

## APPOINTMENTS.

### MATRON.

**London Clinic, 20, Devonshire Place, London, W.**—Miss Mabel Reynolds, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the London Hospital, Whitechapel, E., and has been Organiser for the Northern Section of the College of Nursing; Research Assistant, Medical Research Council Dental Investigation, Birmingham; Sister in Charge of the Children's Department at the London Hospital; and a member of the Rockefeller Foundation Travelling Fellowship.

### ASSISTANT MATRON.

**Isolation Hospital, Clatterbridge, Bebington, Birkenhead.**—Miss U. M. Bridgewater, S.R.N., R.F.N., S.C.M., has been appointed Assistant Matron. She was trained at the City Hospital Annexe and Sanatorium, Fazakerley, Liverpool, and at the Royal Halifax Infirmary, and has been Ward Sister at the City Hospital, Fazakerley, Liverpool; Night Sister at the Chester Isolation Hospital; and Ward Sister at the Isolation Hospital, Purley Way, Croydon. Miss Bridgewater holds the Housekeeping Certificate of the East Suffolk Hospital, Ipswich.

### ASSISTANT MATRON AND SISTER TUTOR.

**Royal Albert Edward Infirmary, Wigan.**—Miss Joan Hague, S.R.N., S.C.M., has been appointed Assistant Matron and Sister Tutor. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Liverpool, and has been Theatre Sister at the Victoria Hospital, Burnley, and St. Mary's Hospital, Manchester; Ward Sister at the General Hospital, Birkenhead; and Theatre Sister, Night Sister, Holiday Sister, Assistant Home Sister and Sister Tutor at the Women's Hospital, Liverpool. Miss Hague holds the Housekeeping Certificate of the General Hospital, Bristol.

### SISTER-IN-CHARGE.

**Mayday Hospital, Croydon.**—Miss E. E. Sansbury, S.R.N., has been appointed Maternity Sister-in-Charge. She was trained at the Southmead Hospital, Bristol, where she was later Ward Sister, Night Sister and Midwifery Sister, and has also been Assistant and Deputy-Matron at the Ilford Council Maternity Home, and Matron at the Ashbourne Maternity Home, Derby.

### HOME SISTER.

**Kendray Isolation Hospital, Barnsley.**—Miss A. Knowles, S.R.N., has been appointed Home Sister. She was trained at the Hope Hospital, Manchester, and at the Isolation Hospital, Kendal, and has been Staff Nurse and Ward Sister at the Alder Hey Children's Hospital, Liverpool; Ward Sister at Tranmere Infirmary, Birkenhead; Ward Sister at the Oldham Municipal Hospital, and Ward Sister at the City Hospital, Chester. Miss Knowles gained midwifery experience at the Maternity Hospital, Stockport, and was a Housekeeping Pupil at the North Staffs Royal Infirmary, Stoke-on-Trent.

### NIGHT SISTER.

**Children's Hospital, College Crescent, Hampstead, London, N.W.**—Miss E. S. M. Wilkie, S.R.N., R.F.N., has been appointed Night Sister. She was trained at the David Lewis Northern Hospital, Liverpool, the Fazakerley Isolation Hospital, Liverpool, and the Elsie Inglis Maternity Hospital, Edinburgh. Miss Wilkie has been Staff Nurse at the Alder Hey Children's Hospital, Liverpool; and Sister, Male Orthopaedic Ward at the David Lewis Northern Hospital, Liverpool.

**Southend Municipal Hospital, Rochford.**—Miss Mabel Downs, S.R.N., has been appointed Night Sister. She was trained at the Children's Hospital, Nottingham, the Royal Infirmary, Gloucester, and the Collins Maternity Hospital, Nottingham, and has been Staff Nurse, Housekeeping Pupil and Assistant Night Sister at the Royal Infirmary, Gloucester, and Sister at Lordwood Nursery, Harborne, Birmingham.

### OUT-PATIENTS' SISTER.

**Dulwich Hospital, East Dulwich Grove, London.**—Miss A. C. F. Baldwin, S.R.N., R.F.N., S.C.M., has been appointed Out-Patients' Sister. She was trained at St. Olave's Hospital, Bermondsey, where she was later Staff Nurse, and at the South-Eastern Hospital, New Cross, and has been Ward Sister and Night Sister at Mayday Hospital, Croydon.

### HEALTH VISITOR.

**Islington Public Health Department, London.**—Miss S. H. Prentice, S.R.N., has been appointed Health Visitor. She

was trained at the General Hospital, Kettering, and at the General Lying-In Hospital, London, and has been Staff Nurse at the Royal Free Hospital, London; Medical Ward Sister at the West Middlesex Hospital, Isleworth; Ward Sister at the National Hospital, Queen Square, London; temporary Health Visitor in Northants, and Health Visitor in Nottingham and Manchester. Miss Prentice gained her health visiting training at the National Health Society, London.

### LEGACIES FOR NURSES.

The Hon. Robert White, of East Sheen, left £2,000 to his nurse, Mary Anne Langran, "for the purchase of an annuity."

The late Mr. Henry G. Elwes, of Colchester, left an annuity of £150 "to his faithful and devoted nurse, Sister Edith Octavia Walford."

## INSULIN RESEARCH IN DENMARK.

In a recent issue of *The International Nursing Review*, the official organ of the International Council of Nurses, the following note from *The Diabetic Journal* appears:

*The Diabetic Journal* in a recent issue describes some of the results of the research which has been in progress for three years at an insulin hospital and factory near Copenhagen, with the object of discovering a new type of insulin compound which would be absorbed more slowly from the site of injection. About 30 new preparations have been tried, and a compound has been obtained which partly meets the requirements. This compound, known as "protomine insulinate," is a chemical combination of insulin and protamine, a type of protein obtained from fish roe. Owing to its slow absorption rate, its action is more prolonged, less violent, and less likely to produce hypoglycæmia through temporary overdose. The new compound is given in the evening, to control the diabetes during the night, and to keep the blood sugar normal before breakfast, and ordinary insulin is given in the morning, to deal with the carbohydrate food eaten during the day, as protamine is rather too slow in its action to control the sugar after a large meal has been taken. Thus even the most severe cases should not need more than two injections a day, while it is hoped in time to find a means of controlling them with only one injection a day.

To nurses the most interesting feature of the institution is the small hospital, taking 22 patients. These are mostly severe cases of diabetes, but a few cases of nictabolic diseases, obesity and other indocrine diseases, are taken.

The hospital, named after Niels Stiensens, the famous Danish surgeon of the fifteenth century, is spacious and lavishly equipped, and there are never more than two patients in a room. In the five kitchens which occupy the ground floor three trained dietitians prepare and weigh the food, and teach the patients how to manage their diet. The top floor is devoted to investigation and research; there are two large chemical laboratories, modern X-ray apparatus; an operating theatre, and special rooms for metabolic work. The whole hospital is equipped with hot linen cupboards, and cold frigidaire recesses for food and for preserving samples of urine. The nursing staff consists of five sisters and nurses. A microphone is installed in every room and transmits any sound of illness or disturbance to the night sister's room; this is only one of many modern mechanical devices. The director and manager, Dr. Hagedorn, is said to be a scientific, mechanical and financial genius. The institution, which thrives without outside help, is financed by the sale of insulin, and owes its success to its extremely efficient organisation.—Extract from *The International Nursing Review*.

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