

**THE PASSING BELL.**

It is with deep regret that we report the death of Miss Helen Macbeth Boyle, F.B.C.N. Miss Boyle held in addition to her certificate for general training, the Central Midwives Board Certificate, and was engaged in private nursing. She died suddenly on May 12th, 1933.

Miss Boyle was a keen supporter of the British College of Nurses and will be much missed by her friends.

**LEGACIES TO NURSES.**

Mr. William Albert St. John Harmsworth, of Gergezi, France, and Hyde Park Terrace, London, W., left an annuity of £600 to each of his two nurses, Miss Nella McCalmont and Miss May Leslie.

He also desired that his body should be offered to the Royal College of Surgeons (England) "in the fervent hope that the examination of it may lead to knowledge which may save others a crippled life such as mine."

**BEQUEST BY A NURSE.**

Miss Norah Winifred Powell (late "Sister Hope," of St. Bartholomew's Hospital), of East Finchley, N., left, subject to specific bequests, her property, amounting to £10,119, on trust during several life interests, with remainder to St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London, stating, "It is my express wish that the governors of the said hospital shall pay to each ward sister a sum of 30s. on May 1st, and December 1st, in each year for View Day and Christmas Day expenses."

**THE SAUNDERS MEDAL.**

Miss Clara Dutton Noyes, R.N., Director of the American Red Cross Nursing Service, was presented with the Saunders Medal for meritorious service, at the opening meeting of the National League of Nursing Education on June 12th, at Drake Hotel, Chicago. Dr. MacEachern made the presentation.

The Walter Burns Saunders Medal was established three years ago by Mr. W. L. Saunders in memory of his father. The Medal, we learn from *The American Journal of Nursing*, is given annually to a Nurse who has made an unusual contribution and has been distinguished in the cause of nursing in some outstanding field exclusive of literature. At the presentation ceremony Miss Effie J. Taylor, President of the National League of Nursing Education, described Miss Noyes as "a woman of national and international fame, one of the pioneer workers in the League—who, in her national work, has touched the lives of thousands of nurses, has served the profession in wartime and peace, and has sought in every way to further the cause of nursing."

Miss Noyes' many friends throughout the world will wish to warmly congratulate her on this honour, and recognition of her work.

**SONNET.****TO THE RESEARCH WORKER OF THE FUTURE.**

You shall be strong in strength that is not ours;  
 Knowledge shall lead you to a wider space  
 Wherein new truth enables greater powers  
 To make of man a less unhappy race.  
 We darkly dream what beauty of new skill  
 Science shall bring you in the years ahead;  
 Yet we have courage to believe you will  
 Endure and conquer where we cannot tread.  
 You shall stand free in paths where we were bound,  
 And count in laughter what we told with tears,  
 And think in all our venture we had found  
 Little enough—through many struggling years.

But pity not our slow and faltering way,  
 Who fought for you in fields of yesterday.

HILARY H. RIGGALL.

**THE HOSPITAL WORLD.**

The Foundation Stone of the British post-graduate Medical School buildings was laid by Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Chancellor of the Exchequer, on July 17th. The site adjoins that of the L.C.C. Hospital at Ducane Road, Hammersmith. The Government will contribute a maximum of £100,000 for the building and equipment of the School and the L.C.C. have agreed to incur an equivalent expenditure.

The Board of Management of Moorfields Eye Hospital, with the generous support of King Edward's Hospital Fund and of an anonymous donor, has embarked upon a scheme of reconstruction and extension which will cost approximately £90,000. In March last £25,000 was still required and the anonymous donor has promised another £4,500 if the hospital can raise the estimated balance of £20,500, so that the new buildings may be opened in about eighteen months' time free of debt.

Mr. Joseph Rank has conveyed to the Governors of the Royal Infirmary, Hull, an estate which he has bought from the London and North Eastern Railway Company for £10,000. A condition attached to the gift is that the land shall be let to the town cricket club for as long as they may require it at a rental of £350 a year, the rent to go to the funds of the Infirmary.

Many hospitals benefit under the will of Mr. Henry Trueman Mills, D.L., of West Langton, Leicestershire. He left £100,000 to the Leicester Royal Infirmary, "to be held as a permanent endowment of the ward about to be erected at the said infirmary at my expense, and to be known as the Mills Ward"; £5,000 to the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital; £5,000 to the Market Desborough and District Cottage Hospital and Nursing Association; £5,000 to the British Home and Hospital for Incurables, Streatham; £5,000 to the Royal Hospital and Home for Incurables, Putney; £5,000 to the Royal Midland Counties Home for Incurables, Leamington; and, subject to certain specific bequests, the residue of the property which amounted in all to £2,830,062 equally between the Leicester Royal Infirmary, the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital, the London Hospital, St. Thomas's Hospital, and the Middlesex Hospital.

Precautions taken by Wakefield Corporation to preserve the anonymity of the benefactor who has given the city £60,000 to build a new infectious diseases hospital have been completely successful.

The gift was made on condition that the name of the donor was not disclosed.

In consequence of the recently announced gift of £1,500 a year for seven years from the Prudential Assurance Company for the endowment of the Chair of Public Health tenable at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, it was decided that the chair should be known as the "Prudential Chair of Public Health" for the duration of the gift.

The new Buckston Browne Surgical Research Farm at Downe, near Farnborough, Kent, recently opened by Sir Holburt Waring, President of the Royal College of Surgeons of England, has been endowed and given to the college, at a total cost of £100,000, by Sir Buckston Browne, R.C.S. It comprises a residential hostel for surgical and biological workers, a separate building containing laboratories and accessory rooms, and 13 acres of grounds.

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