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ANNIE W. GOODRICH 1866 - 1954
TRIBUTES TO ANNIE W. GOODRICH

Just before Christmas Miss Goodrich was her usual gay self, enjoying her cards and gifts, sharing them with the nurses and her other friends, at Cobalt Lodge. On December 24 she had a cerebral accident, went into a coma and died a week later, on December 31, 1954. The end was peaceful and she got the expert, loving care for which she was a champion her long life through. At eighty-nine she had fulfilled her life, and the infirmities of age had not overwhelmed her. The last time I talked with her, not long before her final illness, she was, as always, interested to hear of YSN, gratified that the same high entrance requirements were being maintained, and gently encouraging about the number of students enrolled.

Many of us were privileged to know her as a great teacher, a wise counselor and a true friend. To the younger alumnae she is perhaps already a legend. But to all of us she will always be an inspiration. Were it not for her passionate devotion to the goal of opening the universities to the profession we would not be Yale nurses and insofar as we live up to her ideals, to be a Yale nurse is to be a good nurse.

This is not a time for mourning but rather a time for giving thanks that we have such a goodly heritage.

My professional association with Annie W. Goodrich began in 1909 and I knew her then as a versatile, inspiring and dynamic teacher. Her charming personality permeated the class room and her students held her in the highest esteem and in deep affection.

It was my privilege to know Miss Goodrich as a friend, and in later years as a colleague and associate, as we worked side by side in collaboration, during the years when the Yale University School of Nursing was born and began its growth, struggling onward and upward from infancy toward maturity. Miss Goodrich always looked upon the development of the School in the light of a search for new pathways, at the same time endeavoring to strengthen those trails which experience and research warranted as a secure foundation upon which to build. The name of Annie W. Goodrich does not belong to America alone. Her name and her achievements are international in scope wielding an influence upon nursing and nursing education wherever nursing is known.

Miss Goodrich traveled extensively in Europe and Asia and personally touched the lives of innumerable nurses as they sought to advance the highest standards of nursing and health throughout the world.

The inspiration of her life and guidance will be felt, not only by those nurses who have had personal contact with her, but by the uncounted number of nurses of future years.

The memory of Miss Goodrich will long endure and be deeply cherished.

Effie J. Day

If anyone had a rich and varied life it was Annie W. Goodrich. Her contributions to society were tremendous through the field of nursing. Miss Goodrich led the way so that nursing might give up its submissions and apprenticelike manner, and begin to emerge into a true profession.

As a profession we are still emerging and are in need of the "broad and humane outlook on life" which was one of Miss Goodrich's attributes, as described by James Rowland Angell. Her fearlessness in attempting to advance those principles which she felt were important is an ability necessary to the growth of any profession but one that is difficult at times.

If we might lay down our lives at 89 with the record of progress and achievement which Annie Goodrich has to her
credit I am sure nursing would have an increasing number of contributions of which to be justly proud.

Miss Goodrich has opened up many vistas for nurses and it remains for us who are "scientifically informed, technically skilled and socially experienced" to carry on as time and circumstances dictate.

Katherine Davis,
President, YUSNA.

YALE CORPORATION RESOLUTION

Voted, to record the sorrow of the President and Fellows in the death of Annie Warburton Goodrich, Dean of the Yale School of Nursing from its inception in 1923 until 1934. Miss Goodrich became the first woman dean at Yale and established the first graduate school of nursing in the world. Wise and fair administrator, untiring in her practice and scholarly in her pursuit of knowledge, she believed that a nurse should be technically skilled, scientifically informed and socially experienced. She brought to Yale the benefits of her distinguished career as a superintendent in New York hospitals, as a member of the Columbia University faculty and as Chief Inspecting Nurse of the Army Nurses Corps and made the infant school almost immediately internationally famous. Today throughout the world graduates of Yale are carrying on the spirit, courage and devotion to the cause that Dean Goodrich taught by precept and example.

