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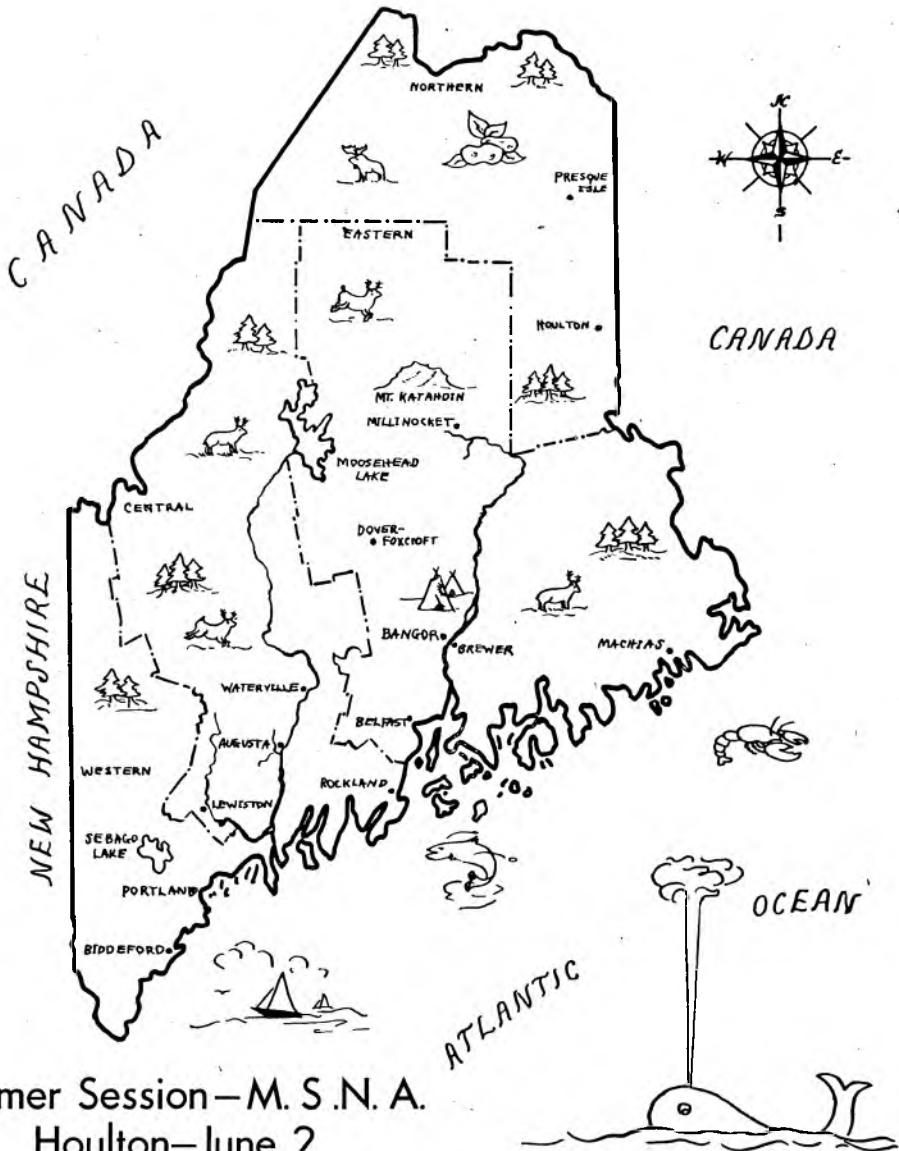
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Maine State Nurses' Association Membership

This is the report of the Executive Secretary to date:

	Active Asso.	
Northern District	55	2
Eastern District	138	5
Central District	186	5
Western District	253	10
1 transfer from Eastern to Central		
1 transfer to Arizona		
1 transfer to Florida		
1 transfer to Massachusetts		
1 transfer from Massachusetts to Maine		
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP as of May 1, 1952		
Active Members	622	
Associate Members	22	
1952 GOAL	1000 MEMBERS	

EDITORIAL

An immigrant was discussing his disillusionment with this country. He had come here because of the rumor that the streets were paved with gold, and to his surprise he found that they were not paved with gold; in fact, they were not even paved. Furthermore, he discovered that the reason for encouraging him to come over was to help pave them.

