

excursions are planned which will include visits to hospitals and Health Centres.

Further details of the tour can be obtained from the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, 17, Portland Place, London, W.1, and for which a stamped addressed envelope should be enclosed.

### Jamaica Public Health Service.

THE BRITISH WEST INDIES Public Health Training Station was organised as a part of the Medical Department of the Government of Jamaica in 1943, under an agreement between the Medical Department, the Rockefeller Foundation, and the Comptroller, Colonial Development and Welfare, and was approved by the Secretary of State for the Colonies in that year. All three organizations contribute to the financial support of the Station. Its purpose is to provide instruction and training for health personnel of all grades for the British possessions in the West Indies and South America.

The St. Catherine Public Health Demonstration, supported by the Parochial Board of the parish of St. Catherine, the Island Medical Department, and the Colonial Development and Welfare, provides facilities for field training under expert supervision in close collaboration with the Training Station.

During the field practice programme the Public

These are carried out by means of both home visiting and clinical work.

The whole emphasis of the programme is on the preventative and constructive aspects of health teaching. However, in some clinics a certain amount of curative work has to be done due to lack of other facilities and in an effort to make health teaching more effective.

Follow-up visits from clinics and schools are done in the homes. This with a view to giving more concentrated teaching and an effort to show people how to make the best use of their available resources, often very limited, and in order to promote a healthier standard of living.

### 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 Friday, April 9th, 1954, at 2.30 p.m.

The President, Mrs. M. C. Barber, D.N. (Lond.) was in the Chair.

Prayers having been read, the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

The President expressed much satisfaction to report a letter received from Miss E. Brodie, F.B.C.N., accepting the invitation of the Council to attend the Conference of the National Council of Women of Great Britain, to be held in Edinburgh, July 6th to 9th, as the College delegate.



Pupil Nurses on their daily visits.

Health Nursing students observe and participate in the generalized Public Health programme carried out in this parish.

This covers Maternal and Child Welfare Services  
School Health  
Venereal Disease  
Tuberculosis  
Leprosy  
Malaria  
Yaws

### Lectures

Concerning the desire of some members to have lectures on public speaking, the meeting considered correspondence received, giving information as to arrangements that could be made, for a limited few to have a course on that subject. It was decided to state that those Fellows or Members wishing to avail themselves of this opportunity should communicate with the Secretary, The British College of Nurses, Ltd., 19, Queen's Gate, S.W.7.

The decision of the Minister of Health, Mr. Macleod, that for the present the Fever Nurses Register will not be closed was received with great satisfaction and heartfelt gratitude to the Minister for his humane administration in this vital problem concerning the public good.

It was decided that a benevolent grant be given to a fellow needing financial help—from the Ethel Mary Fletcher Benevolent Fund.

Information relating to the very serious difficulties being experienced by a Matron in hospital were considered and it was agreed that the necessary steps be taken of legal aid on her behalf.

### Financial Statement

The financial statement was reported and adopted.

### Election of Fellows and Members

Applications for membership were received and all were elected.

### Draft Annual Report

The Twelfth Annual Report from January 1st to December 31st, 1953 was read and considered.

### Next Meeting of the Council

It was unanimously agreed that the next meeting of the Council be held on Thursday, May 27th, at 3 p.m.

The meeting then terminated.

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