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MISS CAROLINE SPURGEON SPEAKS ON THE SOLDIER POETS OF THE WAR.

Miss Spurgeon, who spoke on Monday afternoon, December 2, at Billings Hall, is one of the British Commission of Education. She is an eminent English scholar of the University of London, and an authority on Chaucer.

This evening, said Miss Spurgeon, has revived a keen interest in literature and has inspired the young soldiers and sailors of England to write. The poetry they produce is not always perfect in form or unusual in content, but it is vivid, it is living and full of interest; and this is not so very surprising for the War has brought to the minds of the people a hunger for poetry. It has given them a certain joy in life through a quickening of the senses and a lessening of the fear of death.

The work of our soldier poets, Miss Spurgeon said, "is the expression of the flower of your young manhood."

One of these was Rupert Brooke who, on account of his personal charm, his brilliance and ability, has been compared to Sir Philip Sidney. Another was Julian Grenfell, at the same time an orthodontist and a student. Miss Spurgeon read one of his poems in which he says, "Life is color and warmth and light and hand in hand with this joy in life goes a certain kindness and gallantry."

"Brother, brother. If this be the last song you shall sing Sing well for you may not sing another."

A very interesting little volume of poetry, Soldier Poets, Songs of Fighting Men, has been published. Its outstanding characteristics, Miss Spurgeon felt, were its expression of the present.

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MISS SEVERIN SHOWS PICTURES OF Y. W. IN PEKING.

Miss Theresa Severin, Wellesley '06, spoke on Monday afternoon, December 2, about the work of the Y. W. C. A. in Peking, China, and showed pictures of the people. The first picture was of Miss Frances Williams, who is now secretary there, and the "noble army of women" she makes up the band of workers. Some of these are Emy Mayer, some Wellesley women and two of the secretaries are Chinese. The Chinese women are very enthusiastic and capable, and because they can mean more to their association than any foreigner can, it is the hope of the workers to have them run the entire Y. W. C. A. themselves.

Miss Sung, the wife of a high official and president of the Peking Y. W. C. A. said, "When I came here first I was afraid to speak or pray or do anything but the things you've given me to do have made me unafraid to do anything and I'll try to be chairman of the finance committee." Every Wellesley girl can realize what this means when she understands that this job entails the collecting of dues! Mrs. Sung's daughter Lucy went to Wellesley when she is older and is to be the special charge of Miss Hart.

Miss Severin's interesting pictures showed girls from the Y. W. C. A. feeding the pigs, washing the clothes, playing games, and making clothes. An organization much like our Girl Scouts, factory girls and women, two or three thousand of them working on soldier garments for ten hours a day for five cents, group the young ladies temporarily adopted by some college girls. These children were flood-refugees and thirty of them were given the benefit of one year of careful training in the college association.

A LEAGUE OF NATIONS EXISTS. Wellesley Can Help Its Development.

Dr. Horace M. Kallen spoke to a large audience in Houghton Memorial Chapel, December 6, on The League of Nations. "The first purpose of the League," he said, "is not to prevent war, but to establish a corps of mankind which will give to all nations, irrespective of race, of color, of faith, an opportunity for freedom and happiness. The prevention of war is only one means to this end."

"Neutrality under modern conditions," he said, "is impossible. The living relations among states are such that each is dependent upon the others for economic necessities, so one can be economically neutral only if the other is not. Though we may think nationally, we are compelled to live internationally. It is because of this fact that throughout the war neutrals have gotten themselves into trouble with belligerents. When a neutral was neutral she protested against England's regulation of her sea-trade—a purely formal protest because of her sympathy with the Allies. Yet when the United States became engaged in the war she was forced to regulate the commerce of Norway, Spain, Holland, and other neutral nations, lest, were she not in control of the economic supply, they give aid and comfort to the enemy. At the end of the war no states could be considered absolutely neutral. As one sympathized with the Allies in their war against the Central Powers, the other had to do the same. The whole world united."

