

**GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR SCOTLAND.**

Note of Proceedings at the Meeting held at 18, Melville Street, Edinburgh, on Friday, 24th April.

Sir John Lorne MacLeod, G.B.E., LL.D., Chairman of the Council, occupied the Chair, and nine Members of Council were present.

Amongst the correspondence dealt with was a letter from the Scottish Board of Health approving of the Council's proposal to charge no Registration Fee in the case of Future Nurses. This approval was given only for the period ending December 31st, 1926, when the Board were of opinion that the matter should be reconsidered.

Col. D. J. Mackintosh, submitted the Report of the Education and Examination Committee, and this was approved after some discussion. In terms of the Report, the Burgh Infectious Diseases' Hospital, Motherwell, was recognised for the Fever Nurses' Part of the Register, and Hawkhead Mental Hospital, Glasgow, and James Murray's Royal Asylum, Perth, were recognised for the Mental Nurses' Part of the Register.

Further arrangements were made in regard to the Final Examination. It was decided that the First Final Examination should be held in October, 1925. It was resolved that a Nurse need not be 21 years of age before sitting the Council's Final Examination, but that her name should not be actually placed on the Register until she had attained that age.

It was resolved that the Written Part of the Final Examination for Sick Children's Nurses should consist of two papers, the first to contain one question on Bacteriology, one question on the First Medical Nursing Course, two questions on the Second Medical Course, and two questions on Surgical Nursing, of which six questions the Candidate must answer five, including the one of the First Medical Nursing Course; and that the Second Paper should consist of three questions on Elementary Theory and Practice of Nursing, Part II, and three questions on Dietetics and Cooking, of which six questions the Candidate must answer five.

It was resolved that the Written Part of the Final Examination in Fever Nursing should consist of two papers, the first to contain three questions on Infectious Diseases and three questions on Medical and Surgical Nursing of which six questions the Candidate must answer five, and that the second written paper should be the same as for the Sick Children's Nurses' Examination.

With a view to preparing a Panel of Examiners for the Final Examination, it was arranged that the Registrar should obtain from the leading Training Schools a list of their teaching Staff who might be available as Examiners and should get into touch with these.

The Report of the Uniform Committee was submitted by Miss White, the Convener, and was unanimously approved. This showed that the Committee were still waiting a reply from the General Nursing Council for England and Wales in regard to the proposal to drop the question of Registration of parts of the Uniform at the Patent Office.

The Report of the Registration Committee was approved, and in terms thereof the names of 139 Nurses were added to the Register.

The Minister of Health has approved the following arrangements to take effect on the promotion of Sir A. Symonds, K.C.B., Second Secretary, to be Secretary to the Board of Education:—Mr. E. R. Forber, C.B., C.B.E., to be Deputy Secretary to the Ministry of Health; Mr. L. G. Brock, C.B., and Mr. I. G. Gibbon, C.B.E., to be Principal Assistant Secretaries.

**APPOINTMENTS.****MATRON.**

General Infirmary, Salisbury.—Miss Ann C. Bell, S.R.N., has been appointed Matron. She was trained at St. Thomas's Hospital, London, and has been Ward Sister, Night Superintendent and Home Sister at the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, Edinburgh, Assistant Matron at the General Hospital, Nottingham, Matron at the General Hospital, Hereford, and Matron at Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge.

**ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT NURSE.**

St. James's Hospital, Chester.—Miss Agnes Wills, S.R.N., has been appointed Assistant Superintendent Nurse. She was trained at Township of Toxteth Park Infirmary, Liverpool, and has since been Ward Sister and Night Sister at Clatterbridge Infirmary and Ward Sister and Theatre Sister at Halifax Infirmary.

**SISTER.**

Royal Infirmary, Preston.—Miss Margaret Logie, S.R.N., has been appointed Sister of the Male Surgical Floor. She was trained at the Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading, and has been Theatre Sister at the Hospital and Dispensary, Warrington.

**THEATRE SISTER.**

Royal Infirmary, Preston.—Miss E. Louie Moore has been appointed Theatre Sister. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Derby, and the Hospital for Women, Nottingham, and has been Theatre Staff Nurse at the Royal Infirmary, Derby.

**MESSAGE SISTER.**

Leeds Township Infirmary.—Miss Jessie Paterson has been appointed Message Sister. She was trained at Leeds Township Infirmary, and has held the positions of Health Visitor and School Nurse, Health Department, Borough of Whitehaven, and Staff Nurse and Masseuse, Hospital for Epilepsy and Paralysis, Maida Vale, London.

**PRIZE DISTRIBUTION AT ISLINGTON INFIRMARY**

Mr. W. C. Banks, Chairman of the Islington Infirmary, Highgate, presided in the large hall of the institution recently, when Mr. Russell John Howard, C.B.E., M.S., F.R.C.S., presented the prizes to the nurses who had won them. Mr. Albert King, Clerk to the Guardians, gave a brief account of the origin of some of the prizes. Mr. William A. Smalley, a patient there in 1907, to express his gratitude towards the nurses who attended him, bequeathed to them what capital he possessed (£75) for their benefit. This was invested in Consols, producing 37s. 6d. Mrs. Leonard Marshall, a former Chairman of the Infirmary Committee decided to perpetuate the memory of her late husband by investing £100 in Consols, the proceeds to be spent in the purchase of articles suitable and useful to nurses, and these to be awarded to the three probationers who in the final year of their training had the best reports as to the performance of their ward work. That this year had been arrived at by the vote of the ward sisters, under whom they worked. The number of prizes had been increased by members of the Infirmary Committee; and the family of the late Superintendent, Dr. A. H. Robinson, had also given a prize.

The recipients were as follows:—

Final Examination (Leonard Marshall Prizes).—1st, Nurse Reade; 2nd, Nurse Nixey; 3rd, Nurse Dew.

Preliminary Examination, 1924 (Medical Superintendent's Prize).—1st, Nurse Clarke; (Smalley Prizes), 2nd, Nurse Walters, Nurse Millington and Nurse Peck tied.

Preliminary Examination, 1925 (Banks Prizes).—1st, Nurse M. Hunt; 2nd, Nurse E. Jones; (Barrow Prizes) 3rd, Nurse M. Dawson and Nurse Woolgar.

General Ability (Matron's Prizes).—3rd year, Nurse E. E. Taylor and Nurse Gellard; (Robinson Prizes), 2nd year, Nurse M. C. Dawson and Nurse Shields; (Rackstraw Prizes), 1st year, Nurse Elven and Nurse Kirtland.

At the request of the Matron Mr. Russell Howard presented to Sister-Tutor Scott-Martin, a bouquet of flowers from the nurses, in recognition of her efforts in coaching them for their examinations.

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