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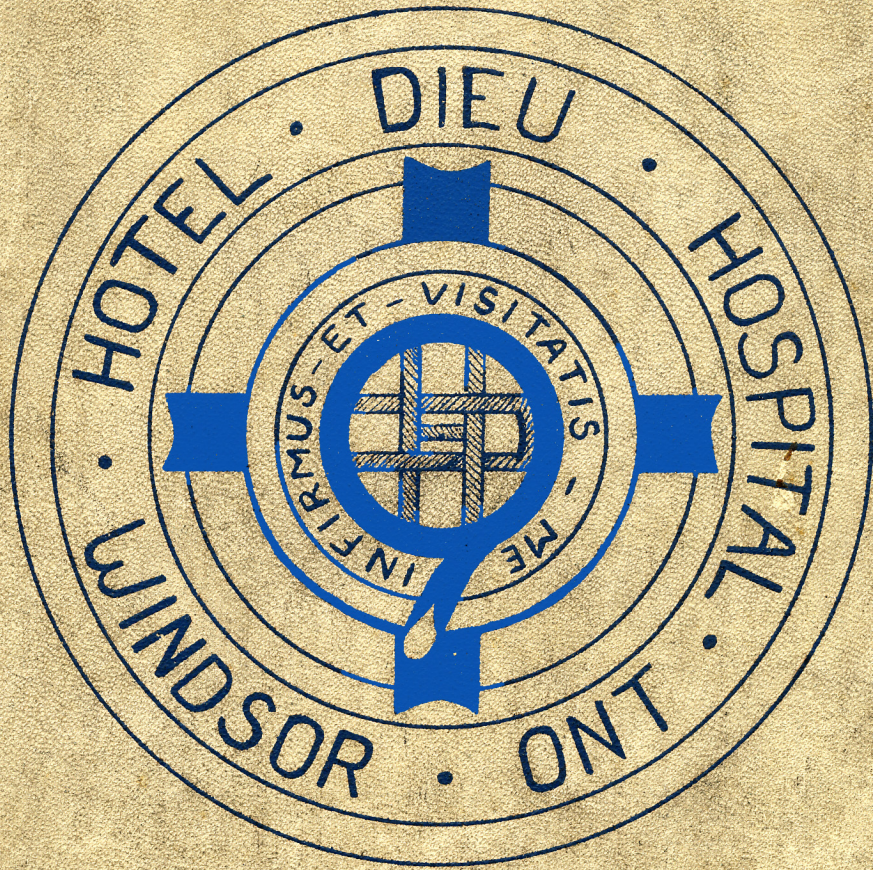
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Windsor, Ontario

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Lumen Vitae 1956

THE STUDENT NURSES
OF
HOTEL DIEU OF ST. JOSEPH HOSPITAL
School of Nursing

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LUMEN VITAE

1956

"No one lights a lamp and puts it in a cellar or even under the measure,
but upon the lamp stand, that they who enter in may see the light."

(St. Luke, Chap. 11, V. 33)

JEANNE WANCE
RESIDENCE

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Dedicated to Reverend Sister Maitre



A sincere and deep tribute is extended to you, Reverend Sister Maitre, from we, the graduating class of 1956. These brief three years, during which we have 'grown' under your motherly and scholarly guidance, have helped us to formulate positive goals. The approaching graduation days elicit emotions of love, honour, deeper understanding and gratitude, and fill our hearts completely. Your solicitude and generosity have expressed themselves in the form of spiritual as well as material aid, and have provided the inspiration necessary for realizing our aspirations.

May the ideals which you have instilled in us be forever engrained, and may our future endeavours prove our gratitude to you forever.

Dedication

We offer you the dedication of this, our 1956 Year Book.

In our fun you share,
In our work you're there,
For our souls you care.

"Prayer to the Madonna Mother"



Cornelius Van Clive

Lovely Lady dressed in blue . . .
Teach me how to pray!
God was just your Little Boy,
Tell me what to say!
Did you lift Him up, sometimes,
Gently, on your knee?
Did you sing to Him the way
Mother does to me?
Did you hold His hand at night?
Did you ever try
Telling stories of the world?
O! And did He cry!
Do you really think He cares
If I tell Him things . . .
Little things that happen? And
Do the Angels' wings
Make a noise? And can He hear
Me if I speak low?
Does He understand me now?
Tell me . . . for you know?
Lovely Lady dressed in blue . . .
Teach me how to pray!
God was just your little Boy,
And you know the way.

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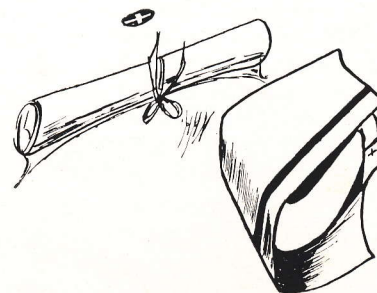
MISS NOELLA MELOCHE

"That which you have done unto the least of My brethren, you have done unto Me."

Throughout our training period we have been guided in thought and deed by these enlightening words. They have given us the courage to face and overcome discouragement, failure, and again to foresee the reward of our efforts. For three years now, they have been the shining beacon, leading us on to the fulfillment of our hopes and dreams of becoming graduate nurses.

As we now advance into the ever progressing future, we will undoubtedly be confronted with many trials and problems. We feel that our days in the Hotel Dieu School of Nursing have prepared us adequately to solve them with sound judgment and reasoning. Many new fields await us, as we go to meet the needs of mankind and society.

It is with a feeling of some regret and sadness that we leave Jeanne Mance Residence, and its many exciting events and memories. In parting, we wish to express with sincere gratitude, our deepest thanks to our training school, the Sisters, Hospitallers of St. Joseph, the hospital staff, the doctors and nurses who have so willingly given of their time to instruct and guide us, and to our dear parents, without whose kind and generous co-operation, we could never have succeeded. It is because of everyone's untiring and profound interest in us that we are able to graduate to-day, and carry on the work of our profession. So to you all with heartfelt thanks, we say "God bless you."



A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAPLAIN



REVEREND FATHER JANSEN

In the beginning God made them male and female. God made the distinction: it is not an arbitrary rule made by mankind. Thus to ask the simple question, what is the role of the professional nurse in the community? requires a complex answer. The answer lies in the words from the first book of the Bible with which we began, "God made them male and female."