"Thus the whole world is interdependent in fact, while the political organization does not express that fact." Dr. Kallen went on to say. The necessities of war have compelled the development of institutions which are in harmony with the international idea. These are the League of Nations, which is to act as an agency to keep the peace, and it has been given undivided attention because of the conditions of life and particularly of battle. Modern wars are largely fought in factories. At the onset of the war, there was no economic unity among the Allies. Nations bided against each other for supplies, creating, therefore, high prices, huge profits, and a disgracefully inefficient waste,—the result of thinking in national and living in international terms."

When the necessity of economic unity was sensed, the League of Nations actually came into being, and the great international organizations were created. First is the Food Administration, which provides for a just and equitable distribution of food throughout the world. The War Industries Board is equally important. It deals with all industries necessary for the conduct of the war and with the raw materials necessary to them, studying the needs of the Allies and apportioning supplies justly and with expert knowledge. Moreover, this board fixes the prices of supplies, investments, agricultural products, producers, and manufacturers, and compelling publicity in financial dealings. The result is that in countries under its supervision the cost of living has gone up approximately fifty-five per cent in contrast to an increase of from one hundred to one hundred and fifty per cent in those where its regulations are not in force. The organization thus promotes a rate of living that will have lowered prices, and materially eased the life of each of us. The third of the international institutions is the Inter-Allied Maritime Council of Paris.

(SIR JOHN FOSTER FRASER SHOWS THE CHECKERBOARD OF EUROPE.)

From a career almost as checkered as the map of Europe which he spoke of, Sir John Foster Fraser brought to Wellesley a fund of interesting information concerning Mr. Lloyd George. His lecture, on Thursday evening, December the fifth, was largely the fruits of his travels in fifty countries, which he confessed in passing, "It has been a long road that I have traveled since the war was started." He was a bit dubious in appraising the fortune that had cast his lot in Chicago on the day peace was declared. His reference to the noisy demonstration which took place there was one of a series of threats he made at America's Americans to the course of his address. This vein, treated very humorously and subtly, and with a vein of intense British nationalization colored rather vividly everything he said. Nevertheless he felt no alliance towards the United States, indeed he attributed to this country the greatest unity to be found in any part of the world. "The spirit of the people of the United States has impressed me because you Americans are not a race. Although you are called a melting pot, the elements have not all melted; rather each race preserves its own character, and nationality not by race but by religion. "The allies," he said, "must act like elder brothers. If we work with these nations in deciding their boundaries, it is just possible that future small wars among them will be avoided."

In Russia, "the most fascinating country for study in the world," the speaker went on to say, "there was nothing but the purest life of the people. In reality Russia was, and is..."

ADVICE TO THE ACTRESS.

(On Monday, December 2, at 8 o'clock, in Billings Hall, Mr. Louis Calvert, an English actor of long experience and unusual ability, lectured to the college on Shakespeare. Mr. Calvert is one of those artists, hungrily few in number, who believe in absolute truth in the interpretation of their characters. His genuine sincerity and the happy illustrations with which he made vivid his ideas endeared him to his audience, who applauded him enthusiastically from the start."

Speaking first about acting, as a profession, Mr. Calvert declared that there are three fundamentals in this art, which cannot be overlooked. The first is simplicity—a clinging to essentials, a discarding of mannerisms and all that does not help us in interpreting the part one is playing. The second is enthusiasm. "If you feel impelled to act," said he, "get all men." Imagination, the third point, is the most important, as it is the most necessary to all real acting."

One could see from the reverence with which he approached his subject that he is a worshiper at the shrine of Shakespeare. He told his audience frankly that his attitude in studying Shakespeare has always been "I know nothing!" He felt that the uninitiated does not understand him, for the "real stuff" of all dramatic artists are not being presented with any truth on the modern stage. The actors need to go back to the First Folio editions really to
MERRY CHRISTMAS.

To many people the Christmas season is the happiest time of the year. The secret of its joyousness lies in the fact that it is a period of which the keynote is “Love”—love expressing itself in giving. Although it is the end of a term and everyone is tired the days preceding the Christmas holidays are more filled with spontaneity and joyful giving than any other one time in the year. Here at college the spirit of giving has started many thankful, pleasure-producing situations such as the sophomore carols on the last morning, house parties of great variety, the lighted Christmas tree on the Hill, the Christmas Carol Vesper service by the choir and Mr. Macdougall. And when the last train pulls out on Wednesday night all is left deserted what happens to the joyous Christmas spirit?

