

DR. BEDFORD PIERCE then moved as an Amendment, which was seconded by MR. DONALDSON :—

"That of the eleven places reserved for Registered Nurses, five be filled by Matrons of approved Training Schools, and six be thrown open to all Registered Nurses."

The Amendment was lost.

Miss Sparshott's Motion was then put and carried as a Substantive Motion.

RE-INCLUSION IN THE REGISTER.

On the recommendation of the Committee sanction was given for the re-inclusion of the names of 112 nurses who had failed to pay their Retention Fee for 1924, and who now wished their names re-included.

REMOVAL OF NAMES.

The names of 15 nurses were removed from the Register at their own request.

APPLICATIONS FOR REGISTRATION.

The Committee reported that the following statements have been forwarded to the Minister of Health :—

Applications received :—

During the week ending	June 14th	..	..	..	71
"	"	"	June 21st	..	91
"	"	"	June 28th	..	90
"	"	"	July 5th	..	106
"	"	"	July 12th	..	80

REGISTRATION TO JULY 12TH, 1924.

Applications received	..	..	..	..	43,864
Applications :—					
Approved by the Council to June 20th, 1924	..				39,398
For approval at Meeting on July 25th	..				677
Ineligible to June 20th	..				532
To be brought before Meeting of July 25th	..				36
Withdrawn	..				558
Incomplete	..				2,663
					<hr/> 43,864

The following applications were considered *in camera* at the close of the meeting :—

General Register	..	..	..	604
Male	"	..	..	—
Mental	"	..	..	49
Mental Defectives Register	2
Sick Children's Register	11
Fever Register	11

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Report of Education and Examination Committee.

MISS LLOYD STILL, Chairman of the Education Committee, moved that its Report be received.

The Report stated that the letter from the Ministry of Health, 1924 (printed above), in regard to affiliated training had been considered.

The Committee recommended :—

"That the following be added to the Scheme for the training of Nurses who will be admitted to the Register after the Training and Examination Rules come into operation :—

At the end of I(2) the following words :—

"Such Hospitals will be entitled 'Affiliated Hospitals.'"

And the following :—

"I(3). There are other Hospitals which are sufficiently large, but from deficiency of clinical material in some branch cannot be approved as complete Training Schools. Such Hospitals will be required to associate themselves with another Hospital or Hospitals in order to supply for their nurses that part of the training in which they are deficient. The Council is prepared to consider any scheme for carrying out such an arrangement, but the period of training must extend over 3 years and 6 months, and it will be for the Hospitals who propose to associate themselves, to satisfy the Council that the arrangements will be adequate to afford a complete training. Such Hospitals will be entitled 'Associated Hospitals.'"

"That the alterations necessary to carry out the above recommendation be made in the Rules for Future Nurses, and in the lists of Hospitals approved by the Council."

FIRST PRELIMINARY STATE EXAMINATION.

The Committee reported that the first Preliminary State Examination was held on July 1st, Written Paper; and on July 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 15th, 16th and 17th, Oral and Practical. 1,785 candidates entered, and 1,732 sat for the Examination. 53 failed to attend owing to various causes.

OPTIONAL EXAMINATION.

That the Optional State Examination was held on July 1st, Written Paper; and on July 8th and 9th, Oral and Practical. The following were the entries in the Optional Examination :—

General Register : 107 candidates entered and 103 sat for the Examination. Four failed to attend.

Fever Nurses' Register : 16 candidates entered for the Examination, 11 sat for the complete Examination. Five did not attend or failed to complete the Examination.

Sick Children's Register.—Three candidates entered for the Examination, and all were present throughout each part.

RESULTS.

	Passed.	Failed.
Preliminary Examination	.. 1,526	.. 201
Optional Examinations :—		
General Nursing	.. 99	.. 4
Fever Nursing	.. 11	.. —
Sick Children's Nursing	.. 3	.. —

The Committee report, after personal inspection by Members of Council, and from letters written by local authorities, that the arrangements made for the Examinations, which have been very complicated and laborious, have everywhere given satisfaction, and reflect great credit on the staff of the Department.

The Committee recommended that the same form of Certificate be issued to Nurses who have been successful in passing the Optional Examination as for Intermediate Nurses, with the addition of the words "by Examination."

THE CHAIRMAN gave an explanation of the failures, saying several failed in more than one subject, thus showing a general lack of knowledge, and five failed because they did not comply with the instructions. The percentage of failures was 11.5, which was a low one.

It was recommended that the following hospitals be recognised as Training Schools, which, in combination with another Public Hospital, give complete training under Section I (2) of the Scheme of Training :—

General Hospitals.—Harrow Cottage Hospital (in affiliation with the Royal Northern Hospital, London); Scarborough Hospital and Dispensary (in affiliation with Holgate Hospital, Middlesborough); Walthamstow, Wanstead and Leyton Children's and General Hospital (in affiliation with Queen Mary's Hospital, Stratford).

Poor Law Hospitals.—Bramley Union Hospital (in affiliation with Whipps Cross Hospital, West Ham Union); Mansfield Union Infirmary (in affiliation with Fir Vale Hospital, Sheffield Union); Hunslet Union Hospital (in affiliation with Leeds Township Infirmary).

It was also recommended that the City Hospital and Sanatorium for Infectious Diseases, Lincoln, be recognised as a Training School for Fever Nurses.

The Report, as amended, was approved.

Report of the Disciplinary and Penal Cases Committee.

MISS A. M. BUSHBY, Chairman of the Disciplinary and Penal Cases Committee, moved that its Report be received.

The Committee reported that it had considered the following letter referred to it by the Council :—

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