

THE NATIONAL UNION OF TRAINED NURSES.

A meeting of the Cambridge Branch of the National Union of Trained Nurses was held at the Photographic Club Rooms on November 19th. Nearly fifty people were present, of whom thirty-five were members of the Union. Dr. Robinson, County Medical Officer of Health for Cambridgeshire, gave a most interesting lantern lecture on "Camp and Village Life in Northern India," dealing specially with plague prevention work. The photographs were taken by Dr. Robinson himself, and showed vividly the great difficulties which were often experienced in the attempt to stamp out this terrible scourge of the East. After the lecture, which was very much appreciated by all, tea and coffee were partaken of by invitation of the committee.

Lady Margaret Boscawen presided at the Annual Meeting of the West Cornwall Midwives Association, and the West Cornwall Branch of the National Union of Trained Nurses, held at Truro, on November 19th, when the annual report presented stated that during the year a total of 2,760 mothers had received skilled attention from Cornish midwives—acting as midwives in 1,662 cases, and as maternity nurses in 1,098 cases. Dr. Burnet was elected President of the Cornwall Midwives Association, and Lady Margaret Boscawen President of the National Union of Trained Nurses and also of the Joint Committee, consisting of members of both committees.

The following officers were elected:—Cornwall Midwives' Association—President, Dr. Burnet (Truro); Vice-President, Mrs. J. de Cressy Treffry (Par), Mrs. Rogers (Perranwell), Miss Heard (Truro); representative, Miss McKay (Truro); hon. secretary and treasurer, Miss Turpie (Truro); committee, the Misses Chaffe, Stephens, Leverton, Lyon, Glynn, Elliott, Honey, Douglas, and Sweet. The National Union of Trained Nurses (Nurses Social Union).—President, Lady Margaret Boscawen; hon. secretary and treasurer, Miss Heard; hon. assistant secretary and deputy representative, Miss McKay; committee, Mrs. Cholmeley, Misses Chaffe, Stephens, Gordon, Turpie, Lyon, Ralph, Sidgely, and Leverton. Joint Committee (to consist of members of both committees)—President, Lady Margaret Boscawen; Vice-President, Mrs. Pendarves, Mrs. Rogers (Burncoose), and Mrs. J. de Cressy Treffry; hon. secretary and treasurer, Miss Heard; committee, the Misses Chaffe, Stephens, Turpin, Lyon, Ralph (Truro), Glynn (Falmouth), Elliott (Penzance), and Smith (St. Austell).

It is to be regretted that the Nurses Social Union changed its name to the National Union of Trained Nurses, if it is not to be composed of nurses. The Social Union was meeting a need, and affording to its members throughout the country, opportunities for social service in co-operation with lay and medical workers which

were exceedingly useful. But if it aspires to be a National Union of Trained Nurses, voicing the opinions of professional women, then it must restrict its membership to trained nurses, and select its officers from amongst them, otherwise its title is misleading.

APPOINTMENTS.

LADY SUPERINTENDENT.

Cottage Hospital, Coleraine.—Miss E. C. Jessop has been appointed Lady Superintendent. She was trained at the County Hospital, Lincoln, and has been Surgical Sister at the Children's Hospital, Nottingham.

MATRON.

Borough Sanatorium and Infectious Diseases Hospital, Scarborough.—Miss Agnes Cain has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Bradford Union Infirmary, and has been Sister and Night Sister at the Leeds City Hospital, Seacroft, and Assistant Matron at the City Hospital North, Liverpool.

Cottage Hospital, Horsham.—Miss Dora Birtwistle has been appointed Matron. She was trained at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London.

ASSISTANT MATRON.

Queen's Hospital for Children, Hackney Rd., E.—Miss Moore has been appointed Assistant Matron. She has recently held the post of Matron to the Children's Rest, Roehampton.

HOME SISTER.

Queen Mary's Hospital, Carshalton.—Miss E. Bryant has been appointed Home Sister. She was trained at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London; and has recently been Out-patient Sister at the Queen's Hospital for Children, Hackney Rd., E.

SISTER.

St. George's Hospital, London.—"St. George's Hospital Gazette" congratulates the following Sisters on their new appointments: Sister Babbie (late Sister of the Nurses' Sick Room), as Sub-Matron of the Royal Sea Bathing Hospital, Margate; Sister Coggins (late Sister of the Electrical Department), as Matron's Assistant at the General Hospital, Leamington; and Sister Seymour (late Sister of the Queen Victoria Ward), as Night Superintendent at the West London Hospital.

Western Hospital, Seagrave Road, Fulham, S.W.—Miss Eva Wilson has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Kensington Infirmary, where she has held the position of Ward Sister. She has also been Sister at the Hospital of St. John and St. Elizabeth, London; and at the General Hospital, Lowestoft.

General Hospital, Nottingham.—Miss L. K. B. Trivett has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the General Hospital, Nottingham and has held the position of Staff Nurse there for three years.

Longton Cottage Hospital, Staffs.—Miss Mary E. Dalton has been appointed Sister. She was

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