One girl goes north. She is going to spend the holidays at home with her family. She gathers her friends about her, they hear some carols and on Christmas eve they sing the glad tidings to the lonely “old folks” and the sick. The girl’s room mate travels south to her grandmother’s. Of course, being a popular girl she has many college acquaintances—the few she addresses cards to in her season of leave from them to think of a lonely old aunt and her first school teacher—a pathetic soul—and sends greetings to them and others she knows who will be without her care, as her college life ends. The girl across the corridor spends her vacation in a little town out West. In the little home church she finds slight preparation for the Christmas festival because there is no one to one of the student body for the holidays Wellesley’s spirit will be spared for. Wherever it goes the News sends with each copy best wishes for A Very Merry Christmas

A Happy New Year.

RED CROSS DRIVE.

Look at the Free Press column. More specifically, look at the report from the chairman of the Red Cross Auxiliary. Since the armistice Wellesley has increased rather than slackened her pace.

Now look at the full page governmental advertisement on page 6. There is to be a Christmas drive for new members of the Red Cross. The connection is very evident. Wellesley boasts herself a logical community—training no doubt due to its tradition and the fact that she has proved herself interested in Red Cross work. Now comes the test of her logic. Nothing less than one hundred percent membership in the Wellesley branch of the Red Cross Auxiliary is to be expected. Many students have, up to this year, joined through their home auxiliaries. It is very well to join through both the college and home branches; but if a choice must be made, it seems more convenient that one’s money and nominal support into the same place where one’s work is going. The college drive to be undertaken during this week; whereas the national drive to be taken place next week. This gives every member of the college an opportunity to join the Red Cross once and perhaps twice before Christmas.

FREE PRESS.

All contributions for this column must be signed with the full name of the author. Only articles that signed will be printed. Initials or numbers will be used in printing the articles if the writer so desires. Contributions and letters should be marked MCNS, and all items should be sent to the free press, Wellesley College, Wellesley, Mass. Office of publication at College Press, Irving St., Framingham, Mass., and at Wellesley College, Wellesley, Mass., to which all of which should be sent.

I. FACULTY CONCERTS.

The college community apparently does not realize that by going to Billings Hall on Tuesday afternoon between two and four o’clock or any time during the day, you may enjoy an hour of delightful music, through the kindness of the Department of Music. It is a time of day when music is peculiarly grateful and the technical excellence of these faculty recitals makes one wonder at the absence from them of so many who strenuously go to Boston to concerts, on the theory that proximity to such opportunities is a reason for coming to Wellesley. The selections are cleverly adapted to an audience of various degrees in musical appreciation and never fail to include, among the more difficult, one or two that rouse to enthusiasm every person present, whether it is some long-loved passage in the full tones of the strings, or a gay ballad, or a band of elves rollicking over the keyboard. Music lovers are missing a treat and an opportunity. And who would not be a music lover?

III. "WE RENXZ AS A QUSOC TING."
A PROFESSIONAL OPPORTUNITY.

The Vocational Guidance Committee expects soon to be able to offer the student body a series of conferences which will be held next as possible on work to be done along lines of recon- structive work. The committee has at hand requests from a number of sources for the opportunity to speak to college women contemplating work in the varied phases of effort which are seeking to assure the safety of the world for democracy. Is there some special vocation about which any one would like to hear in detail? If there is, the committee earnestly invites suggestions of preference for the subject matter of these con- ferences and will endeavor to secure the best speaker possible in each case. There will be an envelope for suggestions posted on the Vocational Guidance Board. The committee desires very much to serve as adequately as possible and therefore urges co-operation.

F. L. L., '19.

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Applies to the Ancestral

understand Shakespeare, having nothing of his original simplicity, but rather lose the real Shakespeare in their striving for "effect." Even the commentators, according to Mr. Calvert, are not absolutely secure in their interpretations of Shakespeare's more obscure passages. He himself has studied Hamlet for thirty years, and says that he finds something new every time he reads it.