In a sense the field of nursing falls into this category. The student—basic and graduate—comes, hoping to find the answers to all the problems that have plagued the field for years, and discovers instead that one of the reasons for encouraging him to pursue the program is the hope that with his fresh point of view and energy he might be able to supply some of the answers.

Now for the paved and unpaved highways and byways of nursing! It would be perhaps both untimely and unnecessary to recapitulate or even highlight the outstanding events the profession has effected in the past several decades. These events and the efforts they incurred laid and paved the road on which service and education travel today.

There are now a few sign posts and markers current enough to mention. At our annual meeting last year we discussed Improvement of Nursing Service; now in Maine, as in other states, plans are being made to evaluate and express needs and resources. This is a necessary paving process so that we may later attempt to solve the problem of meeting health needs in the community and the country.

During 1951 professional staff members of the ANA have done extensive field work. The National Committee on Federal Legislation has been active in the field of HR.910 and its companion bill S.2301.

New laws or amendments to nursing practice acts were enacted in nineteen states. Now thirty-six states and two territories provide legally for the education and licensure of practical nurses.

Associate membership, a new classification in ANA membership, is being offered by twenty-eight state nurses' associations and being considered in twelve more. On November 30 there were 1671 associate members recorded at headquarters.

In the field of research and statistics the program of Studies of Nursing Functions has been developed and grants made to six states. More than \$90,000 has been received by the ANA for the program since its inauguration. The Clearing House for Studies in Nursing has become a going

concern. A 1951 Inventory of Nurse Power resulted from the questionnaires distributed by state Boards of Nurse Examiners and now being returned to the ANA; the inventory findings will be published in the spring of 1952.

State Nurses' Associations have been asked to give attention to specific areas, including action through their Economic Security Programs, to upgrade salaries in all categories; and to intensify efforts to establish the five day forty hour week, protected by premium pay for overtime.

Internationally, three important phases are among the sign posts of the future: the exchange of nurses—nurses from fifteen foreign countries came to the United States under sponsorship of ANA this year; the counseling of displaced persons already in the states; and the referring of foreign nurses for registration and employment.

Accreditation has been well accepted—158 basic, 45 collegiate, 37 public health, and 28 post-graduate programs are now fully approved. 878 schools, including several in Maine, have applied for temporary accreditation, and it is anticipated that the list of those temporarily accredited will be available in the spring of 1952.

The 1951 Annual Report of the NLNE is 614 pages long, and symbolizes the growth of that organization in membership, in scope, and in multiplicity of activity.

We look to the future as one of joint planning and joint responsibility for those who are concerned with nursing service and nursing education. Today's theme is one of a changing structure for our profession. When the drama of the June Biennial is over there will still be problems, there will still be unpaved highways—but there will also be nurses, young and old, who can and will meet the challenge of the future.

(Ed. Note—This paper was read by Eleanor M. Melledy at the annual meeting of the Central District of the MSNA in January, on the occasion of her retirement as president. Eleanor Melledy needs no introduction to the nurses of Maine. She is the Director of the Nursing School at Central Maine General in Lewiston; Vice-President of the Maine League for Nursing Education; one of the Directors of the Maine State Nurses' Association. She is one of the Executives on the Governor's Committee in the current Survey of Nursing Resources in Maine. Her activities in the nursing field are legion.)

