GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR SCOTLAND.

Notes of Proceedings.

A meeting of the General Nursing Council for Scotland was held at the offices of the Council, 18, Melville Street, Edinburgh, on Friday, March 19th, 1937. Colonel D. J. Mackintosh, C.B., M.V.O., LL.D., in the absence of the Chairman, Sir John Lorne MacLeod, G.B.E., LL.D., presided. Apologies for absence were intimated from Sir John Lorne MacLeod, Miss Smaill, Miss Williamson, Miss Fraser, and Miss Pool.

Finance Committee.

On the recommendation of the Finance Committee, accounts and claims in connection with the Council's recent examinations submitted for payment were approved.

Estimates for office equipment were submitted and approved.

Education and Examination Committee.

On the recommendation of the Education and Examination Committee, various arrangements were made, including the appointment of Examiners, for the next Examination to be held in May.

The names of Nurses who had passed the Council's Final Examinations in February, 1937, and had attained the age

of 21 were reported as placed on the Register.

The name of Miss A. Norbury, Edinburgh, was added to the Council's Panel of Examiners for the Preliminary Examination in the subjects of Theory and Practice of

Nursing, Part I.

The Reports on the February Examinations were submitted by the Registrar, and it was reported that 85 Nurses entered for the First Part of the Preliminary Examination only and 66 passed; 78 entered for the Second Part of the Preliminary Examination only, of which number 74 passed; for the whole Preliminary Examination, 138 Nurses entered for the first time, of which number 99 passed; 78 Nurses re-entered for Anatomy and Physiology, of which number 43 passed; 40 Nurses re-entered for Hygiene, of which number 33 passed; 14 Nurses re-entered for Theory and Practice of Nursing, Part I, of which number 11 passed.

FINAL EXAMINATION.—168 Nurses entered from General Hospitals, of which number 138 passed; 73 Nurses re-entered from *General* Hospitals, of which number 54 passed; 51 Nurses entered from *Fever* Hospitals, of which number 43 passed; 7 nurses re-entered from Fever Hospitals, of which number 6 passed; 15 Nurses entered from Sich Children's Hospitals, of which number 13 passed; and 2 Nurses re-entered from Sich Children's Hospitals, of which number 1 passed.

The Registrar reported a letter from the Registrar of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales, stating that her Council would be pleased to welcome representatives of the General Nursing Council for the Irish Free State at the coming Conference, subject to the approval of the General Nursing Council for Scotland. The Council agreed that representatives of the General Nursing Council for the Irish Free State should be present.

Date of Next Meeting. Provisionally fixed for April 23rd.

APOLOGIES TO SCOTLAND.

We feel we owe an apology to the General Nursing Council for Scotland, as we urged them to publish in the public Press their examination results, not knowing that they had already taken this useful course.

The Matron of a leading training school in Glasgow recently informed us of this fact, and sent us as evidence a

cutting from the Glasgow Herald.

This is good news.

The published list fills a whole column of the Glasgow Herald and is well set out. The names of the hospitals, followed by a list of successful candidates.

Congratulations to the General Nursing Council for Scotland.

It is now the turn of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales to follow the excellent example of Scotland and Ireland—even if such a practice, which is of great benefit both to the nurses and the public, costs money. A few hundreds a year can well be spared out of the fine income of over £30,000 a year supplied by the Registered Nurses in England and Wales, in the upkeep of the activities of their Governing Body.

THE NURSES' ORGANISATIONS.

THE COLLEGE OF NURSING.

At a recent Council Meeting, Mrs. Rome, R.R.C., was elected President of the College of Nursing for the ensuing year, in place of Miss D. S. Coode, retiring.

Mrs. Rome is Matron-in-Chief of the British Red Cross

Society

Miss Coode, who is taking an active interest in the forthcoming I.C.N. Congress, will continue to act on the Congress Arrangements Committee.

Mrs. Rome, as President of the College of Nursing, will have an ex-officio seat on the Executive Committee of the

National Council of Nurses.

Both ladies are Vice-Presidents of the International Congress of Nurses, and we are pleased to note that Miss Goodall, the Secretary, is evidently kept busy signing Registration Forms for members. Early application for tickets is very helpful.

MENTAL HOSPITAL MATRONS' ASSOCIATION.

At the 56th Quarterly Meeting of the Mental Hospital Matrons' Association held on Saturday, March 6th, the following new members were elected:— Miss C. G. Sutherland, Matron, Sunderland Mental Hospital,

Ryhope, Sunderland.

Miss M. M. Foster, Matron, Coleshill Hall, near Birmingham. Miss M. E. Hogarth, Matron, Hortham Colony, Almonds-

bury, near Bristol. Miss S. E. Jones, Matron, Banstead Hospital, Sutton, Surrey.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE RESERVE.

A Reunion will be held on Tuesday, May 11th, 1937, at the May Fair Hotel, Berkeley Street (Ball Room entrance), from 3.30 p.m. to 6 p.m., when it is hoped many members will be able to be present.

Tickets, 4s. each, can be obtained from:—
The Matron-in-Chief, Q.A.I.M.N.S.,
War Office, London, S.W.1.

An early application for tickets, with remittance enclosed, is requested.

GIFTS.

To help us in our work each day And make life worth its while, To greet each other on our way God made—a pleasant smile. To soothe the throb of aching hearts Too sad, and sore to weep, To comfort those in pain and loss God made—a dreamless sleep. To share life's joys or sorrows A willing hand to lend, To succour in an hour of need God made for man-a friend. To touch with subtle tenderness The fevered brow, all fears disperse To help restore again his strength, God made for man-a white-robed nurse.

K. Hunt.

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