

TO RECEIVE THE AUDITED STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS TO BE PRESENTED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING IN NOVEMBER.

TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE HON. TREASURER.

The Hon. Treasurer, Miss M. Breay, presented the Audited Statement of Accounts, and a Report for submission to the Grand Council.

The President drew attention to the very satisfactory balance in hand in spite of the large amount of extra work undertaken in connection with the I.C.N. Congress in Paris-Brussels. She also stated that there had been a very generous response to the Florence Nightingale Scholarships Appeal, a full report of which would be presented by Miss Littleboy, Chairman, Florence Nightingale Scholarships Subcommittee, at the Annual Meeting.

Miss Kent expressed the opinion that the Report was a very satisfactory one and wished to congratulate those who had done the work.

It was proposed by Miss Lloyd Still, seconded by Mrs. Rome, and agreed that the Report be adopted for presentation to the Grand Council at its Annual Meeting.

TO CONSIDER THE DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT TO BE PRESENTED TO THE ANNUAL MEETING IN NOVEMBER.

The President submitted the Draft Annual Report to be presented to the Annual Meeting.

She considered it a matter for congratulation that so many of the recommendations of the National Council of Nurses had been agreed to at the I.C.N. Grand Council Meetings, that Miss Lloyd Still had been elected President, and Miss Musson re-elected as Hon. Treasurer, and that Great Britain's invitation to hold the next Meeting of the I.C.N. in London had been accepted.

Miss Cochrane proposed, Miss D. M. Smith seconded, and it was agreed that the Report be received.

With regard to the Honours that had been bestowed upon the President and others in France and Belgium, Miss Lloyd Still said she was sure she voiced the opinion of the Meeting in saying how proud she felt at this recognition of the International Council of Nurses.

Miss Breay stated that it gave them great pleasure to have Miss Lloyd Still as President of the I.C.N. and also thought they were to be sincerely congratulated upon still retaining Miss Musson as Hon. Treasurer, as her intimate knowledge of finance was quite exceptional. She wished to place on record her pleasure and pride in the Honours bestowed upon the President and others.

Miss Lloyd Still endorsed Miss Breay's remarks, and Miss Kent paid a tribute to Miss Macdonald's Oration on the Historic Royal Nurses at the great Meeting at the Trocadero in Paris.

Miss Lloyd Still proposed, Miss Monk seconded, and it was agreed that the Report with minor amendments be adopted for presentation to the meeting of the Grand Council.

OTHER BUSINESS.

The date of the Meeting of the Grand Council of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain was fixed for Wednesday, November 22nd, 1933, at 4.30 p.m.

The Meeting then terminated.

**THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NURSES OF GREAT BRITAIN.
THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE GRAND COUNCIL.**

The Annual Meeting of the Grand Council of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain will be held at 39, Portland Place, London, W., on Wednesday, November 22nd, Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, President, in the Chair. Tea, by invitation of the President, will be at 4 p.m., and the Meeting will begin promptly at 4.30 p.m. Vice-Presidents, Directors and Delegates of the Council are asked to note and keep free the date of this important meeting.

THE NURSES' ORGANISATIONS.

NURSES' MISSIONARY LEAGUE.

Valedictory Meetings.

"It is the finest service that anyone can undertake." These words were spoken to the Sailing Members of the Nurses' Missionary League by Dr. W. C. Bentall, of S. India, who gave vivid descriptions of his recent tours in many parts of India and of the work in a number of Mission hospitals which he had visited. He urged the need for all who go overseas to this service to procure every possible bit of training, and especially to get some administrative and teaching experience, for their biggest work would be that of training the nurses of the lands where they worked.

Many different aspects of the work were shown in the talks by members from overseas. Miss Banks (Guy's Hospital) had been largely occupied in training Chinese Nurses at Fatshan, and showed the developments from the time, eight years ago, when they took on their first four probationers, to the present when they have forty nurses in training. Miss Budd (Sunderland Royal Infirmary) had also been occupied in training, but her sphere had been the Maternity Training School in Uganda, where African girls are prepared to take charge of village maternity centres. Miss Wilson (Lambeth Hospital) spoke chiefly of the needs of the women in India, dwelling upon the restricted lives of the women in *purdah*, and the sufferings of child wives and widows which still persist in many parts in spite of recent legislation. Miss Mitchell (Royal Victoria Hospital, Bournemouth) told a thrilling story of pioneering in Congo Belge. She described work with the barest minimum of appliances, operations performed on a table on a verandah, cataract cases perforce committed to the charge of entirely ignorant women, and yet results that were almost miraculous and sent men and women out as living witnesses to the power and love of God.

Miss Richardson read a number of messages from sailing members who were unable to be present, and gave a very encouraging report of the past six months' work and of the developments since the day of the first Valedictory Meeting in 1904. Some interesting figures may be quoted; in 1904, the League had a total membership of 104; now it numbers 1,521 volunteers and 1,870 home members.

The day's proceedings closed with an impressive address from the Rev. O. R. M. Roxby, M.A., on the words "In the Name of Jesus."

The Nurses' Missionary League are holding their Annual Sale of Work at 135, Ebury Street, S.W.1. on Friday and Saturday, November 17th and 18th, from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., admission free. The stalls include the Nurses' Committee Toilet Stall, at which a charming collection of Christmas presents will be on sale, and there are to be bargains.

Money and gifts for the Sale will be gratefully received by Miss Richardson, 135, Ebury Street, London, S.W.1.

WEDDING BELLS.

An interesting wedding took place on September 30th at St. Peter's Church, Chefoo, China, when Miss Caroline Muriel Densham, S.R.N., trained at the Royal Infirmary, Leicester, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Densham, of Stonegate, Leicester, was married by the British Chaplain to Mr. Ivor C. Proctor-Beauchamp, son of the Rev. Sir Montagu and Lady Proctor-Beauchamp. Miss Densham joined the China Inland Mission as a nurse in 1928, and Mr. Proctor-Beauchamp as a medical missionary a year later. His father, one of a famous group of athlete-missionaries known as the "Cambridge Seven," worked in the mission field for forty years.

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