1952 Biennial Nursing Convention

ATLANTIC CITY

All sights are set on the Convention in Atlantic City, June 16-20. Everybody knows this is to be a "convention of conventions." Epochal problems are at stake. You have the feeling you don't want to miss a trick. Here on the home front, the delegates are being geared for the arena. The Maine State Nurses' Association is entitled to nine delegates—one for every hundred members, based on the 1951 enrollment. Our total enrollment for last year was 926. So, the breakdown is: three for Western District; two for Central District; two for Eastern District; one for Northern; and a delegate-at-large. Each delegate will have her alternate. If you can see your way to attending this convention, don't let anything keep you from sitting in on nursing history in the making. You are urged to send in your registration ahead of time and avoid having a tiresome wait in line. Registration cards may be obtained from any one of your delegates, or from the Executive Office.

Structure Timetable

Sunday afternoon, June 15: A Forum on Structure will be held in Convention Hall from 2:00-4:00 p.m. for all who are at the convention. After the forum, NLNE members will meet to discuss the proposed bylaws of the National League for Nursing, which were approved last January by the board of directors of all the participating organizations.

Monday, June 16: The second session of the Forum on Structure will be held from 9:00-11:30 a. m. for all who have registered at the convention. During the afternoon, members of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Nursing (ACSN), NLNE, and NOPHN will discuss the proposed bylaws of the new National League for Nursing (NLN). NLNE members will then begin to vote on the NLN bylaws be-

cause the national boards have agreed that the National League of Nursing Education shall be the legal nucleus for the new NLN. During the NLNE meeting, a resolution will be offered to amend the NLNE Certificate of Incorporation. During the ACSN meeting, members will vote on reorganizing.

Monday evening, the ANA House of Delegates will begin to consider the proposed revisions of the ANA bylaws some of which are designed to provide for structural reorganization.

Tuesday, June 17: There will be preliminary meetings of the three new ANA sections: (1) Public Health Nurses Section, (2) Educational Administrators, Consultants, and Teachers Section, and (3) Special Groups Section (formerly referred to as Unaffiliated).

During the evening, NLNE will hold a business meeting during which NLNE members will continue to vote on the proposed bylaws of the new National League for Nursing (NLN).

Wednesday, June 18: It is expected that by the end of the day NLNE members will have completed action on the NLN bylaws. Then members of the organizations that have voted to reorganize as part of the NLN will automatically become NLN charter members.

Thursday, June 19: During a morning business meeting, NOPHN members will vote on the proposal that the National Organization for Public Health Nursing dissolve and transfer its assets to the new National League for Nursing.

Organizational meetings will be held by the three new ANA sections: (1) Public Health Nurses Section, (2) Educational Administrators, Consultants, and Teachers Section, and (3) Special Groups Section. There will also be a student nurses meeting—ANA and NLN—and a meeting of head nurses—ANA.

Friday, June 20: NLN members will hold their first business meeting. ANA has its final business meeting for any motions not concluded during the week.

Saturday, June 21: The NLN Board of Directors will meet for the first time. The new ANA Board of Directors also meets.

Tentative Program Schedule

1952 Biennial Convention

Atlantic City, June 16-20

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11; THURSDAY,
JUNE 12; FRIDAY, JUNE 13

ANA Board of Directors
NLNE Board of Directors

SATURDAY, JUNE 14

Conference of Representatives of
State Leagues, State Board of
Nurse Examiners, and National
Nursing Accrediting Service
NOPHN Board of Directors (Execu-
tive Committee)

SUNDAY, JUNE 15

9:00 A.M.—11:30 A.M.
NLNE Council of State Leagues
2:00 P.M.—4:00 P.M.
Forum on Structure
8:00 P.M.—10:00 P.M.
ANA Sections Advisory Forums
NLNE Council of State Leagues
(tentative)

MONDAY, JUNE 16

9:00 A.M.—11:30 A.M.
Forum on Structure
2:00 P.M.—4:00 P. M.
NLNE Business Meeting
ANA Section Meetings
NOPHN Business Meeting
4:00 P.M.—6:00 P.M.
Educational Films
8:00 P.M.—10:00 P. M.
ANA House of Delegates (Opening
Meeting)

