

# Royal British Nurses' Association.

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## THE CONFERENCE.

### FREE DISCUSSION ON PROFESSIONAL PROBLEMS.

Under the auspices of the Royal British Nurses' Association a Conference will be held on November 7th, at the Pooms of the Medical Society of London, 11, Chandos Street, Cavendish Square, W. 1. The first Session will commence at 3 p.m., when Her Royal Highness the Princess Christian, President of the Corporation, will take the Chair. "The Economic Position of the Trained Nurse" and "Some Phases of Modern Nursing" will be the subjects under discussion. Tea will be served before the evening session opens at 6 p.m. to consider "The Differences between the two Nurses' Registration Bills and why the Royal British Nurses' Association does not agree with the Bill of the College of Nursing, Ltd." Her Royal Highness has graciously promised to preside at the evening session if possible. Nurses, and particularly those who are Members of the Royal Corporation of Nurses, will deeply appreciate the support given to them by their President on this occasion, when they meet to confer on subjects of such great importance to them all. Should Her Royal Highness be unable to preside, the Chair will be taken at the evening session by Mr. Herbert Paterson, Medical Honorary Secretary of the Royal British Nurses' Association and Honorary Treasurer of the Central Committee for the State Registration of Trained Nurses.

The Executive Committee have invited Miss Pearse, Superintendent of the L.C.C. School Nurses, Miss Jentie Paterson, and Mrs. Collins to speak on "The Economic Position of the Trained Nurse."

Miss Marsters, Superintendent of the District Nurses of Paddington and Marylebone; Miss Sinzinex, A.R.R.C., Matron of Queen Alexandra's Hospital for Officers; and Miss Kate Atherton, Medallist of the Royal Sanitary

Institute, will read papers on "Some Phases of Modern Nursing."

At the evening Conference Lieut.-Colonel Goodall, M.D., Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, and Miss Le Geyt will compare the Bills of the Central Committee and the College of Nursing, Ltd., from the point of view of the Medical Man, the Matron, and the Trained Nurse respectively. It is suggested that a Member of the public should also be asked to criticise the Bills.

The Conference will give to nurses the opportunity to discuss points which are of vital importance to them. If, in the future, there is to be progress and real liberty for members of the profession, the nurses must take an active part in the management of their own economic and educational conditions. Through this Conference the President and Executive Committee of the Chartered Corporation are giving publicity to claims for improving the conditions under which the nurses work and for free discussion on matters which closely concern them.

The Executive Committee of the Royal British Nurses' Association hope that there will be a large attendance of Members of the Corporation and of the Organised Societies of Nurses affiliated to it, to support Her Royal Highness and the Speakers. The programme of the Conference will be printed in the course of a few days, and can be obtained from the Secretary of the Royal British Nurses' Association, 10, Orchard Street, Portman Square, W. 1, or from the offices of any of the Organised Societies affiliated with the Corporation.

### COMFORTS FOR THE SOLDIERS.

Sister Thompson very kindly writes, in connection with our recent appeal for comforts for a regiment of artillery at the front, that she is interested in a club for working girls and she will be very pleased to get them to do some work if any members care to forward to her the materials required. Sister Thompson's address can be obtained from the R.B.N.A. office.

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