Another section, "International Relationships," deals with the Origin, Aims, and Activities of the International Council of Nurses. Brief survey of countries represented, noting general hospital and nursing situation, social, educational, and economic status of nurses, leading women, and publications. Attitude towards nurses of other countries. Means for the promotion of friendly and helpful relationships with other countries. Opportunities for assisting in the development of nursing in backward countries.

Methods of Teaching .- Use the discussion method as far as possible. Have pupils read short papers, prepare bibliographies, and bring problems to class for discussion. The case method can be used to advantage in many of these topics, basing the discussion on actual situations that have occurred.

(2) Personal conferences with pupils are found to be very helpful in this course.

MODERN SOCIAL CONDITIONS.

Under "Modern Social Conditions" the objects of the course are :-(1) To give the pupil a general understanding of the broad fundamental problems inherent in society to-day, showing the methods of approach, and the agency at work in attempting to solve these problems; (2) to make the nurses sufficiently familiar with the present emphasis in methods of social work, so that they will have some basis for future reading and study, also to serve as a background for public health nursing and other forms of social work; (3) to further emphasize the close relationship between health and social problems.

The Standard Curriculum for Schools of Nursing prepared by the Committee on Education of the National League of Nursing Education is, we believe, the only comprehensive and exhaustive attempt to deal with a very difficult subject, and it should be in the hands of, and studied by, every one who assumes the responsibility of training nurses. Copies, price one dollar each (cloth covered) or 80 cents (paper covered), may be obtained from Miss Effie Taylor, Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Maryland, U.S.A.

> ETHEL G. FENWICK, Hon. Member of the N.L.N.E.

On Tuesday, June 4th, at St. Paul's Hospital for Skin and Genito-Urinary Disease, Red Lion Square, Mr. Leonard Myer, F.R.C.S., gave the first lecture of a free course to nurses on Venereal Diseases.

NURSING AND THE WAR.

THE KING'S BIRTHDAY HONOURS. THE ROYAL RED CROSS.

The Royal Red Cross Decoration has been awarded to the undermentioned ladies in recognition of their valuable services in connection with the war :-

FIRST CLASS.

Miss Margaret Emma Goodall-Copestake, Superintendent Sister, Q.A.R.N.N.S. Miss Muriel G. . Hutton,

Nursing Sister,

Q.A.R.N.N.S., Reserve.

Q.A.R.N.N.S. Vera Spark, Nursing Miss L. Sister, Q.A.R.N.N.S. Reserve.

Zoë Miss E. Stronge, Nursing Sister. Q.A.R.N.N.S., Reserve.

Miss Margaret Christine Tod, Matron and Masseuse, R.N. Aux Hospital, Corstorphine, Edinburgh.

Miss Elsie Christian Philp, Matron, Northern Infirmary, Inverness.

Miss Ellen Kate Finnemoie, Matron, Queen Mary's R.N. Hospital, Southend.

Mrs. Elizabeth Ritchie, Matron, Aux. Naval Hospital, Grangetown, Yorkshire.

Mrs. Alice Marion England, Staff Nurse, R.N. Hospital, Mount Stuart, Isle of Bute.

Miss Isabella Frame Lang, Theatre Sister, R.N. Hospital, Mount Stuart, Isle of Bute.

At the Investiture at Buckingham Palace on Saturday last the following members of the Nursing Profession had the honour of being received by the King, who decorated them with the Royal Red Cross :-

FIRST CLASS.

Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service Reserve .--- Asst. Matron Susan McIntosh. SECOND CLASS.

Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service.—Asst. Matron Gertrude Morris and Sister Marion McCormick.

Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service Reserve .- Sisters Alice Eastes, Amelia Laurie, Mary Manley, and Sister Elsie Quilter.

Territorial Force Nursing Service.—Asst. Matron Edith Lyle.

Civil Nursing Service.—Matron Florence Nevile, Asst. Matron Margaret Miller and Sister Mary May. British Red Cross Society .--- Matron Agnes Midgley.

THE MILITARY MEDAL.

The King has been pleased to approve of the award of the Military Medal to the following ladies for distinguished conduct in the Field :---Sister-in-Charge Kate Maxey and Sister Dorothy Penrose Foster, R.R.C., T.F.N.S.; Sister Mary Agatha Brown and Sister Marie Dow Lutwick, Q.A.I.M.N.S. (R.); Miss Lilian A. Forse, V.A.D.



