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Nurses’ Alumnae Association
Bulletin

School of Nursing of the Jefferson Medical College Hospital

April 1962
ALUMNAE DAY
FIRST SATURDAY IN MAY
EVERY YEAR
Dear Fellow Alumnae,

Nursing is an ever young, ever changing profession. It must be gratifying for you to know that its growth is actually a product of your talents, your skills, your imagination, your dedication and your hard work. Think, for instance, of the influence Colonel Glenn’s visit to space has already had on our profession.

The fact that our membership has shown a constant increase is gratifying. However, we can continue to grow stronger and bigger only through your active participation, using your capacity to accept and seek change to progress. Active members this year have seen a change by being able to vote for their officers by mail ballot.

Let’s make ’62 a year of vitally renewed interest as well as renewed membership.

(Mrs.) Perma E. Davis, President

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**FINANCIAL REPORT**

**December 31, 1961**

**Receipts:**
- Dues and reinstatements: $4,242.51
- Sale of cook books: $1,145.20
- Sale of blue books: $224.00
- Miscellaneous: $411.75
- Interest on savings account: $204.29
- Investment income: $1,522.20

**Contributions:**
- Scholarship Fund: $1,522.20
- Relief Fund: $2,575.00
- Scholarship Fund: $20.00
- Adele Lewis Memorial: $168.00

**Disbursements:**
- Sick benefits: $1,741.59
- Graduation class dinner and prizes: $554.05
- Annual luncheon in excess of per capita charges: $550.50

**Printing:**
- Cook books: $3,018.80
- Blue books: $1,320.25
- Annual bulletins: $798.80
- Convention expenses: $401.75
- Scholarship award: $500.00
- Operating expenses: $1,802.66
- Transfer to Relief Fund for investment: $3,000.00

Excess of disbursement over:
- Receipts: $3,325.75
- Cash balance, January 1, 1961: $13,141.02
- Cash balance, December 31, 1961: $9,515.27

**In addition to the $3,000.00 transfer to Relief Fund, $3,200.00 of income was transferred directly to principal by the Trustee.**

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**ALUMNAE MEETINGS 1961**

**January 3, 1961**

19 Members present

A recommendation was made and accepted to amend the voting procedure in the By-Laws. The exact wording of the Amendment to be formulated by the By-Laws committee.

Miss Doris Bowman announced that the N.L.N. approved the school program and we are now accredited with the National League for Nursing.

The Annual election of Alumnae officers is as follows:

- First Vice-President-----------Mary Ann Stauffer
- Recording Secretary----------Janet Hindson
- Board of Directors----------Margaret Summers, Julia Gaskill

**February 7, 1961**

19 Members present

Ways and Means----------Mrs. Gaskill

Annual Giving to concentrate on Relief Fund. All contributions to be listed in the Bulletin by Class-Amount-Contributors.

By-Laws----------Mrs. Gaskill

Amendment of voting procedure reads:

Article IV Officers

Section 3. All elected officers shall be elected by sealed ballot and shall continue in office for two years.

Article VI Standing Committees

Section 3. The Nominating Committee shall prepare a ballot consisting of two or more names of members who have consented to serve if elected, for each office to be filled. The ballot shall be presented at the November meeting. Nominations may be made from the floor. Each Active and Life members shall receive by mail before December 10th preceding Annual meeting, a biography of each candidate and a ballot.

Article IX Voting body and Elections

Section 1. The voting body shall consist of Active and Life members of the Alumnae Association in good standing.

Section 2. Elections shall be held by the vote of members qualified to vote either by the sealed ballot by returning the ballot before 8:15 the night of the Annual meeting, or by sending it in by mail by December 31st. The outside envelope must be signed. No voting by proxy shall be permitted.

Section 3. The President shall appoint three tellers who are not candidates for office, to tabulate the ballots at the Annual meeting. The candidate receiving the greatest number of votes shall be elected and shall assume office immediately following the Annual meeting.
March 7, 1961
26 Members present
New members:
Carolyn Doorly, Elaine Kunzman, Beatrice Rhodes, Joan Sailer, Rose Tumolo.
An interesting talk on Physical Medicine was given by Mr. John Kreynek, Chief Physical Therapist of the hospital.

April 4, 1961
23 Members present
Permission granted to send cards of acknowledgment for Annual Giving.
It was recommended and accepted that the Alumnae Association contribute $50.00 to the American Nurses Foundation.
Following the business meeting there was an interesting talk on General Hair Care by Mr. Albert.

