

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT.

The first meeting of the Committee of Management of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation was held on Friday, July 6th, 1934, at 10.30 a.m., at 15, Manchester Square, London, W.1.

There were present Dame Alicia Lloyd Still in the Chair, Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, Mlle. Chaptal and Miss Bergljot Larsson (International Council of Nurses), Mlle. Odier, Mr. E. J. Swift and Mrs. Cecil Carter (League of Red Cross Societies), Miss E. M. Musson (National Council of Nurses of Great Britain), Lieut.-General Sir Harold B. Fawcus, and Dame Sarah Swift (British Red Cross Society), Miss G. E. M. Jebb (Principal of Bedford College) and Miss Cox-Davies (President of the College of Nursing).

Several of the official Delegates on the Grand Council of the Foundation who had been invited to attend as visitors were also present.

The following business was before the meeting:—

- (1) THAT THERE SHOULD BE THREE SUB-COMMITTEES:
 - (a) A Committee of Ways and Means.
 - (b) An Education Committee.
 - (c) A House Committee.

The various duties proposed to be deputed to these three sub-committees were considered and with some amendments adopted.

(2) APPOINTMENT OF OFFICIALS.

Secretary—Miss Olive Baggaley was appointed Secretary, the Chief Executive Officer of the Foundation. She will combine this position with a part-time appointment on the staff of the Social Studies Department of Bedford College as Tutor to the International Students taking the Courses provided by the Foundation.

The Warden—Miss Nan Dorsey, who has for many years so successfully conducted the Residence of the Students at 15, Manchester Square, W., was appointed Warden. She will be responsible to the House Committee for the discipline and general welfare of the Students, for the household management and accounts, and the care of the fabric.

Assistant—Miss Muriel Grace was appointed as Assistant, her duties to consist of Secretarial work.

This modest staff is experimental, and results will be reconsidered at the Meeting of the Grand Council next year. The Organisers of the Foundation have kept in mind that economy must prevail until an Endowment Fund is available, and this is the important work which will now receive consideration.

(3) THE ORGANISATION OF COURSES AT BEDFORD COLLEGE FOR THE SESSION 1934—1935.

The steps already taken by the Provisional Committee of the Foundation for the organisation of the Courses for the International Students were confirmed, and it was agreed to request Bedford College to reconstitute the Education Committee appointed by the College to include representatives of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation.

It was reported that provision for a balanced budget for the estimated expenditure for the Session 1934—1935 was assured.

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Committee of Management should take place during the first week of October and the meeting then terminated.

All past students will learn of the appointment of Miss Nan Dorsey as the Warden of the Students' Residence at 15, Manchester Square, W., with very sincere pleasure.

Miss Dorsey has already filled this responsible position for some years with singular ability and charm, and the Committee of Management of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation are fortunate in securing her consent to remain in office.

THE HON. OFFICERS: "WHO'S WHO."

PRESIDENT.

Dame Alicia Lloyd Still, D.B.E., R.R.C., S.R.N.

Dame Alicia Lloyd Still, President of the International Council of Nurses, doyenne of Superintendents of Nurse Training Schools in London, and leader of the vocational system of Nursing, has for twenty-one years been the Matron of St. Thomas' Hospital, London, and the Superintendent of the Nightingale Training School established in connection with the hospital by Miss Florence Nightingale in 1860. Trained in that famous school, she was subsequently Lady Superintendent of the Brompton Hospital and of the Middlesex Hospital; and then, in 1913, by special invitation of the Governors, became Matron of St. Thomas' Hospital.

One of her most valuable pieces of work has been the organisation of memorials of Miss Florence Nightingale, of which she is an enthusiastic collector.

During the Great War, Miss Lloyd Still was Principal Matron of the No. 5 (City of London) General Hospital, Territorial Force Nursing Service. She was awarded the Royal Red Cross and the C.B.E. for her services, and has this year been promoted to a Dameship in the Order of the British Empire. At the Paris Congress of the International Council of Nurses in 1933 she was awarded the Bronze Medal of the Assistance Publique by the French Minister of Health. She is also a Lady of Grace of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem. She has been a member of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales since 1920, and is Chairman of its Education and Examination Committee. She has been a Vice-President of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain, and is a member of the Education Committee of the International Council of Nurses; of the Florence Nightingale International Memorial Committee of the I.C.N.; and is one of the representatives of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain on the Executive Committee of the Florence Nightingale Memorial Committee of Great Britain. She is a member of the College of Nursing; a member of the Education Committee appointed by Bedford College on the invitation of the Provisional Committee of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation. She is the Founder and President of the Nightingale Fellowship which associates together the nurses trained at St. Thomas' Hospital, and which is a component part of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain. From which it will be realised that Miss Lloyd Still has associated herself with educational and uplifting movements in the Nursing world at home and abroad, and that as Head of the Nursing School of St. Thomas' Hospital and of the Nightingale Training School she is pre-eminently the right person to be appointed first President of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation.

HON. PRESIDENTS.

Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, S.R.N.

Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, Founder of the International Council of Nurses (1899), First President 1901—1904, and Hon. President 1904, was the proposer of an International Educational Memorial to Florence Nightingale at Cologne in 1912, Chairman of the Florence Nightingale Memorial Committee of the I.C.N. 1929, and was appointed by the Board of Directors of the International Council of Nurses on to the Provisional Committee for the organisation of a Florence Nightingale International Memorial, 1932. She is the President of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain, and the President of the British College of Nurses, and has, for many years been an Hon. Member of the American Nurses' Association and of the League of Nursing Education U.S.A. She is also an Hon. Member of the Trained Nurses' Association of India.

She was the Founder in 1887 of the British Nurses' Association which in 1892 received the title of Royal, the first professional association of nurses in the world to receive a Royal Charter. She was the initiator and promoter of the movement for Statutory Education and State Registration of Nurses in Great Britain, in 1887, and drafted the first Bill for State Registration of Nurses in 1903, which was introduced into the House of Commons in 1904. She stood in the forefront of the monumental struggle for the legal status of the Nursing Profession for upwards of thirty years, and lived to hear "Le Roi le veult" echo through the House of Lords in 1919. On the passing of the Nurses' Registration Acts, she was appointed by

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