

It was of opinion that nothing could be more dangerous to an accused nurse than that the case against her should be decided *in camera*.

I am,
Madam,

Yours faithfully,

MARGARET BREAY,
Hon. Secretary (pro tem).

To The Registrar,
The General Nursing Council for England and Wales.

SIR JENNER VERRALL said that in connection with a letter on the same subject considered by the last Meeting of the Council it had adopted a Resolution which it wanted to cover two things: (1) That the decisions of the Council could not satisfy everybody, and (2) that the responsibility was theirs and theirs alone.

Consistently with this he did not think that the Council could take any other course than to allow the letter to lie on the table, and he moved accordingly.

This was carried by 14 votes to 1 (Miss Bushby).

Finance.

Bills and Claims submitted for payment were approved, and the sum of £50 for Stamps and £20 for Insurance Stamps allowed.

The Finance Committee raised no objection to the recommendation of the General Purposes Committee for the purchase of a four-foot Army Table at 15s., two dozen towels at 23s. 6d. per dozen, and two dozen dusters at 5s. 11d. per dozen.

The Finance Committee reported that it had considered the following motion referred to it by the Council on December 17th for consideration:—

“That the Chairman of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales shall be paid an Honorarium of £100 per annum.”

It recommended that the motion be not approved, and this was agreed.

Registration.

A revised form to be used in making Reports to the Minister of Health, and Council, regarding applications for Registration was submitted and approved.

Applications for Registration.

Applications for Registration otherwise than “by examination” approved by the Council to December 17th, 1926, has been 52,286. Applications for approval on January 21st, 6. Applications for Registration by Examination 5,311. Passed 4,201. Approved to December 17th, 1926, 4,135. For approval January 21st, 23, under age 31, training incomplete 12, referred in Examination 1,100.

Non-Payment of Retention Fees.

The removal from the Register of the names of 1,804 nurses who had not paid their retention fees for 1927 was authorised.

Education and Examination.

The following Hospitals have been approved by the Council as under:—

Tilbury Hospital, Essex, as a complete Training School; the Gordon Hospital, London, S.W., in affiliation with the Wellhouse Hospital, Barnet; St. Luke's Hospital, Lowestoft, in affiliation with East Suffolk and Ipswich Hospital, Ipswich, and St. Mary Abbott's Hospital, London, as Training Schools which in combination with a public Hospital gives complete training under Section 1 (4) (ii) of the Scheme of Training.

Also the Derbyshire Hospital for Sick Children, Derby, as a Training School for Sick Children's Nurses.

Disciplinary and Penal Cases.

Two cases in which the Disciplinary and Penal Cases Committee recommended in each instance that the name of the nurse be not removed from the Register were considered *in camera*.

The decisions arrived at by the Council have since been communicated to the Press:—

“That in the case of Elisabeth Shand, Registered Nurse, No. 39279, found guilty of stealing on November 13th, 1925, and placed on probation for a year by the Magistrate of the Court, in whose case the Council decided to postpone judgment for the same period, the Council having now received, satisfactory assurances of her conduct during the interval the name of the nurse be not removed from the Register.”

MEMBERS' ATTENDANCES AT MEETINGS OF COUNCIL AND COMMITTEES DURING 1926.

Committees.	Council.	Finance.	Regis- tra- tion.	Educa- tion and Exam.	Exam. Sub- Comm.	Exam. Emer- gency.	Disc. and Penal.	Ment. Nurs- ing.	Joint Ment. Comm.	Genl. Purp.	Genl. Pur. Sub- Comm.	Uni- form.	No. of Meetings.	
													Attend- ed by each Member.	To which each Member called.
Meetings held	11	10	12	11	4	2	2	9	2	14	1	8		
Miss Musson (Chairman)	10	10	11	11	4	2	1	9	2	14	1	5	80	86
Sir W. P. Herringham (Vice-Chairman)	10	4	3*	6	3	—	2	7	1	11	1	—	48	76
Miss Alsop	10	—	10	8	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	33	46
Miss Armstrong	9	—	—	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	20	22
Miss Bremner	10	—	5	—	—	—	1	3	—	7	—	5	31	56
Miss Bushby	10	7	—	11	4	—	—	—	—	13	—	—	45	58
Miss Cowlin	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	10	28
Miss Cox-Davies	11	9	—	11	—	—	—	4**	1	14	1	4	55	66
Rev. G. B. Cronshaw	5	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	21
Mr. Donaldson	11	9	9	—	—	—	—	9	2	—	—	6	46	52
Miss du Sautoy	11	7	10	8	—	—	—	7	2	9	—	6	60	77
Dr. Goodall	11	—	12	10	4	—	—	—	—	11	—	—	48	52
Hon. Mrs. Hills	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	11
Lady Hobhouse	7	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	9	13
Miss Lloyd Still	8	—	—	8	4	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	22	36
Dr. Bedford Pierce	7	—	—	5†	—	—	—	8	2	—	—	—	22	33
Miss Price	8	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	31
Dr. Smedley	5	—	—	7	—	—	—	6	2	—	—	—	20	33
Miss Smith	5	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	6	21
Miss Sparshott	5	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	30
Mr. Stratton	6	—	3	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	17	44
Sir Jenner Verrall	8	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	15	23
Miss Villiers	10	8	—	10	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	38	42
Miss Wiese	9	—	6	—	—	—	—	8	1	3	—	—	28	58
Miss Wilson	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	11

* Sir W. Herringham, not on Committee for whole year. ** Miss Cox-Davies, ditto. † Dr. B. Pierce, ditto.

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