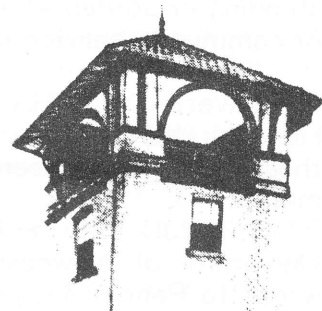


(McDONALD), Aberdeen; Robin Gesicke (HARBUTT), Adelaide; Katherine Wong (BAU), Brisbane; Dorothy Bell (PAINTER), Greenwich; Lea McNeill (KELLETT), Killara; Sally Osborne (McFARLANE), Bungendore; Penny Hunter (MAY), Northbridge; Libby Jones (SWEET), Kirribilli; Merri Gill (GRAHAM), Weilmoringle; Louise Parsons (IRVING), Fairfield Vic; Ann Burke (PARKER), Albury; Pam Suttie (THORNTON), Wee Waa; Margaret WOOD, Rozelle; Felicity Boyd (KADES), Roseville; Hasmah Retter (SULAIMAN), Croydon.

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### News from Former students

Enid Arundel (ARMSTRONG) wrote following the last newsletter from her home in Greenwich (NSW): "I was only a short time in College, during my last year at University, where I graduated in French and German. Being a student and a great admirer of Christopher Brennan, Miss McDONALD suggested that I could join the Union if I wished, and I was delighted to do so. After graduating I lived for some time in England and abroad, studied at the Sorbonne, married and my 3 children were born in England. I am now 92, deaf and a great grandmother." She mentions that there are University graduates in all of the intervening generations!



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Kathleen RICHARDSON is enjoying a continuing contact with teenagers in her weekly scripture classes at Parramatta High School, having participated in this work in the Parramatta-Blacktown area during the last 20 years since her retirement. Lorna ROCK writes from Mowll Village: "I am delighted to find Marjorie Hudson (HOLROYDE) nearby in Hopetoun Village. We are both leading a busy retirement!"

Helen Velacott (McDONALD), niece of Susie Williams who was Principal of College in 1919-21, lives at Castlemaine near the house where Burke lived before setting out on his ill-fated journey to the Gulf of Carpentaria. On a visit to London, she found in a bookshop the original text of an anonymous diary kept by a domestic servant in Sydney and Melbourne from 1886. The story of how Helen researched her identity and background before editing the autobiography is published by under the title 'A Girl at Government House: an English girl's reminiscences "below stairs" in colonial Australia', published Curry O'Neil, with illustrations.

Joan Baines (MATTHEWS) had a joint exhibition of paintings with Robyne Palmer at Willoughby Workshop Arts Centre in July 1982. "I am enjoying Sydney life after 30-odd years in the country, mainly Warialda and Bingara. Still in touch with Jean (STEPHEN) Glennie, Ruth (EDWARDS) Smith and Joy FARNSWORTH."

Nance Richards (FLEMING) has recently moved in to Narrabri whence Bill commutes to the farm, Riverstone Baan Baa, each day. Their elder son John recently married Sarah Jane CANT and they live in the homestead on Riverstone. "This year we have had visits from June (READING) and Doug Osbeiston from Wagga and Ann Rae (WHITE) from Dalwood, Qld. I am attempting Aust. Colonial History as an external student with Univ. of New England this year; very stimulating and keeps one's mind off the drought which is severe."

Joan Rofe (KATER) mentions a busy year in 1982, with the Centenary of Brighton Grammar School where her husband Robert has been Headmaster for 15 years. She has recently been appointed District Commissioner of the Girl Guides and also keeps up her Vet. interests on their a small farm at picturesque Yellingbo. Joan and daughter Helen (Year 10 at Firbank) visited NZ last year for the wedding of goddaughter Julie, 2nd daughter of Margot (McKINNEY) and Ron Jacob, who have retired from Vet. practice to farm at Levin.

Lu Sinclair (Louise YEE-TEH) has just retired as Registrar of the National University of Singapore, having begun there (then the University of Malaya) as an administrative assistant in 1956, 27 years ago. Roslyn Dagg (McKENZIE) was intrigued to see how far afield many contemporaries have travelled; "I hope all are as content with their lives as I am, on a farm in this loveliest corner of the state (Huonbrook, near Mullumbimby), where I still practice Dentistry part-time (for another dentist) and seem to have the best of both worlds."

Dorothy Wheeler (YOUNG) is spending a couple of years away from Armidale, since her husband is project manager for an Australian Aid project at Bagor, 60km south of Jakarta on Java; the project aims to improve animal husbandry and nutrition. Recent visitors to their laboratories have included Bob Hawke and the East Timor delegation: the research is gradually being handed