APPOINTMENTS.

MATRON.

City of London Hospital for Diseases of the Heart and Lungs, London.—Miss N. Spilman, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the General Infirmary, Leeds, and has been Theatre Sister at the Willesden General Hospital; Sister Tutor at the Royal Infirmary, Chester; and Night Sister and Assistant Matron at the Metropolitan Hospital, London.

Essex County Hospital, Colchester.—Miss Evelyn M. Elliott, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at Guy's Hospital, London, where she was Staff Nurse, Sister and Night Superintendent. She has also been Matron at the Queen Victoria Hospital, Nice, France; Assistant Matron at the Fielding Johnson Hospital, Leicester; and Assistant Matron at General Hospital, Altrincham, Cheshire.

Royal Lancaster Infirmary, Lancaster.—Miss K. M. Clarke, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the West London Hospital, Hammersmith, and has been Ward Sister, Home and Tutor Sister at the East Dorset Hospital, and Sister Tutor and Assistant Matron at the Royal Hospital, Sheffield.

Civil Hospital, Mandalay.—Miss R. F. Denniston, S.R.N., S.C.M., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Dundee, and has been Medical and Surgical Ward Sister, Out-Patients' Sister, and Night Superintendent at the Royal Infirmary, Sheffield; Nursing Sister at the War Memorial Hospital, Nakvru, Kenya; and Assistant Matron at the Buxton Rheumatism Clinic.

ASSISTANT MATRON.

St. Paneras Institution, King's Road, London, N.W.1.—Miss W. M. Edgar, S.R.N., S.C.M., C.S.M.M.G., has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at the Lambeth Hospital, London, S.E., where she was Staff Nurse, Pupil Midwife, Masseuse, Ward Sister and Night Superintendent. Miss Edgar has also been Sister Housekeeper at St. Pancras Institution, and third Assistant Matron and Home Sister at St. Alfege's Hospital, Greenwich.

ASSISTANT MATRON AND SISTER TUTOR.

Royal Maternity Hospital, Belfast.—Miss M. M. Buchanan, S.R.N., has been appointed Assistant Matron and Sister Tutor. She was trained at the General Infirmary, Leeds, and at the Maternity Hospital, Leeds, where she has been Theatre Sister and Second Labour Ward Sister.

SISTER TUTOR AND HOME SISTER.

Hull City Mental Hospital.—Miss W. G. Mansfield, S.R.N., has been appointed Sister Tutor and Home Sister. She was trained at St. Mary Islington Hospital, London; the Napsbury Mental Hospital; and the Middlesex Colony for Mental Defectives where she was later Infirmary Ward Sister. Miss Mansfield has also been Night Sister at the Croydon Mental Hospital.

HOUSEKEEPING SISTER.

Wigan Infirmary. — Miss D. Hughes, S.R.N., S.C.M., has been appointed Housekeeping Sister. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Liverpool, and has been Staff Nurse at the City of London Chest Hospital, Sister at the General Hospital, Croydon, and Night Sister at the Salop Royal Infirmary, Shrewsbury. Miss Hughes holds the Housekeeping Certificate of the General Hospital, Croydon.

SENIOR MIDWIFE.

County Borough of Smethwick.—Miss Norah Townend, S.R.N., has been appointed Senior Midwife. She was trained at the Mansfield and District General Hospital, Mansfield, and at the Leeds Maternity Hospital, and has been Staff Nurse at the Royal Infirmary, Bradford; Maternity Ward Sister at the North Devon Infirmary, Barnstaple; Sister-in-Charge at the Maternity Hospital, Mountain Ash; Maternity Sister at the British Post-Graduate School, Hammersmith Hospital; and Departmental Maternity Sister at the New End Hospital, Hampstead, London, N.W.

THE HOSPITAL WORLD.

Queen Mary visited the Marie Curie Hospital, Fitzjohn's Avenue, on March 19th, and declared open the Helen Chambers Laboratories.

Queen Mary will open the new medical block of St. Bartholomew's Hospital on Thursday, July 8th. The building is constructed to house the five medical units (250 beds), and will be known as the "King George V Building."

The Royal College of Surgeons has agreed to recognise sixteen of London County Council's general hospitals for the purpose of qualification for admission to the final examination for the fellowship of the college.

Presumably this means that surgical appointments at the sixteen hospitals are now deemed to offer the same opportunities for surgical practice as those provided at hospitals attached to teaching schools.

The St. George's Hospital hay fever clinic, which was opened last year for a special treatment for hay fever, has reopened. Already 500 applications for treatment have been received, and no more can be considered at present. Last year 243 patients were given three treatments each, and in most cases complete relief was obtained. It is of necessity too early to state how many of the cases can be regarded as being cured of hay fever. This year the clinic will be open every week-day, and ten doctors will be engaged on the treatment instead of the four who undertook the work last year.

On March 17th, the Princess Royal, President of the Hospital for Sick Children, Gt. Ormond Street, visited the institution and laid the foundation stone of the new hospital.

Since 1852, when the hospital was founded, more than 2,000,000 children have been cared for in its wards.

The Princess Royal was received at the entrance to the Nurses' House by an honourable company, warm friends of the hospital, and inspected a guard of honour of nurses in the vestibule. She received a bouquet of flowers from one of the patients.

In laying the stone, Her Royal Highness inaugurated the second most important stage of the rebuilding of the hospital. The first stage comprised the Nurses' Home, now nearly completed. The main hospital block, when completed, will have 20 wards, containing 326 beds, three operating theatres, and adequate space for research. The total cost of the building when completed will be (400 000

total cost of the building when completed will be $\frac{1}{4}400,000$. The Princess Royal afterwards visited one of the wards and spoke to the patients. Before leaving she took tea in the Nurses' House.

The stone bears the inscription: "H.R.H. the Princess Royal, President of the hospital, laid this stone, round which the new buildings, long planned in hope, are to-day rising in fulfilment. 17th March, 1937."

THE ROYAL FAMILY AND THE NATIONAL ASSOCIA-TION FOR THE PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS.

The Royal interest in the fight against tuberculosis, manifested continuously for thirty-nine years by four generations of the Royal Family, is to be maintained.

This fact is made known in an official announcement that His Majesty King George has consented to become Patron, and His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent President, of the National Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis.