"Don't study Shakespeare for the blank verse until you are thoroughly familiar with the lines," he urged, "for in the blank verse you get the grammar, rather than the humanity of the words. And," he added, "when you recite Shakespeare, 'speak' it trippingly on the tongue,' as the character themselves would have spoken the lines."

He went on to speak of the "star" system in modern acting and the evils that attend it. "Why, there's not a part in Shakespeare that's not worth playing!" Mr. Calvert exclaimed enthusiastically. "Why do actors think that they are succeeding only when they have leading roles?"

He illustrated his points as he went along with selected readings that were remarkable in the truth of their interpretation. He read first from The Merchant of Venice, then from Hamlet, and finally from The Tempest, showing the differences. He put great feeling into this part, proving effectively his statement that the "minor" roles need as much study as the more prominent ones. In the scene from Hamlet, he quoted from Brutus's speech,

"...the Prince of Morocco eases the golden eel."

He put great feeling into this part, proving effectively his statement that the "minor" roles need as much study as the more prominent ones. In the scene from Richard II, a favorite of his, he quoted the play the most beautiful word-painting Shakespeare ever did." He read the scene with the feeling and the sincerity of interpretation that characterized his other readings.

The future of Shakespeare, the dramatized Shakespeare, lies "with the childhood," declared Mr. Calvert. If young people can be shown the real Shakespeare on the stage, he is convinced that they will appreciate him and create a demand for him. It is in his dream some day to be in a position to furnish the production of Shakespeare "for the children all over the country," so that they, the future theatre-goers, may have a chance to know the best that the drama has to offer them.

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HOUSE CONSIDERS "LOSS OF PRIVILEGES."

The last meeting of the House of Representa- tives was called to order December 2, 1918, in Room 24, to consider the subject of the new probation rule.

The business of the meeting was to act upon the report of the committee appointed to investigate whether it was a function of the legislative body or of the Senate to determine the penalties for errors. It was voted to accept or reject the suggestions of the committee one by one. The following were accepted:

1. It shall be the policy of the Wellesley Col- lege Government Association to have the maximum penalty for violation of rules origi- nate in the House as part of the law itself.

2. The exact degree of punishment shall be left to the House Presidents except in special cases which shall go to the Senate.

3. The term "College Government Probation" shall be dropped and the penalty be referred to as "loss of privileges" for a certain number of days.

It was decided that the fourth suggestion, i.e., the revision of the error slip, should be posted on the College Government Board for consideration by the college at large, and voted upon at the next meeting.

If the person who found a bead bag Friday afternoon, Nov. 29, will return it to its owner, Miss Stalknecht, 441 Washington Street, she will be willing to have them keep the five dollar bill which was in it.

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Wellesley
Continued from page 1, column 2) A LEAGUE OF NATIONS CO-OPERATION in which all the Allies are represented. The problems of ship-building and ship-distribution come before them. The latter they have settled with reference to international needs, according to their conception of the greatest service to the common cause. We should realize that most of our troops sailed for France on English ships!

This unity of international forces is, then, the League of Nations. The question which Dr. Kal- len says is before every citizen of the world today, is, "Shall we continue to maintain this international organisation, improve it, keep it for the purposes of peace, to perform the same services in peace as in war?" Under the preceding terms, there is bound to be a League of Nations. It should be a development, under democratic conditions, of the institutions we have formed in war. If we are to them an international league of co-operation, or congress, elected by the people of the nations, to which the boards will be directly responsible, then we will have an international agency which will really obtain for the world conditions of freedom and happiness. But this League must actually rest upon the will of the people, and the government must be a co-operation of the states publicly and consciously maintained.

The establishment of such a League of Nations, the speaker believed, would bring about freedom of the seas, a consequence which England, proud of her splendid navy, still fears. According to President Wilson's idea, freedom of the seas does not mean abolition of navies, but such conditions as prevail in our country because of the Inter-State Commerce Commission—equal rights, no preferential rates, cost of transportation equal and just for all. The freedom of the seas and the League of Nations are practically the same in purpose and result.

