

Park, Manchester, and the North Lonsdale Hospital, Barrow-in-Furness, and the Royal Lancaster Infirmary, Lancaster, be approved.

That the Corporation Hospitals, Wigan, be provisionally approved as a complete training school for Fever Nurses, for a period of one year from May 23rd, 1930.

Correspondence, Interviews and Permits.

The General Purposes Committee reported that the correspondence dealt with in the Office between April 1st and 30th amounted to 3,844 letters received, 11,152 letters despatched, that the interviews numbered 102, and that 225 permits were issued for the State Uniform.

Two Recommendations of the Committee were approved on the Report of the Finance Committee.

The State Uniform.

On the recommendation of the Uniform Committee the Council agreed to issue duplicate Permits to five Nurses who had reported the loss of their Permits six months ago.

Date of Next Meeting.

The date of the next meeting was fixed for June 27th, and the meeting then terminated.

THE GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL, IRISH FREE STATE.

The total number of nurses on the Register of Nurses in the Irish Free State on April 17th ult., was 5,183, made up as follows: General, Medical and Surgical Nurses, 4,123; Male Nurses, 3; Mental Nurses, 902; Sick Children's Nurses, 52; Fever Nurses, 103.

GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR SCOTLAND.

Sir John Lorne MacLeod, G.B.E., LL.D., occupied the Chair, and 13 Members of the Council were present, at the meeting of the General Nursing Council for Scotland, held at 18, Melville Street, Edinburgh, on May 23rd. In connection with the Final Examination in Mental Nursing the Council, on the recommendation of the Advisory Committee of the Royal Medico-Psychological Association, resolved to appoint the following Examiners to conduct the Oral and Practical Part of the Examination in June:—

Edinburgh Centre.—Miss Martin, West House, Royal Edinburgh Hospital for Mental Disorders, Edinburgh. Dr. J. H. C. Orr, Midlothian and Peebles Asylum, Rossllyn Castle.

Glasgow Centre.—Miss M. Gow, Gartloch Mental Hospital, Gartloch. Dr. Douglas McRae, Ayr District Asylum, Ayr.

Dundee.—Miss S. L. Hatton, Aberdeen City Mental Hospital, Kingseat, Newmachar. Dr. Tuach Mackenzie, Dundee District Asylum, Westgreen, Dundee.

Aberdeen Centre.—Miss Young, Dundee District Asylum, Westgreen, Dundee. Dr. H. de M. Alexander, Aberdeen City Mental Hospital, Kingseat, Newmachar.

It was reported that the Sub-Committee dealing with the revision of the Council's Syllabus for the Preliminary Examination had now completed their work and authority was given to submit the draft of the revised Syllabus to the General Nursing Council for England and Wales and the Joint Nursing and Midwives' Council for Northern Ireland before it was finally approved by the Council.

THE LONDON VOLUNTARY HOSPITALS COMMITTEE.

The London Voluntary Hospitals Committee is the title that has been taken by the committee elected by the hospitals in the County of London for the purpose of consultations with the London County Council under Section 13 of the Local Government Act, 1929.

The composition of the Committee is as follows: Chairman, Lord Riddell; Hon. Secretary, Dr. Geoffrey Evans, and the following members: Mr. A. Lawrence Abel, F.R.C.S., Mr. F. S. A. Baker, Lady Barrett, C.H., C.B.E., M.D., Mr. O. N. Chadwyck-Healey, Mr. Thomas Clapham, Lieutenant-Colonel Clement Cobbold, Dr. Edmund H. Colbeck, O.B.E., Captain C. C. Craig, D.L., Mr. Robert Davies-Colley, C.M.G., F.R.C.S., Professor L. S. Dudgeon, C.M.G., C.B.E., F.R.C.P., Mr. Arthur G. Ferard, C.B.E., Mr. Charles Gibbs, F.R.C.S., Sir Henry Gooch, J.P., Mr. E. L. Pearce Gould, F.R.C.S., Dr. A. M. H. Gray, C.B.E., Captain A. M. Hughes, Sir Henry Jackson, Dr. J. M. H. MacLeod, Sir George Makins, G.C.M.G., C.B., F.R.C.S., Mr. M. S. Mayou, F.R.C.S., Mr. E. Vernon Miles, Mr. Arthur Morley, Mr. E. W. Morris, Mr. Gilbert G. Panter, Mr. D. Denham Pinnock, F.R.C.S., Dr. Arthur Porter, Dr. Harold Pritchard, Mr. D. W. Roy, F.R.C.S., Dr. T. H. G. Shore, Dr. E. Bellingham Smith, Mr. H. S. Souttar, C.B.E., F.R.C.S., Mr. Widdrington Stafford, Mr. Thomas G. Stevens, F.R.C.S., Mr. Austin Taylor, Sir William Wells, F.S.A., F.S.I., Mr. J. P. Wetenhall, Mr. Francis P. Whitbread, and Dr. C. M. Wilson, M.C.

The address of the Committee is 23, Park Square East, N.W.1.

THE BRITISH EMPIRE RED CROSS CONFERENCE.

The British Empire Red Cross Conference was opened on May 19th at St. James's Palace by the Duke of York, Chairman of the Council of the British Red Cross Society and concluded its deliberations on May 24th (Empire Day). On May 21st the Overseas Delegates were received by the Queen at Buckingham Palace and they were also entertained to luncheon by the Lord Mayor.

Ten years ago the British Red Cross Society, under its Supplemental Charter, extended its work from the relief of suffering caused by war alone to the relief of suffering and the improvement of health in time of peace. The Conference was called to examine the experience of those ten years, and to discuss how the Red Cross may be made an even more powerful weapon against sickness and disease.

Miss Jean E. Browne, R.N., Canadian Red Cross, and Head of the Junior Red Cross organisation in Canada, speaking of the Red Cross in education, told the Conference that the Junior Red Cross had a great contribution to make. Their programme included the ideals of health, service to others, and international friendliness, and it could be adapted to any school system without adding an extra burden to the teachers, and Dame Maud McCarthy, who was Matron-in-Chief to the British Armies in France during the War, referred to the work of the Voluntary Aid Detachments, and paid a tribute to their services in the War.

Brigadier-General W. F. S. Edwards advocated amalgamation of the Order of St. John and the Red Cross, but opposing views were expressed by those who favoured mutual co-operation.

On May 21st there was a big Demonstration of the Junior Branch, designed to show how the Red Cross ideal of service is now being fostered among boys and girls in schools.

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