In the order as established by God, each has a place and a function to fill. We will be judged according to how well we filled our place and fulfilled our function. To male and female are given intellectual, physical and emotional endowments peculiar to their gender. These gifts, as we can call them, complement, thus it can never be a question of competition between male and female in the same sphere, since each brings different gifts.

The talents and gifts that you as a professional nurse are asked to give are above all a woman's endowment.

God has blessed woman with these gifts to enable her to fulfil her role. Her especial gifts can be seen from three points of view:

viz.

from the physical point of view—gentleness

from the intellectual point of view — knowledge, intuition

from the emotional point of view—devotedness.

In summing up these characteristics of gentleness, knowledge, intuition and devotedness, we have done no more than state the qualities of a good nurse. And so the place a professional nurse holds in her community stems from the position a woman holds in her community. To the degree, then, to which a nurse fulfils her role of woman, to that same degree will she be esteemed. Her natural maternal instinct, while not exercised on her own, finds an outlet in the care of the weak and suffering, of all who are in need of sympathy and insight. For it is then that she gives gentleness for pain, knowledge and intuition for ignorance, and devotion for weariness.

That you may fulfil your role as nurse joyfully and fruitfully is my prayer for you.

Love life: love your womanhood: then you will be a good nurse, because you will be fulfilling your role of woman.

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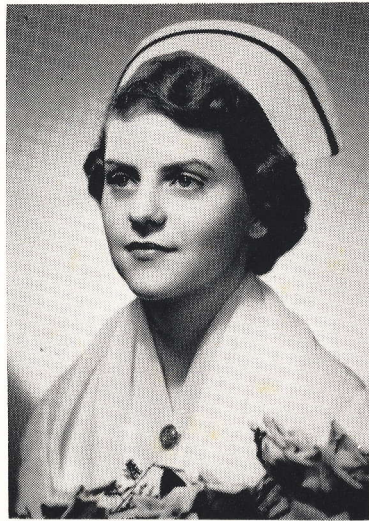
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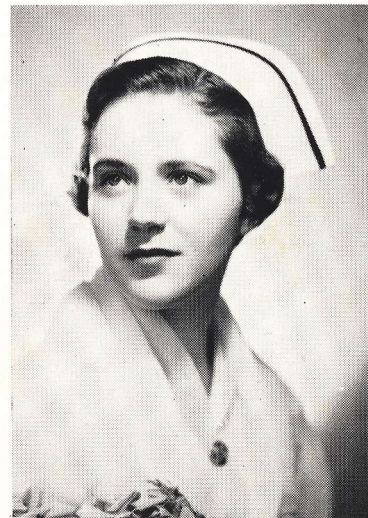
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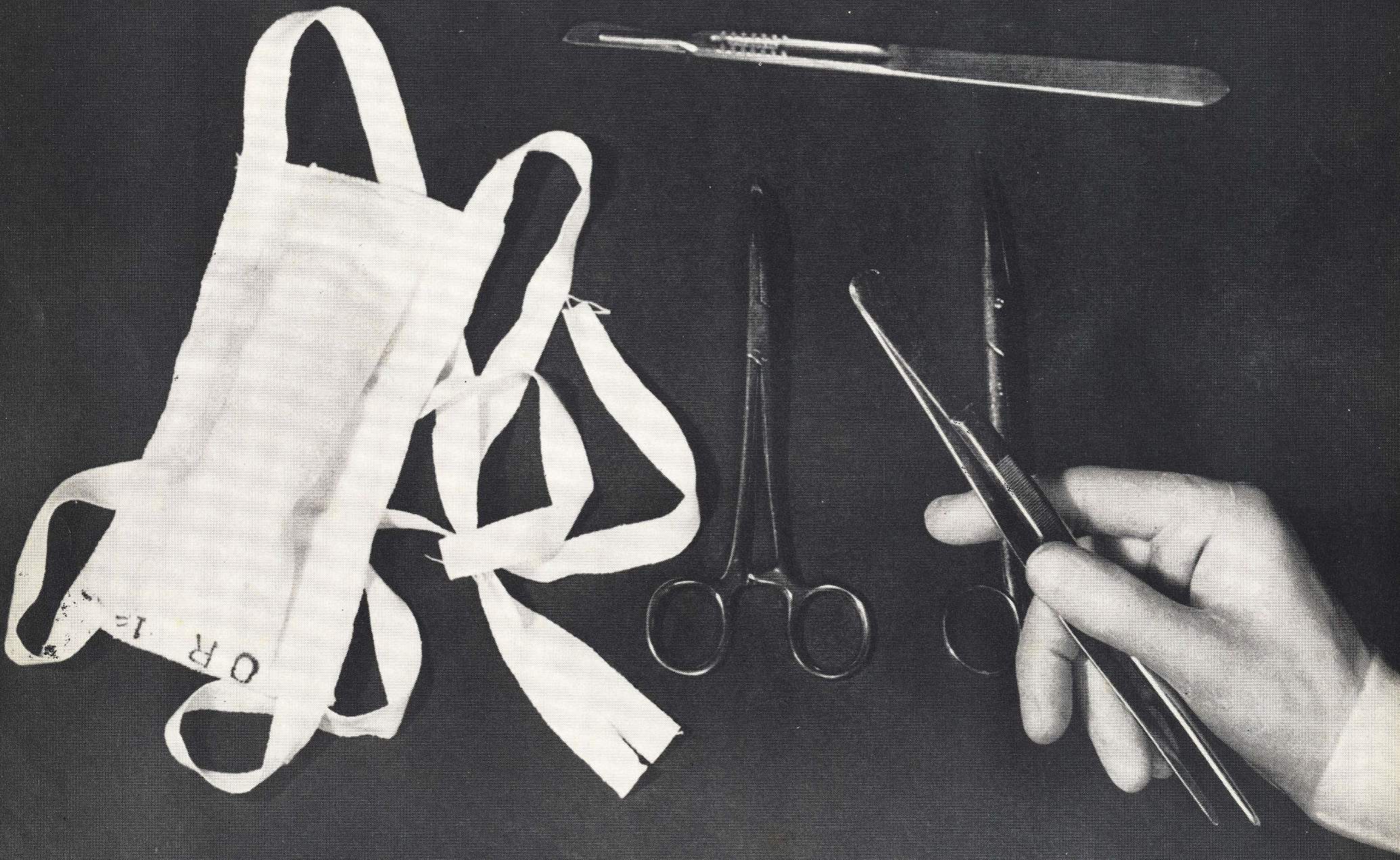
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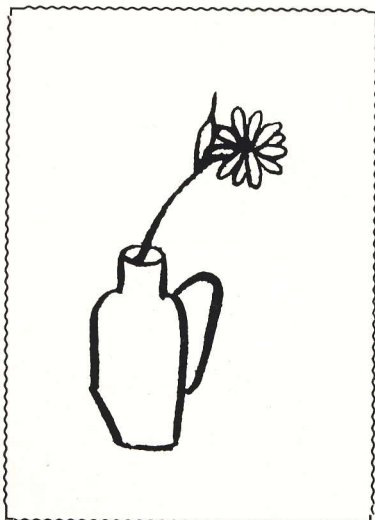


