

THE UNITED WOMEN'S INSURANCE SOCIETY.

At a Special General Meeting of the Trained Women Nurses' Friendly Society, by 259 votes to 3, it was agreed to transfer its engagements under the National Health Insurance Act to the United Women's Insurance Society, so that for the future the address will be at 439, Oxford Street, London, W., instead of at 431.

We feel sure the members of the Trained Women Nurses' Friendly Society have come to a wise decision, as in co-operation with other insured women—some 60,000 already, including the members of the Clerks' and Secretaries' Society—much more generous benefits are obtainable than through sectional societies.

Miss Wright, who has acted as Secretary of the T.W.N.F.S., is a senior official of the United Women's Society, so that the nurses will have the benefit of her help as before.

Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, Miss Margaret Breay, and Miss Fowler were nominated at the Special Meeting to serve on the Committee of the United Women's Society, if elected, as they have in the past taken an active part in the successful management of the T.W.N.F.S., and are pleased to realise that the members will now enjoy so many additional benefits through insurance.

Trained Nurses and employed Midwives should apply for information to the Secretary of the United Women's Insurance Society, 439, Oxford Street, London, W.1. No society is in a financial position to give better insurance returns.

AFFILIATED TRAINING.

By arrangement between the authorities of the South London Hospital for Women and Children, Clapham Common, S.W.4, and the authorities of the Westminster Hospital, an agreement has been drawn up by which the Westminster Hospital undertakes to admit, under certain conditions, probationers from the South London Hospital who are well recommended by their Matron, and who have completed two years' training, for a further period of two years to complete their qualification for a general certificate signed by both hospitals, by which they shall be eligible for application to the Register.

The following are the terms of the agreement as signed by the authorities of both hospitals:—

1. The Board which is the nursing authority for Westminster Hospital agrees for one year from the arrival of the first nurses for training as hereinbefore provided and thenceforth from year to year to take six nurses annually from the Women's Hospital for completion at Westminster Hospital of their training provided that such nurses are sent two at a time at intervals of four months.

2. That such nurses shall be received and retained subject to the Rules and Regulations for the time being in force at Westminster Hospital and also to the following Special Regulations:

(a) They must have satisfactorily completed two years' training in general nursing for women

and children in the wards of the Women's Hospital and be well recommended by their Matron.

(b) They must serve for four months of each year on night duty and eight months on day duty as and when required.

(c) They shall receive the same pay and emoluments during their training as the second year nurses at the Westminster Hospital.

(d) They shall be allowed the same hours off duty, leave of absence, and holidays, as the nurses of Westminster Hospital.

(e) They shall (except in cases of emergency) be employed only in the Male Medical and Surgical Wards and Casualty Ward.

(f) They shall attend such lectures and enter for such examination as may be held during their two years of training.

(g) They shall sign an agreement to remain in the service of the Westminster Hospital for two years from the date of entry and to observe loyally the Rules and Regulations of the Hospital.

(h) If their conduct be satisfactory and their work efficient they shall receive a joint certificate of affiliated training signed by the authorities of Westminster Hospital and the Women's Hospital.

3. The Matron of Westminster Hospital shall have power with consent of the Board to reject any nurse who may be sent for training, either on arrival or within three months after the commencement of such training.

4. This agreement shall be terminable at any time by either party giving to the other of them twelve calendar months' notice in writing.

Instruction in all the subjects included in the Syllabus of Training framed by the General Nursing Council is included in the curriculum of the two hospitals.

The Hampstead General and North-West London Hospital and the Seamen's Hospital, Greenwich, have also made similar arrangements to receive Probationers from the South London Hospital.

K. E. LUARD, R.R.C.,
Matron, South London Hospital for Women.

THE PROFESSIONAL UNION OF TRAINED NURSES.

A most enjoyable dance was given by the Social Club of the Professional Union of Trained Nurses on October 6th.

Arrangements for dancing classes, to be held every Monday, from 8-9 p.m., have been made. Will all members who wish to attend, please communicate with the Hon. Secretary, when full particulars will be sent?

There will be a Members' Meeting of the P.U.T.N. held, by kind permission of Mrs. Northwood, at 6, Nottingham Place, London, W. 1 (nearest station Baker Street), on Saturday, October 28th, preceded by an American Tea and concert from 3.30 to 5.30 p.m. Will all those who wish to attend, please notify the Hon. Secretary as soon as possible?

MAUDE MACCALLUM, Hon. Secretary

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