May 2, 1961
20 Members present
New member — Joan Gasperon, 1958

September 5, 1961
17 Members present
Social — Miss Piersol
100% attendance at the Senior Dinner given by the Alumnae Association.
A recommendation was made accepted to change the wording in Section I, Article 4 of the By-Laws to read the retiring president be a member of the Board for the ensuing two years.

October 3, 1961
24 Members present
Nominating — Miss Hippensteel
Ballot to be presented at the November meeting. Information on ballot will be as follows:
Year of Graduation — Present and Past Nursing Positions — Professional Associations
—Advanced Professional Education—Past Alumnae Offices.
Ways And Means — Mrs. Gaskill
Annual Giving to date:
Scholarship — $20.00
Relief Fund — $2,476.50
The following members were selected as delegates and alternates to attend the P.N.A. Convention in Pittsburgh:
N.S.A. — Miss Piersol
Alt — Miss Stauffer
Education — Mrs. Davis
Private Duty — Mrs. Spruance
Recommendation made and accepted to donate $75.00 to the United Fund.
Following the Business meeting refreshments were served and a successful Auction was held.

November 7, 1961
21 Members present
There was $70.00 profit on the auction sale. It was recommended and accepted the money be placed in the General Fund.
Annual Giving to date:
Scholarship $20.00
Relief Fund — $2,525.90

Scholarship form to be revised to require more information of applicant.
Three interesting and informative reports on the P.N.A. convention were given by Mrs. Davis, Miss Piersol and Mrs. Spruance.
A recommendation was made and accepted to use the $167.00 collected for Miss Adele Lewis to purchase a painting with a plaque and be placed in the Nurses Residence.
It was recommended and accepted a special fund be established and named A. M. Lewis Memorial Fund.
Thank You from Miss Bowman for the prizes given at Commencement.
Miss Bowman requested that the School Of Nursing Library and the Director of School Of Nursing to be placed on permanent mailing list for Alumnae Bulletin so that a copy of the Bulletin may be retained each year in the school of Nursing Library. It was recommended and accepted to continue Readers Digest for the following members:
Recording Secretary,
Janet Hindson.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

The Social Committee has had another full year in planning some very important functions.
The largest highlight of the year '61 was our Alumnae Day on Saturday, May 7th, 1961. The Luncheon was held in the Ballroom of the Benjamin Franklin Hotel. There were 418 present. There were three nurses present who were celebrating their 50th anniversary. Corrigan were given to each one.
A dinner for the graduating class of 1961 was held on Tuesday, May 16th, 1961 at the John Bartram Hotel. There were 100% in attendance. Each were given an application for membership and a copy of the By-Laws.
On Thursday, October 3rd, 1961, we had a very profitable Auction Sale, held in the Nurses Residence. Following and during the Auction Sale coffee and cookies were served. The proceeds from the Auction Sale, which was $70.00, was placed in the General Fund. A very enjoyable Christmas Party and Buffet Supper was held at the Nurses Residence on Tuesday, December 5th, 1961. Each one received a gift from Santa Claus. Miss Mary Ann Stauffer was our jolly Santa Claus. There were 58 present.
Please make an effort to attend the Annual Alumnae Luncheon on the First Saturday in May.
The committee wishes to thank all the Alumnae members for their continued support and cooperation displayed by their attendance at these functions.
Betty Piersol, Chairman.
Margaret Summers, Co-chairman.

THE CLARA MELVILLE SCHOLARSHIP FUND
ANNUAL REPORT 1961

Presented to the Alumnae Association on January 9, 1962
Since 1948 when the first scholarship was awarded, a total of $4700.00 has been granted to thirteen Alumnae pursing nursing education. During the calendar year 1961, no scholarships were awarded.
There are three applications which have been submitted in the last two months, but only one of the applicants fulfills all requirements at this time. According to the By-Laws, these applications are to be considered by the Scholarship Committee in April and recommendations made to the membership in May.
The interest received on the scholarship investment amounted to $1331.00 in 1961. The investment totals $21,000.00.

ANNA KUBA, Chairman
CATHERINE T. BETZ
CATHERINE G. PAINE
Ways and Means Committee Report 1961

In March of 1961 a letter was mailed to the graduates explaining the Annual Giving Drive, and that the money received would be directed toward the Relief Fund. The response from 320 graduates and members to January 9, 1962 is as follows:

$2559.50 Relief Fund
20.00 Scholarship Fund
2579.50 Total

Last years totals as of March 1, 1961 — $2538.00 (312 contributors) This years drive is ahead $41.50.

Cook Book Report

Last spring a slip was enclosed in the Annual Giving Appeal letter advertising our cookbook.

