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EDITORIAL.

NIGHTINGALE WEEK.

The Executive Committee of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain at its recent Meeting on April 14th received a Report of the negotiations between its three representatives, the President, Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, Miss A. Lloyd Still, and Miss E. M. Musson, which appears in brief in another column, which had resulted in harmonious agreement between the International Council of Nurses and the League of Red Cross Societies, who together had drafted The Florence Nightingale International Foundation Scheme, which it was hoped would meet with the approval of the National Organisations of Nurses and of Red Cross Societies, and it is satisfactory to report that an explanatory letter, together with a copy of the Draft Scheme, has already been sent around the world from Headquarters at Geneva, signed by the International President, Mlle. Chaptal, Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, Chairman of the Florence Nightingale Memorial Committee of the I.C.N., and by the Secretary, Miss C. Reimann.

Our Executive Committee decided to organise a "Nightingale Week" from July 4th to 9th, and to invite as guests of our National Council the officers of the I.C.N. and members of its Memorial Committee. These invitations have also been issued, and we very earnestly hope that we may have the pleasure of welcoming many international guests, so that they may consult with us on details on the practical organisation of the Florence Nightingale Foundation—without which interest and help we cannot hope for success.

We are glad to report that Mlle. Chaptal, President of the International Council of Nurses, has accepted an invitation to be present.

It is contemplated that the Florence Nightingale International Foundation should be an autonomous body constituted under English law, and governed by a Grand Council comprising five representatives of the International Council of Nurses, five representatives of the League of Red Cross Societies, and two representatives of the National Florence Nightingale Memorial Committee of each participating country. The Grand Council will be responsible for the policy of the Foundation, and between its meetings will delegate its powers to a Committee of Management, elected by the Council. It is suggested that the Committee of Management should comprise three representatives of the International Council of Nurses, three representatives of the League of Red Cross Societies, two representatives of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain, two representatives of the British Red Cross Society,

one representative of Bedford College and one representative of the College of Nursing.

The organisation of "Nightingale Week" will be placed for early discussion on the Agenda of the Special Meeting of our Grand Council on May 28th, so we hope for many happy suggestions and offers of hospitality. So far the suggestions approved are a Conference on the Constitution of the Draft Scheme and to arouse personal interest in Nightingale cult, by the inauguration of the Foundation at St. Thomas's Hospital, to which is attached the Nightingale Training School for Nurses—where so many unique relics of Miss Nightingale are preserved.

To attend the Ceremonies and Presentation of Certificates to International Students at Bedford College for Women.

To visit the Students' Residential Home at 15, Manchester Square, which is so happily conducted.

To visit our National Council Headquarters, where again a very valuable History Section contains many items of Nightingale interest.

To see the educational work of the College of Nursing—which takes part in the International Students' curriculum.

To visit the "House Beautiful" of the Royal British Nurses' Association—the first organisation of Trained Nurses in the world.

To pay a visit of homage to the grave of Miss Nightingale at East Wellow, and, by kind permission of Mr. J. J. Crosfield, to see Embley Park, that lovely home of Florence Nightingale's girlhood.

And generally to entertain, instruct and interest our colleagues from near and far, in a personality of unique genius and greatness, whose association with nursing sheds such a glow of beneficence upon us—for which we can never be sufficiently grateful.

THE NIGHTINGALE CULT.

We speak now of the Nightingale Cult. How has it evolved? Primarily through the exposition of her character and temperament in Sir Edward Cook's illuminating "Life."

After studying it we were relieved to substitute for the popular dear, sweet Saint (a mystic maybe) the masterly administrator, and the greatest health missionary of the nineteenth century.

Her Lamp did not only reveal misty shadows in the sick room—its brilliant rays flashed afar and illuminated dense and dangerous districts, and startled noisome beasts of prey, it penetrated and electrified torpid brains to action, and increased the heart beats of the humane. Indeed its glorious lustre grows brighter day by day.

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NURSES OF GREAT BRITAIN.

The half-yearly meeting of the Executive Committee of the National Council of Nurses was held at 39, Portland Place, London, W.1, on Thursday, April 14th; Morning Session, 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Afternoon Session, 2.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.

There were present:—The President in the Chair.

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MINUTES.

The Minutes were read by the Hon. Secretary and signed.

The absence of Miss M. Breay, Hon. Treasurer, through indisposition, was notified and received with regret.