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SCHOOL NEWS



Our first party of the year was held on October 12th, 1955 for our new preliminary students in residence sponsored by the senior class.

Skits were prepared and put on to entertain the new girls and a little initiation was on the list of laughter provoking events.

The girls were introduced or introduced themselves, a buffet lunch was served and dancing afterwards brought an end to a successful evening.

October 14th, 1955

Hallowe'en Dance was held in Residence with all the trimmings. The room was beautifully decorated with appropriate taste, and great enthusiasm on the part of the Intermediates by which it was sponsored and they also raffled off a huge and appetizing turkey. All in all, it turned out to be quite a big do, an evening full of fun.

Basketball games are being encouraged in the Junior class and they seem to be going at it with a lot of vim, vigor and vitality. Good luck to them.

December was quite exciting especially for the Junior Class.

On December 8th, feast of the Immaculate Conception, the preliminary students attended Mass and then received their white caps which were blessed by Father Jansen, and then capped by Miss Joyce Drouillard, president of the student council, and Miss Eleanor Vincent, president of the Senior class. Quite an impressive ceremony.

Later that week, on a Wednesday, we had a Christmas Party. We exchanged gifts between class mates and received lovely rosaries for the catholics, and brooches and earrings for the non-catholics, from the Sisters of the Hospital, and beautiful wrought iron standing ash trays for our living room from the Instructors. Our Christmas tree stood in the usual corner and was effectively lighted in blue lights and decorated. Many thanks to Sister Maitre for decorating it and also the fire place.

December 28th, 1955

A Christmas dance, decorated and sponsored by Senior nurses with an orchestra featuring Clyde Jacobs on trumpet turned out to be quite a success. Everyone had a wonderful time and there were even enough stag men to go around.

Leap Year 1956

January didn't have much to offer socially. Half the seniors went to class for five weeks and a few parties were held.

February 14th, 1956

Our last dance before Lent and graduation held on Valentine's Day, and being Mardi Gras a good time was had by all. It was decorated and put on by the Junior students and many thanks to Miss Seguin for having so much enthusiasm and putting so much effort in decorating the recreation room with floating hearts and cupids. Music was by Clyde Jacobs. Stag men were mighty scarce but it was quite nice for couples.

Bernice Poirier

NEWSLETTER FROM THE ALUMNAE



The alumnae are happy to have the opportunity of greeting you, the graduating class of 1956.

Soon you will be proud members of your alumnae association and we welcome you, our younger sisters into the fold. We realize that your cherished profession may lead you away into different lands, and we wish you success in every new endeavour.

Our belief concerning the alumnae is a firm one. This long established organization is the binding link between the graduate and her school, between the graduate and her hospital—a link which we hope will remain strong through the coming years.

The activities of the alumnae are numerous. During the past year, under a very productive group, your alumnae has blossomed forth rather vigorously. Some of our accomplishments include—

1. The revision of the monthly news bulletin.
2. An increased interest and attendance in the alumnae meetings. This may be chiefly credited to the fact that instructive meetings are now being planned for your benefit—e.g. guest speakers, movies, slides, etc.
3. The renewal of the filing system, which facilitates accessibility to the names and addresses of all our graduate nurses.
4. The establishment of a bursary fund for the student nurses.

Major money making schemes occupy our every spare moment. At present our annual bazaar seems to be one of our greatest sources of income. Others include the annual dance, as well as the collection of money from the sale of baby bead bracelets.

On parting may we introduce you to the 1956 executive:

President.....Mrs. Sonia Hazen
Vice-President.....Mrs. Patricia Bedard
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Our very best wishes for your future success and happiness.

THE HOTEL DIEU HOSPITAL NURSES' ALUMNAE



INTERMEDIATE CLASS

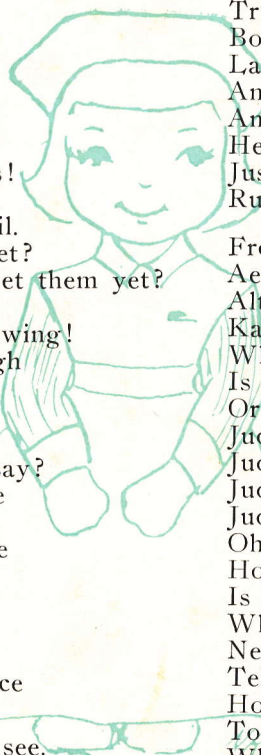
Front Row (left to right): J. Gignac, M. Martin, J. Benza, G. Noel, M. Bourdeau, S. Geml, L. Langlois, B. Oxenham, J. Reaume, B. Tetzlaff.

Middle Row: B. Rivait, B. LaRocque, C. Souilliere, M. Richards, J. MacDonald, S. Shangenuk, K. McLellan, R. Medler, C. Renaud, M. Guiry.

Back Row: J. Quenneville, V. Kurcz, E. Dutkywich, D. Jubenville, H. Goyeau, C. McGuire, L. Renaud, M. St. Louis, C. MacKenzie, J. Gelinis, M. Donoman.