Since October Approximately 200 letters were sent to members of the Women's Board, and Approximately 500 letters to the Faculty Wives; also 2600 letters were sent out to graduates of our school of nursing, 80 books were sold.

We received publicity through the Philadelphia Inquirer and the Evening Bulletin. 7 books were sold through these channels. A total of 87 books have been sold since the fall drive began. My records show that 512 books have been sold to date. The remaining books are stored in our alumnae room and the office where I work.

The printing for the above letters was done by Greathead Woodruff and by the printing department in the hospital.

Respectfully submitted,

JULIA TYLER, GASKILL, Chairman

Bulletin Committee

Dear Alumnae,

We wish to thank all of you for your kind responses to make the bulletin newsworthy.

Please write and let us know what you are doing.

Sincerely,
CHRISTINA RODGERS, Chairman

Private Duty Nurses' Section

The number of members of the Private Duty Section of the Alumnae is decreasing. Young graduates fail to join our group, either entering other fields of nursing or joining an outside registry that appears to have "greater pastures".

We will strive to continue to carry on nursing care in the true and proper Jefferson manner. A small group—kept busy—usually is much in demand, but frequently the unjust object of criticism when hospital routine is upset.

CATHARINE C. PRENDERGAST, Chairman

Hospital Report and Nursing Service

Dear Alumnae:

Another year, more progress to report about the School of Nursing and Nursing Service. The reorganization of the Department of Nursing, authorized in 1958, has become a reality with the appointment of three new Department Heads during the past year.

Miss Doris E. Bowman occupies the position of Director of the School of Nursing, and is responsible for the student program, the students, Faculty, and the Nurses' Residence Staff. In October 1961, Miss Elizabeth Sweaney, graduate of Allington Memorial Hospital, was appointed to the position of Director of Nursing Service. She is responsible for the graduate nurse staff and the auxiliary personnel who give patient care in all areas except the Operating Rooms. In November, Miss Mary E. O'Brien, graduate of Ohio State University School of Nursing, assumed her duties as Director of the Operating Rooms. In this position, she is responsible for all personnel in the Operating Rooms.

The Department of Nursing has acquired new offices and now occupies all of the space from the main corridor on the first floor of the Thompson Building back to the street separating the College and the Hospital. The Administrative Offices of the School of Nursing have been moved to the newly renovated area next to the main corridor, and Nursing Service Administration is situated in the offices formerly occupied by the two departments. The Private Duty Registry office is located on the main corridor, next to the Volunteer Service Office. The Nurses' Alumnae files are kept in this office.

This physical division of the Department has resulted in improved communications and a smoother operation.

In February 1961, the last February class to enter the School of Nursing completed its program. All of the nine graduates accepted positions on the staff and all passed their State Board Examinations with high scores. The School now accepts only one class each year.

Graduation exercises were held at the Sheraton Hotel for the February Class and for the sixty-six members of the September section. Dr. Frank Braceland, a graduate of Jefferson Medical College, and now Psychiatrist-in-Chief of the Institute of Living, Hartford, Connecticut, highlighted the occasion with an excellent address.

One hundred and three students were admitted to the School of Nursing in September 1961. The 1962 Class will add another one hundred and twenty to the enrollment, bringing the total student body to three hundred and eleven. When all new faculty positions are filled, this class may be increased in number.

The Student Nurses' Residence continues to be a source of joy. The students have had many parties, and have invited students from other schools to participate in activities in the Residence. They, too, are impressed with the student housing accommodations. Through the interest and generosity of the Student Residence Committee of the Women's Board, the lounge has been redecorated and presents a bright new look to the decor.

The students' report of their activities will show that they are very busy young ladies with broad interests.

The Board of Trustees and the Hospital Administration have shown their keen interest in the welfare of the nursing staff which in turn promotes good patient care, by their approval of improved personnel policies. As a result, the turnover rate has decreased.

In July 1961, the United States Department of State approved our application to amend our Exchange Visitor Number to include graduate nurse education. However, because of the large number of our own graduates who wish to work on the staff, we were not able to start the program until January of this year. The first group of nurses from the Philippine Islands arrived in January to participate in our work-learn program. The second group started in March, and another will begin the program in May. The first and second groups are enrolled in the Medical-Surgical Program, coordinated and taught by Miss Beti C. Grant and Miss Lorraine Roche. Five of the May section will be enrolled in classes devoted to Operating Room Techniques conducted by Miss Evans and Mrs. Mamie Poole, Operating Room Supervisor.

