

## PUBLIC HEALTH.

*The Hon. Officers—Chairman*, Miss D. K. Graham; Miss Norah Farrant, Miss G. Le Geyt.

## HISTORY OF NURSING.

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Miss I. Macdonald was co-opted in an advisory capacity on to the conjoint Social and History of Nursing Committee for the organisation of the annual dinner in October.

## ELECTION OF FELLOWS AND MEMBERS.

All the applications received were approved and the candidates elected.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The President presented a satisfactory financial statement; £672 had been received in subscriptions since the last Meeting.

## REPORT OF THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

Miss M. S. Cochrane, R.R.C., Chairman of the Committee, presented the Report.

It was recommended that Coaching Classes, which had been so successful, should be continued if required.

Letters of keen appreciation of the Hospital Administration Classes had been received. In a most kind letter Miss M. C. Tisdale, Matron, Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street, conveyed an invitation for a further visit at a future time.

Written Papers competing for the £2 2s. Prize to be awarded for the best Paper on the first four Administration Class visits to Hospitals were submitted from: Miss Gwen E. Davies, Miss E. J. Jenkins, Miss D. M. Moase, Miss Spencer-Jones, Matron, St. Pancras House, N.W.1.

It was agreed that the Papers be scrutinised by Miss Cochrane and Miss Graham.

## Applications for Grants.

Applications for Grants were considered for the Health Visitors' Course and Examination of £25 each, and it was recommended that they be awarded to Miss Joy May Evison, M.B.C.N. since June, 1926, trained Sculcoats Infirmary, Hull, 1921-1924, and to Miss Beatrice Filley, M.B.C.N., since January, 1928, trained Royal Infirmary, Glasgow, 1914-1918, who holds the C.M.B. Certificate.

*Midwifery Grants.*—The grants for training in Midwifery were not awarded, and it was recommended that a notice offering three Midwifery grants of £35 each be inserted in the August issue of the BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING.

*Tropical Diseases Lectures.*—No applications to attend the Tropical Diseases Course of Lectures at the Tropical Diseases Hospital had been received—two grants were therefore available.

*Housekeeping Grants.*—Two grants of £10 towards the expense of a Hospital Housekeeping Course were recommended:

£10 to Miss H. E. Brown, M.B.C.N. since 1928, at Charing Cross Hospital. Trained at Fulham Infirmary, 1924-1927; and

£10 to Miss Ella Fenton, M.B.C.N. since July, 1928. Trained Royal Hospital, Sheffield, provided her Course commences within the year.

## Classes on Administration in Special Hospitals.

It was agreed to recommend that four Classes on Administration should be arranged for the Autumn Session, two to be held in October and two in November. 1. Fulham, Municipal Hospital. 2. Colindale (Tuberculosis) Hospital. 3. Infectious Diseases, the Brook Hospital; and 4. Charing Cross Hospital Special features.

## Books for the Lending Library.

It was recommended to purchase the following books for the Lending Library:—"Medical Electricity," by Cumberbatch, and "Hospital Administration," by Stone.

## Winter Programme.

It was recommended that, as small classes on special subjects, and examinations and certificates and prizes were apparently more popular than Lectures, during the winter months such might be arranged in Organised Groups on the lines of the Tutorial Group.

Miss I. Macdonald offered to organise the study of Psychology. Other subjects to be considered later.

## French Classes.

It was agreed to recommend that French Classes be arranged to help Fellows and Members to acquire conversational French to assist those attending the International Congress of Nurses in Paris and Brussels in 1933.

## Date of Annual Dinner.

The three rooms required, at the Café Monico were available only on Monday, October 26th, for the History of Nursing Pageant Dinner, and they had been provisionally secured by the President. The accommodation was admirable for the purpose.

The Report was respectfully submitted.

The President read a communication from Miss I. Macdonald outlying a scheme for the study of Psychology under a Group Leader, who would be responsible for the organisation connected with the group, and proposing to hold a preliminary meeting in September.

The suggestion was received with pleasure.

The Report was adopted.

Miss Cochrane then reported that she and Miss Graham had scrutinised the Papers competing for the Hospitals Administration Prize of £2 2s.

They had awarded the Prize with consent of the Council to Miss D. M. Moase, Housekeeping Sister at the Prince of Wales's Hospital, Tottenham, and stated that it was a most admirable Paper, showing how keenly Miss Moase had observed the conditions of the institutions visited, and how greatly she had appreciated the addresses and instruction of the Matrons who received the Class.

The Paper of Miss Spencer-Jones, matron of St. Pancras House, was also most excellent, indeed but a few marks less had been awarded than to that of Miss Moase. The Papers of Miss Gwen E. Davies and Miss E. J. Jenkins did them both great credit, and both she and Miss Graham felt sure the Hospital Administration Classes had been of very real value to those who had attended them.

It was agreed to award the Prize to Miss Moase, and to offer a second Prize of a guinea to Miss Spencer-Jones, in recognition of the excellence of her Paper.

It was hoped the Prize Papers might be printed later in the BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING.

## REPORT OF THE SOCIAL SCHEMES COMMITTEE.

The President reported that she had visited the Monico Restaurant, where they had been so generously treated last year, and arranged, with the consent of the Council, to engage three rooms for the History of Nursing Dinner on October 26th. The International Hall for Dinner, Renaissance Hall for Reception, and the Louis XV Room for the Pageant characters to assemble, as all were close together and most suitable for their purpose. The cost of the Dinner would be 10s. 6d. a head. Toast Master and Band extra.

The President also reported she had visited Messrs. Rayne, from whom Fancy Costumes could be ordered, or hired. The firm appeared quite capable of meeting their demands, and next week costumes could be seen, and the cost of hiring fancy dresses was very reasonable.

It was agreed that the Dinner should be held at the Monico, and that Rayne should be recommended for costumes.

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