

same colour and materials, but with box pleat centre-front, and fastened with five buttons, first button at throat, and remainder  $3\frac{1}{2}$  inches apart; Peter Pan collar with points 4 inches long, back  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches; edge stitched.

*One washing dress* is made in Cambridge blue sateen sanforised drill, the bodice having straight yoke and plain panel front, fastening centre-front, with hook and loop at neck, four regulation buttons; open across waist and down left side of front panel; navy drill detachable epaulettes with distinctive plated metal letters; polo collar, stitched in half-inch all round; plain elbow length sleeves; 1-inch tuck under with five holes to take detachable half sleeves; a 2-inch belt all round. Six-piece skirt, panel back and front, two patch pockets of double material; apron with bib, but no straps, fastened to dress with pins, and open skirt not meeting down the back. Cap in organdie or muslin, folded, worn shoulder length.

*The other washing dress* is made in same material, but open centre-front to hem, fastened through with nine regulation buttons,  $3\frac{1}{2}$  inches apart.

*The mess dress* is made in Cambridge blue woollen material, bodice has straight yoke and plain panel front, fastens centre-front with hook and loop at neck, and four, regulation buttons; turned down collar, plain coat sleeves, 2-inch belt all round; a four-piece skirt, inverted pleat in front, and two patch pockets.

*Four hats* have been designed, all in navy blue: (1) tricorne hat with cockade, and embroidered badge; (2) shallow double-crowned hat with cockade and embroidered badge; (3) beret with cockade and embroidered badge; (4) peaked cap with embroidered badge.

Black or navy blue shoes and light stockings complete the outfit.

Uniforms for State Enrolled Assistant Nurses are carried out in dark green, apple green and bronze lettering.

It is hoped the new style uniforms will be ready by October 1; after July 1, 1949, only the new models will be available.

Nurses made excellent manequins for displaying the new uniforms, their carriage and deportment being excellent.

## APPOINTMENTS.

### NIGHT SUPERINTENDENT.

HAMMERSMITH HOSPITAL, LONDON, W.—Miss J. M. Baum, S.R.N., has been appointed Night Superintendent. She was trained at the London Hospital, and at the Charing Cross Hospital Unit at Ashbridge Hospital, Berkhamsted. Miss Baum has been Ward Sister at King Edward VII Hospital, Windsor, and at the Borough General Hospital, Ipswich.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE ROYAL INFIRMARY, GLOUCESTER.—Miss Muriel L. Keck, S.R.N., has been appointed Night Superintendent. She was trained at the Leicester Royal Infirmary, where she was later Ward Sister; and has been Theatre Sister at Camborne Redruth Hospital, and at the Royal Salop Infirmary. Miss Keck served with T.A.N.S., 1941-1946, and had been Medical Ward Sister at the Gloucestershire Royal Infirmary.

### NURSING SISTER.

QUEEN ELIZABETH'S COLONIAL NURSING SERVICE, UGANDA.—Miss P. M. Snow, S.R.N., has been appointed Nursing Sister. She was trained at University College Hospital, King's College Hospital, London, and Redhill County Hospital. Miss Snow has held appointments at Southmead Hospital, Bristol, St. Stephen's Hospital, London, and has served with Q.A.I.M.N.S.R.

QUEEN ELIZABETH'S COLONIAL NURSING SERVICE, TANGANYIKA.—Miss J. M. Hodges has been appointed Nursing Sister. She was trained at Frenchay Park Sanatorium, Bristol; at Gloucestershire Royal Infirmary and Eye Institution; and Hackney Hospital, London; and has recently worked at the Brompton Chest Hospital, London.

## THE GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR ENGLAND AND WALES.

A meeting of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales was held at the offices of the Council, 23, Portland Place, London, W., on September 24th. Miss D. M. Smith, O.B.E., Chairman, presided.

Arising from the Minutes of July 1948, a letter was reported from the Minister of Health informing the Council that he will take no exception to their suggestion that a supplement be printed to the Roll of Assistant Nurses 1947-1948, instead of the complete Roll being published for this period.

Several other items were taken *in camera* at the end of the meeting.

### Finance.

On the recommendation of the Finance Committee, bills and claims submitted for payment were approved, and £1,870 was approved for weekly salaries and Inspectors' expenses.

The Balance Sheet and Revenue Account ending March 31st, 1948, was adopted, in which we note that the overdraft at the bank increased from £5,500 in 1947 to £16,940 18s. 2d. in 1948. Expenditure at £125,529 16s. 4d. exceeded income by £22,092 12s. 11d. The staff canteen opened and equipped during the year showed a loss of £306 9s. 6d.

Estimates for stationery in connection with the election of Council 1949, amounting to £838 16s. 3d. were accepted.

### Education and Examination.

The Council, on being approached by the Secretary, Ministry of Health, agreed:—

That the minimum age of entry to Part I of the Preliminary Examination in respect of candidates who have attended an approved Pre-Nursing Course be reduced from  $17\frac{1}{2}$  years to 17 years; and that the necessary amendment be made to the Rules framed under the Nurses Registration Act, 1919, and forwarded to the Minister of Health for approval.

It was agreed that a student nurse who discontinues training at any time after having passed Parts I and II of the Preliminary Examination shall, if she resumes training for admission to the Register, be entitled to enter for the Final Examination on completion of a further  $2\frac{1}{2}$  years' training provided that she resumes training in the same type of Training School, and provided that, in the opinion of the Council, the period of time between discontinuation and resumption of training is not too great. In cases where the interval is not more than 18 months, the existing ruling that when a candidate returns to her original Training School she is required to complete her full period of training and in addition to undergo a further one month's training for every three months' break shall apply.

It was agreed that Mental Nursing Orderlies, in the Army, Class I, be eligible to apply for entry to Short Intensive Courses for admission to the general part of the Register provided that they have undergone the requisite two years' experience in general nursing under trained supervision; and that the necessary amendment be made to the Rules framed under the Nurses Registration Act, 1919, and forwarded to the Minister of Health for approval.

Approval was withdrawn; provisional approval granted to hospitals as complete Training Schools for nurses; and Pre-Nursing Courses approved.

### Next Meeting of the Council.

The date of the next Meeting was fixed for October 22nd.

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