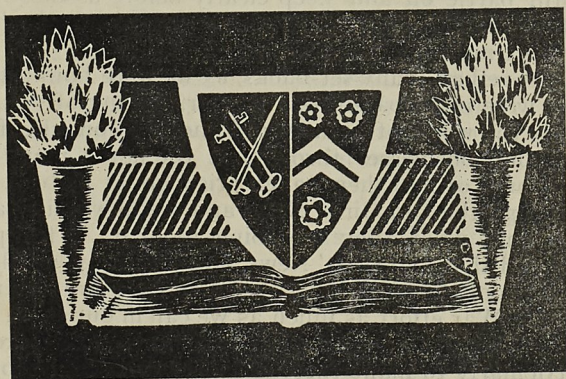


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Editor's Letter.

October, 1942.

My dear Girls, Past and Present,—

We have to reduce the Magazine this year to not more than 50 per cent. of last year's issue, so the Executive has decided to publish only the official School records of 1942, which we must preserve for your benefit; and the Old Girls' News Section, which is the greatest bond between the Old and Present Girls of Wykeham.

There are just one or two things, however, that I feel I must say to you all, albeit briefly. We have come through three years of great stress and distress, and as the tide of the war turns and the great Democracies swing slowly into their stride, many of us feel heartsore and weary, but we must still battle on and keep clearly before us those great ideals for which we entered the struggle. We must win the Peace this time as well as the War.

We have had many set-backs, as we were bound to do, since we were unprepared for this war. Many of you have now to do the work of father and mother, on the farms and in your businesses throughout the land; many have lost dear ones or had them taken prisoners at Tobruk, but read through the Old Girls' News and see how many are in like case and what they are doing about it. I feel proud when I read that Old Girls' News, and I think you will too.

At School the work must go on, but we are trying to further the War effort as much as we can in our spare time. We have a Naval Camp now in Maritzburg and we are trying particularly to make these men's stay in Maritzburg a little pleasanter for them by asking them into the School at recreation times, etc. You will remember, I expect, that I was in the W.R.N.S. during the last war, but I think we all realise what we owe to the British Navy in this country. When bandits are abroad it is inadvisable, to say the least of it, for the custodians of 80 per cent. of the world's gold supply to be completely undefended. If it had not been for the British Navy the situation to-day in this lovely land of ours might have been a very different one. Like several other Natal schools, we have adopted a little ship, the "Simbra," and are working to provide its crew with comforts, though this project is as yet only in its inception.

My experience is that if you ever help the Navy you find that you receive back in service three-fold what you give, whether you want it or not.

I cannot tell you all the repairs and painting and re-fitting that has already been done for us in the School by these lads. I think one of the great results of this war on the spiritual plane is this wonderful spirit of friendliness and mutual assistance everywhere.

One event of real importance in the history of the School too I must mention, which cheered me very much at the time, for as I get older I needs must become more interested in the future of the School when I am gone.

At the Annual General Meeting on April 26, 1942, the Old Girls opened a Wykeham Trust Fund to buy out the

proprietary interests in the School, and set Wykeham up on a Public School Foundation. Our Fund stands at £21 16s. 4d. to-day and we need £1,800, but we have made a beginning. Sheila Cockburn and a group of Old Girls are now rehearsing an entertainment to raise funds for this object, though of course we must share the proceeds with War Funds until Peace comes again.

I must not write more, but I do wish you all the "courage and high hearted happiness" that Robert Louis Stevenson preached and practised so consistently. It has carried the people of our Empire through many a time and oft and will, I am sure, on many future occasions.

With love and every good wish to you all,

Yours affectionately,

DORIS E. MELLOR.

Wykeham School Staff.

OCTOBER 1st, 1942.

Headmistress :

Miss D. E. Mellor, B.A., Hons., London.

Assistant Mistresses :

- Miss M. Abbott-Smith, A.R.C.M.
- Mrs. D. H. Barton, T3, Cape Higher K.G. Certificate.
- Mrs. J. Butler, T2 (Transvaal), I.T.C., Ceylon.
- Mrs. M. Dunbar, A.T.C.S. (Dip. Faculty of Teachers in Commerce) (Bursar).
- Mrs. B. J. Germishuis, Pretoria University and Normal College.
- Mrs. J. E. Gibson, B.A. (Natal), Higher Diploma.
- Miss M. Hosking, L.R.A.M.
- Miss S. Kasan.
- Miss Z. Lusty, Bedford P.T.C., C.S.M.M.G., Dip. R.L.S.S.
- Miss W. North, B.A., Fine Arts, Natal.
- Mrs. M. S. St. George, B.A., Natal.
- Miss G. M. A. Shepherd, Cambridge Teachers' Certificate.
- Mrs. D. Stanton.
- Mrs. L. O. Thomas, B. of Ed., London, Certificate.
- Miss M. J. Zeeman, B.Ed., M.A., Capetown S.T.C.

Administrative Staff :

Miss C. M. Jones-Williams.	Mrs. M. Sandeman.
Miss E. Ashby.	Mrs. K. Davies.
Mrs. M. Gidney.	Mrs. I. G. Mines.

Visiting Staff :

Mrs. H. M. A'Bear, B.A., Natal; Miss F. Abraham, F.T.C.L., A.T.D. (London College of Elocution); Mr. E. S. de Kock, B.A., L.L.B.; Mrs. G. Garnett, A.R.C.M.; Mrs. D. Gordon; Miss M. Grigson and Mrs. N. Hooper-Graham, L.I.S.T.D. (London); Mrs. C. Guy, B.A., Natal; Mrs. E. Hunter; Mrs. E. Karlson, T2, Natal; Mr. P. F. Loney; Miss N. McEwan, L.T.C.L.; Miss E. Ireland, L.R.A.M., A.R.C.M., U.T.L.M., L.T.C.L.; Mrs. D. C. L. Shippey, T3, Dom. Sc.

Medical Officers :

Physician in Charge: Dr. R. R. Mackenzie, M.R.C.S.,
L.R.C.P. (London).
Dental Surgeon: Mr. T. H. Cooper, L.D.S., R.C.S

Wykeham School List.**OCTOBER 1st, 1942.**

Form VIa.—J. Armstrong, D. Baikie, D. Berry, P. Carter, V. Dedekind, M. Deltel, P. Dunbar, M. Fitchat, M. King, D. Mason, J. Morrison, Z. Simmons, M. Springham.

Form VIb.—J. Anderson, C. Baker, P. Broom, S. Brown, P. Harcourt-Baldwin, P. Jerome, I. Leslie, I. McNaughton, D. Pennington.

Commercial Division :

Form VIb.—J. Dowty, J. Gethin-Jones, V. Nel, J. Perkins, A. Stainbank.

Form Va.—D. Berliner, B. Calverley, E. Fletcher, N. Fowler, J. Gadson, M. Graham, S. Graham, M. Lawrence, C. Paterson, A. Pope, M. Slier, B. Waller, G. West.

Form Vb.—M. Boast, P. Burrell, S. Dodds, M. Dorrington, V. Dowty, N. Garland, J. Gordon, M. Hartley, J. Haysom, Y. Higgs, F. Jacobs, R. Johnston, L. Martin-Taylor, T. Simpson, R. Skelton, B. Smith, M. Smith, P. Smith, M. Stainbank, W. Surgeon, J. Wasserfall.

Form IVa.—B. Allan, P. Anderson, M.-A. Basson, R. Benjamin, B. Brazier, P. Cooper, C. Dell, S. Garnett, S. Gordon, P. Hudson, F. Jackson, G. Jehu, A. Johnson, L. Louch, B. Mackenzie, R. Rodda, R. Slatter, B. Weber, A. Wood.

Form IVb.—E. Adlam, B. Anderson, S. Anderson, A. Asfield, H. Batchelor, E. Beard, D. Black, M. Garnett, F. Gem, M. Gordon, A. Gouldson, J. Handley, S. Jacobs, M. Lund, T. Moore, E. Myles, S. Stainbank, P. Weir, C. Whittall.

Form III.—A. Holt, D. Leather, J. McCarthy, M. Mackenzie, D. Meade, A. Nicholls, N. Nolte, J. Ogg, C. Posel, E. Symes, E. Talmage, U. Walker, S. Williamson.

Form II.—J. Allan, J. Allen, J. Brazier, M. Clegg, E. Coles, J. Cosnett, J. Holmes, J. Jackson, M. McGregor, L. Parker, B. Scott.

Form I.—P. Armstrong, B. Boland-Smith, M. Boshagen, J. Buttery, G. Crooks, M. Henry, W. Levey, S. Meade, K. Myles, B. Upfold, B. Wearn.

Transition.—R. Allen, M. Binney, B. de Klerk, P. Gibb, A. Hoch, M. Seamer, S. Wood, K. White.

Kindergarten.—G. Andrews, J. Calder, E. Clegg, B. Cromar, W. de Kock, S. Duberry, A. George, M. Hoch, J. Lissaman, B. Mills, A. Mines, G. Nixon, S. Rivers-Moore, T. Sandeman, M. Uys.

Nursery School.—A. Allen, M. Banks, R. Banks, A. Bousfield, M. Butt, M. Coleman, R. Cowie, J. Drew, F. Findlay, D. Fourie, W. Fuller, P. Hartland, A. Hopman, K. Kent, P. Musgrave, D. Nixon, L. Searle, R. Silburn, E. Speirs, T. Sweeney, B. Symes.

Wykeham Old Girls' Executive Committee.

OCTOBER 1st, 1942.

President.—Miss D. E. Mellor.

Vice-Presidents.—Miss M. Abbott-Smith and L. M. Hime.

Secretary.—M. Pentland.

Committee Members.—E. Butt, W. Catherine, S. Cockburn, S. Dixon, N. Phelps, J. Scott-Riddell, A. Smythe, G. Wood.

Concerning the Present Girls.



CERTIFICATE LIST—JUNE 1942.

University of South Africa.

Matriculation, December, 1941.

Class I: Angela Johnston.

Class II: Anne Broome.

Class III: Pat Moore, Joan Roach, Helen Sydie.

School Leaving Certificate: Margaret Stewart.

Matriculation, February, 1942.

Class III: Shirley Smeaton.

Junior Certificate, December, 1941.

Class I: June-Ruth Stevens.

Class II - Pat Harcourt-Baldwin, Penelope Jerome,
Dawn Pennington, Audrey Woods.

Class III: Betty Davis, Isobel Leslie, Shirley Brown.

Lower Taalbond—October, 1941.

Pass—June Armstrong, Ann Broome, Vera Dedekind,
Angela Johnston.

Primary School Leaving Certificate—December, 1941.

Continuation Certificate.

Division I: Shirley Dodds, Rosemary Johnston, Lesley
Martin-Taylor, Thea Simpson, Jill Wasserfall.

Division II: Paddy Burrell, Jean Gordon, Rosemary
Skelton, Pamela Smith, Maureen Stainbank, Wendy Surgeon.

Royal Drawing Society—September, 1941.

Full Honours Certificate: Mary Byng, Pat Harcourt-
Baldwin, Penelope Jerome, Shirley Smeaton, June-Ruth
Stevens.

National Commercial Examination—June, 1941.

Intermediate Typing, Pass : Mary Byng, Lesley Garland.

Junior Bookkeeping, Pass : Pamela Carter.

Preliminary Bookkeeping, Distinctions : June Armstrong, Pat Dunbar.

Pass : Doreen Berry, Jean Morrison.

Shorthand, 60' Speed—November : Mary Byng.

Junior Bookkeeping, Distinctions : Pat Dunbar,
Audrey Woods.

Pass : June Armstrong, Doreen Berry, Mary Byng,
Jean Morrison, Anne Stainbank, Gloria West.

Preliminary Bookkeeping, Distinctions :
Maureen Graham, Hilda Hart.

Pass : Beryl Calverley.

Pitman's Shorthand Examination—June, 1941.

Elementary Theory and Speed, 50', Pass : Mary Byng.
Full Theory and Speed 70'.

December, 1941

Pass : Mary Byng.

Musie Examinations, University of S. Africa—September, 1941.

Pass : Piano, Higher : Judith Gadson.

Preliminary Theory of Music, June :

Honours : Barbara Waller.

Trinity College Practical Elocution Examination—Nov. 1941

Advanced Senior, Pass : Dora Mason.

Senior, Pass : Isobel Leslie.

Intermediate, Merit : Barbara Waller.

Trinity College Elocution Theoretical—August, 1941.

Advanced Senior, Pass : Dora Mason.

Senior, Merit : Isobel Leslie.

Prize List—June, 1942.

Academic Subjects

Form VIa—

Form Work, 1st Prize : Pat Dunbar.

History Prize : Pat Dunbar.

Form Work, 2nd Prize : Doreen Baikie.

Domestic Science Prize : Doreen Baikie.

English Prize (presented by Mr. E. W. Barns) :
 Dora Mason.
 Good Fellowship Prize (presented by Mr. A. T. Allison):
 Jean Morrison.
 Handicraft Prize : Vera Dedekind.
 Prize for the Girl best all round at Sport : Mary King.
 Senior Elocution Prize : Mary King.

Form VIIb.

Form Work 1st Prize : Dawn Pennington.
 French Prize (presented by Mr. E. W. Barns) :
 Dawn Pennington
 Form Work 2nd Prize : Pat Harcourt-Baldwin.
 Senior Drawing Prize : Pat Harcourt-Baldwin.
 Music Prize (Miss Hosking's Pupils) : Pat Harcourt-
 Baldwin.
 Courtesy Prize : Pat Harcourt-Baldwin.
 Afrikaans Prize : Ishbel McNaughton.
 Senior General Knowledge Prize (presented by Mrs.
 Pope-Ellis) : Isobel Leslie.

Form Va.

Form Work 1st Prize : Judith Gadson.
 Form Work 2nd Prize : Christine Paterson.
 Botany Prize : Maureen Graham.
 Bookkeeping Prize : Gloria West.

Form Vb.

Form Work 1st Prize : Rosemary Johnston.
 Form Work 2nd Prize : Lesley Martin-Taylor.
 Music Prize (Miss Abbott-Smith's Pupils) : Jean Gordon.
 Theory Prize : Jean Gordon.

Form IVa

Form Work 1st Prize : Sylvia Gordon.
 Form Work 2nd Prize : Felicity Jackson.
 Junior Drawing Prize : Felicity Jackson.
 Sewing Prize (Presented by Mrs. R. T. Mason) :
 Anne Johnson.
 Afrikaans Prize : Bla Weber.

Form IVb

Form Work 1st Prize : Judith Handley.
 Form Work 2nd Prize : Mary Garnett.

Form III

Form Work 1st Prize : Jean Ogg.
 Junior General Knowledge Prize (Presented by Mrs.
 Pope-Ellis) : Jean Ogg.
 Form Work 2nd Prize : Joan McCarthey.
 Sewing Prize (Presented by Mrs. R. T. Mason) :
 Dawn Leather.

Form II

Form Work 1st Prize : Elizabeth Coles.

Form Work 2nd Prize : Jacqueline Cosnett.

Junior Elocution Prize : Maureen McGregor.

Form I

Form Work 1st Prize : Jane Allen.

Form Work 2nd Prize : Margaret Henry.

Transition

Form Work 1st Prize : Barbara Wearn.

Form Work 2nd Prize : Rosemary Walters.

Winner of Inter-House Cup for Good Work (Presented by Mrs. J. H. Steere) : Green.

Winner of the Inter-House Cup for Good Order (Presented by Mrs M. E. Morphew) : Mackenzie.

Winner of the Inter-House Cup for Tidiness (Presented by Mrs. H. K. Kershaw) : Green.

Winner of the Inter-House Cup for Music (Presented by Mrs. R. Dougall) : Mackenzie.

Prize List, June, 1942.

Sport.

Hockey.

Winner of the Inter-House Hockey Cup (Presented by Mrs. Underwood Saville) : Green.

Tennis.

Winner of the Inter-House Tennis Cup (Presented by Mrs. J. O. Smythe) : Mackenzie.

School Champion and Winner of Racquet (Awarded by Mr. John Crookes) : Anne Stainbank.

