

OFFICIAL REPORTS



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HOSPITAL ECONOMICS

It is rather a difficult problem to sift from all the interesting work seen and accomplished during a busy month (and each month is more busy than the last) at Teachers College and decide just what would really be of most interest to those who will some day be "H. E.'s." Most instructive were the lectures given by Miss Goodrich on "Hospital Construction," at the close of which the members of the class were asked to submit plans and specifications of a general hospital to be erected on a plot of ground two hundred feet square, open on all sides, which would accommodate one hundred and twenty patients, twenty of whom shall be children and twenty private patients, such plans to include an administration building and other buildings, with such rooms and departments as were specified as necessary in the lectures on "Hospital Construction," the arrangement of such departments as part of the administration building or in separate pavilions being optional, the accommodations necessary for the working staff—viz., officers, doctors, nurses, and all other employes—left to the decision of the designer, the plans submitted to include descriptive plan of ground, showing location of buildings.

The ground plan of the hospital was given each member of the class to work out, while special departments, such as private patients' pavilion, isolating wards, children's pavilion, ward pavilion, and operating-rooms, were given to individual members. The plans submitted count for us as an examination on this subject, and we are hoping for "A" marks, since it is proverbial that all architects believe their plans preëminently good.

The practice teaching at Speyer's School has been of infinite value to us, our only regret being that we could not have more of it. Nine months seems very short when there is so much to accomplish. Would that every nurse in this broad land might have two years at Teachers College.

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COURSE IN HOSPITAL ECONOMICS

Subscriptions for the Endowment Fund, May, 1905:

Miss W. Peterson	\$10.00
Miss Lucy L. Drown	10.00
Miss Ina Lawson	25.00
New York State Nurses' Association	50.00

STATE MEETINGS

NORTH CAROLINA.—The North Carolina State Nurses' Association met in the chapel of Salem Academy, Winston-Salem, N. C., on May 30 and 31 and June 1, 1905. The association was well represented by nurses from various parts

of the State, from the mountains to the sea, and much genuine enthusiasm prevailed. The following programme was carried out:

1903—1905. NORTH CAROLINA STATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION, THIRD ANNUAL MEETING, WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., MAY 30-31 AND JUNE 1, 1905.

Directors.—President, Miss M. L. Wyche, Durham; first vice-president, Mrs. M. H. Laurance, Raleigh; second vice-president, Miss C. E. Hobbs, Greensboro; secretary, Miss C. E. Pfohl, Winston-Salem; treasurer, Miss Hester Evans, Asheville; Miss Batterham, Asheville; Miss Dunn, Raleigh.

Committees.—Membership—Miss Batterham, Asheville; Mrs. Laurance, Raleigh; Miss Hobbs, Greensboro. Ways and Means—Mrs. Laurance, Raleigh; Miss Hayes, Raleigh; Miss Sturgeon, Raleigh. Printing—Miss Pfohl, Winston-Salem; Miss Wyche, Durham; Miss Hobbs, Greensboro.

PROGRAMME.

Tuesday Evening, May 30.—Association called to order in third annual session in the chapel of Salem Academy and College at eight p.m. by Miss M. L. Wyche, president of the State Association; prayer, Rev. J. H. Clewell, Ph.D.; address of welcome, Hon. O. B. Eaton, Mayor of Winston; music; address of welcome, Bishop Edward Rondthaler, D.D.; song; address of welcome from the Forsyth County Medical Association, Dr. Everett Lockett, Winston-Salem; response, Miss Wyche, president North Carolina Nurses' Association; music; informal reception to North Carolina Nurses' Association and members of the Forsyth County Medical Association by Salem Academy and College on the Academy campus.

Wednesday Morning, May 31.—Meeting of Board of Directors, nine a.m.; first business session, ten a.m.; annual address, President M. L. Wyche, Watts Hospital, Durham; roll call; "Preliminary Training for Nurses," Miss Edith Eaton, James Walker Memorial Hospital, Wilmington; "Nursing in the School," Miss C. E. Hobbs, State Normal Infirmary, Greensboro; discussion.

Wednesday Afternoon, May 31.—Second business session, two-thirty p.m.; election of officers; "Nursing," Miss Lydia Holman, Ledger; "Duties of a Nurse to a Parturient Woman," Miss Anna Ferguson, Billingsley Hospital, Statesville; discussion.

