

Nurses grouped in the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain have secured the financial stability of the Quadrennial Congress of Nurses by subscribing the handsome sum of £1,366 19s. 6d. for general expenses and generous gifts for hospitality and clerical work.

The Programme Committee.

The Programme Committee of which Mrs. Bedford Fenwick was elected Chair in 1933—has had an exceedingly onerous task—and the handbook issued to each member of Congress, compiled in English, French and German, required many days of expert work and intensive devotion. It was prepared for press by Mrs. Fenwick, Miss Muriel Edwards, Miss Gullan and Miss Maude Angel, and has met with flattering approval. The Badge in blue and silver, dated, "London 1937," depicting the Nightingale lamp which lights the path of Nursing, will, we hope, be valued as a memento of a very memorable meeting for many years to come.

A few distinctive Ribbons will be worn.

A pale blue ribbon to match the badge, inscribed "Official Delegate," may be worn by the members of the Grand Council, I.C.N.

The Vice-Presidents may be recognised by a white satin ribbon inscribed "Vice-President" in red.

The Lady Stewards specially recruited for the responsible duties at the Central Hall, can be seen from afar, as they will wear handsome cross bands of red, white and blue—our national colours—thus it will not be possible for them to hide their identity however eagerly they may be tempted to do so. The work of a Lady Steward is arduous, may be thankless, but we are sure that at the Central Hall they will be all things to all women, as so much depends upon their tact. Miss Gullan has recruited this staff of experienced nurses and is Directress in Chief.

THE SOCIAL FUNCTIONS.

We owe to Dame Alicia Lloyd Still, President I.C.N., sincere thanks for her arduous work in connection with the organisation of many social functions.

The Reception at Lancaster House by the Minister of Health, on July 19th; the Reception at Buckingham Palace by the Queen and Queen Mary, on July 20th, where Her Majesty has expressed the wish that the members of the Grand Council shall be presented to her individually; and the Reception at the House of Lords on July 23rd.

Also thanks are due to Miss Helen Dey, Matron and Superintendent of Nursing at St. Bartholomew's Hospital,

for interesting the Lord Mayor of London and the Lady Mayoress in the visit of the International Council of Nurses to London—and the honour of an invitation to a Reception by them at the historic Guildhall on the evening of Saturday, July 24th.

THE CONGRESS PROGRAMME.

The Congress Handbook contains most of the information required by members—a few arrangements may be added.

The Bureau will be found on the first floor, where Miss Gullan and her staff will be available with information and folders, etc.

THE LITERATURE TABLE.

A long table has been secured for the exhibition and sale of professional literature. Here the *BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING*, the official organ of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain, and other literature will be on sale.

The International Nursing Review and international literature may be found on this table, and also in the International Council of Nurses' Office, on the first floor back.

The literature and reports of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation will also be arranged on this table, and information concerning this interesting work will be available.

TICKETS FOR THE PAGEANT.

On and after 5 p.m., Monday, July 19th, tickets will be on sale at a stall near the bureau on the first floor. The Pageant of Nursing will be shown at the Scala Theatre on Thursday, July 22nd, at 2.30 and 9 p.m., and on Friday, 23rd, at 2.30 p.m., price 3s., 2s. and 6d.

THE QUEEN'S NURSES' STALL.

Many trained nurses have but a shadowy idea of what "Queen's" Nursing actually is—to some it means little but a term, and those who have spent many years in Hospital cannot conceive how patients of limited means, and in some cases of no means at all, can be satisfactorily nursed in their own homes. The quiet steady nature of the work has been progressing and extending during the last 50 years. Queen's Nurses have had one aim, and that to provide an efficient domiciliary nursing service second to none. On the stall which the International Council of Nurses Congress Arrangements Committee have consented to their having outside the Great Hall at the Central Hall, Westminster, they hope to have an opportunity of explaining to the delegates something of



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