TUESDAY, JUNE 17

9:00 A.M.—5:00 P.M.
ANA House of Delegates
12:00 M.—2:00 P.M.
NLNE Luncheon
4:00 P.M.—6:00 P.M.
Educational Films
6:30 P.M.—9:00 P.M.
NOPHN Rally Dinner
8:00 P.M.—10:00 P.M.
ANA Sections, Joint Program
NLNE and other organizations if
necessary (Adjourned Sessions)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18

9:00 A.M.—11:30 A.M.
NOPHN Nurse Midwifery Section
(Program)
NLNE Business Meeting
ANA Sections
Conference of NOPHN Member
Agency Representatives
11:30 A.M.—2:00 P.M.
Student Luncheon
NOPHN Board and Committee Mem-
bers Luncheon
2:00 P.M.—4:00 P.M.
ANA House of Delegates
4:00 P.M.—6:00 P.M.
Educational Films
4:15 P.M.—5:15 P.M.
NOPHN Collegiate Council Business
Meeting
8:00 P.M.—10:00 P.M.
Joint Program (ANA, NLNE and
NOPHN)

THURSDAY, JUNE 19

9:00 A.M.—11:30 A.M.
NOPHN Business Meeting
2:00 P.M.—4:00 P.M.
NLNE and NOPHN Joint Program
(Socio-Drama)
Meetings for Individual Groups or
ANA Sections, Business or Pro-
gram Meetings
4:00 P.M.—6:00 P.M.
Educational Films
4:15 P.M.—5:15 P.M.
NOPHN School Nursing Section Re-
ports on College Nursing
8:00 P.M.—10:00 P.M.
ANA Sections, Program or Business
Meeting
NLNE Panel on Curriculum
NOPHN School Nursing Section
(Conference Meeting)

FRIDAY, JUNE 20

9:00 A.M.—11:30 A.M.
First NLA Business Meeting
2:00 P.M.—4:00 P.M.
ANA House of Delegates

SATURDAY, JUNE 21

ANA Board of Directors
NLA Board of Directors

ANA Advisory Council In Action

In January, your President and Executive Secretary represented the Maine State Nurses' Association at the annual conclave of the ANA Advisory Council and the ANA Board of Directors, held at the Henry Hudson Hotel in New York. A bulky agenda of material was handed each representative as she registered, and from the roll call of States to the final adjournment two days later, the pros and cons of the problems confronting the 1952 Council were tossed back and forth like so many tennis balls. At times the ball got netted, and then there would be a brief recess while the referees took the count.

What were the items that came up for report, discussion and vote?

1. Final conclusions on Structure
2. Report of ANA Committee on Constitution and Bylaws
3. Statement from ANA Committee on Nominations re importance of complying with request of committee for names of nominees
4. Suggestions for membership promotion
5. Consideration of state legislative problems and ANA legislative program: H.R.910 and S.2301.
6. Presentation of tentative draft of ANA platform for 1952
7. Economic security program
8. ANA studies of nursing functions
9. Nursing Research Magazine—its development and aims
10. ANA Professional Counseling and Placement Service, Inc., and what it has to offer
11. Public relations program
12. Intergroup relations program
13. Biennial Convention of 1952—program and planning
14. Nursing in the defense effort—Civil Defense and Military Resources
15. Developments in Red Cross Nursing Services
16. Nursing aide training program
17. Advertising policy of American Journal of Nursing
18. Consideration of problems relating to Hill-Burton hospitals
19. Consideration of ANA stand on Equal Rights Amendment
20. Information on ANA expense accounts

