

Nation's Fund for Nurses has been registered by the Council under the War Charities Act, 1916.

I am, Madam,
Your obedient servant,
JAMES BIRD,
Clerk of the Council.

There is therefore now no ambiguity about the Nation's Nurses. The British Women's Hospital Committee has placed them before the public *in forma pauperis* as a class of workers needing public charity, for their personal support, and this has cast a most unjustifiable slur on the professional status of the British trained nurse, thus degrading her in the body politic below the rank of domestic servants and any class of casual workers who by their work can keep off the rates.

This is the principle which the Society for the State Registration of Trained Nurses, and the Nurses Protection Committee are opposing in this charitable appeal, issued by Viscountess Cowdray and a Committee composed mainly of professional actresses.

The action of these ladies is an unwarrantable affront to the highly skilled professional women of whom the nursing profession is composed.

LEAGUE NEWS.

The Winter General Meeting of the League of St. Bartholomew's Hospital Nurses will be held in the Clinical Theatre, at the Hospital, on Saturday, January 19th, at 2.30 p.m. It should be an interesting meeting. Mrs. Andrews is down to speak on her recent visit to France, in connection with the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps; and Miss Lister, M.D., will speak on the work of women at the Royal Arsenal, Woolwich. It is good that nurses should take an interest in what other women workers are doing; and learn how they are helping the Nation in these strenuous times.

The Social Gathering will meet in the Nurses' Sitting Room, after business has been disposed of.

FRENCH FLAG NURSING CORPS.

Mrs. Bedford Fenwick will interview candidates for this Corps on Saturday, January 5th, at 431, Oxford Street, London, W., from 2.30 to 4.30 p.m. Candidates must hold a three years' certificate of general training. Age, 25 to 40.

A SAD FATALITY.

We regret to report the death, which occurred in an Essex hospital last week, of Miss Elsie Bates, a V.A.D. nurse, home on leave from France suffering from shell-shock, who was struck on the head by a splinter of a bomb during the last raid. A sad fatality indeed.

CENTRAL COMMITTEE FOR THE STATE REGISTRATION OF NURSES.

By the courtesy of the British Medical Association a Meeting of the Central Committee for the State Registration of Nurses will be held in the Council Chamber, 429, Strand, London, W.C., on Friday, January 18th, at 2.30 p.m.

APPOINTMENTS.

NURSE MATRON.

Isolation Hospital, Spennymoor.—Miss Ida Ingram has been appointed Nurse-Matron. She was trained at Mile End Old Town Infirmary, and has been Matron at the Borough Isolation Hospital, South Shields.

ASSISTANT MATRON.

Royal Infirmary, Sunderland.—Miss Lily Christensen has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at the Cameron Hospital, West Hartlepool, and has been Night Sister and Ward Sister at the General Hospital, Barrow-in-Furness, and has held the same positions at the York County Hospital.

Beckett Street Infirmary, Leeds.—Miss Mary Ann Holliday has been appointed First Assistant Matron. She was trained at St. Olave's Infirmary, Rotherhithe, and the North Eastern Hospital, Tottenham.

SISTER-IN-CHARGE.

Auxiliary Military Hospital, Ardmillan, Oswestry.—Mrs. Muriel O. Hughes has been appointed Sister-in-Charge. She was trained at the London Hospital, and has worked as a member of Queen Alexandra's Royal Naval Nursing Service Reserve, both at Haslar and at the Royal Naval College, Osborne, Isle of Wight. She has also been Sister at Parkwood, Sir Charles Henry's Hospital at Henley-on-Thames, and Night Sister at the Red Cross Hospital, Birkenhead.

SISTER.

City Hospital for Infectious Diseases, Newcastle-on-Tyne.—Miss F. M. Rothera has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Halifax, and at the Kendray Hospital, Barnsley.

MISS J. M. NEVINS AND THE AMERICAN RED CROSS.

Miss J. M. Nevins, Superintendent of the Garfield Memorial Hospital at Washington, U.S.A., has resigned that position to take charge of the Potomac Division of the American Red Cross. In memory of a delightful visit to Washington as the guest of Miss Nevins, we wish her all the success she deserves in her new sphere of work, which is of national and international importance.

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