.—Sybil Lawson.

VB.—Betty Harvey.

Remove.—Lorne Wigram, Ruth Ware.

III A.—Dorothy Hesketh.

III B.—Dorothy Taylor, Elaine Davies, Mary Pearse, Molly Sparrow, Kathleen Birkett, Kathleen de Salis.

II.—Marjorie Howson, Molly Philips, Daphne Sparrow.

I.—Nancie Nicholls, Beryl Garnham, Wilhemina Betteridge, Molly Fisher.

Kindergarten.—Joan Price, Honor Price, John Watson, Betty Richardson, Barbara Hughes.

January, 1919.

VI A.—Francesca Pilditch.

IV A.—Ina Herbert Stepney.

IV B.—Brenda Jerram, Margaret Peach, Clare Delahay, Eva Delahay.

III A.—Barbara Hutchinson, Joan Jerram, Vera Welch, Molly Hannay.

Remove.—Marion Powell, Edna Clayton.

III B.—Patricia Tilt.

II.—Barbara Probert, Eleanor Coward.

I.—Joyce Allen, Nina Holder.

Kindergarten.—Jean Bates, Joy Harvey, Cherry Wright, Jack Hiles.

At Half-Term.

IV B.—Gwyneth Mann.

I.—Ellen Robson.

MISSIONARY WORK.

Accounts—December 1917 to December, 1918.

<i>Received.</i>			<i>Paid.</i>		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Mission Money ...	7	4 7	Materials ...	3	7 0
Mission Boxes ...	16	3	Esther Isa Das ...	4	0 0
			S.P.G. General Fund	8	0
			Stamps, etc. ...	1	0
			Balance ...	4	10
	<u>£8 0 10</u>			<u>£8 0 10</u>	

We sent parcels at Christmas to St. Augustine's, Stepney ; St. John the Baptist Mission House, Newport ; St. Cadoc's Home, Caerleon ; to Mrs. Wilson, for Worcester " Babies " ; and to St. Lawrence's Home, Worcester.

During Lent nearly all the Forms are making garments to be sent to Palestine. Miss Kerr has gone back to Jerusalem, and is working hard in the Hospital there ; she tells terrible tales of the sufferings of the people, and she begs for clothes and medical necessities of all kinds.

The money in the Lent Boxes will be given as usual to the Waifs and Strays.

We have had two very interesting Missionary Lectures. In October the Rev. A. E. Jerram spoke to us of the general principles of missionary work. He emphasized his teaching by some excellent lantern slides.

MISS SORABJI'S VISIT.

On Tuesday, March 11th, the School received an unexpected visit from Miss Sorabji, an Indian lady, who addressed us on the subject of missionary work in her country. The fact that Miss Sorabji appeared in her beautiful native dress lent great interest and vividness to her stories of Indian life. In the course of her address Miss Sorabji drew a striking comparison between the life of English girls, so free and full of advantages, and the closely-confined existence endured by girls and women in India. India, as large as Europe without Russia, with a population consisting of many races, seven times as large as the British Isles, looked to the West for the coming of freedom, education, medical help, and above all of Christianity. India has a right, as a part of our great Empire, to expect the help which we should not fail to give her. Miss Sorabji ended by singing us a weird Christian lyric, written in one of the four languages that must be learned in order to work in her district. Finally, Miss Sorabji thanked us for our applause in the correct Indian manner.

C.R.

THE UNITED GIRLS' SCHOOLS MISSION.

On November 14th we were so fortunate as to receive a visit from Canon Veazey, the Head Missioner of the U.G.S.M. in Camberwell. His address was most inspiring, for he dealt with the principles underlying this work, and mainly with the duty of every girl and woman to face and, if possible, help to solve, the problems of social conditions to-day.

So far we, as a School, have not helped the Mission except by sending flowers each week of the Summer term, which we did till the Post Office refused to deal with the parcels, which happened first in 1916 ; we hope to do this once more next term. And perhaps we may be able to undertake to help, with clothes, &c., the Invalid Children's Aid Society, which does such greatly-needed work in the district. If anyone wants to know more about the U.G.S.M., let her write to the Organizing Secretary, Mrs. M. Plowden, Plowden Hall, Lydburg Nth., Shropshire. There is a Settlement where Old Girls would be welcomed, even for a month or two ; the work is varied, some office work, some visiting ; much of it would appeal to an ex-V.A.D.

OLD GIRLS.

Mary Chappel is being trained for teaching at the Maria Grey Training College.

Peggy Denton is at St. Hugh's College, Oxford, where she is reading History ; and Jane Harvey is at Somerville College, Oxford.

Dilys James is private secretary to Lord Middleton.

