

Nursing Echoes.

"God Speed."

ON NOVEMBER 23RD we waved goodbye to our lovely and gracious Queen, who with the Duke of Edinburgh started out on her mission to the lands of the Commonwealth—to Australia, to New Zealand, to Ceylon and Uganda.

Never before has a Queen gone forth, bearing with her so much trust and love. Never before has a sovereign journeyed so far among her peoples. We wish her a happy journey and God speed.

HER MAJESTY Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother has been graciously pleased to appoint 254 Nurses to be Queen's Nurses; 192 in England, 52 in Scotland, 4 in Wales and 6 in Northern Ireland.

THE BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY is again offering two Scholarships of £350 each for the 1954-55 session, to British Nurses for study outside the British Isles.

The Scholarship covers tuition fees, board, lodging and a small honorarium for incidental expenses, but does not include the cost of fares to and from the country where the Course is taken.

These annual Scholarships provide an opportunity for post-graduate study and an international exchange of ideas which must always be invaluable. Scholars may join recognised post-certificate Courses in Canada, the United States of America or elsewhere and study such subjects as Hospital or Public Health Nursing, administration, teaching in schools of nursing or work in specialised fields. Candidates must be State Registered nurses, holding Part I Certificate of the Central Midwives Board, and must have attained a high standard of education, with at least three years' good professional experience subsequent to registration: preference will be given to candidates who show powers of leadership. Scholars will be expected to return to positions of responsibility in this country.

Forms of application may be obtained from the Matron-in-Chief, B.R.C.S., 7, Grosvenor Crescent, London, S.W.1. Completed forms should be returned not later than March 1st, 1954.

Candidates may be asked to attend a meeting of the Selection Committee, after which the successful candidates will be required to fill in certain forms demanded for Scholars, and also to furnish medical and dental certificates.

WE ARE PLEASED to announce that Miss Marjorie E. Craven, R.R.C., S.R.N., S.C.M., has been appointed Matron-in-Chief, British Red Cross Society, succeeding Dame Emily Blair, D.B.E., R.R.C., who has resigned.

Miss Craven, who is well known to nurses and universally admired for her work in the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and the International Council of Nurses, was trained at the Leeds General Infirmary, where she was awarded the Gold Medal. After holding several appointments in the General Infirmary she was awarded a British Red Cross Society Scholarship and studied Nursing Adminis-



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tration at Bedford College, University of London, the Royal College of Nursing; and Teachers College, Columbia University, U.S.A. She is a Registered Sister-Tutor and holds a Health Visitor's Certificate.

Miss Craven served for two years as a V.A.D. member in Military Hospitals; spent 15 years as Matron of the West London Hospital, Hammersmith; served in the Territorial Army Nursing Service during the War in France and England as Matron and Principal Matron; was for a short time Matron at the Peace Memorial Hospital, Watford, and Inspector of Training Schools for the General Nursing Council for England and Wales.

In 1947 she returned as Matron to the West London Hospital, a post she still holds.

Miss Craven is Honorary Secretary to the National Florence Nightingale Memorial Committee, and is Chairman of Ethics of Nursing Committee, International Council of Nurses; she is also a member of the Board of Governors of the Royal Free Hospital.

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH has appointed Miss Olive Frances Griffith to the post of Mental Nursing Officer on the staff of the Chief Nursing Officer at the Ministry. She has taken up her duties.

Miss Griffith took her general nursing training at King's College Hospital and later her mental nursing at The Maudsley Hospital. Since then her experience has included the work of an Inspector of Mental Nursing Training Schools for the General Nursing Council, and she has recently returned from Canada where she was teaching post-graduate nurses who were specialising in psychiatric nursing.

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