

FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION.

THE INAUGURAL MEETING.

The Inaugural Meeting of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation was held on July 5th at 3 p.m., at 15, Manchester Square, London, W., the Hon. Sir Arthur Stanley, G.B.E., C.B., M.V.O., LL.D., was in the Chair.

Delegates attended from the International Council of Nurses, the League of Red Cross Societies, and the National Florence Nightingale Memorial Committees.

Official Delegates to the Grand Council, Florence Nightingale International Foundation.

INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF NURSES.

Dame Alicia Lloyd Still, D.B.E., R.R.C., S.R.N., President, International Council of Nurses.

Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, S.R.N., Chairman, Florence Nightingale Memorial Committee, I.C.N., President, National Council of Nurses of Great Britain.

Miss Bergljot Larsson, President, Norwegian Nurses' Association.

LEAGUE OF RED CROSS SOCIETIES.

Mlle. Lucie Odier, International Red Cross Committee.
Marchesa di Targiani Giunti, Directress of Nursing Service, Italian Red Cross.

Mr. Ernest J. Swift, Secretary-General, League of Red Cross Societies.

Mrs. A. Cecil Carter, A.R.R.C., S.R.N., Chief, Division of Nursing, League of Red Cross Societies.

NATIONAL FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE MEMORIAL COMMITTEES.

Belgium. Mr. Dronsart, Director-General, Belgian Red Cross.

Denmark. Miss Eli Magnussen, Director, School of Nursing, University Hospital of Denmark (Rigshospital).

Finland. Miss Venny Snellman, President, National Council of Nurses of Finland.

Miss Maj-lis Edgren, Directrice, State School of Finland, Abo, Finland.

France. Mlle. Chaptal, President, National Association of Trained Nurses of France.

Mlle. Lefebvre, National Association of Trained Nurses of France.

Great Britain. Sir Arthur Stanley, G.B.E., C.B., M.V.O., Chairman, National Florence Nightingale Memorial Committee of Great Britain.

Miss Musson, C.B.E., R.R.C., LL.D., S.R.N., National Florence Nightingale Memorial Committee of Great Britain.

Irish Free State. Miss Alice Reeves, R.G.N. President, National Council of Nurses of the Irish Free State.

Miss Grenham, S.R.N., Member, National Council of Nurses of Irish Free State.

India. Sir David Petrie, C.I.E., C.V.O., C.B.E., M.A., President, Indian Red Cross Society (unable to attend).

Miss Abram, President, Trained Nurses' Association of India.

Netherlands. Baroness van Hogendorp, President, National Council of Nurses of the Netherlands.

Miss Boeye, Matron, University Hospital, Groningen, Member, National Council of Nurses of the Netherlands.

Norway. Miss Bergljot Larsson, President, Norwegian Nurses' Association.

South Africa. Dr. Oreinstein, President, South African Red Cross Society.

Sweden. Miss Karin Elfverson, Secretary, National Florence Nightingale Memorial Committee for Sweden.

* Miss Lisa Elander, National Florence Nightingale Memorial Committee for Sweden.

Invited to Attend.

There were also invited to attend:
United States. Miss Mary M. Roberts, American Nurses' Association.

Mrs. de Wolf Clark, American Red Cross Society.

Canada. Miss C. Trethewey, Canadian Nurses' Association.

League of Red Cross Societies. Lieut.-Colonel Draudt, Vice-President, German Red Cross, Vice-President, Board of Governors, League of Red Cross Societies.

Mr. L. De Gielgud, Under Secretary-General, League of Red Cross Societies.

International Council of Nurses. Princess Anna Schwarzenberg, Executive Secretary.

British Red Cross Society. Sir Edward Stewart, K.B.E., M.D., M.R.C.P. Deputy-Chairman, Executive Committee.

Lieut.-General Sir Harold B. Fawcus, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., D.C.L., M.D., Director-General.

Dame Sarah Swift, G.B.E., R.R.C., Matron-in-Chief, Red Cross Nursing Services.

National Council of Nurses of Great Britain. Miss Cochrane, R.R.C., S.R.N., First Vice-President.

Miss Helen Dey, R.R.C., National Council of Nurses of Great Britain.

Bedford College for Women. Miss G. E. M. Jebb, M.A. Cantab, Principal.

College of Nursing. Miss Cox-Davies, C.B.E., R.R.C., President.

Welcome of Delegates by the Chairman.

Sir Arthur Stanley, in opening the meeting, read cables received from the Japanese and Chinese Red Cross Societies expressing good wishes for the success of the Foundation. He then said that it was his pleasant duty as Chairman to welcome the assembled Delegates, which he did most heartily.

Telegram from The Queen.

The Chairman then read the following telegram from Her Majesty the Queen addressed to Dame Alicia Lloyd Still.

I AM INTERESTED TO LEARN THAT THE INTERNATIONAL MEMORIAL TO FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE IS BEING INAUGURATED TO-DAY, AND I AM GLAD TO KNOW THAT IT IS TO TAKE AN EDUCATIONAL FORM, AS THIS WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY HAVE COMMENDED ITSELF TO MISS NIGHTINGALE WHO HAD SO MUCH AT HEART THE EDUCATION OF NURSES AND THE TRAINING OF A GREAT NURSING SERVICE, NOT ONLY IN THIS COUNTRY BUT THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. I EXTEND A WARM WELCOME TO ALL THE DELEGATES FROM FOREIGN LANDS AND FROM THE BRITISH DOMINIONS WHO HAVE ASSEMBLED IN LONDON FOR THE INAUGURATION OF THE MEMORIAL. I SHALL FOLLOW THE PROGRESS OF THE FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION WITH INTEREST, AND I SEND ONE AND ALL CONCERNED MY CORDIAL GOOD WISHES.

