

Applications for approval of Hospitals as affiliated Training Schools for Nurses; for continuation of approval of Hospitals as Training Schools for Nurses; and Pre-Nursing Courses, were agreed.

It was agreed that a Sub-Committee of Miss Dey, Miss Alexander, Miss Catnach, Miss Houghton (Chairman and Vice-Chairman *ex officio*) be appointed to deal with matters arising out of the examinations and other business; a Sub-Committee of Miss Dey, Miss Campbell, Miss Hillyers, Miss Holland, Miss Houghton, Miss Lane, Miss Pearce (Chairman and Vice-Chairman *ex officio*) to consider the revision of the Examination Syllabuses and the Comprehensive Schemes of Training; and a Sub-Committee of Miss Dey, Miss Alexander, Miss Campbell, Miss Hillyers, Miss Houghton, Miss Lane, Miss MacManus, Miss Watt (Chairman and Vice-Chairman *ex officio*) to consider the requirements of the Committee in regard to conditions of approval of Hospitals as Training Schools.

Disciplinary and Penal Cases.

It was reported that Miss L. G. Duff Grant has been elected Chairman of the Disciplinary and Penal Cases Committee.

It was reported that the Council's Solicitor has been instructed to take action under Section 8 (1) of the Nurses Registration Act against six persons who have falsely represented themselves to be Registered Nurses. The results of three of the cases were announced.

Mental Nursing.

It was reported that Miss K. M. Willis has been re-elected Chairman of the Mental Nursing Committee.

General Purposes.

It was reported that Miss K. M. Willis has been re-elected Chairman of the General Purposes Committee.

A Sub-Committee of Chairman of Council, Vice-Chairman of Council, Chairman of Finance Committee, and Chairman of General Purposes Committee has been appointed to deal with matters arising in connection with the extension of the premises.

Estimates to the value of £186 15s. 0d. for Filing Cabinets, and £297 2s. 4d. for Kardex Steel Stands and Kardex Cabinets were accepted.

Uniform.

It was reported that Miss F. M. Campbell has been elected Chairman of the Uniform Committee.

Assistant Nurses.

It was agreed that 818 applicants whose applications have been found to be in order, be approved for enrolment, and the Registrar was instructed to enter their names to the Roll of Assistant Nurses.

Disciplinary Case.

The case of Elizabeth Williams, S.R.N. 13178, R.F.N. 2858 (deferred from Council on February 26th, 1944), was considered *in camera*, and it was agreed that the case be dismissed.

The application by Miss E. M. Corlett (now Mrs. Shipman) for restoration of her name to the Register was considered *in camera*.

Next Meeting of the Council.

The next meeting of the Council was fixed for March 23rd.

REVISED SYLLABUS OF SUBJECTS FOR ADMISSION TO THE EXAMINATIONS OF THE GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR ENGLAND AND WALES.

We have received from the General Nursing Council for England and Wales copies of the Revised Syllabus of Subjects of Examination for the Preliminary Examination, the Final Certificate of General Nursing, the Certificate of

Mental Nursing, the Certificate of Mental Defective Nursing, the Certificate for Sick Children's Nurses, and for the Certificate of Fever Nursing, which we consider highly commendable, and congratulate the General Nursing Council upon accomplishing a very arduous task.

We must not, however, fail to realise that it is a limited number of young women seeking admission to the Nursing Profession who will be able to attain the standards defined.

These Syllabuses have not yet been agreed by the Minister of Health, but no doubt his decision will not be long delayed upon these professional matters.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO INTENDING SISTER TUTORS.

It has been suggested to the Minister of Health that hospital authorities would welcome some guidance as to the type of scholarship or other forms of assistance which the Minister is at present prepared to recognise for grant purposes to enable nurses to train as qualified Sister Tutors.

The following points indicate the forms of financial assistance and the general conditions to which the Minister is at present prepared to give his approval:—

(i) The assistance should be such as would cover the tuition fees, the examination fees, the cost of the necessary books, and travelling expenses necessarily incurred in travelling during the course of training. In addition maintenance should either be provided by the hospital authority or a reasonable allowance paid in lieu.

(ii) The authority should not seek to tie the nurse to them for more than two years after qualification as a sister tutor, and if an early vacancy for a sister tutor cannot be offered by the authority and she can obtain a sister tutor's appointment elsewhere, the authority should consider the question of her early release.

(iii) The Training Institution would be one of the recognised Training Institutions giving a whole-time course of training for Sister Tutors at the present time, i.e. the Royal College of Nursing; the King's College of Household and Social Science; the Battersea Polytechnic. When the General Nursing Council have made rules prescribing the qualifications of teachers of nurses, the hospital authorities will be expected to send nurses to whom scholarships are awarded only to courses which satisfy the requirements of the General Nursing Council.

Subject to the Minister's prior approval, additional expenditure resulting from financial assistance given on the lines indicated above will be recognised as ranking for a 50 per cent. grant.

Existing schemes already approved by the Minister are not affected by the provisions of this Circular.

THE GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR SCOTLAND.

We have received from the General Nursing Council for Scotland a list of the candidates who have passed the whole subjects of the Council's February, 1945, Examinations.

KING EDWARD'S HOSPITAL FUND FOR LONDON.

King Edward's Hospital Fund for London has received a further generous instalment from the Nuffield Trust for the Special Areas, the amount being £75,000. The King's Fund is deeply appreciative of this welcome addition to its resources which will enable it to help the voluntary hospitals of London to meet the heavy calls which will be made upon them in the post-war reconstruction period.

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