MEMORIAL SERVICE AT YALE

A memorial service was held for Miss Goodrich in Dwight Chapel on Sunday, January 16, 1955. The Reverend Sidney Lovett, University Chaplain, conducted the service and Miss Bixler gave a brief address.

Students of Y.U.S.N., in uniform, were in the Choir, and others assisted in ushering.

A few days after Miss Goodrich's death, Miss Bixler received a check for $100. for the Annie W. Goodrich Fund, sent in lieu of flowers. It is now more important than ever that all of us work diligently to reach the goal of $300,000, for an endowed professorship which will be a lasting memorial to Annie Warburton Goodrich.

ANNIE WARBURTON GOODRICH
1866 - 1954

Born February 6, 1866. Her grandfather, Dr. John S. Butler, was a pioneer in the care and treatment of mental illness in New England.

Entered New York Hospital as a student nurse in 1890. Received her R.N. in 1892.

Superintendent of Nursing, New York Post-Graduate Hospital, 1893-1900.

Superintendent of Nursing, St. Luke's Hospital, 1900-1902. Here she first started to think in terms of patient-centered methods of nursing care, later developed at Yale.

Superintendent of Nurses, New York Hospital, 1902-1907.

General Superintendent, Training School for Nurses, Bellevue and Allied Hospitals, 1907-1910.

Inspector of Nurses Training Schools, New York State Education Department, 1910-1914.

Lecturer, Teachers College, Columbia University, 1904-1913; Assistant Professor of Nursing and Health, 1914-1923.

President, International Council of Nurses, 1912-1915; later appointed Honorary President.

President, American Nurses Association, 1916-1918.

Director of Nurses, Henry Street Visiting Nurse Service, 1917-1923.

Dean, Army School of Nursing, 1918-1919. At the request of the Government, organized the School to meet the needs of the armed forces for nurses.

Dean and Professor, Yale University School of Nursing, 1923-1934. Emeritus, 1934-54. (This School was the outgrowth of the so-called Goldmark Report, made by the Committee for the Study of Nursing Education, financed by the Rockefeller Foundation in the interest of the development of public health nursing in the United States.)

President, Association of Collegiate Schools of Nursing, 1934-1936.

Consulting Director, Nursing Service, Neuro-psychiatric Institute, Hartford Retreat (now Institute of Living) 1938-1941.

Special Nursing Education Consultant to the U.S.P.H.S. Nursing Education Unit, 1942.
HONORS RECEIVED BY MISS GOODRICH

M.A. (Hon.) Yale University 1923. Medaille d'Honneur de l'Hygiene Publique (French Government).
Fellow, American College of Hospital Administrators, 1948. Bronze Medal of Belgium.
Holder of: Medal of National Institute of Social Science. Yale Medal "for outstanding service to Yale."

PROGRAM FOR ALUMNAE DAY

February 19, 1955

9:30 A. M. — Registration and Coffee in Seminar Room, Brady I.
10:30 A. M. — Welcome and announcements.
11:15 A. M. — Address by Dean Liston Pope, Dean of the Yale Divinity School.
12:00 — Buffet Luncheon — Lounge — Sterling Hall of Medicine.
1:15 P. M. — Student demonstration — Howard 3.
2:15 P. M. — Faculty and alumnae discussion of Y.U.S.N. curriculum and proposed changes.
Report on progress of the Annie W. Goodrich Fund.
4:30 P. M. — Tea — Nathan Smith Hall.

This year at Y.U.S.N. is of special interest to all Alumnae and a program of universal appeal is planned. The Student Council is sharing in some parts of the program.

We want to extend a special welcome now and/or in June to the reunion classes 1930, '35, '40, '45, and '50.

Please fill out and return the blank below, with your check to the Yale School of Nursing Alumnae Association by February 14.

Please reserve places for luncheon on Alumnae Day, Saturday, February 19, at $1.50 per reservation. Enclosed is my payment of $

Name

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Class