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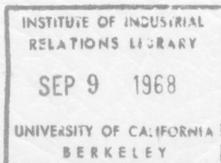
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Chairman

Establishment of the Panel

During the summer of 1966, disputes of serious proportions arose between the staff nurses and the administration of two local Bay Area district hospitals. The primary issue was the appropriate level of nurses' salaries. Failure to agree led the nurses at one hospital to refuse to report for duty during a four-day period. Shortly thereafter, nurses at the second government hospital threatened mass resignations and the nurses at private hospitals in the Bay Area initiated similar action. Representatives of the private hospitals met with officials of the California Nurses' Association in an effort to resolve the dispute. When these conferences reached an impasse, the parties agreed to submit most of the questions at issue to an impartial Fact-Finding Panel. On August 2, 1966, the California Nurses' Association and the Bay Area Negotiating Committee signed a Memorandum of Understanding which provided that they would request the Honorable Edmund G. Brown, Governor of California, the Honorable W. Willard Wirtz, Secretary of the Department of Labor, and the Honorable John W. Gardner, Secretary of the Department of

1 Health, Education and Welfare, jointly to select a three-man
2 Fact-Finding Panel to study and make recommendations on the
3 matters in dispute between them. On September 14, 1966, the
4 parties were notified that the three above-named officials
5 had designated the following as members of the Panel: The
6 Reverend Leo C. Brown, S.J., Chairman, Professor Howard E.
7 Durham, and Adolph M. Koven, Esq.

8 The Panel conducted public hearings on the issues in
9 dispute for eight days between October 3, 1966, and October 19,
10 1966, at San Francisco, California. During these hearings
11 the parties presented oral and written evidence and arguments
12 to the Panel to support their respective positions and there-
13 after were given an opportunity to file post-hearing briefs.

14 In the proceedings, the California Nurses' Association
15 was represented by Mr. John Paul Jennings, of Jennings,
16 Gartland and Tilly, and the Bay Area Hospitals Negotiating
17 Committee was represented by Mr. Laurence Corbett, of Corbett
18 and Welden. A list of the hospitals represented by the
19 Negotiating Committee is attached as an Appendix A to this
20 report. The record of the proceedings included 1029 pages of
21 testimony and 23 exhibits.

22 The Memorandum of Agreement stipulated that the Panel
23 would make advisory recommendations to the parties on or before
24 December 1, 1966, and that the parties would advise the Panel
25 and each other, no later than December 15, 1966, regarding
26 their respective positions on the Panel's recommendation.

1 hospitals, Albany and Vallejo became effective on January 1,
2 1963 and March 1, 1963, respectively. The Vallejo contract
3 was for a three-year term which expired February 28, 1966.
4 Negotiations for renewal had reached a standstill by July when
5 the parties agreed to participate in the fact-finding procedure
6 before the Panel. Albany Hospital, where the contract had
7 expired on December 31, 1963, adopted changes negotiated by
8 Associated Hospitals in 1964 but did not enter into a written
9 contract. Thus, when the situation arose which led to this
10 proceeding, some two-thirds of the hospitals before this Panel
11 had existing contracts with the CNA.

12 The convention of the American Nurses' Association, held
13 in San Francisco in June 1966, adopted a goal of \$6,500
14 as an annual minimum salary. Shortly thereafter, the dispute
15 referred to earlier developed between the nurses at the two
16 district hospitals, Washington Township and Eden Hospital,
17 and the nurses threatened mass resignations unless the hospitals
18 met their proposals for substantial salary increases. On July
19 7, 1966, Washington Township Hospital adopted the CNA proposal
20 then before it and agreed further to place in effect any adjust-
21 ment in excess of that amount that might be adopted by Associat-
22 ed Hospitals, based on 36 proposals which the CNA had placed
23 before them. On the same date the private hospitals in the
24 San Francisco Bay Area met to consider the situation. The
25 following night, representatives of the hospitals met with the
26 CNA to propose a uniform General Duty Salary Structure and

1 asked CNA to withdraw any threats of resignation while negotia-
2 tions on the proposal took place. The CNA rejected the pro-
3 posal and insisted upon an immediate settlement of the salary
4 issue and a week's extension to settle all other matters.
5 Hospital representatives at the meeting lacked authority to
6 agree to these conditions. On Sunday, July 10, 1966, no
7 nurses reported for duty at Eden Hospital. Four days later
8 Eden's Board agreed to the terms that Washington Township
9 Hospital had accepted and the nurses returned to duty.

10 During the remainder of July, there were several meetings
11 of the CNA with the Bay Area Hospitals Negotiating Committee,
12 newly formed to represent jointly the various private hospital
13 Associations. The hospitals first offered uniform salary
14 ranges with increases effective July 17, 1966, January 1, 1967,
15 and January 1, 1968. This was rejected by the CNA because
16 it failed to deal with all issues. A second Negotiating
17 Committee proposal, offering an immediate salary range of
18 \$500 to \$570 per month for general duty nurses and submission
19 to advisory fact-finding of the issues involving January 1,
20 1967 salary scales, holidays, vacations, and sick leave, was
21 rejected by the CNA for the same reason. On August 2, 1966,
22 the parties reached agreement. They entered into the Memorandum
23 of Understanding which provided that 26 issues would be sub-
24 mitted to a three-man Panel for fact-finding and recommendations
25 and that all remaining issues would be referred to local negotia-
26 tions. Pursuant to that agreement, the Panel was appointed.

1 to remove the inequity.

2 The Hospitals contended that nurses' salaries were appro-
3 priately adjusted by the interim increase made effective on
4 July 17, 1966. They pointed out that Bay Area salaries for
5 nurses, after the adjustment, compared favorably with the
6 highest non-governmental salaries for nurses in other major
7 cities, that the new rate was 13.5% above the negotiated salary
8 rate that had resulted from many years of collective bargaining,
9 that it was the largest increase the nurses had ever received,
10 and that, therefore, recognition had been given to the nurses'
11 changed job content and such inequity as may have existed had
12 been cured. Moreover, the Hospitals stated, the interim adjust-
13 ment had resulted in placing the nurses in the traditional
14 pattern of relationships with other hospital classifications.