To attempt to give you even a brief resume of each of these items would consume more space than the "R.N." budget permits. As your president sat there and

looked over the wave of faces that filled that large hall—representatives of 175,000 ANA members—she was fired with an enthusiasm that knew no limits. As she listened to the discussion from the platform, on which were seated the ANA officers and Board of Directors, she knew that she was sitting in on nursing history in the making. The gravity with which the Council moved from verbal exhibit to exhibit; the weightiness of the problems for consideration; the vast amount of material that was presented and an equally impressive reserve that could not be aired because of the limitation of time, made a memorable dent upon her. And she thought to herself, "If every nurse of the MSNA could have the experience of attending one of these councils, there would be no further headaches over raise in dues, what the ANA does for the nurse back home, what the program offers to YOU—the individual nurse." You would have felt privileged to have been an integral part of that august group of nurses. You would have renewed your faith in the dignity of your chosen profession. You would have gained a fresh reserve of strength with which to gear to the problems of the future.

Notice

The quarterly meeting of the Public Health Nursing Section of the Western District of Maine State Nurses' Association will be held at the Congregational Church in Biddeford on May 26, 1952 at 2:30 P. M. Mrs. Helen Streeter, Speech Therapist for the Division of Crippled Children's Service of the State of Maine, Department of Health and Welfare will speak to the group on the "Role of the Public Health Nurses in Speech Handicaps."

Salute to the Student Auxiliary

It is with a feeling of definite progress that we welcome you into the Maine State Nurses' Association. We have looked forward to this day for a long time. Your "fresh spirit and energy," referred to in Miss Melledy's speech, will bring a new esprit d'corps to those of us who have had the edges dulled by long and hard wear. We look to you for a fund of ideas. We hope that your enthusiasm, eagerness, and desire to contribute will find fertile media in the many problems that face "the nurse of 1952." In turn, we offer you our experience and wisdom, acquired in the school of trial and error.

Summer Session — Maine State Nurses' Association

— PROGRAM —

SUNDAY, JUNE 1

7:00 P.M. Executive Committee Meeting—Northland Hotel

7:00- 9:00 P.M. Registration—Northland Hotel

MONDAY, JUNE 2—LAKEVIEW COUNTRY CLUB

8:30-10:00 A.M. Registration

10:00 A.M. Section Meetings

Public Health Section.....Chairman: Miss Katherine Donley, R. N.

Staff Section.....Chairman: Mrs. Dorothy Murphy, R. N.

Private Duty Section.....Chairman: Mrs. Ruby Kelley, R. N.

Speaker: Mrs. Dorothy Hinckley

Student AuxiliaryChairman

Structure Study Session—open meeting for all interested

12:30 P.M. Luncheon—Mrs. Ruby Kelley, R. N., presiding

Invocation

Address of Welcome—Houlton Chamber of Commerce

Guest Speaker—Mrs. Dorothy Hinckley, Assistant Executive Secretary,
American Nurses' Association

2:30 P.M. General Session—Mrs. Josephine Clough Philbrick, R. N., presiding,
President Maine State Nurses' Association

Reservations for the luncheon should be made with Miss Katherine Donley, Houlton. Tickets are \$1.50. Menu: Chicken pie. Miss Donley also has a list of Tourist Homes in the nearby vicinity, if you wish to make overnight arrangements. The Lakeview Country Club is six miles from town.

On a Monday, June 2nd, the Northern District will be the host to the Maine State Nurses' Association at the Lakeview Country Club of Houlton. This is to be a one-day affair. You have all day Sunday in which to travel, and a number of places all lined up and ready at which to stay. Following the time-worn pattern, the morning will be given over to section and group meetings. There will be a speaker from ANA at the luncheon, and the customary general session in the afternoon.

This is a pleasant interlude "in the day's occupation." It is one of the two occasions of the year when all districts join hands in exchange of ideas and camaraderie. Please try to attend and boost your state organization. We need your thinking and your support.

