

Negro Nurses

Kate Bitting Reynolds Mem. Hospital
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My dear Dr. Bonsfield,

I am writing you again to let you know I am in Winston-Salem, N. C. on the new position. I am liking the work fine it is hard work, but I have organized the teaching faculty. No classes started on August 15th 1938. The class-room work is going smoothly at present. We have eighteen students and seventeen graduate nurses, all seem to be satisfied with the situation.

You know all about the set-up and the modern building here without me relating the facts to you. In this modern nurses home there was no library and science laboratory included in the building plan, so the funds are all gone. They tell me. When I got here I discovered this at once but the place

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equipped for the nurses. I asked Dr. J. B. Whittington about this problem, he gave me two rooms in the basements not equipped for either. He said that the funds were out, to get the "colored people interested" to help me with the library." It seems that the science laboratory is not much concerned in the minds of these people here. The State Board of Nurse Examiners require a school of Nursing to have a science laboratory. I am working to obtain the adequate funds to equip these rooms. If it is possible for your fund to help me some I will appreciate it so much. I know your fund gave some books to Saint Philip Hospital's library. I will appreciate some books. I am having the Negroes of the Community to raise some funds for me. I am asking some of the white people who are interested in the hospital to help me some. I hope to hear from you on this problem soon.

Yours truly,
Edna Glad Purdie

P.S. Please give me some advise on this problem, your plan could be better than the one I am using.

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