Winner of the Una T. Boyd-Varty Trophy, for the best singles player and Prize (Presented by Mrs. Boyd-Varty) : Anne Stainbank.

Runner-up for the School Racquet and Winner of Prize (Presented by Mr. A. C. Mitchell) : Joy Perkins.

Runner-up in Cup Tournament and Winner of Prize (Presented by Mrs. Boyd-Varty) : Joy Perkins.

Junior School Champion and Winner of the Prize (Presented by Mrs C. J. Chandler) : Anne Johnson.

Runner-up for the Junior Championship and Winner of Prize (Presented by Mrs. C. J. Chandler) : Rosemary Rodda.

Swimming.

Winner of the Inter-House Swimming Cup (Presented by Miss D. Arbuckle) : Mackenzie.

School Champion and Winner of the Earle Cup and Prize (Presented by Mr. P. R. Mason) : Norah Fowler.

Winner of the Shoolbred Cup for the girl gaining most points for her House in the School Gala and Prize : June Armstrong.

Prizes won at the 16th Annual Inter-Schools Swimming Gala, March, 1942.

Seniors.

Aged 16 and over, 50 yds. Breast-stroke :
2nd Prize, Juanita Anderson.

Aged 14 and 15, 50 yds. Breast-stroke :
2nd Prize, June Armstrong.

Aged 14 and 15, 50 yds. Back-stroke :
3rd Prize, June Armstrong.

Aged 14 and 15, 50 yds. :
3rd Prize, Norah Fowler.

Juniors.

Under 14, 25 yds. Back-stroke : 2nd Prize, Bla Weber

Aged 12, 25 yds. : 1st Prize, Rosemary Skelton.

Aged 12, 25 yds. : 3rd Prize, Shirley Anderson.

Aged 10, 25 yds. : 2nd Prize, Betty Talmage.

Aged 9, 25 yds. : 2nd Prize, Elizabeth Coles.

Shooting.

Winner of the Becker Cup for the Highest Average for the year, and Spoon (Presented by Mr. P. Loney) : Penelope Jerome.

Runner-up for the Cup and Winner of the Cup (Presented by Mr. P. Mason) : Pamela Carter.

Gymnasium.

Winner of the Inter-House Gymnasium Cup (Presented by Mrs. A. V. Allan) : Green.

Winner of the Upper School Gym. Medal : Joy Perkins.

Winner of the Lower School Gym Medal : Margaret-Anne Basson.

Games Notes.

COMMITTEE : OCTOBER 1st, 1942.

President	Miss D. E. Mellor.
Vice-Presidents . .	Misses Z. Lusty and M. Gordon.
Tennis Captain	Anne Stainbank.
Tennis Member	Anne Stainbank.
Hockey Captain	Mary King.
Hockey Member	Mary King.
Swimming Captain	June Armstrong
Swimming Member	June Armstrong.
Shooting Member	Penelope Jerome.
Secretary	Dawn Pennington.

TENNIS.

Wykeham came fourth in the Lyle Tennis League in December, 1941. The trophy was won by Girls' High School. The Smythe Trophy Tournament was cancelled this year on account of the War, as was the Inter-town Tournament. J. Armstrong, J. Perkins and A. Stainbank represented Wykeham at the trials in March, 1942.

Miss Campbell and Miss Lusty worked hard with the teams this season, which certainly seem improving. Beryl Calverley won the Junior Championship of Zululand at Eshowe in July, 1942. Anne Stainbank won the Boyd-Varty Trophy and Crookes' Racquet for the second year in succession in June, Joy Perkins being runner-up for both. The Chandler Cup was won by Anne Johnson. Rosemary Rodda ran her up.

The Junior House Tennis was played on the 5th September, 1942, giving a lead of 31 games to Mackenzie House. The Senior matches were played off on September 26th, Mackenzie winning with 127 games. The final result was : Mackenzie, 246 games; Green, 182; and Moore, 112.

Colours were awarded in June to Anne Stainbank.

We have to thank many good friends again this year for interesting themselves in our tennis, particularly Mr. C. Turner and the Director of Education, who lend us their tennis courts, and Mr. A. C. Mitchell, who arrange tennis practices from time to time on his court.

Tennis Teams.

First Six, October, 1942.—

1st Couple: *A. Stainbank (Capt.) and J. Armstrong.

2nd Couple: J. Perkins and B. Calverley.

3rd Couple: M. King and A. Pope.

Second Six, October, 1942.—

1st Couple: M. Graham and S. Graham.

2nd Couple: Z. Simmons and A. Johnson.

3rd Couple: P. Harcourt-Baldwin (Capt.) and N. Garland.

Reserves: B. Walker and M. Lawrence.

* Denotes Games Colours.

First Team Matches.

October 18: v. Convent (League)	won 84-33
October 25: v. Epworth (League)	won 66-51
November 15: v. Michaelhouse	lost 52-10
February 14: v. G.H.S.	lost 72-41
March 14: v. Oribi S.A.W.A.S.	won 68-49
March 24: v. N.U.C.	lost 62-37
March 28: v. St. Anne's	lost 81-36
April 28: v. N.U.C.	lost 66-51
May 12: v. Convent	won 74-25
June 13: v. Estcourt	lost 59-58
August 24: v. College	lost 44-22
	(unfinished).

A. STAINBANK, Tennis Member.

HOCKEY.

The results of the Hockey this year were, on the whole, disappointing. The teams have to learn to combine before they can hope to achieve a really high standard of play. Wykeham gained sixth place in the Hockey League. In the Carnival, chiefly owing to Miss Lusty's untiring efforts, we managed to gain a third place.

Mackenzie House won the Saville Cup on September 19th. Colours were presented in October to M. Graham.

First Eleven, October, 1942.—

B. Calverley, J. Perkins, J. Armstrong, D. Baikie,
 A. Pope, A. Stainbank, P. Harcourt-Baldwin,
 *M. King (Capt.), J. Gadson, N. Garland,
 *M. Graham. (August: N. Fowler.)

Second Eleven.—

S. Graham, V. Dedekind, M. Stainbank,
 Z. Simmons (Capt.), I. McNaughton, R. Slatter,
 N. Fowler, P. Jerome, M. Lawrence, I. Leslie.
 A. Johnson. (August: D. Pennington.)

Hockey Matches.

First Eleven.—

May 2: v. Voortrekker (League) lost 1-5
 May 9: v. G.H.S. (League) lost 0-3
 May 28: v. Oribi won 4-1
 May 30: v. Collegiate (League) won 2-0
 June 11: v. Voortrekker drawn 3-3
 June 16: v. G.H.S. lost 0-8
 June 20: v. St. Anne's (League) lost 1-2
 June 27: v. Epworth (League) lost 0-2
 August 8: v. Convent (League) won 3-2
 August 15: v. St. John's (League) lost 1-2
 August 29: v. Estcourt won 2-0
 September 17: v. Navy won 2-1
 September 28: v. Staff drawn 2-2

Second Eleven.—

May 2: v. Voortrekker (League) lost 0-1
 May 9: v. G.H.S. (League) lost 1-6
 May 30: v. Collegiate (League) lost 1-3
 June 11: v. Voortrekker won 2-1
 June 16: v. G.H.S. lost 0-8
 June 20: v. St. Anne's (League) lost 0-5
 June 27: v. Epworth (League) won 1-0
 August 5: v. Convent (League) lost 0-1
 August 15: v. St. John's (League) lost 1-2
 August 29: v. Estcourt lost 2-5

M. KING, Hockey Member.

SWIMMING.

The standard of Swimming this season has not been as high as last year's. Many of our best swimmers left in December, 1941, though we welcomed some promising newcomers.

The Pietermaritzburg School Swimming Association certificates gained this season were : 5 first class honours, 4 first class, 24 second class and 23 third class. June Armstrong was awarded swimming colours.

At the Seals' Gala held on February 27th, 1942, the Wykeham team entered for the 200 yards Women's Team Race composed of M. Graham, N. Garland, N. Fowler, J. Armstrong. Individual points in the heats were won by J. Anderson, P. Dunbar, J. Armstrong (breast-stroke) and R. Rodda (crawl).

The Annual Inter-house Gala was held at the Open Air Baths on March 9th, 1942. Mackenzie House, for the first time in eight years, won the House Cup with 84 points; Moore, 77 points; Green, 31 points.

Mrs. Earle kindly presented the cups. The Earle Cup was won by Nora Fowler and the Shoolbred Cup by June Armstrong.

Some of our stronger swimmers took part in the South African Women's and Junior Swimming Championships Gala on March 14th. J. Anderson came third in the 50 yards Women's Handicap; R. Rodda and W. Surgeon second and third in the 50 yards Handicap for girls under 14; B. Weber first and M. Graham third in the 50 yards Women's back stroke Handicap; P. Dunbar third in the Women's 50 yards breast stroke Handicap. The Wykeham B team came third in the Girls' Inter-School 200 yards Relay Handicap. The winner was G.H.S.

The 17th Annual Inter-School Swimming Gala was held at the Open Air Baths on the 21st March, 1942. Wykeham lost the Senior Shield to G.H.S. The following girls represented the School in the Senior Relay race: J. Armstrong, N. Fowler, M. Graham, N. Garland.

Our Juniors did well in some of the junior events, E. Coles, E. Talmage, R. Skelton and B. Weber gaining places.

June Armstrong represented Maritzburg in the inter-town race against Durban Seniors, and the team was successful. Life saving was started again this season, but no certificates were taken.

Miss Campbell succeeded Miss Patterson at the beginning of the year as Sports Mistress, and much of our success was due to her untiring efforts and cheerful inspiration.

JUNE ARMSTRONG, Swimming Member.

GYMNASTICS.

The Gym. in the School has kept up its good standard throughout the past year, owing to the unsparing efforts of Miss Campbell, and Miss Lusty, who arrived from England in May to take her place as Sports Mistress. Mrs. Allan's cup for gymnasium was won by Green House from Mackenzie, who had held it for seven successive years.

Gym. colours were awarded to Joy Perkins in July.

J. PERKINS.

SHOOTING.

The high standard of shooting is being well maintained. In December, 1941, Shirley Smeaton and Anne Broome were awarded their colours. The Becker Cup and the Shooting Prize went this year to Penelope Jerome, with Pamela Carter as runner-up.

As a consequence of the war, no girls' schools are allowed to compete for the Imperial Challenge Shield, and we have only one remaining case of ammunition, which we cannot hope to last us longer than the end of the year. However, we should like to express our gratitude to Mr. Loney for his invaluable teaching and encouragement.

P. JEROME, Shooting Member.

GUIDES.

Towards the end of May several girls who belonged to the Lone Guide Company were very keen to start a Guide Company again at Wykeham. Miss Mellor gave them permission to attend the gathering at Wembley to welcome Lady Baden-Powell, who encouraged them to start the Company again. At the beginning of August Dorothy Backhouse, an Old Girl, offered to be our Guider, and has arranged weekly meetings on Sunday afternoons. We should like to express our gratitude to her for her help and encouragement this half-year, and also to Mrs. Vera Bird, who helped considerably with the preparatory work in June.

Company-Leader S. BROWN.

School Diary.

CHRISTMAS QUARTER, OCT. 14th—DEC. 11th, 1941.

The Executors of the Rev. G. Mort's estate present the School with two bookcases, and Mr. A. Pitt presents us with the bell rope of H.M.S. York.

- Oct. 13—Boarders return. Miss Mellor returns from hospital. Mr. A. S. Barns, Mrs. Streak and Miss Tasartey take over Miss Reed's work till end of year.
- „ 15—Parents' Council.
- „ 16—Staff meeting.
- „ 17—Band of Mercy Concert. Epworth Fete.
- „ 21—Ten Girls confirmed at St. Peter's.
- „ 22—Mrs. Herslet speaks on "Our attitude towards the Bantu." Oribi Hospital borrows School Hall for gas examination. A. Broome wins Art Scholarship at Durban.
- „ 23—Oral Afrikaans taken by Mr. du Toit.
- „ 24—Lower Taalbond : 17 entries ; 4 passes.
- „ 25—Prefects' Dance.
- „ 27—Miss Mellor goes to hospital for emergency operation. 49 girls and 4 staff vaccinated. One case of chicken-pox.
- „ 29—Miss N. Burns takes over from Miss Mellor.
- Nov. 1—"Pride and Prejudice" at King's Cinema.
- „ 2—First Communion of newly confirmed girls.
- „ 3—Three entries for Trinity College Elocution Examination : 2 pass, 1 gains merit.
- „ 4—W.O.G.'s Lunch ; 2 present.
- „ 6—Victoria League History Scholarship Examination won by A. Johnston.
- „ 7—Girls collect £1 5s 9d for "Our Children's Day."
- „ 8—Senior girls see film "Lady Hamilton."
- „ 9—Miss Tasartey gives talk on Japan.
- „ 10—Miss Steele and four N.T.C. students spend morning in Nursery School.
- „ 11—Two officers of S.A.W.A.S. give recruiting address. Armistice Day. Collection for sale of poppies, £1 12s 2d.
- „ 17—Niedzielski's Concert.
- „ 18—National Commercial Examination ; 13 entries, 12 passes, 4 with distinctions.

- Nov. 20—Sad news of Sonia Broome's death.
 „ 22—"As you like it" at G.H.S.
 „ 23—Form Va's picnic to "Shelter" Falls.
 „ 24—Va Scripture Examination.
 „ 27—Inter-House Gym. Competition, won by Green.
 „ 28—Matriculation Junior Certificate and School Examinations begin.
 „ 30—One case of German measles.
- Dec. 1—Miss Mellor returns to work. Girls subscribe £5 towards "Ouma's" Birthday Candle Fund. St. John's, Wykehan and St. Anne's chosen from the Maritzburg Schools asked to present the 71 candles.
 „ 2—W.O.G.'s Lunch; 2 present.
 „ 3—Primary School Certificate Examination.
 „ 5—Pitman's Examination; 2 entrants pass.
 „ 10—Maritzburg College Prefects' Dance.
 „ 11—Hilton College Prefects' Dance. Breaking-up Concert and Exhibition of Work. Prefect attendance certificates gained by 19 girls. Letter of thanks for donation received from Mr. A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, and the Mayor of Coventry.
- Jan. 6—P.S.C. results: 5 first division, 6 second, 1 third. R.D.S. results: 75 honours, 39 passes, 2 failures. P. Harcourt - Baldwin gains R.D.S. Overseas Prize.
 „ 19—Matriculation results: 1 first class, 1 second 3 third, 2 S.L.C., 3 failures.
 „ 24—Junior Certificate results: 1 first class, 4 seconds, 3 thirds, 3 failures.

EASTER QUARTER, JANUARY 27th—APRIL 1st, 1942

- Jan. 26—Boarders return. Staff meeting. New staff: Mrs Gillison takes Mrs Hasses' place; Miss Zeeman, Misses Thompson and Merrick's; Miss North, Miss Elders'; Miss Campbell, Miss Paterson's. Returned to help us: Mrs Germishuis Mrs. St. George.
 „ 27—House meeting. Rule reading.
 „ 28—Parents' Council. Prefects' meeting.
 „ 30—Staff meeting to do registers.
 „ 31—Inspection of uniforms. Sports meeting.
- Feb. 2—War Art Exhibition.
 „ 3—W.O.G.'s Lunch; 6 present.

- Feb. 16—Sister Buttery starts a course of First Aid lectures.
- „ 18—Ash Wednesday. Seniors go to early church. Mr Cooper's six-monthly dental inspection.
- „ 19—Junior Lent Services begin.
- „ 21—Swimming Gala at St. John's.
- „ 27—Stationery cupboard, box room and acting cupboard altered to serve as air raid shelters. Seals' swimming gala.
- March 3—W.O.G.'s Lunch ; 9 present.
- „ 5—Staff meeting.
- „ 7—Mrs. Smalridge's talk on C.P.S.
- „ 9—W.O.G.'s Executive meeting to plan week-end.
- „ 15—Dr. M. Roseveare's talk on her work in Nigeria.
- „ 16—W.O.G.'s meeting to send out invitations to Birthday Dance.
- „ 17—Oliver Kumalo's talk to Bantu staff on C.P.S.
- „ 18—Air raid practice, 9.15 p.m.
- „ 19—Fire fighting display.
- „ 20—Inter-schools swimming gala Seniors : G.H.S. first with 26 points ; Wykeham fourth with 8. Juniors : St. John's first with 22 points ; Wykeham fifth with 12.
- „ 21—Miss Fraser speaks on C.P.S.
- „ 24—Staff meeting. Prefects' meeting.
- „ 27—C.P.S. day alert. Mr Halm visits School.
- „ 31—First reading of breaking-up play " Les Femmes Savantes." Miss Shepherd translates it and helps with production
- April 1—School breaks up. Two new dormitories and one bath room opened at Waverley.
- „ 6—Helène Catremie's wedding reception at Wykeham.