15 The Hospitals argued, further, that the base salary for
16 nurses should remain at the level of the interim adjustment to
17 permit reasonable recognition of job differences when a
18 classification system is negotiated. The Hospitals supported
19 development of a classification plan and urged that the study
20 should be in depth, that it should be carried out in accordance
21 with accepted principles, and that matters properly included in
22 a classification system should not be acted upon by the Panel
23 but should be considered by the parties in relation to the
24 classification plan. With regard to the fringe items, the
25 Hospitals cited the shortage of nurses and asked the Panel to
26 recommend against proposals that would remove nurses from their

1 jobs for an increased amount of time. They claimed that present
2 fringe policies are in line with prevailing practice in industry
3 generally and pointed to the substantial cost of many of the CNA
4 proposals. Finally, the Hospitals noted that cost increases
5 resiting from settlement of this dispute will necessarily be
6 borne by the patients, since hospitals have no margin to absorb
7 them. They urged that the Panel consider equity for the
8 patients and the public, as well as for the nurses, in determin-
9 ing their recommendations.

10 Discussion

11 Salary Levels

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13 The major issue in dispute is the amount by which present
14 salary ranges for general-duty nurses should be increased.
15 Prior to July 17, 1966, salary ranges for general-duty nurses
16 approximated \$435 - \$500 but were not identical among the
17 hospitals involved in this proceeding. The interim adjustment
18 made effective on that date established a range of \$500 - \$570
19 per month in all of the hospitals covered by the Memorandum of
20 Understanding. The CNA has proposed a further increase to a
21 range of \$600 - \$730 per month, retroactive to July 17, 1966,
22 and subsequent adjustments to \$644 - \$862, effective January 1,
23 1967 to December 31, 1967, and \$745 - \$998, effective January 1,
24 1968 to December 31, 1968. In each case a rate below the mini-
25 mum of the range was proposed for nurses with less than one
26 year of experience. Thus, the Panel is asked to determine the

1 appropriateness and fairness of the interim salary scale, to
2 recommend whether or not a further increase retroactive to
3 July 17, 1966 should be recommended, and, in addition, to
4 recommend salary scales covering the period from January 1,
5 1967 to December 31, 1968.

6 A. Changes in Job Content

7 Historically, the role of the nurse has always been that of
8 providing direct patient care under the medical direction of a
9 physician. She has administered medication and has observed
10 patient condition and has reported to the physician, alerting
11 him when in her judgment the patient's condition warranted such
12 a course. This basic role remains unchanged. The modifications
13 in the content of the job the nurse performs have arisen from
14 changes in the environment in which her role is now carried out,
15 changes which have materially affected the nursing function.
16 Broadly, this result derives from (1) changes in medical science
17 and equipment, (2) the leadership function that has accrued
18 to the registered nurse, and (3) changes in medical practice
19 resulting in more responsible duties.

20 Advances in medical science and equipment have created a
21 potential for preservation of life and restoration to health in
22 many situations formerly beyond hope of accomplishment. Closed
23 and open heart surgery, brain surgery, chest surgery, surgical
24 procedures and therapy in the treatment of cancer, for example,
25 have saved many lives. At the same time, these complex
26 procedures have resulted in increasing the number of hospital

1 patients in extremely critical condition. While observation of
2 patients has always been a function of the nurse, her
3 responsibility becomes sharply increased when that observation
4 includes large numbers of such critically-ill patients. Thus,
5 because of such new medical techniques, evidence presented to
6 the Panel indicates that an individual nurse will normally be
7 required to be responsible for the care of a higher proportion
8 of critically-ill patients than in past years. Moreover, in
9 part because of this change, she now must perform certain
10 functions formerly performed only by physicians because life-
11 saving procedures must be instituted promptly, sometimes before
12 the physician can arrive. Finally, nurses must now know how to
13 utilize and monitor recordings on complex new medical apparatus,
14 such as cardiac monitoring equipment, thermal equipment,
15 intermittent positive pressure breathing machines, suction
16 equipment, or other types of apparatus. Although it was clear
17 from the evidence that all nurses do not perform all of these
18 functions, unquestionably there is sufficient use of new
19 complex equipment to have increased the job-content requirements
20 for staff nurses generally.

21 A second area of increased responsibility results from the
22 modifications in nursing-staff structure that have occurred in
23 recent years. Almost universally, on present-day hospital
24 staffs, registered nurses are responsible for supervising
25 other licensed and unlicensed hospital personnel. Evidence
26 presented to the Panel indicated the typical structure of a

1 nursing-care unit to be composed of one registered nurse with
2 varying numbers of licensed vocational nurses and nurses'
3 aides assigned to provide patient care under direction of the
4 registered nurse. Unlike the former structure in which the
5 registered nurse provided direct bedside care to a more
6 limited number of patients and shared responsibility for the
7 unit with other registered nurses similarly assigned, the full
8 nursing responsibility now usually rests upon a single
9 registered nurse. Thus, she now is responsible for a larger
10 total number of patients and for directing their care through
11 subordinates. The attributes of a supervisory role include
12 both responsibility for training subordinates to perform more
13 effectively and responsibility for the work carried out by
14 subordinates. The new leadership role of the registered nurse
15 covers such responsibilities though she is not technically
16 considered a supervisor. She has assumed this broader function
17 without any reduction in the level of responsibility she con-
18 tinues to have in her more traditional role of providing direct
19 patient care.

