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In Memoriam. S. B. Murray, late No. 50,027.

It is just a year ago that the London Branch suffered a severe blow in the loss of their first President. Miss Stevenson's long months of illness had, however, prepared her friends for the end, but there was nothing to lessen the shock to all members of the Branch when they heard that their late Hon. Secretary, Miss S. B. Murray, had died after only a few days' illness on January 22nd. She had not been well for some time, in fact she was never very strong since a sharp attack of influenza during her time of service in the Corps, and her friends were anxious about her, and tried to persuade her to take more care of herself. Finally a bad cold developed into pneumonia and she died ten days after being moved into a nursing home.

Only a fortnight before she was still one of the most active members of the branch, and the long report in the last Gazette was compiled by her. Hers also was the little article signed "No. 50,027." It is a distressing thought now that we commented on the pessimistic tone of these reports at the time. Miss Murray, perhaps owing to ill health, was inclined to be depressed, and she felt very deeply that the Association was not supported as it ought to be, except by the faithful few. She was tremendously keen herself, especially on the London Branch, for which she had worked devotedly during the last two years: having once realized its possibilities of usefulness nothing was too much trouble for her. She was a professional woman tied to an office all day, but most of her evenings were spent either in clerical work for the O.C.A. or in attending reunions. She was strongly in favour of the sub-divisions of the Branch, and took long journeys into the suburbs last winter to help inaugurate the sub-branches.

Miss Murray was often described as a typical Scotchwoman: very quiet and undemonstrative, absolutely sincere and strictly accurate; highly intellectual and efficient, and entirely without fear or favour.

No one courted popularity less than she did, and it was a fine tribute to her sterling qualities that she became one of the most universally esteemed members of the Association. Everyone liked and respected her, and the few who really knew her loved her deeply. To them, and especially to Miss Duke, the sympathy of all Old Comrades will go forth.

HEADQUARTERS OFFICE.

Membership and Gazette subscriptions are coming in daily in a most encouraging manner. So very many kind letters have been received from old comrades praising the regularity with which the Gazette is received and saying how eagerly the 15th of the month is awaited. These appreciations will be passed on to the Gazette Committee, who undertake to address and despatch the monthly issues.

Miss Walton, the warden of the St. Leonard's Holiday House, is working very hard with a view to forming a

local branch of the Women's United Services. It is hoped that their first report will be published in the next issue of the Gazette.—Our best wishes for all success to the undertaking.

Miss Walton informs us that bookings are already beginning at Oversea for the Easter holidays. The holiday home is rapidly becoming very popular.

Subscriptions to the Memorial Fund to the late Miss M. M. Stevenson have been received during the month from Miss Gilmour and Mrs. O'Meara, (nee Hutchinson). The total now in hand is £45 3s. 4d.

UNITED SERVICES WOMEN'S BENEVOLENT FUND.

A Committee was formed in May, 1921, to deal with and consider all cases of distress and hardship derived either from ill-health or some financial troubles. We would like to call upon Old Comrades to let their ex-Q.M.A.A.C. friends know (whether Old Comrades or not) of the comfort and relief and, in many cases, return to good health, that the help of the Fund has been able to give.

Our Secretary at the Duke of York's Headquarters is always most keen and happy to help and advise all of us who are in distress, and she is daily presenting cases to the Fund, who deal with them with as much generosity as each case deserves. The Secretary considers it one of her most useful and interesting duties to investigate the cases as promptly as possible, therefore there is very little delay, and where found necessary assistance is given within a few days.

The approximate number of cases in which decision has been given in connection with all the women's Services is about 577, and, roughly speaking, the total amount of grants sanctioned amount to £5,278. Considering that there were about 56,000 Q.M.A.A.C. we feel that there may be still many in distress. Therefore a few particulars may be helpful.

Up to the present the scheme has been to consider cases of sickness, medical or surgical treatment, sanatorium or rest homes, convalescence after illness, or other legitimate cases of hardship; weekly maintenance allowances, and also, where considered advisable, grants are sanctioned. We have been able in some instances to obtain grants to enable ex-Service women to receive training for midwifery, and musical teachers' diplomas, etc., in fact, there seems no end to the good the Fund undertakes. The Committee are just now busy considering the question of extending the scope of the scheme to include loans, for the purpose of setting up ex-Service women in small businesses, but such cases will require very careful investigation and you will doubtless hear further details regarding this matter at a later date.

JOAN GIBSON.

