

(Grenades removed from pockets), treated and medicated, as indicated.

By that time ambulance drivers were few - ambulances cleaned, and at rear door to receive patients and transfer inland.

When I first requested Flight Nursing I was advised I was too old (younger nurses needed). When I became chief nurse it was <sup>(summed up)</sup> necessary that we have flight nursing.

I had the Flight Nurse Course. It was a tremendous course. T.S. tears + sympathy - I never had the duty.

Grand View Nurses here has a number of WW II nurse occupants and 2 nurses there in charge positions. Organized a WW I Nurses Club. It has been a fine, enjoyable undertaking for all.

1943-45 stationed at Queen Victoria Hospital, at Dettley (across from Normandy) had wide corridors, piped in O<sub>2</sub> and suction in intensive care units. A large glass enclosed case at main entrance has <sup>brass</sup> Florence Nightingale's shield and lamp as she had worked there, per information given us.

Of fairly recent date - demolished, area a park and only chapel building remain.

The above - note for print, just of possible interest

Do we still have active duty Flight Nurses?  
How many members currently? - I hope you can continue long into the future.

I remember Lt. Lieutenant and wish her well.

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Put subject of 24  
24/11/44

25 Jan. 2005

Dear Dorothy (Whitie)  
(What do you prefer?!)

Elizabeth Atty and Edna Carlisle and I were at Stark Gun Hoop, Charleston, SC in 1941 when a ch. n. activating of ETO wanted us 3 to join her unit. (28th Gun Hoop.)

Our ch. n. called us in and advised us. We agreed, said 'yes' we would go. Our ch. told her OK if she would promise to keep us together. We proceeded to England Dec. '43. on the Queen Mary.

(overnight we had taps 3X and asked the Sgt. why. We had lost 2 gunners. Seas were rough. We were listing badly, picking up water on our top deck).

After arrival, in Scotland she split us 3 ways. I did not see them again until I had retired.

Edna married and left the service. I can't recall her married name. (Should I come to it after mailing this I will forward it to you. Her husband, too, was in ETO.) Her husband designed or had to do with University buildings in Laramie, Wyoming. A daughter was Miss Wyoming one time.

I had 2 older sisters ill and later in nursing Homes - 15 yrs. and failed to keep in touch.

Regarding Edna, she served in the battle of the Bulge.

Elizabeth finished 20 yrs of believe before  
marrying, her married name, Booker. She was  
an anesthetist, had 2 tours in Germany, believe  
and others in the Far East, Korea, I think.

I visited her at Brook House and later at  
Jameson Care Center, New Castle, Pa. 16105-2533.  
I talked to her the spring of 2003. I called again  
late summer and was told she hadn't been  
there since 1998! I had visited her there a  
couple yrs. before.

If I get any better data I will drop you a note.  
Grand View Terrace here recently started having  
a breakfast hour of month for WWII nurses <sup>Gail Chase</sup> or  
Grace Peterson might be a good contact for you. at

Gail Chase

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I was stationed Spaulter Reed Hosp, Washington, DC  
first.

The rec's Doolittle's pilot Lt Lawton, who had crashed  
near Hanoi, 1 month later.

Burn patients (who had jumped into the burning sea  
from Africa - in 2 wks.

In Southern England we received patients from  
Normandy 24 hrs after D Day.

I closed the nursing service in a couple hospitals after V.E. Day, served in Japan, Alaska before it became a state: plus other stateside.

I was Army until the Air Force became a separate service (1947?) then transferred when they asked for nurses.

I do apologize for the onion skin - just need a new supply of typing paper.

I have 2 typewriters - both need ribbons! I should do this one but if I did you might not get it before 2006! I haven't used a typewriter for a very long time - it might not be better. At 91.?

Sincerely,  
Gina F. Dowsey

RS I moved recently.

When I first asked for Flt Nurse Training I was too old. When a couple of us became chief nurses they wanted us to have it! A tremendous course. Never served as Flt Nurse. T.S. (Tears and sympathy)