

NURSING asking those Fellows and Members who wish to attend on Registration Day to apply for a ticket of admission, to the Secretary, so that hospitality may be prepared.

#### LIST OF GIFTS.

Miss A. A. Macwilliam, Flowers.

Mrs. E. Wates, Flowers.

Miss K. A. Smith, R.R.C., Concert tickets.

THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING, "Surgery for Nurses," by Hamilton Bailey and McNeill Love.

Many other gifts were reported for which thanks had been expressed.

#### DATE OF NEXT MEETING OF THE COUNCIL.

It was agreed that the next Meeting of the Council be held on December 16th.

The Meeting then terminated.

#### FIXTURES.

##### The British College of Nurses.

December 16th.—Monthly Meeting of the Council. 2.15 p.m. Celebration of Registration Day. Miss Isabel Macdonald will deliver an Address on "The Story of the Royal Hospital and Collegiate Church of St. Katherine." Miss Macdonald will also give a résumé of the discussion which led up to the adoption of a Resolution in the International Congress of Nurses, 1933, in favour of compulsory State Registration of Nurses. Ceremony of Cutting the Registration Cake. Meeting, 4.30 p.m. Those who wish to be present are requested to write for a ticket of admission to the Secretary, The British College of Nurses, 39, Portland Place, W.1, as soon as possible.

##### WHAT OUR FELLOWS ARE DOING.

Fellows and Members of the British College of Nurses may find it useful to know that one of our Fellows, Miss D. Barlow, has rooms to let (with breakfast) at 8A, Sussex Place, South Kensington, S.W.7. Housekeeper and valet on the premises (one minute from station), constant hot water, gas fires and every convenience. Terms from one guinea per week.

##### A RESTFUL HOLIDAY.

Miss Gertrude Hovenden, S.R.N., has recently opened a Home for paying guests at Dawcroft, Cootham, Pulborough, a lovely part of Sussex, where they are received for £3 3s. a week. Nurses may be glad to know of this opportunity for a restful holiday for themselves or their friends, in so peaceful a part of England, easily accessible to London, where they may be assured that their comfort will be studied by a competent and understanding professional colleague.

##### LEGACIES TO NURSES.

Mr. Godfrey Power, of Sinclair Road, Kensington, left £1,150 to his late housekeeper and nurse, Alice Maud Collins, representing deferred salary to which she was entitled, and the balance a legacy.

Mrs. Carolyn Johnson, a Scottish nurse, trained at the Kilmarnock Infirmary, and widow of a wealthy American, whose first wife she had nursed, left an estate of £80,000. She made five bequests of £1,000, one of which was to Miss Janet Dickie, of the Isolation Hospital, Chippenham, and left her sisters, Mrs. Ann'e Brown and Miss Isobel and Miss Lilian McBain her residuary legatees, on the condition that they cared for their parents with whom the Misses McBains are living in Arkleston Road, Paisley.

Mr. Walter Showell, of Regent's Court, Park Road, N.W., at one time a vice-chairman of Charing Cross Hospital, left £2,000 to his nurse, Mrs. Gerald Sturges, if in his service at his death, or, if deceased, to her children, Gerald and Lily, stating that he made this bequest in grateful recognition of the wonderful help and encouragement she had been to him and of the unfailing kindness she invariably showed during his long and painful illness.

## THE NURSES' ORGANISATIONS.

### UNIVERSITY COLLEGE HOSPITAL NURSES' LEAGUE BAZAAR.

A most successful Bazaar was held at the Nurses' Home, University College Hospital, on Saturday, November 4th. For some years the U.C.H. Nurses' League has been collecting money with which to maintain three private wards in the hospital for the use of past U.C.H. Nurses, and on Saturday it set out to collect the last £250 of the required £3,000. The result was magnificent, over £450 being received. H.H. The Princess Marie Louise, who is Chairman of the Hospital Nursing Committee, was kind enough to open the Bazaar, after which she was presented with a bouquet by an old patient's daughter, who was dressed in a Sister's uniform, even to the detail of keys in her belt.

The various stalls represented the work of groups of nurses from the time the League was first formed, over 21 years ago, to the very newest nurses still in the Preliminary Training School, who packed up the parcels. In this way everybody contributed, but the stall holders deserve special praise for the excellent way in which everything was arranged. The U.C.H. Nurses' League can certainly be proud of its achievement, as the beds are to be maintained in perpetuity and the three wards will always be ready to receive any U.C.H. Nurse in the Hospital where she has nursed so many people herself.

### MENTAL HOSPITAL MATRONS' ASSOCIATION.

The Quarterly Meeting of the Mental Hospital Matrons' Association was held on Saturday, December 2nd, at the Royal British Nurses' Association Club, 194, Queen's Gate, London, S.W., at 2.30 p.m. The members present were: Miss Cuthbert (in the chair), Miss Newlands, Miss Cleary, Miss Porter, Miss Sewart, Miss Lamb, Miss Cochrane, Miss Kelpick, Miss Ashford, Miss Christophersen, Miss Campbell, Miss Anderson, Miss Macaulay, Miss Cumming, Miss Pirie, Miss Shreeve, Miss Maidwell, Miss Richardson, Miss Watson, Miss Scott-Seymour, Miss Hearder, and Miss Taylor (Hon. Secretary).

Apologies for absence were received from Miss Cole, Mrs. Milward, Miss Vigor, Miss Gardner, Miss Smith, Miss Elwell, Miss Laurence, Miss Fletcher, Miss Wise, and Miss Hobbs.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Miss Macaulay, O.B.E., R.R.C., was elected Chairman, in the place of Miss Cuthbert, who retires in rotation; and Miss Gardner was elected Vice-Chairman in the place of Miss Cummings, who also retires in rotation.

Miss Anderson (Matron of Leybourne Grange Colony) and Miss Webb (of Derby County Mental Hospital) were elected members of the Association.

Letters were read from Mrs. Milward and Miss Matthews, resigning their membership of the Association, and the Hon. Secretary was requested to write to these ladies asking them to become Hon. Members of the Association.

Miss Richardson, M.B.E., gave an interesting report on the progress of the League of Mental Hospital Nurses.

The first meeting of the League was held on Friday, December 1st, and a temporary Committee appointed for one year. The Committee included the members of the Special Sub-Committee appointed by the M.H.M.A., with Miss Cuthbert as Chairman; Miss Cummings as Vice-Chairman; and Miss Richardson, M.B.E., as Hon. Secretary and Treasurer. There are 249 members of the League and 209 associate members.

Thirteen hospitals are represented.

The Hon. Treasurer presented her Annual Report, and as the balance in hand was less than in former years, it was

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