

SOCIAL FUNCTIONS.**Reception by Mrs. Tscherning.**

As we briefly indicated last week, on the evening of July 29th, Mrs. Henny Tscherning, President of the Danish National Council of Nurses, gave a delightful reception to inaugurate the Conference, at her charming flat at Classengade 13, where, supported by the Hon. Officers of the Danish Council, she welcomed the Hon. Officers, members of the Executive Committee, and invited guests of the International Council of Nurses. After last year's meeting it was a happy gathering of old friends, besides some new ones.

Shortly after their arrival, the guests were regaled with the wonderful cookery of the Danish ladies—lobster patties, chicken in cream, delectable sandwiches and cakes, strawberries and cream, and delicious coffee.

It was a happy company—distinguished women, elegantly dressed, or wearing neat uniforms, we met and enjoyed happy intercourse with them all. Mrs. Tscherning, in a few words, welcomed her guests, and Baroness Mannerheim, as President of the I.C.N., responded.

Hospitality at the Kommune Hospital.

It is usual at Conferences between the Sessions to snatch a hasty meal and return as hastily to the Conference Room to be on time. Not so at our recent Conference. The Director and Governors of the Kommune Hospital, where the Conference was held, not only granted the use of a room, but entertained the members of the Conference to luncheon between the Sessions on each of the three days. And such luncheons—presided over by our kind hostess, Miss Elisabeth Herfurth, and served by smiling and willing maids who brought round relays of delicacies which looked delicious, so appetisingly were they served, and, on further investigation, proved to be so.

One irresistibly thought how much the international standard of dietary might be raised if we could have an interchange of selected students to study practical dietetics, and then carry home to their own countries and pass on to others the lessons they have assimilated.

The Nurses' Rest House, Vedbæk.

On Monday's programme (July 30th) there appeared the one word "Excursion." Would that one could convey all that it implied. A delightful drive of some five hours' duration in most congenial company, alongside of the shining Sound, past Queen Alexandra's villa, and then tea at the Rest House of the Danish Nurses' Association—their very own house, to which they have the *right* to go for holidays and convalescence, because it is bought and paid for with their own money. Tea was charmingly served in the Recreation Room at small flower-bedecked tables, and thoroughly enjoyed. Then the return journey to Copenhagen was made by another route.

RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS.

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To Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, S.R.N.,

President of the National Council of Trained Nurses of Great Britain and Ireland; Founder of the International Council of Nurses.

The Executive Committee of the International Council of Nurses desires to express to Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, Founder of the Council, its regret that she is unable to be with them on this occasion, and to assure her that they are deeply conscious of the benefits, and stimulation, which have resulted to the nurses of the world through its inspiration, and the hope that they will have the happiness of meeting her when the Grand Council and Congress assemble in Helsingfors in 1925.

To Baroness Mannerheim,

President International Council of Nurses.

The Executive Committee of the I.C.N. offers to its President, Baroness Mannerheim, its congratulations on the success of the meeting of the Executive, and the Conference in Copenhagen, and looks forward to meeting her in her own country in the beautiful city of Helsingfors in 1925.

To Miss Christiane Reimann.

Hon. Secretary International Council of Nurses.

The Executive Committee of the International Council of Nurses offers to Miss Reimann, its Hon. Secretary, their cordial thanks for her efficient discharge of the strenuous duties entailed by the Conference, and for her personal kindness and courtesy to one and all, which have been so great a factor in the success of the Executive Meetings and Conference.

Mrs. Henny Tscherning and the Danish Council of Nurses.

The Executive Committee of the International Council of Nurses desires to offer to Mrs. Henny Tscherning, President, and the Danish Council of Nurses, its most grateful thanks for receiving the Committee there, for placing its organisation at its disposal for the Executive Meetings, and for all the hard work so willingly rendered which this has entailed. It assures them that these days spent in Denmark, and the kindness and hospitality which they have received, will be an imperishable memory with all those who have participated in the proceedings of these days.

To Miss Elisabeth Herfurth,

Matron, Kommune Hospital.

The Executive Committee of the International Council of Nurses offers to Miss Herfurth their thanks for the hospitality so generously extended to the Committee and its guests during the three days of the Conference, and asks her to convey to the domestic staff their appreciation and thanks for all their willing service.

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