

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE GRADUATING CLASS OF 1952

April 9, 1952.

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS FOR GRADUATION

P L E A S E R E A D C A R E F U L L Y

I. THE ALUMNAE BANQUET - TUESDAY, MAY 13th - 7:00 p.m.

The members of the Graduating Class will be the guests of honour at the ALUMNAE BANQUET which is to be held on Tuesday, May 13th, at 7:00 p.m., in the Commodore. Usually the class as a group chooses to wear afternoon dress and small hat, but dress is optional. Please be on time and, if possible, be sure to speak to the President of the Alumnae Association, Miss Margaret Campbell.

II. BOARD OF TRUSTEES' DANCE - FRIDAY, MAY 16th - 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

The DANCE in honour of the Graduating Class is to be given by the Board of Trustees, at the Hotel Georgia (Spanish Ballroom), on Friday, May 16th, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Each member of the Graduating Class will receive two invitations -- one for herself and one for her escort -- about two weeks previously.

III. TEA - SUNDAY, MAY 18TH -- 3:30 to 5:00 p.m.

On the afternoon of Sunday, May 18th, TEA will be served by the Nursing Staff in the Lounge of the 1950 Residence, from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. for the members of the Graduating Class and their relatives or intimate friends. Each member may invite TWO guests. If desired, the graduates may conduct their friends over the Residence.

IV. CHURCH SERVICE - SUNDAY, MAY 18th -- 7:20 p.m.

On Sunday, May 18th, at 7:30 p.m., a CHURCH SERVICE, at which the Graduating Class will attend as a group, will be conducted by the Rev, James G. Gorwill, at the Canadian Memorial Chapel, corner of 15th Avenue and Burrard Street. You are requested to meet in the Gymnasium, 16th Avenue entrance, not later than 7:10 p.m., as you are asked to take places reserved for you in the church at 7:20 p.m. Your friends are cordially invited to attend this service.

V. REHEARSAL - MONDAY, MAY 19th - 7:30 p.m.

So that the ceremony will proceed as smoothly as possible, there will be the usual REHEARSAL. In order to give each member of the Graduating Class more confidence at the ceremony, the rehearsal will take place in the Armoury at the University where the Graduation Ceremony is to be held. For the convenience of the members of the Graduating Class, special buses will be chartered for transportation from and back to the 1950 Residence. They will leave at 7:00 p.m. Please have your fares ready. If you do not avail yourself of the special buses, please give yourself plenty of time to be at the Armoury and READY FOR REHEARSAL PROMPTLY AT 7:30 p.m. After alighting at the bus stop, proceed due north along the main driveway to the car parking grounds and then turn left. The Armoury is the large building just west of the parking grounds. There will be someone at the bus stop to direct you.

VI. GRADUATION CEREMONY - TUESDAY, MAY 20th - 8:15 p.m.

The date of the GRADUATION CEREMONY has been arranged for Tuesday, May 20th, at 8:15 p.m., to be held at the Armoury of the University of British Columbia. Admission by ticket only. Extra buses will be provided at Sasamat and 10th Ave. for guests.

- 1. Seating at Graduation - The Graduating Class will be seated on the platform.
- 2. Reception following Graduation Ceremony, for friends of Graduates

The RECEPTION immediately following the Graduation Ceremony will take place in the Brock Memorial Hall of the University. Guests should go directly from the Armoury to the Reception. (Admission by ticket only.)

In order to avoid confusion at the completion of the ceremony, when the class emerges from the Armoury, the members of the Graduating Class will please proceed immediately to the Reception in Brock Memorial Hall. THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT. If it should be raining on Graduation Night, there will be buses to convey nurses in uniform from the Armoury to Brock Hall.

3. Invitations

Invitations and tickets of admission, as well as the dance invitation, will be ready by about April 30th. Please call for these at the Department of Nursing Office in the Main Building on that date, or soon after. If you are out of town and wish these sent to you in time to mail to your friends, please send us your present address. Each member of the class will receive fifteen (15) invitations to the Graduation Ceremony and four (4) invitations to the reception following.

4. Transportation

B.C. Electric buses will call at the 1950 Residence for all nurses attending the Graduation Ceremony in uniform. The Graduating Class will assemble in the Lounge of the 1950 Residence not later than 7:00 p.m. Bus service will also be provided from the University to the Hospital, or vicinity, for the convenience of all nurses in uniform who desire such transportation after the reception. Nurses in uniform will please refrain from appearing in public places after the reception.

5. UNIFORM FOR GRADUATION CEREMONY

(a) White school uniform with bib and apron and V.G.H. collar and cap

It is important that you bring your graduation uniform to the Residence Supervisor's Office, for laundering, not later than May 1st, to be ready for Graduation.

- Send:- 1 standard uniform )
- 1 bib ) ALL MUST BE IN GOOD CONDITION
- 1 apron 14" from the floor )

(b) White lacing OXFORDS (plain) with heels -- not flat shoes or "wedgies"

(c) Please pay particular attention to all details of uniform and shoes, style and neatness of hairdressing (OFF THE COLLAR!) - wear a hairnet, moderate use of cosmetics, etc. I am sure that it will not be necessary to remind any member of these matters again. If there is anything about which you are not certain, please communicate with me.

V. GRADUATION CEREMONY - (Cont'd)

6. Florence Nightingale Pledge

The Florence Nightingale Pledge will be recited by the class at the Graduation Ceremony, as usual. On the programme, the repeating of the Pledge will take place immediately after the last student has received her diploma and pin and returned to her place. The whole class will then repeat the Pledge together. Therefore, please memorize the Pledge, copy of which you will find below, so that you may be able to repeat it in unison without hesitation. It will be rehearsed on Monday evening, May 19th.

7. Attendance at Graduation

If for any reason you are unable to attend the Graduation Ceremony, please let me know without delay.



Director of Nursing.

THE FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE PLEDGE

I solemnly pledge myself before God and in the presence of this assembly, to pass my life in purity and to practise 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 maintain and 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 calling. With loyalty will I endeavour to aid the physician in his work, and devote myself to the welfare of those committed to my care.