

Court of stealing two pairs of stockings from a shop in Birmingham, to the value of 7s. 2d., when a fine of £10 was imposed.

A solicitor accompanied Mrs. Tomlin to the meeting of the Council, who pleaded for her on the grounds of very poor health and great domestic trouble.

Decision of the Council.

The Council considered the case *in camera*, and passed the following resolution which was subsequently communicated to the press:—

“That the Council do postpone their judgment on the conviction proved against Mrs. Margaret Mary Tomlin, S.R.N. 56740, for a period of one year.”

COMMITTEES 1935.

The following Standing Committees were elected:—

Finance.—Mr. Buckley, Miss Cox-Davies, Miss Gullan, Mr. Harper, Miss MacManus, Dr. Porter, Miss Sparshott, Miss Willis.

Registration.—Miss Cockeram, Miss Cox-Davies, Miss Innes, Miss Jones, Lady Limerick, Dame Alicia Lloyd Still, Miss Sparshott, Miss Villiers.

Education.—Miss Bowling, Miss Cockeram, Miss Cox-Davies, Miss Dey, Miss Gullan, Miss Gwatkin, Miss Innes, Miss Jones, Dr. Kettle, Dame Alicia Lloyd Still, Miss MacManus, Miss Villiers.

Disciplinary and Penal Cases.—Miss Dey, Miss Innes, Miss MacManus, Dr. Porter, Mr. Southwell, Miss Sparshott, Miss Villiers, Miss Willis.

Mental Nursing.—Mr. Buckley, Dr. Collins, Mrs. Courtauld, Miss Gullan, Mr. Harper, Dr. Porter, Miss Sparshott, Miss Willis.

General Purposes.—Mrs. Courtauld, Miss Cox-Davies, Miss Dey, Miss Innes, Mr. Southwell, Miss Sparshott.

Uniform Committee.—Miss Cockeram, Miss Cox-Davies, Lady Erleigh, Lady Limerick, Miss Sparshott, Miss Villiers.

Miss Musson and Miss Darbyshire are *ex-officio* members of all Committees.

LIST OF COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS—1934.

<i>Council</i> —January to December	....	....	....	11
<i>Committees</i> —Elected at January Council (February 1934 to January 1935)				
Finance	....	....	....	11
Registration	....	....	....	14
Education and Examination	....	....	....	11
Disciplinary and Penal Cases	....	....	....	8
Mental Nursing	....	....	....	7
General Purposes	....	....	....	14
Uniform	....	....	....	6
				—
<i>Sub-Committees</i> —				71
Examination	....	....	....	3
Mental Nursing	....	....	....	2
House	....	....	....	9
				—
				14
				—
				96

ATTENDANCES AT COUNCIL MEETINGS.

Not only have we to thank Miss E. M. Musson, C.B.E., R.R.C., LL.D., Miss R. A. Cox-Davies, C.B.E., R.R.C., Mr. W. H. Harper and Miss M. Willis for attending all the Council Meetings, but also the Chair and Vice-Chair, as *ex-officio*, for attending 89 and 84 of the 96 Committees and sub-Committees respectively.

It is to be noted that Mrs. J. S. Courtauld, nominated by the Board of Education, and Viscountess Erleigh, nominated by the Privy Council, have not attended one of the eleven Council Meetings to which they have been summoned during 1934.

AN IMPORTANT DECISION.

We have received the following important communication from the Registrar of the General Nursing Council:—

DEAR MADAM,—I am instructed to inform you that the General Nursing Council at its meeting yesterday decided to relinquish to the British Broadcasting Corporation their premises Nos. 20 and 22, Portland Place, in exchange for the site Nos. 23 and 25, Portland Place and a sum adequate to cover the cost of building and removal to the new premises, and loss of revenue.

Yours faithfully,

G. E. DAVIES, Registrar.

26th January, 1935.

GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR SCOTLAND.

Sir John Lorne MacLeod, G.B.E., LL.D., Chairman of the General Nursing Council for Scotland, occupied the Chair, and 12 members of the Council were present at its meeting held at 18, Melville Street, Edinburgh, on January 25th.

Sir John Lorne MacLeod, G.B.E., LL.D., was unanimously reappointed Chairman of the Council, and Col. D. J. Mackintosh, C.B., M.V.O., Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year. The existing Committees were reappointed.

A draft of the Annual Report to be submitted to the Department of Health for Scotland in terms of the Nurses' Registration Act was gone over and approved, along with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts for the year to December 31st, 1934.

The Report of the Education and Examination Committee was approved and in accordance with the recommendations of the Committee, it was resolved that in the case of Male Nurses trained in the Royal Air Force, the Council's Certificate of Instruction signed on behalf of the Air Ministry should be accepted.

On consideration of the results of the Examinations for last year, it was resolved that in the case of hospitals of whose Candidates more than a certain percentage had failed to pass the Council's Examinations during 1934, a communication on the subject should be sent to the Matron.

Detailed arrangements in regard to the February Examinations were approved, and it was reported that the names of a number of nurses who had already passed the Council's Examinations and had now attained the age of 21 had been placed on the Register.

THE WHITE MILITIA OF THE ITALIAN RED CROSS.

La Bianca Milizia, the Supplement to the Bulletin of the Italian Red Cross, and the organ of the Trained Nurses' Branch of the Italian Red Cross Society, gives the following interesting account of the reception by the Duce at the Palazzo Venezia, Rome, in the Hall of Victory, of more than 500 Nursing Sisters who had taken part in the Great War:

His Excellency Cremonesi put before the Duce a detailed account of the activities of the "Force"—masculine and feminine—who took part in the War, as well as of those who sacrificed their lives in fulfilment of their duties.

The Delegate Sister Targiani, in the name of all present, paid a tribute of respectful homage to the Royal Inspector General, who unfortunately was not present.

THE SPEECH OF HIS EXCELLENCY SIGNOR MUSSOLINI.

Then followed the speech of His Excellency, Signor Mussolini.

After a well-deserved eulogy of the President he addressed the Sisters. In his speech he made four special points, relative to the formation and life of the Nursing Sisterhood,

[previous page](#)

[next page](#)