Dorothy Beauchamp has left Lloyds Bank, and has a post in a Solicitor's office in London.

Barbara Bayly has been working on a farm near Marlborough ; she has just been demobilised.

Miss Lindley is working in France for six months under the Friends' Reconstruction Scheme in the devastated area ; she writes that she sells rice, flower, and sabots, &c., and distributes clothing.

Irene Cave-Browne-Cave is at the Royal Naval Cadets' Hospital at Dartmouth. She has been playing the viola in the Cadets' Band.

Madeline Keir-Moillett is Captain of the Baskerville Girl Guides. She has been in great request to travel about the country to start the Movement in various places.

Dora Carew is nursing at the General Military Hospital at Colchester.

Margaret Elton joined the Women's R.A.F. and is still at Netherton. She does typewriting, &c., and likes the life very much, but is expecting to be demobilised.

Daphne Wigram has been working on a farm near her home in Lincolnshire.

Cicely Stranack has a post as governess in Northumberland. She has started a Patrol of Girl Guides, and recently got up a very successful entertainment to raise money for their uniforms.

Dorothy Tupper (née Chappel) and her husband have left Worcester, as Mr. Tupper is now Vicar of Mortlake.

Dorothy Gregson is probably on her way home. She has had great difficulty in securing a passage from Japan, as all the vessels are very full just now.

Stephanie Ondaatje sailed for Ceylon on Christmas Eve. She has arrived safely.

Isabel Mogridge, who worked as a Forester for about nine months, chiefly in Devon, has been obliged to give it up, as she is to take a long rest-cure, lasting right through the Summer. Our sympathy is with her.

Margaret Thornton and Amina Gardner are working at the Froebel Institute in West Kensington.

Margaret Bird is at the Gloucester School of Domestic Science.

Miss Baines is still working at the War Office, but expects to be released shortly.

Miss Batchellor hopes to sail for South Africa very soon, but passages are exceedingly difficult to secure.

Kitty Neligan (nee Spencer) writing in October from the British Legation, Teheran, tells of famine and terrible epidemics, and the absence of any news or letters for eight months! Her small boy is thriving in the beautiful Persian climate. She has been fortunate enough to get a Parsee nurse for him, in place of a useless Persian "baji."

Mary Druitt returned in August from Salonica, after 15 months abroad, invalided home with malaria. Her ship was overhauled off Malta by a German submarine, but was allowed to pass on its way.

Gertrude Sharpe is studying for her examination in Dispensing in London.

Margaret Read was in School at the beginning of the term. She came to say good-bye, as she is sailing on March 26th for New York, where she will study the home methods of the American Y.W.C.A. After three months there, she will cross the Continent and sail for Japan, where she will study their foreign methods. She intends finally to take up a post in the Y.W.C.A. Settlement at Madras. Her interesting programme fills us with envy.

Miss Crapper left us after four terms only, to our (and we believe *her*) great regret, to become Head Mistress of the Francis Holland Church of England School, Clarence Gate, N.W.

BIRTHS.

De Saram.—In May, 1918, in Ceylon, Aime de Saram (nee Aimée de Saram,) a daughter (Althea Maud).

Faulconer-Wright.—On November 25th, at Camberley, Agatha Faulconer-Wright (née Agatha Ottley), a daughter (Agatha Mary).

Murray.—On December 31st, at Triermore, Kells, Co. Meath, Dorothy Murray (née Dorothy Fox), a daughter, (Dorothy Rosetta Burdett).

Drummond.—On February 5th, 1919.—Mollie Drummond (née Mollie Ottley) a daughter (Elizabeth Chloe).

Apperley.—On February 7th, at Malvern, Frances Apperley (née Frances Newman), a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

Sharpe—Rowe.—On March 26th, 1918, at St. Peter's Church, Worcester, Lieutenant Leonard Sharp to Amy Marguerite Rowe.

Crockett—Parker.—On June 29th, at S. Stephen's Church, Worcester, Captain Hugh Lawrence Crockett (Royal Welsh Fusiliers) to Eda May Parker.

Taylor—Hay.—On July 2nd, at Likoma Cathedral, Lake Nyasa, the Reverend Dan Aylett Taylor to Mary Alston Hay.

Niblett—Cock.—On July 2nd, at Holy Trinity, Sloane, St., W., Captain Basil Morton Niblett (Worcestershire Regiment) to Betty Cock.

Knight—Taylor.—On July 12th, at S. Mary's Church, Kidderminster, Captain Reginald Coldham Knight (M.C.) to Sybil Christine Taylor.