Letters of regret for inability to attend were read from Miss Helen Dey, R.R.C., President, League of St. Bartholomew's Hospital Nurses; Miss Marshall, President, The National Temperance Hospital Nurses' League; and Miss Gregory Smith, R.R.C., President, Scottish Matrons' Association.

Application for Affiliation.

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Number of Members: 530.

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New Delegates.

The following new delegates were nominated by their respective organisations and approved: Miss E. M. Musson, C.B.E., R.R.C., by the League of St. Bartholomew's Hospital Nurses, Treasurer, I.C.N., Miss Brinton retired; Miss Cicely Tafe, Matron, The National Hospital, Queen's Square, W.C., by the University College Hospital Nurses' League, increase of representation;

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Report of the Standing Advisory International Committee.

The Report of the above Committee was read by the Hon. Secretary and approved, the gist of which was reported in the BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING in the March issue.

Hon. Treasurer's Report.

The following Report, signed by Miss M. Breay, was read by the Hon. Secretary:—

It will be remembered that at the Annual Meeting of the Grand Council it was agreed to invite the Affiliated Associations to make a Special Donation of £1 to £5 to meet the expenses of the financial year ending September 30th, 1932. The Affiliated Associations were accordingly circularised, and there has been a generous response, many of the Associations contributing the full amount of £5. We have received from the following:—

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College of Nursing	£5	0	0
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Amounting to £54 7s. od., and £5 has been promised by the British College of Nurses (since received). I feel sure the Executive Committee will wish to send a letter of appreciation to the various contributors.

Beyond this amount our estimated income from Annual Dues up to September 30th, 1932, is £17.

In regard to Per Capita fees we have received to date £326 7s. 9d., £277 3s. 6d. is now due to the International Treasurer, and has been paid to Miss E. M. Musson, and the balance is held in suspense for the July to December half year.

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Report of Negotiations with the League of Red Cross Societies on the Florence Nightingale International Memorial Scheme.

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to Sir John Hotoft, whose second daughter married Sir Richard Lytton of the Peak, and it was sold by her son-in-law to Sir Robert Lytton in 1492. Ultimately the property passed to Elizabeth Barbara Lytton, who married General Bulwer, of Heyden Hall. The famous Edward Bulwer Lytton was their son, and he became the first Earl of Lytton.

At Knebworth we saw many treasures:—A fine old musical clock of the time of William and Mary, suits of armour of Elizabeth's time, breast plates and back armour of Cromwell, and a saddle and halter presented by the Emir of Afghanistan to the late Lord Lytton when he was Viceroy of India. In the library are the first editions of all the works of Bulwer Lytton. In a glass case is a cast of the hand that wrote the novels, alongside some manuscripts of them and letters from Charles Dickens. In another case lies a ring given to one of his friends by Charles I on which are inscribed the words "I die by tyrannie," a crucifix of Mary Queen of Scots, an inkstand used at the signing of the Treaty between Charles I and the Commissioners of the Long Parliament, and other treasures. Above the mantel-piece is a fine picture of Bulwer Lytton, and on the former the crystal into which he gazed in search of visions. We saw also his inkstand, blotting book, pipe and cigar case. In this room is beautiful William and Mary furniture, a charming Regency sofa, a Queen Anne walnut armchair, velvet needlework of the 16th century on two other chairs and, what interested us most, the two skulls which inspired Lytton to write "The Last Days of Pompeii." In the drawing-room were some fine family portraits, tortoise-shell and ivory cabinets of the time of Charles II, four quaint little children's chairs of the 17th and 18th centuries and other delightful old furniture of different periods. The banqueting hall is of great beauty. The roof and screen are dated 1610-1620, and the rest of the room was designed, if not built, by Inigo Jones. The present Earl has had the room "un-Gothicized" and the beautiful carving stripped of heavy gilt and paint. It is lovely. The furniture is of the Stuart period. We liked the charming picture of the little Duke of Gloucester, son of Charles I, and near it is a fine one of the present Lord Lytton by his brother, the Hon. Neville Lytton. Through the kindness of the Countess of Lytton we were given a last exquisite memory of the day's adventures when she opened the door of the picture gallery which she uses as a drawing-room; it was a lovely scene indeed—entrancing works of art, delicately embroidered hangings and quantities of flowers. Somehow it helped to emphasise the kind of atmosphere which has grown up in our minds of Knebworth House. Several people remarked on the wonderful impression left by these two great and historic places. Hatfield seemed to resound with political history, the personalities who had passed through its galleries have left something more real there than anything we saw with our physical eyes. At Knebworth the impressions were equally strong, but there it was different; politics, though they have a place, have been submerged by something exquisite and artistic in its quality and, reverting to the subject of a recent lecture on the temperaments, we discussed how great must be the influence on childhood and then eventually on heredity of living in such surroundings where something, stronger than mere language, makes even the most obtuse to see visions and dream dreams. Both Hatfield House and Knebworth have now, by their generous and public-spirited owners, been thrown open to the public on certain days, and we strongly advise those who were disappointed in not being able to join in our Ramble to take the earliest opportunity to make one independently with those two great houses as their objective. They will undoubtedly carry away something of a new pride in the great traditions of their country and something of the spirit of

