

which claims to organise the nursing profession and provide for its registration.

AFFILIATION WITH THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF NURSES.

The Report states:—

“ Dr. Tremble drew attention to the desirability of asking for affiliation with the International Council of Nurses and sending a delegate or delegates to its Conference at Copenhagen next year. The International Council knit all the nurses of the world together, and South Africa was the only place in the British Empire that had not applied for affiliation.

“ Miss Child, who had attended three such Conferences as a member of the English Council, the last one in 1912 as the unofficial delegate from South Africa, emphasised the value of the Conference for the exchange of the latest ideas and the exhibition of the latest appliances, &c., in surgical and medical treatment. One interesting feature was the presence of a coloured deputation from America, who had an entirely separate organisation of their own. As South Africa had come so much into the limelight in recent years she felt that the Association should be directly represented at the Conference.

“ As Miss Child will be in England next year her name was unanimously approved as one of the delegates. It was agreed that with regard to the other four, Dr. Tremble would ascertain through the *Record*, who are likely to be in England at the time of the Conference, before making any further nominations. The appointments could be made through the post.

“ The feeling was voiced that they should make an effort to raise funds to send a representative direct from this Association.”

We feel sure the South African Trained Nurses' Association would be very warmly welcomed into the International.

Miss Dock is still waiting for news from Australia of the formation of the proposed Federated Council of Australasian Nurses, so that the organisations of trained nurses in that wonderful Commonwealth may add their great influence in support of International friendship and co-operation between the nurses of the world.

The truth is that the expenditure of nervous energy in the Great War has not yet been made good in the nursing world. In Britain all we have to spare has been used in laying down the laws not yet in force through the Nursing Acts, and in the United States the Nursing Department of the Red Cross is absorbing devoted service for the benefit of devastated Europe. Let us hope that in a year's time we shall all be ready for a little fun. It is the sauce which makes work palatable.

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After the holidays the National Council of Trained Nurses will meet to discuss when and where the Interim International Council should be held. We hope new Nurses' Leagues will take steps to affiliate.

THE NURSES' MISSIONARY LEAGUE CAMP, 1921.

A FRIEND IN NEED IS A FRIEND INDEED.

In imagination we hear the bugle sound, calling to duty. Holiday over. The merry campers pack (perhaps less carefully) their suit-cases and holdalls, amidst much noise and laughter, for the barrier of shyness has changed to friendship. Each year fresh Matrons, Sisters and Nurses are welcomed and whole-heartedly received for this happy two weeks. One of the League officers awaits arrival of trains, with list bearing names of expectant travellers for the Camp, it is astounding to note how quickly and correctly she finds and acquaints herself with those she is seeking. A mutual smile and shake of hands, then all proceed to the house (for we do not sleep under canvas). As we approach, other officers meet us with words of cheer, and, needless to say, a meal is ready.

We now separate, greatly refreshed physically and encouraged spiritually, which is the two-fold object of the Camp; new friendship formed and a deeper sympathy toward mankind.

I am surprised to see how much can be crowded into a day; each camper can have brought to her a cup of tea and biscuit at 7 a.m.—strangely, no one objects to being wakened at that hour—breakfast is served at 9 a.m.; we reassemble at 9.45 for a half-hour's devotion—*i.e.*, hymn, prayer, and short Bible reading. Two or three mornings a week the Bible Circles meet for one hour's study on the Person and Work of the Holy Spirit. The rest of the day is free for bathing, rambling in woods or picnicing, either near by or at some neighbouring village. The day closes with short discussion on any desired national or social topic or on prayer, alternating with missionary talk on the work of a Nursing Sister in China, and other addresses; an evening hymn and prayer.

Hoping that many absent members and others who enjoy ideal scenery, bathing and picnicing will be able to be with us next year is the sincere wish of a

FIRST YEAR CAMPER.

PRACTICAL POINTS.

SCALD YOUR MILK JUGS.

Milk is very apt to turn sour during warm weather, therefore it is wise not only to scald the milk, but the jugs also. Wash the latter first in cold water, then in warm, and before drying pour in boiling water and let it stand for five minutes. Empty out the water, dry the jugs and when cold pour the milk in. The best way of scalding milk, if no double boiler is at hand, is to put a jug of milk into a saucepan of warm water, bring to the boil, and simmer until a skim forms on the milk.

To prevent the jug cracking place a wire mat or some strips of wood at the bottom of the pan.

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