

the discharge of which we shall draw on the storehouse of our experience and tradition.

"Our European allies, their sovereigns, heads and governments, whom we are glad to welcome here in their distress, count on our aid to help them return to their native lands and to rebuild the structure of a free and glorious Europe.

"On the sea, on land, in the air, and in civil life at home, a pattern of effort and mutual service is being traced which may guide those who design the picture of our future society.

"A former President of the United States of America used to tell of a boy who was carrying an even smaller child up a hill. Asked whether the heavy burden was not too much for him, the boy answered: 'It's not a burden, it's my brother!'

"So let us welcome the future in a spirit of brotherhood, and thus make a world in which, please God, all may dwell together in justice and in peace."

THE NEW YEAR'S HONOURS LIST.

On January 1st, the New Year's Honours List filled many columns of newsprint, so much so, indeed, that it is generally felt that after the war, when democracy is to demand so many reforms, a halt will have to be made in this custom of pandering to human vanity. During war only those men and women engaged in active service should receive recognition; and that politicians and other members of the laity whose duties keep them safely at home might wait until war ceases before pushing their claims.

THE ROYAL RED CROSS.

His Majesty the King has approved the following promotions in, and appointments to, the Royal Red Cross for outstanding zeal, and for courage and whole-hearted devotion to duty while serving in His Majesty's Naval and Military and Air Force Hospitals.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE.

First Class.

Miss A. Rowlands, Sister (T/Matron); Miss A. C. G. Dady, Sister (A/Matron); Miss E. Nieuwerf-Newcourt, Sister (A/Matron); Miss A. M. Price, Sister (A/Matron); Miss A. Murphy, Sister; Miss D. A. Thorpe, Sister; Miss M. Husband, Principal Matron, T.A.N.S.; Miss K. M. A. Simpson, Matron; Miss B. Tweddle, Matron.

ASSOCIATES OF THE R.R.C.

Second Class.

Miss F. C. Coleing, Sister (Asst. Matron); Miss J. G. Porteous, Sister (Asst. Matron); Miss M. O. Chace, Sister; Miss J. E. F. Stewart, Sister; Miss E. W. Joynt, Sister; Miss B. C. Shafto, Sister; Miss V. Brocklebank, Sister; Miss J. Cowie, Sister; Miss G. E. Wilson, Sister; Miss N. Simcox, Sister, T.A.N.S.; Miss M. M. Wotton, Cpl., V.A.D.; Miss J. S. French, Sister (A/Matron), Burma Hospital Corps.

PRINCESS MARY'S R.A.F. NURSING SERVICE.

MEMBERS OF THE R.R.C.

A/Matron Miss M. E. Hards, A.R.R.C.; A/Matron Miss E. Wilson, A.R.R.C.

ASSOCIATES OF THE R.R.C.

A/Matron Miss A. F. Acheson; A/Matron Miss A. M. Angus; A/Matron Miss D. E. Mallett; A/Matron Miss A. W. Marsland; A/Matron Miss E. J. Stuart; A/Senior Sister Miss O. A. Keyse; A/Sen. Sister Miss D. H. Rich; Nurse Miss I. C. Tweedie, V.A.D., Nursg. Member.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S ROYAL NAVAL NURSING SERVICE.

TO BE A MEMBER.

Miss K. Baker, A.R.R.C., Matron, Q.A.R.N.N.S.

TO BE ASSOCIATES.

Miss M. M. Bourns, Actg. Suptg. Sister; Miss M. Hadderton, Actg. Suptg. Sister; Miss R. M. Hill, Res. Nursg. Sister; Miss E. J. Lawrie, Actg. Suptg. Sister; Miss R. D. Backhouse, Supvg. V.A.D., Nursg. Member; Lady Elizabeth Agatha Romayne-Cecil, Supvg. V.A.D. Nursg. Member; Miss G. A. Pollard, Supvg. V.A.D. Nursg. Member; Mrs. E. M. Farrance, V.A.D. Nursg. Member.

ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE.

Hundreds of appointments to the Order of the British Empire have been made by the King. Amongst them the following Registered Nurses have been honoured:—

Miss D. S. Coode, S.R.N., Chairman of the Royal College of Nursing; Miss D. M. Smith, S.R.N., Matron, Middlesex Hospital, London; Miss M. E. Jones, S.R.N., Matron, St. Giles' L.C.C. Hospital, Camberwell, for services to civil defence; Miss E. G. Mansey, S.R.N., Matron of Lowestoft and North Suffolk Hospital, for services to civil defence; Miss E. W. Young, late Matron Royal Sussex Hospital, Brighton, for services to civil defence.

M.B.E.

Miss Doris Beatrice Lane, S.R.N., Matron, City Maternity Home, Norwich, service to civil defence.

NURSING OFFICERS.

Q.A.I.M.N.S. and the T.A.N.S., as members of the Women's Forces, are commissioned into the three Branches of the Military Nursing Services, *i.e.*, Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service, Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service Reserve, and the Territorial Army Nursing Service in the rank of Sister, Matron, etc., with relative rank (and the rank badges) of Lieutenant, Major, etc. The rank of Sister, etc., will be used with the official signature.

Since the abolition of the rank of Staff Nurse, the term "nurses" ceases to be strictly applicable and the substitution of "Nursing Officers" has been made to make the wording of Regulations clear and precise. It would otherwise be necessary to employ the long description "Officers of Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service, Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service Reserve, the Territorial Army Nursing Service and V.A.D. State Registered Nurses (employed with Q.A.I.M.N.S.)."

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