

THE BRITISH COLLEGE OF NURSES.

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL MEETING.

The Monthly Meeting of the Council of the British College of Nurses was held at 39, Portland Place, London, W.1, on Saturday, October 23rd, 1937, at 2.30 p.m.

The President, Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, was in the Chair, and there were present Miss M. S. Cochrane, R.R.C., Vice-President, Miss A. M. Bushby, Miss G. Le Geyt, Miss I. Macdonald, Miss D. G. Tilby, Miss S. Vian, Fellows, and Miss D. M. Dickinson, Miss C. E. Nelson and Miss D. de M. Warren, Members.

Prayers having been read by the Secretary, the Minutes of the last meeting were confirmed.

Regrets for absence were received from Miss M. Breay and Miss E. Brodie.

BUSINESS ARISING.

(a) Notice received from the Mayor of St. Marylebone giving particulars of a course of five weekly Lectures to be given at the Town Hall, St. Marylebone, commencing Friday, November 5th, at 8 p.m. on "Air Raid Precautions and First Aid for Gas Casualties."

(b) A letter thanking the Mayor for the information and asking if similar Lectures are available in other centres was sent, to which he replied: "I do not know of any similar lectures being run. Should it be the desire of your Council that your members should take courses I would be pleased to arrange lectures at your Head Quarters or any other suitable place, provided classes of about 40 to 50 could be formed." It was agreed to thank the Mayor for his reply.

Letter of warm thanks from Mrs. M. (Member) for the Benevolent Grant of £6, to meet current expenses.

Letter from Miss G. E. Green, expressing thanks for understanding letter and stating that she has advertised her Nursing Home (Egerton Lodge Nursing Home), Fallowfield, Manchester, in the Medical Press.

Miss D. Barlow thanking the Council for their interest taken in her new venture and sending card of particulars of "Service Unlimited." The Domestic side seems hopeless—there was a great demand for domestic workers but no supply.

Re NOMINATION OF HON. OFFICERS TO THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NURSES.

Correspondence with Miss E. Ivett was read, and it was unanimously agreed to nominate her as a Director of the National Council in the place of Miss Farrant, retiring.

Letter received from Miss E. L. Macaulay accepting nomination as Vice-President for the National Council.

Miss M. G. Allbutt notified her consent to be nominated as a Director of the National Council.

These three nominations had been sent to member organisations asking for advice.

A letter was read from Miss A. A. MacWilliam, who had attended the Annual Conference of the National Council of Women of Great Britain recently held at Bournemouth, as the representative of the College, enclosing press cuttings, and reporting that all the Resolutions which the Council wished to support had been passed. The Council was pleased to learn that at last a Resolution, many times supported, to provide for the better supervision of private travelling Zoos, was agreed to, and hoped the Government would take action for the care of wild animals often subjected to restrictions and cruelty.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Letter from the International Broadcasting Co., Ltd., in reply to complaint that motor cars and vans parked in front of the College buildings, expressing regret and stating that they have given instructions in the matter, and trust that there will be no further cause for complaint. A notice "No Parking" has been placed on the College railings.

Letter from Miss Bickerton sending "cutting" drawing attention to the record business in Greeting Telegrams sent from the Post Office owing to the publication in the Press of the Oxford and Cambridge School Examination results, and suggesting that if the General Nursing Council Examination results were published many golden congratulatory Greeting Telegrams would be sent and appreciated by recipients.

Letter of thanks from Miss G. Davies for special books on psychology sent for study for the Higher Examination.

Letter from Miss H. Teal, secretary, American Nurses' Association, of thanks for copy of the Congress Programme. Sent by the President.

NIGHTINGALE BRICKS.

Letter from Mrs. Madge Hennelly of Swanbourne, Western Australia, introduced by Miss Yeates, Branch Secretary, Australian Trained Nurses' Association, asking if it would be possible to have a "Nightingale Brick" for either the Fremantle Public Hospital, or the King Edward Memorial Women's Hospital, at Subiaco, New Guinea, both nurse-training schools.

It was unanimously agreed that a "Nightingale Brick" be presented to Mrs. Madge Hennelly, for the General Hospital, Fremantle.

A letter to be sent to Mrs. Barber conveying the sympathy of the Council in her great sorrow at the loss of her husband.

ELECTION OF FELLOWS AND MEMBERS.

Applications for Membership were received and all applicants were elected.



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