

The work of producing the Congress Programme had been a responsible task: it was printed in three languages, English, French and German. She felt sure everyone would admire the Congress badge.

Miss M. Breay then asked Dr. Fenwick to accept a copy of the Programme of the Congress, and expressed regret that he would not be present. She expressed sincere gratitude for his devotion to the cause of raising nursing to a profession and his life-long devotion to the interests of nurses; that through the endowment of the College he had made it possible for the nursing profession to attain power of expression and conscientious conviction, and she desired him to know how its members valued his disinterested support.

Dr. Fenwick in reply said he was very grateful to Miss Breay for her appreciative remarks, that this week completed the fiftieth year that he and Mrs. Fenwick had been working for the uplift of nurses and nursing, in which time a marvellous advance had been made.

RESOLUTION.

"That the most grateful thanks of the Annual Meeting of the British College of Nurses be and hereby are accorded to the President, Vice-Presidents, and the Council of the College for their strenuous and most successful work for the College, and also to Miss Alice Stewart Bryson (Secretary), Miss M. R. Angel and Miss B. A. Bowering for the admirable way in which they have fulfilled their duties during the past year."

The President wished to add how much she was indebted to Miss Angel for her devoted work in connection with the Congress Programme, and that a special vote of thanks be accorded her.

Miss Macdonald said it was her privilege to propose a Vote of Thanks to the President, Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, and in doing so she would wish to place on record the great work she has done as a Creator of Ideals for the Progress of the Nurses of the whole world, and she would like to say, thank you.

The meeting then terminated.

A very joyous meeting of members than adjourned for what is known as a "lovely College tea," for which Miss Stewart Bryson is renowned.

FIXTURES.

September 18th.—Monthly Meeting of the Council, 2.30 p.m.

THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC NURSES' ASSOCIATIONS.

The International Council of Catholic Nurses' Associations held a Congress at University College, London, on July 14th and 15th, and at a reception at Archbishop's House, by His Grace the Archbishop of Westminster; he read a letter conveying the good wishes of the Pope for the Congress and his approval of the programme. The letter concluded: "As a token of the paternal benevolence with which He regards their magnificent apostolate and as a pledge of Divine grace, the Holy Father imparts to the Congress delegates, religious and lay, to their spiritual Directors, to the members of the various associations and to all who have assisted in promoting the London Assembly, His affectionate Apostolic Benediction."

The list of speakers included several bishops. Mme. d'Airoles, President of the French Guild, resigned the position of International President, and Mrs. Glanville, National President of the Catholic Nurses Guild of Great Britain, was presented as the new International President.

The Congress had a very good Press in the Irish newspapers.

THE PASSING BELL.

We regret to record the death of Miss A. Knaggs, R.R.C., late Q.A.I.M.N.S. Reserve, at Crowthorne, Berks., on August 4th, 1937.

Trained at Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford, Miss Knaggs, who was a member of the Army Nursing Service from 1894 to 1898, joined the Army Nursing Service Reserve in 1900, and served in South Africa as Acting Superintendent until 1902; and at different stations at home from 1905 to 1907. On the outbreak of the Great War, Miss Knaggs was re-appointed to Q.A.I.M.N.S Reserve and served on H.M.S. *Nevassa* and at Home Stations till 1919, when she retired owing to ill-health.

In recognition of her distinguished service in two campaigns, Miss Knaggs was Mentioned in Despatches and awarded the decoration of the Royal Red Cross and Bar.

WHAT TO READ.

MEMOIRS AND BIOGRAPHY.

- "Autobiography." W. B. Maxwell.
- "Pauline Bonaparte." Joachim Kühn.

FICTION.

- "The Citadel." Cronin.
- "Down the Proud Stream." Carl Fallas.
- "Divide the Desolation." Kathlyn Jean Macfarlane.
- "Sun Across the Sky." Eleanor Dark.
- "Sally Lunn." Leo Walmsley.

TRAVEL.

- "The War in Spain." Ramon Sender.
- "Letters from Iceland." W. H. Auden and Louis MacNeice.

COMING EVENTS.

Dates have not yet been fixed, but a Meeting of the Congress Arrangements Committee will be held towards the end of September, to receive and consider the audited accounts and a Report of its work to be presented to the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain, which was the hostess country of the International Congress of Nurses held in London from July 19th to 24th last, and through the generosity of whose members its financial stability has been secured.

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PRIZE COMPETITION QUESTION FOR SEPTEMBER.

What most impressed you at the recent International Congress of Nurses?

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