

## THE WAR.

### The Valour of Our Nurses.

We do not feel we have done justice to the valour of our nurses, who one and all show the keenest sense of duty when the enemy unfortunately crashes bombs on hospitals and kills and wounds the helpless sick. When the history of this war is written, one of its most wonderful lessons will be the instinctive sense which inspired young women to save the lives of the sick entrusted to their care. It will be a story of which the whole Empire may well be proud.

On this page appears a quartette of these gallant girls. They have the admiration and thanks of us all.

### 14 Nurses Die in Bombed Hospital.

A memorial to 14 nurses killed while on duty in an air raid will be unveiled by the Duchess of Kent at the Royal Hospital, Salford, this week, during a three-day tour of the Midlands, including Nottingham, Sheffield, and Manchester.

The Duchess will open a nurses' training school at a Manchester hospital and see a war factory.

### A Lordly Gesture.

In the lordly British fashion, we recently handed over one of our finest British Service hospitals, for the exclusive use of American sick and wounded in England, and this week the first contingent of 100 United States Navy Nurses arrived to staff the first Naval hospital to be opened by the Americans in Britain.

O.P.S. Lieut.-Commander Mary Heck, of Cumberland, Maryland, is in charge of the 100 Navy Nurses, all of whom hold officer rank, and are termed Ensigns, who are to be assigned to the hospital "Somewhere in England" to be opened shortly.

From photos to hand, their uniform is very neat and smart.

These colleagues from afar will be warmly welcomed, and we doubt not will have what they expect—"a very good time" in this hospitable country.

### Australian Gift to Red Cross.

Among recent gifts to the Prisoners of War account of the Duke of Gloucester's Red Cross and St. John Fund is one of £100,000 from the Australian Red Cross Society.

Field-Marshal Sir Philip Chetwode, chairman of the Red Cross and St. John Executive Committee, has sent the following telegram to the Australian Red Cross:—

"Your further donation of £100,000 towards our service

to prisoners of war is immensely appreciated. In view of largely increased expenditure we may be called upon to meet at any moment for prisoners in the Far East, your donation is especially valuable. Also, in view of Australia's own calls and responsibilities, this splendid contribution to our fund is deeply valued."

### Books for the Sailor-Men.

Books are urgently needed by our sailors, and a unique way of obtaining funds for this purpose is by inviting the public to put aside the "ship" halfpennies they receive as change when making purchases.

Will nurses co-operate in this beneficent scheme, and send their contributions to Royal Naval War Libraries, 178, Great Portland Street, London, W.1.

### Comforts for Greek Forces.

The Receiving Committee for Comforts for the Greek

Fighting Forces urgently need navy blue, long-sleeved, high-necked pullovers for Greek sailors. Those willing to help are asked to write to the honorary secretary, Mrs. Constantinidi, 34, Hyde Park Square, W.2, who can supply wool and instructions to knitters.

### The Wounded Horses at the Front.

Those of us who love animals will wish to lessen the suffering of those fine horses which are in the front of the fighting line in Russia, and we are told that half of these brave animals can be saved if only you will help the

R.S.P.C.A. to send surgical dressings and equipment to give the wounded immediate treatment. Russia's horses, repelling panzers, are suffering terrible hardships. Help the Association to help them by sending a donation *now*. Please mark your envelope "Russia's Horses," and post to the R.S.P.C.A., 105A, Jermyn Street, London, S.W.1. Just think what comforts you can do without—sweets, theatre tickets, "hotties"—there is always something. Some have never heard the screech of a horse in pain. *We have*. It is heartrending. We doubt if our debt to Russia in this war will ever be paid.

### "Grey and Scarlet."

We have by courtesy of the publishers, Hodder and Stoughton, Ltd., Warwick Square, London, E.C.4, received for review a copy of "Grey and Scarlet."

The date of publication is February 21st, so that in our next issue we hope to review this work, edited by Ada Harrison, and try to do justice to the inspiring contents.



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IN FRONT NURSE J. CAMPBELL, NURSE M. TOUCHY, AND NURSE A. MURPHY, BONNY MAIDS OF MERCY.

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