

GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR ENGLAND AND WALES.

The one hundred and forty-ninth Meeting of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales was held at the Offices of the Council, 20, Portland Place, London, W.1, on September 29th. The Chairman, Miss E. M. Musson, C.B.E., R.R.C., LL.D., presided.

The Chairman notified the Council that the letter to the Minister of Health concerning the provision of Superannuation Benefit for the staff was not being forwarded until the end of this month owing to the holiday absence of the Minister. Should the Minister desire to interview any of the Council on the matter it was decided that the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman, and Mr. Harper, Chairman of the Finance Committee, should attend.

Finance.

On the recommendation of the Finance Committee, bills and claims submitted for payment were approved, and £300 for Postage Stamps, £25 for Insurance Stamps and £15 for Petty Cash allowed.

Registration.

Applications for approval for Registration on September 29th were: General Part of the Register, by Reciprocity, 11; Supplementary Part of the Register for Fever Nurses, by Examination, 26. Total, 37.

It was agreed that 54 nurses who had hitherto failed to pay their Retention Fee, and now wished their names re-included in the Register, should be re-included.

Education and Examination.

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

Llandough Hospital, Cardiff, in amalgamation with City Lodge Hospital, Cardiff, be provisionally approved as a Complete Training School for the period of one year;

That Bishop's Stortford Hospital, in affiliation with Hertford County Hospital, be provisionally approved as a Training School under Section 1 (1) b of the Council's Scheme of Training for a period of one year;

That White Cliff Hospital, Torquay, in combination with the Hospital of St. Cross, Rugby, be provisionally approved as a Training School under Section 1 (1) d of the Council's Scheme of Training, for a period of one year;

That Dreadnought Hospital, London, Cameron Hospital, West Hartlepool, and Westmorland County Hospital, Kendal, be provisionally approved as Complete Training Schools, for a period of one year;

That the schemes of affiliation between County Hospital, Clayton, Bradford, and Batley and District Hospital; and St. Mary's Hospital for Women and Children, Plaistow, and Albert Dock Hospital, London, be approved;

That the provisional approval granted to Heathfields Hospital, Ipswich, in affiliation with Withington Hospital and Crumpsall Hospital, Manchester; and Bushey Heath Cottage Hospital, in affiliation with Watford and District Peace Memorial Hospital, be continued.

Mental Nursing.

On the recommendation of the Mental Nursing Committee, it was agreed that the revised arrangement of the Syllabus of Subjects for Examination for the Certificate of Mental Defective Nursing be approved.

It was agreed that the Great Barr Park Colony, near Birmingham, be now approved as a Complete Training School for Male and Female Nurses for Mental Defectives, and that Cell Barnes Colony, St. Albans, Herts, be provisionally approved as a Complete Training School for

Male and Female Nurses for Mental Defectives for a period of one year.

Uniform.

On the recommendation of the Uniform Committee it was agreed that the registration of the design of the Braid, Buttons, Silver and Woven Badges for the State Registered Uniform, be renewed at a cost of £20 (£5 for each design).

Next Meeting of the Council.

The date of the next Meeting was fixed for Friday, October 27th.

The Council then went *in camera* to consider the case of a Registered Nurse reported by the Police Authorities.

GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR SCOTLAND.

A Meeting of the General Nursing Council for Scotland was held at 18 Melville Street, Edinburgh, on Friday, 22nd September, 1933.

Sir John Lorne MacLeod, G.B.E., LL.D., Chairman of the Council, occupied the Chair and 13 Members of the Council were present.

The Report of the Education and Examination Committee was submitted by Col. Mackintosh, C.B., M.V.O., the Convener of the Committee, and was approved. In accordance with the recommendations of the Committee, it was resolved that the name of Dr. Thomas Anderson, Ruchill Hospital, Glasgow, be placed on the Council's Panel of Examiners in Anatomy and Physiology and Hygiene at the Preliminary Examination.

The following Examiners were appointed to conduct the Final Examination in Mental Nursing in October:—

Dr. N. T. Kerr, Hartwood; Dr. D. MacRae, Ayr; Dr. W. Tuach Mackenzie, Dundee; Miss C. Maccallum, Paisley; Miss J. McGrigor, Larbert; Miss Robertson, Montrose.

To enable Nurses from English Hospitals to sit the Council's Final Examination in October, the following three Hospitals recognised by the General Nursing Council for England and Wales were ordered to be temporarily recognised for the General Part of the Register:—

Dulwich Hospital, London; New End Hospital, Hampstead; Municipal Hospital, Sunderland.

The names of a number of Nurses who had already passed the Council's Examinations and had now attained the age of 21 were reported as placed on the Register and the Council ordered that the names of two Nurses already registered by the General Nursing Council for England and Wales be registered on the Council's Register by reciprocity.

SONNET.

This day relenting God
Hath placed within my hand
A wondrous thing; and God
Be praised. At His command,
Seeking His secret deeds,
With tears and toiling breath,
I find thy cunning seeds,
O million-murdering Death.
I know this little thing
A myriad men will save
O Death, where is thy sting,
Thy victory, O Grave!
Before Thy feet I fall,
Lord, who made high my fate;
For in the mighty small
Is shown the mighty great.

Written by the late Sir Ronald Ross when he made his great discovery of the causal relation of the mosquito to malaria.

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