

AMABEL SCHARFF ROBERTS

1891 - 1918

Inasmuch as one of our young alumnae, Amabel Scharff Roberts, 1913, U.S. Army Red Cross nurse, member of Base Hospital No. 1, Presbyterian Unit with the British Expeditionary Forces, died in the service of her country at Etretat, France, January 17, 1918, we, the Faculty of Vassar College, desire to express to her family our deep sympathy in the sense of our common loss. we cannot but be proud with them that Miss Roberts, who had proved to us here her high standard of work and devotion to duty, should have responded without hesitation to the call of her country, giving unwearying care to the wounded until the end came in supreme sacrifice. The news of her death, coming at the moment of the announcement that Vassar College would be used this summer by the Red Cross for the preliminary training of college women for the nursing profession, should serve as a bugle call to others to prepare to carry on her labors. Her name will live in our traditions, associated with quiet simplicity, the beauty of steady work, and complete devotion to the service of humanity.

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