Wednesday Evening, May 31.—Picnic luncheon at Nissen Park by Twin City Nurses, six p.m.

Thursday, June 1.—Meeting of Board of Directors, nine a.m.; third business session, ten a.m.; "Tuberculosis," Miss Rosa Hill, Raleigh; discussion; adjournment.

At the opening exercises Dr. J. H. Clewell introduced the various speakers and in a most cordial manner extended to the association the hospitalities of the venerable Salem Academy, of which he is the principal. The informal reception on the campus following these exercises was very enjoyable, giving the nurses the early opportunity of greeting one another and becoming acquainted with various members of the medical profession present. The music on this occasion was furnished by the Moravian Boys' Band, of Salem, while the lovely glow cast over the gathered company, the beautiful trees, the fountain, the ferns, etc., by the festoons of electric lights suspended among the trees made it all seem like a fairy picture. At the first business session the short annual address of the president, Miss M. L. Wyche, was well received. The original papers read

at the various sessions were much enjoyed, several being freely discussed. The one calling forth most comment was read by Miss Eaton, of the James Walker Memorial Hospital of Wilmington, N. C., on "Preliminary Training for Nurses." This being the subject that most interested the association at this meeting, it was the decision of the association that the president call on Dr. Charles Melver, of the State Normal School for Women, and coöperate with him in the establishment of a preliminary course for nurses at his school, he having expressed his willingness to give it, and the superintendents of the various hospitals of the State having stated their desire for the course. After the afternoon session the association was invited to a trolley ride by Mr. H. E. Fries, president of the Electric Company, and this was followed by a picnic luncheon at Nissen Park which had been provided for their entertainment by the Twin-City Nurses. During the various sessions reports were read from the committees and a new committee was appointed by the president to draw up a code of ethics for the association before the next meeting. The association asked the secretary to send the Associated Alumnae of the United States an application for membership into that society. The directors of the association for the year are as follows: President, Miss M. L. Wyche, of Watts Hospital, Durham; first vice-president, Miss Edith Eaton, of James Walker Memorial Hospital, Wilmington; second vice-president, Miss Ella McNichols, of the Presbyterian Hospital, Charlotte; treasurer, Miss Hester Evans, Asheville; secretary, Miss C. E. Pfohl, Winston-Salem; Miss C. E. Hobbs, of the State Normal School Infirmary, Greensboro, and Miss B. Dunn, Raleigh. A resolution was adopted by the association providing that the memorials presented by Miss Dunn to the memory of Mrs. M. H. Laurance, the first vice-president of the association, be sent to the magazines for publication. Various plans of the work of the association for the new year were discussed, after which the meeting adjourned, having accepted the very cordial invitation to meet in Charlotte, N. C., in May, 1906.

CONSTANCE E. PFOHL, Secretary.

COLORADO —The Colorado State Trained Nurses' Association held its annual meeting at the Young Men's Christian Association Building, Denver, May 11 and 12. The first day was given over to business and the next to the programme. The Membership Committee reported an increase in members and the Legislative Committee summed up the winter's work relative to the passage of the bill to register trained nurses. It was decided to hold two meetings a year: the annual meeting in Denver, for the transaction of the business affairs of the association, and the October meeting in different places over the State for literary and social purposes. This fall it will be held in Boulder. The election resulted as follows: President, Miss Annie E. Harris, Boulder; first vice-president, Miss Enma Margeson, Colorado Springs; second vice-president, Mrs. L. C. Ashton, Denver; secretary, Miss Louie Croft Boyd, Denver; treasurer, Miss Louise Perrin, Denver. On May 12 the following papers were read and discussed: "Obstetrical Nursing," Miss H. Corey, Denver; "Hydrotherapy," Miss M. Austin, Boulder; "Hourly Nursing," Miss W. A. Donaldson, Denver; "Army Nursing," Miss B. Clinton, Colorado Springs; "Hospital Economies," Miss L. Perrin, Denver; "A Nurses' Capital," Miss L. L. Hudson, Colorado Springs; "The Ethical Side of Private Duty," Miss H. S. Thompson, Denver. The association was incorporated May 13, 1904.

