

## MENTAL NURSES' REPRESENTATIVES ON THE GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL.

We have already published the portraits of the successful Independent Candidates representing the General and three of the Supplementary parts of the Register. In this issue we have pleasure in publishing those of the Mental Nurses' Representatives.

**Miss Maud E. Wiese,**  
REGISTERED MENTAL NURSE.

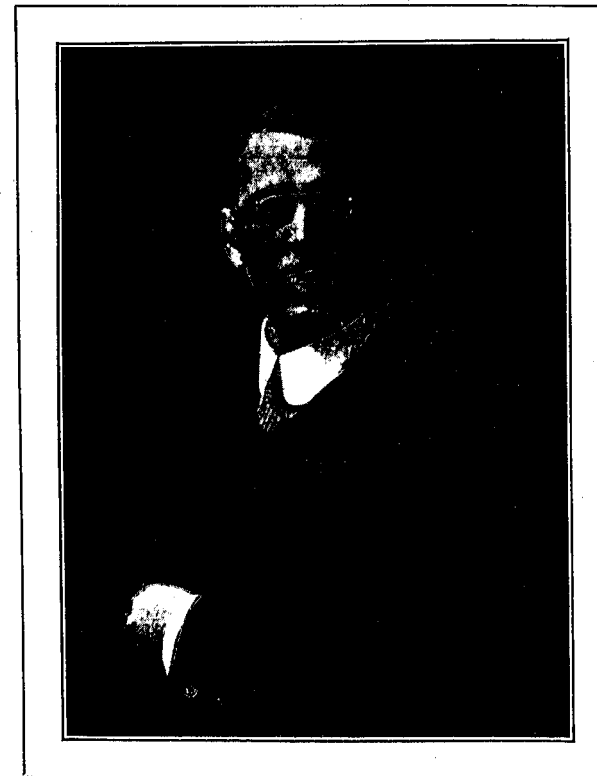
Miss Wiese holds the position of Chief Charge Nurse of an Infirmary Ward at Claybury Mental Hospital, Woodford Bridge, Essex. She holds the Certificate of the Medico Psychological Association, and is pledged to work in the interests of every Registered Nurse.

**Mr. Robert Donaldson,**  
REGISTERED MENTAL NURSE.

Mr. Robert Donaldson, who has been elected to represent Male Mental Nurses on the General Nursing Council for England and Wales, was trained at the Woodilee Asylum, Glasgow, obtaining the Certificate of the Medico-Psychological Association in 1899. In 1900 he joined the Staff of the Male Nurses' Temperance Co-operation, then located in Thayer Street, W. In 1908 he was sent to Edinburgh, as Manager of the branch of the Co-operation in that city, and later returned to London as Manager at the Head Office. Recently the Co-operation moved to 8, Hinde Street, and



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MR. ROBERT DONALDSON.

is now amalgamated with the Mental Nurses' Association, where Mr. Donaldson is Manager, and a Director of the combined societies. We wish him a useful and successful term of office.

Mr. Tom Christian, who now goes out of office, will be much regretted by many of his colleagues. His outlook was honest, fearless, and full of common sense, and when he spoke on Mental Nursing questions his views always commanded attention.

We are informed that very few Male Mental Nurses who are trade unionists have registered—or intend to register—under a Council governed as the G.N.C. is. They realise that they would place themselves under the control of their employers—and object to it on principle. Small blame to them. Trades' union nurses, male and female, are out for self-government, and intend to agitate for an amended Governing Body under the Act.

The representatives of the Mental Nurses on the General Nursing Council have a great opportunity. Very little is really known by general nurses, and their representatives, of the great and highly-skilled branch of mental nursing, and the Council will have to depend on their expert knowledge concerning the many practical nursing details which will arise in connection with the Supplementary Part of the Register for Mental Nurses. Further, we are on the threshold of a new era in regard to the early treatment and study of insanity.

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