

NURSING ECHOES.

We hope that members of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain will take note of the announcement of the important Conference, convened by that Council, to be held at the Caxton Hall, Westminster, S.W., on November 10th, on nursing questions of urgent importance, and will keep the day free, if possible, to attend the Sessions.

Morning Sessions, 10.30 a.m.

In the Great Hall.—"Hospital Administration." *Chairman:* Miss M. S. Cochrane, R.R.C., President of The Matrons' Council of Great Britain.

In the York Hall.—"The Nursing Care of the Sick Outside Hospitals." *Chairman:* Miss Isabel Macdonald, F.B.C.N., President of the League of Private Nurses.

Afternoon Sessions, 2.30 p.m.

In the Great Hall.—"Education and Training of the

August is the holiday month, and British nurses will welcome the accompanying picture of our King and Queen with the Princesses, which shows their Majesties in holiday mood, when driving to Crathie Church from their lovely Scottish home at Balmoral. We hope they will return south, when the time comes, refreshed and invigorated by the fine Scottish air, and that the King, upon whom the responsibilities of Empire rest so heavily, will have been fortified to take up the burden with renewed strength.

The British Red Cross Society announce the appointment of Dame Joanna Margaret Cruickshank, D.B.E., R.R.C., S.R.N., as Matron-in-Chief of the Society, an appointment rendered vacant by the death of the late Mrs. Rome, R.R.C. Dame Joanna Cruickshank received her training at Guy's Hospital and subsequently served as Sister in the Lady Minto Nursing Association, and, later, in the Queen Alexandra Indian Military



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The King and Queen with Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret Rose driving to service at Crathie Church from Balmoral.

Nurse." *Chairman:* Miss Helen Dey, O.B.E., R.R.C., President of The Association of Hospital Matrons.

In the York Hall.—"The Nursing of the Chronic Sick, of the Aged and Infirm." *Chairman:* Miss B. M. Monk, C.B.E., R.R.C., President, College of Nursing.

Organised System of Professional Propaganda. (To be further considered.)

In the evening, at 8 p.m., an interesting professional lecture is being arranged.

Tickets, to cover the three Sessions, will be available for members of the National Council of Nurses after September 15th, price 2s. 6d., for which application should be made to the Hon. Secretary, National Council of Nurses of Great Britain, 39, Portland Place, London, W.1.

A further announcement will appear in our October issue.

Nursing Service. In October, 1918, she was appointed Matron of Princess Mary's Royal Air Force Nursing Service. In the following November she became the first Matron-in-Chief, and was responsible for the entire organisation of the Royal Air Force Nursing Service, a position which she held until her retirement in 1930. During this period of office she was the Air Ministry Representative on the Joint Voluntary Aid Detachment Council.

After her retirement, she took an active interest in Red Cross activities, and was for several years Vice-President of the Hertfordshire Branch. She is closely connected with the Invalid Children's Aid Association, as a member of the Executive Committee and as Chairman of the Homes Administration Committee.

For her war work Dame Joanna was awarded the Royal Red Cross, 1st class, in 1919. In 1927, she

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