

Nurses in the great Metropolitan Municipal Hospitals, it will treat the nursing profession with more intelligent consideration than its predecessor. Time will show. In the meanwhile we regret to note that although the Committee consists of 17 elected persons, to which are added six persons appointed by the Council, there is not one Registered Nurse upon it, so that a modicum of professional knowledge and advice may be available!

Dr. Somerville Hastings, late M.P. for Reading, has been appointed Chairman of the Committee on which Dr. Charles W. Brook, Dr. S. Monckton Copeman, Dr. S. W. Jeger, Dr. Florence Barrie Lambert, Miss Rickards and Dr. Henry Robinson have seats, to which Mr. H. F. Eason, Medical Superintendent, Guy's Hospital, and Dr. H. Winch have been appointed.

Considering the voluble claim to rule of the Socialist Party is based on the self-determination of the worker, the exclusion of an expert Registered Nurse from their newly appointed Hospitals Committee is in our opinion a sorry beginning. We may add that the old Committee which controlled thousands of highly qualified professional nurses in the service of the L.C.C. was deeply disapproved, owing to the total lack of consideration for their professional status in recognising unregistered nurses as Departmental Sisters.

Of course the "British College of Nurses" observing one vacancy on the Hospitals and Medical Services Committee, invited Dr. Somerville Hastings to fill it by appointing a Registered Nurse. Alas! in his reply, he regretted it was already filled. We can but hope that when a vacancy occurs—it will be realised that no Hospital and no Medical Service can fulfil its responsibility to the public without a loyal and appreciative Nursing Service in co-operation, and that the status of the Nursing Profession, created by Act of Parliament, will receive the recognition which is its due—from the elect of the ratepayers. We wonder how much Registered Nurses are to blame?

Mrs. Edwin Gray, J.P., and the executors of the late Mrs. Helen Drage Little have deposited at the Dean and Chapter Library, York, a complete record of the successful efforts made by those two ladies to raise over £3,500 within three months for the preservation of the Five Sisters' Window in York Minster as the Empire's memorial to the women of the Empire who gave their lives in the Great War, the large majority of whom were trained nurses. The Dean and Chapter of York have gratefully accepted the gift. Mrs. Little, the widow of Colonel C. B. Little, C.M.G., died on November 8th last, leaving a letter telling of a dream which led her to propose the restoration of the window. She left instructions that this letter should be sent to *The Times* after her death, and it was published in its columns on November 30th.

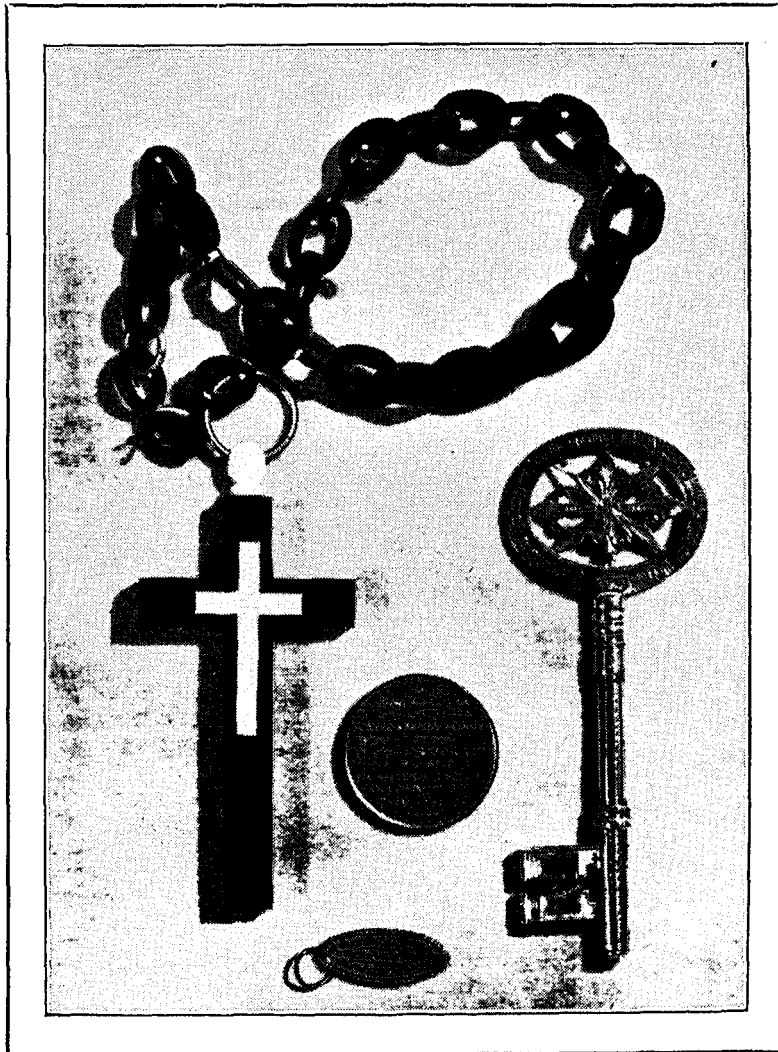
A Scholarship will be offered in 1934 to which we have previously alluded, by the National Association of Local Government Officers, to enable a Nurse to take at King's College for Women, University of London, the special course of training for the appointment of Sister-Tutor. The value of the Scholarship is £150, and it will be open to all Nurses who have been members of the Association since 26th May, 1933. The Scholarship covers the College fees, Board and Residence; the cost of holidays must be provided for by the student.

Applicants will be required to sit for an Examination in General and Professional Knowledge

on Saturday, the 26th May, 1934.

Particular attention is paid to the past experience and references of candidates by the Selection Committee, and the total number of marks gained in the Qualifying Examination is only one factor in the selection of the successful candidate. The Scholarship will, however, only be awarded if the Examiners give a satisfactory report.

The successful candidate will go into residence at King's College in October, 1934.



#### SISTER DORA SOUVENIRS.

The Cross and Chain  
worn by Sister Dora.

Silver Presentation Key  
of Walsall Hospital.

Her Medal and Key Label.

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