## The New Zealand Trained Nurses' Association

## Central Council

The members of the Central Council are: Auckland—Mrs. Kidd, Mrs. Oliphant, Miss A. Bagley.

Christchurch.—Dr. Sandston, Dr. Guthrie.

Dunedin.—Miss Holford, Miss Thomson. Mrs. Milne, Miss Newman.

Wellington members to be elected at next meeting.

## Auckland Branch

The usual monthly meetings were held and were well attended. Mrs. Ross and Miss Wotherspoon resigned from the Council, and Miss Winter and Miss Heggie were elected in their stead. Sister Neal, who has just returned from military duty, was re-appointed on the Council.

It was decided to have the grounds at the club put in order and other necessary improvements and alterations carried out.

A sale of work took place at the club on May 8th in order to provide funds for the above purpose. The weather was perfect, and there was a large attendance, and a good assortment of pretty and useful articles were displayed. The sweet stall was well patronised, and was in charge of Miss Rudd and Miss Kelly; the toy stall was in charge of Mrs. Bischoff and Mrs. Adeane, and Mrs. Moss and Miss Wotherspoon did good business at the plain and fancy work stall. There was also an afternoon tea table. The proceeds amounted to £37, which it is hoped will be increased by other functions during the winter.

## Wellington Branch

Owing to the epidemic, the annual meeting was not held as usual in November, so a general meeting was called for March 12th. Dr. Young was in the chair, and there were 19 members present.

After discussion on nurses' fees, it was decided that the matter be referred to the Triennial Council for consideration. Now that the war is over, we hope there is every likelihood of this being reinstated.

In the meantime it was resolved:-

(1) That nurses should have the right to charge  $3\frac{1}{2}$  guineas, in place of 3 guineas as formerly, if they so desire.

(2) That notifiable infectious cases be charged £4 4s per week, and quarantine fee

to be abolished.

(3) That rule 16, section 9, in our bylaws, be altered to read, "When a nurse is at a case over three days, full week's fee be charged.

It was decided also that the present council resign, and there be a new election. This election fell through, as, though nomination papers were sent out, there were not suffi-

cient nominees for a new council, So the present council holds office till the general election in October.

It was also agreed that any interested in nurses should be encouraged to become lifemembers of the association, at a subscription of £5 5s, any money so collected to be put into a fund to form a nucleus to meet the liability of club debentures.

It was also hoped all military nurses would rejoin the association on their return to this country.

The nurses were asked to elect 2 members each month (1 general and 1 midwifery-trained) as their representatives to the council.

Several new members have joined the association.

Mrs. Kendall, Miss Payne, and Miss Inglis were appointed as members of the Triennial Council, representing this branch.

It is hoped at an early date to hold a reunion of nurses, in our nurses' club, to take the form of a welcome back of those nurses who have served with the military forces,