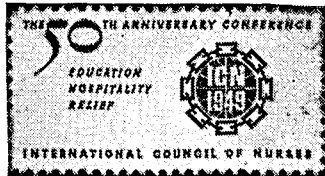


The National Council of Nurses of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

IT gives us much pleasure to reproduce herewith, in actual size, an illustration of the seal which has been designed in blue and grey on a white background, and placed on sale to help raise funds for the International Council of Nurses



which has just celebrated its fiftieth year of service to the nurses of the world.

We do hope our readers will help this good work by purchasing a book of 80 seals for 5s., the minimum price, and if possible add a little extra.

Miss Frances Rowe, the Executive Secretary of the National Council of Nurses, will be happy to forward these books on application to her at 17, Portland Place, London, W.1. A seal will add a little extra touch of gaiety to your Christmas letters and parcels.

Miss M. S. Cochrane, R.R.C., Honorary Secretary of the National Council of Nurses, will address members of the Sheffield Royal Infirmary Nurses League, on November 5th, and also the Yorkshire Group of the Association of Hospital Matrons on November 10th, 1949, on the work of the National Council of Nurses. Miss Cochrane has also consented to present the prizes to the nurses of St. Luke's Hospital, Bradford, on November 9th, 1949.

Meeting of the Grand Council.

A meeting of the Grand Council of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain and Northern Ireland will be held on Thursday, November 24, 1949, at Queen Mary's Nurses' Home (The Nurses' Home of Westminster Hospital), 20, Page Street, London, S.W.1. The meeting will commence at 11.30 a.m. and reassemble after luncheon at 2.15 p.m.

Notice of this meeting has been circulated to members of the Grand Council.

A full agenda is planned, from which it is hoped that many concrete proposals for the continued usefulness of the National Council of Nurses will be put into effect.

Each year presidents and delegates of newly affiliated associations of nurses enlarge this gathering, and matrons of London hospitals issue an invitation for the meeting to be held in their Nurses' Home.

Much work is undertaken by the nursing staff to see that their guests are kindly received and welcomed, and entertained to a delightful tea when deliberations are completed.

Miss Ceris Jones, the matron of the Westminster Hospital, is the hostess on this occasion.

A Professional Conference.

The National Council of Nurses of Great Britain and Northern Ireland has arranged for a professional conference to be held on Wednesday, November 23, 1949, at 6.30 p.m., at the Kingsway Hall, Kingsway, London, W.C.2. The subjects will be "Hospital Planning and Design" and

"Hospital Equipment in Relation to Saving of Time and Energy."

Mr. Rees Phillips, F.R.I.B.A., F.R.San.I., who has had wide experience on hospital planning and design, has consented to speak on this subject and the names of other speakers will be announced later.

Early application for tickets (2s. 6d. each) should be made to Miss Frances Rowe, Executive Secretary, National Council of Nurses, 17, Portland Place, London, W.1.

Miss F. Rowe, S.R.N., Executive Secretary, will address the Prince of Wales Hospital Nurses League on the work of the National Council on Saturday, November 26th, 1949.

The British College of Nurses, Ltd.

A MEETING of the Council of the British College of Nurses, Ltd., was held at 19, Queen's Gate, London, S.W.7, on Tuesday, October 25th, 1949, at 2.30 p.m.

Miss M. B. MacKellar, Vice-President, was in the Chair.

Prayers having been read, the Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

The Chairman reported the receipt of a letter from the President, Miss H. McLoughlin, F.B.C.N., from which the meeting was glad to learn that she was recuperating at Hastings.

As Miss de M. Warren, D.N., Vice-President, was acting as the college representative at the Conference of the National Council of Women at Harrogate, she was unable to attend.

Correspondence was considered in connection with legal aid and agreed.

The Draft Annual Report.

The Draft Annual Report, 1948-1949, was read and adopted.

The Annual General Meeting.

The Annual General Meeting of Fellows and Members was arranged to be held on Friday, December 9th, 1949, at 2.30 p.m., to be followed by the celebration of Registration Day and the ceremony of the cutting of the cake. All Fellows and Members are heartily welcome to both these functions, and their friends also, to the celebration ceremony of Registration Day.

Lectures.

A Course of four Lectures on Literature and the Drama, by Mr. F. P. Edwards, is being arranged to take place monthly. The first is announced for January 20th, 1950, on the English Novel; and the second one on the Drama, will take place on February 17th.

The meeting then terminated.

What Our Members Are Doing.

DEAR MISS BRYSON:—

I feel very honoured by your invitation, and send you some details regarding my professional career, and hope your readers may enjoy hearing about some of my activities since training days.

As you know, my early life was spent in New Zealand, where I entered training at the Auckland Hospital, and spent four of the happiest years of my life. Like all undergraduates, full of eagerness to explore far away places, many of us made plans to travel to the United States as soon as the happy day arrived when we would be adorned with that small pin with the stamp R.N. on it.

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