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October 8th, 1935.

Dr. H. G. Mess, B.A., Ph.D., Bedford College, Regent's Park, London.

Dear Dr. Mess,

May I present for your consideration my request in regard to my program of study for the coming year. I am an International student registered at present in Public Health but I should like to be released from the regular program in order to devote my year to the study of a special problem in the history of nursing and attend only selected lectures, primarily those which would assist me in the study.

The subject which I have in mind is a study of the origins and development of two early English schools of nursing - St. Thomas' and Guy's. To assist in this I should like to have the opportunity of selecting a course in history covering especially nineteenth century England, or possibly the course in History of Social Institutions. I have not as yet sufficiently gone into the material to be able to present an outline for the study but I do know that the material is available and I have been assured of access to it.

As to how much additional work I should carry I should very much like your advice also. It is my hope that the special study may be given first place. I have listed below those additional courses which it would seem to me wise to consider as a maximum the main object being to obtain from them the English point of view and a better appreciation of English conditions. Would it be possible to attend these classes with the opportunity of fulfilling course requirements in whatever way would be most helpful to my special study?

The course which I should like to present for consideration is as follows:-

Compulsory subjects which would be omitted

Personal hygiene and Public health Nutrition
Maternity and childwelfare.
Tuberculosis

Tuberculosis Psychology

Either Social Conditions or Modern Industrial Problems.

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Subjects which would be included in addition to special study -

History of England or History of Social Institutions. Public health Nursing.

Either Social Conditions or Modern Industrial Problems.

Selected lectures and demonstrations in Hospital and

Training School Administration without responsibility for preparation or papers.

Eugenics) also possible additions at a later date.

I shall greatly appreciate your consideration of this program and whatever suggestions you have to bring to it.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) VIRGINIA M. DUNBAR.

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