Q.M.A.A.C. (Officials) Representative, Service Women's Benevolent Fund Committee.

LOCAL BRANCH REPORTS.

Brighton.

We were pleased to see four more members at our Social on January 31st. Miss Hingston (Overseas, British G.H.Q.), Miss I. A. Turner (Wimereux II.), Mrs. Ayre (née Newth, Folkestone and Overseas) and Miss Rowe (West Command). Whist, talk and table-tennis made the time fly; the last was the source of much merriment, but I fear we are hardly up to championship form yet.

Wednesday, February 28th, was fixed for the next Social in the Lounge of the 1918 Club, 79 Middle Street, from 7.30—10 p.m. Members are asked to bring songs, etc., and dance records. An expedition to the country was arranged for Sunday, March 4th. Meet at the Aquarium, in good time to catch the 2.15 p.m. 'bus to Hurstpierpoint. If fine we propose to alight at New Timber, and walk via Wolstanbury Beacon and Danny Park to Hurst, looking for violets and perhaps primroses on the way.

If wet we shall 'bus all the way. Miss C. S. Hannington (Chadderton Depot), Amwell Cottage, Hurst, has most kindly offered to entertain us at tea. We hope to arrive there at 4 p.m. We shall catch the train or 'bus arriving back at Brighton soon after 6 p.m. Will those who would like to join the party let me have their names not later than the Social on February 28th, so that I can give Miss Hannington a definite number. H. A. BARON,
25 Wellington Road.

Edinburgh.

The Annual Meeting of the Branch was held in the Women's United Services Club on January 18th. The Annual Report and the Treasurer's Report were read and the latter showed a satisfactory balance in hand. The Committee was elected and Miss Low was re-appointed Chairman and Miss Norah Mackay was appointed Deputy Chairman. The report of the membership showed a decrease from last year, but 17 new members had joined during the year.

A report was given of the relations between the Scottish headquarters of the British Legion and the ex-Service women, and it was announced that affiliation would seem to be an accomplished fact.

Miss Low sent a cheering letter of encouragement to the Branch, and hopes were expressed by the Chairman that she would soon be with us again.

We are glad to be able to report that Miss McKnight, 45 Winchester Avenue, N.W.6, has agreed to be our second representative on the London Council.

On Saturday, January 20th, a party was given in the Women's United Services Club to 25 blinded sailors and soldiers from Newington House. Major Williamson, the Superintendent, accompanied the men and a very happy evening was spent. A programme of music was given, some of the guests contributing, and after supper there was dancing in the drawing-room. At the end Major Williamson expressed the thanks of the guests for the pleasant evening and "God save the King" was sung.

News has been received from Miss Christine Lorimer, who is at present a member of the Williamson, Gilbert and Sullivan Opera Company and touring in the East. The route is an extensive one including Singapore, Bombay, Calcutta, Hong Kong, Shanghai, Tokio, Yokohama, the Phillipine Islands, and possibly Australia. In Calcutta they had a splendid reception and gave a Gala performance at which the Viceroy and Countess Reading were present.

In one of the newspapers it stated that "Miss Christine Lorimer is exceedingly well fitted as the Fairy Queen and her's was one of the best performances of the evening." She met Mrs. Sargeant (late Driver, Women's Legion M.T., 776 Co., A.S.C.) who is now married, in Calcutta. Miss Lorimer found that as an M.B.E. she had the right to write her name at Government House and this led to many social functions. The newspapers speak highly of her acting, as the following criticism shows: "Both in singing and in acting Miss Lorimer, as the Queen, made a highly successful appearance, her emotional work in the first act being outstandingly well done."

Glasgow and West of Scotland.**Report of a Party to Limbless Soldiers.**

Saturday, December 9th, was a lively day in our club room. We, with our sister services of the Ex-Service Women's Club, were entertaining twenty other old comrades from Erskine House. Erskine is our home here for the limbless soldiers and sailors; I shouldn't say limbless perhaps as happily all have some limbs left, but there they go to have artificial limbs fixed, and to learn some trade suitable for their disablement.

What an evening it was. They were to arrive at 3.30, and before that time eager hands had made everything ready. Tea was laid in one room, and very enticing it looked, and in our other small tables stood waiting, for the entertainment was to take the form of progressive whist.

Fog on the way delayed our visitors, and "Sister Anne" was kept busy on the look-out to see if "anyone was coming." Up they rolled, just quarter of an hour late. It took a little time to get our blue boys out, and how touching it was to see them help each other.

