

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 March 24th, 1950.

It was reported that the Rules under the Act of 1949 came into force on the day of the Meeting—March 24th.

The Chairman reported that the Royal Medico-Psychological Association were not satisfied with the fees payable by their members to the General Nursing Council; considered them far too high, and suggested that there should be no retaining fee charged at all.

Finance.

On the recommendation of the Finance Committee bills and claims submitted for payment were approved, and the sums of £3,950 for Cash Account, £750 for postage, and £13,500 for Examiners' Claims were approved.

The estimate of £257 9s. 4d. for the first 100 copies of a supplement to the Roll of Assistant Nurses (containing the names of Assistant Nurses enrolled between September 1st, 1949, and April 30th, 1950), with an additional cost of £7 12s. 3d. for an additional 100 copies, was accepted.

It was agreed to purchase further equipment at a cost of £229 17s. 6d.

It was reported that stationery in connection with the forthcoming election of members to the General Nursing Council would cost £92 13s. 3d.

Education and Examination.

Approval was granted to hospitals as Training Schools for Nurses.

It was reported that the Written Examinations were held—Preliminary on 7th February, and Final on February 8th; and Oral and Practical Examinations—Preliminary, February 14th–17th, and Final, February 21st–24th.

The results of the successful candidates were:—

<i>Preliminary</i> :	Part I and II	1,861
	Part I only	1,943
	Part II only	2,219
		6,023
<i>Final</i> :	General Nurses	2,119
	Male Nurses	267
	Mental Nurses	61
	Mental Defectives Nurses	12
	Sick Children's Nurses	128
	Fever Nurses	99
		2,686

These nurses will be called upon to pay an Initial Fee of £3 3s.

It was reported that the Finance Committee had considered the desirability of obtaining the advice of an actuary on the way in which the money received as initial registration fees and as consolidated fees should be allocated in order to allow sufficient income to be available to meet expenditure incurred by the Council in future years.

Mental Nursing.

A combined scheme of training between the Royal Earlswood Institution, Redhill, and the Farmfield Institution, Horley, was approved.

It was agreed that the Board of Examiners for Mental Nurses, at present constituted of three doctors and one nurse, be increased by an additional Nurse Examiner.

Disciplinary Cases.

The case of Winifred Rose Broodbank, S.R.N. 62397 was considered, and the Registrar was directed to remove her name from the Register.

The case of Louise Nockall, S.R.N., 166039, R.F.N., 16160, judgment postponed for one year on March 25th, 1949, was considered *in camera* and dismissed.

Date of the Next Meeting of the Council.

The date of the next Meeting of the Council was fixed for April 28th, 1950.

Revised Rates of Remuneration.

Nurses employed in Sanatoria, Tuberculosis Hospitals, and other hospitals where the major part of the accommodation is for the treatment of tuberculosis and in Tuberculosis Wards of Hospitals.

ANNUAL CASH SALARY

WOMEN'S SCALES

Payment to Hospital where board and lodging, personal laundry and the use and laundering of uniform is provided shewn in brackets.

Enrolled Assistant Nurse	£285 rising by annual increments of £12 10s. to £385. (£120).
Staff Nurse	} £315 rising by annual increments of £12 10s. to £415. (£120).
S.R.N.	
R.G.N. (Scotland)	
Staff Nurse	} £302 10s. rising by annual increments of £12 10s. to £402 10s. (£120).
T.A. only	
Staff Nurse	} £302 10s. rising by annual increments of £12 10s. to £415. (£120).
R.F.N. only	
Ward Sister	} £375 rising by annual increments of £15 to £480 and a further increment of £20 to £500. (£130).
S.R.N. or R.F.N.	
R.G.N. or R.F.N. (Scotland)	
Ward Sister	} £365 rising by annual increments of £15 to £470 and a further increment of £20 to £490. (£130).
T.A. only	

MEN'S SCALES

Enrolled Assistant Nurse	£300 rising by annual increments of £12 10s. to £400. (£120).
Staff Nurse	} £325 rising by annual increments of £12 10s. to £425. (£120).
S.R.N.	
Regd. Male Nurse (Scotland)	
Staff Nurse	} £312 10s. rising by annual increments of £12 10s. to £412 10s. (£120).
T.A. only	
Staff Nurse	} £312 10s. rising by annual increments of £12 10s. to £425. (£120).
R.F.N. only	
Charge Nurse	} £385 rising by annual increments of £15 to £490, and a further increment of £10 to £500. (£130).
S.R.N. or R.F.N.	
Regd. Male Nurse or R.F.N. (Scotland)	
Charge Nurse	} £375 rising by annual increments of £15 to £480, and a further increment of £10 to £490. (£130).
T.A. only	

N.B.—Pending a decision by the Whitley Council on the question of allowances for additional qualifications, General State Registered nurses employed in hospitals covered by the scales reported herewith who are also registered on the part of the register relating to fever nurses, or who hold the certificate of the Tuberculosis Association, should be paid in accordance with the appropriate scale for State Registered nurses shown above.

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