Given these conditions, the question comes as to what Wellesley students can do to establish the great foundation. "First," said Dr. Kalten, "Stand up and be counted! Join the League of Free Nations Association or the League to Enforce Peace, a co-operating society. Then get in touch with its members, tell your representatives and bring your friends. Think, then, what you want. France, the League of Nations asleep and awake!"

The United States, at least, will not consider the war won unless a League of Nations is established. She went into the war unsoldly, her purpose to make wars impossible for all men. The conditions of the League are indispensable for that happiness. "You can do a great deal to make those conditions a reality. Do it!"

At the end of his lecture Dr. Kalten answered several questions from the floor, and later spoke informally to those who still remained. Among other things he said that the League proposes to put armaments for protection, not to limit them, and that eventually the production of armaments will be forbidden private concerns, since in the interests of competition these concerns promote strife. Freedom of the seas is probable, he thinks, if Congress will co-operate with President Wilson. That co-operation we should "want aggressively" to bring about! Dr. Kalten favors the establishment of a branch of the Association here—a branch to which every single student belongs and which will work in harmony with the outside forces, to bring about the end he so ardently desires.

M. F. '10.

PHILADELPHIANS NOTICE!

The College Club wishes to extend to those girls who will be in or near Philadelphia a cordial invitation to a reception for undergraduates on January 1, from 3:30 to 6 o'clock at 1300 Spruce Street, Philadelphia.

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OUR HEARTS DESIRE.

That the quality of the heart is, in the last analysis, the only thing that counts, was the theme of the Rev. Percy G. Kamaner's sermon on Sunday morning, December 8. "The Lord grant thee thy heart's desire and fulfill all thy counsels—may be a dangerous wish, but it is one which is necessary for proper development through individual self expression, he said.

The heart's desire of the womanhood of this nation is to help her sisters, our country and our God, the speaker continued. The story of the woman who developed her mind for its own sake, never using it to help in lightening the burdens of the suffering womanhood about her is, fortunately, not typical of the majority of the women of today. It is necessary for our own development as well as for the welfare of our less fortunate sisters that we recognize their needs and that we help them to the utmost of our ability. The women of America has shown her desire to help the country in her war activities and sacrifices, and she must now continue her helpfulness in making democracy a personal quality of heart, rather than a mere form of political government. Lastly, in helping our God we must assume the responsibility of helping to formulate and develop those new ideals and conceptions of Christianity which the fighting men of the nation are bringing back with them from the battle fields of Europe.

FINNS ERECT A MONUMENT TO EQUAL SUFFRAGE.

The Finish women have been the first to erect a memorial to commemorate the enfranchisement of women. About 16,000 people gathered when the stone was erected at the foot of the highest hill in the Finland Alps near the town of Finntur. The lines on the stone translated roughly read:

"On man and woman equal rights confer; Let her serve him; likewise let him serve her."

L O S T ! 1899 CLASS BATON. FINDER PLEASE RETURN TO SUSAN LOWELL WRIGHT, POMEROY.

(Continued from page 1, column 1) MISS CAROLINE SPURGEON SPEAKS OF THE SOLILOQUY OF THE POETS OF THE WAR.

The beauty of English country has touched these young poets and caused many to write of the land that "is very small and very green and full of little lanes all full of flowers."

Two poems on Death by a soldier barely twenty years old, Capt. Sawley, showed beautifully that descending the fear of it which has come through this war. Death is made to seem almost sweet, a way of gaining perfect equality. There is no terror in it. Death cannot stop a determination such as that expressed by Vernay in England to the Sea: "not till the sea and England sink together shall they be masters."

A very sympathetic analysis of the young soldier at war was Lieutenant Robert Nichols' Dying.

Miss Spurgeon read two poems expressing the grief, blame, kindness, and deprecation of the thing at hand which these writers show. The first, called Dead Poacherster, pictures vividly the finding of a captain who had made a bold advance followed by his men—all lying dead. The second, by a sailor, tells in a humorous way of the work of the Little Trawler, in reality a mine sweeper. The very belligerence of the danger of the work makes it seem all the more grim. The very pride of the Little ship emphasizes the pathos of its fate.

L O S T ! A pearl and sapphire hair pin. Finder report to #7 Shafter. 

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DERE BILL.

