

Letter from Miss W. H. E. Morris, M.B.C.N., that she has been appointed Matron of the Faversham Cottage Hospital.

Letter of thanks from Miss Agnes L. Ross for the kindness of the Council in notifying Miss Haswell that she was a patient in St. Paul's Hospital, Liverpool, and testifying to Miss Haswell's great kindness to her.

Letter from Miss E. M. F. Pritchard, F.B.C.N., notifying that she hopes to come to England on long leave, starting November 1st, from Africa:—

"My long leave commences on November 1st, so shall be in England at any rate by the New Year. I may pay one or two visits to different parts of the country here first. Living abroad has the compensation of looking forward to 'coming home.'

I find it hard to realise that I have been out here five years; and yet in some ways I find it hard to imagine that I have ever lived anywhere else.

I suppose you were very much *en fête* for the Jubilee—what a wonderful sight it must have been. Of course, I listened-in to every bit of it that was broadcast. It came over beautifully clear, and, of course, gave us all a lump in the throat, especially the King's speech.

We are, of course, in midwinter here. It's very cold and we have had some very heavy rain; but, of course, the countryside is at its best. Rich green, flowers in profusion everywhere, like the English summer. It's an anomaly one never gets used to, to see the roses at their best in midwinter. The poinsettias and bourganvillea make masses of colour everywhere. The beauty of this Peninsula, plus the hours of glorious sunshine, gets into one's blood. I don't think I shall ever be able to live in England again, much as one loves it.

My work goes on much as usual; like everybody else, we continue to push for improvements, which are very difficult to get. My results are good on the whole, although my groups being small, I only manage occasional honours. Actually the percentage is high, but they do not show up as in bigger centres. However, my passes remain at 100 per cent., except in very exceptional instances, which have only happened once since I have been out here to break my record. We have now persuaded the C.H.B. to make all training four years, instead of three and a half, and have stabilised the educational standard at matriculation and higher certificate. A few outlying hospitals still take Standard VII, but they are very few and do not include any of the big centres.

My very best regards to all friends at the B.C.N. Looking forward to seeing many of you in the near future."

Letters notifying their marriages from:—

(a) Mrs. A. M. Purchase, M.B.C.N., China Inland Mission, Shanghai, *née* Miss A. M. Grainger, married on April 16th, 1935, to Mr. F. J. Purchase, and sends an interesting letter *re* some of the conditions in China.

(b) Mrs. E. Philip, M.B.C.N., *née* Miss Ella Fenton, notifying her marriage to Dr. T. V. R. Philip on April 24th, and stating, "I shall always retain my interest in the British College of Nurses, and shall be glad if you will forward my JOURNAL here." Mrs. Philip further adds that the help received from the College during her Housekeeping training was a great boon in her post as Administrative Sister at her training school, the Sheffield Royal Hospital.

(c) From Mrs. Birtwistle, M.B.C.N., *née* Bertha Alice Oddie, notifying her marriage on April 25th, 1935. Letters of congratulation to be sent.

STANDING COMMITTEES FOR THE YEAR.

The following Standing Committees were elected:—

Education and Examination.

The Hon. Officers.

Chairman: Miss F. M. Campbell.

Miss H. G. Ballard.

Miss J. C. Cowie.

Miss S. H. Vian.

Political, Economic, and Legal Protection.

The Hon. Officers.

Chairman: Miss M. Breay.

Miss E. L. Macaulay, O.B.E., R.R.C.

Miss I. Macdonald.

Social Schemes.

The Hon. Officers.

Chairman: Miss I. Macdonald.

Miss E. F. Eburah.

Miss M. G. Allbutt.

Finance.

The Hon. Officers.

Chairman: Dr. Bedford Fenwick.

Miss M. Breay.

Public Health.

The Hon. Officers.

Chairman: Miss H. G. Ballard.

Miss M. G. Allbutt.

Miss G. Le Geyt.

History of Nursing.

The Hon. Officers.

Chairman: Miss G. Le Geyt.

Miss E. F. Eburah.

Miss E. L. Macaulay, O.B.E., R.R.C.

DEATHS.

Miss Macdonald reported that Miss Rose Anne Letitia Conway passed away on June 18th. (Reported in *B.J.N.*, July issue.)

Miss Conway has been a Fellow of the College since February 23rd, 1926. She was trained at Manchester Royal Infirmary and the Royal Southern Hospital, Liverpool, and held the post of Staff Nurse at the Royal Southern Hospital, Liverpool, and the New Hospital for Women, London.

Letter from Miss Rosa Smith, M.B.C.N., stating that Miss Elizabeth Wilson, M.B.C.N., passed away on July 9th, after a time of great suffering.

Miss Wilson has been a Member of the College since July 16th, 1926, she was at that time a District Nurse for the Thirsk District Nursing Association. She received her general training at the Royal Infirmary, Preston, held the Certificate of the Central Midwives Board, and during her career held the post of Matron of the Windermere and District Hospital, B.C., for 4½ years.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The President presented a satisfactory financial statement for the month. £423 3s. had been received in annual subscriptions since the last meeting.

REPORT *RE* THE FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION.

The President gave a short Report on the present position of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation, and thanked the College for its handsome Thanksgiving gift of £29 0s. 6d. in support of the National Council of Nurses' Scholarship.

REPORT OF THE HISTORY OF NURSING SECTION.

Miss A. M. Bushby, who was invited to continue her valuable work in connection with the History Section, attended the Council Meeting by invitation, and presented the following report:—

On statuettes of Miss Nightingale she reported:

"1856 Plaster Statuette, standing, with a lamp in the right hand, by Miss Hilary Bonham Carter, at Lea Hurst. There are several replicas or versions with some differences. One is at St. Thomas's Hospital, another in Mrs. Henry Bonham Carter's possession, another at Claydon. A second version was by advice of Mr. Wolner, R.A., made less full in the skirt. A small version on a reduced scale (about 15 inches high) was also made, and is very widespread. There is a letter to Miss Nightingale

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