20 A third factor which has significance in evaluating changes
21 in the job content of general-duty nurses is the reduction
22 in the average length of stay of hospital patients. Formerly,
23 patients remained in hospitals during substantial periods of
24 convalescence. The current trend is to release patients as
25 soon as possible to complete the convalescent period at home.
26 One effect of this change is to increase the proportion of

1 more seriously ill patients under nursing care at any given time,
2 and consequently to increase the degree of nursing responsibility
3 inherent in maintaining observation of patients. Important
4 among the advances made in medicine is the advent of a wide
5 range of new drugs. Remarkable as they are in their curative
6 powers, these drugs or many of them may produce dangerous
7 side effects, and if normal doses are exceeded these drugs may
8 have harmful, even lethal, results. Although the responsibility
9 for prescribing such drugs is the doctor's, the nurse must be
10 alert to dangerous side effects and must know the customary
11 doses. Thus, advances in pharmacology have given a new
12 dimension to the nurses' responsibility for administering medica-
13 tion.

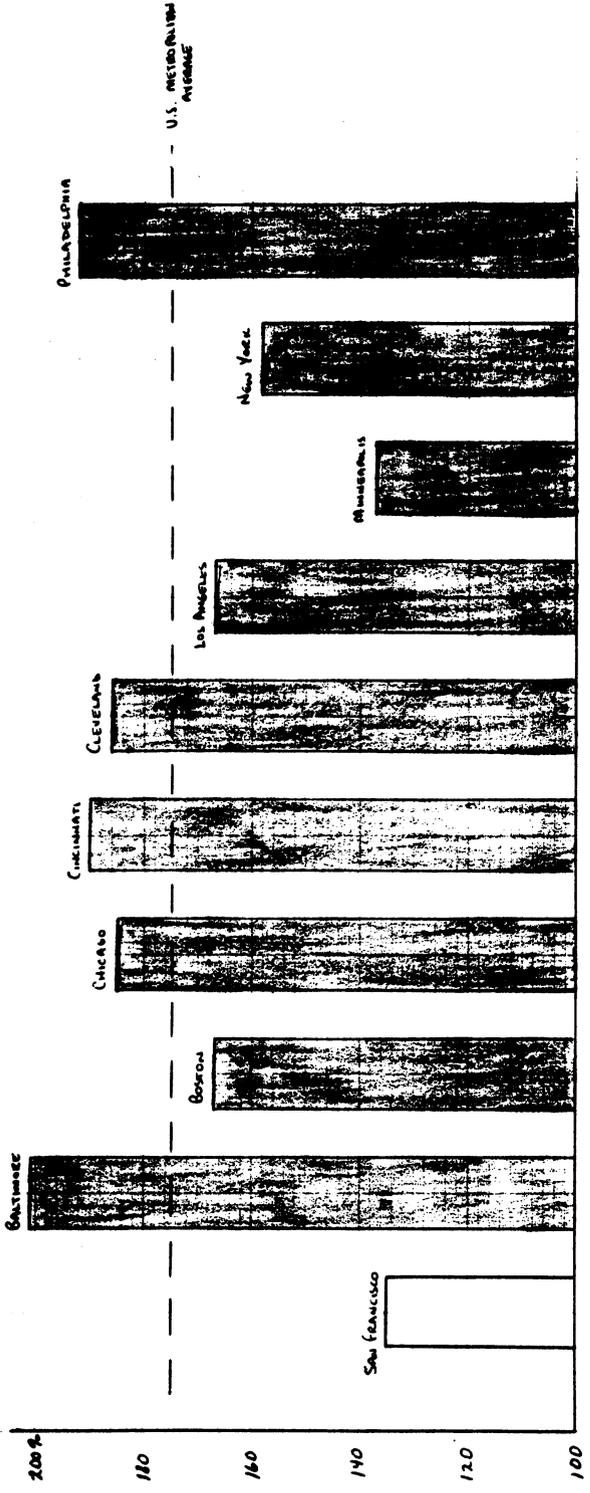
14 The Panel finds the evidence convincing that there has been
15 a substantial change in the functions of the nurses, that the
16 change has added additional duties and has significantly
17 increased the responsibilities assigned to general-duty nurses.

18 B. Salary Comparisons

19 A major consideration urged in support of an increase in
20 the basic compensation for nurses is that the wages of nurses
21 have not been increasing as rapidly as the compensation of other
22 hospital personnel.

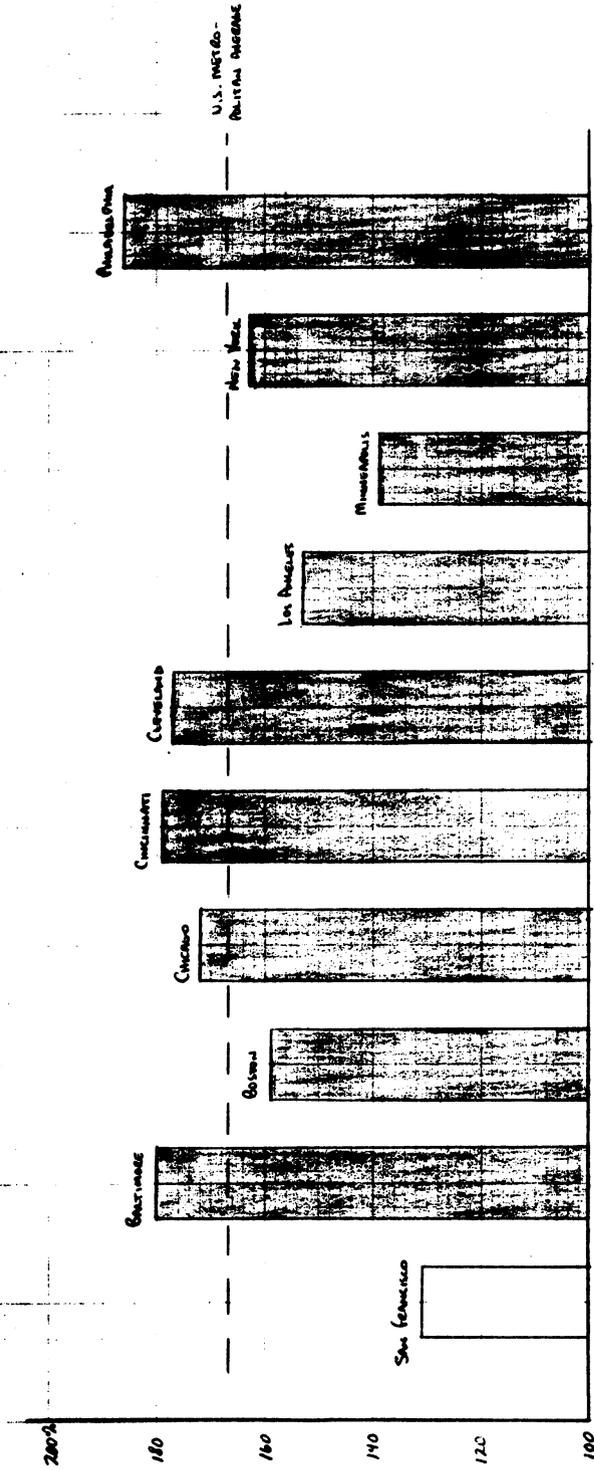
23 The latest data available on compensation in hospitals
24 are found in Industry Wage Survey, Hospitals, Mid 1963, a
25 Bureau of Labor Statistics publication that was made part of
26 the record of this hearing by the parties. It may be interesting