CLASS NEWS

I attempt to write a little ditty,
 I attempt to make it whippy and witty (?)
 But what to tell about each gal?
 But how to tell she is a pal?
 Some are small, some are tall,
 Some are big and dance a jig!
 Some are meek, and some are sweet,
 Some are modest, most discreet.
 But all are rare, all are fair,
 We have some here from out of town
 And every one a great big clown.
 All are all so very jolly.
 (And there we think lies our folly)
 First meet Barb Oxenham
 She hails from Petrolia's clan.
 An Englishman through and through
 Even though "she hasn't a clue!"
 Another Barb, Tetzlaffs her name
 You should see her toss her mane!
 The one for whom she has a yen?
 Jeannine is from the land of snows,
 That's where her future lies she knows!
 Yearns to go back to the muskie's trail
 And give first aid to raccoon and snail.
 Mix Scotch and Irish, what do you get?
 Why Connie and Cathy! have you met them yet?
 Cathy can sing, do a highland fling
 Connie plays ball—look out for that swing!
 Cathy a Scotsman through and through
 With hair of gold, eyes of blue,
 Connie is just like Art Carney
 Always full of that Irish blarney.
 Qu'est que c'est? Vous francais you say?
 Mais oui—of course we're quite aware
 of all you Frenchmen standing there!
 Now Quenneville please be always free
 To take Pyridium at hours Q3!
 And Jerry there in mouton fur
 Which Richard bought just for her!
 Voici—another daughter of France
 One look at Lou, you can tell at a glance
 So relax you Frenchmen we all agree
 You're Frenchmen true, we know, we see.
 Helen Goyeau, her dad walks a beat,
 That's why Helen has flat feet!
 Always in trouble, but always a ball,
 Out of the window loves to fall.
 Now Mary Lou will certainly please you,
 Who with her jokes love to tease you.
 And there she stands so spic and span
 Where was she when it hit the fan?
 Marlene Dovovan tall and grand,
 Marlene come and take the stand.
 Tell all the girls here at Jeanne Mance
 All 'bout Tony, your latest romance.
 Marlene Bourdeau, quite naive
 Many a trick has up her sleeve!
 When that gleam creeps into her eye,
 Relax and watch those Pheasants fly.
 There is a girl kind of squirrely,
 Her roommates hair is very curly,
 Gignac and Rivait always yakin,
 You know what these two are lakin.
 In the shower always sing
 Of minks and sables, diamond ring.
 A life of luxury, one of ease,



A man in her arms who she can squeeze,
 These are the dreams of our Denise.
 Emily and Joan, we simply moan!
 What about them "?" we groan and groan.
 Two gals wrapt in silence, mysterious, discreet,
 All we know is that both are quite sweet!
 Shirley just loves pizza pie,
 Anchovies and mushrooms, look at her sigh.
 Calories Shirl, keep an eye on that scale!
 Or else you'll soon look just like a whale.
 Ketatosis and Neurosis, microscopic, any topic,
 Our Sue knows them all,
 Intelligent, diligent, quite elite, always neat,
 Our Sue is quite a doll.
 Two Renauds have we,
 True Frenchmen I'll grant,
 Both of them love to rave and to rant.
 Laura and Carol, put both in a barrel
 And what a concoction!!!
 And then a voice in dead of night,
 Hear those sirens screaming their plight
 Just picture Reggie grim at the wheel
 Rushing to Rocky, his ideal.

From Euripedes to Delibes, Harvey and Salk,
 Aesthetically speaking Kay's faculties rate a mark!
 Although her reticence is ineffable,
 Kay's intelligence is not contestable?
 Where oh where does Virginia go?
 Is it home or to a show?
 Or is it out with some brand new beau?
 Judy small and Judy slim,
 Judy really much too thin,
 Judy happy and Judy gay,
 Judy loves to sing all day.
 Oh Venus in your palace high,
 How does Mona make men sigh?
 Is it just her winning smiles
 Which make the men run Marathon miles?
 Neptune in your abyss deep
 Tell why Rose is still asleep!
 How she begot that rock like Gibraltar,
 To lead Eugene with to the altar?
 Who stands there so small-petite?
 Who is that?—so tidy and neat?
 Mary Jane—is that you pal?
 Sorry guess we got the gal.
 A new figure and new brains too
 Corrine has been practising voo do.
 Tired and lazy—almost half crazy,
 Baggin' and laggin—always a saggin
 Long as the day—that's our May!

To our seniors we bid adieu,
 Bet you're glad that you are through!
 Being with you has been fun,
 But now that your three years are done,
 We wish you joy with little tears,
 We wish you luck throughout the years.

To bring this ???? to a conclusion
 Just to add to your confusion
 I'll refuse to sign my name—
 I don't want to take the blame
 For writing this ditty,
 In attempting to be witty???

J. BENZA (Anonymous)



JUNIOR CLASS

Front Row: F. Horvath, A. Seguin, C. Fares, B. Hebert, M. Bornais.

Second Row: M. Young, J. MacDonald, J. Monforton, L. Langlois, P. Michael, G. Gravel, P. Gallagher, F. Drouillard, C. Daudlin, P. Whittle.

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M. Kinik, J. Langlois, J. Lauzon, R. Belluz, M. Renaud, E. Quinlan, E. Langlois.

Absent: N. Mudry.

