

of which he is Chairman, to enable it to extend its good work.

Lord Horder told how he was watching a healthy child asleep in a London house during the silence period for motor-horns, when suddenly the silence was broken by the roar of a sports model car.

"The child continued to sleep, but its breathing changed from a deep, slow rhythm to a shallow, quicker rate, its happy, smooth face clouded over, and it turned restlessly on to its side as though to escape from some hostile influence.

"What I saw happening to that child," said Lord Horder, "is happening in greater or less degree to all of us. You stand up to it, of course, or most of you do, but what does it cost you to do so? We doctors could tell you, only it is not good doctoring to appeal to healthy persons by intimidating them.

"Your resistance to noise, a great deal of which is entirely needless and preventable, costs you something that you cannot afford to pay, and a lot of you are 'overdrawn' already."

The Anti-Noise League will hold a Noise Abatement Exhibition in June next, which will be opened by the Prime Minister.

RESEARCH TO CURE SHOCK.

Experiments are being made under the auspices of the Royal College of Surgeons on the theory that a suitable drug may be found to prevent or deaden the effects of shock on the nervous system.

The experiments are regarded as very important in view of the death-roll from shock in road and other accidents.

THE CHADWICK GOLD MEDAL.

Colonel W. P. MacArthur, Deputy Director-General of Army Medical Services at the War Office, has been awarded the Chadwick Gold Medal and Prize of £100 in recognition of his work for the health of the Army.

The presentation was made in the building of the Royal Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, Portland Place. Sir William Collins, chairman of the Chadwick Trustees, presided. Colonel MacArthur was presented to the chairman by Lieutenant-General J. A. Hartigan, Director-General of Army Medical Services, who had nominated him for the award.

General Hartigan said that Colonel MacArthur had filled some of the most important medical appointments open to an officer of the R.A.M.C., invariably with credit to himself and with advantage to the Army. He was a recognised authority on tropical medicine, and while filling the appointment of Professor of that subject at the Royal Army Medical College he established a systematic course of medical entomology which was proving of steadily increasing benefit to the health of the Army, for Colonel MacArthur believed that without a basic knowledge of entomology intelligent measures against the major tropical diseases would be impossible.

Recently his work on Cystercosis had greatly increased their knowledge of that disease, and had shown that up to now many cases of the disease had been accepted as cases of epilepsy. Over 100 cases had been definitely diagnosed in the Army alone, and General Hartigan had little doubt that there were several hundreds of cases, in both the civil and the military communities in this country, which at present were unrecognised. As a natural consequence of Colonel MacArthur's work, investigations were now being made in the Army in the hope of determining the most suitable measures to adopt against this very disabling complaint.

The presentation was made by Sir William Collins and Colonel MacArthur briefly replied.

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRONS.

Bexley Mental Hospital, Bexley, Kent.—Miss M. Wakefield, S.R.N., F.B.C.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Leicester, where she was Charge Nurse, and at the City Mental Hospital, Leicester, where she was Charge Nurse. Miss Wakefield has also been Night Sister and Assistant Matron at the Royal Mental Hospital, Glasgow, Second Assistant Matron at the Horton Mental Hospital, Epsom, and Assistant Matron at the Tooting Bec Hospital, London, S.W.

Infectious Diseases Hospital, Widnes, Lancs.—Miss D. K. Bignell, S.R.N., D.N., M.B.C.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at St. Mary Abbot's Hospital, Kensington, and has been Ward Sister, Sister Tutor and Deputy Matron at the Gap Road Hospital, Wimbledon.

Joint Fever Hospital, Wrexham.—Miss H. M. Davies, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Southern Hospital, Liverpool, and at the Fever Hospital, Blackmill, Glamorgan, and has been Sister at the Royal Infirmary, Oldham, Ward and Night Sister at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Bournemouth, and Assistant Matron at the Wrexham and East Denbighshire War Memorial Hospital.

ASSISTANT MATRON.

Ewell Mental Hospital, Epsom, Surrey.—Miss C. Stuart, S.R.N., R.M.N., has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at St. Mary Abbot's Hospital, Kensington, where she became Ward Sister, and at The Maudsley Hospital, Denmark Hill, S.E., where she was later Nursing Sister and Acting Sister. Miss Stuart has also been Ward Sister and Night Superintendent at St. James' Hospital, Balham, Nursing Sister and Sister-in-Charge at the Cyprus Government Hospital, and Sister-Tutor at the Caterham Mental Hospital, Caterham, Surrey.

Glasgow Royal Mental Hospital, Gartnavel.—Miss C. S. H. MaKay, R.G.N., R.M.N., has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Aberdeen, and at the Royal Mental Hospital, Aberdeen, and has been Ward Sister at the Newhill Sanatorium, Aberdeen.

SISTER HOUSEKEEPER.

Charing Cross Hospital, London, W.C.2.—Miss M. Wright, S.R.N., S.C.M., has been appointed Sister Housekeeper. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Wigan, and has been Staff Nurse in the Light Department, General Hospital, Ashton-under-Lyne, Staff Midwife at the Maternity Institution, Norwich, Night Sister at the General Hospital, Great Yarmouth, Sister Housekeeper at the Royal Hants County Hospital, Winchester, Sister Housekeeper at the General Hospital, Southend-on-Sea, and Assistant Matron at the Empire Nursing Home, Vincent Square, London, S.W.1.

HOME AND TUTOR SISTER.

Bedford County Hospital, Bedford.—Miss W. Moss, S.R.N., S.C.M., has been appointed Home and Tutor Sister. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Leicester, where she was a Gold Medallist, and later Ward Sister. Miss Moss is a Qualified Dispenser, holds the London University Diploma of Nursing, and a Housekeeping Certificate.

SISTER TUTOR.

Surrey County Council.—Miss N. Williams, S.R.N., M.B.C.N., has been appointed Sister Tutor to a group of three hospitals under the Surrey County Council. She was trained at the Fulham Hospital, Hammersmith, where she was later Ward Sister, and has been Ward Sister at St. Mary Islington Hospital, Highgate Hill.

Wrexham and East Derbyshire War Memorial Hospital, Wrexham.—Miss E. R. Graham, S.R.N. has been appointed Sister Tutor. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Bradford, and has been Night Sister, Home Sister and Sister Tutor at the Royal Infirmary, Glasgow, Home Sister and Sister Tutor at the General Hospital, Jersey. Assistant Matron and Sister Tutor at the Royal National Hospital for Consumption, Ventnor. Sister Tutor at the Mater Infirmorum Hospital, Belfast, and Sister Tutor, Assistant Matron and Acting Matron at the Fever Hospital, Purdysburn.

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