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Y. U. S. N.

ALUMNAE BULLETIN

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Dear Y. S. N. Alumnae:

Greetings! This Alumnae Bulletin is an attempt to keep you abreast of Y. U. S. N. A. A. activities. We want it to be your Bulletin, but it can only do that to the extent that you send us news of yourself, your family, and your fellow alumnae. In the home office we try to keep an accurate file of your positions and your geographical locations, but we want also that more personal feeling of having had a visit with you.

We thought you might be interested in our budget for the year:

Alumnae Association Expenditures

Auditing and Insurance	\$ 10
Bank Charges	20
Class Secretaries Bureau	100
Entertainment	125
Flowers	25
Miscellaneous	50
Alumnae Bulletin	150
Office Equipment (?typewriter)	60
Postage	60
Printing and Office Supplies.....	150
Salaries—part-time clerical	400
Telephone	10
Travel (convention)	50
Alumnae News	700
	\$1900

Our former presidents have borne heavy responsibilities and have spent many extra

hours in bringing our Association to its present position of efficiency and standing among other associations. Will you not help us maintain even higher standards by sending us suggestions for enrolling each of our 800 graduates so that we may work as a unit for our school and for Yale University?

What plans do you wish to make for Alumni Day, February 22, 1947? Are you interested in honoring our coming of age?

The Annie W. Goodrich Endowment Fund needs our continued support to make it worthy of the name it bears. Have you suggestions for large contributions to this?

Reports of regional activities are not all available but Lois Bliss '32, Franklin Hospital, Franklin, N. H., is eager to have a meeting of all Y. S. N. Alumnae of Vermont and New Hampshire. If you are in that region, won't you write her for details? N.Y.-N.J. Regional met with Anne Goodrich Waters, '26, 160 E. 38th St., N.Y.C., October 16. New Haven Regional, with Claire Leonard Sanderson '42 as chairman, meets the second Wednesday of each month. Your Alumnae Board meets the first Tuesday of each month at 36 Short Hill Road, Hamden, Conn. If you are in the vicinity of any of these group meetings, do join us.

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth H. Simmons, President
(Mrs. Leo W.)

Charlotte Perkins '46	Editor
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NEW POSITIONS REPORTED

'27 Marjorie Tucker, Territorial Supervisor, Met. Life Ins. Co., Boston.

'35 Dorothy Ingraham, Educ. Director and Science Instructor, Tri-County Hospital School of Nursing, Orangeburg, S. C.

'35 Raidie Poole, College Nurse, Roosevelt College, Chicago, Illinois.

'36 Ruth Dean, Public Health Nurse, Clark County City Health Dept., Vancouver, Washington.

'37 Emma Shaffer, Ass't Supervisor, New York State Dept. Health.

'37 Catherine Thorn Benninghoff (Mrs. S. P.), Supt. Nurses, Camden Clark Memorial Hospital, Parkersburg, W. Va.

'37 Louise Zellner, Surgical Supervisor, Strong Memorial Hospital, Rochester, N. Y.

'38 Grace Eckelberry, Assoc. Prof. Nursing Education, Syracuse University School of Nursing, Syracuse, N. Y.

'39 Esther Anderson Werminghaus (Mrs. Max), College Nurse, Junior College of Connecticut, Bridgeport.

'44 Helen Bondareff, Staff Nurse, Dept. Public Health, Washington, D. C.

'44 Janet Caldwell, Head Nurse, Children's Orthopedic Hospital, Seattle, Washington.

'44 Saisie Hibbard, Admin. and Teaching, American Hosiptal, Gaziantep, Turkey, is writing what is to be a textbook in Turkish.

'44 Britta James, Clinical Instructor, Wesley Memorial Hospital, Chicago, Ill.

'44 Janis Jund, Medical-Surgical Supervisor, Miami Valley Hospital, Lincoln, Nebraska.

'45 Eunice Barth Shaeffer (Mrs. Klaus) Staff Nurse, Veterans Hospital, Lincoln, Nebraska.

'45 Eileen McQuade has a position at New York Hospital.

'45 Priscilla Parke is reported to be at Cooley Dickinson Hospital, Northampton, Mass.

'46 Anita Amsel, V.N.A. of Brooklyn.

'46 Elaine Baumann, Staff Nurse, University Hospital, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

'46 Ann Bono, Public Health Nurse, District of Columbia Health Dept.

'46 Angela Carlucci, Psychiatric Staff Nurse, Queens Hospital, Hawaii.

'46 Patricia Connors, Head Nurse, Boston Psychopathic Hospital, 74 Fenwood Rd., Boston 15, Mass.

'46 Elsie Ellenberger, Student Supervisor, 5 medical floors, Western Pennsylvania Hospital, Pittsburgh.

'46 Ruth Frank, Head Nurse, Pediatric Outpatient Dept., Postgraduate Hospital, N.Y.C.

'46 Mary Elizabeth French, Ass't Head Nurse, Infirmary, Y.S.N.

'46 Catherine McClure, Clinical Instructor, Pediatrics, University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing.

'46 Clorinda Mardus, Clinical Supervisor, Medicine and Surgery, Staten Island Hospital, N. Y.

