window. The Coroner, who told Nurse Henley that she behaved very well, said that Fredericks was not in a condition to be blamed for his action. The verdict was one of Death from Natural Causes.

A sad fatality occurred at the Worthing Isolation Hospital recently, which resulted in the death of a probationer nurse, Muriel Eileen Thomas, aged 17, who was reading in front of a stove when a burning coal fell on her apron. A patient tried to put out the flames with a blanket, but that also caught fire.

Dr. James Macfarlane, LL.D., Chairman of the Royal Infirmary, Glasgow, and one of the Trustees of the Scottish Nurses' Club, presided at its Annual Meeting, in the absence of the President, the Marchioness of Ailsa.

In their report the Committee of Management expressed the opinion that the usefulness of the Club was being maintained. Many nurses, members and non-members from all parts of the country and from overseas, had availed themselves during the year of the accommodation, and several had made the Club their headquarters for two or three weeks at a time. The number of ordinary members on the roll was 279 and of life members 47. The financial statement showed that the total funds in hand from all sources at the date of balance was  $\pounds722$ .

The reports having been adopted, Mrs. Strong congratulated the nurses on having Dr. Macfarlane, Chairman of the Royal Infirmary, as one of the Trustees. It is an expression of his interest in the nurse outside the hospital as well as in.

There was no city in Scotland, she said, that yet sufficiently appreciated the work of nurses, who were giving of their best to help on the health of the nation. Many of them are away from their own homes, and no housing provision is made for them; they must seek that for themselves. The Club accommodation is not yet equal to the meeting of that want; if it could do so it would lessen the cost of living to the nurse considerably.

In the hospital everything was done for the welfare of the nurse. After she finished her hospital life she registered, and started on her own, and a poor look-out it was without a helping hand. When a nurse left the hospital she was out of touch with teaching. A club should develop into a great teaching centre as well as a good home.

In another column we record that the Rockefeller Foundation is giving a Preliminary Training School for its Nurses to University College Hospital, and from America comes the news that this Foundation, which, by a gift in 1923, made possible the establishment of a School of Nursing at Yale University, Newhaven, Connecticut, as an experiment in nursing education for five years, has now insured its permanency by an endowment of a million dollars.

The plan of the School is to develop a programme of education which will make as important a contribution to the field of preventive medicine as did the earlier School of Nursing to curative medicine. Developments in preventive medicine make a reshaping of nursing

education necessary, and the Rockefeller Foundation Appropriation permitted experimentation along these lines. In a Foreword to the magazine of 1927, Miss A. W. Goodrich, R.N., Sc.D. (Dean of the Yale University School of Nursing), writes: "Accepted as indispensable in the field of remedial medicine and heralded as an essential worker in the field of preventive medicine, a great adventure awaits the nurse—intensely individual in its contacts, international in its scope. In the world-wide crusade for universal health her part is epitomized in the trenchant demand for the humanizing of knowledge, for the new programme demands of her the dual function of practitioner of nursing and teacher of health."

We most cordially congratulate Dean Goodrich (who is an Hon. President of the International Council of Nurses) and the Faculty of the Yale University School of Nursing that the permanence of the School of which they dreamt, and for which they hoped and worked, is now, by the munificence of the Rockefeller Foundation, an assured fact.

The beautiful Home which has been erected by the Guardians for the accommodation and comfort of the Nursing Staff at the Wellhouse Hospital, Barnet, was formally opened by the Marchioness of Salisbury on Thursday, March 14th. The cost of the building has been  $\pounds 36,000$  and the furnishing approximately  $\pounds 3,000$ .

Bedrooms are provided for 64 Nurses and 16 Sisters, and suites for the Assistant Matron, Home Sister and Sister Tutor.

The rest-rooms are all that can be imagined in comfort and tasteful appointment. The library and lecture rooms provide up-to-date facilities for the higher education of the profession.

Special arrangements are made for hair shampooing, and the home laundering of such articles as cannot be entrusted to sacriligious handling. Truly the Wellhouse Nursing Staff are a privileged community.

In the course of the opening ceremony Lady Salisbury presented the Gold Medal to Miss E. R. Booth and the Silver Medal to Miss C. A. Eeles, and Bronze Medals to Misses G. C. Mills, D. Griffiths, E. Holmes, V. M. Johnson, N. M. Suckling, E. M. Exton and I. Tudberry.

There died in the University College Hospital on March 16th, after an operation, the Rev. Llewellyn Rhys, Vicar of St. Mary Magdalen's, Munster Square, N.W., and Chaplain of the above Hospital.

A man of conspicuous holiness, he cannot fail to have left his mark on both patients and staff.

A large number of the Nursing Staff attended his funeral, in indoor uniform. Their scarlet capes struck a vivid note as they followed the bier in the order of procession.

It was a scene that will be long remembered as the body of this well-beloved priest was borne through the brilliant spring sunshine to the confines of the parish preceded by the Bishop of London wearing a black cope and a white mitre, and carrying his pastoral staff. The Hospital Nurses and Sisters formed part of the guard of honour lining the street, and a beautiful chaplet of flowers testified to the esteem and love he had won during his ministry in the Hospital.



