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NURSING ECHOES.

Before another issue of this Journal, the Coronation of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth will have come and gone—the most comprehensive pageant of the Crowning of a King which has ever been seen in London, and a novel feature of the magnificent Procession will be the presence, with Dominion contingents, of Nurses who worked in the Great War.

The Australian war nurses arrived at Tilbury on April 22nd, in the Orient liner *Orontes*, and were officially welcomed by a War Office official on their arrival. From left to right, in our picture, are the Misses G. M. Wilson, E. M. Paton, J. Sinclair-Wood, M. Folder, J. McDonald, A. E. Dowsley, and E. Kierey.

These ladies are receiving a warm welcome from their English colleagues—several having been hospitably Her Majesty Queen Mary has been graciously pleased to approve the appointment of 151 Nurses to be Queen's Nurses, to date April 1st, from training homes in the following countries: England, 116; Wales, 3; Scotland, 27; Ireland, 5.

The General Nursing Council for England and Wales has now vacated 20, Portland Place, W., and entered into possession of 23, Portland Place, which has been specially built to meet the requirements of the Council. It is matter for congratulation for the State Registered Nurses that their new Headquarters have been built entirely with money which they have provided, and likewise the £10,000 spent on new furnishings have come from the same source. Thus Registered Nurses are in a dignified position, and may justly look with pride upon their dignified Headquarters.

We understand that during the Coronation week



WELCOME OF MISS G. M. WILSON, R.R.C., AND AUSTRALIAN WAR NURSES AT TILBURY.

entertained by their military colleagues at Millbank Hospital Nurses' Home.

The King has directed that a personal message of sympathy and good wishes shall be sent to ex-Service officers, nurses, and men of the Great War, who are in Ministry or General Hospitals on Coronation Day, for treatment for wounds, or ill-health due to war service.

The Minister of Pensions, Mr. H. Ramsbotham, has had the King's message printed for distribution in the United Kingdom, and it will be addressed to and inscribed with the name, rank and regiment or arm of service of each pensioner.

With it will be sent a copy of the official souvenir programme of the Coronation, which the Minister is obtaining with the help of King George's Jubilee Trust.

Dominions Governments, the Government of India, and the Governors of Colonies, Protectorates, and Mandated Territories have been requested to make similar arrangements for the message and souvenir programmes to be distributed to every ex-Service patient in all their territories. the building is being flood-lit, and its window boxes are "loyal" with red, white and blue flowers.

Miss Gladys Sharpe, Instructor of Nurses in the Toronto Western Hospital, contributes to the April issue of *The Canadian Nurse* an interesting article on "Making of an 'International,'" in which she relates her experiences as a Nightingale Student during her residence at 15, Manchester Square, London, W.

"First," she writes, "a word about our home at No. 15. The original lease—about the size of a small rug—is signed by one of the Adam brothers; consequently its mantelpieces are gems of that period. Each country has one room designated as its own by a name plate on the door and its furnishings are suggestive of that country. Can't you see Japan, with its white satin curtains, Bulgaria, with its colourful embroidery, to say nothing of Sweden, Finland and Latvia, each picturesque to a degree? Canada's room has recently been refurnished with a candlewick bedspread, curtains and cushions. An added attraction to No. 15 is our across-the-street neighbour, Mr. Anthony Eden, whose