Wishing wouldn't make our walls elastic, and we were putting fifty into comfortable space for twenty-five, but in spite of the squeeze, we wouldn't have had one less, and neither would they, I am sure. At last everyone got seated, a blue boy and a girl time about, each girl to look after her neighbour. How it reminded me of old times.

It wasn't long before everyone was perfectly at home (trust Service girls for that), and all seemed like friends of old standing, and we did laugh when one man replied on being asked to have another helping of ham and tongue, "I shouldn't have had one." We promised not to tell, and assured him that what you ate and enjoyed wasn't nearly so much inclined to do you harm as eating what you should with a wry face. I may not speak of their disablement, it makes one's heart ache too much, but never for a moment was it allowed to dull the enjoyment of that delightful evening, and, looking back, it almost seems to us able bodied individuals that we must suffer from a superfluity of limbs.

We rather feared to make the whist "progressive," but they laughed at the idea, there was no difficulty they couldn't tackle, even to never having played whist before, surely the blue bird must have hovered over us, for never was there a happier time for any of us. We finished the evening with music and recitations, and may I whisper a word to all our girls who have any aptitude in that way not to let it rust, it is such a pleasure to have their willing help on occasions such as these, and such a joy to those who can only listen.

Miss Gow, of the Wrafs, thanked the men for coming, and the orderly in charge expressed their gratefulness for the kindness they had received, speaking of the great treat it was, and how much they appreciated the remembrance, and even after we thought everything was said that could be said, our only Englishman had to say a word or two on his own.

At 8.30 they mounted their 'bus again, and Bath Street echoed to a double cheer, the one from the men for the girls, and the other the girls for the men. Much waving of caps from reluctantly departing guests, and we were left standing, wondering which had enjoyed themselves the most.

We were sorry Miss Gilchrist wasn't there to share the pleasure with us, but as she had gone to London to be present at the Annual Meeting and the dinner afterwards, and as science, advanced as it is, hasn't yet achieved the possibility of being present in two places at once, we had to do without her, but we look forward before long to having another just such, where there will be no counter attraction.

M.H.L.

ROUEN RE-UNION.

The annual Rouen social will be held on Saturday, 24th March, at 6 o'clock p.m., at the Ex-Service Women's Club, 5 Buckingham Gate, S.W. Tickets, including refreshments, 2/6 each. Will all members kindly note the date. Tickets may be obtained from L. Machlin, 42 Dollis Road, Church End, Finchley, N.3, and E. M. Winter, 74 Fairlop Road, Leytonstone, or from various members at the Buckingham Gate Club on Thursday evenings.

Liverpool.

The Christmas Party given by the Club on December 29th was a great success, over 60 being present. Many thanks are due to Miss Wall for engaging an entertainer who kept the whole party in shrieks of laughter for the best part of the evening. Then refreshments came, which included a large Christmas cake, given by our President, Mrs. Kennon; the crackers and a small Christmas tree made the party more festive still. After the room was cleared dancing started: the music being provided by two of the guests, one of them playing the violin and the other a piano a gramophone was also lent. Quite a lot of talent was found amongst the visitors, as in the intervals between the dances songs were sung by two friends of Miss Watson and Miss Robertson's brother. Our late Secretary (for 1922), Miss Pollock, gave some splendid recitations. The Committee was responsible for this most enjoyable evening and must be congratulated on the result.

The Annual Meeting was held on 19th January, when it was decided that the Club's financial footing was quite sound, and it was unanimously agreed to form the tennis and swimming clubs again this summer as they had been so successful last season. R. D. LINDSAY.

Birmingham.

Our New Year gathering took the form of a Fancy Dress Dance, and was very successful indeed. The room, which had been nicely decorated by the girls, was comfortably full in spite of the inclement weather. Mrs. Powell came in during the evening and she and several other visitors were asked to form the Judging Committee. The judging must have been very difficult as many and varied were the costumes, but eventually the prizes were awarded as follows: Gent.'s Original (clock), A Negative; Gent.'s Best (cigarette box), A Turk.—Lady's Original (mosaic vases), Safety First; Lady's Best (jewel case), Chinese costume. Mrs. Powell, in presenting the prizes, spoke a few words on the progress of the Old Comrades' Associations.

