

regret that he found it impossible to support the policy of the Union, saying that his views on the matter were unaltered, and that they became stronger and stronger each year, and that he could not subscribe to the policy of the Union. He agreed that it naturally followed that he could not expect payment of expenses if he was unable to carry out the Union policy, and with this explanation he saw no good reason for appearing before the N.E.C. at their next meeting. Every opportunity has been given to Mr. Blackman and Miss Brown to state their case and say why they could not support the Union policy. We are not endeavouring to judge them. It may be that pride of place and power has altered their views. . . . At any rate we are not blaming them; all we say is that we are not going to pay out of Union funds expenses to people who will not represent the Union views.

CHAIRMAN: Do the mover and seconder still desire to move the reference back?

MR. HARRISON (Napsbury): I decline to withdraw it; we are glad to know the exact details, thanks to Mr. Gibson, but I feel very strongly on this matter. We must be represented on the General Nursing Council, and I think it will be agreed that we should have someone at the next election who will represent our views, and who would be nominated with that end in view.

On a card vote being taken the reference back of the paragraph was defeated.

GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR ENGLAND AND WALES.

The one hundred and fifteenth meeting of the General Nursing Council of England and Wales was held on July 25th at 20, Portland Place, London, W., the Chairman, Miss E. M. Musson, C.B.E., R.R.C., presiding.

Finance.

On the recommendation of the Finance Committee Bills and Claims submitted for payment were approved, and the sum of £150 for postage stamps, £50 for Insurance Stamps, £25 for Petty Cash, and £360 for Stamps for Retention Fee Notices, were allowed.

Registration.

The Registration Committee presented for approval two applications for admission by reciprocity to the General Part of the Register, one to the General Part of the Register, and one to the Supplementary Part of the Register for Fever Nurses, together with ten for admission to the Supplementary Part of the Register for Fever Nurses by examination. These were approved for Registration and the Secretary instructed to enter the names of the applicants in the appropriate parts of the Register.

The Council sanctioned the reinclusion in the Register of the names of 15 Nurses who had hitherto failed to pay their Retention Fee and now wished their names re-included.

Education and Examination.

The Education and Examination Committee made the following recommendations:—

"That the following hospital be provisionally approved as a complete training school for a period of one year from July 25th, 1930:—Margate and District General Hospital."

"That the following hospital be approved as a training school which in combination with a public hospital gives complete training under Section I. (1) (d) of the Council's Scheme of Training:—Heatherwood Hospital for Children, Ascot, in conjunction with King Edward VII. Hospital, Windsor."

"That an additional scheme of reciprocity between the City of London Hospital for Diseases of Heart and Lungs and the Royal Free Hospital, London, be approved." The Hospital is at present approved with the Royal Northern Hospital, London, the Salisbury General Infirmary and the Royal Hants County Hospital, Winchester.

Applications for examinerships were considered, and the names of the applicants added to the panel of Examiners.

Correspondence, Interviews and Permits.

The General Purposes Committee reported (a) that the correspondence dealt with in the office between June 2nd and 30th, 1930, amounted to letters received 2,148, letters despatched 7,260; (b) That the interviews numbered 131; (c) That 83 permits were issued for the State Uniform.

The State Uniform.

The Uniform Committee reported that applications had been considered from five Registered Nurses for duplicate permits to obtain the State Uniforms. The applications were granted.

Date of Next Meeting.

The date of the next meeting was fixed for September 26th and the meeting then terminated.

STATE EXAMINATIONS, 1930-1931.

The following dates have been approved:—

Preliminary Examinations.

Written Examinations—

1930

Tues., Oct. 14

1931

Tues., Feb. 3

Tues., May 12

Oral and Practical Examinations—

Oct. 21—24

Feb. 10—13

May 19—22

Final Examinations.

Written Examinations—

Wed., Oct. 15

Wed., Feb. 4

Wed., May 13

Oral and Practical Examinations—

Oct. 28—31

Feb. 17—30

*May 26—29

*Except Manchester, which will be May 19—22, owing to Whitsun disorganisation of traffic.

GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR SCOTLAND.

At a meeting of the General Nursing Council for Scotland held at 18 Melville Street, Edinburgh, on July 11th.

Sir John Lorne MacLeod, G.B.E., LL.D. occupied the Chair and 10 Members of the Council were present.

The Report of the Education and Examination Committee was submitted by Col. Mackintosh, the Convener, and was approved. In terms of the recommendations of the Committee a revised Syllabus in the subjects of Elementary Anatomy and Physiology and Hygiene prepared by a special Sub-Committee was approved.

To fill vacancies two further Examiners were appointed for the October Examination and the Registrar's Reports on the July Examinations were gone over and approved.

LEGAL MATTERS.

Alice Beatrice Colledge, described as a shorthand typist, stated to be a woman of good birth, and an excellent linguist, was recently found guilty at Marylebone of a series of frauds and sentenced by Mr. Dumett to six months' imprisonment.

She pleaded guilty to stealing a gold wristlet watch from a bedroom at 22, Inverness Terrace, W., belonging to Alfreda Ritchie.

Detective Massey who described the career of the accused, including thefts of handbags and a ring from a church at Lancaster Gate during divine service in 1928, said that for 12 months she worked on the War Pensions Committee at Brighton, and since then had done nursing at St. George's, Guy's, and St. Mary's Hospitals.

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