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## COMMENCEMENT

Commencement Day, May 10th, proved a beautiful spring day, and the Cathedral Close a joy to behold.

The procession of Deaconesses, graduates, and white-clad students, marched from St. Faith's to the Cathedral, and the service was held, as always, in the Chapel of St. Ansgarius, Memorial to Dr. Huntington.

This year the finished baptistry, through which one enters the western door of the Chapel, added impressiveness to the scene. The Font, recently placed, and of exquisite workmanship, has completed this exceptional beautiful part of the Cathedral.

Among those in the chancel were Bishop Manning, the Rev. Stanley Brown-Serman, warden of the school; the Rev. J. Wilson Sutton, and the Rev. Charles N. Shepard.

Mr. Richard Smythe again presided at the organ, and the music was rendered with strength and sweetness. The Rachmaninoff anthem was especially effective.

After offering the Bidding Prayer of the school, Bishop Manning spoke informally to the graduates, urging them as they passed from the academic life to that of service, to observe a careful balance, lest absorption in work become predominant. No schedule should be so crowded as to preclude time for prayer and helpful reading, making for the enrichment of the spiritual life.

There followed the presentation of certificates and diplomas.

The senior class was as follows:

EVELYN K. ANDERSON, Salinas, Calif. Permanent work, final arrangement pending.

MARGARET ELLEN FORNEY, Sioux Falls, S. D. Appointment accepted, Missionary District of South Dakota.

PRISCILLA FERRIS GRISWOLD, Auburn, N. Y. Appointment accepted, Church of the Advocate, New York.

SOPHIE HELEN HILLMANN, South Amboy, N. J. Appointment accepted, Blue Ridge Industrial School, Dyke, Va.

FRANCES CATHERINE KIVELLE, Methuen, Mass. Summer work, Mountain Mission, Va.

MARION C. MAYERS, Madison, Wis. Summer work, University of Wisconsin, Summer session. Appointment accepted, Kemper Hall, Kenosha, Wis.

OLIVE M. ROBINSON, Detroit, Mich. Summer work, Rural Missions, Rhode Island. Appointment accepted, Diocese of Michigan.

MARY FRANCES VANNER, Scranton, Pa. Appointment accepted, Stanley, Va. (mountain mission).

Five former graduates, having completed a year of work, received the diploma of the school, namely:

VIRGINIA INNES CARY, St. George's Mission, Stanley, Pa.

DOROTHY MARGUERITE DOWDING, Deaconess, New York Training School for Deaconesses.

HELEN MARIE McELVAIN, St. Andrew's Parish, Ft. Scott, Kansas.

CECELIA FULLER NUELSON, Brent House, Buffalo, N. Y.

ELEANORE LOUISE NEVIN, Grace House on the Mountain, St. Paul, Va.

While there was no setting apart this year, at this time, it was said that several of the graduates were looking forward to the diaconate at a later date.

The school reported eleven juniors, of whom one was non-resident. Six of these were scheduled for summer work at St. Luke's Hospital, the others for summer work elsewhere, or study courses.

There followed the Magnificat, Creed and Collects, the service concluding with the school prayer.

The offering was for the Deaconess Retiring Fund, now, happily incorporated.

Many tarried after the service to inspect parts of the rapidly growing Cathedral, looking with amazement at the great excavation which is the first step toward the erection of the Women's Transept, and which was but begun last fall.

Others met in friendly groups outside of St. Faith's House, until the hour of luncheon, when a goodly company repaired to the refectory.

To older graduates and friends of the school this luncheon has become an institution. Not only does one meet and greet new and recent graduates, but those who have borne the burden and heat of many a year of devoted service, and some who have known the school since its organization, when St. Faith's House was on East 12th St., half way between Grace Church and Grace Chapel.

Many were the delightful gatherings at old St. Faith's House, and it is gratifying that some of the guests of the school of to-day recall in the quaint phrase of the Bidding Prayer, "those who assisted in its edifying at the first," including the godly man, its founder, Dr. Huntington.

## THE ANNUAL MEETING

### REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

The Alumnae Association met in the library at two o'clock, which brought to a close the exercises of Commencement Day, 1928.

The forty-third regular meeting of the Alumnae Association of the New York Training School for Deaconesses was held January 21, 1928, at 3:15 p. m. at St. Faith's House, New York.