JOSEPHINE CLOUGH PHILBRICK
President

— WELCOME —

Maine State Nurses' Association

It is a very real pleasure to invite you members of the Maine State Nurses' Association to Houlton on June 2. We are glad that you will be meeting here and hope that you will have a good time which will provide you with pleasant memories.

We are complimented by your choice of Houlton for your 1952 convention. We find living here to be pleasant and trust that you will also enjoy Houlton's fine facilities and accommodations.

The personnel of our office at 109 Main Street will be glad to assist at any time with any problems.

May you have a most successful convention.

EARL PIERSON, *President*
Houlton Chamber of Commerce

You May Take a Giant Step

Back in the days of childhood, you all played the game of "Steps." You were told by the prompter the size of step you could take, and if you missed, you were penalized so many points.

Eighteen months ago, a planning committee for the Nursing Services of Civil Defense in the State of Maine met in the library of the Nurses' Home at Central Maine General Hospital, Lewiston. Dr. Charles Steele spear-headed this meeting and presented to the group a blueprint of the Emergency Medical Services. Mrs. Margaret Hodgkins had been appointed the Assistant (Nurse) Deputy No. 3 of Civil Defense for the State of Maine, and her assistants on a district level were to be Mrs. Jane McDermott of Portland for Western; Mrs. Annie B. Mason of Lewiston for Central; Mrs. Josephine C. Philbrick of Bangor for Eastern; and Mrs. A. Ruth Evans of Presque Isle for Northern. In addition to these deputies, representatives from the Maine Board of Registration, Maine League of Nursing Education, Maine State Nurses' Association, the Maine Hospital Association, Department of Health and Welfare, the sections of Public Health, Industrial, Institutional, General Duty, Private Duty, Red Cross, and the State Office of CD, were around the table to add a voice for their respective groups.

As the plan unfolded in its ramifications and scope, it seemed indeed like a giant step. Only in this instance, the knowledge was brought home that they couldn't miss, for the penalty would be untold suffering and death for numberless casualties, should the need arise to put the plan in action!

First of all, it was necessary to know what was the nursing potential for Maine. How many nurses were there who could be depended on to help in an emergency, either full or part time, either locally or farther afield? What responsibilities did they have, such as aged parents, chronic illness at home, small children? How could these dependents be cared for in an emergency so that these nurses could be free to help? How could we pull out the so-called "hidden nurse"—the graduate who has married, dropped her current registration, and severed all active connections with her profession?

It was understood from the start-off that no nurse who was actively engaged in institutional nursing or a routine job could be touched, for in an emergency of the manner contemplated, she would be needed at her post. This meant that the nursing teams would have to be recruited for the

most part from married nurses outside of hospitals, offices, etc.

What, in brief, has been accomplished in the long stretch of months that has intervened between that October and now? With the cooperation of the Board of Registration, a questionnaire was sent to all currently registered nurses in the state. The results of this poll have been tabulated by Margaret Hodgkins.

Number of questionnaires sent out.....	3975
Number of questionnaires returned.....	2694

This reveals that 1281 did not answer. Of the number who did, 27 were residing outside the state.

Available for disaster	2071
Full time	180
Part time	1523
No qualification as to time.....	368

Many nurses specified either part time or full time, *as necessary*. Many more did not specify.

Willing to serve in immediate locale.....	1867
Willing to serve on county level.....	241
Willing to serve on state level.....	111

(Ed. Note—There is overlapping in these figures, as some designated willingness to serve on all three levels.)