WINTER QUARTER. APRIL 13th—JULY 2nd, 1942.

- April 13—Boarders return. New staff : Mrs Bird replaces Mrs Gibbs (Miss Ashby first fortnight) ; Mrs St. George, Mrs A'Bear replace Miss Taylor ; Head Girl: Z. Simmons ; Vice-Head : M King ; Prefects : J. Armstrong, P Carter, M Dettel, P. Dunbar, M. Fitchat, J. Morrison, M. Springham ; Day Scholar Prefects ; D. Baikie, D. Mason.

- April 14—Marda Vanne's performance of " Jeannie. "
Parents' Council. House meeting to place
new girls.
- „ 17—First C.P.S. weekly practice for fire fighting and
first aid units.
- „ 21—Staff meeting to plan W.O.G.'s week-end.
- „ 22—W.O.G.'s Executive meeting.
- „ 24—" Midsummer Night's Dream " at Girl's
Collegiate.
- „ 25—W.O.G.'s week-end sale makes £47. Fancy
dress dance, Prizes presented by Mrs. Gordon
Watson.
- „ 26—W.O.G.'s annual meeting, Wykeham Trust
Fund opened.
- May 5—W.O.G.'s lunch ; 6 present.
- „ 9—Graduation ceremony. Afrikaans Eisteddfodd ;
5 first prizes. Michaelhouse prefects' dance.
- „ 12—C P S. practice.
- „ 13—Area C.P.S. practice.
- „ 14—Ascension Day. Seniors go to early church.
- „ 15—Mrs. Carr joins staff as Assistant Matron.
- „ 21—Symphony concert.
- „ 22—Long week-end Miss Z. Lusty and Mrs.
Esmonde-White relieve Miss Campbell and
Mrs. Gidney
- June 2—Lady Baden-Powell's Guide Rally. W.O.G.'s
lunch ; 5 present
- „ 3—Two entrants for Cape Preliminary Theory
Examinations—both pass.
- „ 6 and 7—Sister Buttery and Miss Lochrie show
first-aid students the kitchens of Grey's
Hospital.
- „ 9—National Commercial Examinations : 5 entrants,
3 distinctions, 1 pass, 1 fail.
- „ 10—First confirmation class ; 7 entrants. Prefects'
meeting
- „ 11—Staff meeting.
- „ 13—Fête at Mrs. Tatham's.
- „ 14—C.P.S. practice.
- „ 18—School examinations begin.
- „ 22—Miss Abbott-Smith goes to Durban to see
specialist.
- „ 23—One case of measles.
- „ 25—W.O.G.'s meeting to send out news-slips.

June 26—" Make-up " rehearsal for breaking-up play.
Inter-House singing competition judged by
Mr. Withers Carter ; won by Moore House.

„ 29—Performance of " Les Femmes Savantes " for
public makes £5.

July 2—Breaking-up Mrs. W. A. D. Russell gives
prizes Girls devote their prize money to the
Royal Navy Benevolent Fund. During holi-
days Z Simmons represents Wykeham at
conference of senior boys and girls at Maritz-
burg College to study social welfare and the
powers of the Provincial and local govern-
ment. B Calverley wins the Junior Tennis
Championship of Zululand at Eshowe. New
Dormitory opened at Westminster.

MICHAELMAS QUARTER : AUG. 5th to OCT. 2nd, 1942.

Aug. 4—Boarders return Staff meeting New staff :
Mrs. Shippey, Miss Kasan, Mrs Guy and Mrs.
Karlson to replace Mrs Gillison. Mrs Jefferies
locum tenens for Mrs Dunbar. Mrs Gray
locum tenens for Mrs Mines

„ 5—School opens Rule reading Parents' Council,
House meeting

„ 7—Librarian and members' meeting. C.P.S. prac-
tice to use equipment supplied by P.W.D.

„ 8—Rev G. Reindorp speaks on his work as naval
chaplain at Durban. We adopt the little
ship " Simbra "

„ 11—W.O.G.'s lunch ; 2 present A Pope awarded
Bursary from P.S.C. examinations.

„ 18—Mrs Thomas gives exhibition of her Chinese
and Japanese treasures to raise money to buy
wool for our ship : £1 10s.

„ 23—One case of mumps

„ 25—Mrs Innes relieves Mrs A'Bear.

„ 26—Mrs Sandeman relieves Miss Jones-Williams

„ 29—Estcourt teams entertained Navy begins to
come to Saturday evening dancing.

„ 30—Visit to mosque.

Sept. 1—W.O.G.'s lunch ; no old girl present.

„ 2—Staff badminton evenings for Navy begin.

„ 3—Second mumps infection.

„ 5—Junior House tennis.

- Sept. 8—Petty Officers W. Barker and F. Bray speak to girls on Deep Sea Diving.
- „ 10—Staff meeting.
- „ 11—Rev. W. Mountfort stays with us for Synod
- „ 12—Hockey Carnival won by G H S, Wykeham 3rd
- „ 13—Synod Sunday.
- „ 14—W.O.G. meeting to arrange dance Prefects' meeting
- „ 18—Jnr J Johnson and J. Clewley inspect and criticise C.P.S. practice and mend hall ceiling.
- „ 21—Confirmation at St Peter's
- „ 22—Rev. J. B. Shortt speaks to girls about Oriibi Camp and its activities.
- „ 23—Petty Officer W. Barker speaks to girls about " Battle of Cape Matapan " and the evacuation of the army from Dunkirk and Crete
- „ 24—W.O.G 's dance at the Ansonia S Cockburn hostess Hall decorated as a merry-go-round by Miss W. North and the Art Classes
- „ 26—First rehearsal of one-act plays produced by S. Cockburn
- „ 27—Petty Officer F. G. Barker speaks to the girls on " Ranks and Ratings " in the Navy.
- Oct. 1—Nursery School farewell party
- „ 2—School breaks up, and comes out of quarantine for mumps. During holidays R Hammond, E. A and E M Barber instal flood lights and remove switchboard from back wall of stage, repair Prefects' wireless, etc, and Jnr J Johnson and J. Clewley renew venetian blinds or Nursery School, paint laundry shelves, etc.
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Concerning Old Girls.



News of the Old Girls.

Ablett, Enid (Mrs. Wroughton) is now a commissioned officer in the S.A. Women's Auxiliary Air Force, and in the last year has been posted to Bloemfontein, Pretoria, Witbank and Gordon's Bay. She was O.C. W.A.A.F. Details, and O.C. W.A.A.F. Camp at the Crash Boat Wing. Lately she has been posted to a "hush-hush" job in the Coastal Area Command in Capetown, and so has been able to rejoin her husband, who is doing a war job there.

Alexander, Marjorie, is working in the Public Health Department at Salisbury in connection with the health clinics.

Allan, Terry (Mrs. Bredin), spent a few most exciting days with Dulcie Arnott (Mrs. Foster) and Nancy Herring (Mrs. Cullen) last October, when they went to Durban to meet their husbands on their return on leave from Egypt. At the docks they met Myra Handley (Mrs. Stride) and Doreen Fynney (Mrs. Pollock) meeting their respective husbands. In June, Terry and Dulcie Foster again spent a few days in Durban together when they went to see their husbands off to Madagascar, and on this occasion they bumped into Memory Woods (Mrs. Otto) seeing her husband off to the same destination. Jessie Harwin (Mrs. Howarth) went to see Terry when she was staying with Dulcie Foster this year. *Lesley* became engaged in March this year to George Faull, Government Veterinary Officer at Ixopo, and has just been married. She spent April on holiday in Capetown, where her husband's people live.

Amos, Vera (Mrs. Morford), distinguished herself this year when she tackled a native burglar in the early hours of the morning. She chased him into a backroom and three times caught hold of him and grappled with him, finally being dragged along the garden path holding on to him. He was finally arrested under the house. Vera still carries on her work, and last year she and *Irene* (Mrs. van der Poel) acted as hostesses at a Christmas tea party which was given by Mr. Amos to members of the S.P.C.A.

Anderson, Ivy, is a Sister at Oribi Hospital. *Elsie* (Mrs. Chapman) is working at Tatham, Wilkes & Co., Timber Street, Maritzburg.

Arbuckle, Sheena (Mrs. Munro), after being nearly blind again, has had two operations performed on her right eye and can now see as well as she did two years ago, to her great delight. In the last two years she has managed, however, to do a lot of knitting, her score being six polo pullovers, three jerseys, eight Balaclava mufflers, and 125 pairs of socks, so, as she says, there is life in the old girl yet! She has seen Margaret Roseveare and says she is just the same as ever. *Daphne* is now working in Maritzburg for Advocate Knox, and still carries on her work for war funds. She produced a very big show in the Maritzburg City Hall, called "Calling Seven Seas," in aid of the Navy League and the Nederlands Navy.

Arbuthnot, Eileen (Mrs. Chadwick), and her little daughter are well. She recently spent a month's leave with her husband at Potchefstroom. *Natalie Fannin* (Mrs. Juul) picked up a message for her sister Mildred (Mrs. Bolton), from her prisoner-of-war husband, broadcast from the Rome Radio Station, and sent it on to her, not having any idea who Mrs. Ted Bolton was, until, in her reply, Mildred said she had been at Wykeham, and asked whether Natalie had been Natalie Fannin who used to go to Wykeham! Mildred's husband was in the U.M.R. and was captured at Tobruk.

Arnott, Natalie (Mrs. Shewan), is President of the Highflats Branch of the S.A. Red Cross. They made £460 at a Bazaar at Highflats. Like all the Arnotts, she is most public-spirited and is always helping at "Bring and Buy" Sales and other functions to raise war funds. Her husband is a splendid neighbour, helping Olive Walker (Mrs. Harris) to run the farm while her husband was up North. *Sheila*

(Mrs. Peddie) has a new baby son, who was born in July. *Phemie* (Mrs. B. Peddie) is kept busy by her growing children, but found time to help with the big War Market which was held at Umzinto in October, and made £1,270. *Dulcie* (Mrs. Arnott) has a very new baby son, who was born in October. Her little daughter Fiona was flower girl at Sheila Crookes' wedding. *Dulcie* is alone again now that her husband has been sent to Madagascar, after having come back last October from Egypt. *Flo* (Mrs. Gray) has a little son (Edmund Atholl) who was born last December. *Maris* is kept busy running the store at Highflats while her brother is at the front, but she still finds time to ride and play golf.

Backhouse, Dorothy, is working for her father, and is a member of the Entertainment Section of the S.A.W.A.S. She often helps at concerts. Recently she and Shirley Brown, a member of Form VIIb and ex-Lone Guide, have started a Girl Guide troop at Wykeham again, in response to a special appeal from Lady Baden-Powell. Meetings are held at Wykeham on Sunday afternoons.

Bangley, Phyllis (Mrs. Goldwater), lost her eldest son, John, this year in tragic circumstances. She and her family are back in their home in Durban now, after spending six months at Umkomaas, and *Phyllis* is teaching at the Durban Boys' High School, releasing a man for active service. *Peggy* is still teaching at Benoni High School.

Banks, Winnie, turned to and helped out at Wykeham at the end of the June quarter, when Miss Abbott-Smith was ill, by teaching some of the senior pupils. Her help was greatly appreciated, more especially as she was very busy and ill able to spare the time.

Barns, Sheila (Mrs. Cockburn), is living at Scottsville with her father, as her husband is now a padre with the Forces up North. She has recently come on to the W.O.G. Executive, and acted as hostess at the dance on September 23rd. She is also producing a series of entertainments at Wykeham to raise money for the new Wykeham Trust Fund and for war funds. Her husband was recently down on leave. She still keeps up her singing.

Baynes, Dorothy (Mrs. Finlay), after nine years in Salisbury, has now moved with her husband to Staple Forest Reserve, 30 miles from Umtali. There is good trout

fishing there. Her husband has not been conscripted owing to the valuable work he does in connection with the production of creosote and timber.

Bealer, Vivienne (Mrs. Haw), was teaching Botany at St. Anne's until June. She and her husband sold their farm at Merrivale with the intention of going to Kenya to farm, but while waiting for the necessary permit, they were persuaded instead to go and run the family farm 27 miles from Mooi River. Her little boy, Julian, was very ill with pneumonia last February, but M. & B. pulled him through. *Leila* is now completing her second year B.A. at the N.U.C., majoring in Fine Arts and English. She plays hockey and swims for the Varsity and was helping for some time with swimming coaching at Wykeham. She took part in the Old Girls' play.

Beattie, Dorothy (Mrs. Rose), is still working in her mother's business (The Kokstad Advertiser) as bookkeeper, etc. Her children are both at school and are growing up fast, the eldest 12 and the youngest eight. Dorothy is still a keen golfer and very successful too—she again won the club championship this year. She finds golf and sewing for herself and the children is about as much as she can manage, so she has given up tennis now.

Baumont, Julie (Mrs. Woods), who is a Sergeant in the W.A.A.F. in East Africa, was married at Nairobi in March to Lieut. E. O. Woods, who is in a British regiment. It is rather a coincidence that her husband was educated at Winchester.

Becker, Joy, has married again, and is now Mrs. Dalton. Her husband is in the Army and she is living in Johannesburg.

Behrmann, Beth, has finished her degree course at Rhodes and is doing her Higher Diploma at the N.U.C. She has joined the Red Cross and has passed the First Aid and Home Nursing exams., as well as a Hygiene exam., in which she and Sheldine Dixon were two of the six who passed out of 20. She also does fire fighting in the C.P.S., and helps with the swimming coaching at Wykeham.

Beiles, Doria, has also gone in for First Aid and Home Nursing in Johannesburg, where she is working as shorthand typist for Rand Mines Ltd. She spent her leave this year at Cathkin Park.

Bennett, Barbara (Mrs. Cope), was married a year ago, and had Sheila Crookes (her sister-in-law) as one of her bridesmaids. She is now living on the next farm to Sheila's home. *Joan* (Mrs. Byas) was in Maritzburg in June. She has moved from place to place with her husband and had a flat in Pretoria for two months, when he was an Air Force Instructor at a camp near by.

Bennett-Davis, Mollye, became engaged early this year to Lieut. Kenneth Ross Munro. She is on the nursing staff at Addington Hospital, Durban.

Bernard, Grace (Mrs. Turner), spent a holiday in July with the family at St. Michael's-on-Sea. She helps at the Navy League Canteen in Johannesburg, and sees several of the Johannesburg Old Girls from time to time. *Dorothy* is at the Medical School, doing her second year in massage. She is the proud aunt of a lovely niece of five months old.

Black, Jean (Mrs. Line), broke her leg at the beginning of the year, but has quite recovered now. *Janet* is still housekeeping for her mother in Maritzburg and helps forward the war effort, and plays tennis in her spare time. *May* (Mrs. Lindsay) has Lilian at home again now, helping with the running of the farm.

Blacklock, Maisie, had her portrait painted this year by the well-known artist, Natalie Nash. The portrait was among those exhibited at the Red Cross Caledonian Market in Durban in December last year. She is working at Naval Headquarters.

Blackhurst, Dr. Avalon, after working in the gynaecology section at the King Edward VIII Hospital in Durban, went on to Johannesburg to study ear, nose and throat at the General Hospital, Johannesburg. From all accounts she is an excellent doctor.

Blakeway, Joan, nursed her mother when she was ill this year. She does private nursing in the district and helps at the local hospital. *Clare* leads an interesting life in Durban. She helps at the Victoria League Canteen and does a lot of dancing. She was to have joined her family at Port Edward, but the Revenue Office was so short-staffed that her leave was postponed until August.

