

The Midwife.

International Congress of Midwives

Sponsored by The Royal College of Midwives

HER MAJESTY QUEEN ELIZABETH II has graciously consented to be Patron of what might well be the greatest international gathering of midwives ever held. This will take place in London from September 4th to 11th, 1954, under the auspices of the Royal College of Midwives.

Delegates from more than 60 countries have already been invited to attend the Congress, including some from behind the "iron curtain."

The extensive programme will include lectures on the highest international level by eminent experts, as well as social activities of many kinds.

The President of the Congress is Miss N. B. Deane, M.B.E., (President of the Royal College of Midwives), and an Advisory Committee has been set up consisting of:—
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Midwife Representatives: Miss L. Beulah, Miss N. B.

Deane, Miss E. F. Gore, Miss C. Knott, Miss E. J. Merry,

Miss M. Williams, Miss A. Wood. Congress Secretary:

Miss Marjorie Bayes.

Higher Birth Rate.

THE REGISTRAR GENERAL announces that provisional figures for England and Wales for the third quarter of this year show that the birth rate was higher and the stillbirth and infant mortality rates lower than the rates for the corresponding quarter of 1952.

Live Births.

Live births registered numbered 172,976, representing a rate of 15.6 per thousand population; in the third quarters of 1952 and 1951, the corresponding figures were 168,030 and 168,033 respectively, the rate being 15.2 in respect of each quarter.

Stillbirths.

There were 3,709 stillbirths registered, representing a rate of 21.0 per thousand total live and stillbirths, compared with 3,714 and a rate of 21.6 in the corresponding quarter of 1952. The figures for the third quarter of 1938 were 6,072 and 37.0 respectively.

The Christmas Season.

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