

Church History—10 hours.  
Literature—50 hours.  
Singing—20 hours.  
Biology.

I carried away from this memorable visit an admiration for the work being done and an indelible impression of the fresh, youthful enthusiasm of the students, the kindly, helpful leadership of the teachers and the graciousness of our charming hostesses.

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## Nursing Echoes.

THE PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL of the British College of Nurses, Ltd., were very pleased to welcome Miss Mabel Wakefield, S.R.N., R.M.P.A., F.B.C.N., to the Council table on September 27th.

Trained at the Leicester Royal Infirmary and at the City Mental Hospital, Humberstone, Leicester, where she later became Sister, Miss Wakefield has held the position of Assistant Matron at the Royal Mental Hospital, Glasgow, and is now the much loved Matron of the Bexley Mental Hospital in Kent.

We wish Miss Wakefield a happy term of office, and are sure that she will have much to contribute to the deliberations of the Council to which she has just been appointed.

MISS CLARIBEL M'CORQUODALE, Temporary Associate Executive Secretary to Miss D. C. Bridges, Executive Secretary of the International Council of Nurses, left for U.S.A. and Canada on September 29th, on the *Queen Elizabeth*. She came to England in March of this year to assist with the arrangements for the International Conference, which was held in Stockholm in June. Miss M'Corquodale, who is a Canadian, was for many years Nursing Supervisor of cancer treatment in Canada—resigning her post in December, 1948, to come temporarily to the International Council of Nurses. It is expected that she will return to headquarters early next year in her former capacity.

THE LONDON HOSPITAL LEAGUE OF NURSES will be holding a meeting for Members on Saturday afternoon, January 14th, 1950.

TEN EGYPTIAN NURSES reported for duty, two to each of five London hospitals on Friday morning, September 2, and for two weeks followed the normal working programme of a British nurse.

After a four-day break for sightseeing and visits in London, they went to Birmingham on Thursday, September 22, for a similar period of practical training.

The nurses were sent to the United Kingdom by the Egyptian government under arrangements made by the

British Council, and their programme was planned in conjunction with the Ministry of Health.

The scheme was prepared as the result of interest shown in the British Council course for overseas nurses held in Edinburgh in July this year. The Egyptian Ministry of Health asked for more places than could be accommodated. Arrangements were therefore made with the British Council for five matrons of Egyptian hospitals to attend the course, and a special training course was arranged for 10 nurses.

The group comprises:—

Miss Hamida Mohammed Makled and Miss Thoria Mausea, physiotherapists at the Children's Hospital, Cairo, who studied at the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street, W.C.1.

Miss Habiba Abdel Rabbo, medical nurse, and Miss Mary Tomma Attala, midwifery nurse, at Demerdache Hospital, Cairo, studied at University College Hospital, Gower Street, W.C.1.

Miss Mofida Badawi (leader of the group), outpatients nurse, and Miss Zeyada El Baroudi, medical ward nurse at Fouad El Awal Hospital, Cairo, studied at the Middlesex Hospital, Mortimer Street, W.1.

Miss Mary Ibrahim Ghaly, theatre nurse, and Miss Hagiba Abdel Hamed, orthopaedic nurse of Alexandria Hospital, studied at Hammersmith Hospital, Ducane Road, Hammersmith, W.12.

Miss Theodara Aziz Boulas, theatre nurse, and Miss Bahia Abdel Baki, general surgery nurse of Kasr El Aini Hospital, Cairo, studied at West London Hospital, Hammersmith Road, Hammersmith, W.6.

The group arrived by air in

London on August 31 returning on October 15.

These nurses paid a visit to the International Council of Nurses on September 22 and were received by Miss Daisy C. Bridges, the Executive Secretary.

A photograph was taken on the steps of 19, Queen's Gate, London, in which the President and Hon. Secretary of the British College of Nurses, Ltd., were invited to take part.

WE LEARN from *Aural News* that scientific methods for detecting deafness among school children are to be employed by Middlesex County Council. It is estimated that there are 25,000 children in the county suffering from varying degrees of deafness.

Loss of hearing, says a report of the Health Committee, is frequently the cause of educational retardation, speech defects, inferiority complexes and unsocial behaviour. The aim of the new move is to detect deafness at an early age, so that where necessary the children can be given hearing aids, specialist treatment, or be sent to schools catering for their degree of disability.



Miss Mabel Wakefield, S.R.N., R.M.P.A., F.B.C.N., new Councillor of the British College of Nurses, Ltd.

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