MARY R.

The telegram was received with pleasure and applause.

Business of the Meeting.

The Chairman then said that the original idea of the establishment of an International Memorial to Florence Nightingale of an educational character had taken form in the mind of the International Council of Nurses many years ago, and was revived in 1929.

Such a Course had practically been carried out in London at Bedford College since 1920, by the League of Red Cross Societies, which (in 1931) announced its intention of discontinuing the Course owing to financial reasons, and a small Committee was formed by the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain and the British Red Cross Society to confer as to the possibility of carrying on the good work as a Memorial to Miss Nightingale. The result of these deliberations was the proposal before the meeting

Concluding, Mrs. Fenwick said she would be proud to be associated with Professor Nutting as Hon. President of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation.

The proposal was seconded by Dame Alicia Lloyd Still and carried unanimously, and Sir Arthur Stanley remarked that the Foundation was starting under the happiest auspices in regard to its Hon. Presidents.

Election of Vice-Presidents.

Sir Arthur Stanley then said that a list of names had been suggested for election as Vice-Presidents. The position of Vice-President would carry no vote, but the ladies whose names were put forward would be particularly acceptable in this capacity.

The following distinguished nurses, members of the International Council of Nurses, and leaders in Red Cross National Organisations, were then elected.

Mme. Celmins, President, Latvian Red Cross Nurses' Association.

Mlle. Chaptal, President, National Association of Trained

the Irish Free State, was present at the foundation of the International Council of Nurses in London in 1899, and supported Mrs. Fenwick's proposal.

Miss Bergljot Larsson, President, Norwegian Nurses' Association, Delegate of the International Council of Nurses on the Grand Council of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation.

Dr. Alice Masarykova, President, Czechoslovakian Red Cross.

Mlle. Odier, Member of the International Red Cross Committee, Switzerland.

Miss Venny Snellman, President, National Council of Nurses of Finland, President, Association of Old Students.

Marchesa di Targiani Giunti, Directress of the Nursing Services, Italian Red Cross.

The nominations were approved.

Election of Hon. Treasurer.

On the proposition of Mr. Ernest J. Swift, seconded by Miss E. M. Musson, Sir Arthur Stanley was then invited to accept the position of Hon. Treasurer, and in acceding to the request Sir Arthur said it gave him great pleasure to be associated with the work of the Foundation.

It was agreed that the President and Hon. Treasurer should be *ex-officio* members of all Committees.

It was further agreed that the President of the Foundation should act as Chairman of the Committee of Management until further notice.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT.

The following ladies and gentlemen were then appointed members of the Committee of Management, with the addition of a member of the Association of Old Students to be nominated later.

LEAGUE OF RED CROSS SOCIETIES (3).

Mlle. Odier, Member of the International Red Cross Committee.

Mr. Ernest J. Swift, Secretary-General.

Mrs. Carter, Chief, Division of Nursing.

INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF NURSES (3).

Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, S.R.N., Founder and Hon. President, International Council of Nurses.

Miss Bergljot Larsson, President, Norwegian Nurses' Association.

Mlle. Chaptal, President, National Trained Nurses' Association of France.

BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY (2).

Lieut.-General Sir Harold B. Fawcus, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., Director-General.

Dame Sarah Swift, G.B.E., R.R.C., Matron-in-Chief, Nursing Service.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NURSES OF GREAT BRITAIN (2).

Miss M. S. Cochrane, R.R.C., S.R.N., First Vice-President.

Miss E. M. Musson, C.B.E., R.R.C., LL.D., S.R.N., Second Vice-President.

BEDFORD COLLEGE (1).

Miss G. E. M. Jebb, M.A., Cantab. Principal.

COLLEGE OF NURSING (1).

Miss R. Cox-Davies, C.B.E., R.R.C., President.

In relation to the appointment of Secretary by the Board of Management Sir Arthur Stanley pointed out that, as at present defined in the Trust Deed, this appointment



Part of the beautiful sitting-room of the International Students at 15, Manchester Square, London.

Nurses of France, President, International Council of Nurses, 1929-1933, and Hon. Member, I.C.N.

Mrs. Kinnicot Draper, American Red Cross Society.

Miss Annie W. Goodrich, Sc.D., M.A., Dean, Yale University School of Nursing, U.S.A., 1918-1934, President, International Council of Nurses, 1912-1915, and an Hon. President, I.C.N.

Miss Jean Gunn, Superintendent of Nurses, Toronto General Hospital, Canada, Delegate of the International Council of Nurses on the Grand Council of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation.

Miss Take Hagiwara, President, Nurses' Association of the Japanese Empire, Directress, Nursing Service, Japanese Red Cross.

Mlle. d'Haussonville, Vice-President, French Red Cross (S.S.B.M.).

Mlle. Hellemans, President, Federation of Belgian Nurses, chief hostess in Brussels Congress, I.C.N., 1933.

