

THE CONFERENCE ON THE NURSES' REGISTRATION BILL.

A Conference between nine representatives of the Central Committee for the State Registration of Trained Nurses, and the College of Nursing, Ltd., will be held on Friday, May 19th, at the Automobile Club, Pall Mall, at 3 p.m. The Draft to be considered is the Bill now before Parliament, which has the advantage of priority, and the support of a large number of societies which favour State Registration of Nurses. The delegates nominated to confer are:—

THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE FOR THE STATE REGISTRATION OF TRAINED NURSES.

Major Chapple, M.P.

Mr. T. Jenner Verrall, British Medical Association.

Dr. Bezly Thorne, Royal British Nurses' Association.

Dr. J. McGregor Robertson, Scottish Nurses' Association.

Mrs. Bedford Fenwick.

Miss M. Heather Bigg, Matrons' Council.

Miss M. Breay, Society for State Registration of Nurses.

Miss L. A. Morgan, Fever Nurses' Association.

Mrs. Porter, Irish Nurses' Association.

THE COLLEGE OF NURSING, LTD.

Miss McIntosh. Miss Barton.

Miss Lloyd Still. Miss Amy Hughes.

Miss Haughton. Sir E. Cooper Perry.

Miss Cox-Davies. Mr. Comyns Berkeley.

Dr. Turney.

Reports of the proceedings will be submitted to the Central Committee for State Registration and to the Council of the College before accepted amendments are incorporated in an agreed Nurses' Registration Bill.

SOCIETY FOR THE STATE REGISTRATION OF TRAINED NURSES.

Owing to unavoidable events, the Annual Meeting will take place on June 8th, and not on June 1st, as previously arranged. The Meeting will be held, by kind permission, in the Small Hall of the Royal Society of Medicine, 1, Wimpole Street, London, W., at 4 p.m., and those present are invited to tea by Mrs. Walter Spencer at 2, Portland Place, after the Meeting.

The Hon. Secretary, Miss M. Breay, will be pleased to receive nominations for the Execu-

tive Committee for the ensuing year by the 25th May at 431, Oxford Street, London, W.

Some 500 certificated nurses have joined the Society during the year, the majority within the last four months in active support of the Nurses' Registration Bill, and the principles which inspired it.

HÔPITAL EDITH CAVELL.

HÔPITAL ÉCOLE DES INFIRMIÈRES DE FRANCE.

The proposal to provide a Training School near Paris for French girls of the well-educated class who wish to train in their own country on the English system, is now beginning to take shape. We have before us a plan providing for 100 beds to be erected on the pavilion system, which is to be used for sick and wounded until the end of the war, and then organized for the use of civilians. It is proposed that the permanent Nurses' Home shall not be built until the war ceases. The site is a fine one, on which pavilions for 200 beds, administration blocks, and the Nurses' Home and College can be placed, well surrounded by open spaces.

The French Flag Nursing Corps is to provide the teaching staff and the Sisters, and already a requisition has been made for the services of Miss Haswell, its Matron-in-Chief, to act as Matron. Senator Heriot, so well known in France, is to be President of the Edith Cavell Foundation, and many well-known French ladies are deeply interested in the scheme. Mrs. Bedford Fenwick has been invited to act as Nursing Adviser, with a seat on the Committee. Several of the F.F.N.C. Sisters who have been working in France for over a year, who speak fluent French, and thoroughly understand and sympathise with French lines of thought, are to be selected to help to take part in the foundation of this most valuable work. We shall keep our readers informed of the progress of the movement.

VOLUNTARY REGISTRATION.

Miss Cox-Davies, Matron of the Royal Free Hospital, addressed a meeting at Derby last week in support of the College of Nursing, Ltd. It may be the fault of the reporter, but no mention appears to have been made of the provision to register V.A.D.'s and other hospital workers, as well as certified nurses, nor was a satisfactory reason advanced for the College constituting itself the Governing Body of the profession of nursing without its consent.

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