While this questionnaire was being circulated, the organization of the nursing forces got under way. Starting with the smallest unit, the town or city, a nurse deputy was appointed to assist the medical deputy. The medical team would be responsible for the set-up in the immediate vicinity according to a prepared formula. The nurse deputy would answer to the county nurse deputy, who in turn would report to the district nurse deputy, who in turn would be responsible to the state nurse deputy. This echelon of authority has gone from blueprint to actuality, and the figures show:

County nurse deputies appointed.....	22
Local nurse deputies appointed.....	82

It now became necessary to brief these nurses on their specific duties, and to train them in the special features of Atomic Warfare. Institutes of two days' duration were held in Portland, Lewiston, and Bangor during the early months of 1951. Educators in the nursing field, industrial nurses, district health nurses, and hospital administrators received special invitations to these institutes. The plan was to train a "picked group" in the pertinent phases of Atomic Warfare nursing; they in turn would train groups in their own special fields of nursing. The Public Health nurses had their own Institute, and were briefed on what would be expected of them in the

event of enemy-caused disaster. In addition to the Institutes, study groups on a community level were encouraged. A large amount of material pertaining to the medical and nursing services has been forthcoming from the State Civil Defense Office. Courses in Red Cross First Aid have had a fresh impetus in enrollment, as the stark realization has hit home that to have the know-how may mean the difference between saving a life or losing it. Here, again, let's look at the figures:

Trained to date	1772
Graduates	1169
Students	566
Practical nurses, aides, etc.....	16
Non-staff	21

(Ed. Note—These figures are not complete, for there have been many classes unreported. There are more in progress as this report is being tabulated.)

This, then, is a start. We are on our way. We know what we are to do. We know where to turn for further information and briefing. However, this is only a beginning. The plan is not static. As we progress in the well-defined channels of CD organization, there are frequent changes in procedure and techniques which have the ultimate goal of maximum efficiency. Nurses need to be kept informed of these changes. They need to be refreshed on standard methods in emergency nursing. Changes in personnel are inevitable, and these vacancies must be filled. Nursery units for the care of the small fry must be organized in many communities. The survey reveals that there are 240 nurses with dependent children. Files must be kept up-to-date. And above all, the need for dry-runs, to acquaint the nurse with her job, cannot be emphasized too strongly.

As we look back, we can understandably feel a gleam of satisfaction in the giant step that has been taken. As we look ahead, we know that there is no rest for the weary. Until every individual nurse in the State of Maine feels it her own personal responsibility to take her place in this Civil Defense planning, with confidence in her own ability and the unshakable knowledge that she knows what to do if the emergency presents itself, there will be no time for bridge or knitting.

(Ed. Note—Margaret Hodgkins has prepared an exhaustive survey of the nursing forces in the State of Maine, from their inception to the present. Space does not allow for the printing of the whole report. We extend to her our congratulations on a "job well done," and the hope that she will

find an additional fund of enthusiasm and support in her work with her fellow cohorts.)

HOSPITAL VOLUNTEER SERVICE

The Women's Auxiliary of the Eastern Maine General Hospital, in Bangor, Maine, has spent considerable time and study in improving the quantity and quality of volunteer service. It is practically impossible to measure the efficiency and quality of work done by volunteers unless the program is directed by a paid registered nurse, who serves as supervisor and instructor for all hospital volunteers.

One real problem to be met is the careful screening of all workers to ascertain each one's abilities and experiences, and thus place her in the job best suited for her in the light of her background. The supervisor trains each volunteer in the "Standards of Volunteer Workers," and the importance of maintaining at all times the rules and regulations which govern hospital volunteers.

Women donating their time to the hospital thus perform at a higher level of efficiency, obtain a sense of personal dignity, and the assurance that the value of their work is recognized under the supervision of the paid director of volunteer services.

The shortage of nurses is still critical, and the volunteer worker has an important place in her hospital. She fulfills many non-professional jobs so necessary in the care and comfort of patients, thus relieving the nurses for professional duties.

Here at our hospital the women of the Auxiliary volunteer many hundreds of hours of service each month in the Clinics, serving as hostesses, arranging flowers, staffing the coffee shop, making supplies, rolling bandages, and doing secretarial work. The Women's Auxiliary has many other projects, but as in all auxiliaries, the Volunteer program is of greatest importance and benefits not only the hospital but patients and professional staff as well.