Miss M. Huxley, M.A., Founder-Councillor, International Council of Nurses, National Council of Trained Nurses of

for the establishment of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation. He thought the members of the Committee were entitled to a pat on the back that their proceedings had been carried on so well and harmoniously, like the Disarmament Conference but with better results.

The Report of the Provisional Committee which had been previously circulated was taken as read, and the Delegates then proceeded to consider the Draft of the Trust Deed, and to adopt Rules and Regulations for the Foundation.

THE TRUST DEED.

Three amendments to the Draft Trust Deed were proposed and adopted.

Amendment 1.—Sent in by Mrs. Bedford Fenwick on behalf of the Delegates of the International Council of Nurses on the Committee of Management of the Foundation.

Second Schedule, page 6, paragraph 4 (Management), line 7, insert after Foundation "one at least of whom shall be a trained nurse."

Amendment 2.—Also on page 6, paragraph 4 (Management) Miss Venny Snellman wished on behalf of the National Florence Nightingale Memorial Committee for Finland to withdraw the Amendment sent in for insertion in line 16, proposing that one representative of the Association of Old Students should be added to the Grand Council and under the heading "Committee of Management" to add on page 7, line 10 "and one representative of the Association of Old Students."

The Chairman in supporting the proposition said that there might have been some difficulty about representation of the Old Students' Association on the Grand Council, the right place for their representative was on the Committee of Management.

Amendment 3.—Sir Arthur Stanley then said that on page 8 of the Draft Trust Deed provision was made for not less than three Trustees. It was generally simpler to have a Bank or Corporation as Trustee, as in the case of private trustees the death or resignation of one of their number meant a considerable amount of work. It was proposed therefore to add to paragraph 5 (2) the words "provided that a Trust Corporation may be appointed by the Grand Council in the place of private Trustees."

The Amendments having been agreed Mlle. Chaptal proposed that the meeting approve the Trust Deed (as amended) adopt the said Rules and Regulations, and authorise the officers of the Foundation, when duly appointed by the Grand Council of the Foundation, to take steps for the registration of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation in Great Britain under the Companies Acts. This was agreed.

On the proposition of Mr. Ernest J. Swift, seconded by Miss Alice Reeves, R.R.C., it was agreed that the Westminster Bank should be appointed the Trustee of the Foundation.

Election of President and Honorary Officers.

The next business was the election of the President of the Foundation. It was proposed by Mlle. Chaptal, seconded by the Marchesa di Targiani Giunti that Dame Alicia Lloyd Still should be elected to this office, and this was carried unanimously.

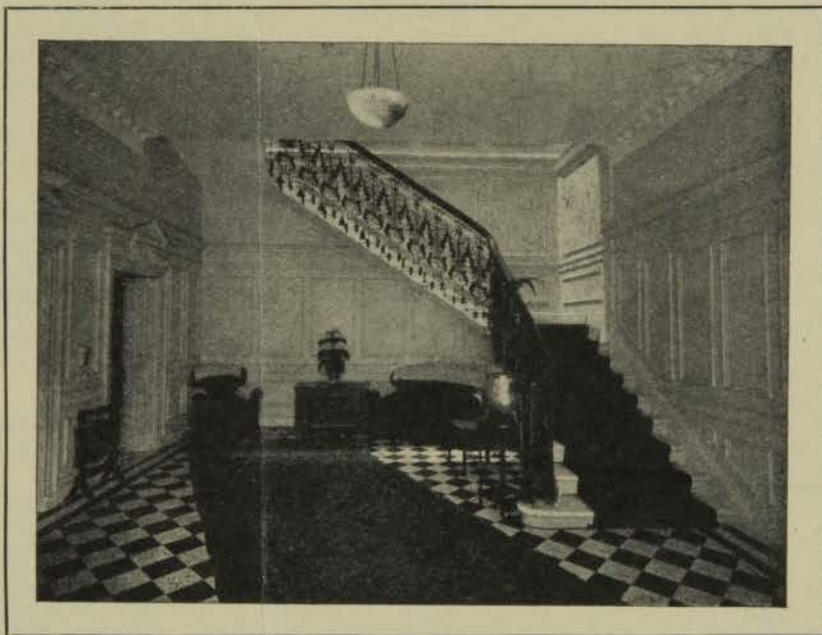
Dame Alicia, who on rising was warmly acclaimed,

said that she gratefully accepted the trust, and believed that the members of the Grand Council, working all together would carry the Foundation to all parts of the world.

Election of Hon. Presidents.

The next business was the election of the Hon. President, and Dame Alicia Lloyd Still proposed, and Miss Bergljot Larsson seconded the election of Mrs. Bedford Fenwick to this office, Miss Larsson saying that it was the most natural thing to do. Mrs. Fenwick in accepting office and expressing her thanks to the Council said, that the inauguration of the Florence Nightingale Foundation was a great occasion, trained nurses had been waiting for it for twenty-two years, since she proposed, during the meeting of the International Council in Cologne, and Miss Adelaide Nutting seconded the proposition, that an educational memorial should be established to Miss Florence Nightingale.

She proposed that Miss Nutting should also be appointed to the honourable position of Hon. President of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation. She was Emeritus



Entrance Hall and beautiful Staircase of 15, Manchester Square, London, where the Inaugural Meeting of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation took place.

