

## The British College of Nurses Ltd.

A MEETING OF THE Council of the British College of Nurses, Ltd., was held at 19, Queen's Gate, London, S.W.7, on Wednesday, July 15th, 1953, at 2.30 p.m.

The Vice-President, Miss M. Thurnham, F.B.C.N. was in the Chair.

On rising, the Chairman had the honour to report the following communication received from the Lord Chamberlain:—

Lord Chamberlain's Office,  
St. James's Palace, S.W.1.  
April, 1953.

I have received the Queen's commands to thank the British College of Nurses on Her Majesty's behalf for the beautiful flowers so kindly sent as a tribute of respect and affection to the memory of Her late Majesty Queen Mary.

The Queen and the Royal Family are deeply touched by this tribute.

(Signed) SCARBROUGH,  
Lord Chamberlain.

It was reported that the following letter was sent to the President, Miss Dorothy de M. Warren, D.N.(Lond.), in reply to her message to Fellows and Members at the Annual General Meeting:—

At the Annual General Meeting of the College, held on June 17th, your letter addressed to our Fellows and Members was read by the Chairman, Miss M. E. Thurnham, Vice-President, and received with much pleasure. In reply, while much regretting your absence, the following message was proposed from the Chair, and carried with acclamation:—

That this meeting desired to extend to the President, Miss D. de M. Warren, heartfelt thanks for her inspiring message of faith and encouragement in the future under our Great Queen Elizabeth II, and also to convey their best wishes for her renewed health and strength to maintain her gifted activities on behalf of the Nursing Profession.

### Resolutions from the Annual General Meeting.

It was reported that the following Resolution was sent to the Rt. Hon. Iain MacLeod, M.P., Minister of Health:—

That the Fellows and Members of the British College of Nurses, Ltd., in Annual General Meeting assembled, strongly protest against the proposed closure of the State Fever Nurses' Register, by the General Nursing Council for England and Wales, before an equivalent substitute has been evolved in which the present recognised standard of efficiency in skilled Infectious Nursing shall be maintained.

To which the following reply was received:—

Ministry of Health.

DEAR MADAM,

I have to refer to your letter of the 25th June regarding cessation of training for the part of the Register for Fever Nurses. The closure of this part of the Register can be effected only by order of the Minister under the powers conferred upon him by Section II of the Nurses Act, 1949, on a request by the General Nursing Council.

Although there has been some discussion on this subject, no formal request has been made, and I am to assure you that if and when the question comes up for decision, the resolution of the British College of Nurses, Ltd., will be taken into account.

Yours faithfully,  
D. M. WHITE.

The Hon. Secretary,  
The British College of Nurses, Ltd.

To the Rt. Hon. R. A. Butler, M.P., Chancellor of the Exchequer:—

That the Fellows and Members of the British College of Nurses, Ltd., in Annual General Meeting assembled, unanimously beseech the Chancellor of the Exchequer to

consider the question that an allowance, reduction of £50 per annum in Income Tax, for Housekeeper be extended to unmarried women who attain the age of 55 years.

To which the following reply was received from Treasury Chambers:—

DEAR MADAM,

I write on behalf of the Chancellor of the Exchequer to acknowledge your letter of 25th June, and to say that your resolution has been noted.

### Correspondence

It was reported that the decision of the Council to contract for Third Party Insurance for members of the College was placed before the Annual General Meeting and unanimously agreed.

A letter was received from Mrs. Commissioner Helena Dibden asking for extra copies of the B.J.N., stating "I am so impressed with leading articles in each case, they are indeed excellent."

A letter of thanks from Miss Ellen Bröe, Director of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation, sending greetings and expressing appreciation on behalf of the members of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation Council for the extremely pleasant party the British College of Nurses arranged for them on June 25th—"and thanking very much for the help and hospitality we have received from the British College, during the week of the Council meetings."

### Election of Fellows and Members.

Applications for membership of the College were received, and all were elected.

### Financial Statement.

The Financial Statement for the three months ending March 17th was reported.

### The Next Meeting of the Council.

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Council be held on Wednesday, October 14th.

The meeting then terminated.

## Making the Most of Milton

WE ARE SURE our readers are very conversant with Milton, but we wonder if they know all the uses to which it can be put.

In the case of measles, mumps, whooping-cough, etc., Milton used in the washing-up water will do much to stop the spread of disease; first add two tablespoonsful to the water, then rinse in hot water and dry.

Salads, vegetables, and fruit can be put to soak in cold water and Milton—one quart cold water and one tablespoonful of Milton; this will prevent the food from tainting in the warm weather, all can then be rinsed before use under the cold-water tap.

Milton will also help to keep meat and fish fresh longer in the warm weather; using one tablespoonful of Milton to one pint of water, dip in fish or wash over meat at intervals before cooking.

We know that doctors advise Milton for the sterilisation of babies' feeding bottles and teats, but it is also very useful for sterilising vacuum flasks by putting one teaspoonful of Milton into them, fill to the brim with cold water and leave over night or until required; finally, rinse under running water, and the flasks will always be fresh for use.

It is only after exhaustive research and practical experience that Milton Antiseptic, Ltd., recommend the uses as set out here.

No taint or taste to the food will result.

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