FAVORITE SAYINGS



- F. Drouillard—"Bien Moses!"
C. Daudlin—I'm Indian with part Fr. Canadian
M. Lafferty—Censored
D. Grabb—Shall we? Laff!
P. Gallagher—Chalk that one up!
L. Langlois—Oh No!! 3rd Med again. (2 months floor duty).
J. Garragh—But "Muff" we're changing the blues to green.
J. Monforton—I've got "red" blood not green.
M. Dupuis—Which one to-night
M. Beletz—Hey Fellows: We broke up again.
M. Young—"Mon Doo!"
C. Maciejewski—"Where's the buick! Where's the buick!"
F. Horvath—Cecilia we'll never make it.
S. Heffernan—But!!! Mrs. Richards we had a flat!!
J. Mason—????
J. Langlois—Okay kids who wants to bath so and so!
V. Damphouse—To Pontiac again???
G. Gravel—After all I'm only asking for 4 overnights!
K. Humphrey—Check that!!!
J. St. Amand—"Eddy my Love."
M. St. Amand—But sister! Gord is a fish-eater
E. Langlois—Gary! hunting we will go.
E. Quinlan—Oh! I'm late again.
J. LaChance—Birth Certificates! I guess I'm not living.
A. Bellehumeur—And then what did he say!!
R. Belluz—Anyone for a lexicographer.
M. Wall—But!! English? Dr. Kemezeys?
A. Watt—Ah-h-h-??
C. Dubensky—Oh!! "I've" been out with him.
B. Hebert—All the babies look like "Roger"
A. Seguin—At least I'm natural Maciejewski.
A. Bissonnette—It was a rest.
R. Geml—Knitting for Britain.
M. Brian—First time in 7 months.
M. Renaud—Oh Geraldine!
G. Hunt—But I can't wink with one eye.
C. Meunier—Oh! that wine.
J. MacDonald—Oh to be an Intermediate!
V. Petch—Holy doodle! there he goes again.
R. Couture—But mom I loved him!
B. Pattle—We're going to live in Ireland.
H. Pratt—At the D.H. . . . ? You idiot.
P. Whittle—Gee . . .
M. Tennant—They say I'm slow but sure.
M. Bornais—I don't know a thing.
A. O'Neil—I hope Brian doesn't find out.
J. Lauzon—??!!!
C. Fares—Hey Gallagher! Which twin has the toni?
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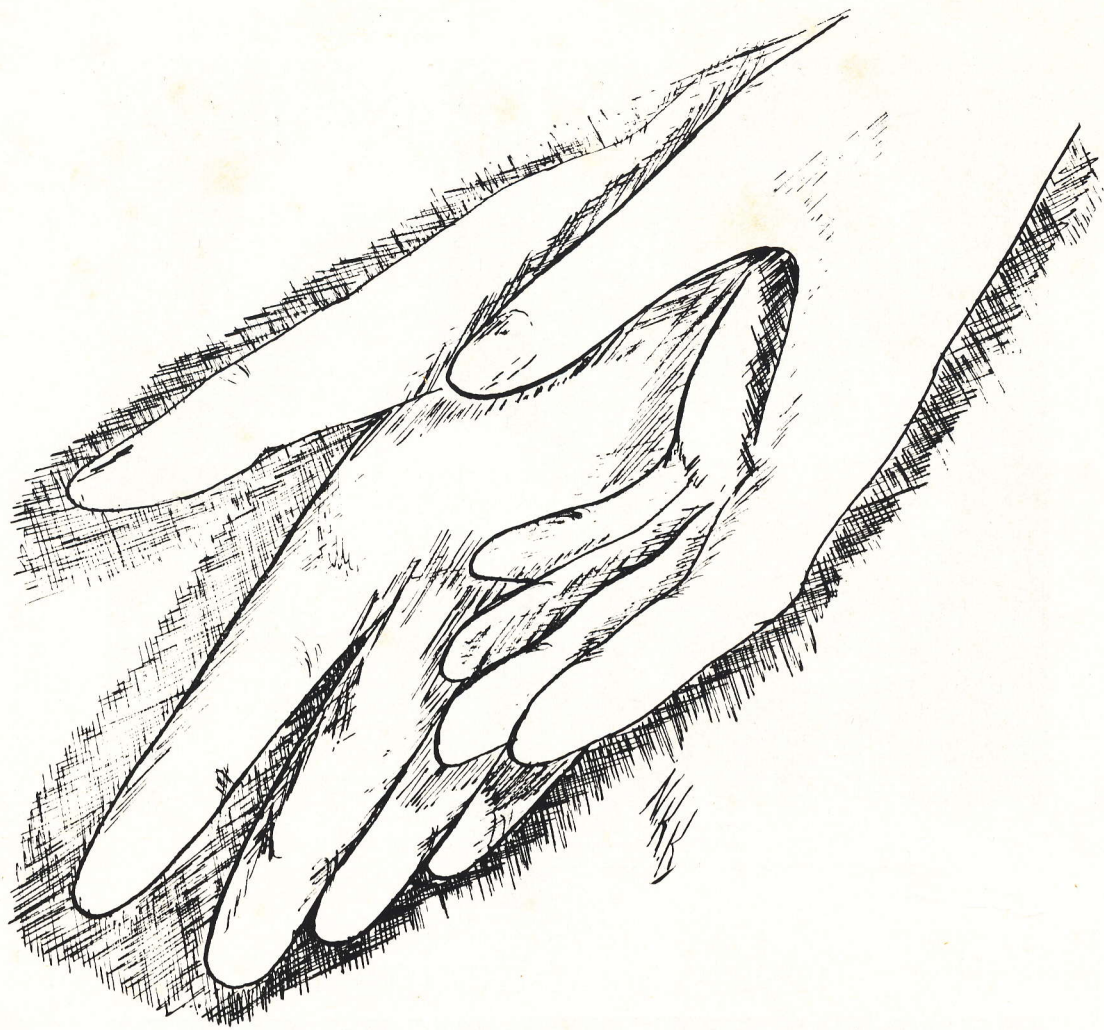


