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Wellesley College
MR. ALFRED NOYES READS FROM HIS POEMS.

It was the pleasure of the college to welcome Mr. Noyes again to Wellesley, and to hear his reading at Billings Hall, Friday evening, April 11. After Mr. Noyes had welcomed the college, and during that interval the situation in England and the momentous events of the war have not failed to vitally influence his recent poetry. His selections combined for us the new and the difficulties, the fresh-language and the old, the lyrical and the satirical in verse, and the spirit from his former work, and the earlier well-loved lyrics familiar to us all.

It seemed a far cry from the England that we had known—the England of "Blithe Time" of Sherwood, and of the Merry Maidens—to hear of the new England, paraded by dauntless travelers with their sinister steel nets, and by the stern little vessels bearing the great searchlights to seek out the lurking marauders. Mr. Noyes has spent much time during the war in active service patrolling the coast of England, and he knows well the calibre of these ships, and of the men who manned them. His first selection, The Adulterous Ghost, and the short sketches of the Songs of the Travelers, were a tribute to the rugged and determined courage of the fishermen who risk their nets for a tidelier fish, and who often meet death in the long night. The third selection, The Lastinniem Wasa, was in prose, and was a vivid and powerful story of an old fisherman who had been a captive in the U-boat that sank the ship on which he lived. We were shown through the visions of drowned women and little children which drive mad the captain and his crew.

The next few poems were the unforgettable familiar songs, remote from any thought of war, but were poignant then ever in calling back the old, dear England that seems so far away and so changed. Once more the refrain of Lille Time with the bright picture of an English springtime and the English springtime theme of the country song, and once more The Lord of Misrule, with the freedom and joyousness of May Day, slightly shadowed with the prophecy of a darker time. Mr. Noyes selected the occasion to express his conviction of the function of real poetry and the chronic errors of the "free verse" devotee. A poem is made to sing; its aim is sense, lucidity, truth. A great poet concerns himself with over-coming the difficulties of verse, not in its qualities to them. The "simple cry of the heart," which the faddists failed to find in Shakespeare, in Keats, in Shelley and in Browning cannot profitably be sought in their own chaste and dissonant obscurities. Mr. Noyes read Old Grey Squirrel as illustrative of an attempt to tell a story in rhythmic-verse form, at the same time following the ordinary prose sequence.

Again he struck the note of the war, in two poems dealing more philosophically and objectively with its issues; one on America, and the other on England. The new knighthood of America with England was the subject of the first; the sharing of the possibilities of peace and freedom. The second was a tribute to the men of England; always her lovers for the life she granted them, and now, in a more ardent degree, for the death with which she is charged.

These last poems afforded significant illustrations of the relation of the war to Mr. Noyes' poetry. It has influenced him, but not changed him. Unlike Mr. Masefield, from whose mind the war has left no mark but the sense of war spirituality, and whose late work reflects the resultant sorrow and broader thoughtfulness. Mr. Noyes maintains his essential byline strain and consistent optimism. But one feels that it is harder for him to maintain this; that although he writes sincerely and with feelingly, simply and with his love and pride for England, he is waiting for the return of the old days of joy and peace, and the beauty that he knew.

For his encore, he gave what the audience loved best, The Highwaysman and Sherwood, and it is for such as these that he will be best remembered.

WELLESLEY AND THE THIRD LIBERTY LOAN.

Subscribe for the Third Liberty Loan as a member of Wellesley College!

The Liberty Loan Committee will again have representatives at the Administration Building to answer questions and receive subscriptions. Their first visit will be on Saturday morning, April 12. Mr. Austin will also receive subscriptions and answer questions at his office at any time. Lists will be posted of auxiliary workers, both faculty and students, who are competent and glad to give information about subscribing to the Loan.

Wellesley set a high standard with the Second Loan. The showing made by Wellesley on last Saturday may be matched by the Wellesley sale on Saturday. If you plan to subscribe anyway, subscribe as a member of the College. If your father is subscribing for you, ask him to let part of the subscription be from the student, if you had not thought of subscribing, see whether you can't fairly change your mind.

Suppose they were saying now in France, "I fought at the Marne and at Verdun; I need not light this time."—ELIZABETH W. MANNERING.

THE INTERNATIONALISM OF THE FOREIGN MISSIONARY.

Because of the increasing interest in the relations between nations, the foreign missionary is coming to be regarded in a new light. A true international spirit must depend upon the individualism of each country. The term foreign missionary may refer today to workers in many branches of service, such as education, medical. Five representatives of work along these lines in China and India are to visit the college for women, presenting the opportunities for such experiences. The Government of the Orient, Wellesley has had the privilege of entertaining, these women for a week end.

On Sunday afternoon, at a meeting in Billings Hall, each told of her special work. Dr. Mary Jones has been a doctor in China. Her position of doctor, she says, gives an opportunity for expressing in a most concrete form the essential doctrines of Christianity. An important part of her work is the training of native nurses and doctors.