Professor of Nursing of Columbia University, New York, an Hon. Master of Arts of Yale University, a position conferred upon her in recognition of her outstanding services to nursing education, and she was recognised as a pre-eminent pioneer in the cause of nursing education throughout the world. In 1907 Miss Nutting was appointed Professor of Institutional Administration at Teachers' College, Columbia University, a course since developed into the Department of Nursing and Health. The recognition of her intellectual force was world wide and her personality revered and beloved. Miss Nutting was an ardent student of the life of Florence Nightingale, and her devoted disciple, and was the first to begin to make an historical collection in relation to Miss Nightingale and her work. She was also the first Chairman of the Florence Nightingale Memorial Committee of the International Council of Nurses. She collaborated with Miss Lavinia Dock in writing the first History of Nursing which was recognised as the standard work on the subject.

was subject to ratification by the Grand Council, and that the person appointed might therefore have been discharging the duties of this office for two years before the appointment was ratified. It was agreed that the appointment should be made by the Board of Management, and reported to the next meeting of the Grand Council.

Appointment of Auditors.

On the proposition of Mr. Swift, seconded by Miss Musson, Messrs. Price, Waterhouse & Co., Auditors of the League of Red Cross Societies, were appointed Auditors to the Foundation.

The Financial Report.

Mr. Swift, in presenting the Financial Report of the estimated receipts and expenditure for the Session 1934-35, referred to the generous response for the endowment of scholarships for this period.

FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION,

MANCHESTER SQUARE, LONDON.

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE, SESSION 1934-35.

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.
Balance from Session 1933-34			
(August 1st, 1934)	2,180	0	0
Scholarships—18 at £250	4,500	0	0
Miscellaneous Income	150	0	0
	<u>£6,830</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE.

	£	s.	d.
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES—			
Salaries—Secretary	300	0	0
Assistant	150	0	0
	450	0	0
EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES—			
Tutors (2)			
Fees — Bedford College (20 students)			
Allowances for incidental expenses (£33 per student)	2,300	0	0
Books (£4 per student)			
Maintenance during practical work			
OVERHEAD CHARGES—			
Ground Rent			
Rates and Taxes			
Insurance			
Repairs and Renewals			
Garden Charges			
	678	0	0
HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE—			
Salary of Warden			
Wages			
Provisions			
Laundry			
Cleaning			
Light and Heat			
Uniform			
Sundries			
	2,300	0	0
Library expenses	30	0	0
OFFICE EXPENSES—			
Audit Fee			
Accounting Charges			
Telephone			
Postage			
Printing, Stationery and Sundries			
	296	0	0
	<u>£6,054</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	776	0	0
	<u>£6,830</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

Balance, Estimated Surplus 31st July, 1935

£6,054 0 0
776 0 0
£6,830 0 0

The value of the lease of the house, 15, Manchester Square, which runs to March 25th, 1955, is £5,200 s. 3d., and the whole of the equipment of the house was turned over unreservedly to the Foundation.

Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, commenting on the Financial Report, said that the members of the Grand Council gathered together at 15, Manchester Square, were able to estimate the value of the most generous benefaction to the Foundation announced by Mr. Swift, and to realise what a splendid gift it was. She warmly expressed the gratitude of the Florence Nightingale Committee of the International Council of Nurses to the League of Red Cross Societies for its most munificent gift.

On the proposition of Mr. Ernest Swift, seconded by Miss Venny Snellman, the Financial Report was adopted.

Sir Arthur Stanley reported that he had received for the Endowment Fund of the Foundation, £40 from the National Council of Polish Professional Nurses, £44 12s. 10d. from the Danish Council of Nurses, and a promise of £20 from the Icelandic Nurses' Association.

Miss Venny Snellman said that after returning home from taking the International Students' Course at Bedford College in 1922 she kept some ten shilling notes in her possession as a matter of interest. It occurred to her that she might appropriately hand them back to the Florence Nightingale International Foundation, and they formed the nucleus of a contribution of £272 10s. 8d. for which she had the pleasure of handing a cheque to the Treasurer from the Association of Old Students. The announcement was greeted with much applause.

Mlle. Chaptal expressed warm thanks to the Nurses of Great Britain who had so generously subscribed upwards of £3,000 in the interim period, in support of scholarships and of the Foundation.

Miss Bergljot Larsson said that during the previous week a meeting had been held of the Board of the Association of Nurses of the North who wished to make a donation of 1,000 krone to the Foundation from the Northern Nurses.

The Marchesa di Targiani Giunti told the meeting of the establishment of the Florence Nightingale Home at Fiesole, as a memorial to nurses who died in the War. It was, she said, open to the nurses of the world.

Date of Next Meeting.

It was agreed that a meeting of the Grand Council should be held in 1935 at the same time as the distribution of certificates to the international students of the Florence Nightingale Course at Bedford College.

Votes of Thanks.

Miss Bergljot Larsson proposed and the Marchesa di Targiani Giunti seconded the following vote of thanks:

"The Grand Council desires to express its deep appreciation of the initiative taken by the International Council of Nurses in promoting the creation of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation, of the action of the League of Red Cross Societies in developing the existing courses and in generously promising to hand over to the Foundation the assets concerned herewith, of the splendid co-operation of Bedford College and the College of Nursing, of the able work of the House Committee, and of the invaluable preparatory work done by the Provisional Committee during the years 1933 and 1934."

