

theatres, but this necessarily depleted the ward staffs. The nursing staff included English trained nurses, as well as some who were partially trained, then a considerable number of private maternity nurses arrived, who mothered the patients at night, then there were V.A.D.s whose one idea was not to be considered trained nurses, and who readily picked up modern surgical methods in a limited field, there were also Belgian so-called trained nurses, who as a whole were anxious to increase their knowledge, some young Belgian girls who did not want to leave Belgium, and did not want to do much work, and some Danish, Canadian, American, and Italian nurses, lastly there was the Matron, and there had been five in two and half years; Dr. Depage was regarded as "father," and various members of the staff ran to him and told him anything they did not like about anybody.

Belgians, said the speaker, had a knack of fitting people into the right posts.

Miss Cancellor said that trained nurses seemed absolutely ignorant about the facts of their own profession, and that there was room for a society to teach them these facts in a most elementary way.

ANNIE E. HULME,
Hon. Secretary.

THE NATIONAL UNION OF TRAINED NURSES.

THE CONFERENCE.

The following is briefly the forthcoming programme of the Conference organized by the National Union of Trained Nurses, to be held at 3, Vere Street, W.

November 16th.—2 p.m., Colonel Mayo Robson on "Surgical Developments Since the War"; 5 p.m., Mr. Bacot on "Pediculosis in Relation to Disease" (lantern).

November 17th.—11 a.m., Dr. Thomas on "Public Health Developments"; noon, Miss Norah March on "Health and Character Training"; 2 p.m., The Honble. A. Brodrick on "Professional Organisation"; 5 p.m., Major Tims on "Heredity and the War" (lantern); 6.30 p.m., concert (songs, violin solos and duets, recitations and vocal duets).

We shall publish a report in our next issue.

THE BATH BRANCH.

A meeting of the Bath Branch of the National Union of Trained Nurses was held on Friday, 9th inst., at Firth's Restaurant.

The chair was taken by the President, Miss Manning, and about 40 members were able to attend.

A most interesting lecture was given by Mr. H. P. Costobadie, F.R.C.S., of Midsomer Norton, on the Carrell-Dakin Treatment.

The lecture was ably demonstrated by two of the Nurses from the Bath War Hospital, where, under Mr. Costobadie's direction, the Carrell-Dakin Treatment is most successfully carried out.

By means of cleverly constructed models the lecturer was able to show the manner of so disposing the tubes within the various types of wounds, that all portions of the damaged tissues can be kept continually bathed in *fresh* solution.

At the close of the lecture a hearty vote of thanks was proposed to Mr. Costobadie and his two able assistants by the President, and seconded by Miss C. Terry, after which a war-time tea was served and the meeting dispersed.

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRON.

Northern Hospital, Winchmore Hill, N.—Miss Alice Stewart Glegg Bryson has been appointed Matron. She received her training at Crumpsall Infirmary, where she subsequently was appointed to the post of Second Assistant Matron. She has since held the positions of Assistant Matron at the Fountain Hospital, the Northern Hospital, Gore Farm Hospital, and of Matron at the Southern Hospital, M.A.B.

Isolation Hospital, Rawmarsh.—Mrs. M. Haywood has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Newcastle-on-Tyne, and has held the positions of Charge Nurse at the Isolation Hospital, Wallsend, Sister and Deputy Matron at Harrogate and Knaresbrough Isolation Hospital, and Matron, Isolation Hospital, Llantrisant, S. Wales.

ASSISTANT MATRON AND HOME SISTER.

Cumberland Infirmary, Carlisle.—Miss A. F. Hinde has been appointed Assistant Matron and Home Sister. She received her training at the North Staffordshire Infirmary, where she also held the post of Staff Nurse. She has since filled the positions of Theatre Sister at Stockport Infirmary; Theatre and Ward Sister at the National Hospital, Queen Square; and Night Sister and Acting Assistant Matron at Charing Cross Hospital.

SISTER.

Roya Liverpool County Hospital for Children, Heswall, Cheshire.—Miss Lily Barraclough has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Children's Hospital, Gateshead, and the Cheshire Infirmary. She has since done private nursing and military nursing at the 1st Northern General Hospital, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

Bath Union Infirmary.—Miss Charlotte Green has been appointed Sister. She was trained at St. Mary's Infirmary, Highgate, and has held the position there of Ward Sister.

The reredos at King's College Hospital recently unveiled by the Bishop of Southwark in memory of Miss Katherine Monk, and the gift of past and present members of the nursing staff and other friends, is of inlaid mosaic, surmounted by the stricken lamb representing the King of Kings receiving the worship of angels. At the foot of the beautiful structure are the words "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me."

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