

## NEW NAME FOR B.E.F. IN NORWAY.

The War Office announces that the official description of the B.E.F. in Norway is now "The North-Western Expeditionary Force." In order to avoid possible confusion, the destination of correspondence for members of the Army serving with the British Forces in Norway should be shown in the address as "N.W.E.F.," and not "B.E.F.," Norway, as previously announced.

## NEW HEADQUARTERS IN SOUTH AFRICA.

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

The registered offices of the South African Trained Nurses' Association were transferred, *as from March 12th, 1940*—from 716 and 717, Geneva House, Parliament Street, to Metropolitan Hall Buildings, Church Street (between Burg and Long Streets), Cape Town.

The Post Office Box No. 1601, and Telephone 2.2209, remain as before.

## WHAT TO READ.

## MEMOIRS AND BIOGRAPHY.

- "In Place of Splendour." Constanca de la Mora.  
 "Lytton Strachey." K. R. Srinivasa Lyengar.  
 "Masaryk." Paul Selver.

## FICTION.

- "The West Wind of Love." Compton Mackenzie.  
 "The Lepers." Henry de Montherlant.  
 "Ember Lane." Sheila Kaye-Smith.  
 "Night Rider." Robert Penn Warren.  
 "The House in the Pews." Arthur Gask.  
 "Pudding Lane." Philip Lindsay.  
 "They Left the Land." Naomi Jacobs.  
 "The Witch in the Wood." T. H. White.  
 "Native Son." Richard Wright.  
 "A Book of Miracles." Ben Hecht.  
 "Makeshift." Sarah Campion.  
 "Mrs. Oliver Cromwell." Margaret Irwin.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

- "Flight from Poland." Cedric Salter.  
 "Verdun." Jules Romains.  
 "Germany the Aggressor Throughout the Ages."  
 F. J. C. Hearnshaw.  
 "Behind the Surgeon's Mask." James Harpole.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

*Whilst cordially inviting communications upon all subjects for these columns, we wish it to be distinctly understood that we do not in ANY WAY hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents.*

## SYMPATHY FROM NEW ZEALAND.

Miss Mary Lambie, Department of Health, Wellington, New Zealand, sends a very kind expression of sympathy on the death of Margaret Breay. She writes:—

"I was so sorry to read in the January issue of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING an account of Miss Breay's death, and I felt I would like to write and express my sorrow and sympathy with you in the loss of one who had been such a close friend and with whom you had worked for so long.

"Miss Breay had given her life to her profession, and even in New Zealand her name was well known amongst many of us. I am very grateful that I had the privilege of meeting her during the 1937 Conference, and I have always felt deeply grateful to her for being so extremely kind at the time of the tragic death of Miss Arnold. For such a senior member of our profession to remember a New Zealand nurse I felt was particularly thoughtful and generous. . . .

"I would also like to tell you how much I appreciated an article on 'Courage' which appeared in THE BRITISH

JOURNAL OF NURSING in October last year. I thought it was one which was a definite inspiration to many of us during the difficult times in which we are living. With my deepest sympathy and very kind regards."

[As Margaret Breay received so little personal appreciation in this country during her lifetime of devotion to humanity, expressions of understanding, such as that from Miss Lambie, are deeply valued by us now that her wonderful example is a memory, which will inspire the friends who realised the spiritual force of her character for the rest of their lives.

The article on "Courage" to which Miss Lambie alludes was written by Miss Isabel Macdonald, and appeared in the Supplement of the Royal British Nurses' Association in October, 1939, it might well be reprinted and issued in leaflet form.

*"What's brave, what's noble,*

*Let's do it after the high Roman fashion,*

*And make death proud to take us."*

*"Antony and Cleopatra."—Ed.]*

## KERNELS FROM CORRESPONDENCE.

## Chevalerie de Dieu.

*An American Nurse in Paris* writes: "May I assure you that the picture of 'A Young Guardian of Righteousness' which appeared in the March issue of the BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING did not only appeal to French Nurses; an American Nurse working in Paris also 'fell for it.' Surely this Young Hero is inspired with the supernatural influence of the Holy Spirit."

[An enlarged portrait of this "Guardian of Righteousness" faces the Editor on duty, and so inspiring does she find it, that, as announced in another column, this portrait enlarged and printed on card is for sale, price 9d. post free, and can be obtained for 6d. if called for, from the Secretary, BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING, 19, Queen's Gate, London, S.W.7. Framed simply, patriotic Nurses should find a place from whence "A French Hero Salutes" them daily.—Ed.]

## Quid Pro Quo.

*An Organiser* writes: "Why are women so difficult to organise? It seems impossible to inspire them with a spirit of co-operation: just what they get out of a movement and not what they put into it is all they appear to realise."

[With half a century's experience of professional organisation, we come more and more to the conclusion that the average woman was intended for home and family life—careers and bread-winning, necessary in these times, satisfying in youth, become irksome in middle age, especially as the remuneration for women's work and family calls make saving for the future difficult. After the nightmare of war is at an end we must have a determined effort to equalise social conditions. The average woman does not earn sufficient to attain independence.—Ed.]

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## THE PRIZE COMPETITION.

We regret that no Prize Paper of sufficient merit has been received for publication.

## PRIZE COMPETITION QUESTION FOR JUNE.

In what ways can an Ovarian Cyst cause inconvenience and even endanger life? Describe the nursing treatment after operation for the removal of an adherent cyst.

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