

THE LIFE AND THOUGHT OF MARJORIE REEVES (1905-2003)
An Edition of Her Unpublished Memoirs with an Introduction

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OF MARJORIE REEVES (1905-2003),
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Short Abstract

This volume presents the edited text of Marjorie Reeves' personal *Memoirs*, left unrevised and probably incomplete at her death in November 2003. They cover her life from her childhood in a Wiltshire village before and during the First World War to formal retirement from her academic post in Oxford in 1972.

Several threads ran through Marjorie Reeves' long life: her attachment to her roots in rural Wiltshire, her enthusiastic commitment to historical scholarship and her profound understanding of liberal values in education at all levels and of what is involved in successful teaching at both school and university. There is much here to interest the Wiltshire historian in chapters I - V and the historian of education in chapters IV - VII and XI. Those interested in Marjorie Reeves' role in medieval scholarship will find her personal reflections on her career in chapters VII and X, with an account of her years as a Tutorial Fellow of St Anne's College, Oxford in chapters VIII – IX.



Joachim of Fiore, from the title page to *De Magnis Tribulationibus et Statu Ecclesiae* (Venice 1516).



Bratton – the “encircling hills” (p. 31).



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