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MRS. E. M. ROME

Mrs. Edith MacGregor Rome, Matron-in-Chief of the British Red Cross, who died at Fareham, Hampshire, on Monday, was the widow of Colonel G. P. M. Rome, late of Knockbay, Campbeltown, Argyllshire, and daughter of the late George Sheriff-MacGregor of Glengyle.

Born in Glasgow, she was educated there and in Germany. She trained at Westminster Hospital, and held posts in several hospitals, being for many years Matron of the Children's Hospital, Paddington Green, London. During the War she served with distinction and was awarded the Royal Red Cross, 1st Class, the Order of Marie Regina of Rumania, 1st Class, and the Order of St. Anne of Russia. She succeeded Dame Sarah Swift as Matron-in-Chief of the British Red Cross, and was twice President of the College of Nursing, besides serving on the committees of many nursing institutions and funds.