

Finance.

The Council approved the payment of the Bills and Claims submitted for payment, and that the sum of £50 for stamps, 20 for insurance stamps, and £3,400 for examiners' claims and expenses be allowed.

The Committee reported that it raised no objection to Recommendations 13, 14, and 15 of the General Purposes Committee. These included (1) the purchase of the following equipment:—

3 Foolscap Steel Filing Cabinets for Examinations Department	at	£8	8	0	each
12 Examination Boxes (for Centres)		2	7	0	"
New Covers for Settee and Chair in Waiting Room	at a cost of	7	12	0	
Carpet, Stair Rods, &c., for basement stairs	at a cost of	13	12	6	
2 additional Intercommunication Telephones	at a cost of	14	15	0	
Addressograph Machine:—					
Graphotype Machine for cutting stencil plates		35	0	0	
Hand Addressograph complete with obliterating, repeat attachments, and adjustable throw-off		21	0	0	
Stencil Plates, £3 per 1,000—60,000 required		180	0	0	
Cabinets of 110 Steel drawers, with capacity for 25,300 stencil plates, £40 each (three will be required)		120	0	0	
Total cost		£356	0	0	

(2) An increase in the salary of Fairhall (the caretaker) of 5s. a week, and that a new uniform be granted yearly.

(3) The closing of the offices of the Council for Easter Holidays from mid-day on Thursday, April 1st, until Monday, April 5th, inclusive.

The Committee also reported that in accordance with authority granted at the Council meeting on January 15th, £2,919 7s. 6d. India 3½ per cent. Stock had been purchased for the sum of £2,000.

The Scheme of Election.

The Registration Committee reported that it had considered the Scheme of Election as amended by the Ministry of Health. It recommended:—

"That the verbal amendments suggested by the Minister of Health be approved, and the amended Scheme be forwarded to the Ministry for signature of approval."

Registration.

It was reported that from January 16th to February 19th, 1926, eight applications for Registration had been received. Applications for Registration to March 5th from Existing and Intermediate Nurses, 55,296. For Registration by Examination, 2,217. Total, 57,513. Of the applications from Existing and Intermediate Nurses, 52,131 were approved by the Council to February 19th, 70 were to be brought before the Council that day. Applications ineligible to February 19th, 1,364, ineligible to be brought before the meeting March 19th 10, duplicate applications 483, applications withdrawn 1,116, and incomplete, 122.

Of the 2,217 applications for registration by examination, 1,806 candidates passed and 411 were referred in examination. Of those who passed 18 were under age, and the training of 13 was not yet completed.

It was agreed to re-include in the Register the names of 303 Nurses who had hitherto failed to pay their Retention fee, and now wished their names re-included.

Education and Examination.

On the recommendation of the Education and Examination Committee the following hospitals were recognised as training schools which, in combination with other Public Hospitals, give complete training under Section I (2) of the Scheme of Training. Cheshire Joint Sanatorium,

Market Drayton, in affiliation with Guest Hospital, Dudley, Lake Hospital, Ashton-under-Lyne, or Warneford, Leamington and South Warwickshire General Hospital, Leamington Spa; and Stratford-on-Avon General Hospital in affiliation with the Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford.

The following hospitals were recognised as training schools for fever Nurses: The Darlington Borough Isolation Hospital, under the conditions imposed by the Ministry of Health, and the Hornsey, Finchley and Wood Green Joint Isolation Hospital, Muswell Hill, N.10., also the Ipswich Isolation Hospital, provisionally for two years, *i.e.*, until March 19th, 1928.

The Committee reported they had considered a letter from the Fever Nurses' Association suggesting some scheme of affiliation between small and large Fever Hospitals, in order to meet the want of those smaller hospitals in respect of training for the Supplementary Part of the Register for Fever Nurses. The Council adopted the recommendation, providing:—

"That Fever Hospitals which have not sufficient material to afford a complete training be permitted to submit schemes for affiliation with a Complete Training School for Registered Fever Nurses.

"Provided that (1) The whole period of training be not less than two years and six months of which not less than one year shall be spent at a Complete Training School for Registered Fever Nurses; (2) The Preliminary Examination be passed before the Nurse enters the Complete Training School for Registered Fever Nurses.

It was also agreed that the Board of Examiners for the Preliminary Examination, and the Final Examination for the General and Supplementary Parts of the Register be asked to serve for a further four Examinations.

The Committee reported that approximately 900 Forms were inaccurately filled in for the February Examinations out of a total number of 2,377 entries, and that where the necessary correction could not be made in the office, the Forms dealing with the entries for May had been returned to the Matron, or candidate, with a letter stating that unless the Form was returned accurately filled in within a week the entry would be cancelled, without further communication and the fee returned.

Results of the February Examinations.

PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION.				
Entered	Absent	Present	Passed	Failed
1,668	85	1,583	1,278	305
FINAL EXAMINATION.				
<i>General Register</i> —				
914	34	880	686	194
<i>Mental Nurses' Register</i> —				
5	—	5	4	1
<i>Sick Children's Nurses' Register</i> —				
52	3	49	32	17
<i>Fever Nurses' Register</i> —				
98	2	96	87	9
1,069	39	1,030	809	221

The names of 809 candidates approved by the Examiners were referred to the Registration Committee for Registration.

Mental Nursing.

The Mental Nursing Committee reported that it had considered the opinions expressed by the representatives attending the Conference on February 16th, regarding the training and examination of Nurses for Mental Defectives, and that further consideration of the subject was deferred.

Correspondence and Interviews.

The General Purposes Committee reported (a) that the correspondence dealt with in the office between February 1st

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