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SCHOOL OF NURSING

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The Nightingale Pledge

I SOLEMNLY pledge myself before God and in the presence of this assembly:

To pass my life in purity and to practice my profession faithfully.

I will abstain from whatever is deleterious and mischievous, and will not take or knowingly administer any harmful drug.

I will do all in my power to elevate the standard of my profession, and will hold in confidence all personal matters committed to my keeping, and all family affairs coming to my knowledge in the practice of my profession.

With loyalty will endeavor to aid the physician in his work, and devote myself to the welfare of those committed to my care.
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ADMINISTRATIVE AND TEACHING PERSONNEL

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CUSTIS LEE HALL, M.D. .......... Orthopedics
CHARLES B. CAMPBELL, M.D. .......... Dermatology
GEORGE B. ROTH, M.D. .......... Materia Medica
ALBERT PERKINS THIBETTS, M.D. .......... Ear, Nose and Throat
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WILLIAM BINFORD KING, M.D. .......... Anatomy
F. AUGUST REUTER, M.D. .......... Urology
KATE B. KARPELES, M.D. .......... Personal Hygiene
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FREDERICK A. MOSS, Ph.D., M.D. .......... Psychology
JULIA C. STINSON, .......... Major and Superintendent Army Nurse Corps

Ethics
BIRDIE BEALL THOMPSON, R.N., G.W.U.H., 1908,
Superintendent of Nurses and Principal of the School of Nursing
LUCY LAMON, R.N., G.W.U.H., 1911,
Assistant Superintendent of Nurses

ETHEL SCHOFF, R.N., M.G.H., 1921 .......... Practical Instructor
PHYLLA STEVENS, R.N., M.G.H., 1921 .......... Theoretical Instructor
CAROLYN MCK. CHAPMAN, R.N. .......... Instructor in Massage
MARY H. PHILBRICK .......... Instructor in Dietetics
FRANCES ELEANOR MORROW, R.N., G.W.U.H., 1926,

Operating Room Supervisor
MELISSA ERVILLA CHAMBERLAIN, R.N., G.W.U.H., 1926,

Night Supervisor
MARThA BLACK, R.N., St. L., 1909 .......... Ward Supervisor
HOSPITAL

The George Washington University Hospital is a general hospital with 110-bed capacity, non-sectarian, for white patients only, located in the central part of the city, and connected with it is a Dispensary having a large out-patient service, so that the institution affords a thorough and practical experience in medical, surgical, gynecological, obstetrical and emergency nursing and the administrative work incident to a hospital.

The Hospital Staff are all members of the Faculty of Medicine of the University Medical School, and the nurses receive the benefit arising from instruction, and the nursing of cases, under these trained teachers.

ADVANTAGES

Nurses in training in this institution have the unusual advantages incident to University association, are carried as students in the University and as such participate in the commencement exercises. The class-rooms and laboratory equipment of the University Medical School, which adjoins the Hospital, are used by the student nurses for class work.

The city of Washington is especially attractive as a place of residence during the educational period of a young woman's life. There are more schools for young women in this city than in any other of its size in the country.

The cosmopolitan character of the city of Washington, its climate (not excessively cold in winter), its beauty and interests, which as it is the seat of the General Government, are broad and national, make it an ideal place in which to pursue an educational course.

NURSES' HOME

The Nurses' Home, 1016 13th Street N.W., with a resident matron, is located a short distance from the Hospital, where comfortable accommodations are furnished. All baggage must be sent to the Nurses' Home.

BOARD OF LADY MANAGERS

The Hospital and the School of Nursing is materially assisted by an efficient Board of Lady Managers whose personal interest and financial assistance does much to improve these institutions.

ADMISSION

Blank forms for filing application for admission to the School of Nursing will be furnished by the Superintendent of Nurses upon request.

Applicants shall not be less than 18 nor more than 30 years of age. They shall send with their application for admission certificates from their physician, oculist and dentist concerning their general health
and physical condition, two letters testifying as to their character, and the names and addresses of two additional persons for reference if required.

Applicants must be graduates of a recognized high school.

Probationers when admitted to the School as pupil nurses must provide themselves with a complete uniform outfit, as prescribed by the Superintendent of Nurses. The cost of this outfit is approximately $32, and is payable on entrance.

Probationers are required to bring with them two laundry bags, one pair rubbers, two pairs of black oxford shoes with military rubber heels, black hose, one kimona, one napkin ring marked with name, one watch with second hand (Ingersoll Midget or equivalent is recommended). All articles of clothing must be plainly marked with name in full with indelible ink. All student nurses having bobbed hair will furnish nets and wear them while in uniform.

Jewelry is not worn on duty, and if of any value had better be left at home. If brought to the Nurses' Home it will be at owner's risk.

When probationers are accepted as pupil nurses, an equipment of scissors, hypodermic syringe, thermometer, necessary text-books, bibs, and School cape will be supplied them and charged for at cost price. The School cape will not be taken from the School unless the nurse graduates.

