

nurses, the G.N.C. would require to be satisfied that the scheme of training in all cases provided an adequate staff and equipment for teaching.

- 4.—The General Nursing Council considers that it would be greatly in the interests of the training of nurses if Preliminary Training Schools could be instituted in various centres throughout England and Wales.

The items were then taken *seriatim*.

Items I and II were agreed.

On Item III, Miss SEYMOUR YAPP disagreed with the proposal that for recognition as a complete training school Poor Law Hospitals must not be under the control of the Workhouse administration. It would shut out some of the largest Poor Law Training Schools.

DR. BEDFORD PIERCE asked why it had been inserted.

MISS SWISS said that it had been proposed by Miss DOWBIGGIN, who considered it was in the interests of better nursing education.

MISS LLOYD STILL moved that it be referred back to the Education Committee for further consideration.

With this exception the Report was adopted.

Report of Registration Committee.

MRS. BEDFORD FENWICK, Chairman, then moved that the Report of the Registration Committee be received. In doing so she said that she was prepared to move that the whole Report be received for discussion. She was not prepared to move that items XI and XII be approved.

The Report was as follows:—

The Registration Committee has met twice—on March 3rd and 10th, 1922.

- I.—To report that the letter from the Chartered Society of Massage and Medical Gymnastics, referred by the Council on February 3rd, had been considered. The Privy Council proposed to insert an asterisk against the names of Registered Nurses in the Register of that Society.
- II.—To recommend that a letter in leaflet form pointing out the advantages of registration, be sent to the authorities of Mental, Fever, and Children's Hospitals, and that they be asked to bring the letter before their Staffs.
- III.—To recommend that the Registered Nurses' Uniform and Badge be approved as follows:—
- UNIFORM.—Coat and Hat.
1. COAT.—*Colour*: Navy blue. Woven badge on Coat. Distinctive registered material for winter wear and summer wear.
Trimming: Blue braid. Registered buttons.
2. HAT.—Winter, Felt.
Summer, Straw.
And a Storm Cap.
Ribbon: Special registered blue corded ribbon with badge embroidered on it.
3. SHOES OR BOOTS: Black or brown. Stockings same colour.
- GLOVES: White washing.

4. BADGE: A Pierced Badge, which could be copied in embroidery (to be worn either on a ribbon or a brooch pin), similar to that of Lady Minto's Indian Nursing Association, or of Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute.

Inscription: Status of Nurse, England and Wales, and G.N.C. monogram in centre.

Reverse on Garter: Name in full.

Registered number.

Also to recommend that the Admiralty be asked for permission to use the letters R.N. for shoulder straps.

- IV.—To recommend the following alterations to the Second Schedule, Form I (a) and (b):—

PAGE 1.—*At the top of the page* to print: "N.B.—Applicants must fill in this Schedule as fully as possible. All dates must be accounted for from commencement of nursing duties, including dates when not engaged in nursing work."

(5) To print in space before "Places," "Rank," and on bottom line to print "Present position and address."

PAGE 2.—Marginal note to be altered as follows:—

Opposite Name and Address of Referee as to Character.

"A householder not being a relative of the applicant who has known her personally for not less than three years."

Opposite Referees as to Character and Professional Efficiency.

"Matrons of Hospitals, registered Medical Practitioners, or other responsible persons, under whom the applicant has worked within the three years prior to the date of application."

- V.—To recommend:—

"That a recommendation be drawn up to the Minister that when a nurse is still in the service of the Institution where she was trained, the reference of the Matron shall be sufficient."

- VI.—To report that the revised First Schedule, Rule 9 (a), Rule 9 (6) (b), Rule 43 (2), submitted to the Minister of Health, on February 10th and 20th, had been approved and signed.

- VII.—To recommend that the following Rule 9 (1) (a) be substituted for that approved by the Council on February 3rd, 1922:—

"(aa) A certificate or certificates that the applicant has before the 1st November, 1919, had not less than two years' training in a Hospital for men only approved by the Council for training, and not less than one year's training in a hospital for women only similarly approved, or alternatively, not less than two years' training in a hospital for women only approved by the Council for training and not less than one year's training in a hospital for men only similarly approved."

Nurses with Intermediate Qualifications.

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