

OUTSIDE THE GATES.

The National Council of Women of Great Britain will this year hold its Annual Meeting in the Assembly Rooms, York, by the kind invitation of the York Branch from October 15th-19th.

Conference Season Tickets price 6s. including the Conference Handbook, and Single Tickets price 1s. should be purchased from the Conference Secretary, Mrs. Angelo Raine, Dringhouses Vicarage, York.

A list of suitable hotels and boarding houses will be published in a small booklet price 3d. Applications should be addressed to Mrs. Cadell, Tranent, Heworth, York.

The centenary of the birth of Henri Dunant, founder of the Red Cross Movement, was recently celebrated at Geneva.

During the Crimean War he was deeply impressed by the work achieved by Miss Florence Nightingale on behalf of the wounded, and he longed to see her work extended.

After being present at the battle of Solferino and helping to remove the terribly wounded to places of safety Henri Dunant aroused great interest in all countries, and with other pioneers formed the International Red Cross Committee.

Henri Dunant was awarded several foreign orders, and the first Nobel prize for peace was bestowed on him in 1901. He ended his long and useful career on October 30, 1910, when he died at Heiden, where he had been an invalid for many years.

Dr. Inge, the Dean of St. Paul's, recently addressed the inaugural meeting of the Oxford Eugenic Society in the hall of Corpus Christi College.

"This is my appeal to the young people of the University," Dr. Inge said: "Do not, for the sake of a motor-car, which perhaps you could not otherwise afford, deprive yourselves and the country of children. There is a great deal of selfishness in this matter, and it is rather growing. It is what I call 'the bungalow system.' Young couples settle down in small houses with no spare bedrooms and take care not to have any children. That is not the way to do one's duty to one's country and to the next generation. There should be more courage in this matter and more of the right sort of family pride."

We quite agree with the Dean.

Mrs. Stanley Baldwin, wife of the Prime Minister, who was once a student at Queen's College, London, W., has been elected President of the Council of the College.

The registration of chiropodists and the establishment of a British Chiropody Board to regulate the practice in Great Britain are sought by a Bill introduced in the House of Lords by Lord Novar.

We are not surprised to learn that one of the annual Pulitzer prizes of £200 for meritorious literary work done in the previous year has been awarded to Mr. Thornton Wilder for his novel, "The Bridge of San Luis Rey." Everyone should read it. "Precious Bane," by Mrs. Mary Webb lately deceased, is another work of genius. After reading this quite exquisite book we ran to buy it. "Out of print" we were told, and almost impossible to procure a copy from the library! How often genius passes unrecognised during the lifetime of its possessor.

WORD FOR THE MONTH.

Too low they build who build beneath the stars.
Young.

BRISTOL OPEN-AIR CRIPPLED CHILDREN'S SCHOOL.

The Duke and Duchess of York will visit Winford, near Bristol, on Saturday, July 7th, to lay the foundation-stone of an open-air school of the Bristol Crippled Children's Society. The school will comprise three wards, each accommodating 56 children.

BOOK REVIEW.

A Short History of Medicine, introducing medical principles to students and non-medical readers, by CHARLES SINGER, M.A., M.D., D.Litt. Oxford, F.R.C.P., Lecturer on History of Medicine in the University of London. Clarendon Press, pp. 362. Price 7s. 6d.

This book would be well brought to the notice of all Nurses, because it contains much that they would find not only of extreme interest but information which would be constantly useful for reference. In its pages may be found a history of hospitals from the earliest times, as well as an enthralling account of nursing and public health service. The history of the evolution of medical science and the descriptions of diphtheria and the woman in the condition now known as the Typhoid state, leave us wondering how we can have imagined our forefathers to be ignorant as is frequently taken for granted. Instructions to those preparing for surgical operations, taken from the Hippocratic Collection, circa A.D. 300, might just as well be found in a text-book of to-day. All those interested in Medical Science and Nursing would be well advised to get this book and read it thoroughly.

MARY CHADWICK.

SUMMER SCHOOL.

Under the direction of Miss Mary Chadwick a Summer School for the Study of Psychology in relation to Child Life, will be held, by the kind permission of Mrs. H. Phibbs, at The College, Grindleford, near Sheffield from August 20th-31st.

For further particulars we refer our readers to the notice under the heading Official Announcements, in our Advertisement Supplement, on page i.

COMING EVENTS.

June 7th.—Nurses' Missionary League "At Home," Church House, Westminster. 3.15 p.m.

June 8th.—Fever Nurses' Association. Annual General Meeting. At premises of the London Wholesale Dairies, Vauxhall, S.E.11. 2.30 p.m.

June 22nd.—Royal British Nurses' Association. Annual Meeting. 194, Queen's Gate. 3.30 p.m.

June 22nd.—General Nursing Council for England and Wales. Monthly Meeting. 20, Portland Place, London, W.1. 2.30 p.m.

June 23rd.—The British College of Nurses. Council Meeting. 39, Portland Place, London, W. 3 p.m.

July 7th.—League of St. Bartholomew's Hospital Nurses. General Meeting. St. Bartholomew's Hospital, E.C. 3 p.m.

July 10th.—The British College of Nurses. Annual Dinner. Whitehall Room, Hotel Metropole, London, S.W. 8 p.m.

July 11th.—The British College of Nurses. Annual Meeting of Fellows and Members, followed by Reception. 39, Portland Place, London, W. 3 p.m.

July 16th-20th.—British Empire Cancer Campaign. International Conference on Cancer. House of the Royal Society of Medicine in London. Wimpole Street, London, W.

July 17th.—League of Red Cross Societies. Presentation by Lady Mayoress of Certificates to students who have completed International Courses. Bedford College, Regent's Park, N.W. 3.30 p.m.

[previous page](#)

[next page](#)