

third year. One month should be allowed each year for vacations. These should all be arranged for the summer term, when no lectures and classes are being given. The academic or class year would extend from the first week of October till the end of May, divided into two terms of sixteen weeks each. New classes would be admitted in the beginning of the winter and spring terms only.

The general schedule of hours suggested for the preliminary term are, 4 hours daily in practical work, 3 hours in lecture and class, 3 hours in study and practice, 2 hours in recreation.

For the subsequent term, 8 hours daily in practical work, $\frac{3}{4}$ to 1 hour in lecture and class work, 1 hour daily for study, 2 hours for recreation.

GENERAL SCHEME OF PRACTICAL INSTRUCTION.

The General Scheme of Practical Instruction is then considered under the headings Division of Time for Practical Work, and Arrangements of Practical Training. The Division of Time for Practical Work is as follows:—

Preliminary Period, 4 months, including, if possible, a short time in each of the following departments: diet kitchen, hospital supply room, linen room, dispensary, and wards. Time should also be provided for a few visits to homes with social service workers, or visiting nurses, in order that the pupil may see for herself the conditions under which many of her patients live.

Medical Nursing, 8 months, including experience in the care of all the common medical diseases mainly acute, and in addition experience in typhoid fever, pneumonia, and such communicable diseases as may be cared for in the general wards, as well as experience in the care of tuberculosis, scarlet fever, diphtheria, and measles. It is also urged that, if the hospital does not care for mental and nervous cases, it should secure affiliations with mental hospitals to give this training.

Surgical Nursing, 8 months, to comprise gynaecological, orthopaedic, and operating-room experience, including emergency work.

Nursing and Diseases of Infants and Children, 4 months.—This course should include both medical and surgical conditions of childhood, also some experience in the handling of fairly normal run-about children, follow-up work in connection with the children's services, and work in the milk room, in preparation of infants' feedings.

Obstetrical Nursing, 3 months.—Given in special maternity wards, or in an affiliated hospital. It should include the care of both

normal and operative cases, and of normal and premature babies. Out-patient service, if provided, should be supplementary to the above, and given only under expert supervision.

Nursing in Special Diseases, 2 months.—It is desirable, though not always possible, to give practical experience in eye, ear, nose and throat work, occupational, venereal and skin diseases, &c. This may be secured either in the dispensary or wards, preferably in both. It is particularly important for those who are planning for public health work.

Electives, 4 months.—This period should be arranged, so far as possible, with reference to the special aptitudes and future plans of the pupil.

Arrangement of Practical Training.—No fixed order of services can be recommended, as this must depend on a great many factors which vary widely in different hospitals. Certain broad rules are, however, laid down, and a tentative arrangement suggested.

GENERAL SCHEME OF THEORETICAL INSTRUCTION.

The scheme of theoretical instruction covering the three years' course is then given, followed by the outline of each of the subjects.

Preparatory or First Year.—First Term—Instruction in anatomy and physiology, bacteriology, personal hygiene, applied chemistry, nutrition and cookery, hospital housekeeping, drugs and solutions, elementary nursing principles and methods, bandaging; historical, ethical, and social basis of nursing. Second Term—Elements of pathology, nursing in medical diseases, in surgical diseases, materia medica and therapeutics, diet in disease, elements of psychology.

Junior or Second Year.—First Term—Instruction in nursing in communicable diseases, in diseases of infants and children, massage, principles of ethics. Second Term—Gynaecological, obstetrical, and orthopaedic nursing, operating room technique, nursing in diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat.

Senior or Third Year.—First Term—Instruction in nursing in mental and nervous diseases, in occupational, venereal, and skin diseases, special therapeutics, public sanitation, survey of the nursing field. Second Term—Modern social conditions, professional problems, emergency nursing and first aid, introduction of public health nursing and social service, to private nursing, to institutional work, home problems of the industrial family, laboratory technique, special diseases problems.

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