To Miss Adelaide Fairbanks, who has been in charge of a primary school in India, the training of young children seems most important. She said that the ideals of a child are formed before he is seven years old. In her work with eighty kindergartners she has found a problem, not only in the lack of accommodations for the children wishing to go to school, but in providing the right kind of education to develop the best children of India.

Miss Frederika Maud has been especially interested in secondary education in China. She too spoke of the necessity of training the Chinese themselves, to be leaders and teachers of their people in this period of transformation.

Evangelistic work is the branch in which Miss Dorothy Mills has been engaged in China.

WELLESLEY PARADES-600 MARCH IN LIBERTY LOAN RALLY.

On Saturday afternoon, April 6, six hundred Wellesley girls marched in the great Liberty Loan Parade, which celebrated the anniversary of America's entrance into the war as well as the launch- ing of the third Government Loan. Wellesley's stock was more than usual, in view of the fact that of any other woman's college and four times the size of most of them. The students assembled on Commonwealth Avenue between Gloucester and Hereford Streets promptly at one o'clock, but it was three hours later before Section D (schools and colleges) began its march. Massed in a formation of fifty lines, twelve abreast, faculty and students, led by President Pendleton, who was marshal of the line, was followed by faculty and girls to behind the members of the College Club. Down Commonwealth Avenue they marched, across to Beacon Street and up Beacon Hill past the State House, where the parade was being reviewed by the American Governor of Massachusetts, the Mayor of Boston, the members of the Liberty Loan Committee of New England, and several prominent army officers. A great blue Wellesley banner was carried by the line, the words: "We are proud of our service." The line was marched by many that the Wellesley girls kept usually straight lines and marched with a step quite military. When they finally disbandied at Park Square, there were many weary feet, for the distance traveled was all of five miles. But every participant in the "moving river of humanity" that was Wellesley's unit was proud of the opportunity thus given to display her patriotism and help in an effective way the Kaiser.

The Woman's Division, in which the College marched, was quite a feature of the parade. Radcliffe, Tufts, Emerson, Jackson and Sargent were the other colleges which took part. Wives, mothers and sisters of men at war, service committees, church societies and various associations, all were represented. Aside from the 80,000 persons who marched there were floats of all descriptions, the most striking of which was the 60-ton British tank—Britainis herself—which led the entire parade, and excited much comment on account of the agility with which it turned corners and ascended Beacon Hill.

The size and scope of this parade may be judged from the fact that it required seven hours for the whole spectacle to pass the reviewing stands. It was a patriotic demonstration of extraordinary interest, and will boost the Loan as nothing else could.

Mrs. A. J. Fleming spoke of the mission spirit in the home. Because the home is always one of the greatest centers of influence, Mrs. Fleming said that a Christian home in India gave an oppor- tunity evening into the work of the people. On Monday conferences were held to talk over special phases of the work. Monday afternoon the Vocational Guidance Committee arranged for group meetings of the girls interested in education, social or social work to present the opportunities for such work in a foreign country.

V. A., '18.
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ELECTIONS, THEIR VALUE.

It was amusing to watch the girls as they voted at the elevator table this week. There seemed to be a kind of doublethink in their manner, as though there was last year when the head of college offices has been broached. A nonchalance not entirely natural characterized the attitudes of the majority, the majority who all year have been saying, "Oh, well, you know college questions are really very unimportant and not worth bothering about in war time." A remnant of the ultra-enthusiasts is still with us. They are the same girls who fall to read the papers, who ignore the Honors, who are the girls about the entire universe is constructed with Wellesley College as the core. To them the spring elections are of paramount importance and they haggle about them behind closed doors for weeks before they occur.

But a mid-course is possible, a mid-course is desirable. One need not feel that the welfare of the world hangs on who is student government president, and one is perfectly justified in believing that to a large extent the welfare of college depends on such things. Elections are indeed important in that they shape the future of our college. After college, educated women must help in making over the world along the lines of true democracy. Here they are given an opportunity to work out and live out the principles of democracy in an independent community. The organizations and their officers working through them are the most effective instruments towards making of Wellesley an ideal state in miniature. Of course it is important who is elected. Moreover many Wellesley women who return to their homes as voters. The habit of sane, independent analysis of the issues and the worth of the candidates can be formed here and now.

DO YOU KNOW THAT WE ARE AT WAR?

"How strange it seems to get back to college and not thinking about it. Yes, we have here this remark often enough, and thought it often enough, to make us stop and wonder why it is true. Most of us have spent the vacation at home, and have found that the war is the chief topic of conversation there everywhere. People read the papers with avidity, and during the big drive particularly, the morning and evening papers and every extra were bought and eagerly scanned for news. The two principal topics were the war during vacation than we have all through the winter. Probably we were ashamed of our lack of concern, and very likely we caught the fire of enthusiasm and interest that we found in everyone, and even have been on our part to the war. Not to argue upon upon the side of the Administration against someone out of patience with it, and we may have found that we had no knowledge and no argument against us. At any rate it was stimulating, wasn’t it?"

