

The words "with the amendments approved" to be inserted after the word "terms."

The Chairman declared the recommendation carried by 10 votes to 6 on a show of hands.

Miss BUSHBY called for a division, when there voted—

Against the Recommendation: Miss Villiers, Miss Bushby, Miss du Sautoy, Miss Cowlin, Miss Wiese.

For the Recommendation: Miss Bremner, Miss Musson, Miss Cox Davies, Miss Coode, Mr. Donaldson, Dr. Goodall, Miss Lloyd Still, Dr. Bedford Pierce, Miss E. Smith, Miss Sparshott, Miss Seymour Yapp, Mr. Stratton.

Not Voting: Sir Jenner Verrall.

Miss BREMNER said she had made a mistake, and intended to vote the other way, but the Chairman ruled she must abide by her vote.

APPLICATIONS FOR REGISTRATION.

The Committee reported:—

Applications received during weeks ending:—

January 12th, 1924	15
January 19th, 1924	32
January 26th, 1924	24
February 2nd, 1924	47
Applications received to February 2nd, 1924..	42,154
Applications incomplete	5,707

The following applications were considered *in camera*:—

General Part of the Register	1,460
Male	23
Mental	492
Mental Defectives	14
Sick Children's Part of Register	13
Fever	22
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Report of the Education and Examination Committee.

The Report was presented by Miss Lloyd Still, re-elected Chairman of the Committee, who moved that it be received.

The Committee recommended that the provisional date of the October Preliminary Examination be October 21st, 1924.

That the fees paid to Presiding Examiners and Invigilators be as already reported in connection with the Report of the Finance Committee.

That the following have been appointed a Sub-Committee to scrutinise the applications for Examinerships:—Miss Lloyd Still, Sir Wilmot Herringham, Miss Alsop, Miss Bushby, Dr. Goodall.

RULES FOR FUTURE NURSES.

The Committee reported that they had considered the draft of the Rules for Future Nurses, as modified after consultation with the Ministry of Health. The only point to which the Committee desired to object was the proposed Rule 3 (evidence of character) and 4 (evidence of having passed the examination) of the Conditions of Admission to the Register by Examination.

An explanatory memorandum as to the position taken up by the Council in this relation is incorporated in the Report. They recommended:—

That the Council approve the draft of the Rules, with the exception of Rules 3 and 4, and that the above Memorandum be forwarded through the Solicitor to the Ministry of Health.

RECOGNITION OF TRAINING SCHOOLS.

The Committee recommended that the following institutions be recognised as complete training schools:—

Willesden General Hospital.
Watford Union Infirmary.

Miss SEYMOUR YAPP opposed the recommendation, and asked why a four years' training should be required in the case of the smaller hospitals and infirmaries, whose position was already sufficiently difficult, because the large Training

Schools had the pick of the probationers. The matter was so serious that unless something more reasonable were done the matter would be taken to the House, and they had had enough of going to the House. She asked the Council to consider the position of the smaller hospitals, and contended that the period of training, after three years and three months was not the Council's business.

It was further recommended that the following hospitals be recognised as Training Schools, which, in combination with other Public Hospitals, give complete training under Section 1 (2):—

King Edward VII Memorial Hospital, Hayward's Heath (in affiliation with the Royal Sussex County Hospital).

Gosport and Alverstoke War Memorial Hospital (in affiliation with Royal Hospital, Portsmouth).

Wirral Union Infirmary (in affiliation with Brownlow Hill Hospital, Mill Road Infirmary, Walton Institution, and Smith-down Road Institution of the West Derby Union).

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

The Report, as a whole, was approved.

Report of the Disciplinary and Penal Cases Committee.

Miss A. M. Bushby moved that the Report be received. It stated that the members had decided to elect their Chairman by postal vote. That the votes had been examined by the Chairman of the Council, who reported Miss Bushby duly elected.

The Report was approved.

Report of the Mental Nursing Committee.

The Report was presented by DR. BEDFORD PIERCE, re-elected Chairman of the Committee, who moved that it be received.

The Committee reported that they were prepared to recommend 56 Hospitals for approval as Training Schools for Mental Nurses, but before doing so were submitting the names to the Education and Examination Committee for their information.

A letter from Miss E. L. Macauley, Hon. Secretary of the Mental Hospital Matrons' Association, addressed to the Chairman, was received, asking the General Nursing Council to appoint two members of that Association to represent the practical side of nursing on the Advisory Committee for Mental Examinations.

The Committee reported that they considered the suggestion inadvisable, if not impracticable, and curtly recommended that an answer in this sense be returned.

THE CHAIRMAN suggested that the reply might be softened.

Report of the General Purposes Committee.

In connection with the Report of the General Purposes Committee, presented by Miss COX-DAVIES, Miss WIESE enquired why it was necessary to engage a substitute at a salary of £3 3s. a week during the absence of Miss Parsloe. This was not done when Miss Riddell was away. She should have thought that one of the staff of forty-three might have been deputed for this duty.

Report of Uniform Committee.

Miss VILLIERS, who has been re-elected Chairman, in presenting the Report of the Uniform Committee, said that the Rules regarding the uniform were now in the hands of the Minister of Health for approval.

Bullying Behind Closed Doors.

DR. GOODALL then moved, in accordance with notice, that the Council do now go into Committee, in order to discuss the resolution, the terms of which have been privately circulated.

MR. DONALDSON seconded.

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