

December 1927

For Council, December
15th, 1927.

The Committee for the Organisation of Courses for International Students met on Tuesday, December 13th, 1927.

P r e s e n t The Principal in the Chair.
 Dr. Brincker
 Miss Cowlin
 Miss Dorsey
 Professor Edgell
 Miss Lloyd Still.
 Mrs. Reid.
 The Secretary.

1. Minutes of the last meeting.

The Minutes of the last meeting had been circulated. Reported that a request had been received from Mrs. Carter that page 4, line 4 of the report should be amended to read as follows:-

Miss Smith, A.B., Stanford University, California.

RESOLVED that the Minutes be signed and confirmed as correct with the amendment asked for by Mrs. Carter.

2. Arising out of the Minutes.

(a) Reported that information had been received from Mrs. Carter giving as the title of Dr. Rene Sand's lectures "Lectures on the Organisation of Social Service in Different Countries". (See page 4, lines 13, 17 and 18 of the Minutes circulated.

(b) Mrs. Reid reported:-

Minute 4B.

That Johanna Adriana Edie, Netherlands, had retired from the course for Nurse Administrators as not being able for the work. That she was taking some courses at the College of Nursing.

Minute 6 a.II.

That Miss Clement-Brown had accepted the appointment to give a short course of lectures in the Easter Term, 1928, on Child Guidance Clinics.

Minute 6 a III.

That thanks to the courtesy of the Authorities of St. Thomas's

Hospital arrangements had been made for Professor Plimmer to give his lectures in Nutrition to the International Students in the Nurses' Lecture Theatre at St. Thomas's Hospital. That Professor Plimmer had consented to lengthen his course from 8 to 10 lectures in order that he might be able to lead up more gradually to the more difficult part of the course.

3. Communications. received.

Apologies for absence had been received from the following:-

Miss Baggallay
Miss Darbyshire
Professor Edkins
Mrs. Williams.

4. Consideration of the Organisation of the practical training for the International Students in Public Health for the session 1928-29.

The Committee proceeded to consider the organisation of the practical training for the International Students for the session 1928-29. Letters were read from

- (a) Miss Baggallay informing the Committee that she was not continuing her work at Battersea after March 1st, 1928, as she felt a need of change of work and wider experience.
- (b) Dr. Lennane in answer to a letter from the Secretary asking for his observations on the working of the plan for the organisation of the practical work for the International Students in Battersea. Dr. Lennane wrote as follows:-
"I have not had time to go into the question of the Organisation for the practical training of the International Students. I will, however, write to you in the course of the next few days when I have had time to go thoroughly into the matter."

It was pointed out that with the resignation of Miss Baggallay the reason for carrying on the practical work in the Borough of Battersea ceased and Mrs. Reid was asked whether she had any alternative scheme to suggest. She placed before the Committee the outline of a scheme which she was most anxious should be carried out if in any way possible. viz. a scheme whereby the practical work of the International

Students was definitely linked up with the work of St. Thomas's Hospital in connection with the Social Service Department of that Institution. Such an arrangement would cover the ground needed for their practical training.

Miss Lloyd Still, who was present stated that she saw no real obstacle in the way of carrying out such a scheme but before she could give any definite answer it would be necessary for the College to write an official letter to her at St. Thomas's Hospital laying down exactly what the scheme involved.

Further discussion brought out the following points:-

- a. That some of the work would have to be carried on in the Borough of Lambeth and that to avoid the Borough feeling that they had 2 different institutions to deal with (viz. St. Thomas's Hospital and Bedford College) any negotiation needed should be carried out through the Authorities of St. Thomas's Hospital who should be authorised to use the name of Bedford College if it would at any time facilitate matters. That it was thought that the most satisfactory approach would be through Dr. Thompson, Medical Officer of Health for Lambeth, via Miss Cummins, the Lady Almoner of the Hospital.
- b. That the Officer for the International Students would be attached to the Social Service Department of St. Thomas's Hospital and could be appointed either by Bedford College or St. Thomas's Hospital, Bedford College in any case paying the salary.
- c. That the office of the Officer in charge of the organisation should be a room in the district and not situated at St. Thomas's Hospital.
- d. That when considering the appointment of the Officer for the practical work, St. Thomas's Hospital would be glad to see Miss Baggallay appointed to the post.
- e. That the official letter from Bedford College to Miss Lloyd Still in connection with the new scheme should be sent as soon as possible.
- f. That the League of Red Cross Societies should be informed of the proposed new scheme.

Recommended

1. that a letter be sent to Miss Lloyd Still Matron of St. Thomas's Hospital, asking whether the scheme for linking up the practical training of the International Students in

Public Health at Bedford College with the Social Service Department of St. Thomas's Hospital would be favourably considered by the Authorities of the Hospital.

2. that the League of Red Cross Societies be informed of the proposed revision of the organisation of the practical work.
3. that a letter be written to Dr. Lennane in the sense that his letter of the 8th December had been before the Committee together with the letter from Miss Baggallay notifying her decision to resign from her work at Battersea. That in consequence the Committee were considering other plans for the practical work of the International Students and cordially thanked him for his help during the past year.
4. that a letter be written to Miss Baggallay informing her that the Committee are making other plans for the practical work of the International Students and hope that the scheme may be such as to include her services.