

### Nursing Echoes.

AMONG THE 215 passengers who disembarked from the Canadian Pacific liner *Empress of Scotland* at the Tail of the Bank off Greenock early in May were Miss Barbara H. Renton and Miss Janet T. Locke, Matron and Principal Sister Tutor of the Victoria Infirmary, Glasgow.

Both had been on a five weeks' tour of the United States and Canada, studying nursing methods. During their tour they visited nursing schools in New York, Washington, D.C., Baltimore, Newhaven and Toronto.

They had flown out for the Victoria Infirmary Hospital Board, and both looked fit and well after what must have been quite an arduous tour. When asked what they thought of the methods in the States, Miss Renton replied that they had not yet had time to gather their thoughts.

Shortly, however, they will be making a report to the Board on the tour.

BEING ENTERTAINED IN London by the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain and Northern Ireland are Miss A. S. Satsky, a member of the Board of Directors of the South African Nursing Association and Director of the Nursing College in Germiston, and Miss C. S. T. Roux, a member of the Sharleycribb School of Nursing, Port Elizabeth, and Chairman of the Eastern Provincial Branch of the South African Nursing Association.

A party of about 20 South African nurses will be coming to this country on June 24th, on a holiday visit, but while they are here, three days of professional visits have been arranged for them by the National Council of Nurses through the help and co-operation of Matrons in London and Edinburgh.

MISS MURIEL UPRICHARD, a former British Council scholar, has been appointed Assistant Professor of Education and Director of Research in the University of Toronto School of Nursing.

Miss Uprichard was a British Council scholar from 1945 to 1947 and took her Ph.D. for research in the field of Educational Psychology at the Institute of Education, London University.

On her return to Canada she was appointed National Director of the Junior Red Cross, Canadian Red Cross Society, a position which she has now resigned to take up her new appointment.

The University of Toronto School of Nursing gives a B.Sc. (R.N.) for a five-year course for women training to be teachers and administrators in the nursing field. There are also postgraduate courses to prepare graduates of other schools of nursing for senior posts in public health, government service and hospital administration. Of the 400 students attending these courses about a quarter are from abroad, mostly Rockefeller, Kellogg and W.H.O. scholars.

### Infectious Diseases Hospitals' Matrons' and Nurses' Association.

THE NEXT MEETING will be held at the Devonshire Road Hospital, Blackpool on Saturday, 4th June, 1955, at 2.30 p.m. by kind invitation of Miss D. E. Astle, Matron. All members and prospective members will be welcome,

R.S.V.P. to Miss Astle.

### The British College of Nurses, Ltd.

A MEETING OF THE Council of the British College of Nurses, Ltd., was held at 19, Queens Gate, London, S.W.7, on 25th April, 1955.

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

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

Much important correspondence was reported, and after careful consideration, recommendations agreed.

#### Election of Fellows and Members.

Applications for membership were received, and all the applicants were elected.

#### Financial Statement.

The financial statement was presented and adopted.

#### Date of Annual Meeting.

It was unanimously agreed that the date of the Annual Meeting of Fellows and Members be held on June 29th.

The meeting then terminated.

### Coach Tour.

THE COUNCIL is arranging a coach tour for June 10th to visit the Royal Horticultural Society's Gardens at Wisley, then on to Polesden Lacey, and tea in Dorking.

Further particulars, cost, etc., can be obtained on application to the Hon. Secretary. This tour has been arranged in response to the request of many members anxious to avail themselves of this unique drive; the Council would therefore, to avoid disappointment, urge members to apply early for coach and tea reservations.

### The Annual Reunion of the Grenfell Volunteers

ONCE AGAIN WE were invited to the Reunion of the Grenfell Volunteers. It is always refreshing to meet people who work for the joy of it, and to hear the stories of cheerful endurance for the sake of others is indeed inspiring.

In spite of the Canadian "invasion" and modern improvements such as airports, radar station, etc., the fishermen and their families live in much the same way and are still in need of care and help in every way. In fact, under some adverse weather conditions, dog teams are still the only means of transport in parts of Labrador and Newfoundland, we understand.

As the chairman, Sir Henry Richards, C.B., LL.D., emphasised, the chief purpose of this annual gathering is to perpetuate the memory of Sir Wilfred Grenfell, a very great man, hoping that some day, someone will be inspired to write his biography.

Mrs. Keddie, of Cartwright, told us a story of one of his visits to her family when she was quite small. They were frequently called upon to take in those he could not find accommodation for elsewhere. He asked the small daughter of the house what she was going to do when she grew up. "I would like to work for you," she replied. Some years after he reminded Mrs. Keddie of her promise and she joined the Volunteers for one year and stayed 25! We would like to wish her, Dr. Peter Weston and any others who are taking a holiday in Great Britain a very happy stay; rested and refreshed before returning to their wonderful mission.

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