

## NURSES' ORGANISATIONS

### LEAGUE OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S HOSPITAL NURSES.

Those who wish to increase their knowledge of Renaissance Painting, and who does not, should not miss the last lecture of the series arranged by the League of St. Bartholomew's Nurses, illustrated with lantern slides, to be given in the Medical and Surgical Theatre of the Hospital on Tuesday, September 30th, at 8.30 p.m., by Mr. H. Wellington, of the Royal College of Art, on "Some Great Painters of the later Renaissance." The first two lectures of the series have been much appreciated.

### NURSES REGISTRATION IN HOLLAND.

We are asked by Miss Berkelbach v. d. Sprenkel to say that the Committee appointed to agitate for legal recognition of nurses in Holland is not a sub-committee of Nosokomos but an independent organisation, though founded on its initiative, in order to induce other persons besides nurses to agitate for this reform.

### THE TRAINED NURSES' ASSOCIATION OF INDIA.

It is always a pleasure to meet pioneers—those who have painfully blazed a trail which those who come after tread so easily, and we realised that that pleasure was ours when Miss Edris Griffin, Hon. Secretary of the Trained Nurses' Association of India, and her friend, Miss Graham, called at 431, Oxford Street recently. For they are the first Chief Lady Health Visitors in Delhi, and what is more they are teaching Indian women to become Health Visitors amongst their own people also, in the Delhi Health Schools, an activity of the Lady Chelmsford League.

Miss Griffin and Miss Graham are working under the Central Government of India, but have been lent to the Delhi Municipality for the time being.

### THE SOUTH AFRICAN TRAINED NURSES' ASSOCIATION.

Members of the Nursing Profession from all centres of the Union assembled in the Town Hall, Bloemfontein, in August last, to discuss the items on the agenda of the eighth annual conference of the South African Trained Nurses' Association.

Miss M. G. Thomson, General President of the Association, presided, and was supported by the following members of the Executive Committee of the organisation:—Miss M. Nutt, O.B.E., R.R.C., Miss B. G. Alexander, R.R.C. (Hon. General Secretary), and Dr. J. Tremble (Advisory Member). The delegates present included Miss Winter and Miss Erlank (Northern Transvaal), Mrs. Bennie, Mrs. Harwood, Mrs. Morris, Miss Goodacre, Miss Gordon (Western Province), Miss Haddock, Mrs. McLachlan and Sister Tyre (Kimberley), Miss Harker (Natal, Inland); Miss Keane (Eastern Province, Port Elizabeth); Miss Johnston (Albany, Grahamstown); Mrs. Cross, Mrs. Sharp and Miss Webster (East London); Misses Elliot, Hamilton, Hughes, Morisse and Burroughs, Mrs. Brigg and Mrs. Carr (Witwatersrand); Mrs. Davies, Mrs. Arruthers-Winfield, Miss Pardy, Miss Kenyon (Durban); and Mrs. Debrowsky and Miss Schoeman (Bloemfontein).

Telegrams of congratulation and good wishes from Princess Alice, Duchess of Athlone, and from the National Council of Trained Nurses of Great Britain and Ireland, and from various branches and private individuals in the Union were received with pleasure.

In moving the adoption of the annual report, the Chairman said it was a matter for regret that the Medical Bill had been shelved with no prospect of being revived. Much interest centred round the point as to whether the Association should decide to press for the Nursing clauses to be lifted out of the Medical Bill and made a separate measure, or if they should urge the grant of representation on the Medical Councils of the Union.

Mrs. Bennie (Western Province) urged that they apply for a separate Bill, which would stand a far better chance

of getting through unopposed than if the Nursing clauses were incorporated in the Medical Bill, in which case there would be obstruction and delay.

Miss Kenyon (Durban) supported Mrs. Bennie, and Mrs. Davies (Durban) gave it as her opinion that the Bill was an extremely bad one as far as the Nursing Profession was concerned. She favoured a Nurses' Registration Bill.

