

That an additional scheme of reciprocal training between St. Mary's Hospitals for Women and Children, Whitworth Park, Manchester, and Huddersfield Royal Infirmary, be approved.

That the Watford Isolation Hospital be provisionally approved as a complete training school for Fever Nurses for a period of one year from this date.

That the provisional approval granted to the Hyde Borough Fever Hospital having expired on April 20th, 1930, the Hospital be now approved as a complete training school for Fever Nurses.

The Committee reported that the following members have completed their terms of office on the Boards of Examiners:—

Preliminary Board.—The Hon. Gertrude Best, late Assistant Matron, St. Thomas's Hospital, London.

Final Board for the Supplementary Part of the Register for Sick Children's Nurses.—T. T. Higgins, Esq., F.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., London.

Final Board for the Supplementary Part of the Register for Fever Nurses.—C. Rundle, Esq., M.D., Fazakerley Sanatorium, Liverpool.

Final Board for the Supplementary Part of the Register for Mental Nurses.—R. Eager, Esq., O.B.E., M.B., Devon Mental Hospital, Exminster.

They recommended that the following be appointed to serve on the Boards of Examiners:—

Preliminary Board.—Miss Simms, Matron, Royal Waterloo Hospital for Children and Women.

Final Board for the Supplementary Part of the Register for Sick Children's Nurses.—John Gow, Esq., M.B., Ch.B., F.R.C.S., Manchester.

Final Board for the Supplementary Part of the Register for Fever Nurses.—A. E. Hodgson, Esq., M.D., D.P.H., Liverpool.

Final Board for the Supplementary Part of the Register for Mental Nurses.—R. Eager, Esq., O.B.E., M.B., Exminster (Reappointment).

Mental Nursing.

The Mental Nursing Committee recommended that the Ewell Colony, Epsom, be provisionally approved as a complete training school for Male and Female Mental Nurses for a period of one year from this date.

That Camberwell House, Peckham Road, London, S.E.5, hitherto approved as a complete training school for Female Mental Nurses, be now approved as a complete training school for both Male and Female Mental Nurses.

Correspondence, Interviews and Permits.

The General Purposes Committee reported that the correspondence dealt with in the office between March 1st and 31st amounted to 4,284 letters received, 9,015 letters despatched, that the interviews numbered 138, that 108 permits were issued for the State uniform.

The State Uniform.

The Uniform Committee reported that applications had been received from eleven nurses the loss of whose permits had been reported six months ago for duplicate permits to obtain the State Registered Uniform. This was agreed.

Date of next Meeting.

The date of the next meeting was fixed for May 23rd, and the meeting then terminated.

GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR THE IRISH FREE STATE.

Miss Alice Reeves, R.R.C., Matron of Steevens' Hospital, Dublin, has been co-opted a member of the General Nursing Council for the Irish Free State.

THE STATE REGISTER.

We have received from the Chairman of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales a copy of the State Register of Nurses, an imposing volume in its red and gold cover, and four inches thick, although the thickness of the paper on which it is printed is perforce diminished and the size of the type reduced from that originally used.

The fact that, as reported by the Chairman at the last meeting of the Council, just on 70,000 nurses have registered since the Register was established, and that 58,040 names are entered in the 1930 volume, proves how wrong was the estimate of those who, prior to the passing of the Registration Acts, insisted that there was "no demand" for registration. The nurses have triumphantly demonstrated the contrary.

LEGAL MATTERS.

Not a Trained Nurse.

At the Marylebone Police Court recently Mrs. Elvira Josephine Long, stated to be a nurse, was charged with attempted murder, at a nurses' club in New Cavendish Street, W., by stabbing Miss Bordi, the proprietress, with a hunter's knife. When charged, on arrest, she asked whether Miss Bordi would die, and Detective - Inspector Burnby replied that she was very bad, and the doctor could not yet state her condition.

We are authoritatively informed that Mrs. Long is not a nurse, and it is regrettable that this statement should be published.

THE PASSING BELL.

Death of Miss Winifred Mullaney, Secretary, South Australian Branch of Royal British Nurses' Association.

It is with deep regret that we have received, just as we go to press, intimation of the death of Miss Winifred Mullaney, F.B.C.N., Secretary of the South Australian Branch of the Royal British Nurses Association. We sympathise deeply with our Australian colleagues, for Miss Mullaney is to be regarded as one of those who have left their mark on nursing organisation in the Island Continent.

In the R.B.N.A. Supplement of the October issue of THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING there appeared an article on Miss Mullaney, and the information given there indicates that she was not only a very highly qualified nurse, but that she was a real pioneer both in public health work and district nursing.

Her record while she was Secretary of the Branch Association, and Superintendent of its Club, gives every evidence that Miss Mullaney used her position to the utmost to promote the best interests of the Nurses of Australia, and also that she had great powers of initiative and a personality of great kindness and charm.

Miss Mullaney kept in touch with the position of nursing in England and followed all the activities of the parent Association with keen interest; scarcely ever did THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING reach her without our receiving a note commenting on one item of information or another.

About the foundation of the British College of Nurses Miss Mullaney was proud and enthusiastic, seeing in it immense opportunity for the Nurses of the Empire to promote professional advancement and prestige; her work for the College led its Council to appoint her as Local Consul in Adelaide.

Miss Mullaney's illness, which was a painful one, was borne with great courage.

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