Dere Bill,

You've been a brave boy not to show how much you missed me all this fall while I've been away at college getting knowledge. Didn't know I was a poet did you Bill. You ought to be proud of me you had. I wrot a poem for the Mag the other day. This is what they call the college paper the bag I mean. The other one is the Ncis and its a worry. I spoon it call it that becos its still rather feeble on the funny page. Guess I'ld haunt write some good dope for 'em some time.

O I was telling you I wrot a poem for the Mag. Well it didn't come out the next time the paper did so I went and spoke to the editor about it. I couldn't get anything out of her. Guess she was afraid to tell me it was too good to print. She was a moody face—most of those girls wear mortor-boards all the time are rushed to death. You wouldn't understand what mortor-boards are Bill, it's too tecknickel. It's nothing to do with exemption boards. I know I know a lot about them Bill and I apprechiate you're trying to stay home from the war on my account, but a mortor-board is something different.

I got that box of candy you sent me. I would of thought it was a box of the mails if I hadn't seen the postmark, so I kno you was just being economical, Bill when you bought the mark down stuff the'd in stock since they opened up business. But don't try that again on me Bill. Paint as if you was the kind that was popular with the ladies. You kno I'm the only girl your every likely to have, and you better treat me nice. But I'll forget it this time. Good-hearted. That's me all over Bill.

Well I got to stop now and rite a bunch of other fellows.

Your's till the paint fades on Tower Court.

That's a sort of joke that us college girls understand. You wouldn't get it probably Bill. Too port-coshare.

MARLE.

THE REASON.

I know I'm thinking
Yes I is.
I'm getting G on every quiz.
It's clear to me
The reason be,
That I just wasn't born a "wiz."

IF.

If you can do your work when all about you are doing theirs, and stop when they stop, too.
If you can play and think and judge by custom
And never stop to feel that you are you.
If you can chat and not grow tired of chatter,
Or eat all day, yet nightly cry for more,
And being fed again, go stuffed to slumber.
And yet not grow too fat, nor plumped over—
Stand Up and Be Counted

The Greatest Mother in the World is counting her children.

She wants your name—and yours—and yours—the names of all her children.

So, stand up, you men and women of America—stand up and be counted.

Let The Greatest Mother in the World see what a big, proud family she has.

You’ve given your share to your Red Cross—given it generously—and you’ll give your share again when the time comes.

Right now your Red Cross wants your name—not a contribution—wants to know that you are a member—pledged to help her.

The Greatest Mother in the World wants to know who her children are before Christmas.

Give your name and a dollar to the next Red Cross Worker who asks you for it.

Answer “Present” at the Christmas Red Cross Roll Call.

Stand up and be counted you children of The Greatest Mother in the World.

All you need is a Heart and a Dollar

RED CROSS CHRISTMAS ROLL CALL

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THREE READINGS ANNOUNCED.

On January 10, two days after the close of vacation, Miss Harriet Labadie is to read Romance by Edward Sheldon. Three years ago Miss Labadie read at Wellesley with rare insight and force, Insert’s Dolls House. “Miss Labadie is a producer of plays, but instead of employing what we call actors to represent the various characters, she creates them in her mind so that they can be clearly and distinctly seen by the mind’s eye of the audience.”

Miss Sydney Thompson will give a program of:
The Dean of Vassar College writes to the Department: “I am glad that I can cordially recommend Sydney Thompson. She is one of the few readers whom I have heard during my life that I should like to hear read again. She is so clever that she appears strongly to college girls, and she is so refined and charming that she makes a strong appeal to any appreciative set of people.”

Miss Dorothy Spinney, an English woman, will read probably The Street of Alpiedes, (Gilbert Murray’s translation), on April 18. The play is given in costume before a setting of curtains. The Oxford Times (Eng.) compares Miss Spinney’s voice with the two most beautiful speaking voices on the English stage.

The readings will be given in Billings Hall on the evenings stated at 8 o’clock. Course tickets with reserved seat $1.25. Tickets will be sold to members of the department Thursday and Friday, December 12 and 14; Saturday, December 14, 9 to 12 o’clock, and 2 to 4, at the Department Office, Billings Hall. Members of the Official Staff may order tickets by resident mail of Miss Matron Bennett, the week of December 9th. Checks accepted.