And now here we are, back at college, slinking into the usual round, thinking of our own petty occupa- tions, concerned with nothing more vital than Operetta Try-Outs or Society Open Houses. If we do take time to glance at the head lines of a paper we consider ourselves lucky, but do we ever read an article through or think about an editor? If we are very up-and-coming we may even call it a hobby. We find a local, but it takes a hopeless optimist to keep that up many mornings. The boxed way in which your table companions murmur "I haven’t seen the paper this morning," gives you the feeling of istic situation. Why, why, why must this be? If news is worth considering at home, why do we ignore it so college? It seems to us that our table conversation needs stimulating, and surely we cannot complain that we haven’t time to talk at meals.

Here is one of the Great Wellesley Plutitudes. It makes its appearance as regularly as beans. The gist of it is, "It is always the same girls who hold office. A girl can’t show what she has in her mind because she can’t hold [what?] that keeps her from getting a chance? Often the same people who bewail this very evil are the people who vote for their friends or for the girl who did her last job well. Are new girls to be "given a chance?"

FREE PRESS.

All contributions for this column must be signed with the full name of the author. Only articles thus signed will be printed. Initiaies or numerals will be accepted, but only if the name is given on the same sheet. The Editors do not hold themselves responsible for opinions and statements which appear in this column.

Contributions will be limited to the hands of the Editors by 9 A. M. on Monday.

I. Concerning Debate

Did it occur to other readers of the March 21 issue of the News that the writer of the editorial on the Debate apparently adopted a criterion—simplicity and truth—more suited to the appraisal of an exposition than to the estimate of a debate? M. W. C.

In answer to the preceding Free Press I would like to point out that clarity of purpose was not intended as the sole criterion of debating. However I feel that to deliver a winning debate the audience must be taken into consideration. After convincing arguments have been constructed, after worthy evidence, it is the business of debaters to find the most adequate means of putting the thing across to the audience. Clarity and simplicity of outline is one of the best methods for so doing.

T. W. S., ’19.

II. Why is the College Bookstore?

As there is evidently a misunderstanding in the mind of the writer of the article under the above title, appearing in last week’s News, the Bookstore is glad to make the following explanation. For the benefit of any who may not know, the Bookstore wishes to state that it is entirely under the management of the College, and no objections whatever in charging "exorbitant" prices. The prices are strictly in accordance with those given by the publishers, and their bills are rendered with the statement "prices subject to change without notice." With market values thus constantly changing, and with discounts often varying with the amount of purchase, the comparison of prices charged by different stores should be made with consideration. As an illustration of one the many changes in book prices, the cost of "Pig- chil’s Immigration" when first published was $2.90. When recently ordered the price had ad-

enced to $2.50.

It has never been the policy of the Bookstore to return books, but more recent German text books arose two years ago, it was found that the only condition under which the books could be shipped to this country was that they be sold, but remain as the property of the Bookstore. For this reason they have been rented to the students, with the consent of President Pendleton.

The Bookstore has never made a practice of buying second-hand books from the students during the year. We should be glad to accommodate them in this way, but the method adopted by other college bookstores has proved to be the best for all concerned. At the end of the college year provision is made by the Bookstore, by the purchase of their books directly to a dealer in second-hand text books. His business transactions with the students are made independently of the Bookstore.

The aim of the Bookstore is always to serve and please both Faculty and Students, and to give all advantages possible. The former are allowed charge accounts, but considering what an account with the bookstore would mean, with the majesty of purchases being the only interaction between classes, one can readily see the impracticability of such a course.

The Bookstore appreciates the sentiment of the student who writes that the prices of books are a result of the conditions of transportation and high prices in times like these, and gratefully acknowledges their cooperation.

WELLESLEY COLLEGE BOOKSTORE.

By the Managers.

III. More Jan?

Last Friday night there was a repetition of the Jan that always precedes Wellesley lectures. In a manner it was due to the speaker’s attraction for more than the usual number of people who had no tickets; but on the other hand there was always a crowd at the doors ten minutes before the lecture begins. Although there are no more All-College lectures there are two more in the Reading and Speaking course. Is there any reason why both of the doors at each pair at the entrance of Billings should not be opened?

IV. Song Competition.

Is song competition a thing of the past and are we to have another spring without some event of this nature? To believe, step-singing will drive us out to sing as a college body, but it seems to me that without this god at the end of the season, we lack an incentive; we need something to pull us through the season. To my mind the steeple-chasing was a busy man’s method of solving a problem. We realized that the oldtime spirit which inspired the writing of such songs as "Oates," and "Top Heavy," and "Mass. Co-uk," was of the Bookstore was lacking, and with the ease the road and nothing. Perhaps it is well that we did for now we see what we missed.

