

### THE NURSING SERVICE RESERVE.

The War Office announces that the following have recently been appointed members of Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service Reserve:—

#### *Name and Training School.*

Miss D. E. Bovill, Middlesex Hospital W.1.  
 Miss G. E. Cox, Middlesex Hospital, W.1.  
 Miss H. O. Armitage, Middlesex Hospital, W.1.  
 Miss J. H. Gill, Middlesex Hospital, W.1.  
 Miss A. A. E. Darien, Middlesex Hospital, W.1.  
 Miss J. A. Neilson, St. Thomas's Hospital, S.E.1.  
 Miss K. M. Sharpe, St. Thomas's Hospital, S.E.1.  
 Miss F. M. Allan, St. Thomas's Hospital, S.E.1.  
 Miss G. M. Bates, St. Thomas's Hospital, S.E.1.  
 Miss R. H. P. Pease, St. Thomas's Hospital, S.E.1.  
 Miss M. E. Theobald, St. Thomas's Hospital, S.E.1.  
 Miss D. E. Grand, St. Thomas's Hospital, S.E.1.  
 Miss E. W. Spence, King's College Hospital, S.E.5.  
 Miss B. C. C. Steven, King's College Hospital, S.E.5.  
 Miss Q. M. Wickham, St. Nicholas Hospital, S.E.18.  
 Miss H. Lawrence, Fulham Infirmary, W.  
 Miss F. M. Channell, St. Mary Abbot's Hospital, W.8.  
 Miss M. Goodall, Greenwich and Deptford Hospital, S.E.10.  
 Miss E. K. M. Green, St. Pancras Hospital, N.W.  
 Miss D. Roantree, Whipps Cross Hospital, Leytonstone.  
 Mrs. L. Salmon, Camberwell Infirmary, S.E.  
 Miss E. G. Green, West London Hosp., Hammersmith, W.6.  
 Miss L. Skells, St. Marylebone Infirmary, W.  
 Miss W. Barratt, Royal Free Hospital, W.C.1.  
 Miss D. Keeton, Dulwich Hospital, S.E.22.  
 Miss D. V. Park-Milford, Poplar Hospital, E.14.  
 Miss D. Baker, London Hospital, E.1.  
 Miss W. E. Doggett, St. Bartholomew's Hospital, E.C.1.  
 Miss E. M. Spiller, Lewisham Hospital, S.E.13.  
 Miss T. A. Watson, Holborn Infirmary, N.  
 Mrs. A. Ayers, Burton-on-Trent Union Infirmary.  
 Miss E. R. Hitt, Leicester Royal Infirmary.  
 Miss P. Percival, Oldham Royal Infirmary.  
 Miss F. G. Petheram, Dudley Road Hospital, Birmingham.  
 Miss E. Duckitt, Dudley Road Hospital, Birmingham.  
 Miss R. G. Blankley, Leeds General Infirmary.  
 Miss W. M. H. Garnett, Leeds General Infirmary.  
 Miss M. Brimble, Bristol General Hospital.  
 Miss I. M. Cansdale, St. Chad's Hospital, Birmingham.  
 Miss P. Crawley, Stepping Hill Hospital, Stockport.  
 Miss E. E. Dovey, Worcester General Infirmary.  
 Miss F. I. Wallace, Glasgow Royal Infirmary.  
 Miss B. Humphris, Birmingham General Hospital.  
 Miss E. Kirtley, Harton Hospital, South Shields.  
 Miss H. Ollerenshaw, Huddersfield Royal Infirmary.  
 Miss E. L. Tomkins, Royal Portsmouth Hosp., Portsmouth.  
 Miss A. Roberts, Dorset County Hospital, Dorchester.  
 Miss M. B. Davidson, Croydon General Hospital.  
 Miss J. L. Forrest, Edinburgh Royal Infirmary.  
 Miss E. A. Roberts, Heathfields Municipal Hosp., Ipswich.  
 Miss M. M. Bailie, David Lewis Northern Hosp., Liverpool.  
 Miss R. Jekyll, Staffordshire General Hospital, Stafford.

### THE PASSING BELL.

We regret to record the sudden death of Miss Elizabeth Frances Little, Sister-in-Charge, Q.A.I.M.N.S., at Meerut, India.

Miss Little served with the T.A.N.S. in Egypt, Mesopotamia and India from 1915 to 1919. She was appointed S/N in Q.A.M.F.N.S. on December 1st, 1923, and promoted to Sister on July 1st, 1926.

Our sincerest sympathy is extended to her relatives in their bereavement.

### THE KENT COUNTY MENTAL HOSPITAL, MAIDSTONE.

#### OPENING OF THE ADMISSION HOSPITAL AND CONVALESCENT VILLAS.

The Opening of the Admission Hospital and Convalescent Villas, an extension of the Kent County Mental Hospital, Maidstone, on May 27th, by the Rt. Hon. Walter Elliot M.C., M.P., Minister of Health, attracted a very large and representative gathering.

The guest arrived at the new buildings, where a crowded audience was assembled under awnings erected for the occasion. We found an imposing guard of honour consisting of graded nurses, smart and attractive and white gloved—and male attendants, drawn up to receive Mr. Walter Elliot, M.C., M.P., who paused from time to time to exchange a few words with them.

Arrived at the platform, he was received by the Chairman of the Visiting Committee and the Chairman of the Board of Control, Sir Laurence Brock, C.B., the Medical Superintendent and others. After various introductions Mr. Walter Elliot proceeded to unlock the door of the new block and declared it open. The Lord Bishop of Rochester offered the Dedicatory prayer.

The Chairman of the Mental Hospitals Committee spoke of the evolution and progression of the treatment of mental diseases since the main hospital was built, 100 years ago. Now not "detention" but "healing" was the predominating idea. In this new building everything that modern science had achieved was provided. But all their efforts would be wasted without the devoted men and women who served there.

Miss Macaulay, the Matron, stood at the head of a band of devoted Sisters and Nurses, who showed such boundless patience and kindness that letters of gratitude from patients and friends were almost a matter of routine.

Mr. Elliot referred to the Nurses' Home, which stands outside the Hospital grounds, which he affirmed was the finest attached to any institution. Mental nurses needed the best conditions that can possibly be given; we all knew how much more patient we could be when we had rest.

He, himself, was sometimes glad not to have to deal with the subnormal when he left the House of Commons.

Referring to the new methods of treatment in the mentally afflicted, he spoke with approval of the occupational side, of which he received a practical demonstration. The Minister was presented with a very beautiful hand-made carpet, made by eighteen of the patients. The Matron was reported to have said that the Hospital would not seem the same after it had gone, and indeed it was a thing of beauty and skill.

After the official opening, visitors were permitted to inspect the new Admission Block, which is for the reception of patients of all classes.

At the entrance are the consultation rooms where new admissions are received, classified, examined, and their cases investigated. One of the first essential approaches to mental disorders, is to investigate and treat all those physical conditions that so largely contribute to the cause and it is for this reason that in this unit all modern methods are directed to restoring patients to a healthy physical condition. Too much space would be occupied by attempting to describe the amenities of these buildings, but imagine the machinery of an up-to-date modern Hospital and the equipment of a super Nursing Home, and you may form some idea of this latest venture in mental treatment.

The dormitories with their dainty furnishing were very attractive. The bedspreads of buff and green, on which reposed the fascinating night-dress cases, of a design completely original, and soft green bedside mats were much admired.

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