

Under the new Constitution and By-laws they are eliminated from this position.

Result of No. 1.

A report submitted by Miss Jean Gunn, Chairman of the Revision of Constitution and By-laws Committee, was read by Miss Clara D. Noyes, first Vice-President. The argument in support of the removal of the Councillors (the Foundation Members) was the fear that they would overload the Board of Directors—the body in the new Constitution which superseded the Executive Committee of the I.C.N.

Mrs. Fenwick pointed out that no proposal had ever been put forward that the Councillors should be included in the Board of Directors—as they had never been ex-officio members of the Executive Committee, but that they had formed part of the Grand Council with votes for life, and that if by an apparent mistake they had been eliminated, the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain desired to propose that they should be reinstated, and the arrangement made with them honourably fulfilled.

Miss Noyes inquired how this could be done, and after sympathetic support had been expressed by several national representatives, it was ultimately formally proposed by Mrs. Fenwick and seconded by Miss Musson that the words "and the Councillors," be inserted in Section I, Article V. of the Constitution defining the composition of the Grand Council, at the end of the Clause. This resolution was formally put to the meeting and agreed to without dissent.

It was further agreed that this recommendation of the Board of Directors should be placed on the Agenda of the Meeting of the Grand Council to be held in Montreal in 1929.

The other two points under discussion were referred to the Revision Committee.

Next Meeting of the International Council.

The Report further noted the change of place for the next meeting of the International Council from Peking to Montreal, the change of Headquarters at Geneva from 1, Place du Lac to 14, Quai des Eaux Vives, and the work done at the Conference in that city.

The Report of the Hon. Secretary was adopted on the proposition of Miss Cox Davies, seconded by Miss Beatrice Kent, and it was agreed that it should be circulated to the affiliated organisations.

The Report of the Hon. Treasurer.

The Financial Statement was presented by Miss M. Breay, Hon. Treasurer, as under:—

Financial Statement.

RECEIPTS.		£	s.	d.
<i>November, 1926:—</i>				
Balance carried forward		75	5	2
Affiliation Fees		2	2	0
Annual Fees		10	0	0
Donations (Miss A. Stewart Bryson)		1	3	6
<i>Per capita</i> contribution of Affiliated Associations to the subscription of the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain to the International Council of Nurses		303	19	3
By sale of Badges		5	13	0
Proceeds of Dance organised by Mrs. Northwood		34	11	6
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		£432	14	5

EXPENDITURE.		£	s.	d.
Printing and Stationery		9	5	0
Postage		3	0	0
Circulating Report of I.C.N. Conference		5	0	0
Typing		5	9	1
Grant to Hon. Treasurer, International Council of Nurses to visit Headquarters at Geneva (defrayed by donation from the Isla Stewart Memorial Fund)		15	0	0
Subscription of National Council of Great Britain to International Council of Nurses for 1927		303	9	3
Subscription to National Council of Women of Great Britain		1	1	0
Donation in support of the work of Dr. Rollier at Leysin		5	5	0
Floral Tribute to the late Miss F. M. Shaw		2	0	0
Cost of Badges		3	18	9
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Balance carried forward		79	6	4
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		£432	14	5

MARGARET BREAY, *Hon. Treasurer.*
E. M. MUSSON, *Chairman, Finance Standing Committee.*

Its adoption was moved by Miss Musson, who had scrutinised the accounts, seconded by Miss A. S. Bryson, and carried unanimously.

It was agreed to send a letter of thanks to Mrs. Northwood for her substantial financial assistance.

The action of the President in sending a donation in support of Dr. Rollier's work for humanity at Leysin was cordially approved.

The Report was adopted.

Correspondence.

I. LETTER FROM THE COLLEGE OF NURSING, LTD.

The President read the following letter:—

Henrietta Street, London, W.1.

DEAR MADAM,

ARTICLE IX.

ELECTION OF DELEGATES.

The Council of the College of Nursing has had before it the question of the representation on the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain, and it is thought that an Association of 25,000 members should have more representation than an Association of 600 members.

It is quite understood that at the time the National Council was constituted there was no Society with a membership approaching 25,000 in numbers, and 600 may have been considered a large organisation; but with knowledge of the present organised position of British Nurses—*i.e.*, by thousands and not by hundreds—the Grand Council will see that in justice much more representation should be given to the College of Nursing.

I should be grateful if you will kindly place this letter before the Grand Council.

I am,
Yours faithfully,
M. S. RUNDLE,
Secretary.

The President said the Council would desire a free discussion on this question, expressed in the harmonious manner in which its business had hitherto been conducted. In drafting the Constitution of the National Council of Nurses, those members who inaugurated the movement some twenty-three years ago, were inspired with a keen sense of protection for the opinion of minorities with no possibility of monopoly by the larger organisations.

That principle was also incorporated in the Constitution of the International Council of Nurses, and when, on the Revision of the Constitution, it was proposed that this principle should be abrogated, the feeling against the pro-

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