

THE JAPANESE LUNCHEON PARTY AT THE MOUNT ROYAL HOTEL, MONTREAL.

One of the most enjoyable, and certainly one of the most distinctive, parties during the Congress Week was the luncheon party given by Miss Take Hagiwara, President, and the Members of the Nurses' Association of Japan, at the Mount Royal Hotel, Montreal, on Sunday July 14th.

The guests were received by Miss Hagiwara, Mrs. Yamozaki and other distinguished Japanese ladies, and luncheon was served at a round table the centre of which had been converted into a lake and miniature garden. Above it was a large Japanese umbrella from which lanterns were suspended. The National flag was also in prominence. Miss Hagiwara is seen on the left facing the flags, on her right Mlle. Chaptal, Miss Noyes and Miss Gunn, on her left Miss Breay, Miss Hersey and Miss Holt. Facing the camera are Miss Musson, Miss Gage, Mrs. Yamozaki, and Miss Reimann, on the right are Korean and other distinguished ladies. This delightful party will long be remembered.

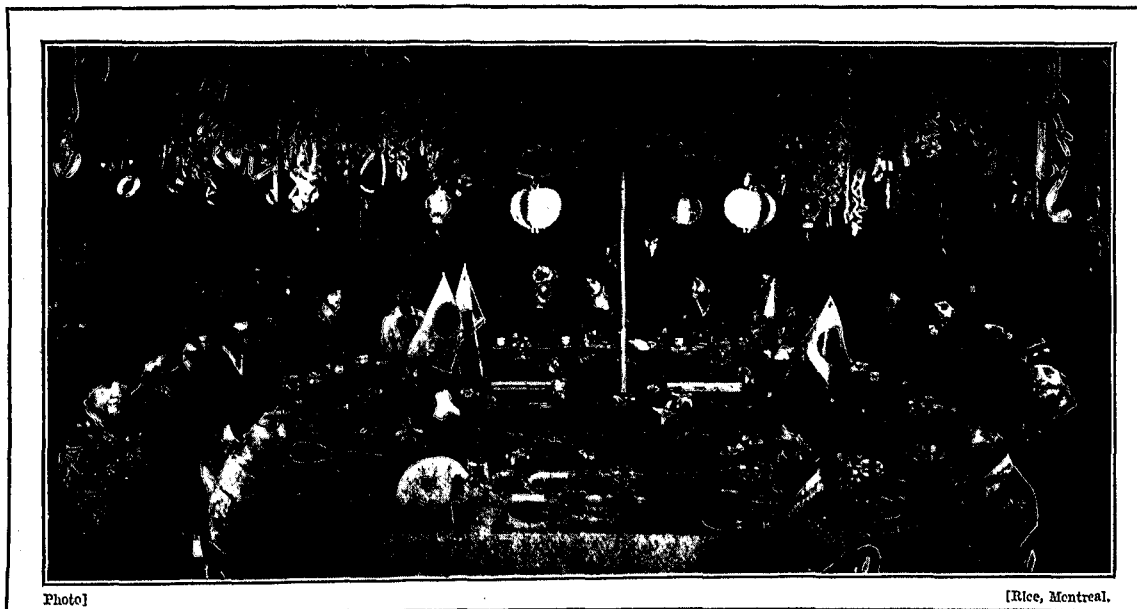
room for improvement in the taking of a wider outlook of our profession by the rank and file. This I think is particularly applicable to the Private Duty Nurse, and regrettably so, for generally she has more time for thought and study, and her sphere of work enables her to make such wide contacts that she should be a wonderful pillar of the profession.

The advisability of the General Trained Nurse having a course of mental work either as part of her training or as a compulsory post-graduate course was widely discussed and voted desirable.

From all countries reports came of the ever increasing work done and ever widening interest taken in Public Health Work and Prophylactic treatment.

It was with intense interest one listened to the reports and talks on the various subjects and to discussions that followed.

Arising out of some of the discussions one realised the necessity to guard against commercialising our profession.



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[Rice, Montreal.

THE LUNCHEON GIVEN BY THE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE NURSES' ASSOCIATION OF JAPAN.

IMPRESSIONS OF THE CONGRESS.

By One of the Rank and File.

I do not think anyone who attended the I.C.N. Congress at Montreal could fail to feel that both in spirit and letter it realised the full meaning of the word Congress, which is a "meeting of representatives, especially of Courts or Countries, to concert measures of common interest."

Here we had representatives of thirty-eight countries all with something to give and receive. Each there, not for purely personal reasons but by relating their own and hearing others' problems and methods of dealing with them, trying to raise the standard of our profession to an even higher level and decide how we can best do that for which our profession exists—care for the sick—and assist in improving the health of the Nation at the same time safeguarding the health and interests of the worker.

The wonderful General Sessions in the Forum where were gathered over 7,000 nurses. The splendidly thought out, interesting Papers made one proud to be a woman and a nurse. At the meetings of Sections all branches of our work came under discussion, and one was impressed by the increased thoughtfulness of the workers though there is still

It is difficult to adequately express one's thanks and appreciation to the Nurses of Canada for their wonderful hospitality and never-failing courtesy and kindness, nothing that could add to our pleasure and comfort was forgotten. The social side was certainly not forgotten. Happy and interesting parties took place every day and opportunities were given to all nurses to see something of the branch of work in which each was interested. At the Nursing Institutions not only were we welcomed but were given generous hospitality also.

I wondered sometimes if we who had nothing to do but enjoy it quite realized the enormous amount of thought and work it had taken to make the Congress the success it was, and to go deeper, were we grateful enough to the Founder for her brilliant inspiration to form an I.C.N. of which the Congresses are an outcome, and to the Board of Directors for their many hours of strenuous work before and during the Congress for the betterment of our profession the world over. One cannot omit a special word of thanks for the endless ungrudging work of our secretary on our behalf.

It was a wonderful time and an inspiration and we left Montreal in happy and thoughtful mood.

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