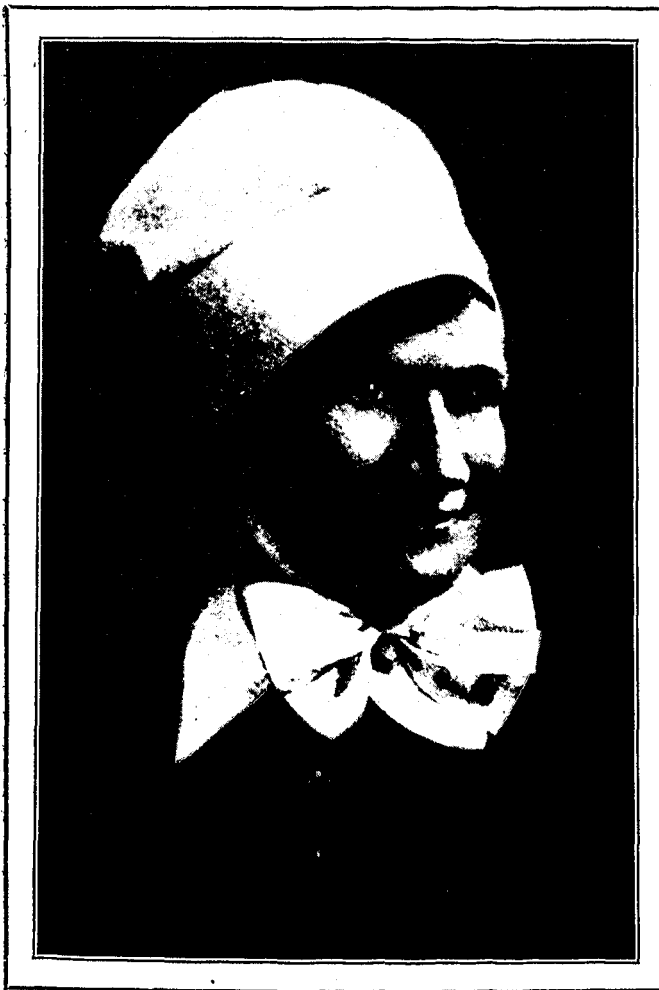


The League of Mental Hospital Nurses.

A letter was considered from Miss A. Richardson, Hon. Secretary of the League of Mental Hospital Nurses—in which she enquired if a change of the Constitution were made providing that only nurses on the Supplementary Part of Register for Mental Nurses were eligible for membership and providing further that the holders of the R.M.P.A. Certificate be granted a period of grace, if an application from the League would now be in order. The President reminded the Committee that they were unable to admit the League at their last Meeting owing to the fact that the Certificate of the R.M.P.A. was recognised as qualifying for membership, on equal terms with nurses registered by the General Nursing Council under the Nurses Registration Act. An exhaustive discussion took place.

1. On the admission of Male Nurses to the National



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Council—and when put to the vote it was agreed with two dissentients, that there should be no sex discrimination and that fully qualified male nurses should be eligible as members of the League, should its constitution be approved by the Committee.

2. It was agreed to appoint a Sub-committee to consider the application and constitution of the League of Mental Hospital Nurses, and to make recommendations—the committee to consist of the three ex-officio Hon. Officers, Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, Miss Villiers and Miss M. Breay, and the

following members: Dame Alicia Lloyd Still, Miss Musson, Miss Darbyshire and Miss Macaulay.

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.

It showed that the Council closed the financial year with a balance in hand of £46 6s. 9d. Also that every Affiliated Association had paid its Annual Fees to the Council for the year ended September 30th, 1934, as well as its *per capita* Fees for the contribution of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain to the International Council of Nurses for 1934, which amounted to £595 2s. 8d. and that the Florence Nightingale Scholarships Appeal Fund closed the Financial Year on September 30th with a balance at the Bank of £4 4s. 8d. on the current Account, and £500 on the Deposit Account. It was proposed by Miss Musson, seconded by Miss Cox-Davies and agreed that the Report be adopted for presentation to the Annual Meeting.

TO RECEIVE A REPORT ON THE INAUGURATION OF THE FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION.

The President presented a short Report on the Inauguration of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation in London on July 5th, last, of which a full Report appeared in the August issue of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING. She referred to the generous support of the Nurses of Great Britain during the interim period during which the Provisional Committee considered the business of organisation, and reported the representation of the National Council as agreed on the Committee of Management of the Foundation, and on the National Florence Nightingale Memorial Committee of Great Britain.

She reported the award of a Florence Nightingale Scholarship of £250 to Miss D. M. Dickinson, and that £500 was on deposit at the Midland Bank.

A full quota of 21 Students had been approved for the Session 1934-1935 and were now in residence at Florence Nightingale International House, 15, Manchester Square, W.

The Florence Nightingale Advisory Committee would offer recommendations as to proposed activities of members of the National Council in support of the Foundation at the Annual Meeting on November 21st, when it was hoped they would eagerly demonstrate their devotion to the memory of the Founder of modern nursing administration, and their admiration and gratitude for a unique example of courage, grace, and benevolence.

The Report was approved.

STATEMENT BY MISS M. S. COCHRANE, R.R.C., DELEGATE TO THE SILVER JUBILEE OF THE CANADIAN NURSES' ASSOCIATION.

Miss Cochrane said that she proposed to make only a short statement at the present time, reserving her Official Report for the Annual Meeting on the 21st November. From the time when she left Waterloo accompanied by Mrs. Christian Bedford Fenwick, where the President, Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, Dame Alicia Lloyd Still, President of the International Council of Nurses, and many friends were at the Station to bid them God-speed, and to "say it with flowers" they were fêted all the way. When they landed at Quebec she received about thirty telegrams, and if these were a criterion, as they proved to be, of the warmth of the welcome she would receive, she foresaw that it would be very high indeed.

In regard to the Silver Jubilee Conference of the Canadian Nurses Association at Toronto, she expressed warm admira-

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