

the issue of the printed copies, on account of the very heavy cost of producing these and the impossibility of their ever being completely up to date. As explained at the Conference, the manuscript Register will continue to be kept up to date and will be available for inspection by the public at any time, and records will be available for verification of registration upon enquiry by telephone or in writing.

I hope this explanation will reassure your Council on the point which is causing them so much concern.

Yours faithfully,  
M. HENRY, Registrar.

MISS A. STEWART BRYSON,  
BRITISH COLLEGE OF NURSES, LTD.

We would point out that it is the issue of the printed copies of the Register that is of fundamental value to nurses—not its mere maintenance of one copy only kept at the G.N.C. headquarters, where ready access is impossible.

#### Correspondence.

In a large amount of correspondence, letters of thanks were received from a Fellow and a Member for grants of £35 each, awarded to them towards their expenses to attend the International Council of Nurses Conference to be held in Stockholm in June this year; of thanks from students abroad for introduction to enter for training in London; of warm thanks from a loyal Fellow of many years standing for grant of 10s. weekly on her retirement, and expressions of grateful appreciation, from 20 Fellows and Members for Christmas grants.

#### Election of Fellows and Members.

Applications for membership were received and all were elected.

#### Financial Statement.

The Financial Statement was agreed and adopted.

#### The National Council of Nurses of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

The suggested Financial Schemes of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to eliminate the duplication of fees payable to the National and International Councils were considered by the Council who, deprecating such procedure, agreed to the following points:—

1. Is the suggestion that all affiliated societies shall submit all the names and addresses of their individual members to headquarters of the National Council of Nurses intended to prevent nurses from belonging to more than one affiliated association? If so, both the National and International Councils will be rendered much the poorer financially by the introduction of such an innovation.

2. Is it intended that by this anomaly, the duplicate fees received could be retained by the N.C.N. and not passed on to the I.C.N. as heretofore?

If so we strongly deprecate this suggestion as the I.C.N. is entitled to benefit in such dues as much as the N.C.N.

3. We are strongly opposed to the suggested procedure of filing *individual* names and addresses at Headquarters as in our opinion it cuts at the root of the fundamental principle upon which the N.C.N. was founded, the freedom of the individual.

Further, as the business of the majority of the affiliated societies is conducted voluntarily by busy and much occupied members of the profession, they would probably be faced by the need of paid help owing to the extra work involved in such meticulous and unnecessary calculation, thereby causing much inconvenience to such altruistic and generous workers in a good cause.

From every point of view it was considered that the result would be adverse to what we understand is being sought.

The meeting then terminated.

#### Retirement of Miss Isabella Tulloch.

**A**FTER many years of devoted service at Plaistow Hospital, London, the Matron, Miss Isabella Tulloch, retires from her arduous duties in a few weeks' time.

During the forty-one years of her professional experience Miss Tulloch has served her country and her profession well.

Prior to her general training, which she received at Whipps Cross Hospital, 1911-1914, she qualified for Infectious Diseases Nursing at Plaistow Hospital and at the Grange, Harold Wood, Essex, from 1908-1911. On completion of her general training, Miss Tulloch became Ward Sister



at Joyce Green Hospital, until 1915, when during the First World War she joined Q.A.I.M.N.S., in which she served until 1919, when she returned to Plaistow Hospital as Ward Sister; her promotion to Assistant Matron followed in 1922, and the year 1932 saw her appointed Matron.

Miss Tulloch was one of the earliest foundation Fellows to associate herself with the British College of Nurses, Ltd., and in the many years of her distinguished career as a colleague and friend in an epoch of unprecedentedly stressful times, inevitable for those holding responsible office, she has been a staunch and steadfast supporter of professional independence and those principles which stand for the best interests of Registered Nurses.

In her retirement she has our warmest wishes for a long and very happy well-earned rest.

#### The League of Fever Nurses.

**A**N Extraordinary General Meeting of the League of Fever Nurses was held on Saturday, January 29th, 1949, at the R.B.N.A., 194, Queen's Gate, S.W.7.

The President, Miss N. Dunkley, was in the Chair, and on opening the meeting explained that it had been called to consider the Financial Schemes suggested by the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, which she now placed before the meeting.

The decisions of the meeting were unanimous concerning the following questionnaire:—

1. Is your League prepared to accept financial arrangements in (a) Schemes 1 and 2? Scheme 2 was chosen in the affirmative.

2. In reply to this question: Will your League or Association continue its membership on the N.C.N. under

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