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## THE GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR ENGLAND AND WALES.

#### REGISTER FOR EXISTING NURSES AND NURSES WITH INTERMEDIATE QUALIFICATIONS NOW OPEN.

Under the Nurses' Registration Act, 1919, the General Nursing Council for England and Wales, constituted under the Act, was authorised, among other duties, to frame the Rules for the admission of Nurses to the Register.

These Rules have now been signed by the Minister of Health, and the Register is now open for the Registration of existing nurses and nurses with intermediate qualifications. The Register is formed of a General Part for the Registration of general trained nurses, and four Supplementary Parts, for nurses who have been trained in Mental Hospitals, Children's Hospitals, and Fever Hospitals, and for Male Nurses.

Nurses desiring to avail themselves of Registration should apply for application forms to the Registrar at the offices of the Council, 12, York Gate, Regent's Park, London, N.W.

HOW TO FILL IN THE APPLICATION FORM. I. Read the Form carefully.

2. Verify information for absolutely correct replies to questions.

3. Make a clean copy on foolscap paper.

4. When correct, copy statements on to Application Form.

5. Write very clearly, especially signature. Name sent to Registrar in block letters, will be a great help.

6. Certificate must be very carefully copied, as it will be retained and filed—after the original has been inspected and returned.

7. The fee must be enclosed with application, and a crossed cheque used when applicant has a banking account. If postal order is sent, the letter should be registered.

8. Nurses resident in London can call at the Office, 12, York Gate, Regent's Park, N.W. (opposite St. Marylebone Church), and hand in Form and Fee, for which a card of acknowledgement will be given.

The statement is made in the Nursing Mirror that "no money should be sent until the nurse has been informed that she has been accepted for the State Register." This is incorrect. Reference to Form I(a) and Form I(b) of the Second Schedule of the Rules framed by the General Nursing Council for England and Wales (printed on pages 31 and 33 respectively) will show it is expressly provided that the fee must be sent with the application form, and that if a nurse's application for registraton is not accepted the fee will be returned.

# GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR SCOTLAND.

### **OPENING OF REGISTER.**

We are officially informed that the Scottish Board of Health, having now withdrawn their contention that nurses on their Register of Certificated Fever Nurses should be placed on the Council's Register of existing General Nurses, the Council's Rules have been approved by the Scottish Board of Health.

Applications for Registration from all classes of nurses who have either been trained in Scotland, or are now resident or practising there, will now be received. The first procedure is to apply for Forms of Application for Registration to "The Registrar, General Nursing Council for Scotland, 13, Melville Street, Edinburgh."

The Rules can be obtained from the same address.

We congratulate the General Nursing Council for Scotland. Now all three Councils will simultaneously work on the enrolment of nurses on the State Registers.

### NOTE OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR SCOTLAND.

A meeting of the General Nursing Council for Scotland was held at 13, Melville Street, Edinburgh, on July 27th. Captain C $\cdot$  B. Balfour, Chairman of the Council, was in the chair.

The Registrar submitted a letter from the Town Clerk of Glasgow forwarding Representations by the Corporation of the City of Glasgow against the Draft Rules framed by the Council, in which the Corporation objected to a Supplementary Part of the Register being set up for existing fever nurses and proposed that existing fever nurses should be placed on the General Register. The Council adjusted the terms of a reply in which they pointed out that in regard to existing nurses the training and experience of what are termed "General Nurses" and "Fever Nurses" have in the past been so different that separate Registers appeared to the Council unavoidable, and that the same view had been taken by the Nursing Council for England and Wales and the Nursing Council for Ireland. The Registrar was instructed to forward this reply to the Town Clerk of Glasgow and to the Secretary of the Convention of Royal Burghs who had also communicated with the