Special thanks were also offered to Mrs. Cecil Carter, Mr. Ernest J. Swift, Mr. Gielgud and Mrs. Woodhall for their work during the past year.

Mrs. Bedford Fenwick expressed the thanks of the Florence Nightingale Memorial Committee of the I.C.N. to Sir Arthur Stanley for his invaluable support and sympathy in connection with the establishment of the Foundation.

So ended a meeting of which the historical importance will become increasingly apparent.

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT.

The first meeting of the Committee of Management of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation was held on Friday, July 6th, 1934, at 10.30 a.m., at 15, Manchester Square, London, W.1.

There were present Dame Alicia Lloyd Still in the Chair, Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, Mlle. Chaptal and Miss Bergljot Larsson (International Council of Nurses), Mlle. Odier, Mr. E. J. Swift and Mrs. Cecil Carter (League of Red Cross Societies), Miss E. M. Musson (National Council of Nurses of Great Britain), Lieut.-General Sir Harold B. Fawcus, and Dame Sarah Swift (British Red Cross Society), Miss G. E. M. Jebb (Principal of Bedford College) and Miss Cox-Davies (President of the College of Nursing).

Several of the official Delegates on the Grand Council of the Foundation who had been invited to attend as visitors were also present.

The following business was before the meeting:—

- (1) THAT THERE SHOULD BE THREE SUB-COMMITTEES:
- (a) A Committee of Ways and Means.
 - (b) An Education Committee.
 - (c) A House Committee.

The various duties proposed to be deputed to these three sub-committees were considered and with some amendments adopted.

(2) APPOINTMENT OF OFFICIALS.

Secretary—Miss Olive Baggalley was appointed Secretary, the Chief Executive Officer of the Foundation. She will combine this position with a part-time appointment on the staff of the Social Studies Department of Bedford College as Tutor to the International Students taking the Courses provided by the Foundation.

The Warden—Miss Nan Dorsey, who has for many years so successfully conducted the Residence of the Students at 15, Manchester Square, W., was appointed Warden. She will be responsible to the House Committee for the discipline and general welfare of the Students, for the household management and accounts, and the care of the fabric.

Assistant—Miss Muriel Grace was appointed as Assistant, her duties to consist of Secretarial work.

This modest staff is experimental, and results will be reconsidered at the Meeting of the Grand Council next year. The Organisers of the Foundation have kept in mind that economy must prevail until an Endowment Fund is available, and this is the important work which will now receive consideration.

(3) THE ORGANISATION OF COURSES AT BEDFORD COLLEGE FOR THE SESSION 1934—1935.

The steps already taken by the Provisional Committee of the Foundation for the organisation of the Courses for the International Students were confirmed, and it was agreed to request Bedford College to reconstitute the Education Committee appointed by the College to include representatives of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation.

It was reported that provision for a balanced budget for the estimated expenditure for the Session 1934—1935 was assured.

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Committee of Management should take place during the first week of October and the meeting then terminated.

All past students will learn of the appointment of Miss Nan Dorsey as the Warden of the Students' Residence at 15, Manchester Square, W., with very sincere pleasure.

Miss Dorsey has already filled this responsible position for some years with singular ability and charm, and the Committee of Management of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation are fortunate in securing her consent to remain in office.

THE HON. OFFICERS: "WHO'S WHO."

PRESIDENT.

Dame Alicia Lloyd Still, D.B.E., R.R.C., S.R.N.

Dame Alicia Lloyd Still, President of the International Council of Nurses, doyenne of Superintendents of Nurse Training Schools in London, and leader of the vocational system of Nursing, has for twenty-one years been the Matron of St. Thomas' Hospital, London, and the Superintendent of the Nightingale Training School established in connection with the hospital by Miss Florence Nightingale in 1860. Trained in that famous school, she was subsequently Lady Superintendent of the Brompton Hospital and of the Middlesex Hospital; and then, in 1913, by special invitation of the Governors, became Matron of St. Thomas' Hospital.

One of her most valuable pieces of work has been the organisation of memorials of Miss Florence Nightingale, of which she is an enthusiastic collector.

During the Great War, Miss Lloyd Still was Principal Matron of the No. 5 (City of London) General Hospital, Territorial Force Nursing Service. She was awarded the Royal Red Cross and the C.B.E. for her services, and has this year been promoted to a Dameship in the Order of the British Empire. At the Paris Congress of the International Council of Nurses in 1933 she was awarded the Bronze Medal of the Assistance Publique by the French Minister of Health. She is also a Lady of Grace of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem. She has been a member of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales since 1920, and is Chairman of its Education and Examination Committee. She has been a Vice-President of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain, and is a member of the Education Committee of the International Council of Nurses; of the Florence Nightingale International Memorial Committee of the I.C.N.; and is one of the representatives of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain on the Executive Committee of the Florence Nightingale Memorial Committee of Great Britain. She is a member of the College of Nursing; a member of the Education Committee appointed by Bedford College on the invitation of the Provisional Committee of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation. She is the Founder and President of the Nightingale Fellowship which associates together the nurses trained at St. Thomas's Hospital, and which is a component part of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain. From which it will be realised that Miss Lloyd Still has associated herself with educational and uplifting movements in the Nursing world at home and abroad, and that as Head of the Nursing School of St. Thomas's Hospital and of the Nightingale Training School she is pre-eminently the right person to be appointed first President of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation.

