

## THE FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE SCHOLARSHIPS APPEAL.

We have to acknowledge the following generous gift sent in reply to the Appeal of the National Council of Nurses in support of the Florence Nightingale Scholarships Appeal:—

Miss M. M. Sim, Superintendent, Hospital  
for Nervous Diseases, St. John's, New-  
foundland ... .. £1 1 0

## FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION.

In reply to the letter sent out from the Florence Nightingale Memorial Committee, I.C.N., the Chairman, Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, is receiving encouraging replies. Miss Alice Reeves, the President of the National Council of Trained Nurses of the Irish Free State, has taken the initiative and the following representative Committee has been appointed, and as at present there is no Irish Free State Red Cross Society the Committee are circularising their colleagues on the Register, and also the Religious Orders, Boards of Hospital Governors and others interested in the beautiful work of Florence Nightingale, and appear quite happy that they will receive support in the Irish Free State. This is specially gratifying as the Nurses' Star glows brightly and without distinction over every land and the Irish are wonderfully enthusiastic people in supporting a good cause in a beguiling way.

### IRISH FREE STATE COMMITTEE.

Miss Alice Reeves, R.G.N., Dr. Steeven's Hospital, Dublin, Chairman; Miss Stewart, S.R.N., The Adelaide Hospital, Dublin, Hon. Secretary; Miss E. M. Power, R.G.N., 67, Fitzwilliam Square, Dublin, Hon. Treasurer; Miss Allen, S.R.N., Royal Victoria Hospital, Adelaide Road, Dublin; Miss E. G. Barrett, R.G.N., Merrion Nursing Home, Upper Merrion Street, Dublin; Miss Colburn, R.G.N., Superintendent, Queen's District Nurses, 48, Lower Leeson Street, Dublin; Miss Comyn, R.G.N., Superintendent, Child Welfare Department, 21, Lower Edward Street, Dublin; Miss Cullen, R.G.N., Drumcondra Hospital, Dublin; Miss Grenham, S.R.N., Fever Hospital, Cork Street, Dublin; Miss Halbert, R.G.N., St. Vincent's Hospital, Dublin; Miss Harold, R.G.N., Mater Misericordia Hospital, Dublin; Miss Hezlett, R.G.N., Richmond Hospital, Dublin; Miss R. Stokes, S.R.N., Royal City of Dublin Hospital, Upper Baggot Street, Dublin.

### THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Two very influential Committees have been appointed in the United States of America to promote the Florence Nightingale International Foundation, one by the American Nurses' Association, and one by the American Red Cross, who are working in harmony, though not yet united.

### NATIONAL COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY THE AMERICAN NURSES' ASSOCIATION.

*Chairman*: Miss Mary M. Roberts (Editor of the *American Journal of Nursing*); Miss Adda Eldredge, Miss Susan C. Francis, Miss Effie M. Taylor, Miss Elnora Thomson, Miss Katherine Tucker, Miss A. Louise Dietrich, Major Julia C. Stimson (*Secretary*), Miss Elsie M. Lawler, Miss

Jane Van De Vrede, Miss Evelyn Walker, Miss Clara D. Noyes.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY THE AMERICAN RED CROSS.

*Chairman*: Mrs. William K. Draper; *Members*: Miss Mabel T. Boardman (*Vice-Chairman*), Mrs. Henry P. Davison (*Vice-Chairman*), Mrs. Frederick Alger, Mrs. August Belmont, Mrs. Charles S. Brown, Mrs. Henry Brinton Coxe, Mrs. Joseph M. Cudahy, Mrs. W. Bayard Cutting, Mrs. J. Lionberger Davis, Mrs. George W. C. Drexel, Mrs. Charles G. King, Lady Lindsay, Mrs. George A. McKinlock, Mrs. Ogden Mills, Miss Anne Morgan, Mrs. William Church Osborn, Mrs. Henry R. Rea, Mrs. Eliot Wadsworth.

The fact that Mrs. Franklin Delano Roosevelt, the wife of the President, U.S.A., and H.E. the Hon. Lady Lindsay, the wife of the British Ambassador, are Honorary Chairmen, and that Mrs. William Kinnicutt Draper, of the New York Chapter, is Chairman of the Committee, with Mr. Harvey P. Gibson as Treasurer, and that the Committee is apparently composed of the Chairmen of the most important Chapters of the American Red Cross, augurs well for financial success in U.S.A.

The Red Cross Division has issued a charming little pamphlet containing a portrait of Miss Florence Nightingale. Just one little error has crept in. In alluding to the initiative taken by the International Council of Nurses in Cologne in 1912 to commemorate the life and work of Miss Nightingale, it is stated that "no measures were taken during the ensuing two years."

This is not correct. Miss L. L. Dock, the then Hon. Secretary of the I.C.N., came to Europe early in 1914, and together with Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, had an interview with the Principal, Miss Margaret Tuke, and laid before her on February 20th, 1914, the proposal of the I.C.N. for the promotion, with the help of Bedford College, of a Chair of Nursing and Health, as an International Memorial to Miss Nightingale. Miss Tuke extended to the deputation her kindest sympathy, but alas! the powers "that be" were not propitious! Correspondence on the subject is preserved in files of letters for the benefit of historic accuracy, should a History of Nursing Organisation ever be written.

### FIRST DOMINION SCHOLARSHIP.

Miss B. G. Alexander, R.R.C., President of the South African Trained Nurses' Association, sends the good news that the selection for the first South African Florence Nightingale Scholar, 1934-1935, has now been made, and the Selection Committee has recommended Miss Norman, who is at present a staff nurse at the Addington Hospital, Durban. We learn that the Committee has been most careful in its choice, and has taken into consideration the personality as well as the educational and professional ability of the nurse.

As we have announced, this whole Scholarship is the gift of Mr. A. H. Smith, O.B.E., of Durban, in memory of his wife.

A preliminary meeting to form a National Florence Nightingale Committee has recently been convened at Cape Town.

Hearty congratulations to South Africa for securing the first Dominion Scholarship. Miss Norman will receive a warm welcome in England.

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