

NO NATIONALITY IN NURSING.

We hear that Army Nurses are very busy in Egypt—and that hospitals in Cairo are very crowded—not only with our own wounded, but with thousands of prisoners there are naturally many who need skilled medical and nursing care, and of course they will get it. The motto of the International Council of Nurses has always been "There is no Nationality in Nursing."

NURSING WITH THE ARMY IN A WAR TIME STATION IN THE SUDAN.

Far from a township and the life it generates is to be found a self-contained hospital unit, which lacks few, if any, of the amenities associated usually with town hospitals alone.

The hospital wards are in specially constructed hutments planned to conform with hospital ward requirements and designed to meet the climatic conditions of the country.

The Operating Theatre and Plaster Room with adjacent X-ray Department are placed conveniently near the Surgical Division.

The cookhouse is close to the dining hall, and also to the food stores, saving time and ensuring a quick meal service.

The Nursing Sisters are housed in quarters apart from the hospital buildings, and yet within the hospital compound, and have a comfortable mess and ante-room; bedrooms are shared.

Recreational amenities, when situated as it were "miles from anywhere," present a very real problem, for even in war time relaxation is vital if good work is to be done and good health preserved.

This unit has solved the problem completely and in an amazing way.

Hard tennis courts were brought into being by the simple process of watering and rolling a spare piece of ground.

An open-air cinema, with a complete change of programme three times weekly, was established, and was greatly enjoyed, not only by the Medical and Nursing Staffs, but also by such patients as were well enough to use it.

An unused and derelict railway turntable was thoroughly cleaned and filled from an artesian well, and provided a swimming bath.

And finally, weekly dances helped to keep those who loved dancing in good trim and spirits.

As a native village with native shops is the only "shopping centre," once this has been exhausted, one just cannot help saving the money necessary for the fourteen days' leave which falls due to each member every six months.

Duty in this station is an experience few would willingly miss especially when it is known that the tour of service is for one year only.

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRONS.

Kilton Hill County Hospital, Worksop.—Miss Blanche Elizabeth Jeanne Felton, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at Sheffield Royal Infirmary (General) and Jessop Hospital for Women (Midwifery). Miss Felton has been Matron, the Midland Hospital, Birmingham; Assistant Matron, Royal Southern Hospital, Liverpool; and Assistant Matron and Sister Tutor, King Edward VII Hospital, Ribelin, Sheffield.

Abergele Sanatorium, Abergele, North Wales.—Miss Jane Owen, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Walton Hospital, Liverpool, and has been Matron at the Tuberculosis Hospital, Llangefni; and Matron at the North Wales Sanatorium, Denbigh.

Calceoven Institution, Dundee.—Miss Janet M'Vicar, Assistant Matron at Fife District Asylum, has been appointed Matron. She was trained in Glasgow Royal Infirmary.

ASSISTANT MATRONS.

Mill Hill Hospital, Mill Hill, London, N.W.—Miss O. F. Griffith, S.R.N., R.M.N., has been appointed First Assistant Matron. She was trained at King's College Hospital, London, and at Lord Mayor Treloar's Hospital, Alton, Hants. Miss Griffith has been Sister at the Maudsley Hospital, Denmark Hill, London; Sister at Claybury Hospital, Woodford Bridge, Essex; Sister Tutor and Home Sister at Bethlem Royal Hospital; and Home Sister and Sister Tutor (with rank of Assistant Matron) at Netberne Hospital, Coulsdon, Surrey.

Leavesden Hospital, Abbots Langley, Herts.—Miss M. Rea, S.R.N., R.M.N., has been appointed Second Assistant Matron. She was trained at St. James' Hospital (L.C.C.), London, S.W., and in Mental Nursing at Long Grove Hospital, Epsom, where she was later Staff and Acting Charge Nurse, and Charge Nurse. Miss Rea has also been Sister at the Manor, Epsom, Surrey.

CROYDON GENERAL HOSPITAL.

St. Luke's Tide was celebrated at Croydon General Hospital with the usual spirit of joy and goodwill.

On Saturday, October 17th, a short service of Thanksgiving was held in the Chapel, and the address was given by the Rt. Rev. M. H. Harland, M.A., Bishop of Croydon. The chairman, Sir Herbert Brown, O.B.E., the chairman of the Medical Committee, Dr. Hamond, and the House Governor and Secretary, Mr. T. W. Pemberton, were present. Among the congregation were many members of the Board of Management, Medical Staff, and past and present members of the Nursing Staff. The tea party that followed in the Nurses' Home proved a great success, and, writes the matron, "we were pleased to welcome so many of our colleagues, some of them bringing new members of their families. We were delighted that Sister H. M. Darling, who retired last year after many years of service as Sister Tutor and Home Sister, was able to join us once again."

The hospital was well represented on the following day, Sunday, October 18th, when all members of the medical and nursing professions in Croydon were invited to a very inspiring service at the Parish Church.

THE PASSING BELL.

The War Office.

It is with deep regret that we record that Miss Irene Brenda Morgan, S.R.N., Sister, Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service Reserve, was killed in action at Hong Kong in December, 1941.

Miss Morgan has been serving with Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service Reserve since March, 1940.

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