

well-being and by doing all that lay in her power to uplift the special branch of nursing under whose care they came. Generations of the mentally afflicted will have cause to bless the vision, altruism and educational work of their great matron. We hope that Miss Macaulay will greatly enjoy her well-earned retirement, although we hear rumours that she is likely to undertake matron's duty in connection with a war hospital, so that the rest and travel to which she looked forward to is likely to be indefinitely postponed. No doubt she will continue to take an interest in the affairs of her profession, for she was among the pioneers of the State Registration movement in the later years of its history, and she has always shown herself to be keenly interested in all that promised any new advancement in professional development. She has a very wide circle of friends in the nursing profession who are not likely to permit her to forget that they still regard her as a good comrade and very loyal colleague, and that hers is not a friendship that they could permit to be severed without disappointment.

Miss Macaulay is succeeded by Miss B. J. Wall, formerly Assistant Matron at the Hospital.

THE FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION.

We are informed by Miss Baggallay, Secretary, that the address of the F.N.I.F. is not care of Dr. Schlossmann of Cambridge as announced in our last issue, and that the business of the Foundation has been transferred to the Trustees, The Westminster Bank, 8a, Christchurch Road, Bournemouth, Hants. We are promised as soon as possible a full report of the arrangements which have been made for dealing with any Foundation business that may arise during the war.

It is much to be regretted that this work, calculated to strengthen international good will, has been summarily discontinued. We wonder why.

NATIONAL [SERVICE.

A Reserve of Male Mental Nurses and other Men with Qualifications and Experience in Nursing.

The Society of Registered Male Nurses has been asked by the Central Emergency Committee for Nursing to co-operate with H.M. Government in the formation of a reserve of Male Mental Nurses, and of other men with Nursing qualifications and experience.

Male Mental Nurses are particularly required for service where their specialised qualification and experience are likely to be needed.

Applicants should be under 60 years of age and either retired or at present engaged in private nursing. No application can be considered from those already committed to hospital service or who are likely to be called upon for other branches of H.M. Service.

Service in this reserve will be **WHOLE TIME**, and will be on a salaried basis. Applicants will be required to be mobile and available immediately they are called upon, and unless they are willing to serve wherever needed it may not be possible to use their services.

Application forms are available from the Secretary, The Society of Registered Male Nurses, 276, Princes Avenue, Palmers Green, N.13, or from the Secretary, Central Emergency Committee for Nursing, Ministry of Health, Whitehall, S.W.1.

E. J. GLAVIN,
Secretary.

The Society of Registered Male Nurses.

OUTSIDE THE GATES.

Come and Gone.

The Duke of Windsor came quietly home to his native land, saw the King at Buckingham Palace, offered his services to King and Country, and contentedly accepted a Staff Appointment in France.

The Duke served in the Grenadier Guards throughout the last war, being gazetted a lieutenant four days after the outbreak of war in August, 1914. He became lieutenant in 1915, captain in 1916, and received the temporary rank of major in 1918.

After the war, in 1919, he reached colonel's rank, became lieutenant-general in 1930, general in 1935, and field-marshal on his accession to the Throne in 1936.

His Royal Highness will enter upon his duties with the warm good wishes of the nation he is to serve.

Tennyson and Poland.

On hearing of the outbreak of the Polish Insurrection in 1833, as the result of the Russian Invasion, two sonnets were written by Alfred Tennyson, and are certainly significant at the present time of the devastation of Poland and its brave people:—

How long, O God, shall men be ridden down,
And trampled under by the last and least
Of men? The heart of Poland hath not ceased
To quiver, though her sacred blood doth drown
The fields; and out of every smouldering town
Cries to Thee, lest brute Power be increased . . .

Also:

Blow ye the trumpets, gather from afar
The hosts to battle; be not bought and sold.
Arise, brave Poles, the boldest of the bold;
Break through your iron shackles—fling them far. . . .

Alas! that the British Empire and France should alone have arisen to stay the course of flame and bloodshed—the modern method by which cowards murder the patriotic defenders of their fatherland.

No, we just don't wish to hear the word "neutrality" ever again.

Good News.

Mr. Anthony Eden, the Dominions Secretary, announced recently in the House of Commons that the Governments of Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa would each send a Cabinet Minister to London, as soon as practicable to confer with the British Government on war problems.

Poppy Day Appeal.

A belief has gained ground in many parts of the country that the annual Poppy Day collection on November 11th will not be made this year.

The British Legion is anxious that it should be made known as widely as possible that arrangements for the sale of poppies are going ahead in the normal way, and that, as in former years, the proceeds will be devoted to the work of the British Legion for disabled and necessitous ex-Service men and their families.

Volunteers to sell poppies on November 11th are urgently needed in all districts.

His Little Joke.

Large numbers of gas masks are being found in public places without any indication of the identity of their owners. The public are again strongly urged to write their names and addresses clearly on their gas mask containers, so that they may be able to recover them from lost property offices.

The truth is, in spite of royal example, you cannot make the average person take these grotesque appliances seriously. The man in the street must have his little joke, even if death looms in the offing.

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