The program is proving of mutual advantage—the Filipino nurses are benefiting from the teaching and broad clinical program provided by Jefferson, and work experience at a salary comparable to that of our staff nurses, and our staff and patients are profiting by increased nursing care hours available to the units. Another advantage to Jefferson is apparent in the kindliness of the attitude and the interest in their work that these nurses display. We are pleased with the program.

During the year 1961-1962, we participated in two refresher programs for graduate nurses. The first, sponsored by the Southeastern Pennsylvania League for Nursing, and the Philadelphia County Medical Society, was coordinated and taught by Miss Florence Kauff- man; Miss Betty Piersol and Miss Margaret Summers. Other Departments of the hospital helped with the program. The second, coordinated and taught by Miss Piersol and Miss...
The Staff Nurses' Association

The election of new officers for the coming year 1961-1962 was held in October with the new President Christina Rodgers, Secretary Marilyn Fritts, Jan P. Ryan Treasurer.

The monthly educational program with the able chairmanship of Miss E. Hippensteel provided the staff nurses with a series of pharmacology lectures presented by the Department of Pharmacy.

A Christmas Tea was held in the Board Room December 13, 1961 for the exchange of Christmas greetings from the Staff Nurses to the Staff physicians. All the physicians and their associates were invited. Miss Fiersol and Miss Sumner helped to make it huge success.

The new year found the nurses welcoming our new nurses from the Philippines. Miss Sweeney spoke to the staff nurses in February and March explaining the need for an increase in membership to the American Nurses Association. She stress the need for unity among a professional group and the opportunities which can result from a large participation.

The Staff Nurses' Association at Jefferson is primarily for a closer unity of all its members to strengthen our standards and improve our care to the patient; thus having the hospital give the best nursing care available.

Christina Rodgers, President
research endeavor; these words are systematic and question. By systematic is meant that research
must begin with a clearly defined problem and with definitely drawn objectives.
Everyone must know precisely what the investigator proposes to study and what he or
she hopes to accomplish by a study. As relates to the question, the researcher must have
the question which he or she desperately wants to answer, and the question must be of the type
that is researchable. The wording of the question actually gives direction to the research.
One of the most important and another element necessary to the success of the
study is the motivating factor. This he explains by saying, "... the research worker must be
devoid of learning new ideas, new points, new theories, new facts, and possess the willingness
to extend himself to find the answers. In order to do this research one must have a
burning yearning for learning and not a burning yearning for earning."

One could not be present in the Institute of Research very long without becoming
aware of the implications for nursing in the numerous areas where medical and basic science
research was being conducted. Why wasn’t nursing participating? Why weren’t nurses
being prepared for research so they might participate more completely as members of an inter-
disciplinary team? Why wasn’t nursing studying its practice systematically as the other dis-
ciplines were doing? Why had doctors and nurses traditionally worked together in the
interest of patient care, did we have to wait until 1955, or 62 years after the establishment
of the Institute, before an Army Nurse Corps officer was assigned to full-time duty in the
Institute itself to not only carry on her assigned department duties but also the possibilities
of planning and developing nursing’s role in a research—education—service institution?

Nursing Research Projects Conducted or in Progress

The nursing projects pursued to date cut across four broad general types of research
ranging from the simple to the complex. The types included are: simple survey, case study,
comparative case analysis and experimental. The approaches used here are the same as those
employed in other disciplines.

(1) Nursing Measures of Oral and Nasal Hygiene. This study was conducted intended to
study the merits, effects or therapeutic value of various procedures of oral hygiene
administered to patients who are intubated or tracheostomied. It was designed to
meet through the protocol sessions, seminars, and staff meetings thus making it possi-
ble for staff members to learn from one another. Possibly one of the greatest gains from this
effort would be nurses with an opportunity for actual participation in the research
processes or vicarious learning experience as work on the various studies is shared.

The following are brief reports of the research projects which appear listed on the
authorized research and development program of the Institute of Research.

(2) Nursing Therapy and Procedures in the Treatment of Induced Oral Lesions and
Manifestations. This is an experimental study of the effects of solution or lubricants tra-
tionally used by nurses in giving oral care to patients with non-specific oral disease. Exper-
imental lesions were induced by x-radiation of the buccal area of guinea pigs. The local treat-
ment procedures evaluated were glycercine, acetic acid, normal saline, and hydrogen
waste, normal saline and hydrogen dioxide. In addition to a local irritation three of the four experimental-agent systemic treatment consisting of an intraperitoneal injection of
streptomycin, acetic acid, or a combination of the two. From the time of the twenty-third
day post-radiation the animals were sacrificed and the buccal tissue was taken for histologi-
ical examination. Analysis of data and histological studies are not yet completed.