The meeting was called to order by the President Deaconess Schodts, and opened with prayers. Announcement was made of the death of Deaconess Hart, for whom prayers were offered and whose work was remembered and commended by the association. The Secretary was instructed to send a letter of sympathy to Deaconess Hart's sister in Washington, D. C.

The Secretary's report was read and accepted

The Treasurer's report was also read and ordered on file.

Announcement was made of the resignation of Miss Munson as Treasurer, and the appointment, by the President, the Executive Committee concurring, of Miss Edith Chappell to complete the unexpired term of office.

Miss Hopkins reported on the Bulletin, and then announced her resignation as Editor. It was the sense of the meeting that a serious loss would be experienced by the Association if Miss Hopkins were to relinquish the editorial work which she has preformed with such exceptional ability, and she was urged to reconsider her decision. However, as she had already given the matter due consideration her resignation was accepted with regret.

Membership Committee: Mrs. Russel Dennison Lewis (nee Harleston Gesner) was unanimously voted in as a member of the Association.

Benefit Committee: No report.

Scholarship Committee: Further discussion of the use to be made of alumnae contributions for a specific gift for the School was carried on. The various suggestions made, in lieu of a Scholarship Fund, were:

An Alumnae Room.

An Endowment Fund, to be incorporated with other moneys collected for the same purpose by the School.

The first of these was objected to on the ground that such a disposition of the money would not be a specific benefit to the School, but rather to the Alumnae. The second would result in such a very small income from the invested funds that it would accomplish very little during the years during which the fund would be accumulating. The suggestion that all contributions made this year be applied, as heretofore, to a scholarship, and that this year's scholarship be viewed by the alumnae as a memorial gift in honor of Deaconess Hart, who was so greatly interested in such a use of the Alumnae Fund. (Agreed).

Students of the School were then asked to introduce themselves and tell the Association something of their plans. They were then invited to join the Alumnae as soon as they were eligible for membership. It was suggested that the Secretary write to each student in the senior class, on the occasion of her graduation, sending a copy of the Bulletin and of the Constitution and By-Laws, these

new graduates would enter our ranks better qualified to take an active and intelligent part in the work of the Association.

A motion was duly adopted, instructing the Secretary to follow this procedure.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was voted to adjourn, and tea was served in the refectory by the Deaconesses in charge. This social hour was much enjoyed.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN G. FLAGG, Secretary.

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## SEPTEMBER MEETING

The forty-fourth meeting of the Alumnae Association of the New York Training School for Deaconesses was held at St. Faith's House on Commencement Day, May 10, 1928, at 2:15 p. m. The meeting was called to order by the President, Deaconess Schodts, who after opening the meeting with prayer, introduced the Warden, Rev. Brown-Serman, that he might address the alumnae before leaving for the day.

Mr. Brown-Serman sounded a note and encouragement in reviewing the progress of the school during the past year. The spirit of St. Faith's House, the co-operation of the Deaconesses in charge, and the splendid caliber of the students were emphasized. The Warden expressed his desire that the scholastic standard of the school might be constantly raised to conform to the increasingly high academic requirements of other schools of advanced learning, and he urged, again, that alumnae keep in mind the type of student that is desired for St. Faith's and to co-operate actively in securing for the school just such students.

The regular business of the meeting then proceeded. The Secretary's report was read and approved. The Treasurer's report was read and ordered on file. The Treasurer reported that of the Scholarship Fund \$175 was contributed by graduates of the school and \$195 by other deaconesses, and that 65 out of 165 members of the association had sent contributions.

Benefit Committee. Mrs. Hand for the committee made a brief report of the history of the Benefit Fund. It was started thirty years ago by a donation of \$1,000 for the relief of deaconesses. In 1914 the Benefit Fund was started for the contributions of deaconesses who desired in some way to make provision for their own future. Fourteen deaconesses contributed at the rate of \$10 a year. Commencement offerings have been added, and at the present time this Benefit Fund, having never been drawn upon, amounts to \$766. The original gift, together with interest accumulations, now brings the entire amount to \$4,087.50. At the present time the Deaconess Retirement Fund, Inc., is accumulating for the relief of all Deaconesses, and will be available when \$50,000 has been acquired. If those who have contributed to the Benefit Fund acquiesce, this fund can be added to help make up the necessary \$50,000 total, but it has been suggested that we keep our Benefit

Fund in our hands until the Deaconess Retirement Fund can be completed by our Fund. Of those who have contributed to the Benefit Fund, three are no longer living, and six have already signified their acquiescence in the proposal. On the Benefit Fund Committee are the Treasurer of the School, three other members of the School Board, and two members of the Alumnae Association.

