

THE COLLEGE OF NURSING, LTD.

UNJUSTIFIED PRETENSIONS.

The Council of the College of Nursing, Ltd., announces throughout the Press "That it has had under consideration the question of salaries in the Nursing Profession, and is setting up a small representative Committee of Nurses to deal with the subject."

We do not know by what right the College of Nursing, Ltd., presumes to speak in the name of the Nursing Profession, or to dictate to it concerning its economic affairs. So long as it is content to be dominated by lay authority and supported by charity it is the very last organisation which can inspire confidence in the thousands of self-supporting trained nurses who strongly object to its unsound methods of finance.

But this assumption of authority over the whole Nursing Profession requires action upon the part of trained nurses who are not under the control of members of the College Council, and we are glad that at the Session of the Royal British Nurses' Association Conference, at which "The Economic Position of the Trained Nurse" is to be discussed, on November 7th, its members and the members of its affiliated societies will be given an opportunity for free discussion on their own affairs, and of defining a policy.

THE DANGER OF SUPPLEMENTARY REGISTERS.

The leaflet in the first instance advertising the Bazaar in support of the Nation's Fund for Nurses to be held in Manchester in November omitted the notice required by the law; but the attention of Dr. Oswald, the Hon. Treasurer, having been drawn to the illegality, it has now been rectified. But in this little printed slip we note another ambiguity. In specifying the objects of the College of Nursing, Ltd., which the Fund proposes to endow, it is stated that (c) is "To have One Portal system of examination into the profession."

The College Bill provides that, as well as the General Nurses Register, there are to be any amount of Supplementary Registers of persons "trained under conditions approved by the Council." The institution of Supplementary Registers, other than for male and mental nurses, means the professional depreciation of the General Register of three years' trained nurses, and we fail to see, therefore, how the College Council can claim that their Bill provides for "One Portal system of examination into the profession." It does no such thing, but specially takes power to institute Supplementary Registers of specialists "trained under any conditions" its Council chooses; and practically undermines the three years' standard of general training as the present College regulations permit. It is these disingenuous methods employed by the men who manage the College and the Matrons who support them, that fill the intelligent members of our profession with indignation and distrust.

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRON.

St. John Aux. Military, "A" Hospital, Morecombe.—Miss S. G. Nobbs has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the General Hospital, Auckland, New Zealand; and has been Matron of Opoitlha General Hospital, N.Z.; General Hospital, Cook's Islands; and of Ramsgate and Chigwell Aux. Military Hospitals.

Walton Sanatorium, nr. Chesterfield.—Miss Winifred Mason has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Derbyshire Royal Infirmary, and has been Staff Nurse at King Edward VII Sanatorium, Midhurst; Sister, Royal National Hospital, Ventnor; and Matron, Salterley Grange Sanatorium.

Penarth Isolation Hospital.—Miss Elma J. M. Davies has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the City Hospital, Bristol, and County Hospital, Hertford; and has been Matron of the Caerphilly Urban District Isolation Hospital; and School Nurse under the Glamorgan County Council.

OUT-PATIENT SISTER.

Garrett-Anderson Hospital, Euston Road, W.C.—Miss E. P. Scrase has been appointed Out-patient Sister. She was trained at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, including massage. She has held the positions of Assistant House Sister, and was, in 1916, appointed Assistant Out-patient Sister in the Throat and Ear Department.

SISTER.

Samaritan Free Hospital, London.—Miss Dorothy Metzger has been appointed Theatre Sister. She was trained at St. Mary's Hospital, Paddington, where she has acted as Holiday Sister.

Sandon Red Cross Auxiliary Hospital, Weston Stafford.—Miss Anna F. Hobbs has been appointed Sister. She was trained at Adelaide Hospital, Dublin, and has been Sister and Masseuse at the Anglo-American Hospital, Cairo; and at the Military Hospital, Seaford.

The Hospital, Newcastle, Co. Wicklow.—Miss Mary Kennedy has been appointed Sister. She was trained at the City Infirmary, Belfast, and has been on duty at the Third Western General Hospital, Newport.

HEAD NURSE.

Lichfield Union Infirmary.—Miss Alice Rhead has been appointed Head Nurse. She was trained at Ancoats Hospital, Manchester, and has been Sister at the Lichfield Nursing Home.

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TRANSFERS AND APPOINTMENTS.

Miss Eva W. Owen is appointed to Warrington, as Superintendent. Miss Annie Mannion to Derbyshire C.N.A., as Assistant County Superintendent. Miss Gladys K. S. Robson to Dorsetshire C.N.A., as Assistant County Superintendent. Miss Mildred M. Stephens to Gloucestershire C.N.A., as Assistant County Superintendent and Health Visitor. Miss Annie Aldridge to Woolwich;

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