If the old form of song competition has served its purpose and passed away, can we not have some new ideas leading to a similar event? Only in that way can we be sure of having new songs which are really worth of, instead of the trifling little songs we have been using and which are quickly forgotten. Only in that way can we have a Song Book fresh and up-to-date, expressing the latest interests of the college. Only in that way can we have enthusiastic step-singing the whole spring and a truly musical student body.


The college is very fortunate in securing Mrs. Elbert Harvey of Brookline, Massachusetts, as lecturer for the Food Conservation Emergency Course. Mrs. Harvey, a graduate of Vassar, is head of the dieters department of the Committee of Public Safety and a worker in the new Liberty Bread Shop at Howeys'.

THE WELLESLEY COLLEGE NEWS.
ALLIED COLLEGES PROLONG ALLIANCE.

At least one hundred French women will continue their studies in American colleges and universities this coming year, according to Donald J. Coudal, president of the Association of American Colleges and chairman of the Emergency Council on Education which yesterday opened permanent headquarters in the Munsey Building.

The Emergency Council comprises representatives of the sixteen largest national educational associations of the United States and represents their efforts to place at the disposal of the government the resources of the public schools, professional schools, colleges, and universities of the country. At a meeting held at the New Wilber, Washington, D. C., the Emergency Council authorized the Association of American Colleges to arrange with the colleges of the country for undergraduate fellowships for at least one hundred French women, each fellowship to include all expenses for board, room and tuition. The candidates for these fellowships will be selected by a committee appointed by the French Government.

A complete survey of the educational activities now carried on by governmental departments, public commissions, or independent agencies was arranged by the Emergency Council in cooperation with the Joint Commission of the National Education Association. The Council will also provide all colleges and universities desiring to cooperate effectively with the governmental classified lists of special and general lines of service work most needed.

Bettering conditions of study for American students in France and England, arranging more fellowships for foreign students in America and for American students and disabled soldiers abroad, and establishing other reciprocal educational relations between America and her allies, were among the matters entrusted to the Committee on International Relations in Education, headed by Dean Herman V. Amsden, of the University of Pennsylvania.

LOST.

Lor from the pocket of a coat in dressing room 14, Mary Hemenway Hall, a blue leather hand-case containing a sum of money and a 1919 class ring, bearing the owner's name. Any information concerning these articles—particularly the ring—will be very gratefully received, ELEANOR D. BASSETT, 13 Freeman.

EXCHANGES.

VARAS.

The College Periodical League shipped 73 magazines during the week ending March 6. The “farm hands” this summer are to be supplied with an auto track for purposes of transportation.

President MacCracken sent a letter of gratification and appreciation to the Students’ Association for their admirable clout during the time of the fire.

RADIOLITE.

The seniors have elected their “red-tassel” officers, the girls who are to officiate at the Commencement activities. These girls marched at the head of the Radiolite delegation in the Liberty Loan Parade.

During the recent campaign $196 of “Salvation” money was taken in.

SMITH.

The Relief Unit has taken over by the Red Cross in order to insure its greater protection and recognition.

The surgical dressings output for one week here was 32,489.

BOWDEN.

There has been much agitation over the piling up of quizzes just before vacation. The college paper has printed an editorial on the subject.

MASSACHUSETTS WOMEN VOTERS.

“Women did it!” was the verdict in Westfield Mass. What they did was to clear the work at the good-schools election. Three hundred and sixty women exercised the right of school voting and helped to elect candidates pledged to better schools. In Fitchburg the School Board has voted to increase salaries of women teachers. This contest was led by Miss Elizabeth Specker, Newbury woman voted for school committees at the town meeting. This is the first time women voters have participated in an election in that town. Notwithstanding the off-expressed fears of anti-suffragists, the election was the quietest in years and women were not insulted at the polls. Woman Suffrage in Massachusetts appears to be a safe proposition.

PACIFC COAST CLUB.

The third meeting of the Pacific Coast Club will be held at Phi Sigma from 5:30 to 7:30 on April 12. All members will please sign up if they are coming and bring the squares for the Red Cross quilt.

FEDERAL CONTROL OF COLLEGIATE EMPLOYMENT BUREAU.

The women’s service of the Intercollegiate Intelligence Bureau on March 30 became a part of the U. S. Employment Service, the Department of Labor has announced. The men’s division of the bureau has been taken over by the War Service Exchange of the War Department. The Intercollegiate Intelligence Bureau was formed a year ago as a voluntary organization for the location of skilled college men and women for the needs of the various Government departments.

Dr. William McCollum, dean of the Wharton School of Finance and Commerce of the University of Pennsylvania, has been its director.