Membership Committee: No report.

The President called attention to the fact that dues paid by new graduates on Commencement Day will cover the year beginning the following September.

The attention of the Alumnae was called to the recent deaths of Deaconess Carlsen in Japan, and of Deaconess Kenneth in Pen Yan. (Deaconess Kenneth was perhaps better known to many as Sister Frances, formerly of Grace Chapel. The Secretary was instructed to extend to the families of these deaconesses an expression of the sympathy of members of the Association.

Deaconess Schodts reported that as a result of personal letters sent to some of the younger graduates, six who had lapsed their dues were reinstated, and thirteen paid two years' dues. Miss Edith Chappell called attention to the fact that Deaconess Chappell, her mother, is not the treasurer of the Association, and requested that care be used in making out checks for dues. Such checks should be drawn to the order of the Alumnae Association of the New York Training School for Deaconesses, or to Edith C. Chappell, treasurer.

Deaconess Thompson agreed to undertake the distribution of ballots for the coming election, and alumnae were instructed to vote promptly—and *return their ballots promptly.*

Upon motion duly made and seconded it was voted to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN G. FLAGG, Secretary.

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## THE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

This tangible object of the Alumnae Association has for eight years been accomplished by the generous minority of our, about, 185 members. In no year have the contributors numbered one half of our membership. This shows the half-hearted interest of the majority.

Our first effort was for a partial scholarship of \$350.00 but since then we have given \$500.00 for a full one.

Last October we started with an empty treasury but we are hoping that the full amount may be given by October, 1928.

Surely each one could add something, even \$0.50, to their dues to help us realize this corporate gift to assist some young woman to prepare for work in the Church which is needing, more and more, workers trained and tested for the great work of spreading the Gospel of Christ and ministering to His children.

Is there any thing more worthwhile we could do? If you have any suggestions do send them to the President.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

January 25, 1928

Balance, October 1, 1927	\$ 85.97
Dues received	95.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$180.97</b>
Expenditures	76.41
<b>Balance in General Fund, Jan. 25, 1928</b>	<b>\$104.56</b>

### SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Balance, October 1, 1927	\$ 0.00
Contributions	172.87
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$172.87</b>

### TOTAL IN BANK

General Fund	\$104.56
Scholarship Fund	172.87
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$277.43</b>

EDITH C. CHAPPELL, Treasurer.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

May 10, 1928

### GENERAL FUND

Balance, January 25, 1928	\$104.56
Received in Dues	96.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$200.56</b>
Expenditures	5.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$195.56</b>

### SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Balance, January 25, 1928	\$172.87
Contributions received	203.00
Interest from Bank	3.09
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$378.96</b>

### TOTAL IN BANK

General Fund	\$195.56
Scholarship Fund	378.96
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$574.52</b>

EDITH C. CHAPPELL, Treasurer.

## THE BULLETIN BOARD

Those privileged to hear the Rev. Dr. Bernard Iddings Bell in his series of stimulating addresses given at St. Thomas' Church on the Monday afternoons of Lent, will recall that part of each hour was given to the answering of questions.

In reply to someone who asks to be told of helpful and constructive books relating to the development of the religious life, Dr. Bell gave a list of recent works, which is here given as taken down by one of his listeners, and subsequently checked, to insure accuracy, as the notes were taken hurriedly.

The books may be obtained at Gorham's and range from one to three dollars in price.

*Reality.* Canon B. H. Streeter.

*Man and Superman...* Evelyn Underhill.

*Essays Critical and Catholic.* Edited by Selwyn.

*Creative Prayer.* E. Herman.

*Religion in the Making.* A. N. Whitehead.

*Faith and Truth.* Brabant and Hartill.

*Post Modernism.* Bernard Iddings Bell.

This book, alas, is not to be had, having been sold out, and not as yet republished.

*The Christ We Know.* Bishop Fiske.

It is to be hoped that church women not already acquainted with the poems of the late Marguerite Wilkinson, may not fail to become so.

She is said by those qualified to judge, to have written some of the most beautiful and uplifting religious verse of our day.

The religious experience came to her in mature life, and developed into a depth and richness which sought expression in poetry of a very high order.

