

## NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NURSES OF GREAT BRITAIN.

### THE NIGHTINGALE FELLOWSHIP.

The Nightingale Fellowship has sent a welcome gift of £5 to the funds of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain. It is very welcome, as the income of the Council is very limited. An invested fund is necessary, and a good beginning has been made by the investment of the surplus from its special contributions as a guarantee fund for the London Congress. The per capita fee of 4d. is earmarked for the International Council, which comes first in national expenditure.

### KENT COUNTY MENTAL HOSPITAL, MAIDSTONE<sup>9</sup> NURSES' LEAGUE MEETING, DECEMBER 1st, 1937.

Two very interesting items were provided at this Meeting of the League, and other Members of the Medical and Nursing Staff attended. Dr. Allen C. Hancock, Medical Superintendent, kindly acted as Chairman for us.

Miss E. L. Macaulay, our President, was unable to be present owing to a severe cold. Miss B. J. Wall, Vice-President, attended, and Miss M. Neal undertook the duties of Secretary in place of the newly-elected Secretary, Miss M. Adlington (Sister), who was convalescing after an illness.

Two films were shown, the second the Olympic Games, which provided the more secular part of the programme, and first a film dealing with Malaria, which was quite thrilling. The parasite-carrying malaria was shown in its normal habitat, then actually entering the red blood cells of an individual, and the whole cycle of events responsible for what we recognise as ague or malaria—was demonstrated. Also the methods adopted to stamp out the Anopheles mosquito in the swampy districts. Realistic pictures were given of a patient suffering from Malaria.

Reference was, of course, made to induced malaria for therapeutic use in General Paralysis of the Insane. The effects of the exhibition of certain drugs were demonstrated, comparisons being made as to their relative values.

The value of the film was further enhanced by a short "lecturette" (if one may be guilty of a neologism) from Dr. Hancock, who emphasised the value of recognising the obliquity of the plane to be observed (though not obvious in the film) made by the particular mosquito capable of carrying the malaria parasite as it alights, as a means of recognition of the Anopheles species.

Dr. Hancock said how sorry we were not to have Matron with us—and how sorry Matron was not to be present, referring to the fact that the educational aspect of the films would have appealed to her tremendously.

Dr. Hancock then proposed a vote of thanks, which was unanimously carried, to the representatives of the firm, Bayer and Bayer, who had so kindly come down at such a late hour in order to enable all the Day Staff to be present. The operators were later entertained to supper, so ending a most instructive and enjoyable evening.

M. NEAL,

*Acting Hon. Secretary.*

### THE INFECTIOUS HOSPITALS MATRONS' ASSOCIATION.

On February 26th, the Infectious Hospitals Matrons' Association will hold their second annual dinner at the Florence Restaurant, Rupert Street, Piccadilly, after which they will enjoy "Cavalleria Rusticana" at the Sadler's Wells Theatre.

So strenuous are the duties of matrons in these days of difficult service, professional and domestic, that they are wise to enjoy rest and recreation from time to time, and lovely music is of all recreations the most delightful.

## THE GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR ENGLAND AND WALES.

A meeting of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales was held at the offices of the Council, 23, Portland Place, London, W., on January 28th.

### ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN.

The Minutes having been taken as read and confirmed, the next business on the Agenda was the election of Chairman. Miss Musson vacated the chair, which was taken by Sir Henry Cubitt Gooch, nominee of the Privy Council, who stated the only nomination for this post was that of Miss Musson; he therefore announced that Miss Musson was re-elected Chairman for the ensuing year.

Miss Musson then took the chair and expressed her thanks to the Council.

### ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN.

There was only one nomination for the office of Vice-Chairman—Miss R. A. Cox-Davies—who was elected for the ensuing year. Miss Cox-Davies expressed to the Council her thanks, and said she would do her best to be useful.

The Chairman reported to the Council the death of Miss E. Haldane, a member of the third Council, and of its Finance Committee.

The Chairman reported that H.R.H. The Princess Royal had graciously sent a signed photograph of herself, together with a Christmas card, to the Council; also Miss E. S. Innes, late member of the Council, had presented a silver inkstand for use in the Chairman's room.

### LIST OF MEMBERS OF COUNCIL, 1938.

#### APPOINTED BY THE PRIVY COUNCIL.

The Countess of Limerick, Chiddingley, West Hoathly, Sussex.  
Sir Henry C. Gooch, B.A., LL.B., J.P., 23, Wetherby Gardens, S.W.5.

#### APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Miss E. R. Gwatkin, M.A., Streatham Hill High School, S.W.2.  
Mrs. M. E. Edwards, 22, Parkway, Welwyn Garden City, Herts.

#### APPOINTED BY THE MINISTER OF HEALTH.

M. A. Collins, Esq., O.B.E., M.D., Burwood House, Whitstable Road, Canterbury.  
A. Geoffrey Evans, Esq., M.A., M.D., F.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., 7, Mansfield Street, W.1.  
Mrs. M. H. Kettle, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., c/o *The Lancet*, 7, Adam Street, W.C.2.  
Sir Frederick Menzies, K.B.E., M.D., LL.D., F.R.C.P., F.R.S.E., County Hall, S.E.1.  
Miss Z. L. Puxley, O.B.E., Ministry of Health, S.W.1.

#### ELECTED BY REGISTERED NURSES.

Miss G. M. Bowes, Birmingham Hospitals Centre, Birmingham.  
J. H. Buckley, Esq., J.P., 48, Hitchin Road, Arlesey, Beds.  
Miss A. Burgess, A.R.R.C., Crumpsall Hospital, Manchester.  
Miss F. M. Campbell, South Eastern Hospital, Avonley Road, S.E.14.  
Miss R. A. Cox-Davies, C.B.E., R.R.C., 20, Abbey Road, N.W.8.  
Miss H. Dey, O.B.E., R.R.C., St. Bartholomew's Hospital, E.C.1.  
Miss L. G. Duff Grant, Royal Infirmary, Manchester.  
Miss M. Jones, O.B.E., A.R.R.C., Royal Infirmary, Liverpool.

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