

Repairs and Renewals.	Printing.
Insurance.	Tuition.
Water.	Examination.
Light.	Inspectors.
Heat.	Compiling & printing the Roll.
Laundry	First-class travelling expenses for
Wear and Tear.	eleven persons to attend meet-
Clerical service.	ings of the Assistant Nurses'
Domestic service.	Committee.
Audit Fees.	Subsistence allowance for eleven
	persons.

It is computed that there are 16,000 Assistant Nurses at work with liberal remuneration.

Public Authorities controlling hospitals and institutions for sick and aged people are pushing the employment of Assistant Nurse Pupils for all they are worth, an expedient policy unjust to pupils and patients alike.

These Authorities should pay any deficit for organisation, as they do in relation to the Midwives Roll.

#### "THE HOSPITAL HEAD NURSE—JUNIOR EXECUTIVE AND CLINICAL INSTRUCTOR"

A new edition of "The Hospital Head Nurse—Junior Executive and Clinical Instructor," by Mary Marion Wayland, R. Luise Metcalf McManus, Margaret O. Faddis, and edited by Isabel M. Stewart, all of whom are instructors or professors of nursing or nursing education, has been issued in New York. We hope to refer to this valuable work in a further issue.

#### "REDBOOK" EDITION OF "THE ARMY NURSE" AVAILABLE.

The history of military nursing is told in an illustrated 32-page special "Redbook" edition of *The Army Nurse*, just off the press. Starting with the unrecorded past, the story of nursing is traced from earliest traditions to the birth of military nursing, and through the history of American military nursing to the work of the present U.S. Army Nurse Corps. Illustrations range from reproductions of old art to photographs from Civil War times on. The "Redbook" edition, which has been published as an aid in the procurement programme of Army nurses, is available to anyone who requests it from the Nursing Branch, Technical Information Division, Office of the Surgeon-General, 1818 H Street, N. W. Washington 25, D.C.

#### WHAT TO READ.

##### MEMOIRS AND BIOGRAPHY.

"A Victorian Diarist." Edited by E. C. E. Collier.

##### FICTION.

"The Malachite Casket." Tales from the Urals, Stalin Prize for Fiction.

"Magic Lantern." Lady Eleanor Smith.

"Foleys End." Doric Leslie.

"And Baffle Day." Simon Dare.

"North from Bombay." Susan Gillespie.

"Something in My Heart." Walter Greenwood.

"Just Before Dawn." Anne Green.

##### MISCELLANEOUS.

"Miracle in Hellas." Betty Wason.

"Red Surgeon." George Borodin.

"The Silent Traveller in Oxford." Chiang Jee.

"England is a Village." C. Henry Warren.

"The Last Abbot." A. F. Webling.

"Via Murmansk." Kenneth Fenwick.

"England and France, 1939-1943." R. B. McCallum.

"One King." A Survey of the Dominions and Colonies of the British Empire. Derek Tangye.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

*Whilst cordially inviting communications upon all subjects for these columns, we wish it to be distinctly understood that we do not in ANY WAY hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents.*

#### A PAGE OF NURSING HISTORY.

AMERICAN NURSES' ASSOCIATION.

1,790 Broadway,

New York 19, New York.

October 23rd, 1944.

MRS. BEDFORD FENWICK, S.R.N.

MY DEAR EDITOR,—This will acknowledge the receipt of your letter and thank you for the copies of your article which appeared in *THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING*, and which I have read with interest.

One copy has been referred to Miss Mary M. Roberts, Editor of the "American Journal of Nursing"; a second copy has been sent to Miss Katharine J. Densford, present President of the American Nurses' Association; other copies have been sent to the National League of Nursing Education and the National Organisation for Public Health Nursing.

We are very grateful to you for sending us this excellent page of nursing history, and are glad to have copies for our reference and our files.

Extending best wishes to you, I am \*

Cordially yours,

JULIA C. STIMSON, R.N.

[Reprints of our article on "The Founding of the International Council of Nurses," which appeared in *THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING* in July, 1944, has been circulated to National Associations of Nurses grouped in the International Council of Nurses.—ED.]

#### THE AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING.

1790, Broadway, New York 19, N.Y.

November 2, 1944.

MRS. BEDFORD FENWICK,  
THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING,

DEAR MRS. FENWICK,—Will you be kind enough to send us the name and address and subscription rate of *The Male Nurses' Journal*, quoted on page 112 of *THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING* for October?

It is a great satisfaction to us that the British magazines, on which we depend for news of our friends in London and throughout Great Britain, come through so promptly. They help to keep us united in thought through the long years of separation.

Mr. Churchill's speech in the House of Commons two days ago is being discussed everywhere here. We like his frankness, and, of course, his marvellous diction.

I hope you are as well as is possible under wartime restrictions.

Sincerely yours,

MARY M. ROBERTS, R.N., *Editor*.

[We have had pleasure in complying with this request and putting Miss Roberts in touch with the Editor of *The Male Nurses' Journal*.—ED.]

#### NURSES' REPRESENTATIVE COUNCILS.

[The question of whether or not Matrons should have seats on the proposed Nurses' Representative Councils in Hospitals is one of the utmost importance, and we hope to publish letters received on the subject in our next issue.—ED.]

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