HON. PRESIDENTS.

Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, S.R.N.

Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, Founder of the International Council of Nurses (1899), First President 1901—1904, and Hon. President 1904, was the proposer of an International Educational Memorial to Florence Nightingale at Cologne in 1912, Chairman of the Florence Nightingale Memorial Committee of the I.C.N. 1929, and was appointed by the Board of Directors of the International Council of Nurses on to the Provisional Committee for the organisation of a Florence Nightingale International Memorial, 1932. She is the President of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain, and the President of the British College of Nurses, and has, for many years been an Hon. Member of the American Nurses' Association and of the League of Nursing Education U.S.A. She is also an Hon. Member of the Trained Nurses' Association of India.

She was the Founder in 1887 of the British Nurses' Association which in 1892 received the title of Royal, the first professional association of nurses in the world to receive a Royal Charter. She was the initiator and promoter of the movement for Statutory Education and State Registration of Nurses in Great Britain, in 1887, and drafted the first Bill for State Registration of Nurses in 1903, which was introduced into the House of Commons in 1904. She stood in the forefront of the monumental struggle for the legal status of the Nursing Profession for upwards of thirty years, and lived to hear "Le Roi le veult" echo through the House of Lords in 1919. On the passing of the Nurses' Registration Acts, she was appointed by

the Minister of Health, in 1920, a Member of the first General Nursing Council for England and Wales.

Thus three movements which have now assumed world-wide endorsement and importance, owe their inspiration to Mrs. Bedford Fenwick: the organised movement for the Statutory Education and State Registration of Nurses, which she has helped to promote throughout the world, the International Council of Nurses with its twenty-nine affiliated National Associations, and the International Educational Memorial to Miss Florence Nightingale.

Mrs. Fenwick dates her international interest in the organisation of Nursing from her appointment in 1892 as President of the Nursing Section of the British Royal Commission in connection with the World's Fair at Chicago, when she came into association with some of the leading nurses of the world, notably the late Mrs. Hampton Robb and Miss Lavinia L. Dock. She has visited Canada and the United States upon three occasions, and paid visits to many of the leading European countries where she was privileged to investigate the training and status of nurses.

The advancement of Nursing Service through professional responsibility has been her life-long aim.

Formerly Matron and Superintendent of Nursing at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London, the senior Royal Hospital of the Empire, Mrs. Fenwick was Hon. Superintendent of the Nursing Department of the National Fund for the Greek wounded, and Inspector of Nursing (by request of H.R.H. the Crown Princess of Greece) in the Græco-Turkish war in 1897, and was awarded the Greek Red Cross in 1899. Member of the Grand Committee, and the Executive Committee, Territorial Force Nursing Service for the City and County of London, Member of the Queen's Committee of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem to provide hospital, medical and other comforts for the sick and wounded, 1914. Hon. Superintendent of Nursing French Flag Nursing Corps under the French War Office 1914—1919, received the *Reconnaissance Francaise*, and the thanks of the French Minister of War for the alleviation of the suffering of sick and wounded soldiers. She was awarded the Silver Medal of the Assistance Publique by the French Minister of Public Health, 1933, and was created a Chevalier of the Order of Leopold I by the late King Albert of the Belgians, the Citation presented with the Order stating that it was awarded to Mrs. Bedford Fenwick as Founder of the International Council of Nurses.

Mrs. Bedford Fenwick has for over forty years been Hon. Editor of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING (founded as the *Nursing Record* in 1888) the first Nursing Journal in the world to be owned, edited and controlled by trained nurses.

Of all the gifts which Mrs. Fenwick has brought to the Nursing Profession of vision, the creative faculty, extraordinary powers of organisation and invincible moral courage, none are greater than the ceaseless toil and literary acumen which have placed on record in the pages of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING the history of Nursing progress throughout the world for the past forty years.

As one who has had the rare privilege of observing Mrs. Fenwick's work under conditions of close companionship for nearly fifty years it is permissible for me to express the admiration and homage, as well as the affection which her genius and rare personality command in ever increasing degree.

Professor M. Adelaide Nutting, M.A.

The principal details of the distinguished career of Professor M. Adelaide Nutting, M.A., Emeritus Professor of Nursing, of Columbia University, New York, are recorded on page 200, in the speech made by Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, when proposing her as Hon. President with herself of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation. Miss Nutting seconded Mrs. Fenwick's proposal at the International Congress of Nurses in 1912 to found an international educational memorial to Florence Nightingale, and throughout the intervening years has steadily kept this object in view.

A Canadian by birth, Miss Nutting entered the first class of nurses at the Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, under the superintendence of Miss Isabel Hampton (afterwards Mrs. Hampton Robb), whom she later succeeded. She was one of those who formed the first nursing organisations in the United States, and has given time and creative ability to their development, and also to the idea of training teachers and organisers for hospital work. She has been a leader in securing the University

education of the nurse, and is an ardent worker for the separate endowment of nursing schools.

It has been well said that "a rare gift of practical statesmanship, combined with vision and patient pursuit of an ideal, inexhaustible enthusiasm, and a persuasive and dynamic energy, are her salient characteristics. Honoured and beloved by the graduates of her school (and we may add by many colleagues throughout the world), a potent influence in the profession to which she has given wholeheartedly the full measure of her brilliant powers, it was fitting that in receiving at Yale her Master's Degree, the President of a great University should say of her, 'Her devotion, courage, faith and magnificent perseverance have made her to-day, one of the most useful women in the world.'"