Alumnae Department

(The Editors are currently striving to make this department of value by reporting events of interest to Wellesley Alumnae in prompt and as comprehensively as possible. The Alumnae are urged to cooperate by sending notices to the Alumnae General Secretary or directly to the Wellesley College News.

MARRIAGES.

‘04, Clark-Pinney. On Nov. 28, 1918, at Valparaiso, Ind., Myra F. Pinney to Alworth Whittney Clark.
‘08, Wright-Cooper. On Nov. 2, 1918, at St. Paul, Minn., Isabel Cooper to Dr. William Benton Wright, Jr.

BIRTHS.

‘09, On Sept. 17, in Canton, China, a daughter, Christine Duford, to Mrs. G. Allen Hofmann (Margaret Jones).
‘12, On Nov. 21, in Paris, Ill, a son, Herbert Blackburn, to Mrs. William A. Dennis (Dorothy Sanney).
‘18, On No, 29, a daughter, Barbara, to Mrs. Paul Hartley (Esther M. Parks).

DEATHS.

‘09, On Oct. 38, Mrs. Cornelia Bants, mother of May Bants.
‘01, On Nov. 24, in Waterbury, Vt., Dr. Watson Lovell Watson, husband of Mrs. Pearl B. Randall Watson.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

‘09, Mrs. David R. Johns (Ruth Kenyon) to 599 Broad St., Meriden, Ct.
‘12, Mrs. Joseph B. Sweing (Winifred Callett) to 536 Delaware Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.
‘13-14, Mrs. Walter P. Meister (Lucile Smith) to 29 N. Minor Ave., E. Orange, N. J.
‘18, Mrs. Kenneth P. Callett (Miriam Towle) to 686 West End Ave., N. Y. City.

Marion H. Wallace from 54 N. Jefferson St., New Castle, Pa., to 318 Highland Ave., New Castle, Pa.

WHEREAS: We, the Class of 1918, have learned of the death of a fellow-member, Doris Thayer, be it resolved that we extend to her family our deepest sympathy in their loss. Our class can ill afford to part with a member so genuinely loyal and so devoted to all that Wellesley holds best. We shall always remember her warm friendliness during our four years together.

Ruth Lange, Ruth Camden, Sarah Distick.

PAN-AMERICANISM.

On Monday evening, December 16, there will be a lecture by Mr. John Barrett on Pan-Americanism—Our Great After-The-War Opportunity.

Mr. Barrett is the Director of the Pan-American Union at Washington and probably more than any one else has been instrumental in bringing about friendly relations between the United States and the Hispanic Republics. The subject is one of vital importance at the present time and all who are interested in the future welfare of the American continent are cordially invited to be present. Billings Hall at 8 P. M.

(G[ . A container containing a short account of the Pan-American Union is posted on the History bulletin board, and another, in Spanish, is on the board near room 1.)

GOD SPEED TO PRESIDENT WILSON.

While no American woman will go officially to the peace conference,” said Mrs. Charles Summer Bird, Acting President of the Massachusetts Woman Suffrage Association, “the President of the United States takes with him our utmost good will and loyalty. President Wilson made a supreme effort to bring America to the peace conference with a completed democracy, so that no question could arise in the minds of any as to our interpretation of democratic government. This he was unable to do, but whether women are to be admitted to a partnership of privilege and right in 1919 or 1920, there will be no shrinking in their endeavor to give their best efforts to the right solution of the great problems which must be settled now that the war is over.”

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COLLEGE CALENDAR.

Thursday, December 12, 7:30 P. M., Billings Hall.
Miss Mabel Brugg: The Use of the Story in Education.

Friday, December 13, 8 P. M., Billings Hall.
Mr. Arthur Gleason: The Peace Table.


Sunday, December 15, Houghton Memorial Chapel.
11 A. M., Dr. William H. Day, of Bridgeport, Conn.
7 P. M. Vespers. Christmas Vespers.

Monday, December 16, 8 P. M., Billings Hall.
Mr. John Barret, Director General of the Pan-American Union.