An interesting feature of the evening was the presentation of a Wahl Eversharp to our Secretary (Miss E. C. Brinsford), who has worked willingly and arduously for the Club. We were very glad of the opportunity to show our hearty appreciation of her efforts by way of this small token, and Mrs. Powell endorsed our sentiments. A Secretary has many discouraging moments to face and we are glad that Miss Brinsford has always risen to the occasion and come "Smiling Thro'."

Novelties were then distributed and the usual pandemonium reigned. We thank all those friends who so kindly came forward and helped the Committee with refreshments; also the Misses E. C. and A. Brinsford for the gift of Lucky Spot prizes. E. JONES, Hon. Secretary.

Bristol and West of England.

A business meeting will be held on Saturday, February 24th, at 4 p.m., at Christ Church (City) Parish Room, Wine Street. Please come!

Also a Hippodrome party (1st house) has been arranged for the same evening. Members wishing to attend please reply (enclosing 2s. 6d. postal order), not later than Saturday, February 17th.

4 Brookfield Road, Cotham, Bristol.

G. COLLINS.

Manchester.

The general meeting of the United Services Club was held on January 26th. The membership of the Club for the past year was 78, of which 55 were ex-Waacs. The grant from the U.S. Fund has paid the rent of a room once a week and we have a small balance in hand. Our hockey team has had to give up owing to lack of support, but it is hoped that more members will join next season and make it a success. The team are rather in debt so they are having a series of whist drives to raise funds; the first one was held on January 31st and was most enjoyable. Miss Savage, Secretary of the Hockey Club, worked very hard to make it a successful evening.

Dr. Peake has very kindly offered to act as our representative on the Council and Miss Anderson as Press representative. We had our annual visit to the pantomime on January 26th, and 20 of us had a most enjoyable evening.

W. A. ROBINSON, Hon. Secretary.

London.

It is very gratifying to the London Branch to know that during this month three new life members and seventeen annual members have been added to the register.

The re-unions which are held every Thursday evening at 5 Buckingham Gate have been well attended during the month. The fact has been brought to the notice of the Committee that in several instances attendances have been made for persons who are neither members of the O.C.A. nor members of the Club. In order to protect the privileges of the bona-fide members the Committee have decided to adopt the rule of asking each member attending the re-union on Thursdays to show her membership card.

Should any member lose her card she can obtain another one from me.

Miss Brinsley Richards has kindly promised to give us a lantern lecture on "Russia and Poland," from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Thursday evening, March 1st, at the Club. It is hoped that as many members as can will turn up to the lecture.

May I once again remind the London members that 1923 subscriptions are now due and should be sent to me please.

SYLVIA CORNER, Hon. Sec., London Branch.

5 Ferncroft Avenue, N.W.3.

GYMNASIUM CLASS, Cosway Street Women's Institute, Marylebone.—A General Meeting of the above class was held on Wednesday, January 17th, 1923, to elect captain, vice-captain and committee for 1923. The following were elected:— Captain: Miss Winifred Bigg, 36 Hillfield Road, Hampstead, N.W. Vice-Captain: Miss Gertrude Jarvis. Committee: Miss H. Garnham, Miss L. Freeman, Miss H. Knights, Miss M. Behenna.

Owing to a demand from the L.C.C. for a larger class, and the fact that only eighteen ex-Waacs have joined it, the rule of "Waacs only" has been rescinded. Friends of the present members are now admitted, subject to the approval of the Instructress, Captain and Committee.

SWIMMING CLUB.—A General Meeting was held on Thursday, January 18th, at Buckingham Gate when Miss Chapman took the Chair. The Secretary and Treasurer presented a General and Financial Report with which satisfaction was expressed. The question of Bath and Night for Summer Season was discussed with the result that Ladbroke Grove was again chosen, but for Tuesday evening.

Election of Officers and Committee then took place.

Miss M. Chapman was the only nominee for Secretary and it was necessary to deprive her of the Vice-Presidency, which she previously held, in order to gain her in the new capacity. We feel deeply grateful to Miss Chapman, as if she had not consented to this the Club would have been in a sad plight in the absence of other nominations.

Secretaryships do not appear to be popular.

Miss Mainland is a real acquisition as Vice-President as beside being a good swimmer, she has always been so keenly interested in us.