(3) Nursing Measures Which Contribute to Development, Prevention, Care, and
Treatment of Pressure sores. The comparative case analysis method is employed to study
the effectiveness of various nursing interventions. This method was designed to assess
whether or not there is a significant difference in the location and size of decubitus
sores. Over a two-year period 52 patients have been included in the study. Data-collecting
instruments consist of a criterion measure used to record in detail the progress of the decu-
bitus ulcer, a nursing check-list for recording data, and a nurses’ diagnosis and treatment
and color photography to illustrate progress of healing of the ulcer. Patient observations are
made weekly. In order to make more objective comparisons may be made, patients are divided into age
groups and into gross diagnostic categories. Nursing plans of care are evaluated systematic-
ally for effectiveness of the therapeutic measures, comfort to the patient and ease of admini-
stration.

Collection of data in the clinical investigation will be continued until larger numbers
of patients are included in the study. Phyllis J. Verhohck reported preliminary findings of
one protocol in which granulated sugar and a solution of 50% glucose were dramatically
effective with 10 patients in the first year of the study.

In conjunction with the Division of Biochemistry a laboratory investigation was com-
pleted which involved the use of molar concentrations of urea on mitochondrial respiration in
an attempt to explain the effectiveness of glucose and the pathogenesis of decubitus ulcer.
Other laboratory studies will be accomplished as indicated to arrive at basic principles under-
lying therapeutic nursing measures.

(4) Identification of Principles of Nursing Care Underlying Taking Oral Temperature.
This was an attempt to test the hypothesis that the oral temperature readings
were influenced by the smoking or ingestion of hot or cold liquids. The hypothesis tested
were that cigarette smoking, gum chewing and ingestion of hot or cold liquids do not make a significant difference in the degree of oral temperatures in
febrile and in afibrile patients. The data were collected by using the same varience tests of significance Phyllis
Verhornick found that cigarette smoking and gum chewing do not make a significant difference
in the degree of oral temperature in afibrile patients, but ingestion of hot and cold liquids by
afibrile patients does make a difference in the degree of oral temperature at the 0.05 level of
significance. The findings in regard to cigarette smoking and gum chewing contradict published
results of previous investigators. The findings in her research may be attributed to the exper-
imental design in which experimental and control groups were used. In studies previously
done subjects were used as their own controls.

Significant differences were shown in oral temperature readings of febrile patients,
which may be attributed to the alteration of the experimental design. Febrile patients were
used as their own controls because the existence of fever had different causes and control
groups could not be designated.

On the basis of the experimental findings four principles were formulated as guides
for nurse practitioners when taking oral temperatures of febrile patients.

(5) Influence of Bath Procedures on Skin Conditions. This is an experimental study
that is designed to study the effect of a specific nonionic emulsifier used in giving complete
baths on the skin of selected patients. The study design was intended to test whether or not
the use of a specific nonionic emulsifier will make a significant difference in the skin condition of selected
patients. One-half of the body was bathed with soap and water (control) and the other half
was bathed with a specific nonionic emulsifier and water (experimental). The double-blind approach is
used to make independent observations of roughness and scaliness on the experimental and
contralateral areas of the skin.

Epithelium is stripped from the skin by placing cellulose tape on the lateral surface
of the ankles on the control and experimental sides three times during the 21-day period of
the study. The stripings are exposed to a densitometer for an objective reading of the amounts
of epithelium. This is an on-going study which will be continued until a larger num-
ber of patients are included.
In addition to the nursing projects described above several others are being worked on intermittently as workload and staffing permit. These projects are at various stages of the exploratory phase, or in the feasibility stage, prior to submission of project proposal for approval. The scope of these projects is broader but they are focused more specifically on nursing in the military setting or pertain to matters of military significance.

EVOLUTION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF A CLINICAL PRACTITIONER RESEARCH NURSE PROGRAM

To help move us along in matters of developing young clinical practitioners—research nurses who may stride along as full-fledged professional members of the Army Medical Service teams which are advancing practice in the military, we are looking toward initiation this fall, of a 40-week program entitled "Military Nursing Practice and Research."

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

From this small beginning, then, in a research situation unique in nursing, it is believed that a small core of research nurses will be developed to cope with research—teaching—practice responsibilities. Some of the required special preparation, obtained through experience in the Institute of Research and through this program, will enable personnel to become facile with research design and methodology. Some of the officers who demonstrate special aptitude for work and contributions in the research field may go on to universities for further graduate study. If we wish to have nursing stride along in union with the other disciplines as progress in the medical sciences and medical practice is made, provision for personnel development through special preparation is most essential.