Wednesday, December 18, 12:30 P. M. Christmas Service by the Choir.

Wednesday, January 8, 12:30 P. M. Christmas recess ends.

PEACE TABLE TALK.

Mr. Arthur Gleason, one of the best American authorities on the British labor situation is to speak Friday, December 13, at 2 P. M., in Billings Hall on the Peace Table. Mr. Gleason was in 1914-15 attached to the Belgian and French armies with the British Red Cross and was for a time with the Y. M. C. A. at the front. He also attended one of the British labor conferences in 1918. From his various writings and the facts of his actual experience at the front and in England this is evidently a lecture we can scarcely afford to miss.

WAR WORKERS COUNCIL.

The first attempt to bring women war workers together for an after-war conference was made by the National American Woman Suffrage Association Sunday afternoon, December 8th in Washington.

Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, President of the National and International suffrage association and a member of the women’s committee, National Council of Defense, presided. The speakers included Dr. Anna Howard Shaw, Mrs. Josephus Daniels and Mrs. Charles Tiffany.

When the United States entered the war, the National Association called a meeting in Washington to offer its services to the government. The questions discussed Sunday were: Has the association lived up to its pledge? Can the government, which accepted the war service of women deny them political recognition in after-war problems? How strong an appeal may be made by the women war workers?

The Washington meeting is the central one of a chain extending all over the United States. These meetings called simultaneously in various parts of the country are the opening feature of the National Association’s campaign for the one vote needed to pass the federal woman suffrage amendment during the short session of the senate.

THIRD FRESHMAN CHOIR GIVES FINE PROGRAM.

Wellesley was charmed on Sunday evening, December 8, by the performance of the third freshman Vespers Choir. Under the able direction of Mr. Macdonough, a choir of over two hundred voices gave a program which cowered in beauty the programs of the preceding choirs. The union of the parts was the most noticeable feature in the singing.

Mr. Albert T. Foster, Mr. Joseph Goudreault and the College Choir, assisted the Freshman Choir. The sober richness of Rheinberger’s Chanson with its muted violin melody and dominating organ accent, was effective contrast to the strange tenderness of the Melody in B flat by Tchaikowsky. To the lovers of the lovely song Holy Night! the organ arrangement with the floral introduction of other melodies was disappointing. The power and simplicity of the tenor solo And l, John, saw the Holy City was well brought out in Mr. Goodrow’s rendition. In Sing Alleluia the training and natural ability of the choir was marked.

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SIR JOHN FOSTER FRASER SHOWS THE CHECKERBOARD OF EUROPE.

is to be the most democratic country in the world.
... There is so much to admire and so much to shudder about Russia.” In his opinion it is the Jews in Russia who constitute the dangerous element in that country. He is of the opinion that the Jews are the backbone of the Russian government, which is the backbone of the European government.

To Italy we should be deeply grateful, the speaker went on to say, for her valiant conquest of the Trentino. Her desire for a piece of the Dalmatian coast upon which Serbia looks with ardent eyes is a problem for the peace conference to settle.

Of our debt to Germany, too, the audience was reminded, and of the four years of suffering Belgium has undergone.

“Toward France not only this generation but generations unborn owe a debt.” France has published no casualty lists for over a year but there is every reason to believe that her casualties in the last year have run into the millions.

Sir John was rather unwilling to tell of Great Britain’s suffering and her bravery, although he suggested it very clearly. But he gave them one idea of the humor which makes the British Tommy absolutely unique. As a Scotsman he felt justified in saying that the best fighting done under British arms has been done by the Ragglah; that Great Britain has held her own on her seventeen battle-fronts. And as the famous British navy, the sailors feel they have not had a show.

Speaking of Germany, the lecturer said, Germany must have a stable government, with which the Allies can deal. Germany hopes America will stand between her and the wrath of the Allies, but no mercy can be shown until Germany has shown repentance. Sir John felt that no one who had, as he has, been in twenty air raids, could speak of mercy now. “It is to justice we must bend our minds. Europe has seen things that make her heart harder than those three thousand miles away.”

“War teaches national modesty as it teaches individuals modesty. The cloak of national arrogance which Germany wore must be avoided,” he concluded.

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