'46 Margaret Markham, Supervisor, Pediatrics, King County Hospital System, Seattle, Washington.

'46W Mrs. Marion Rohovec Blake, Instructor Nursing Arts, Grace Hospital School of Nursing, New Haven.

'46W Mathilde Haga, Nursing Arts Instructor, Deaconess Hospital, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

'46W Olga Lopes, Nurse Instructor, Oswego State Teachers College, Oswego, N. Y.

'46W Mary Murray, Pediatric Supervisor, Newport Hospital, R. I.

'46W Ethel Schaake, Nursing Arts Instructor, Maryland General Hospital, Baltimore, Maryland.



Ruth Burcham '33, Elizabeth Bixler '27,
Esther Budd '31 on the Boardwalk

"CONVENTION"

by

Yvette Richard '46W

Almost a month ago three Y.S.N. students added a most thrilling experience to their store of undergraduate memories. I was one of them and you've probably guessed that our big experience was attending the Biennial Convention in Atlantic City.

From the moment we stepped on the train and found our seat on the ends of our turned-up suitcases we were aware that nurses believe in getting together and talking things over. This was our first Biennial and we couldn't have picked a better one! We were fortunate in that it was also the occasion of the American Nurses' Association's fiftieth anniversary—the celebration of which was a most memorable evening for us all.

To tell you about Convention meetings and doings would be difficult to do briefly, so I'll refer you to the Journal and Convention reports for the business reviews. I can, however, tell you how proud we were to say we were from Yale. Although we have known that our School has an enviable national reputation, we hardly realized the awe with which we are held

by other schools of nursing. This was particularly apparent to us in the student meetings where on several occasions faculty members would ask us to meet their students in order that they might report "that they had met the girls from Yale."

Our own particularly proud moment came after Dean Goodrich spoke at the Joint Session on her "Definition of Nursing." We joined the many who greeted her on the platform when the Session was over, introduced ourselves to her, hardly getting "Yale" out of our mouths when she came forth with "Oh yes, you're my girls!" We'll never forget it.

Throughout the five days we were constantly meeting and seeing our "textbooks" walking around. With the help of our faculty and Yale alums we managed to have all the important figures in Nursing pointed out to us and more often than not had the honor of meeting them.

A Convention report would hardly be complete without some mention of the exhibits. We soon learned the value of a capacious handbag, or substitute, and will never be caught at any convention without one.

If you have looked through the Convention handbook, you have some idea of the many vital problems that came up for discussion. It was very gratifying to feel that soon we will be members of a profession that believes and works hard at maintaining the ideals upon which it was founded. I know that I speak for the three of us when I say that we returned with new enthusiasm and greater pride in our work. We are looking forward to becoming graduates of Y.S.N.

The Biennial Convention had a record number of Yale-ites attending, the nearest estimate being 64. Wednesday noon 37 of the alums and faculty had luncheon together. Another time plans should be made in advance so no one will miss the fun.

 NEW FACULTY AT Y.U.S.N.

Although many of the "Old Guard" remain, there seems to be quite a roster of new faculty.

First, we'll tell of YSN graduates who have new appointments. Carol Reynolds '41 is directing the Student Health Program. Helen Wersebe '31 is night supervisor. Pauline Keefe '44 is assisting in the Pediatric Department of which Helen Hallfors '39 is now the head. Pauline Kummer '44 is teaching Communicable Disease and Betsy (Frances) Wheelock '39 is in charge of administration in that department.

Miss Helen Hubbell has left Y.S.N. to be married. In her place is Beatrice Finkelstein who has done research and teaching in nutrition, foods and diet in disease. Her position prior to coming to Yale was at the Alabama Polytechnic Institute.

The Obstetrical Department is headed by Kate Hyder, who has had both study and experience in Public Health Nursing and teaching and has taken the course in Midwifery at Maternity Center.

While Lucia Allyn '38 is on a year's leave of absence studying toward her Master's Degree at Columbia University, Florence Brennan, from the faculty of the University of Minnesota, heads the Medical Department.

The Surgical Department has as its head Eleanor Helm, who for seven years was at Vanderbilt University in a similar position and last year studied at Western Reserve University.

NEWS OF THE SCHOOL

A graduate course in public health for nurses has gotten underway with the appointment of Eleanor King (B.N. Yale '32, M.P.H. Johns Hopkins '45) to a joint appointment as associate professor on the faculties of the School of Nursing and the School of Medicine. The appointment was made possible by a gift of \$2500 which came through the interest and efforts of one of our alumnae from donors who prefer to remain anonymous. It was given with the stipulation that it be used toward Miss King's salary in order that the project get started this year. Miss King has an office in the Department of Public Health and will teach in that department, supervise graduate nurses in that department, and organize the graduate course which we have anticipated for some time. As specific information becomes available, it will be duly broadcast.

Forty-eight freshmen entered on September 26 in the Class of 1949. Five of them are veterans (WAVES and WACS) and are studying under the G.I. Bill of Rights.

Fifty-two members of the Class of 1946W were presented at the University Commencement in June. As they had not at that time completed all their courses and final examinations, their degrees were not conferred until August. With this class we now have 800 alumnae.

Watch for the February Bulletin.