Boast, Gladys, has joined up and is in the Signallers, stationed at present at Roberts Heights. *Patience* (Mrs.

McCarter) now has a son in the Army, her eldest boy, Michael, who is 17, has just joined the Artillery after training in the Youth Brigade at Potchefstroom. The baby is walking now. *Ismay* (Mrs. Gordon) has had a trying time since the last magazine was issued. Her husband was taken prisoner by the Germans at Sidi Rezegh and is now in a prisoner-of-war camp in Italy, and recently she has lost her mother. We offer her our deep sympathy.

Boddam, Betty, was staying in Weston-Super-Mare when the big air raid took place there in June this year. She was then expecting to be called up for national service.

Booth, Merle (Mrs. Lark), was married in Capetown in January to Lieut. Rex Lark of the Gold Coast Regiment. He is now on service up North and Merle carries on with her singing, and had made quite a reputation for herself in Durban.

Bradbury, Clarice (Mrs. Lyle), is helping her mother to run the Ingogo Hotel, near Newcastle, while her husband is up North.

Brereton, Ruth (Mrs. Evans-James), has her daughter, Daphne, nursing now at Grey's Hospital, while the other daughter, Audrey, has just become engaged.

Brickdale, Margaret, has gone to Simonstown with her parents, as her father, Lt. Commander Brickdale, has been appointed Secretary to the Commander-in-Chief there.

Broome, Dr. Mary, is back at work as Assistant M.O.H. in Capetown, after being ill. Her son is at boarding school. *Sonia* was very tragically killed in a motor accident in December last year when on her way with her mother to Rhodesia. She had just finished the second year of her Radiology Course at Witwatersrand University and the Tutor to the Women Students there wrote of her to Miss Mellor: "What we admired were her radiant qualities, her honesty, her sturdiness and her courage. She was on the way to being a splendid woman." *Ann* had our deep sympathy, as she was just about to sit for the Matric, when the accident happened. She later won a bursary to the Art School in Durban, where she is thoroughly enjoying her work now. She still swims a lot, and was chosen to represent Natal in the South African Championship in March.

Brown, Molly (Mrs. Ross), is now living at Ashley

Grange near Merrivale, and she goes over every Sunday to play tennis with Nancy Shaw (Mrs. Lund). *Peggy* is still working for her father in Maritzburg, and waiting for the end of the war, when she will be married.

Browning, Zoe, is still working in Greytown, and plays a lot of tennis and hockey. She belongs to the Greytown S.A.W.A.S., and still corresponds with Ruth Forrester (Mrs. Darby). *Zilla* is still working for Nel & Stevens in Greytown.

Bull, Winnie (Mrs. Drummond), has a baby daughter, who was born in February.

Burnett, Margaret (Mrs. Evans), was down from Rhodesia in November last year, when she and her three children stayed with Sheila Crookes (Mrs. Bennett). She was busy, when Sheila last heard from her, making toys for a war bazaar.

Butler, Doris (Mrs. Jones), is one of the Bachelor Girls' dancing troupe which does much to raise war funds and to entertain the men of the forces in Durban.

Button, Hazel, will be writing her B.Sc. Final at the end of this year. She plays a good deal of tennis and belongs to Sister Buttery's First Aid Squad at the N.U.C. C.P.S. Post.

Buaton, Eileen, is Head Cashier at the Bank in Paignton, where she is doing a man-size job and taking the strain of the work and the late hours very well. She had a holiday at the end of June, and spent it picnicing and bicycling round the country lanes. She and *Ethna* (Mrs. Perry-Hook) have our sympathy in the loss of their father. *Ethna* is living at home, as her husband is at sea, though she sees him occasionally. She and her grandfather look after the garden and, besides this recreation, she works for the women's Voluntary Service, the British Legion and the A.R.P., and does the cooking! She writes most interesting letters and always enjoys getting the magazine. Of the last one, she wrote: "I'm filled with admiration at all the splendid work being carried out by past and present girls, and proud to be allowed to call myself one of their company."

Byng, Judy (Mrs. Duncan), has moved into her own house in Durban, and still keeps up her painting. *Mary* left Wykeham in December last year, having finished her

Commercial Course, but we have no recent news of her. *Norah* still works in the Johannesburg Municipal Library.

Calverley, Doreen, is enjoying her work very much, though she was sorry when Mr. Turner, Lynette, Sheila and Hilary's father left their office for Benoni. She often sees the Turners and Buntly Cox.

Campbell, Dulciè (Mrs. Davis), is Commandant of the V.A.D. Detachment at Potgietersrust. She is a trained nurse, and relieves the Matron for her annual leave and at week-ends. *Cherry* (Mrs. Selater), besides looking after her own three little girls, is also caring for a three-year-old little boy whose mother was killed in England during the blitz. She is running the farm for her husband, who is now stationed at Oribi.

Carbutt, Bym (Mrs. Bromley), had *Trixie* (Mrs. Landley), with Pam and Judy, to stay with her for Christmas. She is kept busy with canteen work and knitting. Trixie is running the farm with the help of a manager. Her husband was taken prisoner at Tobruk. In August she had Bym staying with her, and they came into Wykeham once or twice. Bym's son has joined the Surveyor's Corps and is at Ladysmith. *Sheila* (Mrs. Blyth) has a little son, Robin.

Catherine, Helene (Mrs. Helberg), was married in April, and had her wedding reception at Wykeham. She went to Ladysmith to live, and *Wyndom* took her place on the staff at Cordwalles. The latter is a member of the W.O.G. Executive. Helene has taken up golf and joined the S.A.W.A.S.

Chandler, Mabel, was staying with Alma Lauer early in the year, when Joan Tipper saw them both. In May and June she was on holiday. She does a lot of St. John's Ambulance and canteen work in her spare time. She works in an auditor's office.

Chaplin, Denise, is very happy doing Social Science at Rhodes University College, where she is with Suzette Cooper. She is interested in the Dramatic Society and in the Social Studies Group, as well as in the Debating Society, which is ably run by Roy Gathorne, who is a Wykeham grand-child.

Chard, Marjorie (Mrs. Tarr), when we heard from her in April, was doing munitions work, and found the work

very interesting. Her husband had then just returned by plane from a trip up North.

Chiazzari, Doonan (Mrs. Gethin-Jones), works at the Seamen's Institute Canteen in Durban. Like many other Wykeham Old Girls, she has had a very anxious time this year, as her son was taken prisoner a day before Tobruk fell. She often comes to Wykeham to see her daughter, who is there. *Sheila* (Mrs. Featonby-Smith) is working full-time now in the Motor Transport of the W.A.A.S., and is stationed at Clairwood Camp.

Chilvers, Janet, is one of those people who always manage to be doing something interesting. In April she wrote that she was working hard at Mr. Boswell's Animal Hospital, doing 10 hours a day, six days a week and two hours on Sundays. She rode every morning from 6.30 to 8 to keep fit and in training for the show, in which she was riding in nine classes. Later in the year we read in the newspaper of how Miss Janet Chilvers, a visitor from Johannesburg, made a plucky attempt to save the life of an aircraftsman in the R.A.F., who got into difficulties in the river mouth at Isipingo, and was drowned. Janet tried to reach him with a rope, but was washed on to the rocks on the north side of the mouth. In September, Janet was working in the Orderly Room at the W.A.A.F. Camp at Valhalla, and was expecting a transfer to Durban. She had been painting posters for dances, printing hygiene notices and doing leatherwork orders. She has our deep sympathy in the loss of her elder brother, Alan, at Sidi Rezegh.

Clarence, Eva (Mrs. Butt), is working at T. S. Taylor's in Maritzburg.

Clark, Sylvia (Mrs. Battcock), is still living at St. Alban's, England. *Blyth* had the most amazing experience this year. She became engaged early in the year to Dr. Jacobs, of the Rockefeller Institute of America, and sailed in mid-February for the United States to be married. On April 1 the ship was torpedoed, and she was among the survivors who spent 13 days in a lifeboat before they were picked up. To begin with, there were between 30 and 40 in the boat, but only 11 were alive when they were rescued, and six of these died later in hospital. Blyth landed in America with nothing but her St. Christopher medal round her neck—clothes, trousseau, everything was lost. She spent a long

time recuperating in hospital from her dreadful ordeal, but wrote quite cheerfully to her parents all the time. In October we heard that she was out of hospital and convalescing at a Y.W.C.A. Hostel. She had still not quite recovered the use of her feet, which were completely numb for weeks from exposure.

Clayton, Beth (Mrs. Elliot), is working in Maritzburg as receptionist to Dr. Basil Peters.

Clements, Lorna, is working for Fred Nicolls Proprietary Ltd., Boatbuilders, at Maydon Wharf, Durban. She is engaged to Flight Lt. Anthony Clark, R.A.F., the son of Professor Clark. He is in England doing radio work with the R.A.F. Lorna is living with her people in Durban, and is a member of the Berea Tennis Club and of the Bachelor Girls' Club.

Clowes, Dorothy, is teaching music in Maritzburg, and is kept very busy. She is no longer playing for dancing classes at Wykeham—she is too busy teaching.

Cole, Betty (Mrs. King), had a game of tennis with Joyce Fann (Mrs. Marwick), when the latter spent a weekend at home.

Comins, Eileen, who is an officer in the W.A.A.F., is in the Cipher Department, stationed at George. *Rita* (Mrs. Baikie) is still fond of gardening. Her son has left school now and is helping his father to run the farm. *Marjorie* (Mrs. Harries) was looking very well when Mary Graham saw her in April.

Connolly, Pat (Mrs. Booysen), and her husband are living with Yvonne McCullough in Alexandra Road.

Cooper, Betty (Mrs. Lewin), is still in Johannesburg, where she had *Suzette* to stay with her in February. The latter is majoring in Botany and Zoology at Rhodes University College, and thoroughly enjoying life there. She plays hockey, swims, and is also keen on dramatics and debating.

Cowley, Heather (Mrs. Mills), was married in Addis Ababa to Capt. Bernard Scott-Mills of the Ethiopian Army on July 31st. They have a little house in Addis Ababa, but as Heather is still serving with the F.A.N.Y.S. and is stationed at Harar, over 300 miles away, she doesn't often

see the house. She had Union leave last April and came home to Kloof. It was wonderful, she says, to be in South Africa again after so long in Ethiopia, though she loves it there. As she had only 10 days' leave, it wasn't possible for her to see all the old friends she would have liked to. Her husband is an international horseman, and after the war they plan to train horses in America.

Cor, Betty, is still living at the Ansonia Hotel with her father and mother. *Mabelle (Bunt)* has a good post in the S.A. Press Association, and likes the work very much. She spent her holiday in December at Karridene, playing lots of golf, and on the way back called in at Maritzburg and looked up her old friends and colleagues, including Veronique Merrick, who was able to tell her all the latest Wykeham news. She is still playing hockey for Wanderers, and has taken up Red Cross and C.P.S. work. Her father died suddenly on September 18th. She has our deep sympathy.

Crompton, Natalie (Mrs. Phelps), is now a member of the W.O.G. Executive, and helped with the Old Girls' Sale and Entertainment. She is now living in Loop Street, and when her time is not taken up with her little girl, Penelope, she drives convalescent servicemen to the cinema and often entertains men from Oribi Hospital at her home. Her brother Cyril is a prisoner of war in Italy; he is in Camp 35, and she would like to contact anyone else who has a relative in that camp.

Crookes, Rose-Ella (Mrs. Waring), is President of the Women's Institute at Umzinto and is an excellent Chairwoman, and sees to it that the business part of any meeting is brief, sufficient and to the point. She spent a holiday in Johannesburg while her husband was on a N.R.V. Officers' Course at Roberts Heights. She, *Ivy* (Mrs. Gillatt) and *Doreen* (Mrs. van Rooyen) all helped with the big War Market held at Umzinto on October 3rd. Ivy has organised several very successful efforts for war funds. *Violet* (Mrs. Poynton) has a lovely baby daughter, Gillian, who was born on January 17th. Her second daughter, Shirley, was a flower girl at Sheila's wedding. *Doreen* (Mrs. van Rooyen) is now keeping house for her father at "The Cedars." She was matron-of-honour at Sheila's wedding, while her little daughter, Elizabeth, was the youngest flower girl. *Steila* is now Mrs. Horace Bennett, and Barbara's sister-in-law, and is living near Mooi River. She keeps up her good work, and

has been busy lately for a local bazaar to be held in December. *Elaine* (Mrs. Gordon Watson) was married to the Administrator's son in December last year, and they are now living at Maidstone on the North Coast. She plays golf and tennis. *Maris* is working for Imperial Airways in Durban, and has announced her engagement to Geoffrey Richardson, who comes from England. She spent a holiday at Highflats in July. Her brother is a prisoner-of-war.

Cross, Mona (Mrs. Newton), is still working at Roberts Heights, where she has been for two years in the Command Sports Office, which controls and organises all the sport and entertainment for the troops in the Voortrekker hoogte and Transvaal Command. She says it is a big job, but very interesting. Her husband is on the Air Force Sport Control Board, and is stationed at Air Force House, Pretoria. *Mona* has recently taken on the secretaryship of the Golf Club at the Heights, in addition to her voluntary work for the Sunnyside Club, a boys' club where they teach them first aid, signalling, knots, P.T. and boxing. She also helps her husband with his work of organising sports and concerts for the troops.

Crowe, Meta (Mrs. Horton), has our deep sympathy in the death of her mother, which took place in July while Meta herself was very ill and had to undergo an operation.

Crozier, Joyce (Mrs. McCallum), has sent us no news of herself this year, but Dora Easterbrook (Mrs. McLaren) met her on a train in Rhodesia. They hardly recognised one another. *Betty* (Mrs. Johnston) writes to Gladys Elcombe (Mrs. Goulding), with whom she compares notes on the shortcomings of their respective sons.

Davidson, Gladys (Mrs. Strauss), stayed with Linley Jones (Mrs. Brazier) for four days on her way down to the South Coast. She knits for the Navy League in Johannesburg and helps in other ways too. Her son, Christopher, is three years old now. She still plays tennis three times a week. Over the New Year, Maureen Pentland stayed with her in Johannesburg.

Davis, Gwen, is working at the Deeds Office in Maritzburg. She is engaged to Bob Corrigan, and has had an anxious time since he was reported missing, believed prisoner. In her spare time she works at the Soldiers' Club.

Dixon, Sheldine, is on the Executive of the W.O.G.'s Association. Wykeham is grateful to her for typing out the script of the Breaking-Up play in June and refusing to accept a fee, asking that the money should be handed to the Wykeham Trust Fund. She has often helped the Editor by cutting stencils for her in connection with various branches of social work that she is interested in. She works in the Native Education Department, and has taken up Red Cross work.

Doull, Eileen, is still living in Durban. She was a bridesmaid at the wedding in February of Miss Barbara Stranack to Paymaster Lt. Ian Webster, at which Phyllis Poynton (Mrs. Hirst Simpson) was matron-of-honour. *Doreen* (Mrs. Field) has a little son, who was born in January, and *Sheila* was one of the bridesmaids at Elaine Crookes's wedding.

Douling, Iris (Mrs. Anderson), keeps up her singing and helps with war entertaining in Maritzburg.

Downing, Madge (Mrs. Acutt), is in the S.A.W.A.S. and is in charge of the Marketing Section for Stanger and district.

Drew, Peggy, still works for the Natal Education Department and does C.P.S. work in her spare time. She keeps up her singing and has sung at Oribi twice recently.

Earl, Phyllis, works for the Provincial Administration and is a member of the office hockey team. She was looking forward to taking up tennis again, now that her office has formed a club. She was at Ethne Earle's wedding, saw quite a lot of Sheila Turner when she stayed with her aunt in Maritzburg, on her way to St. Michaels-on-sea, and often sees Joan Smith and Joan Harding, who are both at Grey's now.

Earle, Ethne (Mrs. Wannenburg), was married to Dr. Hendrik Wannenburg in Maritzburg on June 6th. Her husband was then Houseman at Grey's Hospital, but has since joined up and is stationed at Zonderwater. Ethne is living in Pretoria and sees her husband at week-ends.