CHART 1
GENERAL DUTY NURSES' AVERAGE EARNINGS AS A PERCENTAGE OF MAIDS' AVERAGE EARNINGS¹



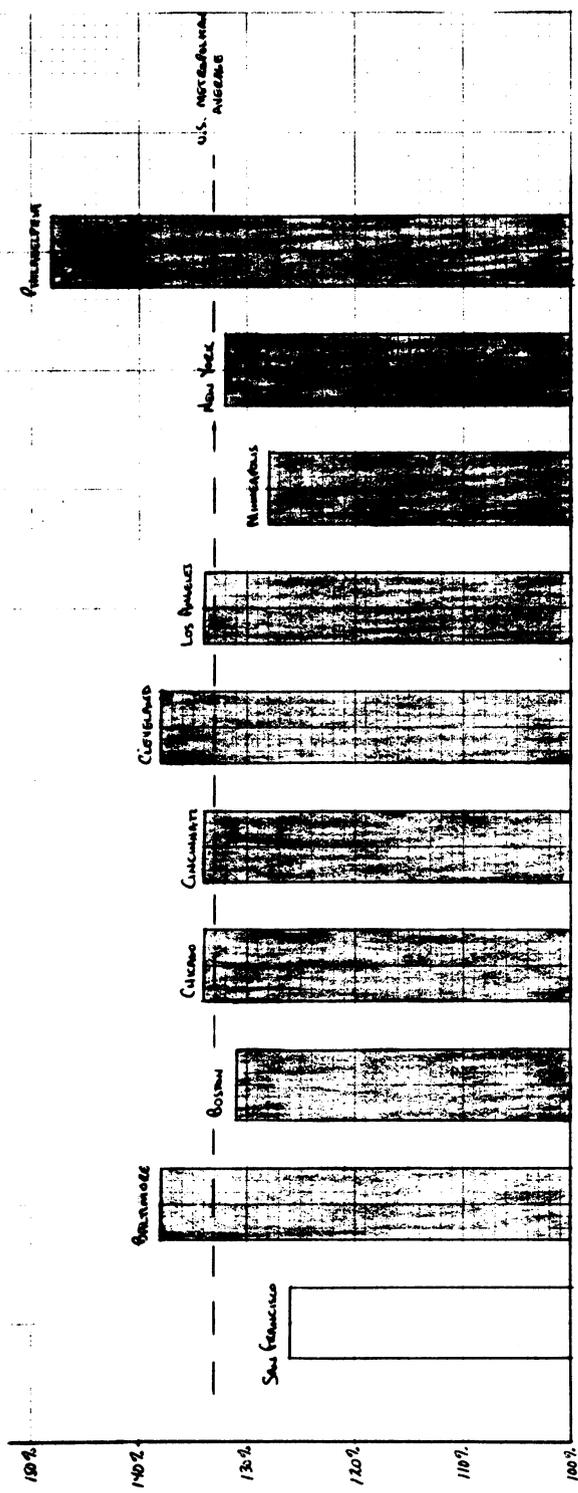
¹ SOURCE: INDUSTRIAL WAGE SURVEY: NURSING, 1910-1923,
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CHART 2
GENERAL DUTY AVERAGES' AVERAGE ENCOMAS AS A PERCENTAGE OF NORMAL AINS' AVERAGE ENCOMAS *



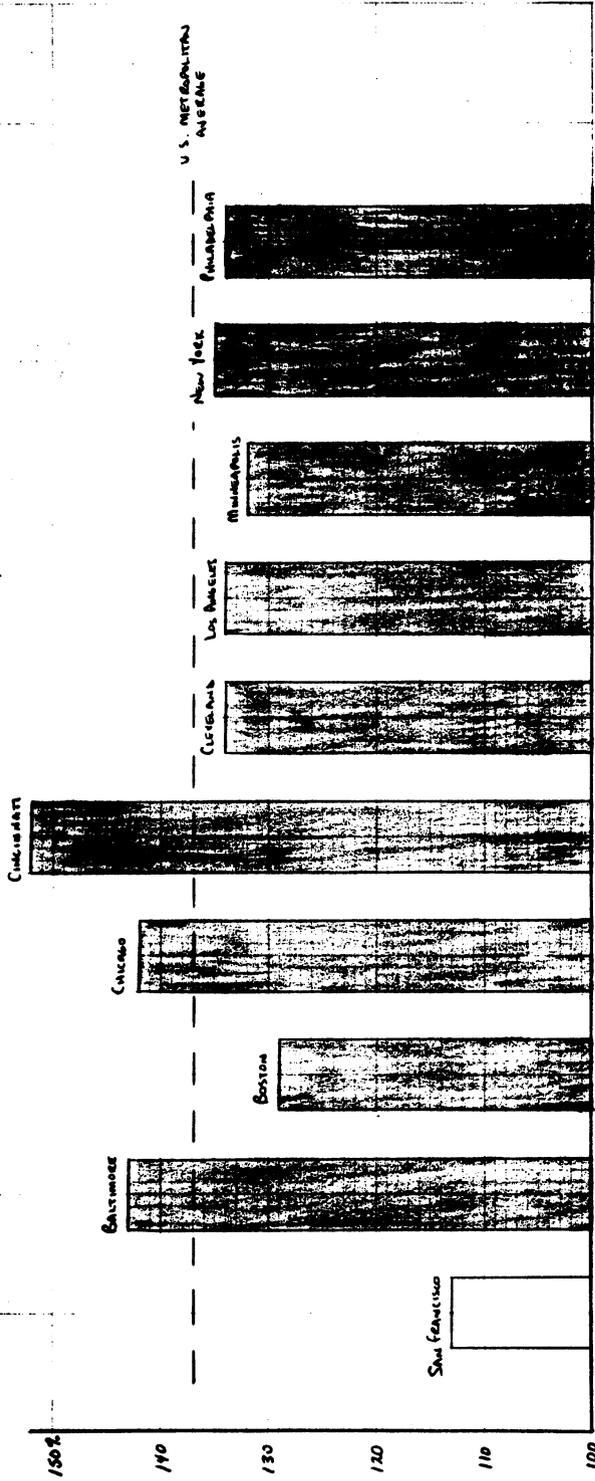
* SOURCE: JANUARY WAGE SURVEY, HARVARD, 1919-1927,
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CHART 3
 GENERAL DUTY BUSSES' AVERAGE EARNINGS AS A PERCENTAGE OF LICENSED PEACHERS' AVERAGE EARNINGS*