the great novelist and politician when he wrote over the cornice at Knebworth House the lines—

"Read the Rede of this old Roof Tree
Here be trust safe, and opinion free
Knightly hand Christian knee
Worth in all wit in some
Laughter open, slander dumb
Hearth where rooted friendship grows
Safe as Altar even to foes
Home where chivalry and grace
Cradle a high hearted race
If the sap in these may be
Fear no winter old Roof Tree."

DANCE.

Miss Cutler's dance on 16th April was a very lively affair, and the popular hostess has received many expressions of appreciation of the pleasure it has given. The music was excellent, and as the ladies and gentlemen were present in very equal numbers and were enthusiastic dancers the evening passed very merrily. Miss Treasure had decorated the ball room and supper room most artistically, and so gave a very festive setting for the dance. Mrs. Butcher and Mrs. Lambert assisted Miss Cutler as hostesses. The R.B.N.A. cook had determined to excel herself for Miss Cutler, and much admiration was expressed of the variety which the supper table provided and of the delicious dishes she had sent up. We offer to Miss Cutler our warm thanks for her generous hospitality.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TRAINED NURSES' ANNUITY FUND.

Her Royal Highness The Princess Arthur of Connaught was graciously pleased to preside at the Annual General Meeting of the Trained Nurses' Annuity Fund on April 27th. On her arrival the Princess was received by Members of the Council and was presented with a beautiful bouquet of scarlet carnations by Miss Margaret Brown.

The Annual Report for 1931 showed that £849 had been invested during the year towards the foundation of fresh annuities. The sum received in subscriptions had been more than maintained, but there was a fall on that of the previous year in the amount received as donations. Acknowledgments were made of the large amount of voluntary work done for the Fund, work which had enabled the Council to invest a far larger sum for the foundation of annuities than would otherwise have been possible. Certain alterations in the Rules and Regulations adopted at the Special Meeting of Subscribers held in December, were confirmed.

In thanking the Princess for her gracious kindness in presiding at the Meeting, Major Rigg said that her interest in this Benevolent Fund was very deeply appreciated by the nurses, and in the name not only of the Council, but of the sick and aged nurses who received annuities he offered to Her Royal Highness the President most respectful and sincere thanks for her presence that day. To him it seemed a tremendous monument of the generosity of the nurses towards their colleagues that now over seventy nurses were in receipt of annuities so established that, when one nurse no longer requires help, this is passed on to some other. He congratulated the Hon. Secretary on the extent to which the Fund had grown since it came under her care.

When the meeting was over, Her Royal Highness had tea and later there were presented to her several nurses from the Dominions and other subscribers to the Fund who had been able to attend the Meeting.

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ISABEL MACDONALD,
Secretary to the Corporation.

On November 28th your President communicated with the Hon. Sir Arthur Stanley, the Chairman of the British Red Cross Society, sending to him a copy of her Report on the proposed Florence Nightingale International Memorial Scheme, and informed him of the names of the three representatives appointed to consult with the British Red Cross Society.

On November 30th Sir Arthur Stanley replied and stated that Dame Sarah Swift and Mrs. Carter, together with himself, would consult with our representatives.

We met informally at the Treasurer's House, St. Thomas' Hospital, by invitation of Sir Arthur Stanley, on Thursday, January 14th, of which informal discussion a report is extant, at which the representatives of the National Council brought forward nine questions which received consideration, and after further discussion it was agreed that the International Council of Nurses and the League of Red Cross Societies should be asked to co-operate in founding such Memorial to Florence Nightingale, and Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, Miss Lloyd Still and Miss Musson were asked to draft some more definite scheme to be put before the Council of the League.