In addition to her books of criticism, and delightful anthologies, "Bluestone" and "Yule Fire," there appeared not long ago her last and best work, "Citadels." The "Sonnets of the New Birth," which appear in this volume, should be known to all lovers of religious poetry.

Those interested in the closing of the life-story of this brave spirit, a story which shows how much more strange is truth, sometimes, than fiction, may find it graphically described in the March, 1928 number of the magazine *Poetry*

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There is a remarkable loan exhibition at the Metropolitan Museum of French tapestries which date from the 15th century.

A series of six of these represent in quaint and striking fashion "The Hunt of the Unicorn."

This mythical creature betokened purity, and the tapestries illustrate the legend of the "Hunt" and the little guide book to be found in the gallery explains each phase, interpreting the whole as typifying the Incarnation.

These tapestries are to be on exhibition until September, and those who go to see these works of mediaeval artistry will be amply repaid.

The writer confesses herself to have been frankly puzzled by the appearance upon a list of topics for a course of Lenten lectures, the caption: *Tristam da Cunha*.

Probably the readers of the *Bulletin* are better versed, and may know at a glance how this title comes to qualify as a Lenten theme.

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Busy people will find the recently published *Readings with a Purpose* series, put out by the American Library Association, helpful and stimulating.

This series of brief monographs now appears under some forty different captions, each subject treated by a writer well qualified, and often by an author of wide repute. Some ten more are in preparation.

These little pamphlets greet one at the public libraries, and immediately whet one's interest in the phases of history, art, science, philosophy, literature, education, religion and so forth, which their titles bring to mind.

The booklets cost on an average of fifteen cents. At the close of each is a brief bibliography covering the subject treated, suggestive of further study. Such a series fills a distinct place in the booklover's scheme of things, and has proved well worth while.

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It is said that Student Hymnal, published by the Century Company, attracted considerable attention at the last meeting of the Diocesan Board of Religious Education, in New York City.

The publication of this Hymnal is one of those interesting "signs of the times," and its whole make-up, musically and otherwise, will repay study.

E. R. H.

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### SETTING APART

On Whitsunday, Eleanor Sime (1925) was set apart as a Deaconess in the Church of the Holy Trinity, St. James' Parish, New York City, where for several years she had been a parish worker.

The Right Reverend Nathaniel S. Thomas, formerly Bishop of Wyoming and an old family friend, officiated for Bishop Manning.

It was an unusually beautiful setting apart, the lovely church

was filled with parishioners and friends. Deaconess Sime dressed in white, wearing a cap instead of the bonnet and veil, sat in the choir stalls and was the first to make her Communion, then the great throngs of people went forward to receive.

After the service, there was a dinner in the Parish Hall, with the new Deaconess at the head of the table with a great bunch of flowers in front of her. This was followed by a reception when the whole Parish welcomed their old friend as their Deaconess.

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## QUESTIONNAIRE

Have you any troublesome problems in regard to:

- 1.—Church course, other than Christian Nurture.
- 2.—Church groups or Societies of which you have to direct the work.
- 3.—Church school organizations.
- 4.—Class room method, content or discipline.
- 5.—Teachers.
- 6.—Rural, social or urban communities.

If you have any problems along these lines or any special ones, Mr. Tietz, Teacher of Religious Education at St. Faith's, would appreciate it very much if you would advise him at any length you choose. He wants you to feel that through these letters you will help him to help those who are coming after.

Mr. Tietz writes, "I believe that if I knew a little more about what our graduates meet in the way of problems after they left us, we could make our work still more practical than we do. Please convey to all the Alumnae, whether they studied with me or not, my earnest wishes for our mutual work.

Address—Mr. John W. Tietz, 622 West 141st Street, New York City.

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## PERSONALS

Irma Scott (1925) has left the Church of the Advocate, New York City, and Priscilla Friswold (1928) has taken her place.

Mary Dwight Bailey (1920) was married to Soren Aarestruf Smith on June 12 at Mechanicsville, New York.

Mrs. Alexander Remsen (Dorothy Binns, 1913) has a son, William Edward, born June 12 at Alfred, New York.

Deaconess Maria Williams (1911) sailed in May for a vacation of four months in England.

Deaconess Dahlgren (1914) and Deaconess Gillespy (1913) has been given two months vacation this year, and have put Deaconess Fracker (1921) and Deaconess Dowding (1927) in charge

of St. Faith's House during the session of the Summer School at Columbia.