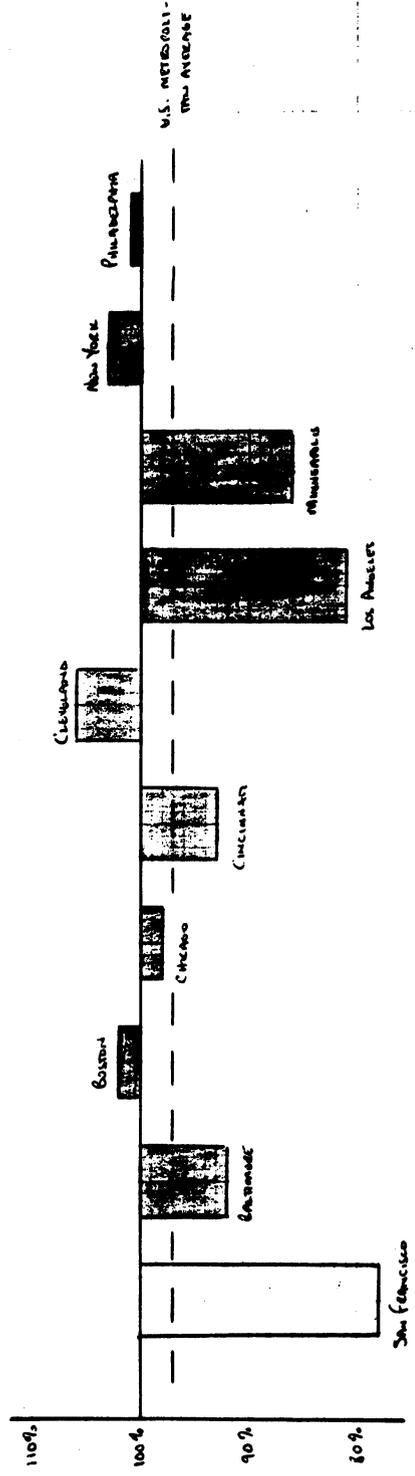
* SOURCE: INDUSTRY WAGE SURVEY: HOUSINGS, MAR-1963,
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CHART 4
 GENERAL DRY STATES' AVERAGE ENEMIES AS A PERCENTAGE OF SWETENBORNS' AVERAGE ENEMIES *



* SOURCE: INDUSTRY WAGE SURVEY: MIDWESTS, 1910-1913,
 U.S. DEPT. OF LABOR, BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS,
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CHART 5
GENERAL DUTY NURSES' AVERAGE EARNINGS AS A PERCENTAGE OF MEDICAL TECHNOLOGISTS' AVERAGE EARNINGS *

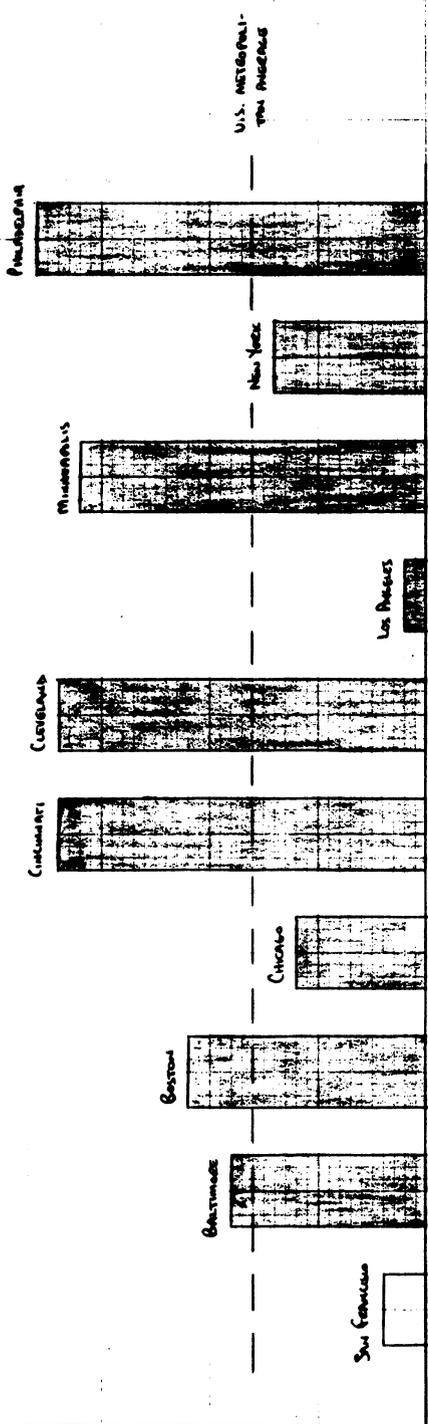


* SOURCE: SURVEY OF NURSE SALARIES: HOSPITALS, MEDICAL
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CHART 6
 GENERAL DUTY MACHINISTS' AVERAGE EARNINGS AS A PERCENTAGE OF X-RAY TECHNICIANS' AVERAGE EARNINGS *

