

## THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF NURSES.

At the recent meeting of the Board of Directors of the I.C.N., held in Geneva, it was agreed that "The History of the International Council of Nurses" compiled from THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING by Miss M. Breay, in collaboration with Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, which appeared in the official organ of the I.C.N., should be reprinted and issued in pamphlet form. Estimates for this work are being considered by the Publication Committee, and we have no doubt when printed it will be welcomed by members of National Organisations of Nurses who wish to keep in touch with the history of the international movement. It really is something to be proud of that the I.C.N. was the first international organisation of professional women.

## "THE LANCET" COMMISSION ON NURSING.

The *Lancet* Commission on Nursing, of which the Chairman is the Earl of Crawford and Balcarres, P.C., K.T., F.R.S., was appointed in December, 1930, to inquire into the reasons for the shortage of candidates, trained and untrained, for nursing the sick in general and special hospitals throughout the country, and to offer suggestions for making the service more attractive to women suitable for this necessary work, has now issued a Second Interim Report.

The Commission are now engaged in considering the statistical evidence in connection with the evidence which has been put before them by various organisations and individuals, and as we said in relation to the first Interim Report we await the Final Report before commenting at length upon the Commission's findings.

The Commission state that, in the opinion of an appreciable number of hospital authorities, the shortage of candidates is due only to the fact that the profession is judged by the conditions of the past and not by those of the present. They believe that an "erroneous idea of overwork, underfeeding, and underpay" exists, and that "exaggerated reports of treatment by seniors" remain in the minds of possible candidates and their parents. It is believed that these opinions could be corrected by suitable propaganda in schools and in the Press.

The Commission state that it has not been the aim of this Report either to prove or to refute these beliefs, but rather to show exactly what *are* these conditions which, in varying ways, the hospital authorities themselves regard as contributing to an undoubtedly serious shortage both of trained and untrained staff.

## THE WORLD TOTAL OF UNEMPLOYED.

It is estimated that the world total of unemployed, national and international, will reach 25,000,000 during the coming winter, an appalling total which gives great importance to a list of public relief works, national and international which has been compiled through the League of Nations and the International Labour Office.

A distinguished consulting physician to St. Bartholomew's Hospital, says the *St. Bartholomew's Hospital Journal*, happened to be in his club one day, when he was asked to see one of the members who had cut his hand while carving a loaf of bread. Having no appliances for dressing the wound, he escorted the injured one to the casualty department of his own hospital, where he saw the medical officer on duty and explained his errand. Said the latter to the patient, "Go into that room and I will attend to you," and then, turning to the eminent consulting physician, he remarked, "Sit over there, daddy, and take your hat off."

## TERRITORIAL ARMY NURSING SERVICE.

The War Office announces that the following appointments have been made recently in the Territorial Army Nursing Service:—

Miss Marjorie Eadon Craven, appointed 1st April, 1931, Matron 2nd Northern General Hospital, in succession to Miss Jessie E. Hills, R.R.C., resigned.

Miss Norah Needham Claye, appointed Matron 4th Southern General Hospital, 22nd April, 1931, in succession to Miss C. A. Tait McKay, R.R.C., resigned.

### Staff Nurses Appointed.

*1st London General Hospital*: Misses G. E. Garner, M. M. M. B. Berkeley, W. A. Caffyn, C. E. M. Daughtry, Y. V. Jessop, N. McKane, F. I. Thomas, K. M. Taylor.

*2nd London General Hospital*: Misses G. H. Bailey, D. M. Chipp, J. A. D. Dykes, R. C. Harris, M. E. Smart.

*4th London General Hospital*: Misses A. P. A. Andrews, F. M. Botell, D. Brewer, V. E. E. Etheridge, K. A. W. Luck, D. G. Parkins, N. H. Pearce, O. Revill, R. C. Shackles, B. M. Tallyn, J. M. Sievwright, G. M. Thomas.

*1st Southern General Hospital*: Misses I. F. Harding, M. E. Harrison, W. M. Gordon, B. Battams, B. P. Byrne, L. Smith, W. D. Twynning.

*2nd Southern General Hospital*: Miss M. Hobday.

*3rd Southern General Hospital*: Misses P. M. Armitage, M. H. A. Hudson, M. H. Kipling, E. Oliver.

*4th Southern General Hospital*: Misses M. Adams, O. Amos, E. M. Bazley, F. M. Beckett, K. Casey, J. P. W. Easterbrook, L. M. Goodridge, D. Greatorex, A. E. Hill, D. E. Milverton, H. L. Parkyns, E. Pike, E. Plowman, H. Tulley, E. Tucker, F. A. Wright.

*5th Southern General Hospital*: Misses I. A. M. Hammond, M. E. Gale, E. M. Hughes, B. V. Gollings, E. M. Moody, E. E. B. Ruppertsbery, E. L. Shute, D. E. Walker, E. F. Read, E. M. Sercombe, E. E. M. Skinner.

*1st Eastern General Hospital*: Misses M. C. Collett, C. Cunnington, C. K. Runnacles, A. M. Woolerton, S. M. Berry, F. Prest, A. Smith.

*2nd Eastern General Hospital*: Misses N. S. Caine, P. C. Hay, J. S. Learoyd, R. C. MacFarlane, E. M. Storrar, C. M. Taylor, M. Ferry, A. Shaw, R. White, G. E. M. Willis.

*1st Western General Hospital*: Misses D. A. M. Davies, E. I. Gorman, J. C. Hague, D. Hardy, C. M. Stephens, E. G. Thomson.

*2nd Western General Hospital*: Misses N. Averill, F. J. Bonner, M. E. Bowden, M. V. Campbell, A. J. Egan, M. T. Fraser, F. A. Freeman, W. M. Grief, F. Jones, J. MacDonald, E. J. Mackenzie, M. Manfield, I. K. Martin, F. Metcalfe, L. Pettitt, M. Platt, M. J. Rees, J. J. Robertson, A. D. Sharp, M. Sutcliffe, C. C. Tulloch, E. A. C. Colebrook.

*3rd Western General Hospital*: Misses B. Churchill, M. Cole, G. M. Cook, G. E. Davies, G. J. Edwards, A. B. John, A. M. Jones, E. P. Jones, E. Jones, E. S. Jones, E. A. Lewis, G. M. Lewis, E. G. Rees, N. M. Rees, A. M. Stephen, E. W. Thomas, O. C. Thomas, V. E. Thwaites.

*1st Northern General Hospital*: Misses M. W. Campbell, E. Barron, C. H. Dobson, A. Hutchinson, H. Thompson.

*2nd Northern General Hospital*: Misses F. M. Brown, E. Fletcher, E. M. Greenwood, E. C. Hartley, I. C. A. Jackson, A. M. S. Mathews, D. M. Smith, M. S. Watson, C. E. Wells, F. Harrison, D. E. Smeton.

*3rd Northern General Hospital*: Misses W. M. Beauvoisin, G. Carter, L. Cockcroft, E. I. Dalby, W. M. Gibbons, M. Green, G. M. Hayes, N. Henegan, M. B. Field, G. Hill, B. Hunter, F. Ibbetson, H. Lister, I. Littlewood, M. Maben, C. M. Martin, K. M. Parkes, S. A. Parkin, F. E. Pritchett,

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