

MRS. LAMBERT, A.R.R.C., S.R.N.

We reproduce here a photograph of Mrs. Lambert, A.R.R.C., S.R.N., Fairfield House, Newland, Lincoln, one of our Members who, in spite of the family and social calls that of necessity fall on the wife of a busy Doctor, in spite of the fact that she is interested in many of the charitable and other activities in Lincoln, never loses her interest in the affairs of her own profession. Almost since the time she left hospital Mrs. Lambert has kept abreast of the policy of that section of the nurses which has been bent on promoting the recognition of nursing as a profession. We always regard her as one of the keenest and most interested of our members and we are sure of her sympathy in any undertaking to which she can lend her influence and support; she joined the British College of Nurses as a Foundation Fellow upon its inception.

Mrs. Lambert shares, or at least sympathises with Dr.

Lambert's keen interest in archæology, and among other experiences when we visited her, was a most delightful visit to Lincoln's great cathedral. Colonel Lambert loves every stone and carving in it and it was like rambling into a newly discovered country to go round it with him and have wonderful treasures of art brought to our notice. In particular we remember one of his remarks which seemed in a few words to point a great truth; we had been shown a quaint allegory carved on one of the choir seats, and we remarked on the humour so frequently displayed in the art of the Monks. "But surely humour is art" came the reply.

Mrs. Lambert, *née* Henrietta Ward, was trained at the General Hospital, Nottingham. During the war, she was Assistant Matron at the 4th Northern General Hospital, Lincoln, and it was there that she first met Colonel Lambert, who was then Administrator. We can remember her as a very attractive young lady with pretty yellow hair, clear colouring and a bright, charming manner.

Mrs. Lambert is interested in many of the activities of Lincoln, and not a few of its charitable schemes owe, if not their inception, at least some of their success to her energy in promoting both their welfare and economic security. For six years she was Lady Superintendent of the St. John Nursing Division and no doubt it is largely due to her inspiration that in two years no less than nine senior cadets have entered hospital for training. We can imagine no better recruiting ground from which to draw entrants for nursing training. Mrs. Lambert is now District Officer for Lincolnshire.

Mrs. Lambert takes a great interest in church work. She is the enrolling member of the St. Martin's Branch of the Mothers' Union, Correspondent for the Nurses Fellowship of the Mothers' Union for the Diocese, and Presiding Member for the Deanery of Christianity. She is also on the Ruridecanal Council; and has a District in the Parish. She is a Member of the Committee of the Diocesan Home

for Girls, also the City and County Refuge for Women and Girls and has been instrumental in raising £300 to help clear the debt on the Remand Home for Boys, where first offenders are cared for and given a chance in life, instead of being sent to prison.

Mrs. Lambert is also on the Committee of the Christian Alliance of Women and Girls, on the Ladies Auxiliary of the Y.M.C.A., of which Colonel Lambert is President.

Mrs. Lambert's latest interest lies in her work on the Slum Clearance Committee. The first meeting was summoned by the Bishop of Lincoln at the request of a Meeting of Members of the Newland Congregational Church, who had been shocked by revelations of slum conditions in the City and felt that it was a matter for a united effort. It was then found that with the Government subsidy, local subsidy and a voluntary gift of £70 towards each house they could be let at 6s. 6d. per week inclusive of rates.

Mrs. Lambert was made a Trustee of the Fund, Member of the General Committee, Member of the Tenants Selection Committee and also she personally interviewed all the people. Many families have been removed and the majority are most grateful and appreciative of all that has been done for them, and they are making a real endeavour to live up to their new conditions. Each house has a living room, a small pantry, a good scullery, coal house, bathroom and three bedrooms, two of which have cupboards. Each house is also fitted with a gas boiler, which supplies the bath, etc. The houses are built on the top of the hill and have little gardens in front and larger pieces of ground behind. Mrs. Lambert's experiences, when she undertook to interview some of the slum dwellers, showed that their condition was pitiable. They could not even afford to move to the houses provided for them, far less furnish those. A welfare fund was started and the work of beneficence and sanitation went on. Surely there could be no more practical way of promoting hygiene than to lift the people from



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the impossible ill-constructed hovels right into houses on the hill side offering opportunity for observing the habits of modern civilisation and up-to-date hygiene.

APPOINTMENT.

Miss Ethel E. Walker, S.R.N., has been appointed Tuberculosis Visitor at Fulham Tuberculosis Dispensary. We congratulate her upon her appointment, one for which she is particularly suited, for her kindness and quiet courtesy, apart from her professional qualifications, should prove of great value.

ISABEL MACDONALD,

Secretary to the Corporation.

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