

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 April 28th. Miss D. M. Smith, O.B.E. Chairman, presided.

Business Out of the Minutes.

It was reported that a further sum of £25,000 had been invested in British Transport 3 per cent. Stock.

Nominations for Vacancy on the Council.

It was reported that Miss J. M. Loveridge, S.R.N., Matron, St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London, and Miss E. M. Wearn, S.R.N., Superintendent, Queen's District Nurses Home, Leytonstone, had been nominated to fill the vacancy on the Council caused by the resignation of Miss C. A. Alexander. A ballot was taken and Miss Loveridge was successful.

Finance.

On the recommendation of the Finance Committee, bills and claims submitted for payment were approved and the sum of £4,550 for weekly salaries and Inspectors' expenses (for five weeks) was allowed.

It was agreed that 10 six-drawer wooden filing cabinets be purchased for the Assistant Nurses Department at the cost of £96 15s. 0d., 25 steel filing boxes at a cost of £19 2s. 10d. be purchased for the Examinations' Department, and that an estimate of £47 14s. 10d. be accepted for 1,000 copies of List of Persons admitted to and removed from the Roll of Assistant Nurses during the period, May to August, 1950.

Names Removed from State Register of Nurses.

It was reported that the names of 16,062 General Nurses, 147 Male Nurses, 1,329 Mental Nurses, 136 Nurses for Mental Defectives, 962 Sick Children's Nurses and 3,242 Fever Nurses, had been removed from the Register of Nurses for failure to pay the Consolidated Retention Fee; and 243 names were removed from the List of Names for the same reason.

General Purposes.

It was reported that Miss A. W. Cameron, Assistant Examinations Officer be appointed to the post of Examinations Officer, upon the resignation of Miss V. Robinson.

It was agreed that the sum of £8 8s. 0d. be paid for replenishing soil in window boxes, and that £98 per annum be spent on four displays a year for nine window boxes.

It was agreed that £99 15s. 6d. be spent on fluorescent pendant fittings for the improved lighting in the Kardex room.

Next Meeting of Council.

It was agreed that the next Meeting of the Council be held on May 25th.

List of Persons Appointed by the General Nursing Council to Serve on Area Nurse-Training Committees.

Area 1—Newcastle Area Nurse-Training Committee.

- ††Mr. J. B. CHALMERS, S.R.N., R.M.N., R.M.P.A., Chief Male Nurse, St. George's Hospital, Morpeth.
- †Miss D. R. GIBSON, S.R.N., Matron, General Hospital, Newcastle.
- †Miss A. A. GRAHAM, S.R.N., Superintendent Health Visitor, Health Department, County Hall, Newcastle (Member of Council).
- *Professor J. C. SPENCE, M.D., F.R.C.P., The University of Durham, Royal Victoria Hospital, Newcastle.

*Miss H. I. POWELL THOMPSON, S.R.N., Tutor, Royal Victoria Hospital, Newcastle.

Area 2—Leeds Area Nurse-Training Committee.

- *Miss W. L. GARNER, S.R.N., Matron, Halifax General Hospital.
- ††Miss M. D. GOURDIE, S.R.N., R.M.N., Matron, De la Pole Hospital Willerby, Hull (Member of Mental Nurses Committee).
- *Miss A. E. MERRY, S.R.N., Matron, Bradford Royal Infirmary.
- †Miss K. A. RAVEN, S.R.N., Matron, General Infirmary, Leeds (Member of Council).
- †Miss A. E. SQUIBBS, S.R.N., Tutor, General Hospital, Leeds.

Area 3—Sheffield Area Nurse-Training Committee.

- †Miss C. F. S. BELL, S.R.N., Matron, Leicester Royal Infirmary (Member of Council).
- ††Mr. R. NEARS, S.R.N., R.M.N., R.M.P.A., Chief Male Nurse, Middlewood Hospital, Sheffield.
- *Miss M. C. PLUCKNETT, S.R.N., R.S.C.N., Matron, General Hospital, Nottingham.
- †Miss J. B. PRICE, S.R.N., Principal (Tutor), The United Sheffield Hospitals' School of Nursing, Clarke House, Clarke Drive, Sheffield, 10.
- *Miss A. RICHARDS, S.R.N., R.F.N., Tutor, Leicester Royal Infirmary.

Area 4—East Anglian Area Nurse-Training Committee.

- ††Mr. F. ELY, S.R.N., R.M.N., Chief Male Nurse, St. Audrey's Hospital, Melton, Suffolk.
- †Miss I. M. MAY, S.R.N., Tutor, Ipswich General Hospital.
- †Miss L. J. OTTLEY, S.R.N., Matron, Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge (Member of Council).
- *Miss J. G. THOMPSON, S.R.N., Matron, East Suffolk and Ipswich Hospital, Ipswich.
- *Miss J. WATSON, S.R.N., R.F.N., Matron, Norfolk and Norwich Hospital, Norwich.

Area 5—North-West Metropolitan Area Nurse-Training Committee.

- *Miss E. J. BOCOCK, S.R.N., Tutor, Royal Free Hospital, W.C.1.
- †Miss D. A. LANE, S.R.N., R.S.C.N., 33, Hatherley Court, Hatherley Grove, Bayswater, W.2., late Matron, Hospital for Sick Children, Gt. Ormond Street, W.C.1 (Member of Council).
- †Miss M. MARRIOTT, S.R.N., Matron, Middlesex Hospital, W.1 (Member of Council).
- ††Miss J. SAWERS, S.R.N., R.M.N. c/o Mrs. Sumners, 31a, St. John's Wood High Street, N.W.8. Appointed by Nuffield Provincial Hospitals Trust as a nurse member of a team charged with the conduct of an investigation into the function and design of hospitals (Formerly Council's Inspector of Mental Nurse Training Schools).
- *Miss A. R. SPALL, S.R.N., Matron, Clare Hall Hospital, South Mimms.

Area 6—North-East Metropolitan Area Nurse-Training Committee.

- †Miss J. MCKINLAY CALDER, S.R.N., Chief Nursing Officer, London County Council, County Hall, Westminster Bridge, S.E.1 (Member of Council).
- *Miss J. M. LOVERIDGE, S.R.N., Matron, St. Bartholomew's Hospital, E.C.1 (Member of Council).
- †Mr. J. SAYER, S.R.N., Tutor, Hackney Hospital, E.9 (Member of Council).
- ††Mr. J. E. SOLEY, R.M.N., Goodmayes Hospital, Ilford (Member of Mental Nurses Committee).
- †*Dame KATHERINE WATT, S.R.N., 204, Beattie House, Dolphin Square, S.W.1 (Formerly Chief Nursing Adviser, Ministry of Health, S.W.1, and former Member of Council).

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