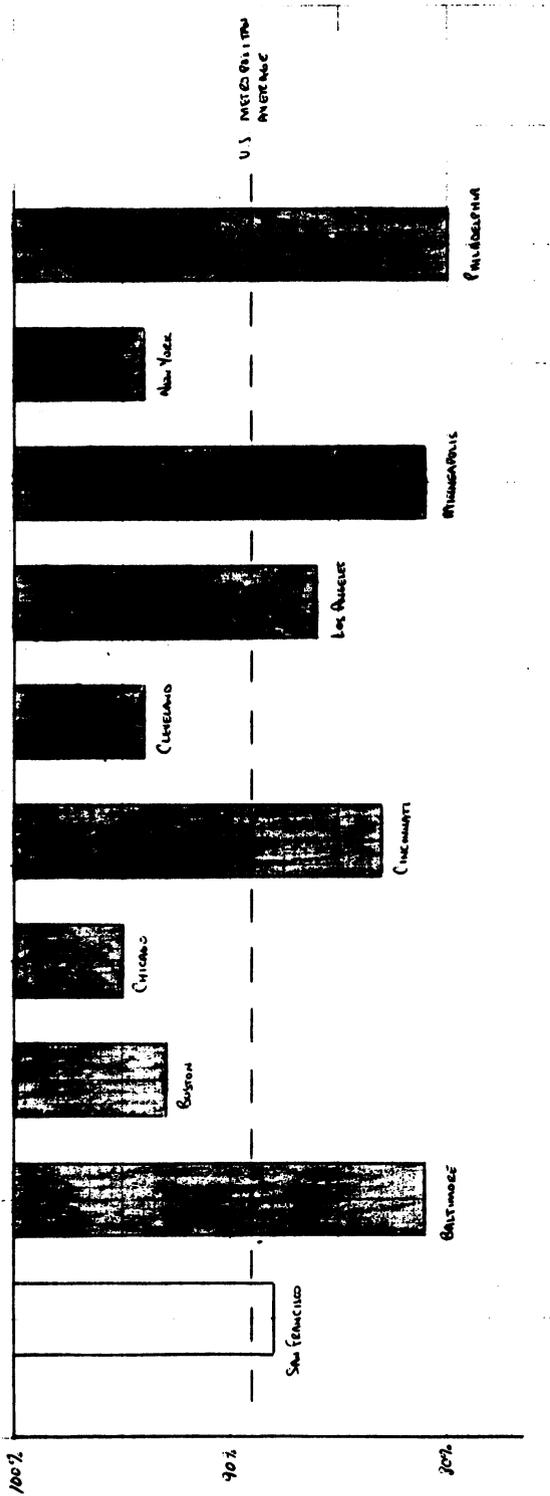
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* SOURCE: INDUSTRY WAGE SURVEY: MACHINISTS, MAR. 1963,
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CHART 7
GENERAL DUTY NURSES' AVERAGE EARNINGS AS A PERCENTAGE OF PHYSICIAN EARNINGS: AVERAGE EARNINGS*



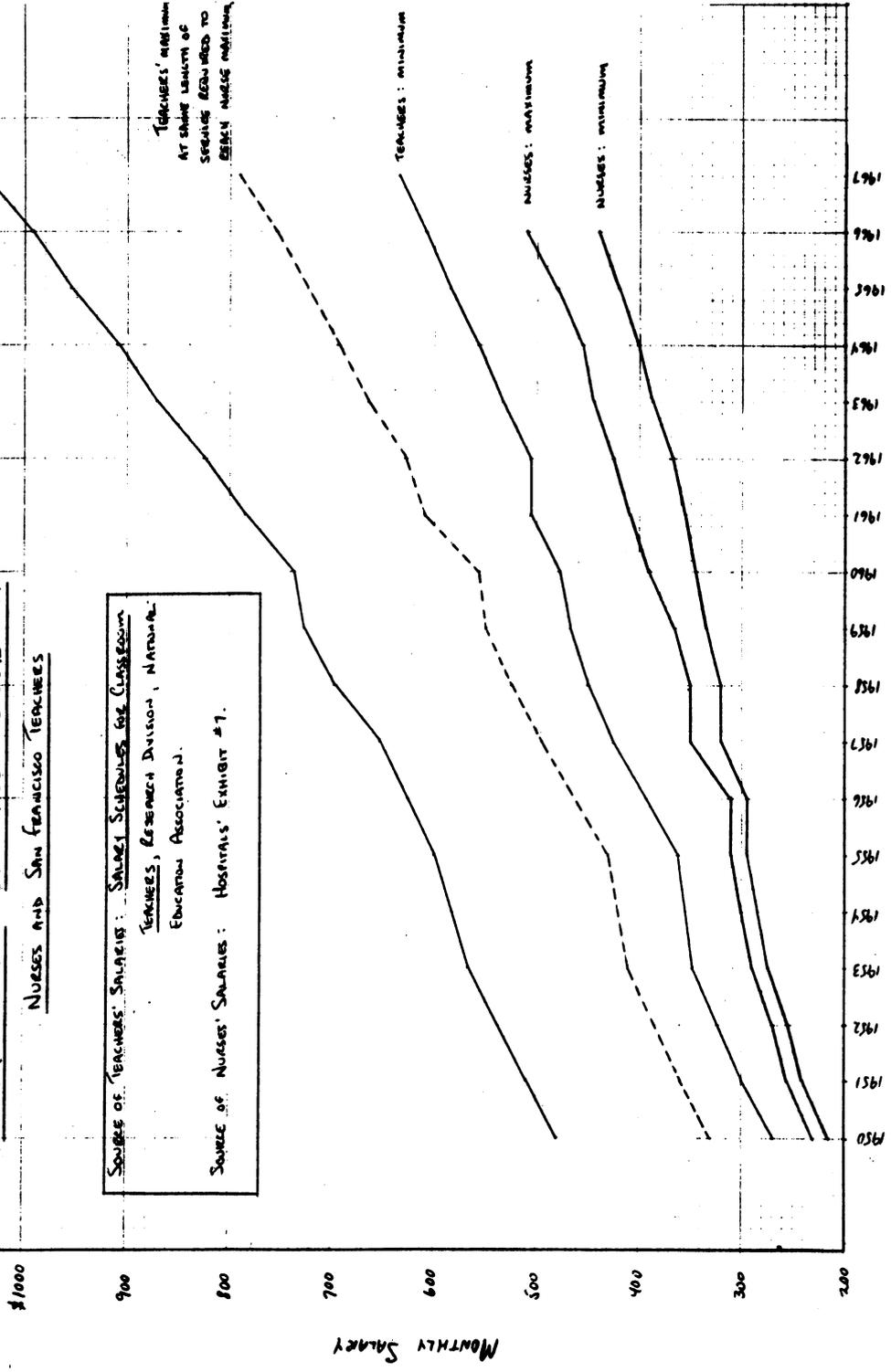
A SOURCE: SURVEY OF NURSES' AVERAGE EARNINGS: 1943-1945, M.B. 1945,
 U.S. DEPT. OF LABOR, BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS,
 BUREAU NO. 1409.