As discussed with us at the Nursing Research Conference in 1959 by Colonel Huber, we will gain nothing by the founding of pseudo-investigators. He believes that by the development and achievement of one single great investigator more solid progress can be achieved than through the founding of a hundred uninspired or uninterested individuals. He stated that such a hard core of elite investigators are found and are productive, nursing will experience difficulties in attracting young, highly motivated and dedicated nurses to nursing research.

Properly prepared personnel will eventually develop operational definitions and criteria—measures needed for research in nursing care. As members of teams they will be able to contribute to the definition of problems in terms broad enough to involve the interest of each organization. The following article is designated to briefly summarize the activities occurring within the Student Council of Jefferson Medical College School of Nursing for the thirty-one, sixty-two-year term of office. The present officers of Student Council are: President, Miss Surthill; Vice President, Miss Reese; Secretary, Miss Haines; Treasurer, Miss David; Student Nurses Association of Penna. Chair, Miss Julius; Social Chair, Miss Weite; House President, Miss Kurzen.

To begin the year all freshmen students were orientated to the functions of SNAP, Resident rules and regulations, and the constitution of student council by the respective head of each organization.

REPORT OF STUDENT COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

Phyllis S. Surthill
President 1961-62

The following article is designated to briefly summarize the activities occurring within the Student Council of Jefferson Medical College, School of Nursing for the thirty-one, sixty-two-year term of office. The present officers of Student Council are: President, Miss Surthill; Vice President, Miss Reese; Secretary, Miss Haines; Treasurer, Miss David; Student Nurses Association of Penna. Chair, Miss Julius; Social Chair, Miss Weite; House President, Miss Kurzen.

Miss Surthill attended a student nurse rally at the Woodrow Wilson High School representing Jefferson School of Nursing.

In December student council in the true spirit of Christmas called upon the student body to fill baskets for the needy families. This was accomplished under the able leadership of Miss Weiss and with the assistance of the hospital Social Service.

The SNAP convention held a very successful mixer early in December again raising funds to carry on more activity.

The student body attended and enjoyed the Christmas party given for their benefit by the faculty. It was thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated by all.

The Social Committee held a mixer in January to raise funds for a spring dinner dance.

A mock SNAP convention was held at Albert Einstein Hospital in February. Five students from the freshman class participated in the talent show held at that time.

The SNAP meeting for area one was held in March in McClellan Hall of the college. Refreshments were provided in the recreation room of the residence following the meeting.

The Newspaper Club recently presented the Miss Jefferson contest held in the residence. The program was similar to the Miss America pageant. The judges were composed of faculty, staff, and hospital staff nurses. Each contestant was judged on poise, appearance in uniform, clinical performance, scholastic aptitude, and personality. The winner from the second year class was Miss Maguire. It is hoped that this contest will perpetuate annually stimulating each student to be an ideal nurse.

The student council will be presenting a minstrel showboat on April 12th and 13th in McClellan Hall. The organization of this show was placed in the capable hands of Miss Julius who has chosen various chairmen in specialized fields. Rehearsals are being conducted weekly by Miss Weiss, musical director; and Miss Welsko, show director. It is hoped that this program will be successful in creating a more complete student unity by combining the efforts of all classes.

The social committee is planning a dinner dance to be held at Kuglers on April 28th. Students attending the dinner will supply their own funds. The hospital is providing funds for the dance. There is much enthusiasm from the student body and a successful evening is expected.

The social committee will also be responsible for planning a student faculty picnic in the late spring.

Nominations will be held this month for one girl from each class to attend the National Student Nurses Association Convention in Detroit, Michigan.

The Student Council is an active organization at Jefferson and through the course of years it has done much to improve student unity and to provide an opportunity for many girls to exhibit their leadership qualities. It is my hope, as president, that this organization will continue at its high level of development and with the success preceding class be met with the same enthusiasm, building a stronger unity of students and a greater realization of its necessity for harmonious living.

We appreciate the interest and loyal support of the Jefferson Medical College Hospital School of Nursing Alumnae Association. Many of our activities would not have been possible without this interest and support.

MEDICAL WORK IN GHANA

Sister M. de Montfort Kershimaer, R.N., (class of '48)
Daughter of Mrs. Rose Kershimaer of Hazleton, Pa., received her R.N. from Jefferson Medical College School of Nursing in 1948. Before entering the Medical Mission Sisters whose headquarters are in Fox Chase, she was on the staff at both Jefferson Hospital and Graduate Hospital, University of Pennsylvania.
In 1954 after completing her religious training, Sister M. de Montfort was assigned to Holy Family Hospital, Bereku, Ghana. Two hundred and fifty miles inland from the South-Atlantic-swept coast, deep in the cocoa-growing forest region, Holy Family Hospital was a real "bush" center. Its 100 beds serve the 6000 villagers of Bereku and also the many sick and poor in the scattered surrounding villages.