We retain our President and other Vice-Presidents, and 1923 Officers and Committee are as follows:—

President: Miss Ireland, M.B.E.; Vice-Presidents: Mrs. D. Parkes, M.B.E., Miss Mainland; Secretary and Treasurer: Miss Chapman, M.B.E.; Captain: Miss Stansfield; Vice-Captain: Miss Chidley; Delegate to A.S.A.: Miss Milbank; Committee: Miss Bartlett, Miss Izzard, Miss Jarvis, Miss Porter.

Miss Bartlett did not wish to be re-elected as Vice-Captain, but we have not lost her altogether as will be seen.

Golder's Green.

A very successful meeting was held on January 23rd, when fifteen members were present. The Branch really seems to be growing, as it was the first appearance of no less than seven of the fifteen! Elections took place for Secretary and Committee for 1923.

The Secretaryship will be a joint one in future—Miss W. Bigg and Miss A. Collier having agreed to divide the necessary duties. We are overjoyed to report that we have found a fairy godmother! (Perhaps it would be more correct to state that she has found us). The net result is the same and we cannot be too grateful to Mrs. Newton

who has written to offer us the loan of a room in the house she has recently taken at Golder's Green. It seems almost too good to be true, and we shall not believe it until after Mrs. Newton has sampled us and finds she can bear us!

We feel we are really going to have a happy New Year.

It may be advisable to point out that practices will continue to be held at Marshall Street until March 27th (inclusive). We hope to commence at Ladbroke Grove on April 10th, but definite announcement regarding this will be made next month.

We are rather given to blowing our own trumpet, but as this will be the last "blast" from the 1922 Committee and the highest praise is due to the member concerned, we feel fully justified in announcing the award to Miss G. Jarvis of the Bronze Medallion of the Royal Life Saving Society. Miss Jarvis trained during club hours under the Club Instructress. Those of us who remember sustaining "Jarvie" last season during her tadpole efforts, by that portion of a swimming costume which affords the most convenient grip, should now be shamed into emulation.

Perhaps also if all those introducing members who cannot "swim a stroke" will reflect that they too, might be medallists by the end of nine months Club instruction, they will really turn intention into action and come along and join.

A St. Patrick's Masked Carnival will be held at Buckingham Gate on Saturday, March 17th, at 7.30 p.m. Tickets 2s., including refreshments, may be obtained from committee members or the Secretary, Miss M. L. Chapman, M.B.E., 181 Maida Vale.

N. MITCHELL, Hon. Secretary.

Richmond Sub-Branch.

This Branch celebrated its first anniversary by holding a whist drive and social at the Buckingham Gate Club on January 20th. There were over fifty members and friends present and a most enjoyable evening was spent. Miss Ireland presented the prizes of which, thanks to the generosity of various members of the Branch there were ten. Eight were given for whist and two to the winning couple in the spot waltz. Unfortunately our Secretary was prevented through illness from being with us, and in her absence Miss Millman, always a most energetic committee member, performed the duties of M.C. in a characteristically able fashion.

On February 18th there will be a ramble leaving Richmond Station by the 10.38 a.m. train for Staines. Meet Richmond Station 10.30 a.m. prompt.

Then on March 11th we propose revisiting the "Plough" at Stoke D'Abernon, where we had such a jolly tea and jazz evening about this time last year. We shall, of course, tramp there. Meet Kingston Station at 11 a.m.

Miss S. B. Murray.—The death of Miss S. B. Murray will be keenly felt by the London Branch and many friends will mourn her loss. Although hampered by a delicate constitution she was gifted with exceptional mental ability; and her keenness of intellect, broad outlook, and personal charm were a source of pleasure to her associates.

This is written in affectionate appreciation and deepest regret that death should have overtaken her so suddenly.

Portsmouth. E.S.

January 1st.—We began well! The party given by the House Committee of the United Services' Club and held there was a huge success and thoroughly enjoyed. We danced, we sang, and generally made merry. Roll on more merry nights! Portsmouth members please sit up and take notice! Render unto your O.C.A. the things which belong to it—subscriptions for 1923 forward please. Let me say, yet again, that your O.C.A. is not like a bran tub into which you put in your hand and take something out, but you must keep on putting in yourself. You will benefit by the splendid social functions, by meeting old and new friends, by hearing other people's views and expressing yours, by the knowledge that you will be helping others and by a hundred other ways. Think about them all and "keep on carrying on."

February 28th.—Social evening, also at the United Services' Club. Vocal items.

The proposed Combined Services' Sale of Work will take place early in May. Send me something for sale, please. Anything will do. CARICA ROBERTSON, Hon. Sec.

NEWS OF OLD COMRADES.