Easterbrook, Dora (Mrs. McLaren), saw the new Wykeham buildings for the first time when she was down at Easter time to say good-bye to her husband, who was leaving for up North. She was thrilled with them. Dora works part-

time at the Auxiliary Hospital. *Marjorie* (Mrs. Wallin) has a son going to Hilton College next year.

Egner, Irene (Mrs. Schwikkard), has now settled in Greytown, where her youngest son, James, is still at school. Her three other sons, Geoffrey, Walter and Bernard, joined the Army in 1939 and went through the Abyssinian campaign. Afterwards they went on to Egypt, and Walter and Bernard were captured by the Italians at Sidi Rezegh. Geoffrey is still in the fight. Two of Irene's daughters, Ruth and Joyce, are in the military nursing service, and both Bernice's and Shirley's husbands are in the Army, while Joyce has recently married Capt. Howard Brukman. Irene has four grandchildren—a pretty good record altogether, isn't it ?

Elcombe, Phyllis (Mrs. Ade), came down to Maritzburg not long ago to shop for her two daughters, who are going to Wykeham next year, and was present at the W.O.G.'s Dance in September. She enjoyed going round the old School which she found somewhat changed since her day ! *Gladys* (Mrs. Goulding), while holidaying at the Kowie, found herself in the same hotel as Betty Cooper and Olive Hemsted, and naturally there was a great Wykeham chin-wagging. Gladys sent a generous donation for the sale and best wishes for the birthday week-end. Her youngest son is now just over a year old.

Ellis Brown, Pat (Mrs. D'Oyly Lyon), had an anxious time when Dorsetshire and Cornwall were sunk, as her husband was on the former and her brother on the latter. Both were rescued, however. Pat has taken up C.P.S. work, and was matron-of-honour at her brother's wedding.

Emerton, Joyce (Mrs. Keytel), has been promoted to Sergeant-in-Charge Orderly Room of the Military Police at Oribi Camp. She is living with her parents for the duration. Her husband is now a prisoner-of-war in Camp 65, Italy. He was captured in November last year.

Fairall, Finola, is now a shorthand typist in the Education Department. She is a member of the Entertainment Section of the S.A.W.A.S., and for recreation plays a lot of tennis.

Fann, Joyce (Mrs. Marwick), has been living in Maritzburg, as her husband, after being given agricultural leave, is

now stationed at Oribi. They leased their farm to neighbours and the house to three families from Durban, and went to live with Joyce's parents, where Joyce was unlucky enough to scald herself badly with boiling water, and had to go to Grey's Hospital. Her two little boys are flourishing.

Fanner, Marylee, had the distinction of winning a beauty competition at a "Sporting Hustle" held in Maritzburg last year in aid of civilian nurses air raid victims. It was organised by nurses in Maritzburg. We think this must be something new in the way of distinctions for Wykehamites !

Fannin, Natalie (Mrs. Juul), has compiled the Old Girls' News section of the magazine again this year. Her husband is in the S.A. Air Force, Anti-Aircraft section, and, luckily for Natalie, is based on Durban. As his future movements are rather uncertain, they have given up their home for the time being and are living for a month or two in a private boarding house. Natalie did a lot of C.P.S. work earlier in the year, helping in the central office, correcting exam. papers, and herself attending lectures, but has not been able to do so much of this lately. She hopes to take it up again now that she is free of home responsibilities. *Phyllis* is still working at the East Asiatic Trading Co. in Durban and living at Manors, near Pinetown, where her parents have built a new home for their retirement. She joined the Blood Transfusion Group, and has been called on to give blood once. She is still Vice-President of the Pinetown Bachelor Girls' Club, Hon. Secretary of the Pinetown Public Committee, a member of the Red Cross detachment and of the C.P.S., and is also Sunday School teacher and sidesman at St. John's Church, so her time is well filled. *Jocelyn* (Mrs. Moultrie) was greatly relieved to receive a letter from her husband, written from Cairo only a few days after he had been officially posted as missing from Tobruk. He had left the garrison only a day or two before it fell. Her brother was not so fortunate, and is now a prisoner. Jocelyn's baby son, Brian, is very sweet, and is the apple of his grandparents' eye.

Farrant, Dorothy (Mrs. Lissaman), has given up her home in Durban for the time being, and was staying for a while in Maritzburg with Wyndom Catherine. She sent her little daughter, June, to the Nursery School at Wykeham, where she fitted in delightfully and was happy. Her brother

Peter, is at Cordwalles. After going for a while to Cullinan, where her husband, who is in the Technical Services, was stationed, Dorothy has now returned to Maritzburg to stay indefinitely. *Rosalie* is still teaching in Durban, and we see her photograph in the papers from time to time now that she has taken up her dramatic work again. She takes part in numbers of plays produced in Durban and does a lot of war work too.

Fenton, Betty, still lives in Durban, and Natalie Fannin (Mrs. Juul) bumps into her occasionally. She is still a great worker at the Wesley Hall Canteen.

Fleming, Marjorie, always supports Wykeham's Sales very generously. She is a busy person, and has lately done a lot of work in organising the War Resisters' International Study Group to consider the framing of a New Order for the world after the war is over.

Fleming-Johnston, Cecily (Mrs. Pike), was at Ethne Earle's wedding. She is a Sister at Grey's Hospital, but has recently had six months' leave at Potchefstroom.

Flett, Mavis (Mrs. McKenzie), has our deep sympathy in the death of her mother in September, after a long and severe illness. Mavis is living at home at Richmond.

Flook, Beryl (Mrs. Miller), is working at Hulett's in Durban. Her husband has been sent back from up North and is now stationed in Pretoria. *Enid* (Mrs. Steere) has a baby daughter nearly a year old. She is playing hockey again in the War League and roped Beryl in for three matches.

Forbes, Doreen (Mrs. Hesom), lives at Mufulira, N. Rhodesia, but has been down on holiday, staying with her parents.

Forrester, Ruth (Mrs. Darby), has our sympathy in the loss of her father at the end of last year. Her mother is staying with her now, and they are busy knitting for her brother, who has joined the S.A.A.F. as a gunner and wireless operator.

Foster, Wendy, brought her band to play for the Wykeham Birthday Dance. She has gone now to teach for Mrs. Saulez at her farm school at Eastwolds.

Frampton, Ruth (Mrs. Pennington), is as busy as ever,

and *Joan* (Mrs. Slatter) is running the farm at Greytown for her husband.

Francis, Priscilla, left the N.U.C. and joined up in the Women's Coastal Artillery for the duration of the war. She started her training in January, first at Robben Island as range-finder, when she passed out top in her lot. Until May she was attached to the 5th Heavy Battery, but was then transferred to the 2nd Heavy Battery, stationed at Simons-town. She is a Lance-Corporal and has recently announced her engagement to Bill Steere, who is an officer in the Coastal Artillery.

Fynnëy, Doreen (Mrs. Pollock), was met by Dulcie Arnott (Mrs. Foster) and Terry Allan (Mrs. Bredin) on the docks last October when they were all meeting their respective husbands coming back from up North.

Garland, Audrey, is working for the Shell Company in Durban, and likes her work very much. *Lesley* left this firm to join the Coastal Artillery, and was sent to Robben Island for training, but left that course. She is now stationed in Pretoria, doing clerical work. She has lately been promoted to Sergeant and was home on leave in November.

Gedye, Hazel (Mrs. Molyneux), is lucky enough to have her husband still with her, as he is a keyman in the gold-mining industry. She spends most of her time dressmaking and knitting for the three daughters, and this, with gardening and tennis, seems to take up most of her time. She sees a lot of *Laura* (Mrs. van Santen), who is living with her family as her husband is still up North. He came on leave last November and saw his little daughter, Heather June, for the first time. Like everyone else, he thought her an absolute darling ! After five weeks at home, he was recalled and flew back immediately.

Gibson, Maud (Mrs. Duke-Williams), is still working at the Dorchester Hotel in London.

Giles, Constance (Mrs. Turner), was a very proud mother when it was announced that her son, Gowan, had been awarded the Military Medal. Her younger son, Neville, is a prisoner-of-war in Italy, and Ainslie is now a commissioned officer in the Royal Engineers. Constance is still an energetic worker at the S.A.W.A.S. Depot, and is busy now with preparations for the Christmas bazaars. *Gwen* is

matron of the Greytown Hospital, and is doing all she can to beautify the grounds. *Beryl* (Mrs. Mackenzie) keeps the farm going, does heaps of knitting and is always ready to help with war sales.

Gillam, Jeanette, is working in the Y.M.C.A. Hut at Roberts Heights, and provided the news about many Old Girls to Mona Cross (Mrs. Newton), whom she tried, unsuccessfully, to serve with chocolate blanc mange for lunch at the Y.M.C.A. Canteen. When Mona said, "No, thank you, I got enough of that at boarding school to last me a lifetime!" Jeanette says she recognised her at once as a Wykeham Old Girl. (Shame!)

Gillatt, Beryl, wrote in September giving news of the family. She was very busy preparing for another war market to be held at Umzinto on October 3rd, which eventually made over £1,000. She thought the Wykeham magazine really one of the best of its kind. Beryl was a bridesmaid at Sheila Crookes's wedding. She still plays tennis and squash.

Gilson, Agnes (Mrs. Cathcart), had Doreen Crookes (Mrs. van Rooyen) to stay with her after her (Agnes's) operation in April. Agnes and Doreen were bogged one night and had a hectic walk to find help!

Girdler-Brown, Ruth (Mrs. la Tendresse), sent a Christmas card and goodwill message to Miss Mellor from Minnesota, U.S.A.

Gold, Flossie (Mrs. Johnston), spent the July holidays at Scottburgh with her children. *Pamela*, when last we heard, had left the Veterinary Office in Ixopo and gone to stay with her sister Jean at the Cape. She was planning to join up in the Coastal Defence.

Gordon, Pat, is now a Staff Nurse at Grey's Hospital, and is hoping that her fiance, Theodore Woods, will soon be sent home on leave from the North. She is still a keen tennis player. *Maud* is teaching, having been appointed to Greyling Street in Maritzburg at the beginning of the year. She still coaches tennis at Wykeham, and has joined the Entertainment Section of the S.A.W.A.S., in which there are several other W.O.G.'s. She belongs to Nancy Graham's Victory Troupe, and entertains the troops at concerts. She finds it very amusing, as she had never danced before.

Graham, Mary, comes to the Old Girls' lunches whenever she can, and often plays golf with Maureen Pentland. She is still working for Mr. Calder, the dentist, and hasn't been too fit lately, though she is better now. *Yvonne* has passed the Finals of her Pharmaceutical Chemists' Examination, coming first in the Union in Chemistry. She worked for a short time at Addington Hospital, and then for Mr. Francis in Durban. When last we heard, he was intending to buy another business and put Yvonne in charge, and the latter had already signed a two years' contract to this effect. Congratulations, Yvonne! *Moir*a was spending a month's leave at home in September, having passed her anatomy examination at Addington Hospital. She had been working in the Military Wards, and playing a lot of tennis in her spare time.

Grant, Joan, was in Church at Ixopo on Christmas morning, and was then going on to Maritzburg to fetch her brother home on leave. Her fiance is still up North.

Gray, Faith, was transferred in January from the Ixopo branch to the main branch of Barclay's Bank in Durban, and went to live with Noel (Mrs. Clark), who entertains many soldiers on their way through Durban, and also works for the Red Cross and Y.M.C.A. Canteen. *Bobby* (Mrs. Vause) is living in Bloemfontein so as to be near her husband, who is in the S.A.A.F. ground staff. They built a charming little house in Ixopo, but have never lived in it. They spent Theo's leave at home at Christmas time, and Bobby was staying with her mother in June.

Greaves, Dorothy (Mrs. Wilkinson), has given up her nursing training and is now married to Sergeant John Wilkinson of the South African Engineers. At first the wedding had to be postponed because Dorothy was taken ill. Her husband was up North for 16 months and came back wounded.

Green, Margaret (Mrs. Hedley), and Betty have our deepest sympathy in the loss of her son, Lieut. Peter Hedley, of the S.A.A.F., who was killed in action last year. According to Betty, she takes every opportunity to spoil her grandson, and says it is her privilege. *Florence* (Mrs. Drummond)'s daughter, June, was dux of the Durban Girls' College last year. Florence is still very busy with war work. *Norah* (Mrs. Pyott) has a similar distinction in that her son

is Head Boy of Hilton College and represented his school at the Senior Students' Conference in July at Maritzburg College. Norah keeps in touch with Wykeham, and is still interested in the School's activities. *Ebbie* (Mrs. Short) is still in Zululand, where she sees quite a lot of Gwentyth Saville.

Greene, Marian (Mrs. Ross), and her husband have taken a farm at Merrivale. Cynthia, their third daughter, has just gone to boarding school. *Doreen* (Mrs. Smythe) is still a busy person at Nottingham Road, where Nettie Johnston (Mrs. Webster) often sees her.

Gurnell, Joy (Mrs. Simpson), was working in the Stores at the Daggafontein Mine when we last heard of her.

Haddow, Chrissie, keeps house for her mother and works in the Government Service in the Lands Department. She has a marvellous garden, with a beautiful display of violets and sweet peas.

Hammond, Enid, has been ill with enteric fever, and was recuperating recently on a farm in Natal.

Handley, Francis (Mrs. Gibb), spent a holiday at Melmoth in July. *Myra* (Mrs. Stride) was one of the Wykeham Old Girls who all met at the docks last year to meet their respective husbands coming back from up North on leave. *Mildred* has had to leave the W.A.A.F. owing to her mother's illness, and is now living at home and kept busy with household duties. She has recently undergone an operation. She is engaged to Bill Holman.

Hansen, Stella (Mrs. Bateson), has been in Luanshya just over a year now, and Peter Roland was born there on December 10th. She finds her time pretty well occupied in looking after him, but manages to play tennis too. She sent a snap of Peter for the Album and said she was looking forward to spending a holiday with her people in Vryheid soon. *Patsy* (Mrs. Gillespie) is living there with her parents while her husband is on active service. She plays a good game of tennis and played against Mary King, Wykeham's Vice-Head, in Swaziland. She also has a beautiful little boy.

Harcourt-Baldwin, Anne, was staying on a timber farm in Zululand with her fiance's people in November, 1941. After taking lessons in tinting portraits in oils, she is now

kept busy with orders. She said she enjoyed reading the last Wykeham magazine very much. In July she and her sisters were at Uvongo, where they had bought a cottage, and they had all taken a Red Cross exam. and passed. Her fiancé just missed being captured at Tobruk, while her brother had been home on leave. She looked in at Wykeham in October.

Harding, Joan, is now training at Grey's Hospital, where Phyllis Earl sees her occasionally.

Harkness, Ruth (Mrs. Bryant), is now living in Capetown, where her husband was transferred from Johannesburg early this year. He has an important job in the Ministry of War Transport. Ruth is living in a comfortable flat, and entertains servicemen passing through Capetown.

Harris, Joy (Mrs. Hay), is Commandant of the S.A.W.A.S. at Donnybrook. Her husband is now a prisoner-of-war in Italian hands. She has our deep sympathy on the recent loss of her brother, Capt. W. Harris.

Hart, Helen (Mrs. Kufal), spent a most enjoyable holiday with Marice Hudson (Mrs. Lavoipierre) at Salt Rock, and has been playing a lot of golf and tennis.

Harte, Olive, is now a nurse on a hospital ship going between Egypt and South Africa.

Harwin, Elsie (Mrs. Burne), and *Jessie* (Mrs. Howarth) are still staying with their mother at Kloof. Their large household of 11 fluctuates between that number and 18, according to holiday and term times. Elsie and Jessie are doing a good bit of war work at the Navy League Canteen, besides entertaining troops at home. At one time they had over 70 at the house in the space of five weeks, and, according to Jessie, life seemed to be one long making of cakes and puddings, which were eaten up at the rate of locusts. She writes: "We are all very happy with good old Granny, who is long suffering, and we are the wonder of the district, being so many women and children together, and all getting on so well. Long may it last!" *Madge* (Mrs. Hudson) also does a lot of entertaining of troops, and when she wrote was preparing to take an evacuee from Egypt. She has recently seen quite a lot of Vera Amos (Mrs. Morford), who was doctoring Madge's mongrel, which, she says, is always in trouble.

