

shown in our illustration, two or three times a day under the Presidency of Miss Nina D. Gage, R.N., M.A., President of the Council.

Meals were taken in the beautiful dining hall, the walls of which were adorned by allegorical frescoes by a famous Russian artist. In the centre of the room was a large table, where each one helped herself on entering to tea, coffee, and the various "plats" which appealed to her. Other dishes and beverages were handed round at luncheon and dinner, at which Dr. Elmgren presided. One evening we were asked to dress in our best, the reason being that we were honoured on that occasion by the presence of M. and Mme. Guérard.

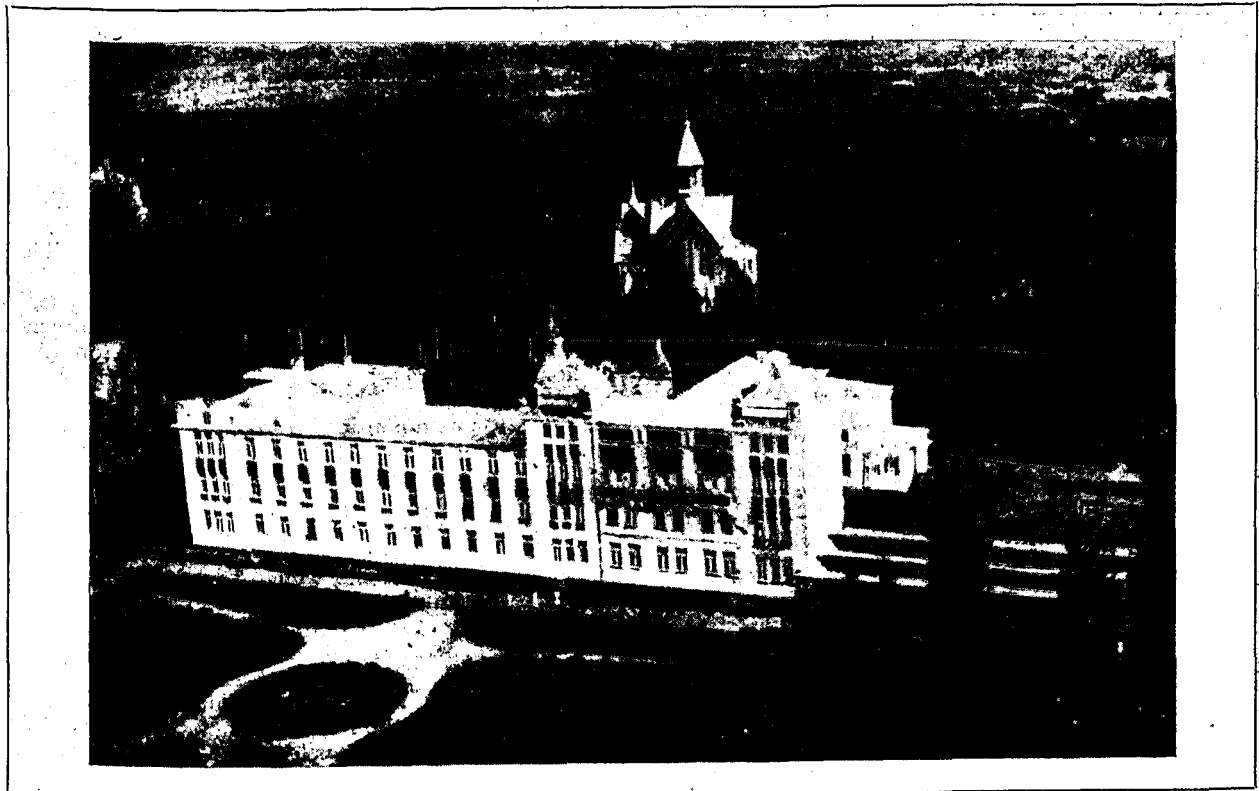
On the first afternoon we were invited to tea on the balcony of the Children's Hospital. Another day to a sumptuous *al fresco* luncheon, given by Dr. and Mme. Elmgren. A thunderstorm came on in the middle of it, and we had to beat a hasty retreat to the house, but many willing hands made light work.

The evenings were a time of great delight, for Dr. Elmgren, who was an accomplished musician, played for us always after dinner, and his daughter, who was studying for a musical career, charmed us with song after song.

On the last evening there were quite a number of speeches at dinner, during and between the courses, as the custom is in Finland. The President of the I.C.N., Miss Nina Gage, asked Baroness Mannerheim to convey to the Finnish Government, and the Nurses' Association of Finland, our thanks for their charming hospitality which had enabled us to do our work in beautiful, quiet and comfortable surroundings without nervous strain. Words were, she said, most inadequate to express to them our thanks. We should always remember Halila.

Baroness Mannerheim expressed her pleasure in conveying these thanks.

Sister Bergljot Larsson, Miss Eldredge, Miss Pearse, and Miss Munck also spoke. Miss Wu said that she must stand up and say a word to all her big sisters. She could not eat



HALILA SANATORIUM FROM THE AIR.

On our last afternoon, Miss Rancken entertained us to tea at her own house, and we learnt how good tea made by means of a Samovar can be, whether served with milk or slices of lemon. It was a curious thing, by the way, how kindly we took to the latter in Finland. We expected to continue to do so when we got home again, but it must have been something to do with the climate, for one has no longing for it in England.

One afternoon we were taken for a most beautiful drive with a lovely lake as our destination.

Miss Lilli Hagan and other of our Finnish friends promptly took headers into it and enjoyed a swim as to the manner born. We were so near the Russian frontier that afternoon that the hope was held out to us that if we met with a "kind sentry" he might let us cross it, but it seemed uncertain that it would be as easy to retrace our footsteps, and no one expressed a wish to experiment.

any more without saying a word of thanks for the joy she had had.

Miss Musson said that before we came to Finland we did not know much about it. Now we knew it we loved it, and one reason why we loved it was because the International Council of Nurses had been faithful there to its principles of love and harmony.

The Baroness Mannerheim said she wanted to say "thank you" to all present. It was not they who should be thanked but those who had not been afraid of the long journey, and had come to Finland from all the corners of the earth. These two weeks would always remain in the minds of the nurses of Finland. She did not want to say "good-bye."

Frequent reference was made to Dr. Elmgren in the course of the speeches, and on each occasion he left his place and came down and shook hands with the speaker at the conclusion of her speech.

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