

OUTSIDE THE GATES.

Fifteen women have been returned to the House of Commons in the recent election and two of them have had the remarkable experience of defeating Cabinet Ministers in the late Labour Government.

Miss Marjorie Graves (U.) beat Mr. Herbert Morrison (Lab.), Minister of Transport, by a majority of 3,093, in South Hackney, a London borough. Miss Irene Ward (U.) beat Miss M. Bondfield, Minister of Labour, by a majority of 7,600 at Wallsend. Both have qualified themselves for useful service. Miss Marjorie Graves has been a member of the Holborn Borough Council, and is representative for London on the executive of the National Union of Conservative and Unionist Associations. During the War she served in the Foreign Office, and in 1919-20 was secretary of the Intelligence Department of the Home Office.

Miss Irene Ward takes a keen interest in social work. As Hon. Secretary of the Northumberland Conservative

sections. The section on the left represents an emaciated figure, covered with flowing hair reaching to the feet, which may represent St. Anthony. The second figure represents a young and graceful woman dressed in flowered silk. Underneath is the inscription "San. Margherita." The dress and the dignified attitude of the figure have persuaded the authorities that it is a portrait of St. Margaret, Queen of Scotland, who died in 1093. She was famous for her life of virtue and charity and was canonized by Pope Innocent IV in 1251. It is recalled that one of the bishop-saints of Albano in Latium was a Scotsman. The lower half of the fresco has been damaged, but the subject is plainly the scourging of Our Lord.

Señor Lerroix, the Spanish Foreign Minister, has stated that the Women's Franchise in Spain will be restricted at first to municipal elections. Women are eligible for membership in the Cortes, though they have not yet got the full Parliamentary vote.



MISS IRENE WARD, C.B.E., M.P.
Member for Wallsend.



MISS M. GRAVES, M.P.
Member for South Hackney.

Association she has done much useful organising work. She is a close student of industrial economics, particularly in connection with the coal trade. In 1925, at the invitation of the Canadian National Council, she visited Canada and addressed meetings on British industrial politics from Quebec to Victoria. She was made a C.B.E. in 1929.

Miss Edith Evans, the actress, has gone to the United States, where she will play her old leading part of Florence Nightingale in Captain Reginald Berkeley's "The Lady of the Lamp."

In the course of excavation at the church of St. Peter at Albano, reports the *Times* correspondent in Rome, there has come to light a remarkable fresco which had been hidden under a false covering on one of the walls. The painting is nearly 10 ft. square and is divided into two main parts. The upper part is in turn divided into three

WORDS FOR THE MONTH.

"Modern society," said President Hoover in his wireless coast-to-coast campaign for local funds to aid the unemployed, "cannot survive with the defence of Cain: 'Am I my brother's keeper?' No governmental action, no economic doctrine, no economic plan or project, can replace the God-imposed responsibility of the individual man and woman to their neighbours."

"A profound truth underlies the moralist's advice to us to force ourselves to do daily something that we feel definitely disinclined to do. That minimum prescription for a soul kept in training for the course that is set before it receives popular recognition in the day's good deed of the Boy Scout. In far more than the metallic sense the talent which is left 'to rust unburnish'd, not to shine in use,' is taken from its slothful or timorous holder. It can become fruitful and self-multiplying only if it is kept current in the busy ways of men."—*Editorial in the "Times."*

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