Hathorn, Amy (Mrs. Young), has taken up spinning on a home-made spinning wheel for war funds. She does heaps of war work in the Nottingham Road and Mooi River districts, and works too for the Women's Institute, the Native and non-European Nursing Services, etc.

Haw, Doreen (Mrs. Humphrey), is still at Randfontein and has her husband back from up North. He came back to take a Course. *Molly* (Mrs. Winship) sent a lovely picture of her baby son, David, for the Album. She had been living for 15 months in Capetown, but has now come back to live with her parents at Willow Grange. In Capetown she did a lot of canteen work, and was able to see her husband on two or three occasions when his ship called in. Later he was sent to Ceylon, where he is now in command of Patrol Boats at the Naval Base at Trincomalee. Her little son, David, is just over two, brimful of mischief and adored by everybody.

Hedges, Judy (Mrs. von Puttkamer), was married in May in Mombasa. The wedding took place at 4.20 in the afternoon, although at 3.30 she was still wondering whether the wedding could be arranged ! Her husband was then sent up North, and later Judy was transferred to Nairobi, and is now nursing at Roberts Heights. She is an excellent nurse, her work is said to be faultless.

Hedley, Betty (Mrs. Webb), is the proud mother of a baby boy, who was born in April, and has the entire household at his beck and call.

Hemsted, Olive, is doing a post graduate course at Rhodes University. She is engaged and her fiance is a key man in the Shell Company at Suez.

Herring, Nancy (Mrs. Cullen), went with Dulcie Arnott (Mrs. Foster) and Terry Allan (Mrs. Bredin) to Durban last October to meet their respective husbands coming back from the North.

Higgs, Astrid, is still nursing at the Andalusia Internment Camp. When the N.M.R. men were there guarding the internees, Astrid gained a great reputation for kindness to the guards. *Gina* is engaged to Valerie Linscott's (Mr. Catherine's) brother. Valerie, of course, married the brother of a Wykeham Old Girl, so they are really keeping it in the Wykeham family ! Gina celebrated her last birthday in the Isolation Hospital with chicken-pox. Her fiance was

reported missing after Tobruk, but is, we hope, a prisoner like so many thousands of others.

Hill, Thora (Mrs. van Rooyen)'s husband is one of these—he has been reported to be a prisoner-of-war.

Hime, Lorna, spent two months in Pretoria this year, and before returning to Natal stayed in Johannesburg with Phyllis Shippey (Mrs. Somerville) and another friend. Lorna has again taken up her work at the Baby Air Raid Victims Depot, and is kept busy with this and with work for bazaars, etc. In August she helped at Wykeham while they were short-staffed.

Hoffmann, Lorraine, has lunch with Marjorie and Ruth Holliday in June and exchanged Wykeham news. She is Secretary of the Red Cross Detachment at Hillary, and does part-time V.A.D. work at King's House.

Hogg, Cynthia (Mrs. Wardlow), sometimes meets Marie Pope at the races.

Holliday, Marjorie (Mrs. Vear), is still teaching in Durban and doing V.A.D. work. She took up C.P.S. work too, and Natalie Fannin (Mrs. Juul) saw her when she was taking her qualifying examination as a school warden. *Ruth* lives in Johannesburg and works at Germiston. She had a holiday in Natal in June-July and met old school friends. She has an interesting war job.

Hood-Symons, Vivienne (Mrs. Francis), has been seriously ill, having had an operation, but is better now. Her husband is on the staff of Sastri College; and she is very interested in Nursery School Education. *Joan* (Mrs. Godfrey) has a beautiful little home in Durban and two charming little boys. Her husband is also a teacher—on the staff of Glenwood High School.

Hosking, Grace (Mrs. Gardner), is still farming at Claridge.

Houston, Hilda (Mrs. Clough), had three weeks in the Maritzburg Sanatorium in September, being treated for amoebic dysentery. She longed to be at the Old Girls' Dance. She could hear the music drifting across to the Sanatorium! She bakes cakes and raffles them for Red Cross funds. *Amy* (Mrs. Purchase) still lives at Ashton and has three lovely sons. *Verna* lives with her mother in Durban, and is very

interested in Red Cross nursing. She does V.A.D. work at several hospitals and loves it. *Joan* is the Postmistress at Creighton and likes her work.

Howden, Pauline, is a valuable worker for the Victoria League Canteen in Durban. She is one of the buyers.

Howells, Blodwyn (Mrs. Craig), is staying in Zululand with her two children for the duration of the war.

Hudson, Marice (Mrs. Lavoipierre), had Helen Hart (Mrs. Kufal) staying with her at Salt Rock, and Helen had a most enjoyable holiday. Eleanor Valentine often sees her. She is busy with all sorts of war work, and work on the farm. *Winnie* (Mrs. Boast) has adopted a little girl for the duration of the war.

Hulett, Marie, qualified as an air raid warden early this year, and is well to the fore in various money-raising schemes in Durban.

Hulley, Dorothy (Mrs. Platt), is a near neighbour of Edith Mitchell-Innes (Mrs. Crowe), and does canteen work in Durban when she can.

Hutchinson, Ruby (Mrs. Gray), is running the farm on her own while her husband is on active service. He is now a Major in the Transport and was down on a month's leave in October. *Evelyn* runs the farm at Zwartberg for her mother. *Norah* (Mrs. Joyner), whose husband is on the S.A.A.F. General Staff up North, helps her. They all managed to get a holiday at Christmas time at their beach cottage, which they have named "Westdene," after the village in Sussex whence their family came.

Jameson, Biddy (Mrs. Robertson), is now the sister-in-law of Joy Nourse, who married her brother George in December last.

Jay-Browne, Evelyn, is now Mrs. N. Rimanek. Her husband is a Czech, and they were married this year, when he heard he was to be sent to Persia. Evelyn had hoped to be able to go with him, but things went wrong in Libya and exit permits for women to go to the Middle East were stopped. Earlier this year Evelyn was teaching in a Boys' Grammar School, and was giving lessons to eight Czech refugees—Skoda experts—who were making small arms in Britain.

Johnston, Nettie (Mrs. Webster), had two operations in Grey's Hospital in February, and was not well enough to come to the Old Girls' Week-End. She wrote sending good wishes. She does a lot of knitting for the Navy League.

Johnstone, Joyce, has completed her general nursing training and has gone to take her midwifery under Matron Sybil Marwick at Port Elizabeth.

Jones, Elsie (Mrs. van Blerk), has moved into a flat in Killarney, Johannesburg. Her son, Denis, is in Madagascar, and her daughter, Marie, has a small son. She does a lot of knitting for the troops. *Linley* (Mrs. Brazier), after taking a warden's course in the C.P.S. and passing the examination making her a fully qualified woman warden, went to Tweedie on a three weeks' holiday. In September she started working in the bank in Durban. She wanted to do transport driving, but felt that she was not really strong enough. Her two girls love being at Wykeham. In August she was expecting a visitor from Johannesburg for the week-end. She had never met her, as she was the wife of one of Noel's business cronies. Imagine Linley's surprise at discovering that her visitor was a Wykeham Old Girl, Gladys Davidson (Mrs. Strauss). *Helma* is living in the old home in Maritzburg. She does a lot of knitting, especially for air raid victims in England, and works in the Canteen at Oribi three times a week.

Joyner, Betty (Mrs. Dodds), spent a holiday with Joan Walker (Mrs. Antel) in March. She now has a new baby son, born on September 5th.

Keith-Fraser, Mia (Mrs. Woollam), is carrying on the farm, helmed by a manager, and Anne does the books. Her husband has now been away for over two years. *Jean* (Mrs. Leicester) is now living in Bramley, Surrey, and finds the question of help very difficult. She has not even a charwoman, and has to do everything for herself and her three children. Her husband is in the R.A.F.

Kershaw, Penelope, is in the Civil Service and in her spare time does Red Cross work. *Joan* was at the Old Girls' Dance. She has given up her nursing to join the W.A.A.S. as a Signaller.

Kimber, Joyce (Mrs. Stevens), hasn't come into our notes of Old Girls' activities this year, but *Eve* (Mrs. Pillinger) now has a baby son as a companion for Jill.

Kirk, Judy, donated her old hatbands to the School. Soon she is to join the already large band of Wykeham Old Girls who are training as nurses at Grey's Hospital.

Kirkman, Barbara (Mrs. Allan), has been staying with her husband at Palmietkuil, and then at Springs, when he was stationed at Welgedacht. He is a full Lieutenant now, in the Native Military Corps. She plays a lot of tennis.

Kitto, Winifred, is still at Port Elizabeth, where she is doing voluntary work at the Public Library, in connection with the "Books for Troops" scheme.

Knubley, Dorothy (Mrs. L'Estrange), always sends a donation to Wykeham Sales. Her husband is a prisoner-of-war in Italy, and she is living with her mother-in-law, her father-in-law being also a prisoner.

Koch, Dagmar, was very busy on the farm when she wrote from Stellenbosch, enclosing her subscription to the magazine. She has joined the local S.A.W.A.S. and knits for the troops in her spare time.

Kregeloh, Sheila, is now in her third year at the N.U.C., and is thoroughly enjoying the Fine Arts Course.

Kumm, Elaine (Mrs. Byres), was married this year at Kokstad, and looked in at Wykeham on her honeymoon.

Ladlau, Dulcie (Mrs. Woodrow), is still in Durban, where Natalie Fannin (Mrs. Juul) catches occasional glimpses of her.

Layman, Betty (Mrs. Slatter), is still on the farm, where her son, John, was helping her until the middle of September, when he joined the Tank Corps. Her husband and her son, Milner, are both prisoner-of-war in Italy. Now Betty is running two farms with the help of a manager. *Margaret* (Mrs. Brickdale) has gone to Simonstown, where her husband has been appointed to an important post.

Lindsay, Lilian, went to Grey's Hospital last November to train as a nurse, but had to give it up for health reasons.

Line, Norah, wrote in April saying she was sorry not to be able to come to the O.G.'s week-end. She was assistant dietician in the hospital at Zonderwater, where she was surrounded by camps and by hundreds of Italian prisoners.

She loves working in the hospital there which, she says, is a wonderful one, though rather short-staffed.

Linscott, Valerie (Mrs. Catherine), has taken up golf since her marriage to Helene & Wyndom's brother. She and her husband were first stationed at Benoni, and then moved to Bloemfontein, Kimberley and Pietersburg, where her husband is a flight instructor. She joins the "Air Force Wives" knitting and war work groups.

Lister, Lorraine, spent her annual leave at the Coast this year, and stopped at Maritzburg on her way back to Johannesburg. Maureen Pentland bumped into her when they were both watching the Poles on parade.

Loader, Yvonne, met June Roe-Scott not long after Ethne Earle's wedding, and told her all about it.

Lovett, Ruth (Mrs. Gould), rented Rita Sharland's (Mrs. Clark's) house in Lourenco Marques for three months this year.

Lund, Tessa (Mrs. Stanham), and her husband have been transferred to Mooi River to the great regret of their parishioners at Howick. They are now near neighbours of Winsome Reid.

Lyle, Minnie (Mrs. Blackie)'s husband has been transferred to Pretoria.

Lauer, Alma, had Mabel Chandler living with her in May this year.

MacArthur, Marian & Babs, have our deepest sympathy in the loss of their brother Colin, who was killed in Libya. Babs is farming about 35 miles out of Salisbury. She is still as keen on horses as ever, and goes in to Salisbury to the races occasionally. Marian is tobacco farming and Margaret Moodie saw her at Christmas time.

Mackenzie, Dorothy (Mrs. Gibson), spends her life helping to produce as much food as possible for the war effort, as well as entertaining members of all three forces and convalescents who want a holiday in the country.

Macleod, Mignon (Mrs. Heslop), says she has no real news, as her two little boys, Glen and Terry, keep her fully occupied. She saw Margaret Burnett (Mrs. Evans) and her small family on their way back to Rhodesia in November last year. Such good-looking children, she says,

McNeillie, Joan, had to give up her nursing training at Grey's Hospital pro. tem., as she was needed to help run the farm after her father was taken ill and her brother joined the Air Force. However, she is back again now.

Mann, Betty, was nursing at Roberts Heights Military Hospital, but has now been transferred to Palmietkuil, South. *Cathie* is still a transport driver on active service in Egypt. She was one of the few girls not evacuated during the German push to Alexandria. She writes very entertaining letters.

Marais, Mimi (Mrs. van Rooyen), has sent her little girl, Loretta, to Weenen School, where Ellen Thompson has been teaching since January this year.

Martienssen, Mary, is halfway through her medical course at Witwatersrand University. She has started a garden outside the women's Common Room at the Medical School. She likes her medical work, and in May spent a month in the Casualty Department of the non-European Hospital.

Marwick, Marjorie, has an evacuated family, a mother and two children, living with her. She collects and makes garments for the Navy League. *Dorothy* (Mrs. Pembroke) still does lots of lovely needlework. *Janet* (Mrs. Foster) has Mrs. Meade staying with her from Mauritius. *Isabel* (Mrs. Anderson) has been sadly missed by the W.O.G. Executive since she went to live at Richmond.

Mason, Joyce (Mrs. Fulton), is at home running the house for her father and the girls. Her husband, who had been away for two years up North, has now come back to the Union and has been transferred to the Native Military Corps on account of his health. Her little girl, Maureen, spent six weeks in the Isolation Hospital with diphtheria, and then had her tonsils out. She will soon be going to Wykeham. *Peggy* still works in her father's business, and is kept busy as well with singing lessons and Red Cross and C.P.S. duties. Joyce and Peggy have our sympathy in the recent loss of their mother.

Masson, Edna (Mrs. Bowles), is still a keen tennis player, and goes to Nancy Shaw's (Mrs. Lund) every Sunday for tennis. Her little boy is much stronger now.

McCullough, Sheila and *Yronne*, are Red Cross V.A.D.'s, and gave a good account of themselves at the annual inspection in the Maritzburg Town Hall in August. They are in the same C.P.S. Station as Maureen Pentland, and all three are doing stretcher work. They meet during "alerts."

McDonald, Pat (Mrs. Ward), has a lovely baby boy. *Constance* and *Lorna* are both working in Johannesburg. Lorna was the lucky winner of a diamond V brooch which was raffled by the Victoria League in Durban for their funds.

McGlew, Consie, is still living at Illovo Beach and helping with local war efforts.

McIntosh, Glorie (Mrs. Leslie), is still running the farm while her husband is on active service, but managed to spare the time to attend *Gwen's* marriage to Lieut. D. A. Tuttle of "Q" Services. Glorie has a new baby son, who was born in February last. She had a letter from Cathie Mann from Cairo.

McKenzie, Singie (Mrs. Dixon), is still at Nottingham Road, where Nettie Johnston (Mrs. Webster) often sees her. *Betty* (Mrs. Roberts) has our deep sympathy in the loss of her baby last November. She is now in Durban, where her husband is stationed in the Artillery.

McLaren, Eve (Mrs. Griffin), had a new addition to the family last November. She is still busy with war work in Bloemfontein, particularly for the Navy League. She often sees Joyce Kimber (Mrs. Stevens) and her family.

McLeod, Mary, has become engaged to Lance-Bombardier F. Bryan Chilvers, the son of the well-known South African writer, the late Hedley Chilvers. She is working at the Library in Johannesburg.

Mcerrick, Veronique and *Thelma*, are still in Maritzburg where Maureen Pentland often bumps into them. Thelma is now studying for her M.Sc.

Methven, Esme (Mrs. Edwards), has been working at Naval Headquarters in Durban with Emily Rayner and Maisie Blacklock.

Michel, Blanche, had to give up her position in the Courthouse at Nqutu when *Carmen* had her operation, and

is now staying at home to help, while Carmen begins her nursing training in Pretoria.

Miller, Aline, is at Rhodes House, Johannesburg, where Winifred Steere stayed with her. Joyce Tilney (Mrs. Haden) has also seen her.