Mrs. Carter undertook to forward to Sir Arthur Stanley an outline of the Scheme as now carried out by the League of Red Cross Societies. A further meeting would be called by Sir Arthur Stanley when the draft was ready for consideration. It was suggested that when this had been done the President of the International Council of Nurses should be asked to forward the proposal officially to the Council of the League.

Your three representatives of the N.C.N. drew up an Introduction and an Outline of a Scheme in which is incorporated Mrs. Carter's Memorandum on the organisation by the League of Red Cross Societies of the International Course in Public Health in 1920, and the second course in 1924, destined to meet the special requirements of Nurses called upon to act as administrators or teachers in Schools of Nursing.

Mrs. Fenwick said the Memorandum was a most interesting document, and contained tables of expenses in connection with the educational programme which showed that to finance the scheme adequately, allowing for 15 students, an income of £5,270 10s. was necessary.

The details of the Scheme as drafted was, with some necessary additions, subsequently adopted.

On February 4th a Meeting was held at 14, Grosvenor Crescent, the Office of the Red Cross Society, to which Sir Arthur Stanley invited representatives of the League of Red Cross Societies, the National Council of Nurses, the College of Nursing and Bedford College.

After discussion, it was unanimously approved:

1. That the Memorial should be called "The Florence Nightingale International Foundation."

2. That an International Appeal should be made for a sum of £200,000.

3. That the Board of Directors of the International Council of Nurses and the Board of Governors of the League of Red Cross Societies be asked to approach each Country represented on their respective Boards to appoint a representative to a Council which should meet once annually, to be called the Grand Council of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation.

4. That each Country should set up a Committee composed of members of the National Council of Nurses and the National Red Cross Society, with power to co-opt, to be entitled "The Florence Nightingale International Memorial Committee of (name of Country)."

5. It was further agreed that the Grand Council should be responsible for the policy of the Foundation, and elect a Committee of Management to carry it out.

The President announced that Mlle. Chaptal, the President, had been kept fully informed of the discussions and negotiations between England and Paris—that, with one slight amendment, she approved the Draft Scheme in its final form, and had in a charming letter put forward the proposal officially to the Board of Directors of the L.O.R.C.S., and had received a reply from Mr. Swift, the Secrétaire Général of the League of Red Cross Societies, in which he wrote, "With you I rejoice at the occasion which offers to the League of Red Cross Societies collaboration with the International Council of Nurses, and I entertain great hopes for the realisation of the Florence Nightingale Foundation."

The next official step in this country should be to re-assemble the small Committee which drafted the Scheme of the Foundation, and proceed to

form the National Florence Nightingale Memorial Committee of Great Britain.

A Nightingale Week in London.

In the meantime, I would suggest that our National Council of Nurses should organise a Nightingale Week in London, preferably in the first week in July, and invite our International President, and Officers, and Presidents or their representatives of National Organisations, who have accepted office on our International Florence Nightingale Committee, to visit us as guests, so that we may interest them personally in the Nightingale cult.



MISS FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE, O.M.

1. In the Nightingale Training School, and if permissible inaugurate the Foundation at a Public Meeting at St. Thomas's Hospital.

2. To attend the Ceremonies and presentation of Certificates to International Students at Bedford College.

3. To visit the residential Home at 15, Manchester Square, the College of Nursing and the Headquarters of our National Council of Great Britain.

4. To pay a visit of homage to the grave of Florence Nightingale at East Wellow, and by the kind permission of Mr. Crosfield see Embley Park.

5. To entertain them at Dinner to meet persons of official distinction who would be eligible to help form our National and International Committees.

6. To invite our Hon. Officers to form the sub-committee, with power to add to their number, to carry out details, and to act at once.

In presenting her Report the President said she hoped the Committee would approve what their representatives had done and that they had worked earnestly and successfully.

The report was approved and a hearty vote of thanks for the very successful result of the negotiations with the League of Red Cross Societies was passed unanimously.

The suggestion to hold a Nightingale week in London in the first week in July was discussed and the proposal unanimously agreed.

On a proposal from the Chair, a very hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Sir Arthur Stanley for his unflinching sympathy and help in promoting the Florence Nightingale International Foundation.

QUESTIONNAIRE (1) ON NURSING EDUCATION; (2) ON NURSING PRACTICE.

