

Dozen Nurses Final Class

RENFREW (Special) — The 60th and last graduation exercise at Renfrew Victoria Hospital School of Nursing drew a capacity crowd in Victoria School auditorium. The nursing school has been discontinued.

Twelve graduates received their diplomas:

Myrna Avison, of Webbwood; Sadie Delarge, of Haley; Isobel Eckford, of Cobden; Mary Mangin, of Renfrew; Donita McIntosh, of Renfrew; Marion McNulty, of Admaston; Teresita Moriarity, of Douglas; Donna Morrison of Eganville; Glenna Redford, of Brockville; Kathleen Swant, of Eganville; Ilse Van Woezik, of Douglas and Judith Yandon, of Pembroke.

Mrs. Van Woezik was the winner of the Board of Governors' prize for general proficiency. Miss McNulty was valedictorian.

Board chairman Earl Lindsay said this graduating class could justifiably be called "our crowning glory."

Dr. George Burwell, who has practised in Renfrew since the early 1920s, expressed regret that it had been necessary to close the school of nursing.

He hoped that the trend towards centralization in the training of nurses would not result in the "nurse being trained away from the patient."

The 60th anniversary of the school was celebrated by 132 members of the alumnae at a banquet Saturday evening held at Bonnechere Manor.

Dr. Burwell recalled many incidents to the graduates of their days as students. His only serious comment was that they belonged to an organization whose numbers will not increase — a closed corporation.

Mrs. Allan Derry of Renfrew, a 1905 graduate, cut the anniversary cake.



HONOR 1905 GRADUATE

Mrs. Allan Derry of Renfrew, a 1905 graduate of Victoria Hospital School of Nursing, cuts the diamond anniversary cake at the alumnae banquet held Saturday evening in Renfrew. She is the only surviving member of the first class to graduate from the school. Dr. George Burwell, a practising physician in Renfrew since the early 1920s, and Mrs. Olive Simpson, chairman for the banquet, are seen with Mrs. Derry.

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