

1860, to the 25th December, 1929, 2,434 candidates have, after completing a year's training, been entered in the Register of the Nightingale Nurses to be ultimately taken on to the Hospital Staff.

Two Scholarships were given in 1929, and in the current year it is proposed to offer three Scholarships.

Sister Tutor reports that 54 Nurses completed the eight months' Course in General Nursing. A good average has been maintained. Work has been done with intelligent interest and steady effort, though initiative has been somewhat lacking. The majority are serious workers and should develop into reliable Nurses.

The Membership of the League of Nightingale Nurses (The Nightingale Fellowship) at the end of 1929 was 710.

With reference to the Congress at Montreal of the International Council of Nurses, to which (through affiliation with the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain) is affiliated the Nightingale Fellowship, Matron reports that the following from the School were present at that Congress: — Miss Lloyd Still (President, Nightingale Fellowship), Miss Pridham (Sister City), Miss Gullan (Sister Tutor), Miss Hillyers (Sister Preliminary Training School), Miss Kerley, Miss Viney (Education Department, College of Nursing). The official report

has been published. The Congress was instructive in every sense of the word, and made a lasting impression of the development of nursing education in all parts of the world. We realised more than ever, as Nightingale Nurses, the reverence and devotion in which the Founder of this School is held in every section of the Nursing Profession throughout the world.

Matron begs to report that a special effort is being made to collect and tabulate all records and personal letters of Miss Nightingale in the sitting room, originally used as a class room, in the Nightingale Home.

Princess Mary's Royal Air Force Nursing Service which is the youngest of the Nursing Services of the Crown, is very alive and up-to-date, and its members

evidently believe in the value of sport as a means of keeping fit.

We last month published an account of the semi-final and final match of the Tennis Tournament between members of the Service played off at the Officers' Mess Tennis Courts at the Royal Air Force Depot at Uxbridge in July. It was an eager and hard fought contest, the prize being eventually won by Sister K. W. Cargill who had the distinction of winning the Cup, presented by Miss J. M. Cruickshank, C.B.E., R.R.C., Matron-in-Chief of the Service for her unit, and of becoming the proud possessor of the beautiful replica.

Left to right in our illustration are Sisters K. A. Witts, I. G. Duguid, O. Suddaby and K. W. Cargill.

The Royal Air Force Nursing Service was established in October, 1918, and was made a permanent Service under Royal Warrant in January, 1921. Since its establishment Miss Cruickshank has been the Matron-in-Chief.



THE TEAM OF ROYAL AIR FORCE NURSING SISTERS.  
Sister K. A. Witts. Sister I. G. Duguid. Sister O. Suddaby. Sister K. W. Cargill (Victor in the final match).

result of the new Local Government Act. The supply of trained nurses was not affected, but there was evidence that they were emigrating in large numbers. Prospects were better for them abroad than at home, and it was expected that there would be a serious shortage of trained nurses in this country before long. It was satisfactory that Scotland should be a training ground of nurses for a wider area, but measures must be taken to prevent a consequent deficiency in this country. In his opinion, the requisites were better organisation of training, better status for the trained nurse, and increased remuneration for her work. Hitherto there had been a complete separation between the nursing and teaching professions; he thought that they must co-operate more and more.

At the annual meeting of the Edinburgh Club of Nurses an address was delivered by Dr. J. Parlange Kinloch, Chief Medical Officer of the Department of Health for Scotland. Dr. Kinloch, as reported in the *British Medical Journal*, said that certain aspects of the training of nurses required consideration as a

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