Chart 8

SALARY SCHEDULES: SAN FRANCISCO GENERAL DUTY
NURSES AND SAN FRANCISCO TEACHERS

SOURCE OF TEACHERS' SALARIES: SALARY SCHEDULES FOR CLASSROOM
TEACHERS, RESEARCH DIVISION, NATIONAL
EDUCATION ASSOCIATION.

SOURCE OF NURSES' SALARIES: HOSPITALS' EXHIBIT #7.



YEAR (GRAPH PLOTS SALARY IN EFFECT IN JANUARY)

1 to compare the compensation of nurses in terms of the compensa-
2 tion of other hospital groups, both for major metropolitan
3 areas and for the United States as a whole. This is done in
4 Table I and in the charts that follow.

5 Table 1 shows for all metropolitan areas in the United
6 States and for a number of selected cities compensation of
7 general duty nurses as a percentage of the compensation of
8 a number of selected occupations in hospitals. In each case
9 the salary is the arithmetic mean for the occupation in
10 question. For example, Table 1 shows that the average
11 compensation for nurses in all metropolitan areas was 175
12 percent of average compensation for maids. It shows that in
13 San Francisco average compensation for nurses was 135 percent
14 of the compensation for maids. Similar comparisons are made
15 between the compensation for nurses and for selected classes
16 of hospital employees for all metropolitan areas and for
17 selected cities. These comparisons are also shown graphically
18 in Charts 1 to 7 that follow.

19 Chart 1, for example, shows that in mid-1963 compensation
20 for nurses in San Francisco, when stated as a percentage of
21 the compensation of maids in hospitals, was lower in San
22 Francisco than throughout all metropolitan areas in the
23 United States and in the other cities shown on the chart.
24 The other charts make similar comparisons, stating compensation
25 for nurses as percentages of compensation paid to other
26 classifications of hospital workers.

TABLE 1 - GENERAL-DUTY NURSES'
AVERAGE EARNINGS AS A PERCENTAGE OF
AVERAGE EARNINGS OF OTHER HOSPITAL EMPLOYEES*

	All U.S.										
	Metropolitan Areas	San Francisco	Baltimore	Boston	Chicago	Cincinnati	Cleveland	Los Angeles	Minneapolis	New York	Phila.
Maids	175%	135%	201%	167%	185%						
Nursing Aids, Female	167	131	180	159	172						
Licensed Practical Nurses	133	126	138	131	134						
Switchboard Operators	137	113	143	129	142						
Medical Technologists	97	78	92	102	98						
X-Ray Technicians	108	102	109	111	106						
Physical Therapists	89	88	81	93	95						
Maids	190%	186%	167%	137%	158%						
Nursing Aids, Female	179	177	153	139	163						
Licensed Practical Nurses	134	138	130	128	132						
Switchboard Operators	142	134	134	132	135						
Medical Technologists	98	106	81	86	103						
X-Ray Technicians	106	117	101	116	107						
Physical Therapists	95	94	86	81	94						

*Source: Industry Wage Survey: Hospitals, Mid-1963
U. S. Dept. of Labor, Bureau of Labor
Statistics, Bull. No. 1409

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1 In general, it may be said that the data in Table 1 and
2 in the charts show that in mid-1963 nurses' compensation was
3 a very much lower percentage of the compensation of unskilled
4 hospital workers in San Francisco than in major metropolitan
5 areas. Nurses in San Francisco also compared unfavorably with
6 nurses elsewhere when their salary was stated in terms of the
7 salary paid to the switchboard operator. When nurses' compensa-
8 tion was stated in terms of the earnings of medical technologists
9 the San Francisco nurse fell quite far below the national
10 average, 78 percent as compared to 97 percent.

11 These comparisons might be made even more relevant. For
12 example, in mid-1963 throughout metropolitan areas in the
13 United States, the average compensation of the general-duty
14 nurse was 175 percent of the maid's salary; if this same
15 relationship prevailed today in San Francisco the nurse's
16 average compensation would be in excess of \$600. (Hospitals'
17 Exhibit 101 shows the maids in the Associated Hospitals as
18 receiving a range from \$337.13 to \$350.13, whereas in the
19 Affiliated Hospitals the comparable range is from \$355.77 to
20 \$368.77.) Hospitals' Exhibit 96 shows the average for medical
21 technologists as \$592.95. The effective date for this average
22 is not shown. If nurses in San Francisco were paid the percent-
23 age of San Francisco technologists' earnings that is character-
24 istic of the relationship that prevails between earnings in
25 these two occupations throughout metropolitan areas, 97 percent,
26 San Francisco nurses would have been earning \$575.16 per month

1 when the data were gathered for Hospitals' Exhibit 96.

