

Hospital, Darlington, and Sister at the North Ormesby Hospital Middlesbrough.

NIGHT SUPERINTENDENT.

Mayday Road Hospital, Croydon.—Miss H. Enstone, S.R.N., has been appointed Night Superintendent. She was trained at the Mayday Road Hospital, Croydon, where she was later Pupil Midwife, Sister in the Maternity Ward, Theatre Sister, and Sister in the Medical Ward. Miss Enstone has also been engaged in Private Nursing at Hove.

TRAVELLING SISTER TUTOR.

East Devon Hospitals.—Miss E. Pearce, S.R.N., has been appointed Travelling Sister Tutor for the East Devon Hospitals. She was trained at the Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital, Exeter, where she was a Gold Medallist, and where she was later Ward Sister of the Men's Surgical Ward, and the Women's Surgical Ward. Miss Pearce has also been Ward Sister of the Men's Surgical Ward and the Women's Surgical Ward at the South Devon and East Cornwall Hospital, Plymouth, and is a Certified Midwife.

WARD SISTER.

City General Hospital, Gwendolen Road, Leicester.—Miss M. Coutts, S.R.N., has been appointed Ward Sister. She was trained at the Wingrove Hospital, Newcastle-on-Tyne, and at Princess Mary's Maternity Hospital, Newcastle-on-Tyne. Miss Coutts has been Staff Nurse at the Stockton and Thornaby Hospital, Stockton-on-Tees, Ward Sister at the Innes Hospital Memorial Home, Ryton-on-Tyne, Night Sister at the Beckenham and Penge Maternity Home, and Maternity Sister at the Fernbank Maternity Home, Hastings, and is a Certified Midwife.

Mayday Road Hospital, Croydon.—Miss E. P. Paul, R.G.N., has been appointed Ward Sister. She was trained at the County Hospital, Ayr, and has been Staff Nurse at the West Middlesex Hospital, Isleworth, Midwifery Pupil and Queen's Nurse under the Queen's Institute of District Nursing, and Queen's Nurse under the Edinburgh and Kilmarnock District Nursing Association.

Mayday Road Hospital, Croydon.—Miss E. Birkett, S.R.N., has been appointed Ward Sister. She was trained at the Wingrove Hospital, Newcastle-on-Tyne, where she was later Staff Nurse. Miss Birkett has also been Staff Nurse at the West Middlesex Hospital, Isleworth, Sister at the Private Hospital, 70, Newhall Street, Birmingham, and Midwifery Pupil at the Princess Mary Maternity Hospital, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

Isolation Hospital, Rotherham.—Miss S. L. Howell, S.R.N., R.F.N., has been appointed Ward Sister. She was trained at the Park Fever Hospital, Hither Green, and at the Lewisham Hospital, S.E., and has since been Staff Nurse and Sister at her Training Schools, and Staff Nurse at the Torbay Hospital, Torquay.

HEALTH VISITOR AND SCHOOL NURSE.

Devon County Council.—Miss M. M. Vickers, S.R.N., has been appointed Health Visitor and School Nurse. She was trained at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, Rochester, and took her Midwifery Course at the Louise Margaret Hospital, Aldershot. Miss Vickers has been engaged in Health Visiting in the City of Westminster.

RESIDENT NURSE MASSEUSE.

City of Hull Education Committee.—Miss G. M. William, S.R.N., has been appointed Resident Nurse Masseuse. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Halifax, and at the National Hospital, Queen's Square, W.C.1. Miss Williams has done Private Nursing, and has worked in the Out-patient and Massage Departments at the East London Hospital for Children, and at the City General Hospital, Sheffield.

RESIGNATION OF MISS M. E. DAVIES, S.R.N., C.B.E., R.R.C.

Matron-in-Chief, Ministry of Pensions Nursing Service since June, 1919.

Miss M. E. Davies, S.R.N., C.B.E., R.R.C., Matron-in-Chief, Ministry of Pensions Nursing Service, has resigned from that post on completing eleven years' service. Owing to reduction in the hospital work of the Ministry it has been decided that the post of Matron-in-Chief shall lapse. The Ministry announces that the post of Principal Matron will continue to be held by Miss H. G. Palin, R.R.C., who will discharge the necessary inspectorial functions, in

addition to her duties as Matron of Queen Mary's (Rochampton) Hospital.

Miss M. E. Davies has had a very distinguished nursing career. She was trained at King's College Hospital and at the City of London Lying-in Hospital, was Sister and Home Sister at University College Hospital, Matron of Queen Charlotte's Hospital, and of St. Mary's Hospital, Paddington, 1907-1913. During the war, Miss Davies acted as Principal Matron of the 2nd London (City) Territorial Hospital; Matron, The King George Hospital, Stamford Street; and Matron-in-Chief, Ministry of Pensions.

An Appreciation of Miss M. E. Davies.

Miss J. M. Clay, S.R.N., R.R.C., sends us the following appreciation of Miss M. E. Davies, whose resignation we learn is being sincerely regretted by members of the Pensions Nursing Service:—

"It was with a feeling of dismay that I heard this week that Miss Davies, due to alterations in her position of Matron-in-Chief of the Ministry of Pensions Nursing Service, felt obliged to send in her resignation after eleven years' work at the Ministry of Pensions Headquarters in London.

"As Principal Matron and Matron in the Ministry of Pensions Nursing Service, I knew Miss Davies and her work intimately, and had the greatest admiration for her. She never spared herself, and worked heart and soul for the benefit of the hospitals, the patients, and the staff. Her example, and the knowledge that she was in constant touch with the matrons, giving them the best of her practical knowledge and insight in all professional matters, led to a very high standard of efficiency in all nursing departments; which inevitably reacted to the great good of the officers and men still to this day suffering from the effects of the war in our hospitals.

"Apart from her inspections, which were always welcomed, her experience and sympathy were ever at the service of the nursing staff. She was fair, just, and absolutely straight in all her dealings, and the high ideals of her professional and daily life were transmitted to those privileged to work under her.

"At one time the maximum nursing staff employed was 1,300, and the hospitals numbered 56. At the present day there are 14 to 16 hospitals, and a nursing staff of 277. All the senior nursing staff have had war nursing experience, either at home, or overseas.

"I cannot imagine a greater loss to the Ministry of Pensions than that which follows on the resignation of Miss Davies, and the fact that the Nursing Service will not be represented by a Matron-in-Chief at Headquarters."

WEDDING BELLS.

The engagement is announced of Dr. H. B. Morgan, M.P., for N.-W. Camberwell, S.E. (Socialist) to Miss Mary Powell, a nurse whom he met in Birmingham. The wedding will take place on July 26th.

COW AND GATE MILK FOOD.

One of the anxieties of nurses in hot climates is to ensure a pure milk for their patients. Often the milk itself is not above suspicion, cows may be tubercular, their sheds unhygienic, and the conditions under which they are milked far from ideal.

If there is doubt on any of these points it is safer to use a reliable Milk Food, and nurses who in this country have found the value of Cow and Gate Milk Food, supplied by Cow and Gate, Ltd., Guildford, Surrey, and are now working in hot climates will be glad to know that the firm supply Cow and Gate specially packed for hot climates, in yellow tins. This may prove also of great use for invalids travelling by sea, or on journeys up country when milk may be unobtainable.

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