Mitchell, Sylvia, is still working at the P.M.B. Co-operative Society, and doing war work in her spare time. She expects to be going to live in Durban before the end of the year, as she is getting married.

Mitchell-Innes, Edith (Mrs. Crowe), had another baby, a boy this time, who was born in August.

Moodie, Margaret, is still teaching at Escombe. She spent a holiday this year in Rhodesia with *Rhoda*, who is housekeeping for a friend near Salisbury and is much better in health. They saw lots of W.O.G.'s together, of whom Margaret sent news.

Moore, Evelyn, (Mrs. Stewart), writes interesting letters from Scotland. Her husband is here, there and everywhere, departed suddenly abroad and returned as suddenly from the Middle East, being then posted successively to Catterick, Aberdeen and then Glasgow, where, when she last wrote, he had been left for seven months, the longest stay he had had anywhere since June, 1939. Evelyn does lots of war work, canteen duties, prisoner-of-war work for the Red Cross and various duties at an Overseas Hostel for Dominion Troops, where she had the strange experience, for a South African, of making beds for two of her "black brothers," while they chatted to her of life way back in Ontario! Her boys are both flourishing, Donald at an Agricultural College and Ian at Glen Almond, where he sings in the choir and shows a talent for art. *Jeanne* (Mrs. Woods) is very busy with the children and with trying to keep a good vegetable and flower garden going in spite of hail, pests, etc. She has recently been on the look-out for an evacuee, with children about the same age as her own, to make their home with her. She also entertains sailors on leave, and finds them interesting and amusing, she says! *Nan* is still Assistant Matron at Weston Farm School at Mooi River. She goes home every third week-end. She expected to have to return to school during the July holidays to provide for the reception of 80 evacuees from Egypt,

but, fortunately for her, the arrangements were cancelled. *Pat* is training as a teacher at the Natal Training College and is living at Wykeham, helping with resident duties and Hockey coaching.

Morgan, Rosalie (Mrs. van Broembsen), and her husband have moved to Johannesburg, where he is employed in the Post Office. Judy and David are beautiful children.

Morphew, Margaret, has joined the W.A.A.S. in the Coastal Artillery, and is now training at Robben Island. Her brother, Geoffrey, is a prisoner-of-war in Italy, and the other brother, Ian, has been invalided home.

Mudie, Enid (Mrs. Elliot), is very busy in the garden, and as a member of the Red Cross helps at the Orthopaedic Clinic in her home town in Devonshire. Her husband, who had been serving in Plymouth, was sent to the Arctic Circle, in February, and though life is very different, he says it is never monotonous ! When she wrote, Enid was busy at the Red Cross Gift Shop opened in aid of prisoners-of-war. When it was last open, in aid of Mrs. Churchill's Fund for Russia, £143 was made in one week.

Murray, Greta (Mrs. Wood), was elected to the Executive of the W.O.G.'s in place of Helene Catherine, who resigned when she married and went to live in Ladysmith. Greta's small daughter, Sally, swam for Wykeham at the Inter-Schools Gala in March. *Agnes* (Mrs. Royston-Brown) had Greta to stay with her at Umhlali in January.

Nel, Eunice (Mrs. van der Merwe), is living in Maritzburg and working for the Public Health Department. Her husband is a prisoner-of-war in Italy. She was at the W.O.G.'s Dance, looking very attractive, and she often comes to the Old Girls' lunches at Wykeham. *Elvina* (Mrs. Ritter) has a lovely little home in Durban, and is busy with house-keeping. She has joined the Blood Transfusion Group. She sent some money for the Wykeham Sale in April, and said she was sorry she couldn't come up to lend a hand. She went up to Harrismith in June and to Eshowe in July. She often sees Clare Blakeway and Pat Ellis Brown in Durban.

Newmarch, Grace (Mrs. MacLean), has a lovely show farm with first class Aberdeen-Angus cattle. It is just outside Salisbury. Her children have been staying with Marian MacArthur lately.

Nicholls, Maris (Mrs. Vaughan), is living at Durban North. Her two children are growing up fast.

Nourse, Alice (Mrs. Nourse), has been very ill recently.

Mrs. Jameson), who was married on December 6th, lives at Mountain Rise and has a lovely garden.

Oberlin-Harris, Alison, wrote a long letter while on leave in London, describing the tragedy of a tour of bombed London by moonlight. She is happy at St. Andrew's University, and belongs to the fire-watchers unit of the A.R.P. She saw Micky Packard while in London on vacation. While on leave at Danbury, Essex, she wrote another very interesting letter about the adventures of her co-byantine (i.e., first-year student at St. Andrew's), a Polish girl who escaped from Poland. It would have made a splendid article for the magazine if considerations of paper control hadn't ruled them out this year.

Oddin-Taylor, Diane (Mrs. Hathorn), is still **Commanding Officer** of the Women's Voluntary Air Force in Maritzburg, though she says that, when tyres and petrol gave out, she will have to take to a bit of intensive farming at her home, The Kloofs, Claridge.

Otto, Helen (Mrs. Maritz), lives on a farm outside Greytown, and is kept busy with her small children. She has a lovely garden. *Dorothy* is working in a office in Johannesburg.

Packard, Micky, has had a real run of bad luck. First neuritis in the arm prevented her from practising enough to pass her L.R.A.M. Finals, and more recently a curvature of the spine has made it necessary for her to give up her music altogether pro. tem. In October of last year she won a silver medal for flute. She played the violin in the Senior Orchestra and the flute in the Junior Orchestra at the Royal Academy. She is now working in a London library.

Payne, Olive (Mrs. Lloyd), is still being kept very busy on the farm. Her eldest child, Julie, who is being educated at the Convent in Dundee, is proving to be clever, and the other two are on the farm with Olive. *Blossom* (Mrs. Jack) is still living at Rosebank, Cape Province, and at the beginning of the year enjoyed a month's holiday at Glencoe with the family. *Ivy* is now Mrs. Stokes, having been married last December to an Englishman who is stationed in Durban as

a ground engineer and, Ivy hopes, will remain there for the duration. Ivy is still working at Stuttaford's. She says she may have to go to England after the war for a short while, but she and her husband both hope to settle down in South Africa. They stayed with Olive last March.

Peel, Toria (Mrs. Jepson), is still a Sergeant in the Technical Services Corps at Impala House. She has been in the W.A.A.S. for over two years now. *Dora* (Mrs. Power) left the Army in May to join her husband, who was stationed there. Natalie Fannin (Mrs. Juul) caught a glimpse of her in a Durban shop at the end of October.

Pennington, Laurel (Mrs. Hugman), went to Maritzburg with her husband for the Synod. She is Commandant of the S.A.W.A.S. at Verulam, President of the Church Guild and also runs the Girl Guides there.

Penlland, Maureen, still continues to be a first class W.O.G.'s Secretary—she is business-like, charming and very conscientious, especially about providing news of various Old Girls whom she meets or corresponds with. She has a responsible position in Mr. Hickson's office in Maritzburg, and works hard in her spare time for the Entertainment Section of the S.A.W.A.S., as well as for the Red Cross and the C.P.S. She had a well deserved holiday at the berg in October.

Perkins, Pat, was working at Mackay Bros. in Durban, but intended, when they closed down, to go nursing.

Pitcairn, Francis (Mrs. Fenwick), who has a small baby who was born in July, is living at home while her husband is on active service. She busies herself collecting anti-waste in the village, and has collected, and rebound when necessary, some 300 books for wounded hospital patients. For the last two years she has been doing hairdressing and giving the proceeds to the Red Cross. Writing to Miss Mellor she said: "You can be very proud of your Wykeham girls, everyone I meet is hard at it doing her bit." *Bena* (Mrs. Webster) is doing all she can to help with war work in Kokstad, in between looking after and sewing for her three growing daughters. *May* (Mrs. Calverley) had a holiday this year at Richard's Bay, after a busy year on the farm with war work. Her elder daughter, Doreën, is doing canteen work and, as an additional war effort, now goes to work half-an-

hour earlier every day and works without pay, as the men are all joining up. Her second daughter, Beryl, won the Girls' Junior Championship for Zululand for tennis at Eshowe last July.

Platt, Nan, Doreen and *Joan* have our deepest sympathy in the recent death of their brother, **Denis**. He died of wounds in Egypt.

Pope, Marie, after helping her mother on the farm until August, joined the Coastal Artillery and has gone into training on Robben Island. She left Rhodes in December.

Pope-Ellis, Jeanette (Mrs. Fincken), is farming at Mooifontein, Lidgetton. She wrote that she could not attend the W.O.G.'s Sale, alas, having newly settled in on the farm and being submerged in a sea of pigs, hay, and building materials. *Tony* (Mrs. Seekings) is a keen gardener and has a lovely garden at Howick, where her husband has a practice. Her twin boys go to the Howick Government School.

Poynton, Phyllis (Mrs. Hirst Simpson), has her husband back from Egypt. He was sent back with duodenal ulcer and has been discharged from the Army, but when last we heard was still in hospital undergoing treatment.

Pye, Eirene (Mrs. Colville), has a lovely baby boy and lives on a farm near Underberg, at the back of Garden Castle.

Quin, Peggy (Mrs. Smithers), is still carrying on her very successful hairdressing salon in Salisbury, according to Margaret Moodie.

Radloff, Audrey, is now Secretary at the Buffalo Shipping Agents at East London. At the Technical College she was Senior Student and had to propose a vote of thanks to Sir Seymour Hicks at their prize-giving, at which she obtained two prizes, one for work and one for good fellowship. She plays right back for the College's first team and is Club Secretary, and she has now passed one of the commercial courses which she was taking. When their team went to play Rhodes University's 1st XI, captained by Suzette Cooper, they were beaten one-nil by the University. She also saw Denise Chaplin. Besides hockey, Audrey does a lot of riding and has her own lovely thoroughbred horse. She has taken up Red Cross work as well.

Ramsden, Muriel, is Secretary to Professor Burchell, and has helped the Bantu Welfare Society with secretarial work.

Rayner, Emily, does canteen work in Durban, when she is not working at Naval Headquarters. Hylda Verney spent a few days with her.

Reid, Winsome, is very well and working hard. She teaches at Treverton Boys' Preparatory School and has some private pupils as well. She is District Commissioner of Lone Guides and has a Cub Pack at Treverton. She and her Crippled Company of Rangers make garments for air raid victims. She walks about freely now with iron supports only.

Roach, Kathleen, Doreen and Joan, have our deepest sympathy in the loss of their mother last November. Kathleen again deserves our sympathy in the tragic loss of her fiancé, Alan Featonby-Smith of the S.A.A.F., who was reported missing in November, a few weeks before her mother's death, and was later notified as having been killed in action on November 15, after a raid over enemy territory. Joan is living now at Emjanyana, near Idutywa, in the Transkei, and finds it very quiet after Amatikulu. She passed her Matric and is waiting now to go nursing, when she is old enough. Doreen spent a short time with Gwentyth Saville during March, before going to look after her father when he was transferred to the Cape.

Robinson, Laura (Mrs. Cowling), is District Sister at the King Edward VIII Hospital, and sometimes spends week-ends in Maritzburg. Her son is in the Navy.

Roe-Scott, June, left her job in Durban at the end of June, when the shipping position made it necessary for the staff to be cut by two members. She is now spending six months at home, and will then go back to Durban. She is a member of St. John Ambulance Brigade and the C.P.S. She has been a useful source of news about Old Girls.

Roseveare, Dr. Margaret, has been in the Union this year, and in March spoke most interestingly to the girls at Wykeham one Sunday evening about her work at the Tyi Enu Hospital in Nigeria under the C.M.S., where the staff of two full-time and one part-time doctor kept going 70 beds and attended from 300 to 400 out-patients every day. Part

of the year Margaret spent travelling around the villages, among which they had 25 maternity out-stations. Miss Abbott-Smith reminded her of how she had always said at School that she would like to be a medical missionary. At her hospital training is given to Native nurses.

Ross, Norah (Mrs. Howes), is busy with C.P.S. work at Durban North, where she is a warden. She does a lot of work for bazaars as well. Her two eldest boys are at Merchiston as boarders now, but the youngest one is still with her. She sent a lovely snap of the three of them for the Album.

Rudd, Constance, is engaged to Bruce Anderson.

Rudland, Bobby (Mrs. Pilcher), is the moving spirit in the Navy League in Salisbury, where they are aiming at raising £15,000 in a concerted drive. Her husband, an ex-Naval man, was the first to join up in Salisbury when war was declared. He first went to Durban and then to Free-town. *Dorothy* (Mrs. Marshall) is as full of energy as ever, running a hostel for school children in Salisbury. Margaret Moodie saw them both when she was in Rhodesia.

Rutherford, Margaret, looked in at Wykeham in May, when she was having a fortnight's holiday at Richmond. She is still keeping the books in her uncle's business, and sees Doreen Crookes and Margaret Moodie sometimes.

Sangmeister, Biddy, is living in Durban with her people, and is working for Dr. Renton. She has recently become engaged to Lieut. Douglas Goulding, D.F.C., of the S.A.A.F.

Saunders, Biddy (Mrs. Laughton), now has three daughters; Jeanette Gillam is godmother to the youngest one. In February, Biddy was instrumental in getting a Nursery School opened at Dalview. Her husband is Chairman of the local School Board.

Saville, Gwenyth (Mrs. Inglis), has been living at home with her mother since her husband went North last October. He has since returned to the Union, and Gwenyth was hoping to be able to join him when he had been posted.

Scobbie, Isobel (Mrs. Moller), was in Durban in October. She has one little boy.

Scott, Wendy, was ill in the Durban Sanatorium at the beginning of the year. *Myra* had an operation to her nose in Maritzburg in February. She gave up her job at an attorney's office in Kokstad some months ago when her fiance was wounded, and they were married on September 5th, soon after he was released from hospital. He was to be transferred from the 1st Transvaal Scottish to the Air Force as soon as he was again classified as A1.

Scott-Riddell, Ailsa (Mrs. Halle), now has five children, the youngest, David, being only a few months old. Ailsa's pretty home in the Zwartkop Valley was written up in the S.A. Woman's Weekly at the beginning of this year. *Jean* is still a useful member of the W.O.G.'s Executive, and looked very charming at the Old Girls' dance.

Sharland, Rita (Mrs. Clark), has our deepest sympathy in the loss of her mother, who passed away on the 4th July, exactly a month after the birth of Rita's baby daughter.

Shaw, Nancy (Mrs. Lund), left her family for a few days to stay with *Lyn* (Mrs. Ardington). The latter's husband is a prisoner-of-war in Italian hands, and Natalie Fannin (Mrs. Juul) was able to pass on to her a message from him which she picked up one night on the Radio from Rome. *Elaine* (Mrs. Dales) now has a baby boy, who is only a few weeks old, so she now has a girl and a boy.

Shepherd, Alice, was married to Robert Fraser at Brakpan in July. Her husband was an Instructor in the School of Mines, after having been recalled from active service. However, in August he was released by the Mine and went to Potchefstroom, so they were selling their home and Alice was returning to her parents. While on holiday they met *Mollie Bennett-Davis*.

Shepstone, Poppy, is working at Springs.

Shippey, Phyllis (Mrs. St. Leger Somerville), and her daughter called in at Wykeham while in Maritzburg this year.

Simmons, Joy (Mrs. Taylor), has our sympathy in the loss of her baby in July.

Smeaton, Audrey, came to the O.G.'s week-end and in May spent a holiday at Swinburne when, she says, she was

lucky to be in the snow. She is now playing hockey occasionally at Stanger, as the Club has been formed again. *Shirley* had been in bed with flu when last we heard of her. She is living with friends at Scottsville and going to the N.U.C., majoring in English and Art. She often looks in at Wykeham.

Smith, Joan, has been at Grey's Hospital for about nine months now, and enjoys her nursing training very much. *Fanella* has taken a radiography course and was then posted to the Military Hospital at Baragwanath, pending a permanent move to a post at Potchefstroom.

Smythe, Adrienne, has now quite recovered from the nasty accident she had when her foot was crushed by a car. She is still a member of the W.O.G. Executive and an excellent worker.