The women’s service, now under the Federal Employment Service, has volunteer workers in between 100 and 130 women’s and coeducational colleges and universities, who, upon advice from headquarters at Washington that a particular kind of trained woman worker is needed, seeks her out from the undergraduate or alumni ranks of these institutions. Its operation will hereafter be conducted from the District of Columbia branch office of the Federal Employment Service, at 1410 Pennsylvania avenue.
WELLESLEY WOMEN MAY KEEP UNCLE SAM’S BOOKS.

So urgent is the Government’s need for bookkeepers that Civil Service examinations to fill positions of this character will be held throughout the United States each Tuesday until further notice. Women as well as men are eligible.

Two classes of examinations are announced. A grammar school education or its equivalent is required for applicants for either class, with the further stipulation that those who wish to take the bookkeeper-typewriter examination must have had at least six months’ experience in bookkeeping, and that those who would undertake the clerk-bookkeeper examination one year’s experience in clerical work, six months of which must have been in bookkeeping. The vacancies to be filled from the register obtained from these examinations are in the departmental service at Washington and offer entrance salaries of $1,800 a year.

An unusual feature of these examinations is that they are thrown open not only to all citizens of the United States but also to the subjects of countries allied with the United States and who are otherwise qualified for the positions offered.

CLERKS AND FARMERS FOR THE GOVERNMENT.

Women are being called to fill vacancies in the office of the Quartermaster General, War Department, in the position of freight car record clerk. There are 400 twenty to thirty vacancies, it is announced, and women only may take the examination to be held May 7, to secure eligibles. The salary is $1,200.

Women who have scientific knowledge of farm management, rural economics and rural sociology may qualify for the position of specialist in agricultural economics, vacancies in which exist in the Department of Agriculture. There is one vacancy in the office of the bureau management which pays a salary of $1,800 or more and one in the StatesRelation Service at a salary of $1,500 to $1,800 a year. Both women and men may take the civil service examination called for May 7.

Other examinations announced opened to women are the Junior accountant in the Finance division of the Ordnance Department, map colorist, May 8; clerk with knowledge of stenography and typewriting, April 19, May 17, June 14 and July 19, and preparer in entomology, Bureau of Plant Industry, Department of Agriculture, May 8. The examination for Junior accountant may be taken at any time.

Further information concerning these examinations may be obtained at the Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.; the Secretary of the United States Civil Service Board, Customhouse, Boston, Mass., New York, N. Y., New Orleans, La., Honolulu, Hawaii; Post Office, Philadelphia, Pa.; Atlanta, Ga.; Cincinnati, Ohio; Chicago, Ill.; St. Paul, Minn.; Seattle, Wash.; San Francisco, Cal.; Old Customhouse, St. Louis, Mo.; Administration Building, Balboa Heights, Canal Zone; or to the Chairman of the Porto Rico Civil Service Commission, San Juan, P. R.

BACTERIOLOGISTS NEEDED.

There is need for about 100 women bacteriologists to take the place of men in the canteen laboratories, the Surgeon General’s Office of the United States Army announces. The service of the men is demanded for the hospital units which are going abroad and their places at the home canteens are to be filled by women. Applications are arriving from all the camps, some asking for as many as nine women.

A good practical knowledge of clinical pathology and diagnostic bacteriology is required for the work. The present salary is $720 with maintenance and $1,300 without, with transportation furnished by the government. Applications may be made to Office of the Surgeon General, Washington, D. C.

INTERCOLLEGIATE PROHIBITION ASSOCIATION CONVENTION.

How many of us know anything definite about the national prohibition campaign? Most of us must confess our profound ignorance. At present this question is or has recently been before the legislature of every state in the Union. It is not only a national but an individual question of the utmost importance to each and every one of us and the least we can do is to be intelligent on the subject and to spread that intelligence.

On Friday and Saturday, April 12 and 13, there is to be a convention of the Southern New England Intercollegiate Prohibition Association at the Phillips Brooks House, Harvard University. The program includes several well known speakers: Eliza T. Wright, Yale University, President Southern New England L. P. A.; H. P. Fairchild, President of Sociology, Yale University; President Leopold H. Meier, Boston University. On Saturday afternoon there is to be a woman’s speaking contest in which Vera Hemenway will be Wellesley’s speaker. The complete program will be posted. Those who wish to attend the convention will be given opportunity to sign up on the class boards.

SUMMER COURSES AT TUFTS COLLEGE.

Two years ago Tufts College equipped a series of laboratories and engaged an instructional staff for the express purpose of providing a thorough course in college subjects leading to the study of medicine. It now proposes to offer during the coming summer intensive courses in Physics, Chemistry, and Biology, each one of which in content will be equivalent to a regular academic course. It will thus be possible for a student who is desirous in one of these subjects and has had approximately two years or more of college work to finish the technical requirements controlling admission to the better class of medical school, and enter upon the strictly professional course, in the fall, without conditions.

The charges for tuition, etc., adjusted on a cost basis, will approximate $60 per course, each course requiring the exclusive attention of the student throughout the term of about twelve weeks. Application should be made to Tufts College, Massachusetts.

