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*Principal speaks with  
position for abroad  
of high fees paid -  
Successful attempt to  
allow the fees to be  
inclusive +  
authorize the  
payment of the  
fee to the  
Society out of  
their funds.*

Miss O. Monkhouse, M.B.E.,  
Secretary,  
Bedford College for Women,  
Regent's Park,  
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Dear Miss Monkhouse,

I understand that the Florence Nightingale students at Bedford College, being registered at Bedford as full students, are expected to pay the usual 16/- fee to become members of the Students' Union.

This, I know, allows them various privileges such as the use of the Common Room, and the periodicals there, also membership of various students' societies.

As a matter of fact, our students are very little able to join in the life of the College much as they would like to do so. Their lectures are not all taken at the College, they never stay up for the lunch hour and only come to the College for their actual lectures and coaching. As a group they are older than the average student and their interests are not entirely common with them. The various activities organised for them as a group are rather liable to occupy much of their time and thus they are not able to enter into the activities at College.

3rd November, 1938.



Miss Monkhouse.

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In view of all this, I wonder whether your Council would consider treating them as an exceptional group and allowing them exemption from compulsory membership of the Union. This would leave it to those who were able to use the Union to join it voluntarily.

I should be most grateful if your Council would consider this possibility.

Yours sincerely,

W. A. G. S. S.

President.