

EDITH CAVELL

Wednesday 15 May 1919 – The children of Crockenhill Council School lined up by the railway while the train passed which conveyed the body of Nurse Cavell.

Edith Cavell was one of the best-known nurses in the war.

She worked in a Red Cross Hospital in Belgium, tending Germans as well as Belgian soldiers.

She worked there when it became a German Military Hospital.

Helped by Belgian resistance, she smuggled 200 Allied soldiers, left behind military lines, into Holland.

1915 - She was betrayed, put on trial, sentenced to death, and executed at dawn on 12 October 1915. International opinion was horrified at the execution of a Red Cross nurse.

Her body was returned to England in May 1919 and buried in Norwich Cathedral.

Edith's last words on her statue near Trafalgar Square, London.



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I MUST HAVE NO HATRED OR
BITTERNESS FOR ANYONE