

which has all services effectively represented, and by the New Haven Visiting Nurses' Association, one of the best community nursing organisations in the States.

The Rockefeller Foundation has appropriated funds to maintain for a five-year period the new School of Nursing at Yale University.

Commenting on the establishment of the School, Mr. Edwin R. Embree, Secretary of the Rockefeller Foundation, said:—

“The plans include three significant features: the basing of students' instruction and experience upon an educational system, the shortening of the period of training, and the inclusion in the course of public health and community work, as well as hospital service.

“These changes are introduced in the belief that the nurse is a significant factor in gaining results for humanity from curative and preventive medicine, and that the training for so important a service should be based upon the soundest educational principles.”

#### THE DEAN.

Miss Annie W. Goodrich, R.N., Sc.D., of New York, has been appointed Dean of the new School of Nursing at Yale University.

Miss Goodrich is at present Assistant Professor of Nursing at Teachers' College, Columbia University, and director of nurses of the Henry Street Settlement, New York. In 1921 Mount Holyoke College gave her an honorary degree, and the War Department recently awarded her the Distinguished Service Medal.

Miss Goodrich has been described as the “outstanding figure in nursing education in America to-day.” Commenting on the appointment of Miss Goodrich, President James R. Angell said: “It would have been impossible to find anyone more competent to undertake the difficult work of organising the new institution.”

Miss Goodrich won all hearts when attending the Meeting of the International Council of Nurses in London in 1909, and was unanimously elected President at Cologne in 1912, which office she held until 1915. All being well, we hope to have her with us at Helsingfors in 1925.

Hearty congratulations. Love and kisses from THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING.

## OUR PRIZE COMPETITION.

DESCRIBE THE FIFTH TYPE OF NURSE AS KNOWN TO MANY A SUFFERER. (SEE ARTICLE, “FOUR TYPES,” MAY 5th, PAGE 278.)

We have pleasure in awarding the prize this week to Miss Ména M. G. Bielby, Cranford, Middlesex.

#### PRIZE PAPER.

Thank Heaven there *is* a Fifth Type of Nurse, blessed by countless patients around the earth, and who should certainly be placed first; but as she is modest and content to play her part without limelight, her excellence is often known only to those for whom she has formed oases in the desert places of life.

This type may vary widely within certain limits, but she always possesses the bedrock essentials of the “born nurse”—an overwhelming desire to alleviate suffering in every living thing; a passionate interest in the well-being of our marvellous human mechanism; and a very large allowance of the maternal principle. Her martial qualities find a congenial field in the battle against disease and death; evidences of her conquests are contented patients and happy convalescents. If she be highly strung, as the finest nurses often are, she transmutes this apparent defect into finer perceptions and sympathy regarding her patients.

In the homes of private patients she is the trusted confidante and adviser to the household on many points of difficulty, bringing them a sense of acquisition instead of intrusion. To the patient, she represents health personified, radiating a healing magnetism and offering him rescue from the depths into which he has been plunged by fate or folly. She anticipates his desires concerning his mental and physical comfort, recognising and sympathising with unavoidable discomfort and leading his mind on to the approaching hour when it will have passed.

She neither talks nor thinks of ill-health, knowing that her thoughts constitute the mental and moral atmosphere she supplies to the patient. Her training has subsided into its proper place—that of bedrock principles. Her technical skill is merged into quiet facility and general efficiency. On this foundation is reared the structure of a human, lovable woman, dispensing courage, strength and comfort. The stores of her mind are such that the patient never lacks entertainment, and she readily adapts herself to his needs of the moment. She has an abundant sense of humour, and when the time for laughter

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