Tropical medicine, daily contact with malaria, typhoid fever, illitteriasis, yaws, leprosy, and parasites of many descriptions challenged Sister M. de Montfort from the start. Also, a new people and language, climate and diet, had to be met and adjusted to. In time, this all became part of every day life, so much so that now it is the United States that presents new adjustments!

In 1960, Sister moved another 40 miles inland to join the staff of Holy Family Hospital in Techiman. Until last month, the hospital depended on rain water in the wet season for drinking, washing, bathing, scrubbing, as well as for supplying the operating room and pharmacy. In the dry season, three hours of back-breaking work were spent daily by a full hospital crew hauling water from the river. Under Sister M. de Montfort's supervision, last month a Bore-Well was drilled on the hospital grounds. Today, it is supplying 900 gallons of water an hour, ample for the needs of the hospital and staff.

Sister M. de Montfort will leave the Philadelphia area shortly for Santa Fe, New Mexico to enroll in the School for Nurse-Midwives conducted there by the Medical Mission Sisters.

The Medical Mission Sisters staff two general hospitals and a leprosarium in Ghana as well as a chain of hospitals and medical centers in India, Pakistan, South America and South Vietnam. The Sisters are professionally trained as doctors, nurses, pharmacists, technicians, administrators, etc. to bring modern medicine to those parts of the world where the need is greatest.

MISS LEWIS DIES: Devoted Nurse

Jefferson lost one of its most devoted, faithful, and long service nurses October 13 when Miss Adele M. Lewis, R.N., died in our Medical Center. She was 72 and had served here mostly in supervisory capacities, since 1918—except for the period 1920-24.

An alumnus of the Jefferson Medical College Hospital School of Nursing, class of 1914, she served as assistant superintendent of the Millville (N.J.) Hospital, 1914-17. When the U.S.A. entered World War I, Miss Lewis joined the Jefferson Hospital Unit and served overseas as an Army Corps nurse.

When the war ended, she came back to Jefferson, and except for the period mentioned, was always in its service. On December 7, 1960, she was honored at a special retirement recognition event in the Hospital Board Room, sponsored by the Staff Nurses Organization. But this dedicated nurse could not stand the tedium of retirement and returned to Nursing, this time, in the Curtis Clinic under Miss Frances Grove, R.N.

Miss Lewis was admitted September 18 to the hospital she had served so loyally, and as one long-time friend remarked, "without any regard for time or the end of her tour."

ADELE M. LEWIS FUND

A Memorial has been established by the Jefferson Nurses Alumnae Association. A painting with a plaque will be placed in the Nurses Residence with donations received on or before September, 1962.

Contributions may be made in care of the A. M. Lewis Memorial Fund c/o Jefferson Nurses Alumnae Association, 11th and Walnut Streets, Philadelphia, Pa.

Committee

EVELYN DUTE
MARY ANN STAUFFER

MARRIAGES

Marie Rose (Longworth) Kostello, 1959
Linda (Doll) Eppley, 1958
Mildred (Murray) Kline, 1955
Bette (Reaver) Light, 1960
Connie (Staley) Lesk, 1958
Carolyn (Cottringer) Korg, 1959
Margaret (Fausto) Keates, 1952
Doris (Jones) Schecter, 1942
Sara Ellen (Little) Danyo, 1959
Loretta Lane (Davis) Cunningham, 1961
Sarah (Melissa) Horley, 1960
Annie (Major) Jones, 1959
Louise (Williams) Dunn, 1958
Darlene (Stoudt), 1958
Edna (Lockwood) Hinkle, 1958
Beverly (Hoffman) Vart, 1961
Shirley (Keller) Michael, 1961
Marjorie (Ross) Berrier, 1961
Elizabeth (Smigieliski) Brendy, 1961
Patricia (Caldwell) Turnbull, 1961
Loretta (Ostroski) Dempsey, 1960
Dolores (Quinn) Atkinson, 1958

