

Miss E. M. Musson. — Superannuation or Pension Schemes for Nurses.

Miss J. Polson Watt, Queen's Superintendent will speak at the Section Meeting on "Rural Nursing" at Brussels on July 14th, on "Supervision of Rural Nurses."

Miss Ruth Darbyshire will speak on "The Lancet Commission on Nursing" at the Section Meeting on July 14th on "Summary of Findings on the Recent Nursing Surveys."

Miss A. Lloyd-Still, C.B.E., R.R.C., will take the Chair at the Hospital Matrons and Superintendents of Nurses Luncheon, and Mrs. Bedford Fenwick will preside at the Nurse Journalists function.

Several Amendments to the Constitution of the International Council of Nurses, already notified, have been forwarded to be placed on the Agenda for consideration at the Meeting of its Grand Council.

#### Nomination of President of the International Council of Nurses.

Miss Alicia Lloyd-Still, C.B.E., R.R.C., Matron of St. Thomas's Hospital, Vice-President of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain has been unanimously approved and nominated by our Council as President of the International Council of Nurses and has consented to accept office if elected. In this connection the Chairman announced that the American Nurses Association had also nominated Miss Lloyd-Still for this Office, which was also approved by France.

#### Nomination and Re-election of Treasurer of the International Council of Nurses.

Miss E. M. Musson, C.B.E., R.R.C., LL.D., past Vice-President of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain and Chairman of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales, has been unanimously approved and nominated for re-election as Treasurer of the International Council of Nurses and has consented to accept office if elected.

#### Invitation to the International Council of Nurses.

An invitation has been sent from the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain to the International Council of Nurses to hold the Quadrennial Meeting of the Grand Council and Congress in London in 1937.

#### National Council of Women of Great Britain.

The election of Miss Susan A. Villiers, J.P., Hon. Secretary, National Council of Nurses of Great Britain, as a Member of the Executive Committee of the National Council of Women by the Affiliated Societies, was reported, and also that Mrs. Margorie M. Killby, S.R.N., an affiliated member of the Council has also been elected a member of the Executive Committee of the National Council of Women.

The Report made mention of a list of distinguished visitors from abroad who had visited Headquarters during the year.

In conclusion deep regret was expressed at the loss through death of the following eminent colleagues:—

Miss Charlotte Munck, President of the Danish Council of Nurses.

Fru Henny Tschering, an Hon. President of the International Council of Nurses and a former President of the Danish Council of Nurses—and of

Miss Dorothy Snell, the Matron of the Scuola Convitto "Regina Elena" at Rome, whose devoted services to trained nursing in Italy has had results of inestimable value.

The Report was received for discussion. The President stated that the name of Miss MacManus appeared on the Congress Programme. She had not been officially nominated to speak by the National Council, and with her consent it would be well to include it officially in the list of speakers approved.

Miss MacManus signified her consent, and it was proposed, seconded and agreed her name be added to the list of speakers.

#### THE REPORT OF THE HON. TREASURER.

The Hon. Secretary in the absence of Miss M. Breay, presented the Report of the Hon. Treasurer, and Summary of Receipts and Payments from October 1st, 1931, to September 30th, 1932.

The Special Appeal to the affiliated organisations brought in £67 12s. so that there was a balance in hand of £56 12s. 4d. and it was calculated that at least another £20 will be received from annual and affiliation fees.

Thus it was estimated that an income from October, 1932, to September, 1933, would amount to £76 10s. or over, a satisfactory position upon which the National Council is to be congratulated, as ability to meet ordinary expenses for the ensuing year is assured, the average expenditure for the last six years having been about £41.

Every Affiliated Association had paid its annual fees, as well as its *per capita* fees for the contribution of the National Council to the International Council.

The audited accounts which were on the table for inspection showed that the actual *per capita* subscription to the International Council of Nurses for 1932 was £621 18s. 5d.

The President expressed the opinion that the Report was a very satisfactory one, especially due to the fact that all the "Nightingale Week" expenses had been defrayed by generous contributions and hospitality without calling on the funds of the National Council of Nurses.

The report was adopted.

Miss Cox-Davies proposed that an affectionate message be sent to the Hon. Treasurer regretting her absence. This was agreed.

#### ELECTION OF HON. OFFICERS.

The next business was to confirm the nomination of Mrs. Bedford Fenwick as President, there being no other candidate; and the election of the Vice-President and two Directors.

#### Election of President.

Mrs. Bedford Fenwick (President of the National Council), had been nominated for re-election by:—

The Matrons' Council of Great Britain; Registered Nurses' Parliamentary Council; the Registered Nurses' Association; the League of St. Bartholomew's Hospital Nurses; the Prince of Wales's General Hospital (Tottenham) Nurses' League; the College of Nursing; Association of Hospital Matrons; the League of Royal Waterloo Hospital Nurses; the British College of Nurses; the Infectious Hospitals Matrons' Association; the Nightingale Fellowship, St. Thomas's Hospital; the League of Private Nurses; University College Hospital Nurses' League; County and County Borough Hospital Matrons' Association; Leicester Royal Infirmary Nurses' League; League of Sister Tutors; and Leeds General Infirmary Nurses' League.

By the invitation of the Chairman, Miss Helen Dey (senior Vice-President) took the chair and put the confirmation of Mrs. Fenwick's nomination to the meeting. The confirmation was supported with acclamation.

Mrs. Fenwick thanked the Council for its support and said that, owing to the meeting of the International Council of Nurses and the International Congress taking place next year, it would be a strenuous one, and her experience, she hoped, would be of use. She added that the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain would, she felt sure, give Mlle. Chaptal all possible support in her arduous duties as President of the International Council of Nurses.

The election of one Vice-President then took place. There were two nominations for the office of Vice-President.

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