

THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF NURSES.

At the recent Meeting of the Board of Directors of the I.C.N. at Geneva a photograph was taken of those in attendance. We reproduce the group below. A most historic sequence of portraits of those who have attended Meetings of the I.C.N. in the past decorate the walls at Headquarters, and will no doubt be of great interest to future generations of members—when explorers and pioneers have passed away.

NURSES' ORGANISATIONS.

THE MENTAL HOSPITAL MATRONS' ASSOCIATION.

The thirty-third quarterly meeting of the Mental Hospital Matrons' Association was held at St. Andrew's Hospital, Northampton, by kind invitation of Dr. Rambaut, the Medical Superintendent, and Miss Pirie, the Matron.

Miss Hearder presented a satisfactory financial report and the members were then shown over the grounds and the various departments of St. Andrew's Hospital.

Prior to the meeting, Dr. Rambaut addressed the members and told them many interesting things regarding the history of the Hospital.

THE LEAGUE OF ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S HOSPITAL NURSES.

The Summer General Meeting of the League of St. Bartholomew's Hospital Nurses was held in the Lecture-Room of the Nurses' Home, St. Bartholomew's Hospital, E.C., on July 4th, the President, Miss Helen Dey, R.R.C., being in the chair.

The President reported that the Appeal Committee had raised £1,018 16s. 10d. for the League Bed.

A cheque for this amount has been handed by Mrs. Hayward on behalf of the League to the Treasurer and



*First Row: Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, Mlle. Chaptal, Miss E. M. Musson and Miss Elnora E. Thomson.
Second Row: Mlle. Parmentier, Miss M. E. Abram, Miss B. G. Alexander, Miss Alice Reeves, Miss C. Reimann, Miss Charlotte Munck, Generaloberin Lübben and Miss Anna Nordstrom.*

MEMBERS OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF I.C.N. AT GENEVA.

After letters of regret for absence had been read, Miss Sewart announced that she had received letters of resignation from Miss Lakeman and Miss Erskine.

Miss Sewart then read correspondence which had passed between the Mental Hospital Matrons' Association, the General Nursing Council and the Association of Hospital Matrons regarding the possibility of arranging for probationers from mental hospitals to take a three or six months' course in general nursing in a general hospital during their period of training in order to facilitate their taking the State Examination.

Discussion following the reading of these letters led to the agreement that the Honorary Secretary should write to the Association of Hospital Matrons asking whether the matter was to be brought forward on the agenda of the next meeting, and that, if the reply were in the affirmative, two members of the Mental Hospital Matrons' Association, who were also members of the other Association, should make a point of attending that meeting.

Almoners, when graceful speeches were made both by Mrs. Hayward and Lord Stanmore.

Miss M. S. Rundle, R.R.C., D.N., was, on the nomination of the Executive Committee, elected a Vice-President of the League, and Mrs. Hadfield re-elected Treasurer.

Satisfactory reports were received (1) from the Treasurer who notified a balance in hand of £129 9s. 4d. (2) The Secretary who notified the membership of the League as 1,296, and (3) the Secretary of the Benevolent Fund which, in her unavoidable absence, was presented by the General Secretary.

The Financial Report of the Isla Stewart Memorial Fund showed that dividends received during the year amounted to £44 10s. 3d.

Miss James, Miss McCulloch Smith, Mrs. Dell and Lady Gillies were elected members of the Executive Committee.

The Meeting then terminated and many of the members then went to view the League Bed in Paget Ward. Placed over it is a bronze tablet, with the League Badge inset, and

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