Letitia Gest (1925) will be in New York for work at Columbia this summer.

Mabel Woodruff (1925) is doing social work at the Memorial Hospital in Orange, New Jersey.

Edna Eastwood (1922) is taking a most interesting position with the National Department of Religious Education.

Annie Brown (1913) is working with the Yorkville Bellevue Health Center in New York while awaiting orders to return to China.

Althea Bremer (1913) sails for China the 17th of August. It is to be hoped that she will be allowed by conditions in China to return to school where her influence among the girls is incalculable. During the summer, she will have conferences for young people at Gambier.

Lucy Stephanie Gray (1927) is to be Director of Religious Education at St. Andrew's Church, Meriden, Connecticut.

Evelyn Buchanan (1923) is to be Director of Religious Education of the Diocese of Pittsburgh.

Barbara Jareaux (1923) is to be at All Angels Church, New York City, the coming winter.

Mrs. Cameron F. McRae (Sallie Woodward 1905) and three of her younger children are sailing from San Francisco on September 28 to join her husband in Shanghai. The three older ones remain in this country at college.

Deaconess Wodward (1906) is planning to take a year off, sailing for Europe the end of September.

Deaconess Beard (1894) and Deaconess Garvin (1900) are going abroad together, sailing the middle of June. They go first to Florence, where they will stay just outside the city at the Convent of the Little Company of St. Mary, then to Venice, the Italian Lakes and Geneva, for the Library of the League of Nations, and then to Chartes Cathedral. Deaconess Beard is looking forward to the chance for sketching as part of her vacation delights.

The work at Chase House, Chicago, of which Deaconess Fuller (1910) is head resident, and Deaconess Parsons (1921) is on the staff, is progressing steadily. This is a unique and valuable piece of work done by the Church in a section of Chicago which used to be very fashionable and is now a great medical center and a rooming house district. The work is under three heads, the educational and recreational, the co-operation with City Missions and the Chicago Training School. This makes the scope of the work broad and most inspiring.

Deaconess Agnes R. Bradley (1923) entertained the New York Chapter of Deaconesses at St. Barnabas House, on April 28. There was a tour of the house, associated with Deaconess Mather of sainted memory, a description of the work by the Reverend L. E. Sutherland, and a most helpful meditation by Father Sutton of the faculty of St. Faith's. After a short business meeting, the Chapter was the guest of Mrs. Bradley at tea.

Deaconess Virginia C. Young (1897) is making a change in her work. For fourteen years she has had a Home for Delinquent Girls, first at 70 Horatio Street and then at 17 Beekman Place. The property at Beekman Place having increased enormously in value, has lately been sold and the proceeds will constitute a fund to be used for bettering of conditions in Prison Institutions for Women. Deaconess Young has already visited 80 such institutions and hopes to go on with this work for girls of the same type as those she has lived and labored with for so long. She proposes to have in New York City a sort of general headquarters where both girls and matrons may find a gathering place and information bureau. Until this new work is started in September, Deaconess Young is planning a vacation abroad, sailing June 21 from Montreal for the North Cape tour.

Deaconess Lyon (1898) writes: Am planning to sail May 31, returning to Porto Rico some time in August. I do not know just when but I shall be passing through New York at least once during the summer. When I think of not hearing Spanish for so long I am appalled to think of what I shall lose, for I do not yet know enough to stick. I have had a most interesting winter—a missionary's life is the busiest I have yet encountered and you know that means something—with work divided between St. Catherine's Training School, St. Luke's Mission Church and occasional visits to her eldest daughter St. Hilda's on the Heights where a new Chapel is to be consecrated when the Bishop returns from the States.

Our Secretary, Helen Flagg (1913) writes: I have been working until midnight, Saturdays, Sundays and days that never existed to make eleven banners for anniversary day at the Church here. I wish you could see them. We are showing the Christian Year in color and symbol and keywords—painted on sateen that has all the sheen and weight of satin. They represent over eighty hours of my time and have been fitted in my off hours since May 14.