VICE-PRESIDENTS.

(In alphabetical order).

Madame Celmins.

Madame Celmins, President of the Latvian Red Cross Nurses' Association, a registered nurse and one of the pioneers of nursing in Latvia, has played an active part in bringing nursing to a very high standard. She was one of the outstanding figures during the war, and later, when Latvia gained its independence, as wife of the Prime Minister of the country, she set herself the task of reforming nursing. Latvia can well claim to have a standard of training and nursing service of the highest type.

Mlle. L. Chaptal.

Mlle. L. Chaptal, President of the National Association of Trained Nurses of France, President of the International Council of Nurses, 1929-1933, Hon. Member 1933. She has been interested in nursing organisation and in the maintenance of a training school for nurses since 1904, and the efficient and sympathetic help which she gave to the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain when organising the interim International Congress of Nurses in Paris in 1907 contributed largely to its success. She has attended the meetings and Congresses of the International Council of Nurses in various countries and organised and presided over the Congress held in Paris in 1933 with great distinction. Mlle. Chaptal did valuable war work and shortly after the conclusion of the Great War was elected a member of the Permanent Section of the Superior Council of the Assistance Publique. She was invited to assist in drafting a Nursing Decree for France, and was appointed the First Vice-President of the Conseil de perfectionnement of Nurses' Schools at the Ministry of Hygiene. Some of her most valuable work has been done in interesting the Religious Houses in France to raise their nursing standards to meet Government requirements. She is also editor of *L'Infirmière Francaise*, the organ of the National Association of Trained Nurses of France.

From an early age Mlle. Chaptal has been interested in social work, and has given time, money and personal service to the provision of baby clinics and pre-natal services. She has taken a practical interest in the housing question, and co-operative shopping. She has served on the Advisory Commission for the Protection and Welfare of Children and young People of the League of Nations. In 1933 she was appointed an "Officier" of the Legion of Honour, and was created a Chevalier of the Order of Leopold I by the late King Albert of the Belgians. A brilliant linguist, gay, witty, and deeply religious, Mlle. Chaptal has a genius for friendship, both rare and delightful.

Mrs. W. K. Draper.

Mrs. William Kinnicutt Draper, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the New York Chapter of the American Red Cross, Member of the Board of Incorporators of the national organisation, and Chairman of the American Red Cross Committee of the Florence Nightingale Foundation, has been identified with nursing in the United States for many years. At the time of the Spanish-American War in 1898, Mrs. Draper recruited the first unit of Red Cross nurses for the United States army, and later was one of the pioneers in the establishment of the American Red Cross on a firm foundation in her country. She was one of the outstanding Red Cross leaders in the United States during the World War, and in May, 1919, was most helpful in the meetings called for the establishment of the League of Red Cross Societies. Since that time she has followed with interest the International Nursing Courses of the League in London and has always given sympathetic and understanding support to the project.

Dean Goodrich of Yale.

Professor Annie Warburton Goodrich, Sc.D., M.A., has had a notable nursing career since graduating in 1892 from the New York Hospital. She has held successfully the positions of General Superintendent of the Training School for Nurses at Bellevue and Allied Hospitals, New York, Inspector of Nurses' Training Schools in connection with the New York State Education Department, Assistant Professor of Nursing and Health at Teachers' College, Columbia University, Director of Nurses, Henry Street Visiting Nurse Service, New York, first Dean of the Army School of Nursing U.S.A., being awarded the Distinguished Service Medal for exceptionally meritorious service, and Dean of Yale University School of Nursing, from 1923 to June, 1934.

Miss Goodrich has been active in the development of the International Council of Nurses, and attended its Congresses in Berlin, London, Helsingfors and Montreal. In 1912, at Cologne, she was elected President for the ensuing triennial period, she is an Hon. President of the Council with a seat on the Grand Council and Board of Directors for life.

With Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, Miss Goodrich is the only holder of this exceedingly honourable position now left, their four colleagues, Miss S. B. McGahey (Australia), Sister Agnes Karll (Germany), Mrs. Tscherning (Denmark) and Baroness Mannerheim (Finland) having passed away.

As a Founder Member of the International Council of Nurses I have always deplored the alteration in the Constitution in 1925, which since that time has had no method of recognising the arduous services of its Presidents.

A great leader in the cause of Nursing Education, in the development of Nursing, an administrator and an organiser, Miss Goodrich is well known and beloved, not only in the United States but through the International Council of Nurses around the world.

She was awarded the Silver Medal of the Assistance Publique by the French Minister of Health during the I.C.N. Congress in 1933.

In the *American Journal of Nursing* which publishes in its July issue an appreciation of Miss Goodrich, Professor Nutting writes: "If I had the power to bestow a decoration it would be for valour, for out of the intense unremitting labour of her whole being, acting always with deep sincerity of purpose, Miss Goodrich has clarified many situations for nursing, for hospitals, and for universities," and Miss Lillian Wald, calling her "Crusader," records that "underneath the joyous, beautiful, brilliant personality there lies always the solid determination to establish the nurse as an independent, self-determining professional. Her delightful sense of humour, her zeal, and her strong will, have combined to make her one of those people around whom legends gather."