Hospital volunteer service can be improved by use of a paid registered nurse as the Supervisor—the coordinator between the staff and the worker. This arrangement makes for better efficiency and cooperation in all departments, and inspires the volunteer to recognize the importance of her service and the responsibilities she must assume in becoming a good hospital volunteer.

CHARLOTTE G. EMERY, R.N.

*Chairman Ways and Means Committee,
Eastern Maine General Hospital
Women's Auxiliary*

1952 Budget Maine State Nurses' Association

ESTIMATED INCOME

Active Membership—600 dues at \$10.00	\$6,000.00
Associate Membership—50 dues at \$2.50	125.00
Registration—MSNA Summer Session (June)	35.00
Registration—Annual MSNA Convention (October)	150.00
Total	\$6,310.00

LIABILITIES

American Nurses' Association	
Active Members—600 at \$3.00.....	\$1,800.00
Associate Members—50 at \$0.75	37.50
	\$1,837.50
New England Division A.N.A.....	32.50
	\$1,870.00
President's Expenses	
Biennial Convention—Atlantic City	\$100.00
Miscellaneous	50.00
	\$150.00
Executive Secretary's Expenses	
Salary	\$1,000.00
Social Security	15.00
Travel	100.00
	\$1,115.00
Treasurer's Expenses	
Bonding	\$10.00
Auditing accounts	40.00
	\$50.00
Executive Office Expenses	
Rent	\$360.00
Light	12.00
Telephone	150.00
Office Supplies—postage	200.00
City of Augusta tax on office equipment	16.20
	\$738.20
Printing Expenses	
3 issues of "Maine R.N."	\$150.00
Constitution and By-laws.....	450.00
	\$600.00
	\$4,523.20
Committees and Sections	
Executive Committee	\$450.00
Legislative Committee	50.00
Nominating Committee	50.00
Program Committee	225.00
Structure Committee	50.00
Constitution and By-laws Committee	50.00
Improvement of Nursing Services Committee	50.00
Nurses' Economic Security Committee	50.00
Governor's Committee on Nursing Survey	100.00
Women's Legislative Council.....	5.00
Private Duty Section.....	50.00
Institutional Section	50.00
	\$1,180.00
Miscellaneous expenses	\$ 25.00
Total Liabilities.....	\$5,728.20
Unexpended Balance	\$ 581.80

Respectfully submitted.

INA G. BEAN, Chairman

Florence Nightingale Film

Long before now we had hoped that the Florence Nightingale film would be having its premiere in Maine. This film was previewed by your representatives to the Advisory Council. The plan is that the proceeds from the "first night" showings will be given to the American Nurses' Association for some charitable project.

Just recently, a letter has come through from ANA that due to unavoidable circumstances the picture is not ready for release to the general public. They hope that in the not too distant future, certain obstacles will be surmounted and the plan will go forward as outlined.

This is a beautiful film and is well worth waiting for. We wish it all success when it does reach Maine.

April 21, 1952

Miss Mary C. Ragan, Chairman
Legislative Committee, WLMSNA
144 State Street
Portland, Maine
My dear Miss Ragan:

Thank you for sending me a copy of the letter which you have written to Senator Murray relative to S. 2301.

As you may have heard, the House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce has voted to take no further action on H.R. 910. The Senate bill—S. 2301—is still pending before the Senate Committee on Labor and Public Welfare.

I am working on a nursing bill which I hope will meet the objections voiced against H.R. 910. This bill should be ready for introduction at an early date.

With great appreciation for your interest, I am

Sincerely yours,
(Signed) Frances P. Bolton
Frances P. Bolton, M. C.

450 House Office Building
Washington, D. C.

(Ed. Note: We insert here the latest information regarding H.R. 910.)

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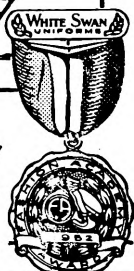
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