From Deaconess Knapp—I am here in this fascinating city resting under the supervision of a very skilful doctor. I should be in the lovely Deaconess Home here if it were not that I require a little too much waiting on, at present at least, to impose myself on such busy people. I am in a nursing home chosen for me by my doctor, a delightfully informal place with a head nurse who takes me on all day motor rides in her car. The Chapter of Deaconesses impresses me most favorably, the Los Angeles Chapter I mean. They are most hospitable to me. I attend their Chapter meetings

and sit in their pew at the Cathedral and enjoy them in many ways. They have a fine house for which they must raise an endowment. They will retire to it in their old age. Just what they would say is old age I cannot guess for Deaconess Stiger, a delightful person, is hard at work at seventy-six. I am hoping to return to Japan in the autumn but I shall not try to attend the General Convention. The journey across the Continent is too fatiguing. Just now there is nothing more to tell except that I lent my house to Professor Bundy and his wife and child and they are carrying on my classes for me. Professor Bundy is refugeeing from Boone College, Wuchang. Before the next Bulletin is issued I want to write an appreciation of the Los Angeles Chapter—it is a fine group. My sojourn has been made delightful by their hospitality, and also by the companionship of Louise Hull and Claire Coursen who are in charge of a large Neighborhood House in the Mexican Quarter of this city. My address will be the same all through the summer—1825 South Oxford Avenue, Los Angeles, California, although I am to go on a long motor trip with the head nurse. We plan to go all the way to Vancouver, a round trip of 3,000 miles. This venture speaks plainly of my returning health. I could not write from here without mentioning Deaconess Evelyn Wile, a classmate of Edith Hart's and a most successful worker in this diocese. Deaconess Wile died shortly after the last General Convention leaving behind her a beautiful "Church Home for Children" in Pasadena, built entirely with money she had raised. The large administration building, built since her death, has over the front door a tablet which reads "In Loving Memory of Deaconess Evelyn Wile." The home is now being cared for by our Ester Smith, now Deaconess Phillips for she was set apart after the death of her husband, a clergyman. We have reason to be proud of this deaconess of whom so little is known among us.

My best wishes and prayers are with you all.

#### IN MEMORIAM

There never before has been in the history of our school such a short period of time in which three of our valued graduates have passed into the higher life in such quick succession. The past four months have taken from us Frances Kennett, Edith Hart and Dorothea Carlson.

I wish I could write something adequate about each one of them but the time is too short before the Bulletin is to be issued for me to gather the detailed information I should have in hand, espe-

cially in the case of Deaconess Kennett. I shall have to content myself with a brief statement of the lasting impression their personalities have left in my mind.

Frances Kennett entered our school the second year of its existence, the solitary student of that year. At first Dr. Huntington arranged that she should be privately tutored through the entire course but after a few experimental weeks she requested to be allowed to wait over one year. During that year she did valuable service as the Housemother's assistant in the old St. Faith's. The next autumn a class of four or five entered, I was a member of that class, and then Frances Kennett began the junior year afresh as our classmate.

Deaconess Kennett's first service was in Grace Parish where she was greatly beloved. Her handicap from the start was poor health so that her active ministry all the way through was a broken one. I fear I cannot trace its course, what I can tell is of the unbroken record of her gentle and refined nature and deeply religious spirit. A few years ago the Deaconess and an intimate friend of hers retired from all active service and made for themselves a little home in Penn Yan, New York. It is not given to us to weigh the relative importance of our different attempts at service but I venture to think those years or retirement were of great value to her more active sisters. Through the records of the Society of the "Companions of the Holy Cross" of which I am a member and of which Deaconess was a much more active and useful member, I have learned of her life of prayer. We may think of her as having touched the life of each one of us and as we pray for her we may hope her love for us has gone with her into the higher life and that we are still being refreshed by her prayers.

Deaconess Hart was, and is, very dear to me. I do not have to write about her work, we all know how everything blossomed under her touch, wit and mirth, and love were hers in full measure and the combination made her irresistible. A letter she sent me at the close of the Michaelmas Retreat at St. Faith's was so like her in her effort to group all my former students who attended and assure me of the constancy of their affection for me, she had gone before the letter reached me. The wealth of her love, lodged as it was first and before all else in heavenly places, was the best preparation for her very sudden going.

Dorothea Carlsen.—Giving her up is indeed a sharp sorrow. A letter from her charging me to "Get better quickly" came to me here just as word came from Tokyo that she herself had hurried away so quickly, taking her dear New England conscience with her. Nothing but the clear light of Paradise would convince Dorothea she had done well. Here she was ever dissatisfied with herself and her work notwithstanding her evident loveliness and her abundant success.

S. T. K.