

**BELGIUM.***National Belgian Federation.*

Mlle. la Comtesse Louise d'Ursel, L'Union de Bruxelles.  
 Mlle. Hellemann, L'Union de Malines.  
 Mlle. Ducarme, L'Union d'Anvers.  
 Mlle. Madeleine Schmitz, President de l'Union de Bruxelles et Secrétaire de la Fédération National Belge.

**ITALY.**

Miss M. Valenzano.

**NORWAY.***The Norwegian Council of Nurses.*

Sister Bergljot Larsson.  
 Sister Küstine Kruse.  
 Sister Aagot Larsen.  
 Sister Lulli Lous.

And the Secretary of the Danish Council of Nurses, Miss V. Jessen.

**Address of Welcome.**

Mrs. Henny Tscherning extended a cordial welcome to the Delegates, and voiced the hope of the Danish Council of Nurses that all would have a pleasurable and profitable time. She went on to express great regret at the absence of Mrs. Bedford Fenwick (Founder and first Hon. President), to whom a cablegram of "grateful and affectionate greetings" published in our issue last week, was sent. Cables were also sent to the other Hon. Officers regretting their absence, and Mrs. Tscherning spoke of the special pleasure it was to the Council to have with it Professorinde Bjarnhjedinson from Iceland.

**Greetings from Great Britain and Ireland.**

Mrs. Henny Tscherning then said:

"Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, the President of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain and Ireland, sends a message of congratulation to the meeting of the Grand Council of the International Council of Nurses assembled at Copenhagen. She is very happy to know that its work for the federation of the nurses of the world and the welfare of humanity is again to be actively prosecuted. Mrs. Fenwick deeply regrets that she is unable to attend this meeting, and hopes for very happy results from its deliberations. She welcomes the applications for affiliation from our colleagues in Belgium, China, Italy, Norway, and South Africa. Mrs. Fenwick hopes the International Council will not rest content until the nurses of every civilised country in the world form a constituent part of the great Fellowship of Nurses."

Miss Charlotte Munck, Matron of the Bispebjerg Hospital, Copenhagen, was then voted to the Chair as Chairman of Sessions.

**Reports from Countries Applying for Affiliation.**

The proceedings opened with the presentation of Reports from the National Associations of Nurses of countries applying for affiliation—Belgium, Italy, Norway, China, and last, but not least, South Africa.

**Election of Hon. Officers.**

The election of the President for the next triennial period, in place of Mrs. Henny Tscherning, was

the next business considered. Invitations were before the Council for the next meeting to be held in America, and in Finland. It was felt by many of the delegates that the cost of going to America would be prohibitive for most nurses in European countries, and eventually it was decided to hold the next Congress, at Helsingfors, Finland, in 1925. Baroness Mannerheim, President of the Association of Nurses of Finland, who was present, was then elected to the Presidency, and accepted office. She will, we are sure, be a very popular and charming President.

The resignation of our dear Hon. Secretary, Miss L. L. Dock, was received with deep regret. Miss Charlotte Reimann (Denmark) was elected in her stead, so we shall still have close connections with Denmark, though we lose Mrs. Tscherning, to whom the International Council is greatly indebted for the way in which she has carried on its work during a very difficult period.

Miss Margaret Breay (Great Britain) was re-elected Hon. Treasurer.

We greatly rejoice to know that on the proposal of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain and Ireland it was agreed to offer to Miss Dock, as a mark of the deep affection and veneration in which she is held by the whole nursing world, an illuminated address of thanks.

The morning session then closed, and the delegates, by invitation, adjourned to the Palace Hotel, where a charming luncheon was served. There were no speeches. Everything was friendly and informal and beautifully arranged.

**The Cripples' Institution.**

In the afternoon the Delegates were taken to see the Cripples' Institution. A point which particularly struck them was that not only children but adults are received there. Some of them come daily from their own homes and are taught various handicrafts, which not only afford them a means of self-support, but also wholesome and pleasurable occupations.

**EVENING SESSION.**

The Evening Session was held at the Young Men's Christian Association Building, Gothersgade 115. The only business transacted was the reception into the International Council of Nurses of the five countries the reports of which had been received in the morning.

At this Session, which was attended by about 500 members of the Danish Council of Nurses, Miss Helen Pearse, on behalf of the National Council of Trained Nurses of Great Britain and Ireland presented to Mrs. Tscherning a bouquet of crimson roses tied with the Danish colours (red and white) which she gracefully acknowledged. Each representative of the newly-affiliated countries mounted the rostrum and gave an account of nursing progress in her country. Miss J. C. Child was the first and spoke of nursing in South Africa. As each delegate in turn gave her report, Mrs. Tscherning made her a graceful little speech in her own language and presented her with a

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