Renwick—Bayly.—On July 31st, at Holy Trinity, Sloane Square, S.W., by the Reverend P. M. Herbert, R.D., Lieut. Renwick to Joan Bayly.

Snow—Pearson.—On October 26th, at Peopleton, Herbert Willis Snow to Kate Eva Pearson.

• Badham—Baker.—On November 26th, at the Abbey, Pershore, Lewis Gorge Badham to Mary Louise Baker.

Goldschmid—Adlington.—On December 12th, at Holy Trinity Church, Worcester, Lionel Goldschmid to Nora Adlington.

Sparshott—Warmisham.—On December 17th, at St. Stephen's, Worcester, by the Venerable Archdeacon Hopton, assisted by the Rev. W. L. J. Ford, Charles Mackintosh Sparshott to Helen Benedicta Warmisham.

DEATHS.

Coombs.—On October 31st, in London, Lieut. Debenham Stuart Coombs, aged 27.

Coombs.—On November 25th, at "Llanio," Battenhall Road, Worcester, Nora Julia Coombs, aged 15.

Lucas.—On November 26th, at "Sunnyside," Vernon Park, Worcester, Dorothy Kathleen Lucas, aged 16.

Faulconer-Wright.—On November 27th, at Camberley, Agatha Mary Faulconer-Wright, (née Ottley) aged 26.

Knott.—On November 29th, at "Kenmare," Barbourne Park, Worcester. Doreen Alice Knott, aged 12.

Patteson.—On February 9th, at Marrakech, Morocco, Dorothy Helen Patteson. (nee Stephenson Peach).

Craig.—On February 22nd, in London, from pneumonia following influenza, Evelyn Craig.

In Memoriam.

In the terrible influenza epidemic of the latter part of November, the School suffered the loss of three of its children—Dorothy Lucas, who had been in the School for many years, and was a keen Guide and prominent in all games ; Norah Coombes, a gentle, unselfish girl, who exerted unconsciously a steady influence for good ; and little Doreen Knott, the first child to be entered as a pupil after Miss Spurling's coming, and a most loyal and enthusiastic member of the School.

It is hoped that it will soon be possible to place in the Oratory some form of Memorial, not only to these three dear children, but also to the many others for whom we pray each Wednesday morning.

It has been suggested that the further end of the Oratory should be panelled in dark wood, and the names of departed pupils and benefactors inscribed upon the wood, possibly on very small metal plates, or carved in the wood itself.

AGATHA WRIGHT (nee Ottley).

There must be many among the readers of the Magazine who remember the coming of Miss Ottley's three little Indian-born nieces, at the ages of 5½, 4 and 3.

Little Kathleen was the quite unspoiled pet of the School and of Springfield until her death in 1902 ; and now there has passed away the eldest of the little group—Agatha,—after a short time of happy married life.

So much of her girlhood was spent at the School that many must recall memories of the upright little figure with its dainty set-on head, the leader of the six privileged Springfield "babies" who came to say their Catechism and hear Bible stories in the School garden on Sunday afternoons (with sundry delightful treats thrown in) ; of her joy at the discovery that her name, like Balaam's, consisted of 3 "a's" and 3 consonants ! ; of the

pranks played by the three little sisters and their faithful satellite, Connie Fry.

Later we think of her as the steady, responsible member of the VIth, and the joy and comfort of the kind aunt at "38." And our recent memories of her are no less happy—of her coming with her husband and the tiny baby Kathleen to stay with her Aunt Agnes and to re-visit her old School. It was a great grief to the many who love her to hear of her death from pneumonia at the time of the birth of her second little daughter ; and our sympathy goes out especially to Miss Agnes Ottley and Mollie Drummond.

EVELYN CRAIG.

Miss Beatrice Harris (late Head Mistress of Berkhamstead) sends us tidings of the death, on February 22nd, of Evelyn Craig, a very faithful and devoted Old Girl.

Miss Harris says :—"I have kept in touch with Evelyn for many years, and I have never seen a really nobler life. Handicapped by Nature in the way of appearance and general talents, she possessed the utmost capacity for service and loyalty. Possessing sufficient means to enjoy a leisured life and indulge a passion for riding, she gave up everything to qualify, at the cost of enormous exertion, as a Nurse ; and then gave her whole time and energies to working amongst the poor in Peckham.

When the War came, she went to various provincial Hospitals to nurse the soldiers, volunteering mainly for night work.

In January last she came back to London to begin again her Peckham work ; and there, in her lodgings, she died of pneumonia following influenza. . . . I think it might help other girls of the School who may feel themselves handicapped by lack of abundance of talents and opportunities, to know how beautiful a thing was this simple, sincere life ; and how one of the girls Miss Ottley inspired answered throughout her life to the influence."