

Colleges, Hospitals Combat Shortage of Nurses

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TEMPERATURE TIME . . . Miss Judy White furthers her nursing studies by taking and recording temperatures of Harbor Hospital patients. She is pictured here as she places the thermometer in the mouth of Mrs. Nettie Linham, patient, after which the temperature is recorded on the patient's chart.



NURSING DIRECTORS . . . These three registered nurses are directing the three-way registered nurses program between the colleges and the hospitals of the area in an effort to offset the shortage of registered nurses in California, as well as the nation. Talking over the program are, from left, Miss Roberta Lindberg, RN, director at Harbor College; Mrs. Bernadine Clark, RN, Harbor General Hospital and Miss Margo Brant, RN, El Camino College.

More Florence Nightingales Needed

Program Will Assist Nurses 'To Earn Cap'

Something IS being done at El Camino and Harbor Colleges about the need for registered nurses in the hospitals of the Southland and throughout the nation.

The area colleges have "teamed up" in a three-way registered nurses training program which finds college campus classroom studies combined with actual bedside and operating room experiences in several nearby hospitals.

Harbor General Hospital is one of the facilities helping the future Florence Nightingales to "earn their caps" in courses which encompass two academic years and two summer semesters before they may qualify to do nursing care and sit for their California State Board licenses.

El Camino College students participating in this program are Kathy Koch, Wanda Davis, Francis McRedmond, Elaine Walton, Judith White, Berta Leigh Carson, Janice Corter, Judy Hulton and Molly Jacks.

Harbor College will graduate its first class of registered nurses in the summer of 1965. In this class are Raquel Lytle, Marilyn Allison, Pearl Anderson, Dorothy Andrew, Marilyn Arwine, Mildred Bain, Vera Boucher, Evelyn Brauer, Annie Burris, Joan Carr, Josephine Crossland, Carolyn Cunningham, Delores Dossey, Marie Erickson, June Fariss, Katherine Flanery, Virginia Fritzsche, Judy Galloway, Pauline Gay.

Others are Judith Glenn, Mary Gossett, Sylvia Hayes, Judith Hollinger, Tobianna Huddleston, Ollie Heuser, Phyllis Jones, Betty Kitchen, Katherine Koetke, Dona Marshall, Diana Milke, Virginia Mirkovich, Dorothy Moore, Virginia Noyes, Betty Jean Planter, Pattie Robinson, Frances Rogers, Stephanie Sundeal, Patricia Tischler, Christina Vasselstyne, Carol White, Nancy Williams, Susan Wilson and Lillian Winters.

Another class will be graduated in 1966 and Harbor College will open another class in September 1965.

Instructors for Harbor College are Mrs. Amy Coury, RN; Mrs. Mary Stanley, RN; and Mrs. Sally Gay, RN. El Camino's instructor at the hospital is Mrs. Katherine Townsend, RN and more will be added as the class increases.

The overall tri-program is under direction of Miss Roberta Lindberg, RN, Miss Margo Brant, RN; and Mrs. Bernadine Clark, RN, directors in nursing at Harbor College, El Camino College and Harbor General Hospital respectively.

El Camino graduated its first class of registered nurses last semester and of these, nine are employed at Harbor General Hospital where starting staff pay is \$464 per month, \$489 in six months, with annual increases to \$545 plus advancement in grade opportunities and excellent retirement program.



EXTRA CURRICULUM . . . Mrs. June Downen, student nurse from Harbor College assists patient, Craig Johnson, 12, with his homework, helping him keep up his studies during his hospital stay. This is one of the many "extra" services nurses give.

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PATIENTS' COMFORT . . . Francis McRedmond, nursing student from El Camino College, adjusts patient Mrs. Della Long Sells after fluffing the pillows, to add to the patient's comfort—an important phase in a nursing career of service to others.



GIVING MEDICATION . . . A seminar on the administering of medication is being held at the bedside of a patient at Harbor General. Students from left are Judy White, Mrs. John Corter, Francis McRedmond. The patient is Mrs. Della Long Sells. Pouring the medication is Kathy Koch, student, as Nursing Instructor Mrs. Tracy Townsend supervises. These are all El Camino College nursing students.



VALUE OF RECORDS . . . A trio of El Camino student nurses, from left, Francis McRedmond, Kathy Koch, and Mrs. Molly Jacks, in foreground, study patients' charts at the desk in Harbor General Hospital. They learn the value of the chart on which every detail concerning the patient is recorded.



TIME FOR COFFEE BREAK . . . These Harbor Junior College nursing students and their instructor gather for coffee and conversation on their rest period in the cafeteria at Harbor Hospital. Enjoying the session are, from left, Stephanie Boery, June Downen, Gloria Daniels. Center is Mrs. Sally Gay, Harbor College instructor at the hospital, and standing, Dorothy Andrew, Mary Gossett, Dorothy Moore and Mrs. Robert Martinez.



SERVICE ALL AGES . . . Baby Linda Estrella Renovaes, patient in the pediatrics ward at Harbor Hospital, gets the undivided attention of these two Harbor College student nurses, from left Mrs. June Downen and Mrs. Mary Gossett of Torrance. The registered nurses course includes the "know how" in handling patients of all ages.