Miss Jean I. Gunn.

Miss Jean I. Gunn, Lady Superintendent of the General Hospital, Toronto, Canada, is well known in the International Council of Nurses, having attended its Congresses in Helsingfors, Montreal, and Paris-Brussels, besides meetings of the Board of Directors, at which her clear judgment is much appreciated. She held the position of President of the Canadian Nurses' Association from 1917-1920.

Miss Gunn is a woman of remarkable business capacity, which is always in evidence at National and International meetings, where she is frequently deputed as Chairman of various committees to take action upon the work arranged. She was Convener of the Committee appointed to draft recommendations for practical reorganisation of the Headquarters of the I.C.N. at Geneva in 1933, and was appointed Chairman of the Standing Committee, I.C.N., for the Revision of the Constitution in 1933. In connection with the Silver Jubilee Celebrations of the Canadian Nurses' Association in July this year, Miss Gunn was Chairman of the Pageant Committee, and Convener of the Scenario Committee.

She has been second Vice-President of the I.C.N., and in the organisation of the Montreal Congress held the onerous position of Chairman of the Programme Committee. She is one of the five representatives elected by the I.C.N. to serve on the Grand Council of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation and has taken an active part in the organisation of a National Committee in Canada for the promotion of the Foundation. In 1933 she was awarded the Silver Medal of the Assistance Publique by the French Minister of Health.

Miss Take Hagiwara.

Miss Take Hagiwara, President of the Nurses' Association of the Japanese Empire, and Directress of the Nursing Service

of the Japanese Red Cross, is one of the best-known and well-beloved members of the International Council of Nurses. She first attended one of its meetings in London, in 1909, when she won all hearts. She was present at the Cologne and Montreal Congresses; and presided at Montreal at a never-to-be-forgotten luncheon given by the Japanese Delegates. Since 1909 she has kept up an intimate and gracious intercourse with individual officers of the International Council of Nurses, and her appointment as Vice-President of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation will give widespread pleasure and satisfaction throughout the nursing world. In 1933 she was awarded the Bronze Medal of the Assistance Publique by the French Minister of Health.

Mlle. d'Haussonville.

Mlle. d'Haussonville is Vice-President of the Ladies' Committee of the Society for Help to War-Wounded (French Red Cross). She is a registered nurse in France and a member of the "Conseil de Perfectionnement des écoles d'infirmières," and also a member of the Association of Trained Nurses of France. Mlle. d'Haussonville is a member of the Nursing Advisory Committee of the League of Red Cross Societies and has presided at its meetings.

Mlle. Jeanne Hellemans.

Mlle. Jeanne Hellemans, President of the National Federation of Belgian Nurses, is an outstanding personality in the International Council of Nurses, and will always be remembered by those who attended the Paris-Brussels Congress in 1933 for the dignity and charm with which she conducted the proceedings in the latter city. From her early youth, Mlle. Hellemans was attracted to a nursing career, an attraction which grew more intense during her education in England, where she came in contact with devoted and well-trained nurses.

When the Belgian Red Cross organised "first aid" lessons she attended the lectures with great assiduity. Later on she passed the State examinations in nursing. For twelve years she directed social work; then came her opportunity to use her nursing knowledge, and in 1914 she helped, as head nurse, to organise the field hospital in Malines, and nursed the wounded soldiers of Sempst and Aerschot. Later on she joined the Belgian Army at the foundation of the Military Hospital of Petit-Fort-Philippe, where she acted as head nurse in various wards until the hospital was closed in 1919. On her return to Belgium, she set herself to re-establish the training of nurses in Malines. In September, 1921, the "Arrêté royal" was published; and in that year Mlle. Hellemans established the St. Elizabeth School for Nurses on her own property, with resident pupils and a three years' course of study. The pupils are taught self-government, but also how to use their liberty, and their rule is "duty."

Mlle. Hellemans' aim has been to modernise hospitals in Belgium and to uplift the nursing profession—an arduous undertaking, involving a constant struggle, not, as can well be understood, without contention. Her appointment as a member of the Town Council, however, made her difficult task easier. She attended the meetings of the International Council of Nurses at Helsingfors and Montreal; and at the Paris Congress in 1933 was awarded the Silver Medal of the Assistance Publique, bestowed on prominent members of the I.C.N. by the French Minister of Health.

In common with other Belgian Nurses who attended the Congress, she attracted attention by the perfection of her professional uniform. Indeed, wherever Belgian nurses attend an International Congress they are the envy of other nations in this respect, for they are a pattern to the world.

Miss Margaret Huxley, M.A., R.G.N.

Miss Margaret Huxley, a most forceful and attractive personality, of great mentality, holds a unique position in the Nursing world in Ireland, and is recognised as a pioneer in all that concerns the welfare of nursing and nurses.

Trained in the Nursing School of St. Bartholomew's Hospital in the early 'eighties, where she was one of its most apt pupils, she has devoted the whole of her professional life and work to Ireland, where she has held leading positions both in the hospital world and in the organisation of nurses. For her conspicuous services in this connection she received from Dublin University in 1928 the Hon. Degree of Master of Arts, being introduced by the Public Orator in the theatre of Trinity College as *feminan strenuam, certam optimam*. He paid tribute in a Latin speech, to her energy, loftiness of purpose, and singleness of mind, pointing out that "probably the greatest achieve-

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