THE CENTRAL SCHOOL OF NURSING

The League of Nursing Education of the District of Columbia has maintained as its chief interest the establishment of a Central School of Nursing. This school functions under a committee consisting of
superintendents and instructors from the various schools of nursing in the District. There are thirteen schools of nursing in connection with the hospitals in the city of Washington. Of this number, seven send their preliminary students to the Central School for instruction.

The Central School is in affiliation with the George Washington University, and the majority of instructors are members of the University Medical School Faculty. The lecture and laboratory rooms are provided in the Medical Building adjacent to the University Hospital. The curriculum covers the subjects of the preliminary period and the courses are in compliance with the requirements of the standard curriculum.

The students in the George Washington University School of Nursing have the advantage of the Central School of Nursing without cost, and students who satisfactorily complete the subjects given and who otherwise meet the matriculation requirements of the University are given college unit credits for their work, as follows: Chemistry, 1 unit; bacteriology, 1½ units; histology, 1 unit; histopathology, 1½ units, making a total of 5 units of University credits for completion of the preliminary term.

**GENERAL PROVISIONS**

Approved applicants will be received on probation for a period of four months, at the end of which time those who appear to be fitted for the nursing profession will be accepted as pupil nurses and will be allowed to continue the course in training, after they have signed an agreement to abide by all the rules of the Hospital and to remain for a period of three years from the time of admission to the School.
Probationers will receive ten dollars ($10) per month and pupil nurses twelve dollars ($12) per month during their course of training.

Upon the satisfactory completion of the course, pupil nurses will be paid a bonus of three dollars a month for each month of service.

In addition to the monthly payment, all students in the School of Nursing receive their board and laundry free of expense, and in case of illness, medical attention and care in hospital when necessary, except that no payment will be made for time lost by illness.

Absence from duty on account of illness in excess of three weeks during the course must be made up. When a student nurse is absent for any cause exceeding six weeks she will forfeit her position in the School but may enter the succeeding class, if approved by the Executive Committee.

Two hours are allowed week days for rest, study and recreation; also one-half day (after 1 p. m.) each week (except week in which entire day is given), one-half day on Sunday, and one entire day each month.

Student nurses will be allowed a vacation of three weeks for each year of training, including the probationary period.

Pupil nurses may be dropped at any time for inefficiency, misconduct, unsatisfactory record, or whenever in the interest of the student nurse or the School the Executive Committee of the Hospital deems it advisable to do so.

A diploma from the University will be awarded to those who satisfactorily complete the full term of three years and successfully pass their examinations.

**STUDENT ADVISORY COUNCIL OF THE SCHOOL OF NURSING**

An advisory council consisting of three pupil nurses is established in the School.

The purpose of this council is to develop a closer cooperation between the nurses' student body, the faculty of the School and the administrative authorities of the Hospital; to aid in the enforcement of discipline and to secure strict conformity to the rules of the School; to devise ways and means for social activities; to encourage higher ideals, desire and effort for the intelligent development and general uplift of the School and the profession of nursing.

This council has full latitude in considering matters that may appear to be of importance to the School of Nursing and to the profession.

**COURSE OF INSTRUCTION**

Classes in the School begin twice yearly (January and September).

The course of training (including the probationary period) covers three years and comprises theoretical and practical instruction.
Theoretical instruction is given by the members of the Faculty of Medicine of the University Medical School, and by the Principal of the School of Nursing and a graduate nurse Instructor. Practical instruction is given by demonstrations in class-room and follow-up in the wards, conducted by the Instructor of the School of Nursing. By affiliation, pupils are given instruction in eye, ear, nose and throat work and children's diseases.

**ORDER OF THEORETICAL AND PRACTICAL INSTRUCTION FOR STUDENT NURSES**

**Preliminary Work**

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**Second or Spring Term**

| Pathology                                               | 18    |
| Nursing in Medical Diseases                             | 30    |
| Nursing in Surgical Diseases                            | 15    |
| Materia Medica                                          | 20    |
| Diet in Disease                                         | 10    |

**Junior or Second Year**

| Nursing in Communicable Diseases                       | 20    |
| Pediatrics                                             | 20    |
| Massage                                                | 10    |
| Gynecological Nursing                                  | 10    |
| Orthopedic Nursing                                     | 10    |
| Obstetrical Nursing                                    | 20    |
| Nursing in Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat                   | 10    |
| Urology                                                | 6     |
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Senior or Third Year

Nursing in Mental and Nervous Diseases.......................... 20
Nursing in Occupational, Venereal and Skin Diseases........... 10
Public Sanitation .................................................. 10
Emergency Nursing and First Aid.................................. 10
Special Lectures ..................................................... 20

Dietetics includes six weeks in special cookery for the sick under the direction of a trained dietitian.

GRADUATES

Class of 1927

MARY VIRGINIA FLIPPO.............................................. Virginia
MARY ADELA CURTIS................................................... North Carolina
CLAUDINE CAROLYN CLARK......................................... Pennsylvania
AGNES Verna Herrington............................................ Pennsylvania
ERVA LOIS McConchie................................................. Virginia
RAE BROWN.............................................................. District of Columbia
LETA MAY LANGLEY................................................. North Carolina