

The Executive Committee met in April and October, and transacted a large amount of business.

Associations Affiliated.

Two Leagues had been affiliated, bringing the Member Associations to 41.

1. West London Hospital Nurses' League.

President: Miss Marjorie Eadon Craven, Matron, West London Hospital, Hammersmith, W.6.

Delegate: Mrs. M. Christina Lediard, Matron, Middlesex Colony, Harpers Lane, Shenley, Herts.

Membership: 253.

2. Bristol Royal Infirmary Nurses' League.

President: Miss A. B. Baillie, R.R.C., formerly Matron, The Royal Infirmary, Bristol.

Delegates: Not yet approved.

Membership: 142.

Appointment of Presidents.

Miss D. S. Coode has succeeded Miss R. A. Cox-Davies, C.B.E., R.R.C., as President of the College of Nursing; Miss Mary E. Merrell has succeeded Miss A. S. Marshall as President of the National Temperance Hospital Nurses' League; Miss Elizabeth Dodds, R.R.C., has succeeded Miss Letitia Clark, M.B.E., R.R.C., as President of the County and County Borough Hospital Matrons' Association; Miss H. Ballard, D.N., has succeeded Miss E. Le Beau as President of the League of Sister Tutors; Miss E. E. Monie has succeeded Miss J. C. Cowie as President of The Nurses' League of the Royal Alexandra Infirmary, Paisley; and Miss G. M. Littleboy, A.R.R.C., has succeeded Miss B. M. Monk, C.B.E., R.R.C., as President of The London Hospital League of Nurses.

Changes of Delegates.

The following changes of Delegates have taken place during the year: Miss E. F. Eburah has been appointed in place of Miss K. M. Latham and Miss D. M. Dickinson in place of Mrs. Wates for The British College of Nurses; Miss M. Challenger in place of Miss H. Ballard, D.N., for The League of Sister Tutors; Miss M. E. Southworth in place of Miss B. M. Carless for The General Hospital Birmingham Nurses' League; Miss Maggie Neal, D.N., and Miss Winifred Lally in the places of Miss P. Loe and Miss M. Shorten for The Kent County Mental Hospital Nurses' League; Miss E. Brodie and Miss Craig in the places of Miss A. M. Milligan and Miss Kerr for The Scottish Matrons' Association; Miss F. A. Campbell in place of Miss D. S. Coode and Miss D. Bridges in place of The Hon. Gertrude Best for The Nightingale Fellowship; Miss Letitia Clark, M.B.E., R.R.C., in place of Miss G. E. Copeman for The County and County Borough Hospital Matrons' Association; and Miss Marion Kershaw has been appointed a delegate for The Liverpool Royal Infirmary Training School Nurses' League.

The Florence Nightingale Advisory Committee.

The Florence Nightingale Advisory Committee has met twice and by the request of the Executive Committee has drafted Rules and Regulations for the award of Florence Nightingale Scholarships.

The Report of the Advisory Committee is on the Agenda for the consideration of the Council.

The Affiliation of Mental Nurses.

An application for affiliation was received from the League of Mental Hospital Nurses in 1934, when a Sub-Committee was appointed to consider its Constitution and report to the Executive Committee thereon. A Memorandum of Recommendations was drafted and submitted to the League of Mental Hospital Nurses in which certain alterations in its Constitution were proposed, amongst them the addition of the word "Central" to its title to emphasise

the principle agreed by the Executive Committee that there should be for the future but one League of Mental Nurses, and not numerous small leagues organised.

To the proposed change of title the League of Mental Hospital Nurses took exception whilst agreeing to all other recommendations. It was agreed at the Meeting of the Executive Committee on April 24th, 1935, "that the Hon. Officers of the National Council should define and submit to the Annual Meeting regulations under which Registered Mental Nurses might in future be affiliated to the National Council of Nurses."

At the Meeting of the Executive Committee held on October 24th last, it was agreed that the Hon. Officers should at their Meeting "define a Regulation for the affiliation of groups of State Registered Special Nurses, restricting affiliation to one central group of each class."

The League of Fever Nurses was affiliated to the Council with this proviso in October 1934.

The Hon. Officers met on November 15th last, and will submit a Report for the consideration of the Council.

The Florence Nightingale International Foundation.

There are four members of this Council who are officially connected with the work of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation, the President of the Foundation, Dame Alicia Lloyd Still, Miss M. S. Cochrane, Miss E. M. Musson and Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, President of the National Council. They have seats on the various Committees, and have regularly attended the Meetings, and taken an active part in their work.

The Foundation has made steady progress during the past year, and there are now some 20 National Memorial Committees throughout the world associated in support of the Educational Memorial to Miss Florence Nightingale, not equally effective but considering ways and means. In the formation of these Committees the members of the National Nurses' Associations, federated in the International Council of Nurses, have mainly taken the initiative. This is a satisfactory basis of organisation, as thus the professional nurses of the world ever extending their influence, hope to interest the community in support of this educational movement, mainly promoted to extend their knowledge and skill for the maintenance of sound national health and the cure of disease. Of the National Red Cross Societies taking an active part in the financial security of the Movement, the British and American are taking the lead.

The Education Sub-Committee is of the first importance in promoting professional nursing progress, and in this connection the presence in London of Miss Annie Goodrich, Dean Emeritus of the Yale University School of Nursing, U.S.A., and an Hon. President of the International Council of Nurses, and a member of the Education Committee, enabled the promoters of the Foundation to avail themselves of her expert knowledge and remarkable prescience of the necessary evolution of nursing education.

As an old friend of the promoters of our National and International Councils, members welcomed Miss Goodrich upon her arrival in London and helped to entertain her on various occasions. The Dinner given specially in her honour by our National Council of Nurses at the Trocadero Restaurant on June 6th was an occasion cementing friendships with many international colleagues including Miss B. G. Alexander, South Africa, and Sister Bergljot Larsson, Norway, at which Miss Helen Dey, R.R.C., Vice President, delivered an Address of Welcome, and to which Miss Goodrich replied with her usual expression of appreciation of the work of others and of the happiness which it gave her to survey the growth and development which had taken place in nursing in so many countries in recent years.

The Lectures delivered by Miss Goodrich at the College

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