

**Vote of Thanks to Captain Cunningham Reid, M.P.:**

Miss M. Breay proposed the following Vote of Thanks to Captain Cunningham-Reid, M.P. for St. Marylebone:—

"That the most grateful thanks of the Fellows and Members of The British College of Nurses, in annual meeting assembled, be conveyed to Captain Cunningham-Reid, D.F.C., M.P., for sympathetically receiving the representations of their Council on the Bill to regulate the Sale and Advertisement of Contraceptives, which passed the House of Lords on March 7th, 1934, for acquainting himself with the reasons why registered nurses object so strongly to the provision expressly exempting them from the operation of the Clause prohibiting the sale, or offer for sale, of contraceptives, and for obtaining from its promoters the promise that this most dangerous and objectionable provision shall be deleted from the Bill before its introduction into the House of Commons."

Miss Breay said that it was hardly possible to appreciate too highly the service Captain Cunningham-Reid had rendered to the Nursing Profession by securing this promise, for it was impossible to imagine a more mischievous amendment than this which was inserted in the Contraceptives Bill during its passage through the House of Lords.

It would entirely alter the relations of the nursing profession, which has no authority and no desire to practice medicine, with the Medical Profession.

It was almost incredible that such a sub-section should have been inserted in the Bill, and our thanks to Captain Cunningham-Reid were deep and sincere.

Miss Le Geyt thought she had a unique reason for seconding this Resolution. As the Superintendent Health Visitor of a large borough, she realised at once the danger of the Bill to the loyal relations at present existing between the Nursing and Medical Professions in this branch of work, and thanked Miss Breay for proposing the Resolution which was carried unanimously.

**Introduction of Newly-elected Members of the Council.**

The President, introducing the newly elected Councillors, expressed regret that the two new Fellows—Miss E. L. Macaulay, O.B.E., R.R.C., and Miss F. M. Campbell—were away on annual holiday and welcomed the newly elected Member, Miss E. F. Eburah, presenting her with a bouquet of pink carnations for which Miss Eburah expressed thanks.

The Meeting then terminated.

**THE RECEPTION.**

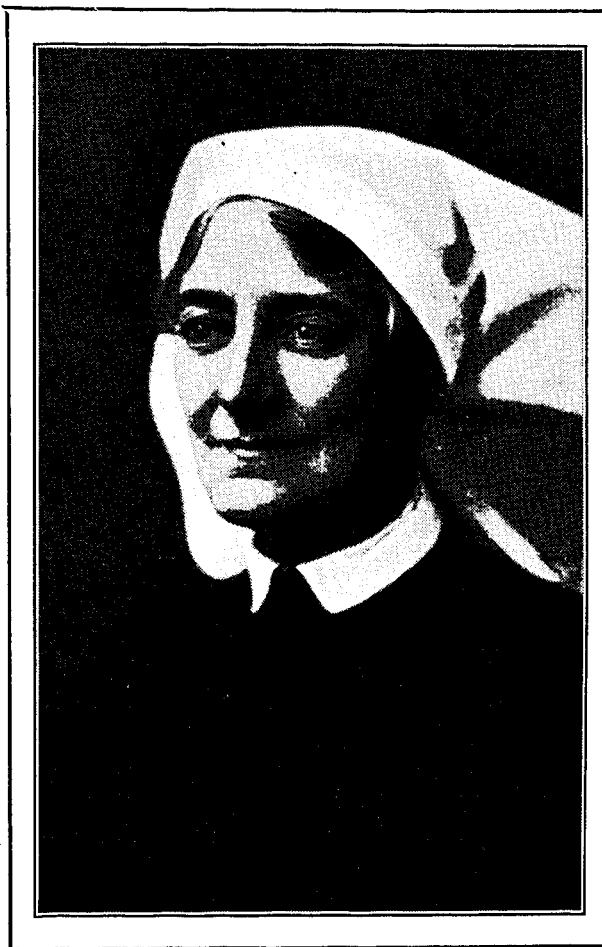
The Annual Meeting was followed by a Reception held by the President and Council, when Fellows, Members and friends of the College from many parts of the country joined in this popular gathering. The lovely floral decora-

tions, so skilfully chosen and arranged, were the handiwork of the clerical staff.

Larkspur, pink and blue, and deep pink spiræa with hydrangeas and graceful ferns were massed in the entrance halls, sheaves of delphiniums with clusters of galardia decorated the office where tea was served, and Fellows and Members chatted together on topics various, not the least of these being pride in their College, in which everyone is encouraged to take a part. In the Council Chamber were rich deep coloured zinnias. Statuettes of Florence Nightingale and Kuan Yin, the Chinese Goddess of Mercy, looked benignly around, and Joan of Arc in silver armour inspired courage. Here the President and Council welcomed Captain Cunningham-Reid, D.F.C., M.P., Member for St. Marylebone, and the Hon. Mrs. Cunningham-Reid. Many Fellows and Members were greatly pleased to have the opportunity of meeting their Member of Parliament and expressing their appreciation for the generous part he has played in support of their professional interests, which he is always ready to sponsor in the House of Commons.

Among the international visitors present were Mlle. Chaptal and Mlle. Lefebvre, France; Miss Mary Roberts, U.S.A.; Miss Eli Magnussen, Denmark; Miss Alice Reeves and Miss Grenham had also come from the Irish Free State.

The British College prides itself on its hospitality and on all sides it was pleasant to note appreciation of "a lovely tea"; iced coffee, ices, raspberries and cream and "Guernsey" cakes, do not come amiss with the temperature at 80 degs. It was indeed a happy party.



**MISS FLORENCE M. CAMPBELL,**  
S.R.N., R.F.N., F.B.C.N.  
Matron, South Eastern Hospital, New Cross;  
New Member of Council, British College  
of Nurses.

**NEW MEMBER OF COUNCIL.****Miss Florence M. Campbell.**

By the election of Miss Florence M. Campbell to a seat on the Council of the British College of Nurses, the Council has the advantage of the services of a colleague who holds the double qualification of State Registered Nurse, and Registered Fever Nurse. A knowledge of the nursing of infectious diseases is of the utmost importance, and the training of nurses cannot be complete without this experience.

Miss Campbell has held the position of Matron of the South Eastern Hospital, New Cross, since 1927, and in her varied career in infectious work she has had the somewhat rare experience of administrative work at Long Reach Hospital, Dartford, Kent, during a smallpox epidemic. During the years 1915-1918 she was engaged in war service in the East. In her enlightened outlook on nursing affairs Miss Campbell has always been a firm supporter of educational progress and standardisation in the Nursing Profession.

We wish for the three new Councillors a congenial and fruitful term of office.

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