AUTOGRAFHS.

From Ex-President Hazard has received a precious autograph of Fanny Kemble (William Kemble) in the form of "Commodore Greerling," written on a quaint Provenzal Christmas Card sent to Mrs. Thomas A. Janvier, his friend and Miss Hazard’s cousin. Our thanks are due, also, to Miss Mary Russell Bartlett, the poet of ‘78, for a friendly letter from D. L. Moody, the evangelist, written to Mr. Dunn, who, having read it as he stood in College Hall office, handed it over to her for the signature. Again we have a gift to acknowledge from that loyal alumnus, Mrs. Louise Hulbun Foley, who has just sent in an autograph of Senator Chamberlain. Many thanks to all.

K. L. B.

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"Somewhere in France,"

1 March, 1918.

Thank you so much for your last letter, which arrived yesterday. You ask me to tell you about my work; well, here goes.

As you know, I belong to an ammunition train, whose chief function is to deliver ammunition to the batteries. A few weeks ago I made my first trip up the line, with a convoy of six motor trucks. Our company is divided into three sections, from which each assistant truck master chose two trucks. We loaded up with ammunition, fuses and charges, and at six o'clock made our way to the place where our glider met us, near the danger zone. The road in places was very bad, and a little careless driving might have sent a truck down a twenty-five or fifty-foot embankment. We reached our destination without any mishap, and unloaded our trucks. A shell burst within a few hundred feet of the nearest machine, but of course was not near enough to do any damage. The constant flash from the guns gave the appearance of a city lighting up at night.

On the trip up, the results of shell fire were evident everywhere. We saw villages totally demolished, huge holes in the ground caused by the bursting of shells, and, where once there were churches, only steeples left on their supports amid the ruins. It was all most interesting, and doubly so because of the element of danger. The Germans have maps of all roads and cross roads, and trains going up are, of course, continually subject to shell fire.

The village in which we are located was, for a time, held by the Germans, but lately they were driven out by the French, and here we are. Since we are constantly on the watch for raids, we have gas masks always on hand. Duels between French and German airplanes take place constantly. We Americans are just getting started in our part of the great war, and I believe that many more interesting experiences lie before me.

296 Broadway, Norwich, Conn.
February 28, 1918.

Together with your sympathetic letter of this morning's mail came one from my sister Ruth in her Settlement in the Kentucky mountains. They have been proud of their fifty-nine-starred service flag and the fact that in their county no draft has been necessary, because all those of draft age, as well as many of their own school boys far younger, had volunteered. She writes that at their Washington Birthday celebration she had been making a speech and someone else had presented a Liberty Bond when, "like an Enoch Arden, in walked Nucky," who had been at Phillips Exeter for four years. Last fall he entered the navy, but was sent back to Exeter as a reserve, was graduated at Christmas and returns to his ship in a month. He left here in a grubby, uncouth condition. His company was gladly dispensed with when he filed off the breakfast in the dining room after a meal. Only Miss Farnham had faith in him, but since then we have all risen to appreciate him and to expect great things of him. Now he is a handsome fellow with most engaging smile and charming manners. Some of the onlookers of the evening waxed eloquent on "hate for the foreign foe," but this "hero," just arrived from "outside," quietly said, when he had gathered a crowd of admiring boys about him after the meeting, that in the war talk he had heard north, he had heard nothing of hate and added: "Of course we can fight 'em without hating 'em." The next morning, with roll call and singing, in five big wagons, the last of the unmarried young men started for the distant railroad.

LEND HIM A HAND

That Khaki-clad American soldier of ours, facing the Germans across No Man's Land from the trenches in France.

Lend Him a Hand!

He is depending on you for food and clothing, for the shells, rifles, and machine guns that can take him over the top to victory.

You will not fail him now. The Third Liberty Loan is the measure of your support. Its success is vital to his comfort, to his safety, to his VICTORY.

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When you feel in your heart
That your calling is Art
And poems divine
Without any rhyme,
Such as:

Wind
Howls around the corner.
The moon, sorrowing
Scuttling through the air.
Laughter jars,
Jingle, jingle,
That is the Telephone—
O, no, answer it.

Ah, my heart,
It is ripping
Beneath this varnished surface.

Then I might call this
"Love" or
"Catastrophe."

But instead, here I sit
And grind bit by bit,
According to rules,
This blamed P. of Fools!

e-f—my soul is drowning,
Or is it on fire?

THE RALLY CALL.

Come, Wellesley's war economists
From V. or T. or W. or Q.!
It will save coins if you will join
The Hunt-the-hairpin Squad!

The campus is our hunting ground,
The season's open now.
Directions plain will here explain
The why and where and how.

The Rules.
1. Some squad members go and search
Each rough board campus-walk
(For where girls trip their hairpins slip,
And scatter where they talk).