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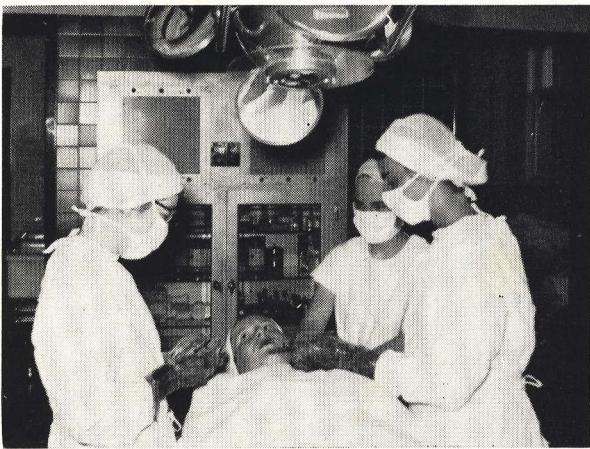
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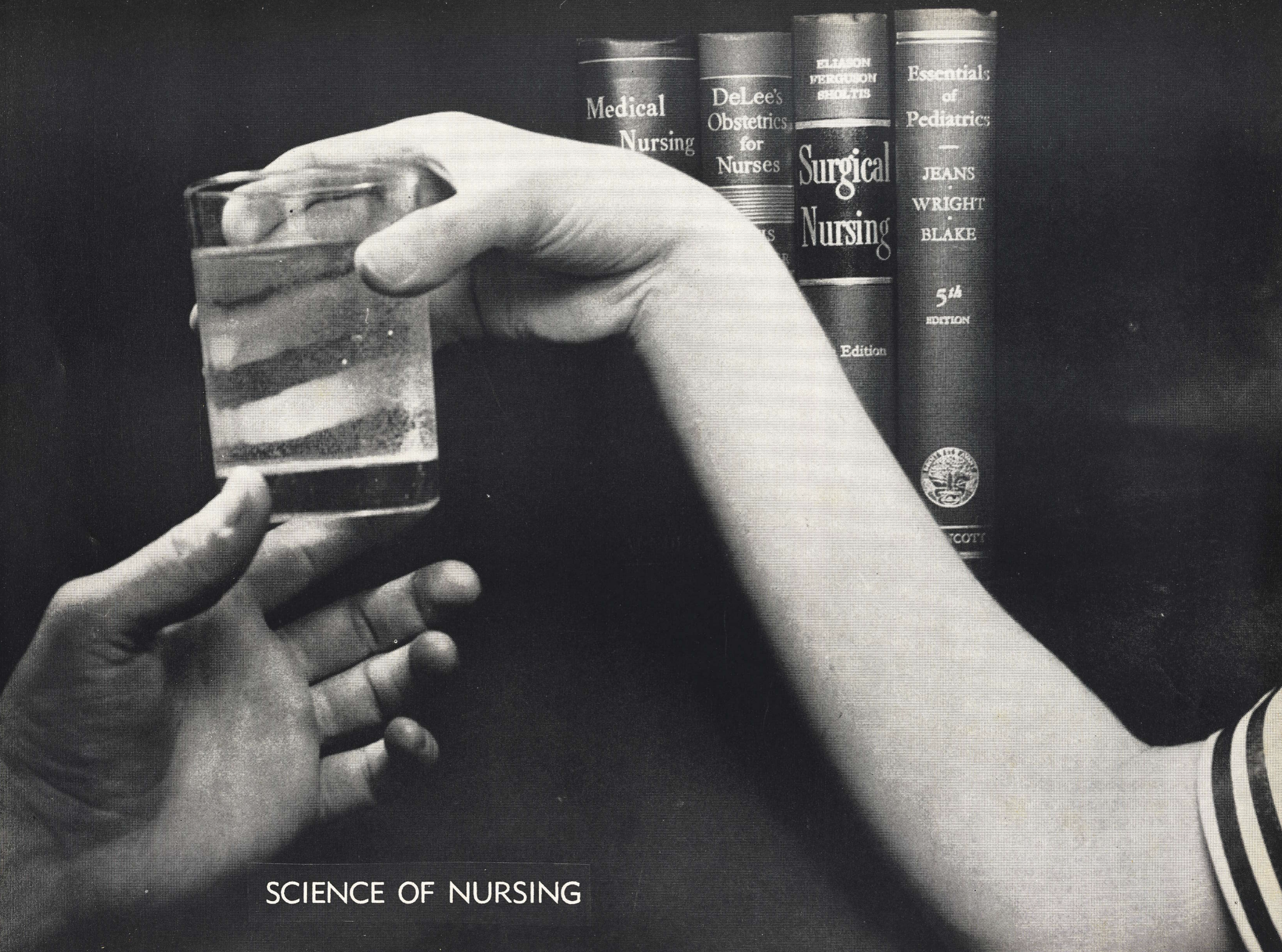
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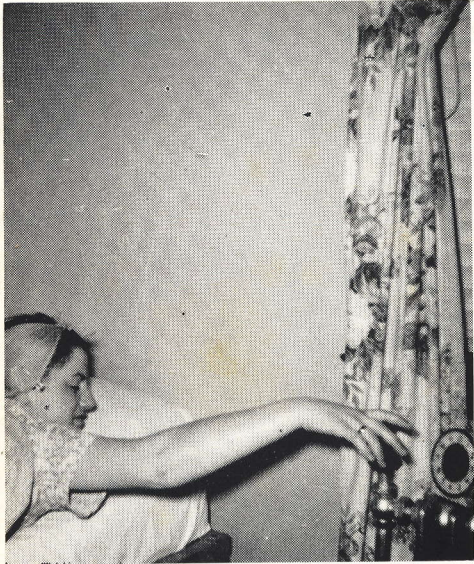


