

JOINT WAR COMMITTEE.

The following Sisters have been deputed for duty in Home Hospitals:—

Moorfield Hosp., Glossop.—Mrs. E. Stephens.
Maxillo Hosp., Kensington.—Miss M. C. Parminter.
The Cecils, Worthing.—Miss F. Dormer.
Percy House Schools, Isleworth.—Miss A. M. Bacon.
King's Weston Hosp., Bristol.—Miss G. Webb.
Arnott Hill Annexe Hosp., Daybrook.—Miss E. Palmer.
Red Cross Hosp., Kemsing, Kent.—Miss E. D'Arvey.
Everby Annexe Hosp., Sleaford.—Mrs. B. Gillingham.
Mostyn Convalescent Hosp., Pentreffynnon, Holywell.—Miss M. W. Macmillan.
Highbury Red Cross Hosp., Moseley.—Miss M. Owen.
Normanhurst V.A.D., Battle.—Miss L. Cronack.
Red Cross Hosp., Earl's Colne, Essex.—Miss D. L. Cartwright.
Auxiliary Military Hosp., Accrington.—Miss W. Wise.
V.A.D. Hosp., Honiton.—Miss E. W. Brudenell.
Rust Hall Vol. Hosp., Tunbridge Wells.—Miss G. G. Laird, Miss H. Russell, Miss M. Fotheringham.
Hornsey Auxiliary Military Hosp., Crouch Hill.—Mrs. V. Westcott.
Red Cross Hosp., Saffron Walden.—Miss G. R. Macpherson.
V.A.D. Hosp., Seaton.—Mrs. N. Barton.
Kingston and Maldon Hosp.—Miss O. E. Robins.
Red Cross Hospital, Studley Court, Stourbridge.—Miss J. O'Shea.
Town Hall, Burton-on-Trent.—Miss B. Noonan.
Relief Hosp., Branksmere, Southsea.—Miss C. Parsons.
Latchfold, Warrington.—Miss L. Macgregor.
Loversall Hall Hosp., Doncaster.—Miss A. Moses.
Gatcombe House, Newport.—Miss I. MacKelligan.
Red Cross Hosp., Chippenham.—Miss E. Lenton.
Red Cross Hosp., Avenue, Hove.—Miss J. Simpson.
Red Cross Hosp., Alton.—Miss L. Blackwell.
Red Cross Hosp., Tewkesbury.—Miss E. Shipsey.
V.A.D., Bridlington.—Miss E. A. Crummack.
Oaklands Red Cross Hosp., Clevedon.—Miss K. A. Skinner.

ABROAD.

Italy.—Miss A. E. Farrar.
Boulogne Headquarters.—Miss A. Hungerford.
Nurse Sec.
Brigade Hosp.—Miss C. Warner.
La Panne.—Mrs. L. Ritchie.
No. 1 Red Cross Hosp., Syrian Egypt.—Miss J. Gibb.
Scottish Women's Hosp., Salonika.—Miss H. McCulloch.
ORDERLIES.—Miss N. G. Wall, Miss G. K. Earl, Miss M. A. Mitchell, Miss E. Upton.

SOCIETY FOR STATE REGISTRATION OF TRAINED NURSES.

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Society was held at 431, Oxford Street, London, W., on Friday, December 15th. Mrs. Fenwick was in the chair.

The meeting was called to decide upon the course to be pursued to effect the reform for which the Society was founded.

APPROVAL OF POLICY OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

Copies of the Bill, as amended by the Central Committee for the State Registration of Nurses, and the "Statement" authorised by it on the negotiations with the College of Nursing, Limited, were presented, and the Committee expressed by Resolution its approval of the policy of the Central Committee in amending its Bill so as to incorporate the fundamental principles for which the Society had worked so long, and to which the Council of the College of Nursing, Limited, would not agree: (1) An independent General Nursing Council in which the trained nurses were *directly* represented from the passing of the Act, so that they might help to make the Rules and Regulations to which they had to conform; (2) An *open* term of grace for three years (not pre-arranged by the self-elected College Council) in which nurses in practice and of good character could secure registration without further examination; and (3) that after the expiration of the said term of three years' grace, only trained nurses with *not less than three years' training* under a definite curriculum prescribed by the Council in the wards of a hospital or hospitals (which includes Poor-Law Infirmarys) and after such examination as the Council may prescribe—shall be eligible for registration.

Thus the Central Committee's Bill secures (1) Direct representation for the medical and nursing professions on the Provisional as well as the Permanent Council.

The College Bill does *not* provide for this professional right.

(2) That the Rules and Regulations for registration during the term of grace shall be agreed to by the nurses' direct representatives.

This the College Bill prevents.

(3) That no nurse shall be registered after the term of grace who has not passed through three years' training in a hospital, or in hospitals (to provide for reciprocal training), and has passed a central examination.

The College Bill secures no *hospital* training, or examination; thus persons other than *hospital* nurses may be registered, and the examination of privileged institutions may be accepted.

These are the three cardinal principles at issue between the Central Committee and the College, and those who have studied the question of Nurses' Registration realise that unless they are incorporated in the Bill, there is neither educational nor economic security for trained nurses, or protection for the

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