An alternative suggestion had been made that nurses might receive their general training in a mental hospital. Dr. McALISTER condemned this as he felt that there was far too little clinical material in mental hospitals to instruct nurses in medical and surgical subjects. He strongly supported the proposal to include three months' training in a mental hospital for all nurses taking a general training.

Several members then spoke, including Drs. FERGUSON RODGER, MACDONALD, BAILEY and CHAMBERS.

The CHAIRMAN referred to the recommendations made by a Sub-Committee of the R.M.P.A. and submitted at the last Quarterly Meeting and gave a copy of this to Dr. Boyd, who was preparing a report for the Joint B.M.A. Committee.

The CHAIRMAN thanked Dr. McAlister and Dr. Boyd for their information, and ascertained that members were unanimously agreed in supporting the proposal for incorporating three months' training in a mental hospital for all nurses taking their general training. The Meeting was also unanimous in rejecting the suggestion that general training could be carried out within a mental hospital.

There being no further business the Meeting adjourned.

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*International Journal of Psycho-Analysis.*
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*Journal of Comparative Psychology.*
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