

Tuesday, May 12th, 1925, addressed to the Hon. Secretary, at this Office.

Sir H. Cosmo O. Bonsor, Bart., will preside at the Meeting.

Competitive Exhibitions of Photographs and Needlework will be held as usual on the day of the Annual Meeting. Prizes have been placed at the disposal of the Judges, and awards will be made in the different Classes should entries be sufficient. The Judges will have power to withhold awards, and their decision will be final.

The Directors of the United Nursing Services' Club, Ltd., announce that the extension to the Club is now open. The extra accommodation comprises: Large new restaurant, smoking lounge, members' quiet room, twelve additional bedrooms. Additional members can now be admitted. Full particulars can be obtained from the Secretary, 34, Cavendish Square, W.1.

It is very satisfactory that Boards of Guardians in Northern Ireland are being required to employ Registered Nurses in positions of responsibility. At a recent meeting of the Lurgan Board of Guardians a letter was received from the Northern Ministry, stating that they could not sanction the appointment of Nurse M. G. Creaney, charge nurse in the fever hospital, until she had registered with the Northern Joint Nursing and Midwives' Council.

The Clerk said Nurse Creaney was qualified in Dublin, but she had to register in Northern Ireland as well. She was already doing so.

The latest *Bulletin* of the "Association D'Hygiene Sociale de l'Aisne," states:—

"A very interesting development in connection with our Public Health Service in the Aisne has been the desire of the young English and American women who drive for us to become Nurses. We never urge them to do so, but they come, they see, and they decide for themselves. The following is our record up-to-date of chauffeuses who are taking their Nurse's training: 3 at Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore; 3 at the University College Hospital, London; 2 at Walter Reed, Washington; one at the American Hospital, Paris; and one (French) at Mdlle de Joannis' School in Paris.

"The two latest recruits are Miss King who directed our motor service in 1924, and Miss Saul, who had been with us for two years.

"We are sorry to lose them, but we are very happy indeed to see them enter the profession which is so full of usefulness and interest, and to which, without any doubt, they will be an addition."

The University of Montreal has, the *British Medical Journal* reports, instituted a post-graduate course for the training of public health nurses. The school is to receive financial aid from the province of Quebec and also from the city of Montreal. All nurses on the city's staff are to receive training free of charge. The civic authorities have placed two of the most populous parishes, St. Catherine's and St. James's, at the disposal of the school. Here the problems of infantile mortality, tuberculosis, children's diseases and maternity, and of hygienic conditions generally, will be closely studied, and annual reports will be drawn up to demonstrate to these districts the value of properly guided public health nursing.

NURSING IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

MAJOR R. W. BARNETT, M.P., has given notice that he will ask the following question in the House of Commons:—

MAJOR BARNETT: To ask the Minister of Health whether the General Nursing Council for England and Wales has yet submitted for his approval (1) Rules providing adequately for the direct representation of Registered Nurses on the Council, and (2) the Prescribed Scheme of Training required by the Nurses' Registration Act, 1919; and if not whether he will consider the desirability of appointing a Select Committee to deal with these matters.

MARCH 30TH.

GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL (ACCOUNTS).

MR. MONTAGUE asked the Minister of Health if he will require the General Nursing Council for England and Wales, as he is empowered under the Nurses' Registration Act, 1919, Section 4 (4), to issue to registered nurses a detailed account of the money paid by them for the administration of the Act, approximately to £60,000?

MR. NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN: I understand that an audited statement of accounts is issued annually to the Press, including all the nursing papers, and I see no necessity to impose on the council the additional burden involved by the hon. Member's suggestion.

In connection with the Bill for the Registration and Inspection of Nursing Homes, in charge of Mr. Gerald Hurst, K.C., M.P., on behalf of the College of Nursing, Ltd., it is interesting to note that the following Advertisement appeared in a recent issue of *The Times*:—

PERSONS who have reason for DISSATISFACTION with the TREATMENT they have received in NURSING HOMES are asked to COMMUNICATE in strictest confidence with advertiser, who is interested in promoting a measure designed to place properly organized nursing homes on a recognized footing.—Write Box B. 1,425, The Times, E.C.4.

But why does not the advertiser give his (or her) name?

NURSES' MISSIONARY LEAGUE.

The 22nd Anniversary of the Nurses' Missionary League will be held at University Hall (Dr. Williams' Library), Gordon Square, W.C., on Monday, May 11th.

Programme.

MORNING SESSION, 10.15—12.30.

"Our Use of the Word."

Chairman: Miss J. MACFEE.

Missionary Litany for Doctors and Nurses.

"The BIBLE—its importance for the spiritual life, its unique value."—Miss POLKINHORN.

"PRAYER—the vital necessity."

Miss H. M. GAZE (Addenbrooke's Hospital),
Bannu, N.W.F. India.

Brief Reports of Hospital Study Circles and Intercession Meetings
Intercession.

AFTERNOON CONVERSAZIONE, 3—5.30.

EVENING SESSION, 7.30—9.30.

"Workers Together with God."

Chairman: The Right Rev. The Lord Bishop of Kingston,
President.

Adoption of Annual Report, and Election of Committee for
1925—26.

Missionary Address: "Adventure for God."

Mrs. UNDERHILL (formerly Mrs. Starr), Norfolk and Norwich
Hospital, and Peshawar, N.W.F. India.

Hymn during which the collection will be taken.

Closing Address: "Consecration."—The Chairman.
Prayers and Benediction.

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