Spence, Kathleen (Mrs. Parnell), writes delightfully about her family. Owen is eight now and is clever at school and at sport. Anthony, aged five, is following in his mother's footsteps and learning to dive. The new baby, Adrian, is another boy. Her youngest brother, Gerald, has been reported missing.

Steele, Winifred, was teaching music at St. Anne's for six months. She spent her Easter holidays in Johannesburg. *Barbara* is very busy and very happy doing shorthand and typing for the Miners' Phthisis Medical Bureau in Johannesburg, and living at the Y.W.C.A. She helps with war work when she can. *Joan* has done very well in her nursing training, but was unlucky enough to be taken ill the week before her Hospital Finals. She writes her General Nursing Finals at the end of this year.

Stewart, Margaret, gained her school leaving certificate in December last year, and went on to the Witwatersrand Technical College to train as a Nursery School Superintendent. She wrote in August and said that she was thoroughly enjoying her work and had been away for a holiday at Scottburgh. Her brother is a prisoner in Germany. He was torpedoed while crossing to Italy, but fortunately was rescued.

St. George, Felice, is still at the Hospital at Hill Crest.

Strachan, Sydney (Mrs. Button), spends all her spare time in her garden. She hopes that *Jo*, who has just returned to Nairobi after doing relief duty in Dar-es-Salaam for a few months, will be with her for Xmas. *Jo* has just recovered from an attack of fever. *Mabs* (Mrs. Hall) has given up teaching in Nairobi and is doing some Government research work on pyrethrum. Her husband is in Malta. *Lucy* (Mrs. Westbrook) is still in Nairobi too. *Hylda Verney* (Mrs. Nattle) saw all three of them there about three months ago. *Lucy's* stepson, *Barry*, goes to St. Andrew's School at Grahamstown and has spent both his holidays, so far, with *Sydney* on the farm at Umzimkulu. *Hilda* and *Minnie* are both busy running the farm at Zwartberg, and trying to keep things going while the boys are away.

Straffen, Biddy (Mrs. Woods), came as usual to the Wykeham Dance. She and her family had recently been on a fishing holiday at Umhlanga Rocks, and the two little boys thoroughly enjoyed themselves. They called in the other day at Wykeham, looking the picture of health and energy. *Peggy* (Mrs. Gill) had an operation at Grey's Hospital early this year, but is better now.

Straw, Edna (Mrs. MacMillan), sent a donation and best wishes to the W.O.G.'s Sale.

Sutherland, Helen (Mrs. Morrison), wrote from Cairo wishing Wykeham a happy O.G. week-end. She had been up there 10 months and had spent seven days' leave in Palestine, and loved every minute of it. She saw Galilee and Jerusalem, paddled in the Jordan and swam in the Dead Sea. She also visited Luxor and the Valley of the Kings, and did a glorious 70-mile drive to Memphis. She played hockey for the first team all the winter and was taking up rowing on the Nile in the summer.

Swanson, Pamela, is a new Old Girl who went straight into a business training after leaving Wykeham, and is now working in the S.A. Mutual office in Durban. She sent her handbands in answer to an S.O.S. from Miss Mellor to the Old Girls when the supply at School ran out !

Sydie, Betty, has announced her engagement to Timothy Hall. She is still very busy with her third year course in physical training at the Teachers' Training College at Graaf Reinet, having already completed the two years'

Primary School Teachers' Course. She is also secretary of the local branch of the Red Cross, and was swamped with work after the D.M.R. were captured at Tobruk. She has taken up acting again. Helen is also taking a physical training course at the Technical College in Johannesburg. She hopes to take a course in radiography in Capetown next year. She called in at Wykeham on October 2nd, when she was going to stay at Umkomaas on holiday. *Pat* (Mrs. Hewlett) is kept very busy looking after her son, who has recently had his first birthday. She is hoping to come to the Union to visit her parents in December.

Taylor, Marjorie (Mrs. Calder), was at the Naval House-warming at the Royal Naval Camp in Maritzburg a little while ago, and had a word with the Editor. *Dorothy* lives in Johannesburg and works in Germiston. She spent Christmas at Scottburgh with her brother.

Thomas, Kathleen (Mrs. Esterhuizen), came to Maritzburg for a holiday, but unfortunately, as it was during school holiday time, she couldn't visit Wykeham. Her little boy, Neill, has had an unfortunate year with, first, scarlet fever and then septic tonsils, which had to be removed.

Thompson, Ellen, went at the beginning of this year to Weenen after having gained her Higher Diploma, and is teaching in the Afrikaans medium and thoroughly enjoying the new experience.

Thorp, Rosemary, is doing her third year for her B.A. degree at Witwatersrand University. She is very busy, but manages to do spare time work for the S.A.W.A.S. Utility Section.

Tibbit, Dr. Aline, was at Grey's Hospital for a time as anaesthetist, but has now taken up a very busy practice in Pretoria. *Isabel* obtained her M.A. in psychology with honours last December, and has now been appointed assistant lecturer to Professor Batson at Capetown University.

Tidboald, Joan, has recently passed her anatomy examination at Addington Hospital.

Tilney, Joyce (Mrs. Haden), is living in Johannesburg and does a lot of hard work for the Navy League there. She often sees Aline Miller and Grace Bernard (Mrs. Turner), and when Maureen Pentland was in Johannesburg she went with Gladys Davidson (Mrs. Strauss) to have tea

at Joyce's flat. Maureen also saw her in Maritzburg, when she was down staying with Jane Pope-Ellis (Mrs. Fincken).

Tipper, Joan, has been appointed Superintendent of the Nursery School in Boom Street, Maritzburg, most of the funds for which were collected by the students of the N.U.C.

Titlestad, Irene (Mrs. Brooke-Thompson), is living at Pervaan, near Vryheid, and has a son, Peter Brian. Her husband is in the Police Force. She sees Patsy Hansen (Mrs. Gillespie) sometimes.

Tod, Marjorie (Mrs. Proudfoot)'s husband has the unenviable position of Price Controller for Natal and is also Area Commandant of the C.P.S. at Pinetown. Her big son, Michael, and his partner looked after Miss Mellor very well at the Prefects' Dance at Wykeham in September, 1941, just before she went into hospital. *Marion* (Mrs. Ollerhead) is working at Tribune House, Naval Headquarters in Durban. Her husband is a Lt. Commander in the Navy.

Tomlinson, Catherine (Mrs. Guv), has come to Wykeham's rescue and is teaching Va and VIb Domestic Science and Mothercraft. Her husband is in the Army and she is staying now with her family in Maritzburg.

Tooth, Thelma, is now working for Franklin & Taylor, Estate Agents, in Maritzburg, and her office is exactly opposite Maureen Pentland's, so they meet every morning. Thelma's father was recently Deputy Mayor of Maritzburg.

Trotter, Joan, is engaged. She still plays tennis and is also keeping up her interest in Art.

Turner, Hilary, has been helping at Modderfontein Nursery School in the mornings. She and *Lynette* and Janet Chilvers were all at a C.P.S. meeting early this year, and she and Lynette were hoping to sign on as wardens, while Janet wanted to join the medical section. Lynette played in a soccer match on March 18th. Hilary wrote: "It is in aid of the Governor-General's Fund, so they are making fools of themselves in a good cause." Lynette is Golden City Queen for the Alliance Building, and has a busy time organising dances, etc., to collect money. *Sheila* had rheumatic fever early this year, and had to spend a long time in bed. She stayed with her aunt in Maritzburg before going to St. Michael's-on-Sea on holiday.

Turton, Charmian, has now been teaching for seven years at Prestbury. She was ill and was away for five weeks, but started work again in September.

Underwood, Vangie, has her own school of music in Harrismith, and is still adding to her laurels as a composer. A recital of her work was given at an evening of South African music held in the Natal Society Library, Maritzburg, in April.

Upton, Peggy, is still working for the Natal Tanning Extract Co., and does good work in the Entertainment Section of the S.A.W.A.S.

Urmson, Ethne (Mrs. Topham), comes to the W.O.G. lunches sometimes. She lives with her sister and nieces, and went with them to Pretoria recently for a month. She does canteen work and saw Cynthia Hogg (Mrs. Wardlow) at Kokstad.

Valentine, Eleanor, finds her school activities keep her fairly busy, but she is also a member of the S.A.W.A.S. and has joined the Stanger C.P.S. They have had practice "incidents" in a sham air-raid. She often sees Audrey Smeaton and Marice Hudson (Mrs. Lavoipierre), as well as Margaret Morphew, and recently she travelled up to Stanger with Pat Perkins, who was going home on leave. They had an enjoyable time discussing school days.

Vanderplank, Cynthia (Mrs. Shewan), was in Maritzburg for a few days at the beginning of October, when she was staying with her little girl right opposite Wykeham. *Dorrie* has suffered this year from serious heart trouble, and has had to take things very quietly. She went to Port Edward to recuperate, on doctor's orders. Her husband is looking after several farms for younger men who are at the front. They hope to send their youngest daughter, Noelle, to Wykeham next year. *Kitty* (Mrs. Morgans) is now a Junior Commander in charge of an A.T.S. Convalescent Depot at Cornwell Manor, Kington, Oxon., where about 70 women are convalescing. Her son, John, is doing well at Christ's Hospital, while her husband is a Major, Field Officer and General Staff Officer.

Varty, Vena (Mrs. Donnolly), is still teaching dancing. *Ruby* (Mrs. Gathorne) has a son, Roy, at Rhodes University College, Grahamstown. *Phyllis* says that being a dogmaster's

wife is almost as bad as being a doctor's wife, and she and the children have been alone a lot lately, as her husband has been very busy. She never knows when he will be at home, which makes meals a difficulty. Lately she and her three children spent 10 days in Maritzburg with her mother. Two of her children are going to school now.

Vaughan, Collette (Mrs. Bowden-Lang), was married in January to Lieut. Clive Bowden-Lang of the Fleet Air Auxiliary. He was in the aircraft carrier *Hermes* when she was sunk by Japanese aircraft, but was rescued. Since then he has been shore-based at Nairobi, and Collette flew up to join him and to remain there as long as he is there. *Norah* is working as a secretary.

Verney, Ellice (Mrs. Lupton Smith), put Winsome Reid up at Kokstad last year, when she went up for the Women's Institutes, to teach them to spin. She is doing a man's job while her husband is on active service. *Rena Pitcairn* (Mrs. Webster) spent two happy days with her in the July holidays. *Hylda* was married on February 28th to Guy Nattle, of the K.A.R., at Nairobi. They are both still in the Army, and Hylda was transferred to Mombasa, so they are both looking forward to the end of the war, when they will return to their farm at Kitale on the slopes of Mount Ugou in Kenya. More recent news of Hylda from Gilgil is that she was expecting her husband to come down for a six weeks' course in October. She was enjoying her work with the four other F.A.N.Y.S much better than at Nairobi. She was in S.A. on leave in November last, and spent a few days with Emily Rayner.

Von Gerard, Barbara, is working in Barclay's Bank.

Walbrugh, Margaret, is still doing massage work.

Walker, Olive (Mrs. Harris), is running her two farms very efficiently; though she has had all sorts of difficulties to cope with, such as sick cattle, faulty engines and Joe's tonsils operation. Her husband, who went up North last year, has recently won the Military Cross for gallantry and leadership, but just as the magazine goes to press we hear with sorrow that he has been killed in action in Libya. Our deep sympathy goes out to Olive and his family. *Peggy* (Mrs. Benov) has two little girls, Heather and Cherry. She is living with her mother in Rhodesia until her husband returns from the front. *Joan* (Mrs. Antel) has her husband

back from up North and stationed now with the Native Military Corps in Maritzburg. She is staying at the Ansonia and whenever her husband has leave they go out to their farm. *Violet* (Mrs. Stone) has another son, Nolan James, who was born on July 12th. She had an exciting time at Christmas, when a cyclonic wind blew the roof of the next house on to hers in the middle of the night. Her husband is in Libya with the Native Mechanised Transport Corps. *Joyce* (Mrs. Harris) does splendid war work, collecting money for the Red Cross, for which she has averaged £10 to £12 a month, and she also made cakes and sweets for the S.A.W.A.S. sale at Donnybrook that realised £600. *Ethne* is doing well at the Durban Museum, where she models miniatures of animals and landscapes, etc. She finds the work very interesting. She was chosen out of 20 students for this work. She presented the School with a beautiful Bantu head, which she did while at the Technical College in Durban. *Violet*, *Joyce* and *Ethne* have our sympathy in the tragic loss of their brother, who was killed early this year in a flying accident just before he got his wings. *Valerie* is living at home and helped to provide refreshments for the Highflats Sale in November last year. She still plays a good deal of tennis.

Walton, Barbara, is in Durban and keeps up her singing. She was the soloist one morning at the Red Cross Caledonian Market.

Webb, Yvonne (Mrs. Kotze), is now living at Randfontein and is busy with war work. Her husband is O.C. of the Air School there. *Olga* (Mrs. Logan) has been very worried about her husband, who is up North and of whom she had had no news for a long time. We hope her anxiety has been allayed by now.

Wedderburn, Mavis, left Howard College, Johannesburg, at the end of last year, after completing a Commercial Course and gaining a Diploma in book-keeping. She began working at the Standard Building Society in Johannesburg in January, and has since left for a better position with the Natal Building Society. She still keeps up her music, although she doesn't find much time for practising these days.

Wheelwright, Paddy (Mrs. Bruce), and *Molly* (Mrs. Adkins) have been living with their people in Chase Valley. Paddy is kept busy looking after her baby.

Williams, Elizabeth (Mrs. Burton), is back at the Institute of Medical Research in Johannesburg, where she has been working in the blood transfusion department.

Wilmot, Ena (Mrs. Grist), has moved from Wimborne in Dorset to Oswestry in Shropshire, where she and her two boys are staying with her sister-in-law. Her husband has been sent to Ascension, but would not take his family there under war-time conditions. They lost practically all their belongings when a Cook's building in London was bombed.

White, Valerie, has a baby daughter, who was born on August 10th. Much to her father's delight, she has red hair ! Valerie has our sympathy, as her brother, Frank, who was in the S.A.A.F., has been missing since last November, and his family are now told that they must presume his death.

Wolfe, Billie (Mrs. Peate), is still working at Turner's in Maritzburg, in the wholesale department. She is longing for the war to end so that she and her husband can go back to Durban to live their normal life again. He has been away for two years, and she says it seems to her like 10 years.

Wood, Phyllis, is still living at Thanet Hotel and teaching at Merchiston, where she now has over 40 "infants" to teach. However, she has plenty of energy in reserve and works at the Soldiers' Club, sings in the St. Peter's Choir, is hon. treasurer of "St. Peter's Bells," the church magazine, and has this year taken up C.P.S. work as well. She spent part of her July holidays with Natalie Fannin (Mrs. Juul).

Woodhouse, Oriel, sent Miss Mellor a W.A.A.F. Christmas card from Roberts Heights, where she is stationed.

Woods, Audrey, is training at the Berea Nursing Home in Durban until she is old enough to take up training in a Government Hospital. *Dulcie* is a Sister in the Dundee Hospital. *Memory* (Mrs. Otto) is at home with her mother and baby. She saw her husband sail for the second time when, after coming back from up North, he was sent in June to Madagascar, where he has since been mentioned in despatches. She does Red Cross work and helps the Estcourt S.A.W.A.S. *Ponty* (Mrs. Goodwin) has her hands pretty full with two small babes. Baby Fay is six months old and was born after her Daddy went up North, since when he has

been captured by the Italians, having been at Tobruk with his regiment, the U.M.R.

Worthington, Molly (Mrs. Payne), is living at Glencoe at the hotel with her mother-in-law, Olive, Ivy and Blossom's mother. She is working in Dundee. We are sorry to hear that her health is not at all good.

Young, Queenie (Mrs. Fowler), is working for the War Relief Workers at Kwanbonambi and also doing knitting and sewing for the Air Raid Victims. *Isobel* (Mrs. van Rensburg) is farming still about 10 miles out of Franklin. Sheila Barns (Mrs. Cockburn) saw her in a store in Franklin with her children. She said *Janet* was going on just the same—though she did not often see her.

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