The Lord Mayor's National Thanksgiving Fund.

IT is with the greatest satisfaction that the President, Council, Fellows and Members of the British College of Nurses, Ltd., learn of the appeal for contributions to the Lord Mayor of London's scheme by which some practical form of appreciation could be shown "to our kinsmen and friends overseas for the vast total of their food gifts during these difficult years and the wonderful spirit which has inspired them."

Continuing, Sir Frederick Rowlands, the Lord Mayor of London, said: "Large numbers of students arrive every year for postgraduate or undergraduate courses of study in every branch of technical professional learning.

"Each and all are faced with the problem of accommodation at a reasonable rate, with the necessity of professional advice and assistance, and with the desire for friendship and cultural contacts in a strange land."

It is intended to erect from the Fund's proceeds suitable buildings which will house students from the

of London and those responsible for providing us with this opportunity of expressing, in tangible form, our profound thanks.

Nursing Echoes.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Association of Sick Children's Hospital Nurses will be held on Saturday, April 29th, at 2 p.m. at the Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street, London, W.C.1. All Sick Children's Nurses are invited.

WE ARE ASKED TO ANNOUNCE that the Executive Committee Meeting of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain and Northern Ireland will be held on April 27th, 1950, at 2.30 p.m. at the Royal Free Hospital, Gray's Inn Road, London, W.C.1.

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NURSES OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND has been informed by Dame Katharine Jones, D.B.E., R.R.C., Chairman of the



An artist's view of the developments planned for the Mecklenburgh Square site by the Lord Mayor's National Thanksgiving Fund. Left, the proposed new building for married and women students from the Commonwealth and the U.S.A.; right, portion of the Georgian terrace to be reconstructed to accommodate American men students. The building on the left will match London House, the Commonwealth men students' residential hall, on the opposite side of the Square.

Commonwealth and the United States of America in Mecklenburg Square, on the old Foundling estate.

"An extensive university and educational centre with special provision for students from overseas would thus in due course be created. Here, in a revived and beautified part of old London, succeeding generations of students from all parts of the Commonwealth Overseas and from the United States will gather in search of knowledge.

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"From here, it is hoped, they will scatter over the earth's surface to spread the wisdom of peaceful cooperation born of mutual understanding."

We do hope our colleagues, wherever they are, will respond generously to this appeal, which they can do by buying special stamps, ranging in value from 6d. to 10s., at post offices throughout the country for purchase as contributions to the fund. Other contributions can be sent either direct to the Mansion House or paid through any bank by special credit slips, or by sending their donations to be included in the contribution being sent by the British College of Nurses, Ltd.

We cannot say how grateful we are to the Lord Mayor

United Nursing Services Club, Ltd., that the Board of Directors have recently arranged a temporary form of membership of this Club, open to trained Nurses from overseas. The subscription is 15s. for a period of six months.

It is hoped that this may meet the needs of our overseas visitors who are in the Nursing Profession.

Further particulars can be obtained from: The Secretary, United Nursing Services Club, Ltd., 34, Cavendish Square, London, W.1.

WE ARE GREATLY CHEERED in our onerous duties by a bowl of smiling primroses on our desk.

Kind friends in Devonshire see to it that we receive a yearly gift of these messengers of spring, Britain's loveliest season, we contend.

An appropriate message always accompanies these gifts, this time it is:—

"Us 'ave vound zum more Primroses for 'ee, and 'opes they'll remind 'ee of Devon Valley. 1950,"

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