2. Follow girls who've slept too late
To start out neat and trim.

3. Track the students one and all
Who're going home from Gym.

4. Members of the squad, go dredge
Our Wellesley Lake, and where
Spoon-holders lean, your harvest glean,
You'll be successful there.

The Reasons.
What next? Just listen to my plan
("It's clever, you'll admit")
With every plan we'll help to win
The war, nor waste a bit!

The celluloid for fuel use
To keep the College warm!
The fat hogs kind to powder grind
To fertilize our Farm!

The metal once melt down and mould
Above a burning jet,
Make girder tall for our new hall
In every kitchenette!

The Results.
So when new Wellesley women walk
The paths that once we trod
Our work they'll view with graces due
Our Hunt-the-hairpin Squad!

M. J., '21.

MISERIES.

Flunked a quiz in Bible,
Lost a dollar bill.
Woke too late for breakfast—
Gee, it makes me Ill.

Got a G in Latin—
Uh! that woman's rank.
Sent my gentle roomie
To the blanky-blank!

Tried to drown my troubles
In a pool of mud.
Merely sprained my ankle,
Ruined every dad.

"Life is full of gladness"
—
Nix on that for me,
Last of all came measles
And Inflammary.

M. E. C., '19.

SAVING.

"Spare all the meat, take care on sweets,
But eat fruit," we are told,
So Wellesley girls can use this plan
Till now to you unfold.

Take an electric bulb and place
In soil that's nice and "right."
Soon an electric power plant
Unfolds before your sight.

This grown to full maturity,
You very soon will see
That you can eat the current
From the electricity.

D. R., '20.
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WHEN DREAMS COME TRUE.

Not only the usual springtime joys of clear blue sky and green grass greeted this last gathering-in of the Wellesley College family, but in addition a further delight awaited them in the form of a surprise on the "Hill." For there amid the plodding of heavy teams, the snorting of a steam-shovel, and tool-shouts screaming of new lumber, the soil is being excavated and the foundation of the new Liberal Arts Building is actually in process of construction. Hitherto, the noble group of buildings which is to be the realization of the tiny model in Farmworth Art Building, has seemed a far dream, but now we are led to believe that even such may at last come true!

BIRD CONTEST.

Two prizes have been offered to members of the Bird Club, for the best lists of birds observed between March 15 and June 1, 1918, one a prize for beginners, the other for more advanced observers. Candidates should register on the Bird Bulletin Board, where directions for the contest are posted.

On the evening of Tuesday, April 18, at 8 P. M., in Billings Hall, Dr. William Hrushé, formerly of the Juvenile Psychopathic Institute in Chicago, and now of the Judge Baker Foundation in Boston, will lecture on the subject: Recent Developments in Intelligence Tests.

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Alumnae Department

(The Editors are earnestly striving to make this department of value by reporting events of interest to Wellesley alumnae as promptly and as completely as is possible. The Alumnae are urged to cooperate by sending notices to the Alumnae General Secretary, Miss Mary B. Jenkins, or directly to the Wellesley College News.)

BALLOT FOR ALUMNA TRUSTEE.

Alumnae who are eligible to vote for the alumna trustee are asked to note on the printed ballot the fact that the vote should be signed and that it should be sent to Mrs. H. H. Hiltun, 5610 Woodlawn Ave., Chicago, III. A number of alumnae have sent their ballots unsigned to Miss Jenkins of the Wellesley. Unsigned ballots cannot be counted, and Miss Jenkins is not in charge of the count. Any alumna of three years' standing who has failed to receive her ballot should communicate with Miss Jenkins.

ENGAGEMENTS.

11. Margarette Sill, M.A. Columbia '17, to Ralph Edrey Church, Michigan '97, Northwestern University Law School '99, of Chicago, III.
12. M. Gladys Dowley to Dunbar Wood Lewis, Amherst '09.
15. Keller-Dryfoos. On April 4, at Cleveland, Ohio, Minette Dryfoos to Frederick C. Keller. Address (after June 1), 1957 East 97th St., Cleveland, Ohio.

BIRTHS.

17. On October 6, 1917, at Bradford, Mass., a son, Charles Foster, to Mrs. Raymond F. Otis (Bessie C. Adams).
18. On October 4, a daughter, Madeline May, to Mr. and Mrs. Myron D. Wolf (Coralya J. Sulfiorberry).

DEATHS.


CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

22. Anne Woodward to Fort Morgan, Colo.

GERTRUDE WOOD WRIGHT.

The many friends of Gertrude Wood Wright, who has passed on to a larger field of ministry, wish to attest the worth and loveliness of her character and to express loyal to Wellesley, as she held the high standards of the College wherever she was placed. To her home circle and to the friends in the community where she lived and loved the class of '97 extends its deep sympathy.


FORMER WELLESLEY WOMEN HEADS DEPARTMENT.