The President reported that a Questionnaire on Nursing Education and Practice had been received from Headquarters of the I.C.N. at Geneva, and that, upon the proposal of Miss Cox-Davies, Miss Rundle, Secretary, College of Nursing, had kindly filled in replies where information was available. With the consent of the Committee, it was directed that the Questionnaire be sent to Miss Reimann and that Miss Rundle be thanked for the very considerable amount of time she had expended on behalf of the Council, in replying to so exhaustive a document.

QUESTIONNAIRE ON "INSPECTION OF NURSING EDUCATION AND NURSING CONDITIONS."

A Questionnaire from the International Council of Nurses referred from the Annual Meeting was considered.

Miss Musson stated that although the word "inspection" does not occur in the Nurses Registration Act, and that there was consequently no statutory inspection of Nursing Education, yet the answer must be qualified as a limited number of schools had been inspected by members of the General Nursing Council. It was agreed to reply in this sense.

The Morning Session then terminated.

AFTERNOON SESSION, 2.30 TO 4.30.

The very important business on the Agenda for the Afternoon Session related entirely to matters in connection with the International Council of Nurses and Congress, to meet in Paris-Brussels in July, 1933.

All Recommendations agreed were referred for consideration by the Grand Council, and it was unanimously agreed to summon a Special Meeting of the Council to meet on the afternoon of Saturday, May 28th, at which nothing but International Business would be considered.

At the conclusion of the Meeting, the Members of the Committee were entertained to tea.

It is earnestly hoped that all Members and Delegates of the Grand Council will make an effort to attend on May 28th.

NURSES' ORGANISATIONS.

INFECTIOUS HOSPITALS MATRONS' ASSOCIATION.

The Fourth Annual Meeting of the Infectious Hospitals Matrons' Association was held at the Brook Hospital, Shooter's Hill, on Saturday, April 30th, by invitation of Miss M. E. Quinlan, F.B.C.N., Matron. Miss J. T. Ruddy, M.B.C.N., President, was in the Chair, and there was a good attendance of members from London and the Provinces.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were confirmed. The Annual Report was received and adopted, and a satisfactory financial statement presented, showing a balance in hand of £30 9s. 2d.

The Hon. Officers were re-elected for the ensuing year.

It was proposed and carried that the President be elected for a period of three years instead of annually as at present.

Resignations of three members were received.

The following Resolutions were proposed and carried:—

1. "That the Act of Parliament giving widows 10/- allowance at 55 be extended to single women who have paid regular contributions to the National Health Insurance."
2. "That they will also have the same benefit extended to them under the Income Tax rate, i.e., £50 allowance for a housekeeper, the same as widows."
3. "To urge all Corporations to adopt a scheme enabling their female staff to retire on superannuation at 55 and to make retirement compulsory at 60."

It was agreed these Resolutions be sent to various women's organisations.

The Meeting then terminated after a vote of thanks to Miss Quinlan, the hostess.

The Meeting was favoured with beautiful weather, and the grounds radiant with spring flowers were greatly admired.

THE MENTAL HOSPITAL MATRONS' ASSOCIATION.

The thirty-seventh Quarterly meeting of The Mental Hospital Matrons' Association will be held at The Warneford Hospital, Oxford, by kind invitation of Dr. Neill and Miss Richardson, M.B.E., on Saturday, June 4th, 1932.

Lunch 1 p.m. The meeting of the Executive Committee 1.45 p.m.

Tea 3.45 p.m., followed by the general meeting. The afternoon will be spent seeing places of interest in Oxford.

Will members intending to be present kindly let the Hon. Secretary, Miss M. Sewart, The Retreat, York, know?

There will be an Address by Dr. Neill, and a report of arrangements for the Congress of the International Council of Nurses to be held in Paris-Brussels next year.

LEAGUE OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S HOSPITAL NURSES.

A General Meeting will be held in the Lecture Room, Nurses' Home, St. Bartholomew's Hospital, on Saturday, July 2nd, at 3 p.m., for which the Agenda has been issued. After the business the Meeting will resolve itself into a Social Gathering in the Grand Hall.

ISLA STEWART MEMORIAL FUND.

The Committee are prepared to offer a Bursary, value £50, to be used for the purpose of Post Graduate Study. Namely:—

(1) Towards Sister Tutor Course at King's College for Women (1 year). Or—

(2) Public Health Course (6 months).

(3) Diploma in Nursing.

Applications, which must be received not later than May 14th, should be addressed to:—Miss Irvin, Hon.