

action was approved. We hope that special emphasis is placed on the words "careful precautions."

On February 10th a large meeting of Nurses was held under the auspices of the "Scottish Nurses' Association" at the "Scottish Nurses' Club," Glasgow.

Mrs. Strong, the representative of the Scottish Nurses on the Council of the British College of Nurses, was in the chair.

Miss Graham, Lecturer to the British College of Nurses, gave a short address upon the Constitution of the British College, its aims and its objects.

Mrs. Strong spoke of the wonderful gift to Nurses of £100,000, and of the anonymous donor.

Miss McAra, Secretary of the Scottish Nurses' Association, and a Member of the College, proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Miss Graham. Mrs. Strong and Miss McAra received a very hearty vote of thanks from the Fellows and Members who were present at the close of the meeting.

Later in the evening many Fellows and Members were "obligated" in the Library of the Club.

On February 14th, many Fellows and Members of the British College of Nurses and their friends were invited to a whist drive and dance given by the Scottish Nurses' Association at the Scottish Nurses' Club, Bath Street, Glasgow.

Mrs. Strong (formerly Matron of the Glasgow Royal Infirmary), received the guests; Miss McAra (Hon. Secretary of the Scottish Nurses' Association) acted as M.C.; and the evening proved a thoroughly enjoyable one.

Among those present were: Miss Brown, Secretary, Scottish Nurses' Club; Miss Graham, Lecturer to the British College of Nurses, London; Miss Brodie, Matron, "Gartnavel," Glasgow; Miss Cowie, Matron, Royal Alexandra Hospital, Paisley; Miss Wilson, Matron, Craw Road Hospital, Paisley; Miss Finn (late Matron), Miss Wood, Matron, The Eye Hospital, Paisley; Miss Niccol, Matron, Seaford Hospital, Ayr; Miss Deans, Matron, Kilsyth; Miss Horn, the Public Health Department, Glasgow; Miss Mickel, Matron, Torrance; Mrs. Rutherford, Glasgow; together with a large number of Doctors, Sisters, Nurses, and their friends from the various Hospitals in Glasgow and the district.

A Cake and Candy Sale will take place in the Scottish Nurses' Club, 203, Bath Street, Glasgow, on Saturday, March 17th, at 3 p.m. Fruit, flowers, vegetables, preserves, and all kinds of work will be for sale. Contributions and donations will be gratefully received and acknowledged by the Secretary, Miss M. Brown.

The Johns Hopkins Nurses Alumnae have secured the services of Miss Clara D. Noyes, one of their most distinguished members, as editor of their Alumnae Magazine.

Those charged with the responsibility of securing an editor congratulate themselves with great fervour, and then start fresh and congratulate themselves all over again. It is a most felicitous occasion and the more they think about it the better it seems.

THE BRITISH COLLEGE OF NURSES.

The Nineteenth Meeting of the Council of the British College of Nurses was held at 39, Portland Place, London, W.1., on Saturday, February 25th, at 3 p.m. The President, Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, was in the chair, and all the members of the Council were present, Prayers having been read by the Secretary, Miss G. R. Hale, R.R.C., the Minutes were confirmed.

Business Arising from the Minutes.

The Election of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales.

It was reported that the Resolution containing the considered opinion of the Council condemning the methods employed by the Conjoint Committee of the College of Nursing, Ltd., the Association of Hospital Matrons, and the Poor Law Infirmary Matrons' Association in accepting large sums of money to finance its appeal to the electorate of the General Nursing Council had been circulated to the Ministries nominating persons on the Council, the members of the General Nursing Council, the members of the Council of the College of Nursing, Ltd., and other persons concerned. A copy of the Resolution had been sent to the Press and had appeared in various papers, notably the *Daily Mail* and the *Sunday Times*. The large majority of the Press ignored—as they always had done—the independent opinions of the nurses concerning their own affairs and excluded the Resolution.

A large number of acknowledgments had been received from those addressed, amongst them from the President, the Clerk and Deputy-Clerk of His Majesty's Privy Council, the Board of Education, the Ministry of Health, and the Metropolitan Asylums Board.

The Resolution published in the *BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING* had reached thousands of members of the Nursing profession at home and abroad, and no doubt such publicity would have a salutary effect upon thoughtful minds, and arouse sympathy for high ethical standards amongst self-respecting nurses who strongly objected to the interference, through financial pressure, of wealthy members of the laity, in what should be an unprejudiced election of their governing body, the General Nursing Council.

The Amendment to the Constitution of the British College of Nurses.

A letter was received from the Trustees stating "that in accordance with the By-laws they agreed to the reduction in the number of Fellows from nine to six forming the Council being made, and that such reduction shall continue until the Council by a unanimous vote resolves that the number of Fellows should be increased to nine."

The result of this amendment will be that two Fellows who were nominated to serve for two years will retire in June, and there will be no election of Fellows until July, 1929.

As there is only one *nominated* Member on the Council, one will be elected by the Members in July, 1928, and one in 1929, so as to secure the three, as provided in the By-laws, who will serve for three years.

Nomination papers will be procurable from the office in time to nominate the Member to be elected in

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