We hope to give further information as to the Conference in our next issue.

## NURSES' MISSIONARY LEAGUE.

The valedictory meetings of the Nurses' Missionary League, together with a small Missionary Exhibition, take place on Tuesday, September 30th, from 10.15 a.m.—9.30 p.m., at University Hall, Gordon Square, W.C. The opening Devotional Address by Mrs. W. H. Somervell will be given at 10.15 a.m., and there will be talks at intervals during the day by Miss E. Hope Bell, Hankow, General Secretary, Nurses' Association of China, Miss Adela Moss, formerly in India, and Miss E. E. Weeks, Multan, India. The valedictory meeting, to wish God-speed to 20 members sailing to the Mission Field this year for the first time, and to others returning to their stations after furlough, will be at 7.30 p.m. Chairman, Miss M. E. Sparshott, Matron of the Royal Infirmary, Manchester.

### SAILING MEMBERS.

The following nurses have left for their stations for the first time, or will leave during the next few months with their training schools and destinations:—Miss Bousfield (C.M.S.), St. Bartholomew's Hospital, to Omdurman; Miss E. M. Bowes (W.M.M.S.), City of London Infirmary, to Madras; Miss B. E. Corbett (S.P.G.), King Edward VII Hospital, Cardiff, to Singapore; Miss M. E. Hampton (B.), Leith General Hospital, proceeding to India; Miss A. E. Hart (S.P.G.), King's College Hospital, Miss G. Heath (C.E.Z.M.S.), General Infirmary, Salisbury, to Bangalore; Miss E. E. S. Hill (C.M.S.), King's College Hospital, proceeding to the Punjab; Miss G. Hodges (W.M.M.S.), Lambeth Infirmary, to China; Miss D. Holbrook (C.M.S.), Kent and Canterbury Hospital, proceeding to China; Miss C. M. Hopkinson (C.M.S.), King's College Hospital, proceeding to China; Miss E. E. Hughesdon, St. James' Hospital, Balham, to West Africa; Miss O. Jacklin (R.B.M.U.), St. George's-in-the-East Infirmary, proceeding to the Congo; Miss Meeson (C.M.S.), Royal Infirmary, Liverpool, to Nigeria; Miss M. M. Millican (W.M.M.S.), Pembury Infirmary, proceeding to South China; Miss L. E. Pronger (C.M.S.), Croydon Infirmary, proceeding to Nigeria; Miss M. D. Salmond (U.F.C.S.), London Hospital, proceeding to Madras; Miss L. A. Smith (W.M.M.S.), Lambeth Infirmary, to Kalmunai, Ceylon; Miss E. F. Stead (M.E.), Guy's Hospital, proceeding to Nigeria; Miss G. Wentworth (W.M.M.S.), Royal Infirmary, Manchester, to Pingkiang, China; Miss A. E. Wharton (B.), Western Infirmary, Glasgow, to India.

## THE HAMLIN MEMORIAL SANATORIUM, MOUNT LEBANON.

I have just received an illustrated prospectus of the above Sanatorium, and as I was in Syria when the late Dr. Mary Eddy (daughter of the Reverend Dr. and Mrs. Eddy, of the American Presbyterian Mission) was collecting funds in America for the purpose, it gives me much pleasure to send an account of its completion. Dr. Mary Eddy had stuck to her purpose, and succeeded where others had failed; but the need was so great that other efforts were being made, amongst others, that of Dr. Bschara Menasseh, who formed a native Committee. This latter Committee my late father and myself supported, because it was not only non-sectarian, but because it had decided to start and support the work with Syrian funds, independently of European charity and missions. A large number of notable people and wealthy men of all religions and sects, and not less than four Mahomedans, attended the Committee meetings at our house, anxious to start the Sanatorium, for at that time there was a great scare going through the country over this dreaded disease of tuberculosis, which was looked upon as

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