

### Nursing Echoes.

THE ROYAL AIR FORCE SUPPLEMENT of the "London Gazette," published November 7th, announces that the King has approved the appointment of Her Royal Highness the Princess Royal, C.I., G.C.V.O., G.B.E., as Air Chief Commandant of the Princess Mary's Royal Air Force Nursing Service, with effect from October 7th, 1950.

Her Royal Highness formerly held the appointment of President of the P.M.R.A.F.N.S. Her new appointment follows a recent change of status of the Nursing Service which included the adoption of rank titles similar to those used by officers of the Women's Royal Air Force instead of the former professional nursing titles.

SINCE LEAVING ENGLAND on Monday, September 25th, 1950, Brigadier A. Thomson has covered approximately 10,000 miles during her tour of the Middle East. She has travelled by plane, train and motor transport.

During the tour Brigadier Thomson has met the D.M.S.s, D.D.M.S.s, D.A.N.S.s, A.D.A.N.S.s, and D.A.D.A.N.S.s of all Commands visited and she has also met all Q.A.R.A.N.C. nursing officers.

Brigadier Thomson has attended many social functions which were arranged in her honour. She has visited places of great interest and at Cyprus signed H.E. Governor's Book. Her sleeping quarters have ranged from palaces to huts.

In all Commands Brigadier Thomson has been most enthusiastically received. In Nanyuki the Q.A.R.A.N.C. Corps Flag was flown for the first time. This flag has now been transferred to Nairobi where it will have an honoured place at the General Hospital there.

Brigadier Thomson has been able to discuss Q.A.R.A.N.C. nursing and welfare problems on the spot, and the whole tour will enable her to grasp, more easily, the essential military nursing and administrative difficulties of this large Command.

She returned to this country on November 19th, 1950.

IT HAS BEEN DECIDED TO SEND additional Army Nurses to the Far East. Nursing officers of Queen Alexandra's Royal Army Nursing Corps will be sailing in the near future and will undertake the nursing care of sick and wounded British officers and men from Korea.



Miss Ellen Johanne Bröe  
Newly appointed Director  
Florence Nightingale International Foundation.

The Director of Army Nursing Services has received numerous enquiries from applicants for Q.A.R.A.N.C. commissions since the Korean campaign started. The Nursing Corps is still very much below strength.

THE WINTER MEETING of the London Hospital Nurses' League, will take place on Saturday afternoon, January 6th, 1951, at 2.30 p.m. It will be followed by a talk on "The Constitution and Work of the New General Nursing Council," by Miss Henry, the Registrar.

ONCE AGAIN WE BRING to the notice of our readers the effort of the Grenfell Association of Great Britain and Ireland to raise funds for the great medical work carried on in Labrador and Northern Newfoundland by the sale of Christmas Cards and Calendars.

Devaluation has affected the fish and lumber industries in Labrador, practically the only means of livelihood, causing unemployment and distress and the coming winter will be a severe one for many in this sub-arctic country. These conditions will undoubtedly throw a great strain on the Mission and encourage tuberculosis which is already causing grave concern in the north.

To enable the Grenfell Association to do all it can for the Labrador fishermen who are facing such tremendous odds we so want to help it to break all records this year, and with your generous co-operation it could be achieved.

The Christmas Cards are especially attractive this year, and the colouring so delicate.

(A) "The Silver Birch," set amidst the pines, costs 1s. each, and envelopes are supplied with all cards; (C) the Madonna design shows Newfoundland mother and babe, followed by the dear Arctic animals climbing the snow-covered mountain

to reach the Madonna at the top, and costs 9d. each; (B) Mother and father polar bear on ice, with young offspring who is saying, "I don't care what you say—I'm cold," costs 6d. each; and a pocket calendar showing ships in the Arctic seas costs 3d. each with no envelope.

When ordering please do so by the initial letter (A), (B), (C), from the Association at 66, Victoria Street, London, S.W.1.

Aspiration should be transformed into inspiration, and inspiration in its turn to achievement.

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