Dr. Kristine Mann, formerly of the hygiene department at Wellesley, will head the new Department of Health in the Women's Division of the Industrial Section Services of the Ordinance Department. She will look after the health of women employed in arsenals and other ordnance plants.

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A FARM AND GARDEN CONFERENCE HERE.

For those who were disappointed in failing to be put on the farm squads, and for a great many other patriots who the Vocational Guidance Committee feels cannot help being interested in the project for enlisting college girls to work on farms this summer, we have arranged a conference to be held here on Tuesday, April 16, beginning at 3:30 in room 214 two women will talk formally and individually about opportunities for agricultural work. Miss Ellen E. Shaw, the supervisor of courses in gardening at the Brooklyn Botanic Garden, will speak on the importance of agricultural work and opportunities for training during the summer, Then Miss Edna Cutler, representing the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association, will speak on the agricultural units to be organized in New England for college girls. In Miss Taft's office may be obtained cards to be filled out for the information of the Garden Association Committee anyone who wants to register as ready to be called upon should hand in one of these cards. For further information about the project, come to the conference or go to Miss Jackson.

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COLLEGE CALENDAR.

Friday, April 12, 7:30 P. M., Billings Hall. Lecture by J. Malcolm Bird of the Scientific American on Mathematics in War Time. Saturday, April 13, afternoon, Mary Hemenway Hall, indoor Meet. Academic Council. Evening, Society Program Meetings.

Sunday, April 14, Houghton Memorial Chapel.
11 A. M.: Rev. J. Velchman Molderman of Albany, N. Y.
7 P. M.: Dr. Charles R. Brown of Yale University.

Tuesday, April 16, 1:30 P. M., Room 24. Under the management of the Joint Vocational Guidance Speakers: Miss Shaw, of the Brooklyn Botanical Gardens; Miss Cutter, of the National Farm and Garden Association.

8 P. M., Billings Hall. Dr. William Healy will lecture on Recent Developments in Intelligence Tests.

Wednesday, April 17, Christian Association Meetings.
1:30 P. M., Billings Hall, Speaker, Dr. Ernest Grahame. Topic: A Day at the Battle Front.
1:30 P. M., Elliot Hall, Speaker, Helen Merrill. Topic: To be announced.

Friday, April 19, Barn. First performance of Operetta.
Saturday, April 20, Afternoon, Baseball game.

Evening, Second performance of Operetta. On Tuesday, the 16th, at 7:30 o'clock, there will be a lecture in Spanish by Professor Federico de Kuala of Columbia University on some phase of modern Spanish Literature.

Professor Kuala is considered one of the leading Spanish scholars both in his own country and in the United States, and all who are interested in the subject are cordially invited to attend.

READ THIS BEFORE VOTING!

You will want to cast an intelligent vote for the members of the Christian Association Board of Directors who are elected next week. The following will give you an idea of the work which each member of the Board has to do. The officers and the chairman of all committees constitute the Board of Directors who have charge of all departments of the work of the Association.

The Missionary Committee provides for meetings in the interest of Home and Foreign Missions, and solicits, collects, and recommends for distribution funds for Missionary purposes to be expended under the direction of the Board.

The Membership Committee welcomes new students and makes a systematic canvass of the college to secure new members of the Association.

The General Aid Committee has charge of the Students' Bureau of Exchange and other forms of self-help work carried on by the Association among the students.

The Committee on Religious Meetings arranges for the devotional meetings of the Association.

The Social Committee promotes the social life of the Association.

The Correspondence Committee keeps in touch with alumni of the college who are missionaries, and with the Christian Associations of other colleges.

The Bible Study Committee organizes and superintends the classes for Bible Study.

The Mission Study Committee organizes classes for Mission study.

The Extension Committee organizes the classes for adults, and has charge of all other forms of philanthropic work of the Association not pertaining to the student body.

The Finance Committee assists the Treasurer.

The Annual Member Committee assists the Annual Member.

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These thirteen divisions handle employment of all kinds but teachers are especially referred for registration to the Chicago Division which is devoted exclusively to teaching and engineering professions.

WHEN POLLY OF THE CIRCUS HIDES MAY I BE THERE TO SEE!

Exactly so! And she is coming next Saturday night, April 13, to the Second Annual Horse Show to be held at the Riding Hall at 7:30 o'clock. She will offer for your amusement a race and the famous clowns from the New York Hippodrome, as well as her brilliant and hair-raising Terciphotiann art. All at a dainty dinner, hall and gentlemen! Come and see this marquee equestrianism, and bring all your friends! Interclass competition for the winter season will be as follows:

Team Riding: Individual Riding.
Tandem Driving: Harness Driving.

Announcements and awarding of "W's" will follow immediately. The Hanns Cup won by 1918 upon Field Day will be awarded to the winning class. Preliminaries will be held over Friday night at 7:30. Come and watch 1918's team—first in capacity—l. P., '18.

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