

## Nursing Echoes.

HER MAJESTY QUEEN MARY has been graciously pleased to approve the appointment of 112 nurses to be Queen's Nurses, 92 in England, 18 in Scotland and two in Northern Ireland.

H.H. PRINCESS MARIE LOUISE, a grand-daughter of Queen Victoria, who is keenly interested in nursing and social welfare work, will open an exhibition of "District Nursing in London" at the Burroughs Wellcome Foundation, 183, Euston Road, London, N.W.1, on October 23rd.

Organised by the Central Council for District Nursing in London, of which Princess Marie Louise is patron, the exhibition will be open for four days until October 26th.

The theme—"A Day in the Life of a District Nurse"—will be illustrated by photographs and other display material supplied by the Queen's Institute of District Nursing and the Ranyard Nurses.

Exhibits will be arranged so that visitors can in effect "Meet the Friend of the Family," and learn something of the specialised nature of her work.

Demonstrations of injection therapy, surgical dressings, medical nursing and barrier nursing for infectious cases will show how district nurses treat patients in their homes, while equipment and uniform will be especially displayed.

Potential district nurses will be interested in the exhibits dealing with training—which include supervised experience in home nursing—and opportunities after training for public health and social nursing.

Emphasis will be laid throughout on those qualities of initiative and sense of personal responsibility which district nurses must show while out on their own.

Visitors will be shown round by fully qualified district nurses, and it is hoped that parties of hospital nurses and school children will be organised to visit the exhibition.

For individual visitors, admission will be by ticket obtainable on application to Miss Hilda McKeague, B.A., Secretary-Accountant, Central Council for District Nursing in London, 25, Cockspur Street, London, S.W.1.

## Washington Nurse Wins Nationwide Fellowship Competition.

Nurse Hilda M. Boerhave of Pullman, Washington, has been awarded the 1951 Mary M. Roberts Fellowship in competition with 43 nurses from 21 states who vied for one of the most coveted prizes open to professional nurses. This was announced on August 1st by the *American Journal of Nursing*, donor of the award.

Miss Boerhave was selected for the honour by an Award Committee which included author Dorothy Canfield Fisher. The winner will receive \$3,000 for a year's study beginning in the fall of 1951 at Teachers' College, Columbia University. She will do graduate work in nursing education, adult education and journalism.

Now director of Nursing Education at the State College of Washington, Miss Boerhave is the second recipient of this unique nursing fellowship which was established last year by the Journal's Board of Directors in honour of Miss Mary M. Roberts, R.N., distinguished editor emeritus. Purpose of the fellowship is to assist qualified nurses to acquire

writing skills so that they can better interpret nursing to nurses, potential nurses and the general public, a cause for which Miss Roberts strove for many years.

Miss Boerhave is a native of Lynden, Whatcom County, Washington. She holds degrees of Bachelor of Science in Nursing (1940), and Master of Nursing (1950), from the University of Washington. She also attended the Western Washington College of Education at Bellingham, and did postgraduate work at the State College of Washington.

She is registered to practice nursing in both Washington and Oregon. Prior to her present teaching post, she served for four years as medical

ward supervisor and instructor at Good Samaritan Hospital, Portland, Oregon. She is a member of the Washington State Board of Nurse Registration under appointment by Governor Langlie and has been active in both Washington and Oregon in the State Nurses' Association and the State League of Nursing Education.

Competitors for the Mary M. Roberts Fellowship were judged on their general professional qualifications, interest and facility in writing, and a specially prepared manuscript pertaining to nursing. Under the award plan, choice of school is left up to the candidate, although her proposed course of study, which must include courses in writing, requires approval of the committee.

The *American Journal of Nursing*, which last year celebrated its Golden Anniversary, is the official magazine of the American Nurses' Association and the National League of Nursing Education.



Miss Hilda M. Boerhave, R.N., receiving congratulations from Miss Kathleen M. Leahy, R.N., President of the Board of Directors of "The American Journal of Nursing," on winning the Mary M. Roberts Fellowship.

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