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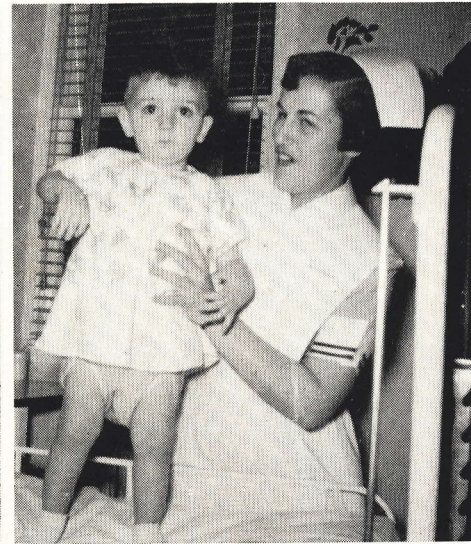
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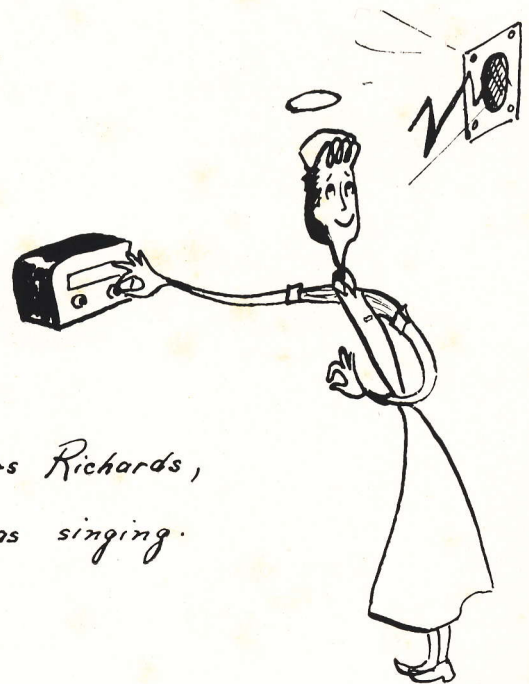
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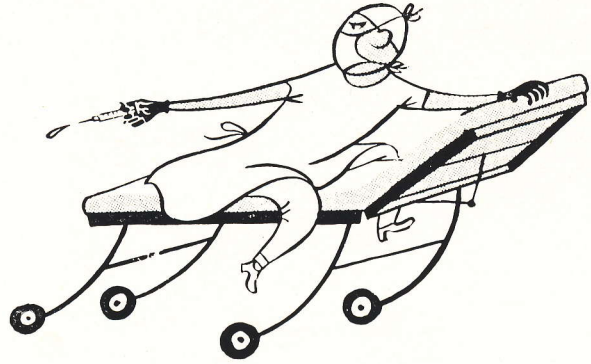
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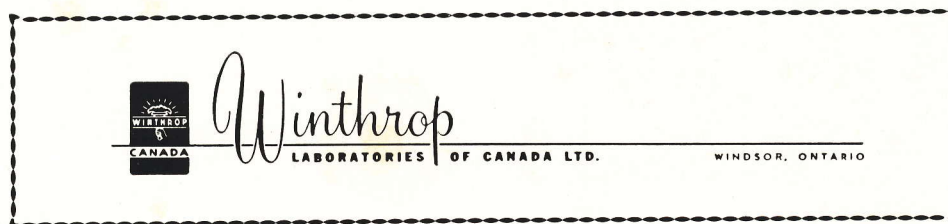
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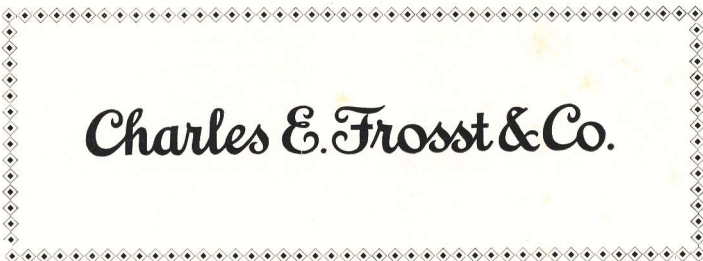
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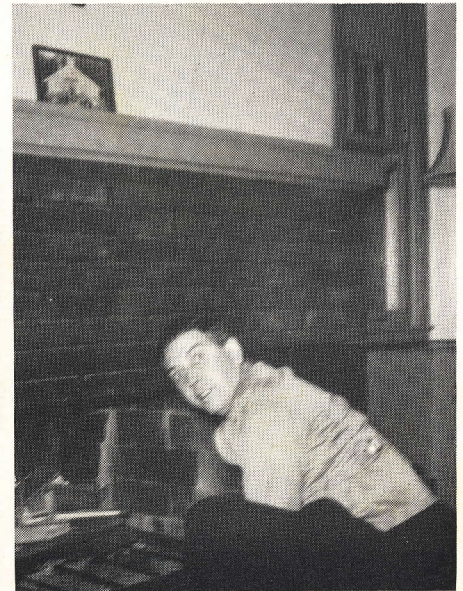
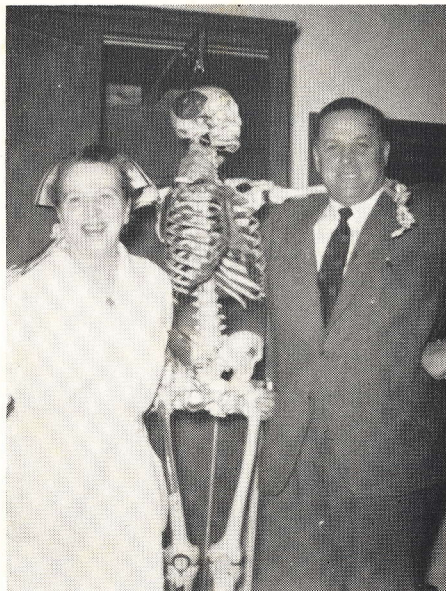
