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of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (University of London) ; Professor Andrew Topping, Professor of Preventive Medicine, University of Manchester ; Professor R. E. Lane, Professor of Industrial Health, University of Manchester; Mr. J. H. Forshaw, M.C., Chief Architect and Housing Consultant, Ministry of Health; Mr. J. B. L. Thompson, M.C., President, Institution of Municipal Engineers; Mrs. M. D. Baird, Chairman, Public Health Committee, Aberdeen; Mr. H. B. Allan, Superintending Inspector, Animal Health Division for Yorkshire, Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries; Dr. F. Hall, C.B.E., President, Society of Medical Officers of Health; and Mr. H. Priestley, M.B.E., Chief Sanitary Inspector, Blackpool.

The food and nutrition section of the Congress will be held jointly with the Food Group of the Society of Chemical Industry, whose Chairman, Dr. E. B. Hughes, will act as President of the joint meeting.

The centenary of the first Public Health Act in Britain will be celebrated at Olympia, London, from November 15th to 20th next, by the revival for the first time for 10 years of the Public Health and Municipal Engineering Congress and Exhibition.

Exhibits will illustrate progress since the Royal Assent was given to the first Public Health Act on August 30th, 1848. That Act, which was passed after years of effort and agitation largely by one man, Edwin Chadwick, made it possible to fight cholera and other disease, and gave Britain a public health service, the efficiency of which will be demonstrated at Olympia.

Since the State Registered Nurse has acquainted herself with every aspect concerning the Public Health, we think this Exhibition will be of special interest to her.

MEMORIAL SERVICE TO THE LATE MISS ELIZABETH MARTIN, R.R.C., S.R.N., F.B.C.N.

On March 3rd, a Memorial Service to the memory of Miss Elizabeth Martin, late Matron of the Wood Green and Southgate Hospital, was held at St. Michael's Church, Wood Green, where a large congregation assembled.

The Rev. J. G. B. Ashworth opened his Address with the text "For I was sick and Ye visited me," and, in paying tribute to her life's work, said : "The medical and surgical staff of the hospital where

she worked will no doubt miss her, but they must remember that it will be the object of those who remain to maintain the high standard so strictly maintained by Miss Martin. She lived as she died—in harness—healing and comforting the sick and dying."

The Vicar then quoted the words of Dr. Gordon Simpson, chairman of the honorary medical and surgical staff at the hospital : "The passing of Miss Martin has meant a heavy loss to all who worked with her at the hospital, to which she had given such long and devoted service.

"Members of the medical and surgical staff of the hospital had in her a confidence born of long experience, tested in many ordeals and always justified by her remarkable power of meeting any crisis.

" Neither the shocks of the war years nor the tribulations of the post-war years could quench her enthusiasm or dim her courage.'

TENTATIVE PROGRAMME FOR INTERIM CONFERENCE I.C.N.

JUNE 12th-16th, 1949, STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN.

All sessions will be held in the Tennis Hall, Stockholm.

SUNDAY, JUNE 12TH.

- Registration in the Tennis Hall.
- 8 p.m. Florence Nightingale Oration in four churches, two Catholic and two Protestant.
 - The oration will be delivered by the Archbishop of Sweden and the Bishop of Stockholm.
 - Light-procession of student nurses.
 - Songs by the Nurses' Choir.
- Organ music.

Monday, June 13th.

10 a.m.-1 p.m. Opening ceremony.

Music.

- Address of welcome : Vice-Chairman of the Swedish Nurses' Association.
- The President of I.C.N. will invite H.R.H. the Crown Princess to declare the Conference open. Addresses by:
- The Prime Minister.
- The Director General of the Medical and Health Board.
- The Governor General.
- The Chairman: Union of Professional Women.
- Vote of thanks: Two member countries I.C.N.
- 3-6 p.m. Nursing Education : Discussion.
- 8 p.m. Banquet in the Town Hall of Stockholm.

TUESDAY, JUNE 14TH.

- 9-11 a.m. Shortage of Nurses : Discussion.
- 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Relief Work : Discussion.
- 3 p.m. Visits of small groups to various institutions :
 - 1. Schools of Nursing.
 - 2. Hospitals.
 - 3. Child Welfare Centres.
 - 4. A Tuberculosis Centre.
 - 5. Schools.
 - 6. The Town Mission (voluntary relief work).
 - 7. Factories.
 - "Own Homes" and other modern dwellings.
 The Old City of Stockholm.

 - 10. A modern experimental Home for problem children.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15TH.

9 a.m.—12 noon Medical care in Sweden : Discussion. 2 p.m. Reports :

- 1. Executive Secretary I.C.N.
- 2. Chairmen I.C.N. Committees.
- 7 p.m. Chronicle Play: History of nursing in the northern countries.

THURSDAY, JUNE 16TH.

Visits to country towns of Sweden.

Note.—All nurses wishing to attend the I.C.N. Congress in Stockholm in 1949 must produce evidence of membership in their national nursing association which is a member of I.C.N. (The National Council of Nurses of Great Britain and Northern Ireland).