Miss Elsie Jones, of 12 Lozells Street, Handsworth, Birmingham, is anxious to spend the Easter Holidays in Paris. Can any Old Comrade recommend a hotel where she would be able to obtain accommodation for herself and friend? The General Secretary would also be glad of any information on this matter.

Members of the Buckingham Gate Club will learn with great regret that **Miss Isabel Anderson** has resigned her post there in order to take up work in Edinburgh with her sister. Everyone will be very sorry, as Miss Anderson has always made them welcome and helped to create a home-like atmosphere at the Club.

Will **Dora Carroll** (nee Cook), of Dunstable Girl Guides, 1914, write to **Clark** at 25 West Parade, Dunstable. Still at the same old house.

Rouen members will remember **Peggie Fox**. She is now married and is on her way to Bermuda. **E. Whitaker** and **L. Merry** are in Canada and are visiting all old friends.

Miss C. Hannington (Q.M. Bristol and Chadderton), is still ill, and would greatly welcome letters. Her address is Amwell Cottage, Hurstpierpoint, Sussex. We are delighted to hear that Miss Baron, local Branch Secretary of Brighton, is arranging a ramble to Hurstpierpoint, and will call on "Auntie Carrie."

Miss W. M. Woods (of Etaples), c/o Mrs. A. P. Ackery, 123 Boulevard Street, Michel, Paris, has been ill for some time and is now undergoing a long convalescence. She would be glad to hear from any old Waac friends.

Miss Chrissie Adams, Les Hates, par Valmont, Seine Infre, France, who served with the Black Watch at Perth, is anxious to get into touch with Old Comrades. Miss Adams, who has recently had trouble with her eyes, is now recovering, and hopes, if well enough, to return to England in the spring, when she is looking forward to taking part in the London Branch activities.

Miss G. S. Ashford, Mowsey Sanatorium, Husbands Bosworth, Rugby, would be most grateful if Old Comrades would pass on to her any magazines and books they have to spare. Miss Ashford is undergoing a wearisome course of treatment, and finds she has much spare time and would therefore welcome any reading material.

BIRTH.

Gillespie.—On November 22nd, at Experimental Farm, Brandon, Manitoba, to Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Gillespie (nee E. S. Burnet, Recruiting Staff) a daughter. (Corrected notice).

WEDDINGS.

Tonkin—Wheeler.—Hilda Beatrice Wheeler, Signaller, Etaples, to Arthur George Tonkin, Reinforcements, Etaples, on February 10th, 1923, at Christchurch, Highbury.

Thulver—Holder.—On December 16th, 1922, at St. James's Church, Winnipeg, Manitoba, by the Rev. W. G. Nicholson, Albert George Thulver, of Pleasantdale, Saskatchewan, to Elsie May Holder, of Amprey Crucis, Cirencester, Glos. Present address, Pleasantdale, Saskatchewan, Canada.

Shaw—Finlayson.—At Roseneath Church, Wellington, New Zealand, on 19th January, by the Rev. A. B. Todd, George Leithhead, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. James Shaw, 9 Westfield Road, to Mary Davis Finlayson, O.B.E. Medallist (late forewoman quartermistress), Boulogne Area). Miss Finlayson's address is now—Mrs. Shaw, 97 Harman Street, Addington, Christchurch, New Zealand.

ADVERTISEMENTS

WARDEN required for The United Services Club for Women, Southsea, at the end of March. Experience in catering essential. Salary £80 per annum with board residence and laundry.—Applications stating age and experience to be sent to The Secretary, Helena Residential Clubs, Ltd., 5 Buckingham Gate, S.W.1.

WANTED about the end of March, Cook and House-parlourmaid for Mrs. A. J. Horniblow, 16 Devonshire Place, Eastbourne.

WANTED. Good plain cook for family in Kensington, two nurses, three maids kept, wages according to experience.—Write Box 271.

WANTED FOR SPAIN. Three Ex-Waacs as parlourmaid and house-maids, two Waacs already there.—Write Box 272.

W.R.A.F. OLD COMRADES' ASSOCIATION
A FANCY DRESS (optional) DANCE at the Queens Westminsters Hall, 58 Buckingham Gate, S.W., on Saturday, 17th February, 1923. Prizes will be given for the most original costumes which did not cost more than five shillings. Tickets, 3/6 inclusive, from Miss N. Campbell, 79 Gloucester Street, Victoria, S.W. (stamp).