

**Recommendation 7.**

"That the appropriate certificate be granted to each of these applicants, and that authority be hereby given to affix the Seal of the Council to each certificate."

**3.—Report of the Education and Examination Committee.**

MISS LLOYD STILL, Chairman of the Education and Examination Committee, moved that her report be received.

I. REPORTED.—That the Committee has met once—on September 11th, 1923.

II. CONSIDERED—Letter from the Ministry of Health (*see* Correspondence, page 200), referred to Committee for Report by Chairman of Council.

**Recommendation 8.**

"That Miss Alsop be nominated to serve on the Departmental Committee."

III. CONSIDERED—Letter from the Ministry of Health, dated June 12th, 1923 (*see* Minutes of Council, June 15th, 1923), referred to Committee.\*

**Recommendation 9.**

"That the Syllabus of Subjects for Examination for Sick Children's Nurses be approved, and forwarded to the Minister of Health for his signature."

**Protest by the Direct Representative on the General Nursing Council of the Nurses on the Supplementary Part of the Register for Sick Children's Nurses.**

MISS A. M. BUSHBY, Direct Representative of Sick Children's Nurses on the Council, here rose and made the following protest:—

"I wish to protest against the Compulsory Syllabus of Examination being substituted for the Syllabus of Training, as in my opinion it is putting the cart before the horse.

"A Compulsory Syllabus of Training has been denied to nurses which is theirs by right, and it was so stated in the Act.

"Mr. Chairman, I think I am right in saying that there has been no protest from any Children's Hospital against the Syllabus of Training. Hospitals are in the same position as they were before the Act, each hospital is a law unto itself, and can teach what it likes, though a most excellent Syllabus has been drawn up which must have cost endless hours of thought and work to those who compiled it."

THE CHAIRMAN asked whether Miss Bushby wished her protest placed upon the Minutes, and she replied in the affirmative.

THE CHAIRMAN then said that, as everyone was well aware, these arguments had been put before the Ministry over and over again. The Council had had to yield to *force majeure*.

**Recommendation 10.**

"That the Syllabus of Training in Sick Children's Nursing, approved at the Council Meeting on March 16th, 1923, be issued on the authority of the Council."

\* N.B.—This letter was printed in our issue of June 23rd ult., pages 401 and 402. It referred to the question of the recognition of the Syllabus of Training and Examination for the Supplementary Parts of the Register.

**Recommendation 11.**

"That the Syllabus of Subjects for Examination for Male Nurses be approved and forwarded to the Minister of Health for his signature."

**Recommendation 12.**

"That the Syllabus of Training for Male Nurses, approved at the Council Meeting on March 16th, 1923, be issued on the authority of the Council."

IV. CONSIDERED—Further list of General and Poor Law Hospitals whose authorities have replied to enquiries instituted by the Council.

**Recommendation 13.**

"That the following Hospitals be recognised as Complete Training Schools:—

"Gravesend Hospital, Kent;

"Royal Buckinghamshire Hospital, Aylesbury."

(MISS COWLIN here said it was not clear to her on what basis Hospitals were accepted.)

MISS LLOYD STILL said they were not accepted if they had less than 50 beds, or unless they could fulfil the Syllabus.)

**V. Recommendation 14.**

"That the expenses of members who inspect Hospitals at the request of the Committee should be defrayed on the ordinary basis."

**Rules Submitted by Examinations Officer.**

VI. CONSIDERED—Rules for the conduct of the Examinations and various Forms in connection therewith, submitted by the Examinations Officer.

**Recommendation 15.**

"That the Rules and Forms as submitted be approved by the Council."

THE CHAIRMAN considered that the word "Regulations" should be substituted for "Rules," as the word Rule had a definite meaning in the formulas of the Council.

It was agreed that the word "Regulations" should be substituted on the Title Page for "Rules," and throughout the documents wherever the word "Rules" occurred.

**Discussion.**

A long discussion then took place on these draft Regulations, copies of which were not provided for the press, and which we have been unable to procure since from the Office of the General Nursing Council.

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On the proposition of the Chairman, the Council went into Committee in order to discuss the draft Regulations more informally.

DR. GOODALL wished to delete Regulation 3, dealing with the Examination Centres and to make an amendment to Regulation 4.

DR. BEDFORD PIERCE and MISS SEYMOUR YAPP objected to the withdrawal of Regulation 3, and Miss Musson proposed that Regulation 3 should become 4.

SIR JENNER VERRALL thought the Council should decide whether they were, or were not, to make provision for an examination to be held in a hospital provided there were 25 examinees. Eventually the proposition of Miss Musson

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