MINNESOTA.—With the object of petitioning the Legislature for a bill to create a State Board of Examiners for graduate nurses, a meeting at which a temporary organization of a State association was formed was held May 26 in the assembly-room of the Young Women's Christian Association building, Minneapolis. About one hundred graduates were present—nurses from St. Paul, Minneapolis, Brainerd, Stillwater, and Northfield. A letter of regret from Dr. Tomlinson, St. Peter, was read. Miss Erdman acted as temporary chairman and Miss Wood as temporary secretary. Miss Erdman spoke briefly on the object of the meeting, Miss Wood on the work of the convention held at Washington. A Committee on Constitution and By-Laws was appointed—Mrs. Dr. Colvin, Miss Cannon, Miss Erdman, Miss Rummel, and Miss Wood; Nominating Committee, Miss Johnson, Miss Patterson, Miss Jamine, Miss Mallough, and Miss Larson. A reception was given in the evening by the Minneapolis nurses. Several musical numbers were rendered by Miss Dahlstrom. Frappe was served by Miss Laine. The next meeting is to be held in September in St. Paul.

MARY WOOD, Acting Temporary Secretary.

THE State Board of Nurse Examiners is ready to register trained graduate nurses under the provisions of "An Act Relating to Professional Nursing" passed by the Fifteenth General Assembly of the State of Colorado. For information apply to Miss Louie Croft Boyd, 125 East Eighteenth Avenue, Denver, Col.

ANNUAL MEETINGS

PATERSON, N. J.—The annual meeting of St. Joseph's Hospital Training-School Alumnae Association, Paterson, N. J., was held on June 1 at three P.M. After the usual routine business had been disposed of four new members were voted in and four proposed for membership. Final arrangements were made for caring for sick members. After the meeting refreshments were served through the kindness of the sister in charge of the hospital, and an opportunity given the graduates and pupil-nurses to meet. The sister superior invited the members of the association to meet socially as her guests on the first Thursday of each year, in order to keep in touch with and encourage the nurses in training. A committee was appointed to arrange for a midsummer outing.

CINCINNATI, O.—The annual meeting of the Jewish Hospital Alumnae Association, of Cincinnati, O., for the election of officers was held at the hospital on May 18, 1905, the following being elected for the ensuing year: President, Miss Fannie Adler; vice-president, Mrs. George Ilsen; secretary, Alice Mary Arnett; treasurer, Miss Blanche Thomas. The new members of the alumnae, who are also the graduating class of 1905, were given a dinner at "The Zoo" on June 5 at seven P.M. to welcome them to the association. The following were entertained: Miss Ruth Ardiel, Birr, Ireland; Miss Winifred Meldrum, Whitby, Canada; Miss Rebecca Meyers, Congress Lake, O.; Miss Luella Meier, Mt. Carmel, O.

REGULAR MEETINGS

PHILADELPHIA.—The regular monthly meeting of the Alice Fisher Alumnae was held Monday, June 5, at the Alice Fisher Club-House, 804 Pine Street, Philadelphia. Three new members were admitted and Miss Amelia Lusch was

proposed for membership. A letter was read from Miss M. E. Smith accepting the honorary presidency and thanking the alumnae for the honor. The treasurer of the bazaar reported that one hundred and sixty-two dollars and forty-four cents was realized for the fund for sick nurses. The report from the delegates to the convention at Washington was lengthy and very interesting. A discussion followed on the advisability of establishing a central directory, and a committee of seven was appointed to consult with other schools to try to arrange preliminaries. It was also proposed that the alumnae extend aid to the Juvenile Court, and a committee of three was appointed to arrange with the officers to aid and defray some of the expenses in reclaiming these children. Owing to the absence of our president and treasurer, the request of the delegates to Washington to give to the Associated Alumnae ten dollars for purchasing stock in the NURSING JOURNAL was deferred until the next meeting. Adjourned to meet in October.