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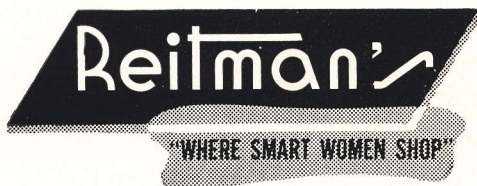
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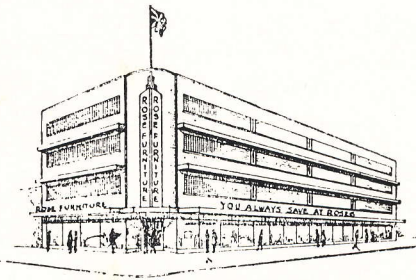
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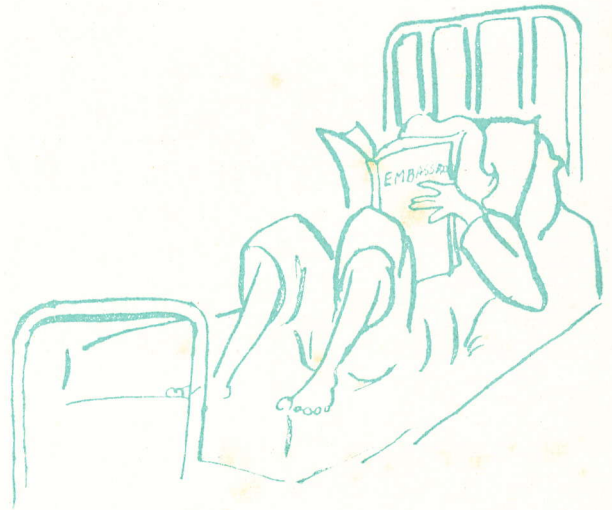
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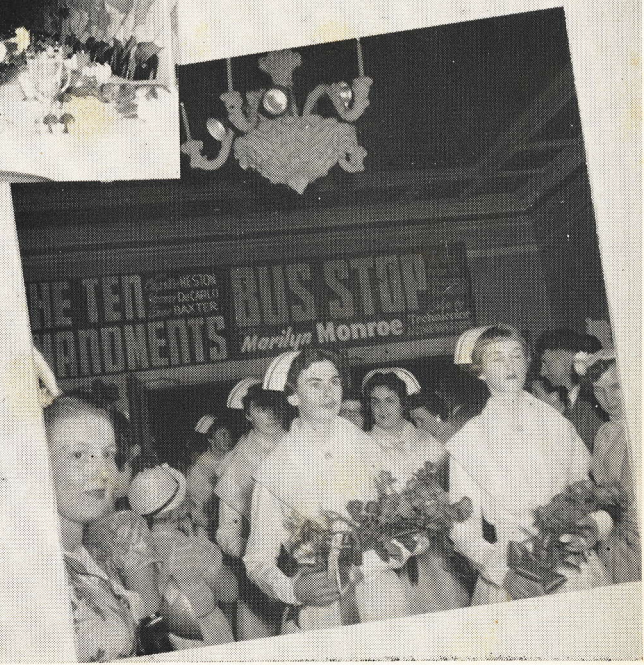
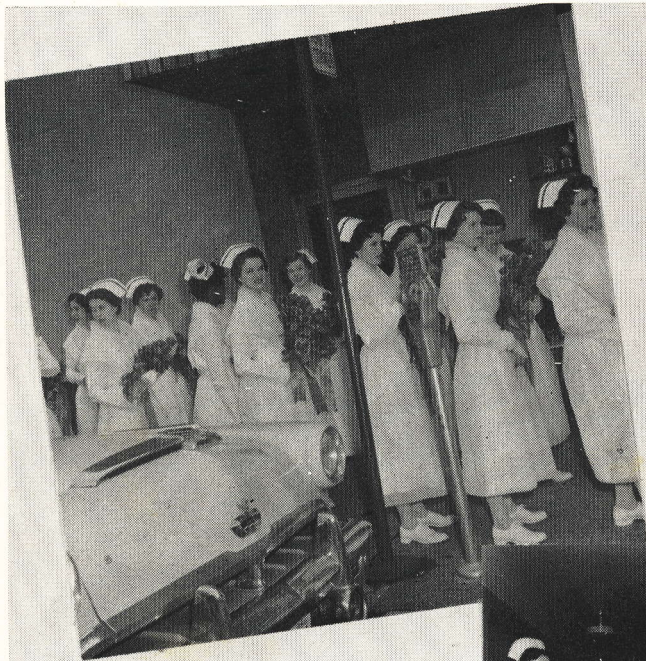
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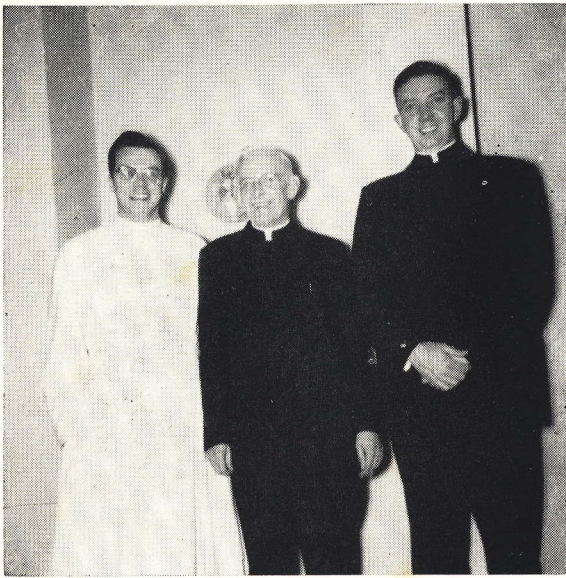
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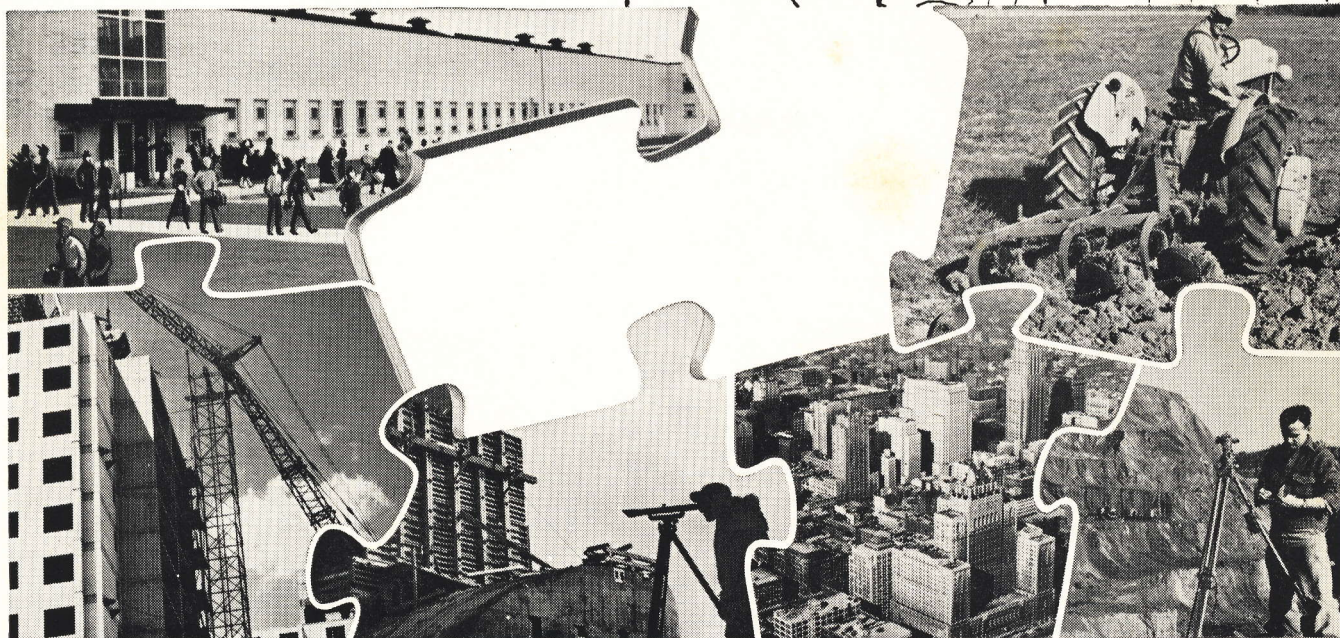
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