

PREPARING FOR EVENTUALITIES.

When the disastrous strike of Railwaymen took place, the British Federation of Medical and Allied Societies, together with the Fellowship of Medicine, promptly formed a conjoint Medical Emergency Committee, to be ready for service should any serious accident take place, as a result of a breach of the peace, and to prevent, as far as possible, any inconvenience to the public from lack of transport where the medical and ancillary services are concerned.

On Sunday last Mrs. Bedford Fenwick had the following letter addressed to Sir Eric Geddes, Minister for Transport, from the office of the Registered Nurses' Society. It was at once considered, and promptly referred to the Medical Emergency Committee, which has the matter in hand.

THE REGISTERED NURSES' SOCIETY,
431, Oxford Street, W.
TO THE RIGHT HONBLE. SIR ERIC GEDDES,
Minister for Transport.

SIR,—I venture to bring before your notice the hardship incurred by the trained sick nurse at this serious crisis and to ask your help in the matter. Our nurses go to cases in all parts of the country and if transport is impossible for them, it means the loss of livelihood to them and serious menace to their patients.

To give one concrete instance: A nurse is engaged to go to a maternity case in Kent tomorrow and at present it appears that she will not be able to fulfil her contract.

May I venture to hope that His Majesty's Government will find some means of enabling the nurses to fulfil their engagements, and thus prevent serious injury to this body of workers, and through them to the community at large.

I am, Sir, yours faithfully,
HENRIETTA HAWKINS
Secretary (pro. tem.)

All communications from private nurses, or their organisations, desiring facilities for keeping their engagements with patients at a distance, should be addressed to the Secretary, Medical Emergency Committee, House of the Royal Society of Medicine, 1, Wimpole Street, London, W.1.

THANKS FOR GIFTS.

Miss E. M. Newman writes from the C.E.S. Mission Dispensary, Rainawari, Srinagar, Kashmir, to thank the two friends of the Scottish Nurses' Club, Glasgow, who in reply to her appeal sent her a pair of rubber gloves: "I have never seen such nice ones," she says; but three more pairs are needed, and a dozen rubber finger stalls, to make up the loss by fire, for which she will be very grateful.

THE NURSES' MISSIONARY LEAGUE.

The Nurses' Missionary League is holding its valedictory meeting as we go to press, the programme of which is of great interest to members of our profession, especially to those with the missionary spirit.

LIST OF SAILING MEMBERS.

The following members of the Nurses' Missionary League have sailed or are sailing for service in the Mission Field under the auspices of various Missionary Societies:—*Church Missionary Society*: Miss M. S. Budd (trained Sunderland Royal Infirmary), to Mengo; Miss M. Gaze (trained Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge), to Punjab; Miss Goudge (trained Guy's Hospital), and Miss M. Jago (trained South Devon Hospital, Plymouth), to West China; Miss D. Melloyes (trained St. Mary's, Paddington), to Multan; Miss Dyce Sharp, to Egypt; Miss J. Lloyd, to Persia, and Miss K. A. Moore, to Egypt, all trained Royal Sussex County Hospital, Brighton; Miss McKitterick (trained Westminster Hospital), to Persia; Miss Reeves (trained Croydon Infirmary), to Mengo; Miss Seagrave (trained Prince of Wales's Hospital, Tottenham), to Persia; Miss Sillett (Australian C.M.S.), (trained Gippsland Hospital), to Ranaghat, India; Miss E. E. Weeks (trained King's College Hospital), to Punjab. *London Missionary Society*: Miss M. E. Marten (trained London Hospital), to China; Miss D. Wyon (trained Prince of Wales's Hospital), to Shanghai. *Baptist Missionary Society*: Miss F. G. Clarke (trained City of London Infirmary), Miss Harding (trained Hackney Infirmary), Miss F. E. Ingram (trained County Antrim Infirmary), Miss F. J. Smith (trained Greenwich Infirmary), to the Congo; and Mrs. Mill (trained Guy's Hospital), to the Congo Belge. *Church of England Zenana Missionary Society*: Miss Baker (trained Guy's Hospital), to India. *South American Missionary Society*: Miss M. L. Barnsdale (trained Highgate Infirmary), to Chili. *Wesleyan Methodist Missionary Society*: Miss A. Chapman (trained Lambeth Infirmary), to North India; Miss M. Cross (trained Hull Union Infirmary), to South India; Miss H. Meade (trained the Prince of Wales's General Hospital) and Miss J. Webster (trained Nottingham General Hospital), to India. *Universities Mission to Central Africa*: Miss M. C. Mummery (trained Guy's Hospital), to Africa; and Miss Wilkes-Dawson (trained Kingston Infirmary), to Nyasaland. *English Presbyterian Mission*: Mrs. Cheal (trained London Hospital), to Formosa. *Edinburgh Medical Missionary Society*: Miss K. Drummond (trained Seamen's Hospital, Greenwich), to Munkden. *C.A.M.*: Miss A. E. Evans (trained Hackney Infirmary), to Central Asia. *Evangelical Union of South America*: Miss M. Gould (trained Royal Free Hospital), to Peru. *United Free Church of Scotland*: Miss W. H. Sutherland (trained St. Bartholomew's Hospital), to Madras. *Cowley-Wantage*: Miss E. M. Wolfe (trained Guy's Hospital), to Kaffra ia.

A chemist charged with supplying cocaine and other drugs to an unauthorised person pleaded in defence that the lady to whom he supplied the drugs, the wife of a doctor, went to his shop in nurse's uniform! He was acquitted.

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