

SOCIAL FUNCTIONS.

The Social Functions throughout the Congress Week were so numerous and varied that the difficulty which confronted the guests of the Canadian Nurses' Association was to select which to attend.

On Tuesday, July 9th, the President and Members of the Bureau of the Administration of the Hospital of Ste. Justine, 6055 St. Denis Street, a fine new building recently opened for Women and Children, under the supervision of French-speaking Nuns, entertained 200 members of the Congress to a very ample lunch, served from a buffet in the Nurses' Dining-room, where they were waited upon by the Nuns and by the young French ladies who had previously taken them round the hospital. After lunch they were shown the Out-patients' Department and rooms where the bandages and dressings are prepared for the sterilisers. The visit was a most enjoyable one, the Nuns received their guests with all the charm and courtesy they always extend to their visitors, and on this occasion they seemed to enjoy meeting fellow-nurses from other lands, especially those among them who spoke some English.

On the same date the Sun Life Association entertained to luncheon 700 guests interested in public health work at the inaugural opening of the dining-room for women in the new Sun Life Building.

Hospitality at luncheon parties was also extended on this date by the authorities of the Misericorde Hospital, the Notre Dame Hospital, and the Ste. Jean D'Arc Hospital which was greatly appreciated.

A delightful reception was given on July 9th by Miss Helen Trenholm at the Dixie Golf Club, where 100 guests, after a reviving drive along the banks of the St. Lawrence, were entertained to tea. Little tables were set on a wide veranda, overlooking the wide, rolling country, and in this charming setting friend met friend, and new acquaintances cemented future friendship.

Tea was also hospitably served at the Notre Dame Hospital.

Wednesday, July 10th, was a gala day for, in addition to the great banquet of over 2,000 members of the Nursing Profession at the Mount Royal Hotel, which we have already described, there was a most delightful Garden Party given by the Montreal Association of Overseas Sisters at St. Anne's Military Hospital D.P.N.H., when the 700 guests were nurses attending the Congress who had served with the Nursing Services of the Empire. The guests taken to St. Anne's were given a military motor-cycle escort en route. The guests were received by the Medical Director, Mrs. Stuart Ramsay, President of the Overseas Nurses, Miss Galbraith, Matron-in-Chief, and the Matron of the Hospital.

The afternoon was superb, and, as always when those who have worked in close association meet after long intervals, there was much happy conversation between old friends, as well as cordial welcomes for the guests, most of whom had done War Service. The hospital cares for those who were permanently injured, or have not yet recovered from the effect of injuries received during the Great War. It possesses an excellent library with delightful views, and everything possible is done for the alleviation of the condition of the patients.

Over 100 civilian nurses were entertained to tea at the Convent of the Immaculate Conception, where the Sisters were kindness itself.

On Thursday, July 11th, there was a luncheon given by the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain at the

Ritz Carlton Hotel, already described, and the nurses of Montreal entertained 800 of their colleagues to a most successful tea at the Windsor Hotel, which was thoroughly enjoyed. Some 200 fortunate Congress members were taken along the shore of the St. Lawrence to a party at a charming country house. They were the guests of Mrs. J. W. MacConnell, in a lovely garden which sloped down to the river. The Hotel Dieu gave both a luncheon and high tea to 50 guests, and Hospital St. Jean de Dieu entertained 100 to tea; tea was also served at the Hospital St. Jeanne D'Arc, and the Sanatorium Prévost. It will therefore be seen that large as the Congress was the hospitality extended to its members was almost unlimited in extent.

On Friday, July 12th, the Hotel Dieu again entertained 50 guests, this time at dinner, and a delightful tea for 200 guests was given by Mrs. Carrington Smith, a graduate of the Montreal General Hospital, where several Congress members were staying and whose kindness throughout the week was ceaseless. Invitations to luncheon between

the Sessions, conveyance to and fro in a most comfortable car were amongst her thoughtful acts.

On Friday evening, July 12th, a very delightful dinner was given by the President (Miss Lilian Clayton) and the official delegates of the American Nurses' Association (Miss Elizabeth Burgess, Mrs. A. L. Hansen, Miss Adda Eldredge, and Miss Susan Francis), at the Mount Royal Hotel, to the Board of Directors of the I.C.N. and other distinguished Congress members, including Mrs. Strong. Miss Clayton presided, and it was a very gay and delightful party.

It was a happy thought that each of the guests present whose Association affiliated to the International Council of Nurses maintained an official organ should be asked to say a few words about it, and as one after another rose in her place and told its story, it seemed wonderful indeed



Miss Galbraith. Mrs. Stuart Ramsay.
AT THE OVERSEAS GARDEN PARTY.

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