BROOKLYN, N. Y.—At the May meeting of the Alumnae Association of the Methodist Episcopal Hospital of Brooklyn it was decided to purchase one share of stock in THE AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING and also to contribute ten dollars to the Associated Alumnae to be used towards the purchase of JOURNAL stock for that association. May 25 the Alumnae Association gave a reception to the Class of 1905 after their graduating exercises in the parlors of the Grace Methodist Episcopal Church. The graduates were Miss Martha St. John Eakins, valedictorian; Miss Ruby Nellie Furlong, Miss Lillian Victoria Sherman, Miss Stella Kathleen Kenny, Miss Agnes Eleanor Reany, Miss Jessie A. Twillman, Miss Beatrice Pritchard, Miss Nellie Esther Evans, Miss Margaret Culbert, Miss Lillian Esther Hawkins, Miss Martha St. John Eakins, Miss Mable M. Gaskin, Mrs. Margaret D. Hamilton, Mrs. Lillian MacLernon Carlos, Miss Florence May Patton, Miss Mable Dayton, Miss Harriet A. Chism, Miss Lulu Pearl Rogers.

BALTIMORE, MD.—The Nurses' Alumnae of the University of Maryland, Baltimore, held a regular meeting on June 5 in the assembly-room of the University Hospital. Two new members were admitted into the association, which now numbers ninety. An interesting address was made by Miss V. C. Weitzel, one of the delegates to the convention of the Associated Alumnae. After adjournment refreshments were served.

NEW YORK.—Interest in the Mt. Sinai Alumnae Association grows monthly. At the June meeting a report of the New York State Nurses' Association was read. Miss Hartman gave an interesting account of the recent convention at Washington and a synopsis of the various papers read. Adjournment was preceded by an animated discussion as to the best means of increasing the pension fund.

COLLINGWOOD, ONTARIO.—The graduates of the General and Marine Hospital of Collingwood, Ontario, organized an alumnae association on May 20. President, Miss Redmond; first vice-president, Miss Knox; second vice-president, Miss Carr; secretary, Miss Jenkins; treasurer, Miss Momson.

THE following notice without city or State has been received: "Medico Chi Hospital Alumnae held a large meeting June 7, 1905. Four members were admitted."

BOSTON.—The regular meeting of the alumnae of the Massachusetts State Hospital was held at 223 Newbury Street, Boston, on June 1 at three P.M.

CORRECTION.—On page 618 of the June number of the JOURNAL, eighth line from the bottom, read "paragraph" instead of "photograph."

BIRTHS

ON April 17, a daughter to Dr. and Mrs. Richard F. Rand, of Connecticut. Mrs. Rand was Miss Elizabeth W. G. Baker, of Pass Christian, Miss., Johns Hopkins, Class of 1902.

MARRIAGES

AT the Church of the Nativity, South Bethlehem, April 27, 1905, Miss Harriet McDowell Bynum, graduate of St. Luke's, Class of 1903, to Mr. Joel Lauriston Hill, of Germanton, N. C.

APRIL 26, in the city of New York, Miss Nell Duncan Edgar to Mr. Charles Maxwell Green. Mrs. Green was graduated from St. Luke's, South Bethlehem, in 1896.

MISS IDA FLORENCE CHESLEY, a graduate of the Massachusetts General Hospital, to Mr. Albert N. Murray, on Saturday, March 11, 1905.

JUNE 6, 1905, Gertrude Horp Heine, graduate St. Luke's Hospital, St. Paul, Minn., Class of 1899, to Hugh P. Gaston.

OBITUARY

MISS GRACE ARTHUR, after a short illness of heart complications, died at the Methodist Hospital of Des Moines, Ia., March 16, 1905.

Miss Arthur was born in Millersburg, Ia., and was twenty-two years of age. She was a graduate of the Methodist Hospital Training-School for Nurses, Class of 1904. In her school and class she was ever an industrious student and a cheerful classmate, to her patients always kind, cheerful, and sympathetic.

At a regular meeting of the Graduate Nurses' Association of Des Moines, Ia., the following resolutions were adopted:

"WHEREAS, An All-wise Providence has removed from our midst a valued friend and member; therefore be it

"Resolved, That we extend to Miss Arthur's family our heartfelt sympathy.

"Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to her family, her aunt, Mrs. Miller, to THE AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING, and recorded upon the minutes of the association.

" EDITH M. ROBINSON,

" LILLIAN POWELL,

" BESSIE M. HARTZ,

" Committee."

MISS LAURA WOOD, graduate of the Protestant Hospital, Columbus, O., died of appendicitis at the hospital.

Miss Wood had just entered upon this field of work, having graduated February 4, 1905, since which time she has successfully discharged the duties of