

bationers could not afford to pay it out of the salaries they received, and that it considered the General Nursing Council had made a serious error. The letter further stated that Miss Wiese knew their views and had their confidence. It further complained at the delay in the issue of Badges and Certificates.

THE CHAIRMAN said that perhaps Miss Wiese would inform the Union that the fees could not be lowered, as the expenses of the Examination must be covered by them, and that the Badges and Certificates were dispatched as early as could be.

III.—REPORT OF COMMITTEES. Report of the Finance Committee.

SIR JENNER VERRALL, Chairman of the Finance Committee, moved that the Report be received.

I. REPORTED.—That the Committee has met once—on November 8th, 1923.

II. Recommendation 1—

"That the Bills and Claims submitted for payment be approved, and that the sum of £200 for Stamps and £15 for Petty Cash be allowed."

III. Recommendation 2—

"That the Nurses' Charts, when ordered in quantities of not less than 100, should be sold at the rate of 20s. per hundred; and for quantities of not less than 50 in excess of that at the same rate."

IV. REPORTED.—That the Committee raised no objection to Recommendations 14, 15 and 16 of the General Purposes Committee.

These Recommendations were as follows:—

(14) "That the following be sanctioned: Six Lock Steel Filing Cabinets, £11 7s. 8d. each; 1 Table, at a cost of £1 10s.; 2 dozen Hand Towels, 1 dozen Tea Cloths, 1 dozen Dusters, and $\frac{1}{2}$ dozen Round Towels." £3 7s. 5d.

(15) "That the Council authorize the General Purposes Committee to make all necessary enquiries as to the accommodation which is required for the future, and to report further on the matter."

(16) "That the Monday before Christmas Day be given as a holiday, and that the office be closed from Saturday afternoon, December 22nd, until Thursday morning, December 27th."

V. REPORTED.—That the Committee raised no objection to Recommendation 8 of the Education and Examination Committee, provided that estimates are obtained from several firms of printers.

(Recommendation 8 of the Education Committee refers to the printing of the documents to be issued in connection with the Scheme for conducting the State Examination.)

SIR JENNER VERRALL moved that the Report be approved, and this was agreed.

2.—Report of the Registration Committee.

I. REPORTED.—That the Committee has met three times—on October 26th, November 2nd and November 9th, 1923.

II. CONSIDERED.—Application from a Registered Nurse who states that she has lost her silver badge and wishes to be informed whether a new one can be supplied to her. The opinion of the Committee

is that lost badges should be dealt with in the same way as lost certificates of registration.

Recommendation 3.

"That the same procedure be adopted as with the Registration Certificate, that evidence has to be produced that the Badge has really been lost, and that some steps have been taken to recover it, and a period of one year elapse before any question of renewal can be considered, and that the word 'duplicate' be engraved on the back of the badge at the expense of the loser."

III. Recommendation 4.

"That in view of the fact that the third Friday in December is the Friday immediately preceding the Christmas Holidays, the December meeting of the Council be held at 2.30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 18th."

IV. REPORTED.—The edition of "The Register of Nurses" for the year 1923 has been received from the printers. It is published by the Council, and is to be obtained from the Council's office at 10s. 6d. for each copy. A copy is laid upon the table for inspection by members of the Council.

[This edition is ten and a-half months late.—ED.]

V. Applications for Registration.

The following statements have been forwarded to the Ministry of Health:—

Applications received during the week ending—

October 13th, 1923	43
" 20th, "	49
" 27th, "	25
November 3rd, 1923	35

VI. Registration to November 3rd, 1923.

Applications received 41,808

Applications approved by the Council to		
October 19th	27,770
Applications for approval at meeting on		
November 16th	2,033
Applications ineligible to meeting on October		
19th	1,078
Application ineligible, to be brought before		
meeting on November 16th	42
Applications withdrawn	56
Applications incomplete	10,829

41,808

General Register	..	1,321
Male	"	18
Mental	"	507
Mental Defectives	..	17
Sick Children's Register	51	
Fever Register	..	119

2,033

VII. (Consideration of Item VII (subjoined) was deferred to be taken *in camera*.)

Lists of 2,033 applicants for registration, whose applications have been found to be in conformity with the rules, are appended.

Recommendation 5.

"That the 2,033 applicants whose applications have been found to be in order be approved for registration, and that the Registrar be instructed to enter their names in the appropriate parts of the Register."

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