

was then considered. This appears to have been drafted outside the Education Committee which, it is stated, met once, on October 12th, and is not signed by its Chairman.

In regard to Recommendation II (b), THE CHAIRMAN said that the Deputation from the Association of Poor Law Unions had begged the Council to waive their objection to the recognition of an institution as a training school because of the fact that it had no Resident Medical Officer, and they had proceeded to revise their judgment. The recommendation now submitted was that certain Poor Law Hospitals should be granted recognition as complete Training Schools, and that others with regard to which it was recognised that the conditions were not altogether satisfactory should be recognised provisionally for a year, subject to revision at the end of that time.

MRS. BEDFORD FENWICK asked if it had been arranged to comply with the request of the Guardians? What was the position? There was no mention of Resident Medical Officers in the recommendations. If the previous decision was to be annulled it ought to be made clear that it was not necessary that there should be a Resident to enable an institution to be recognised. She said further that the Council had the reputation of being the most unbusinesslike Statutory Body in the Kingdom, but that was no reason why they should continue to be so.

THE CHAIRMAN said that in spite of the fact that they recognised that the condition of some of these institutions were not satisfactory it was proposed to recognise them temporarily.

MISS LLOYD STILL said they all knew that the recognition was perfectly temporary.

MRS. BEDFORD FENWICK repeated that the regulation obliging every Poor-Law Hospital recognised as a complete Training School to maintain a Resident Medical Officer had not been rescinded.

'To put the matter in order this should be done.

MISS COX-DAVIES enquired whether any of the institutions it was proposed to recognise made provision for their pupils to be trained in private nursing institutions receiving paying patients.

THE CHAIRMAN said one of them certainly did. That was a condition which was recognised as unsatisfactory.

MRS. BEDFORD FENWICK said that patients who went into Private Nursing Homes and paid for skilled nursing did not expect to be nursed by probationers-in-training from Poor-Law Infirmaries. A great principle was involved. She strongly deprecated the recommendation to the Council that such a practice should be recognised by the Council, and moved that it be not approved.

This was seconded by MISS MACDONALD, and it was agreed in connection with the institutions concerned "that the following Poor-Law Hospitals be recognised provided that the training is given in a public institution."

DR. SMEDLEY pointed out that there was no mention of Private Nursing Homes in the recommendation which was "that the following Poor-

Law Hospitals be recognised as Training Schools, which, in combination with other hospitals, give complete training."

MISS LLOYD STILL said they "knew it from outside, from the Deputation."

It was then agreed that the word "public" be inserted before "hospitals."

#### Member of Education Committee.

THE CHAIRMAN then said it had been an omission not to insert on the Agenda the recommendation that Dr. Smedley should be added to the Education Committee in place of Dr. Bostock Hill. It could be done if unanimously allowed, but not otherwise.

MISS LLOYD STILL moved and MISS COX-DAVIES seconded that this should be done and no member objecting the name of Dr. Smedley was added to the Committee by special leave.

#### Report of Registration Committee.

DR. GOODALL (Chairman of the Registration Committee) then moved that the Report be received.

Since the Special Meeting of the Council, on October 6th, the Committee has met twice, on October 13th and 20th.

#### I.—REGISTERED UNIFORM, BADGE, AND LETTERS.

This subject has been discussed by the Committee upon a report presented to it by the Uniform Committee.

The Committee recommends:—

(a) That in view of the forthcoming election, when nurses themselves will vote their representatives into office, the question of the decision as to the registered uniform, badge and letters be deferred for the new Council, and that, in the meanwhile nurses be notified of this resolution, and again asked to send in any suggestions or criticisms of the suggestions *re* uniform which have appeared in the name of the Council, in order that the new Council may obtain something which will be universally accepted.

#### II.—APPLICATIONS FOR REGISTRATION.

The following statements showing the progress of Registration have been forwarded to the Minister of Health:—

Applications received during week ending:—

	Gen.	Supp.	Total.
September 23rd ..	495	105	600
" 30th ..	338	115	453
October 7th ..	366	75	441
" 14th ..	307	47	354
" 21st.. ..	255	41	296
	1761	383	2144

#### III. REGISTRATION TO SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1922.

Applications received up to September 30th	13,577
" approved up to and including September 22nd ..	8,094
" Now for approval ..	3,155
" Ineligible ..	635
" Withdrawn ..	28
" Incomplete ..	1,665

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