

## GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR ENGLAND AND WALES.

The One hundred and twenty-second Meeting of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales was held on Friday, March 27th, at 20, Portland Place, London, W., and Miss E. M. Musson, C.B.E., R.R.C., Chairman of the Council, presided.

The Chairman announced that the Register of Nurses for 1931 was now published; this was earlier in the year than ever before, and the Council agreed to express its appreciation of the work of the clerical staff concerned.

For the first time it was in two volumes, the General Part and the Supplementary Parts.

The numbers included in the Register were:—General Register, 49,630; Supplementary Register for Male Nurses, 195; Mental Nurses, 5,530; Nurses for Mental Defectives, 281; Sick Children's Nurses, 1,526; Fever Nurses, 3,459; total, 60,621.

### Prosecution for False Representation.

The Chairman announced that two women who falsely represented themselves to be Registered Nurses had been prosecuted by the Council.

Margery Maund, who called herself Mrs. Margaret Holt, who was not a trained nurse but at one time was on the Roll of the Central Midwives Board from which she had been removed, who was fined £5; and

Eileen Anstruther Sinclair, an unregistered nurse, who was traced to Clacton-on-Sea but removed to London before a summons could be served upon her, and who had been proved guilty of larceny. She also was fined £5 for describing herself as a State Registered Nurse.

Apologies for absence included one from Dr. Lord, who gave as his reason that his wedding day was on March 25th.

### Correspondence.

A letter was received from the Minister of Health announcing the resignation of Dr. Buchan from membership of the Council and that the necessary steps were being taken to fill the vacancy.

### Finance.

The Finance Committee reported that Miss Sparshott and Miss Cowlin had been appointed Members of the Committee in place of Dr. Murrell, resigned.

The Committee raised no objections to the recommendations of the General Purposes Committee that the estimate of Messrs. A. & E. Walter, Ltd., for £94 3s. 6d. for stationery be accepted, and of Messrs. B. Colley & Sons for (1) taking up floor in room in basement to remedy condition caused by wet rot, covering surface with six-inch concrete, and stained yellow deal wood block flooring laid in bitumen, amounting to £20; and (2) removing existing cupboards on each wall of room to disperse damp air, and rendering wall behind in super cement and matchboard amounting to £10.

The Committee further raised no objection to the recommendation of the Uniform Committee that the estimates of Messrs. A. & E. Walter, Ltd., be accepted for supplying 20,000 copies of Rules with respect to Uniform and Badge at 3s. 6d. per 1,000, £32 10s.; and 20,000 copies of Schedule to Rules, £9 9s. per 1,000, £189.

The Chairman of Council and Chairman of Finance Committee were authorised to invest the sum of £2,000 after consultation with the Council's bankers.

### Registration.

On the recommendation of the Registration Committee the Council agreed to grant duplicate badges to two nurses the loss of whose badges was reported a year ago.

The Registration Committee reported that the numbers of successful candidates at the February Examination were :

General Part of the Register, 1,126; Supplementary Part of the Register for Male Nurses, 3; Mental Nurses, 25; Nurses for Mental Defectives, 1; Sick Children's Nurses, 70; Fever Nurses, 145. Total 1,370.

Applications for approval on March 27th were: General Register, by Reciprocity, 4; Supplementary Register for Fever Nurses, by Examination, 5; by Reciprocity, 2. Total 11.

It was agreed that 61 Nurses who had hitherto failed to pay their Retention Fee and now wished their names included in the Register should be reincluded.

### Education and Examination.

On the recommendation of the Education and Examination Committee it was agreed:—

"That the following hospital be provisionally approved as a training school which in combination with a public hospital gives complete training under Section I (1) (a) of the Council's Scheme of Training, for a period of one year from this date:—

St. Peter's Hospital, Covent Garden, London, in combination with Bolingbroke Hospital, London."

"That the provisional approval granted to the following hospitals be extended for a further year from the date of expiration of such approval:—

The County Infirmary, Carmarthen, in affiliation with Swansea General and Eye Hospital, from January 18th, 1931.

St. Anthony's Hospital, Cheam, in affiliation with Providence Free Hospital, St. Helens, and with the Hospital of St. John & St. Elizabeth, London, from February 28th, 1931.

Nelson Hospital, Merton, S.W., from March 28th, 1931. Watford Isolation Hospital from April 25th, 1931."

"That the following hospital be approved as a complete training school for Fever Nurses to enable those nurses who have completed their three years' general training at the Hallam Hospital, West Bromwich, and whose names are entered in the State Register as General Trained Nurses, to take one year's training at the Fever Hospital for the purpose of taking the Final Examination in Fever Nursing: Isolation Hospital, West Bromwich."

Lists of applications for Examinerships were considered, and the following medical practitioners and Registered Nurses were appointed to serve on the Board of Examiners.

### Preliminary Board:—

W. G. Masterman, Esq., M.D., F.R.C.S., D.P.H. (Re-appointment).

A. E. Mortimer Woolf, Esq., B.A., M.B., B.Ch., F.R.C.S., Queen Mary's Hospital, London.

Miss K. G. Lloyd, Matron, Royal Lancaster Infirmary, Lancaster.

### Final Board for the General Register:—

E. K. Martin, Esq., M.S., F.R.C.S., University College Hospital, London.

K. D. Wilkinson, Esq., O.B.E., M.D., M.R.C.P., General Hospital, Birmingham.

Miss M. L. Lane (Re-appointment).

Miss L. Coombe, late Assistant Matron, Guy's Hospital, London.

### Final Board for the Supplementary Part of the Register for Mental Nurses:—

H. Wolseley Lewis, Esq., M.D., F.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. (Re-appointment).

W. J. T. Kimber, Esq., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Herts County Mental Hospital, St. Albans.

Miss Helen Pearson, Hollymoor Mental Hospital, Birmingham.

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