NEW ARRIVALS

Mulveena (Kovaric) Baldaf, 1958
Gertrude (Haug) Chang, 1956
Betty (Yost) Zehner, 1946
Aileen (Hickley) Wapner, 1954
Christine (Morris) Blausus, 1954
Barbara (Barrett) Borkowski, 1958
Bernadine (Tickly) Gashaw, 1958
Joan (Mosley) Perce, 1955
Barbara (Lynch) Hummer, 1954
Margaret (Schwechler) Kane, 1957
Margaret (Milotich) Martin, 1957
Nancy (Knoll) Vlereck, 1957
Helen (Fetsko) Bescheck, 1954
Betty (Hassenplug) Graham, 1957
Virginia (Lutz) Spalding, 1942
Marie (Beloff) Batten, 1949
Barbara (Wilson) Kelso, 1958
Betty (Rockefeller) Laird, 1959
Barbara (O'Shaughnessy) Wentz, 1960
Rita (Mishofski) Cilman, 1960

NECROLOGY

Grace Wrights, Class 1923
Patricia A. McKevey, 1948
Adele Lewis, 1915
Peggy (Waite) Lazar, 1955
Marian (MacAdam) Thomson, 1913
Hazel (Reed) Nauffin, 1923
Dr. Mary (Brooke) St. Clair, 1899
Caddoc Giff (Huyse) Fleming, 1917
Catherine (Newcomer) Foreman, 1940
Mary Ann Jameson, 1903
Bessie (Hazel) Gamble, 1910
ANNUAL GIVING FUND DRIVE

We are very grateful to all of the following loyal and devoted alumnae who contributed $2,589.50 to our 1961 Annual Giving Fund Drive. We congratulate all the contributing classes. The Class of 1951 gave the largest gift with the most members participating. The Class of 1921 was Second. The Class of 1926 was third.

We wish to express our thanks for your gifts and continuing interest.

Ways and Means Committee

1900 — 1910
10 gifts — $275.00
1900
Mabel Croft Harley
1904
Mary Richards Ginder
Ellen Simmons Welsh
1906
Florence E. Carnahan
1908
Nora E. Shoemaker
1909
Mary M. Hickman
Helen L. Rohde
Daisy Strunk Rumbaugh
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Jessie Scudder Fisher
Dorothy Rehm
1911 — 1915
14 gifts — $267.00
1911
Minnie O. Adams
Elsie M. Casperson
Elizabeth D. Jones
1912
Bessie Stalford
1913
Sarah R. Bergey
Anna Schwab
Mae Emmert Seibert
1914
Mabel Grace Boller
Rose McNulty Graham
Effie B. Herring
Nellie G. Hill
1915
Elizabeth Heaton
Adele M. Lewis
Mattie Allen Turner
1916 — 1920
9 gifts — $64.00
$10.00 Scholarship
1916
Viola R. Comsick
Mary Heverly Moore
1917
Ethel Faust
Frances M. Grove
Marion S. Lauffer
1919
Hattie Williams Book
Nora B. Dwyer
1920
Blanche Neibert
Nora L. Jufall
1921
13 gifts — $176.00
Nellie D. Crandall
Emma Gillespie Frigar
Jennie E. Kutz
Almira Rhule Kutz
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Elizabeth Garver Miller
Frances Clendenin Platt
Ruth Purinton
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Katherine Purcell Smock
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Henrietta Fitzgerald Spruance
Jennetta Wolf
1922 — 1923
3 gifts — $30.00
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Jessie Neibert Walker
1923
Ruth Roberts
Pearl Moser Shappell
1924
7 gifts — $50.00
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Mary E. Uffelman
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Clara L. Luchsinger
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1949
3 gifts — $20.00
Helen Dougherty Barrett
Charmain L. Kissing
Lorraine Milewski McCall

1950
12 gifts — $67.00
Barbara Fisher Ackerman
Mirtin Shorr Bower
Mary L. Moore Brumbaugh
Joan Christman Cains
June Matsu Fujita
Janet Hinds
Shirley Mackley Hoffert
Lois Kleinot bers Jernstrom
Nancy Dunkle Konstanzer
Rose M. Glandel Mulligan
Jean L. Opel Serena
Audrey Koch Wolfberg

1951
41 gifts — $191.50
Jane E. Hawk Attes
Barbara Duckworth Arkes
Barbara Edwards Bram
Catherine L. Bolton
Grace Lehr Carleton
Joan Morrison Carlin
Alice Giesen Costello
Elizabeth Hastings Donald
Nelda Gothie Edsan
Delores Pauster Gorham
Jean Holzbauer
Anna Troxell Humphreys
Lorraine A. Jeitner
Nancy Katherman Kohut
Dorothy Dewes LaSasso
Jean Laliberte
Ida Joanne Eberly Loose
Marilyn Sparrow Marshall
Mary Kate Weber Morgan
Norma Jones Murray
Marion Hoffman Nabuth
Louise Simonson O'Neill
Mary Barkley Paxson
Ida Jane Snook Liebmann
Janet Harrington Melvin
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