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Agnes Smedley autographing copies of her "Battle Hymn of China" (Knopf) at the Book Mark, the campus bookstore at Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, N. Y., on the day following her lecture at the college. Miss Smedley's talk aroused so much enthusiasm that the students clamored for signed copies. "Battle Hymn of China" was recently dramatized on the "Words at War" program over NBC sponsored by the Council on Books in Wartime and the dramatization will be repeated on the Bondwagon program over WOR

Mrs. Clapp was the librarian of the Interlaken Public Library and of the Interlaken Central School and is well known in the community. She plans to give book talks at various clubs and women's meetings. Since the opening of the branch store on September 10 sales have been about double what it was thought they would be. And although it is not expected that the business will be very large during the war, Mr. De Motte does expect it to be quite good after the war is over.

The Corner Bookstore is celebrating its 75th anniversary this year. The opening of the branch store in Trumansburg is one event which marks the anniversary; the addition of a large children's department to the store in Ithaca is another. Mr. De Motte tells us that the new department, set apart from the rest of the store, has been attractively done. Good lighting is being in-

stalled. There will be comfortable chairs for adults and chairs and tables for the youngsters. It is planned that the rug in the room will be linoleum with pictures on it and there will be appropriate pictures on the walls. The department will carry juvenile books, toys, games, and pictures for children, and other allied merchandise.

► THE BOOK MARK, the campus bookshop at Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, N. Y., had an excellent sale of Agnes Smedley's "Battle Hymn of China" (Knopf), after Miss Smedley lectured at Skidmore on October 1. The lecture, which was, of course, on China and the Chinese people, was a tremendous success. Students immediately bought more than 30 copies of "Battle Hymn of China," in addition to those sold previously. Miss Smedley appeared in the shop the next day.

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