

ability of the expenses of the nominated lay and medical members of the Council being charged to his Department."

RESIGNATION OF DR. BOSTOCK HILL.

THE CHAIRMAN read a letter from Dr. Bostock Hill, tendering his resignation, as he now lived in the Isle of Wight, and the distance was too great for him to attend the Council meetings.

Report of the Education and Examination Committee.

In the absence of Miss Lloyd Still, Chairman of the Education and Examination Committee, Miss A. DOWBIGGIN moved that its Report be received.

The Committee met on April 20th, May 4th, and May 11th.

1. To report that the resolution with regard to the conditions required for General and Poor Law Hospitals to be recognised as training schools for nurses, referred back by the Council on March 17th was still under consideration.

2. To report that the Committee received a deputation on May 4th from the Central Committee for the Care of Cripples, consisting of Sir Henry Gauvain, Medical Superintendent, and Miss Robertson, Matron, of Lord Mayor Treloar Cripples' Hospital; Miss Hunt, Superintendent, Shropshire Orthopaedic Hospital; Professor Lyle Cummins, P.M.O., King Edward VII Welsh National Memorial Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis; Dr. Barrie Lambert, C.B.E., D.P.H., Hon. Secretary, Central Committee for the Care of Cripples.

This Committee had forwarded in February the following resolutions passed at a conference held on December 7th, 1921, to discuss the nursing needs of the Orthopaedic Hospitals.

RESOLUTION I.

That in the opinion of this Conference, the attention of the General Nursing Council should be respectfully directed to the nursing needs of special hospitals, and to the desirability of allowing some reduction in the period of training in general hospitals required by probationers who have been previously trained in special hospitals, and have proved their competence by examination in accordance with the syllabus drawn up by the General Nursing Council.

RESOLUTION II.

That the probationary nurses in special hospitals, who have proved their competence by passing an examination according to the syllabus drawn up by the General Nursing Council, and who have conformed to conditions of training laid down by the General Nursing Council, should also be registered, the names of their speciality and of their training school being added to their registration.

To recommend with regard to Resolution I:—

"That nurses trained in special hospitals—including Orthopaedic—be eligible for registration on the General Part of the Register if they have had two years subsequent training in a General or Poor Law Hospital approved by the Council."

With regard to Resolution II it was pointed out that it was not the intention of the Council to add to the Supplementary Registers, but that the resolution would be placed before the Council.

Discussion on the Education Report.

On Clause II Miss DOWBIGGIN said that Sir Henry Gauvain made a strong plea for the registration of Nurses trained in special hospitals. The recognition of training in Orthopaedic hospitals as qualifying in part for registration on the General Register did not get over the whole of the difficulty. Both Sir Henry Gauvain and Miss Hunt wanted a separate Register of Nurses trained in the care of crippled children. Sir Henry Gauvain was of opinion that nurses trained in this branch might not be able, from physical defects or other reasons, to proceed to a general training, who might be put on a separate Register.

MR. CHRISTIAN said that the Resolution did not define what a special hospital should be.

MISS WORSLEY enquired whether the resolution covered Hospitals for Tuberculosis.

THE CHAIRMAN did not think these hospitals should be included. The question had not yet been considered.

THE REV. G. B. CRONSHAW said that the nursing in many Orthopaedic Hospitals was inadequate.

MRS. BEDFORD FENWICK pointed out that the fact that so many special hospitals were asking for a term of two years' general training for their pupils was a very serious question for the general hospitals.

She further proposed to leave out the words "special hospitals—including" in the recommendation of the Education Committee, and add the word "Hospitals" after "Orthopaedic."

With this amendment the recommendation was agreed.

The Report was adopted.

Report of the Registration Committee.

[ABRIDGED.]

DR. GOODALL, Chairman of the Registration Committee, moved that his Report be received.

Since the last meeting of the Council the Committee has met twice—on April 28th and on May 12th.

1. *Letter from the Ministry of Health*, dated April 12th, 1922, referring to the recommendation of the Registration Committee adopted by the Council at its meeting on March 17th, 1922 (referred to the Committee from the meeting of the Council on April 21st). The recommendation is as follows:—

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.

The Ministry referred the recommendation back to the Council for further consideration.

The Committee recommends

(a) That the following addition to Rule 8 (1)

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