

NURSES' ORGANISATIONS.

THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF NURSES.

Nurses who are planning to attend the Congress of the International Council of Nurses, which is being held in Montreal, July 8th-13th, 1929, are requested to send their applications for accommodation at an early date to the Committee on Arrangements, Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal.

Rooms have been secured in hotels, convents and boarding-houses at rates varying from \$1.00 to \$5.00 per day. The rates for rooms in the large hotels are as follows:—

Single room	\$3.00-\$4.00
Single room, with bath	\$5.00-\$7.00
Double room	\$5.00-\$7.00
Double room, with bath	\$8.00-\$10.00
Large room, 3 persons	\$7.50-\$10.00
Large room 4 persons	\$8.00-\$12.00

Rates for bed and breakfast in convents are from \$1.25-\$1.50.

Rates in boarding-houses vary according to location and accommodation offered.

On arrival in Montreal, visitors who have not already received room assignment are requested to report to Headquarters—The Montreal High School, University Street—in order to obtain it.

The Finance Committee, which is a sub-committee of the Arrangements Committee for the Congress, has been working very hard indeed in order to collect funds to provide hospitality for nurses coming to the Congress from foreign countries. They will soon be sending invitations to the national organisations offering to their members as many free places as they are able to allocate to each country.

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NURSES OF GREAT BRITAIN.

As we go to press an important Conjoint Meeting of the Executive Committee and the Montreal Congress Sub-Committee is being held in the Board Room of the Registered Nurses Association, 39, Portland Place, to receive the draft programme for the International Congress of Nurses to be held in Montreal in 1929.

INFECTIOUS HOSPITALS MATRONS' ASSOCIATION.

The Autumn Quarterly Meeting of the above Association was held by kind invitation of Miss Williamott at the Borough Isolation Hospital, Derby, on Wednesday, September 26th at 3 p.m. A proposal that application be made for affiliation to the National Council of Women was deferred until the next meeting so that further information could be obtained. Considerable progress was reported with reference to the resolution passed at the last meeting, asking members to circularise their local Member of Parliament urging legislation on the lines suggested by the Departmental Committee in their report on the "1922 Act." After the business meeting the members adjourned to the nurses' sitting room where a most delightful tea was served by the sisters. Here the members were welcomed by the Chairman of the Committee, the Medical Officer of Health and the Resident Medical Officer.

A tour of the wards, laundry, kitchens and sanatorium followed.

The beautiful grounds and the homely atmosphere prevailing all added to what was felt was a very successful

meeting. Members were present from Staffordshire, Leicestershire, Sheffield and included a party from London, and the interchange of ideas is found most helpful.

The next meeting will be held in London at 194, Queens Gate, S.W.7, during the month of January, 1929.

THE BRADFORD ROYAL INFIRMARY NURSES' LEAGUE.

The current issue of *The League News* of the Royal Infirmary, Bradford Nurses' League, is a Souvenir Number of the visit of their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of York to the Infirmary, and, as befits the occasion, is sumptuous and regal in appearance in a Royal blue cover with gold lettering, and the Badge of the League also in gold. The letterpress is admirable, and it is profusely illustrated, most of the pictures commemorating the great event. It will, we feel sure, be a treasured possession of every member of the League for many years to come.

Of "The Day" it is recorded "actually to-day, two foundation stones were 'well and truly laid' by their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of York, and 'the dainty Duchess' smiled her way into hundreds of Bradford hearts."

"Miss Davis, beautifully dressed in black silk poplin uniform, stood (with the Reception Committee) on the steps of the Field House waiting to receive the Duchess.

"We Bradford Nurses felt that she was a splendid representative for us all."

It must have been a pleasure to the Hon. Secretary to report that the League has, as a new member, Miss Hannah Fisher, who was the first nurse to receive the certificate of the Bradford Infirmary when it became a training school.

Miss Fisher, who served in the Military Hospitals during the South African War, has now retired from active work.

Just one light extract—Sister (to young probationer): "Now, nurse, you have been in this ward some time, it is quite time you were feeling your feet."

Probationer: "Thank you, Sister, but my feet are quite all right. I'm not feeling them at all."

THE NURSES' MISSIONARY LEAGUE.

The Camp at Seaford.

Beautiful surroundings, ideal weather, and a delightful spirit of comradeship and fun combined to make the Seaford Camp a most happy holiday. Bathing, tennis and walks on the Downs alternated with excursions further afield which usually included a picnic tea, and we all enjoyed to the full the lovely scenery and exhilarating sea breezes. It was a great pleasure to have with us Miss Sutherland (St. Bartholomew's Hospital), a missionary Sister who had just arrived on furlough from Madras. We learned from her many interesting details about her work.

After breakfast each morning we met for informal family prayers at which Miss Richardson gave us many helpful messages from the Psalms. In the evening we met again, sometimes to hear about the work overseas, sometimes for a short devotional talk. On two evenings Miss Shaw spoke, her second talk being on Reality; and on three other evenings three clergymen from the neighbourhood kindly came to speak to us on Christ as the Great Physician, Christ as the Good Shepherd, and Prayer.

We all feel that the time of happy fellowship together has been a tremendous help, physically and spiritually, and we advise all nurses to try to join the camp next year.

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