

School, Glamorganshire; Oswestry Girls' Public High School; Bradford Technical College; and Shrewsbury Technical College.

#### Disciplinary Case.

Mr. Hewitt Pitt, Solicitor to the Council, placed the following case before them.

On January 3rd, 1940, Annie Brown, S.R.N. 90054, was found guilty of stealing goods valued £1 8s. 6d. from the premises of Marshall and Snelgrove; and goods valued £1 9s. 7d. from Selfridge's Stores. She was fined £2 2s. 0d., and £2 with £1 1s. 0d. costs.

Miss Brown did not attend the Meeting of Council.

The Council considered the matter *in camera*, and decided to remove from the Register of Nurses the name of Annie Brown, S.R.N. 90054.

#### Application for Restoration of Name to the Register.

Miss Kathleen Frances Cleaver made application for the restoration of her name to the Register of Nurses.

Her name was removed in January, 1938, when she was found guilty of larceny and forgery.

Testimonials read to the Council proved Miss Cleaver's good work and behaviour during the past years.

The Council considered the case *in camera*, and directed that her name be restored to the Register.

#### Next Meeting of the Council.

The next Meeting of the Council was fixed for Friday, April 26th.

#### Chairmen of Standing Committees.

The following members of the Council have been elected Chairmen of Standing Committees:—

*Finance*: Miss E. R. Gwatkin, M.A.

*Registration*: Miss D. M. Smith.

*Education and Examination*: Miss Helen Dey, O.B.E., R.R.C.

*Disciplinary and Penal Cases*: Miss M. Jones, O.B.E., A.R.R.C.

*Mental Nursing*: J. H. Buckley, Esq., J.P.

*General Purposes*: Miss R. A. Cox-Davies, C.B.E., R.R.C.

*Uniform*: Miss K. M. Willis.

#### The General Nursing Council for England and Wales.

March 29th, 1940.

DEAR MADAM,

I have to inform you that the General Nursing Council at its meeting to-day passed the following resolutions:—

1. "That in accordance with Rule 26, Part VI, the Registrar be directed to reinstate the name of Miss Kathleen Frances Cleaver, S.R.N. 81509, in the General part of the Register, and to issue to her a new Certificate of Registration upon payment of the sum of ten shillings."

2. "That the Council do direct the Registrar to remove from the Register of Nurses the name of Annie Brown, S.R.N. 90054."

Yours faithfully,

G. E. DAVIES,

Registrar.

#### WE DRAW THE LINE AT FORGERY:

We deeply deplore the decision of the General Nursing Council to restore to the State Register the name of a woman found guilty of larceny and forgery. Such leniency is unjust to the Nursing Profession and to the public; the more dangerous in these days of lax moral standards. Private nurses complain of the lack of confidence upon the part of the public. Is it surprising when our Governing Body fails to do its duty to protect the integrity of our State Register?

## THE GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR SCOTLAND.

### NOTES OF PROCEEDINGS.

A meeting of the General Nursing Council for Scotland was held at 5, Darnaway Street, Edinburgh, on Friday, March 29th, 1940. The Chairman, Sir John Lorne MacLeod, occupied the Chair.

#### Education, Examination and Registration Committee.

It was recommended that the following names be placed on the Council's Panel of Examiners:—

Miss G. Strachan, Glasgow; Miss McArthur, Glasgow; Miss A. G. Gordon, Glasgow; Miss K. S. Bannatyne, Edinburgh; Miss L. J. Milne, Edinburgh; Dr. B. R. Nisbet, Kilmarnock; Alexander Wallace, Esq., F.R.C.S.E., Edinburgh; Thomas M. Millar, Esq., F.R.C.S.E., Edinburgh; Dr. Jane B. Roy, Dundee; K. P. Brown, Esq., F.R.C.S.E., Edinburgh; George M. Sturrock, Esq., F.R.C.S.E., Dundee.

Reported that four nurses who had passed the Council's Final Examination and had now attained the age of 21, had been registered since last meeting.

Reported two applications for registration by reciprocity. Applications for re-inclusion in the Register after failure to pay the Retention Fee were 17.

All these applications were approved.

#### Report of Finance Committee.

The Report of the Finance Committee was submitted and approved, and the Accounts, including Examiner's Fees and Expenses incurred at the February Examination, were passed for payment.

#### Civil Nursing Reserve Advisory Council.

The Registrar was appointed to represent the Council on the Civil Nursing Reserve Advisory Council for Scotland.

#### Date of Next Meeting.

It was agreed that the next Meeting of Council should be held on Friday, April 19th, 1940.

#### A Quid Pro Quo Required.

We note that the Secretary of State for Scotland is wisely inviting the Scottish Nurses' organisations to appoint representatives on to the Civil Nursing Reserve Advisory Council for Scotland. We could have wished that he had extended the invitation to the National Council of Nurses of Great Britain, on which Scottish Nurses' organisations have direct representation, but knowing, as we do, the tenacity with which the Scottish Office maintains Scottish privileges, we fear the fact that our Council is national will militate against its Scottish member societies. The loss of nursing expert assistance in the care of the community is to be regretted.

#### WORD FOR THE MONTH.

"To every man there openeth a way  
And ways and a way;  
The high soul take the high road,  
The low soul gropes the low;  
While in between on the misty flats  
The rest drift to and fro.  
But to every man there openeth  
A high way and a low—  
And every man decideth  
Which way his soul shall go."

—ANON.

"His Majesty greatly loveth courageous souls."—

St. Theresa.

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