

## POOR LAW GUARDIANS AND THE G.N.C.

The Association of Poor Law Unions is drawing the attention of Boards of Guardians to the recommendation of the General Nursing Council that to be recognised as a Training School "a hospital must have at least one resident medical officer," and some of those who have not such an official are protesting to the Ministry of Health against the proposal.

The House and Hospital Committee of the Stoke-on-Trent Board of Guardians have recommended the Board to forward to the Ministry of Health a protest against the adoption of the regulation, and the Steyning Guardians have received a communication from the Ministry of Health with reference to the proposed rules of the General Nursing Council affecting the status of Poor-Law Infirmaries so far as regards the training of Probationer Nurses, stating that the Minister had not yet approved the rules, and that the recommendations of the Guardians would receive most careful consideration.

Thus month after month—not to say year after year—goes by and the Syllabus of Nursing Education is held up in Whitehall.

We are glad to learn that the Registered Nurses' Parliamentary Council will consider a Resolution urging upon Sir Alfred Mond the necessity of approving the Syllabus. What is the College of Nursing doing in the matter? Why maintain dead silence on a question of such paramount importance to the whole Nursing Profession? The members should wake up their Council to take action.

## THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF NURSES.

### NURSES' ASSOCIATION OF CHINA.

REPORT PRESENTED TO THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL AT COPENHAGEN.

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#### Rules for Conducting Examinations.

1. The date of examination decided upon by the Assistant Secretary and the time must be strictly adhered to by those in charge of the examinations.
2. The candidate shall be known only by number. Candidate's name to be known only to the Assistant Secretary.
3. Candidates must write their own answers in clear character on Chinese paper with Chinese pen.
4. No talking to be allowed in examination room.
5. Time limit of papers must be adhered to.
6. Question paper to be fastened on to the answers, and to be returned each day immediately after the examination per registered post to the Assistant Secretary.
7. The number of the question to be written at the beginning of each answer.

8. The examiners will set questions on the following subjects:—

- a. Anatomy and Physiology.
- b. Materia Medica.
- c. Medical and Children's Nursing.
- d. Surgical and Bacteriology.
- e. Obstetrics and Gynecology (for women).
- f. Genito-urinary, Ambulance and First Aid (for men).

Fifteen questions will be set on each of the above subjects, ten of which must be answered.

- g. Dietetics.
- h. Ophthalmic.

Seven questions will be set on these two subjects, five of which must be answered.

9. As candidates increase in number, centres for practical examination will have to be decided upon by the Assistant Secretary in consultation with the Executive Committee.

10. Practical examinations must be given by a physician and a nurse, and in no case must they be conducted by members of the staff of the hospital and training school to which the candidate belongs.

11. Lists of tests for the practical examinations shall be decided on by the Assistant Secretary.

12. Selection of instruments and questions on bandaging to be left to the practical examination.

13. Examinations must be proctored by a foreigner.

14. The Assistant Secretary is authorised to co-ordinate the questions of the four examiners and substitute questions should duplication occur. She will notify the examiners should any alteration be made.

15. Examinations shall be so arranged that not more than one subject be taken on any one day.

16. Examination questions from the previous year will be sent to the Examiners of the following year, as a guide to standard required.

17. All complaints and criticism concerning the method of conducting examinations must be made in writing, signed, and sent to the Secretary for presentation to the Executive Committee.

#### Regulations Governing the Registration of Nurses' Training Schools under the Executive Committee.

1. All Nurses' Training Schools in China, whether under missionary, government, or private control, may be registered under the Executive Committee, if the Training School can meet the requirements of the Executive Committee as to moral standard, hospital discipline, and intellectual training of its nurses.

2. Applications for recognition shall be made to the General Secretary of the N.A.C.

3. Any superintendent wishing to register her Training School should fill out the form prepared for the purpose by the Executive Committee and return it to the Secretary of the N.A.C., who shall present it to the Executive Committee.

4. The Training School must be able to comply with the following regulations:—

- a. The hospital must have at least twenty-five beds.

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