2 A second consideration urged by CNA is that compensation
3 for nurses is below compensation for other comparable professions
4 and notably below that of teachers. Minimum and maximum monthly
5 salaries for San Francisco nurses and teachers are plotted in
6 Chart 8 for the period from January 1959 to January 1967*.
7 Teachers' salaries for San Francisco and Oakland were obtained
8 from Salary Schedules for Classroom Teachers, a yearly publica-
9 tion prepared by the Research Division of the National Education
10 Association. The minimum and maximum rates shown are for a
11 teacher with a Bachelors' Degree or its equivalent. Monthly
12 figures were obtained by dividing the annual salary by ten.
13 Also shown is the maximum to which the teacher's salary may rise
14 after the length of service required by nurses to reach their
15 maximum, that is, after five years.

16 The salary scales in the various hospitals party to this
17 fact-finding were not precisely uniform for the period covered
18 by this exhibit. The salary data plotted, taken from CNA Exhibit
19 50, are representative. See also Hospitals' Exhibit 7.

20 Some question may be raised about the propriety of showing
21 the teacher's monthly salary as one-tenth of her annual salary.
22 But as the essential comparison made in Chart 8 is in terms of
23 relative movement of the salaries, this procedure does not affect
24 the result.

25 A glance at the curve identified as "teachers' minimum"
26 shows that it rises in almost a straight line, that is, the

*Basic data for this construction are found in Appendix C.

1 salary increases at a fairly constant rate. Minimum teachers'
2 salaries rose from \$300 per month in 1951 to \$636 in July 1966;
3 that is an increase of \$336 in 16 years. If minimum salaries
4 for nurses had moved in similar fashion, they would have advanced
5 from \$240 in 1951 to \$576 by mid-1966. Other features of this
6 chart deserve comment. While in the beginning of 1966 there was
7 a spread of \$169 between minimum salaries for nurses and teachers,
8 there was a spread of \$482 between maximum salaries. The
9 teachers' minimum was 38 percent greater than the nurses' minimum,
10 but the teachers' maximum was 95 percent greater than the nurses'
11 maximum.

12 Measured by the typical differential that exists between
13 the compensation of nurses and the compensation of nurses' aides
14 and service personnel or by the characteristic relationship be-
15 tween the salaries of nurses and medical technicians, the dis-
16 parity in the compensation of nurses in the San Francisco Bay
17 Area is large. The comparison of the compensation of nurses and
18 teachers leads to a similar conclusion. The minimum monthly
19 salary of teachers rose \$309 between January 1951 and January
20 1966, an increase of 103 percent; during the same period the
21 monthly minimum salary of nurses rose \$200, or 89 percent. In
22 comparing increases in minimum salaries of employee groups
23 absolute increases (as contrasted to relative or percentage in-
24 creases) deserve to be given considerable weight. If minimum
25 salaries of nurses had increased by the same absolute amounts as
26 the starting salaries of teachers since 1951, nurses would have

1 been receiving minimums of \$549 per month in January and \$576 in
2 July 1966. Moreover, the Panel doubts that the difference in the
3 starting rates of classroom teachers and nurses, well in excess
4 of \$100, reflects a comparable difference in training and
5 responsibility.

6 In the Panel's judgment the evidence just discussed suggests
7 that an inequity exists in the compensation of nurses in the San
8 Francisco Bay Area.

9 C. The San Francisco Bay Area

10 Both the CNA and the Hospitals placed in evidence certain
11 wage statistics for other occupations and other industries in the
12 San Francisco area, showing their relationship to wage levels in
13 other cities. Data provided by the CNA tended to show San
14 Francisco wage levels at or near the top in all comparisons. The
15 Hospitals cited other statistics indicating that in many instances
16 San Francisco wages were not in top position and pointed out,
17 further, that wage levels in the surrounding Bay Area were some-
18 times below those in San Francisco. However, the amount of such
19 data in the record, supplied by both parties, provides an
20 inadequate basis for any clear determination by this Panel that
21 San Francisco ranks first, second, or lower among major cities
22 with respect to average wage levels. Nor is a determination
23 necessary. Wage comparisons with unrelated jobs in other
24 industries can provide only general background for determination
25 of pay issues,

26 Nevertheless, the Panel cannot completely ignore the

1 situation reflected in the record and in other published data.
2 The Bureau of Labor Statistics family budget survey shows San
3 Francisco to be a high-cost-of-living area. The exhibits
4 reflect the fact that the city is a high-wage area. In the past
5 the salaries for nurses in Bay Area hospitals have tended to be
6 in the upper levels of salaries in hospitals in other major cities,
7 thus conforming to the pattern in industry generally. For this
8 reason the Panel believes that it should give weight to recent
9 changes in salaries for nurses in other high-wage-area cities.

10 Inter-urban comparisons of nurses' compensation at this
11 time must be considered unreliable because nurses' salaries are
12 extremely fluid. Substantial changes are occurring rapidly in
13 many cities. With full recognition of that fact, the Panel has
14 examined salary adjustments recently made effective in New York
15 and Los Angeles. Pursuant to the recommendations of an
16 arbitrator, staff nurses in New York City hospitals received an
17 increase of \$900 in annual salaries, resulting in a range of
18 \$6050 - \$7490, effective January 1, 1966, and provision for a
19 further increase of \$350 to be effective January 1, 1967, result-
20 ing in ranges of \$6400 - \$8200. Similarly, the following
21 recommendations made by a consulting firm, an increase of more
22 than \$1300 annually has been agreed upon for nurses in Los
23 Angeles, resulting in ranges of \$6600 - \$7800 effective September
24 1, 1966. The nurses in Los Angeles, however, refused to agree
25 to the amount of a second increase proposed by the consultant to
26 become effective April 1, 1967, which would have resulted in a

1 range for staff nurse of \$6840 - \$8100. The amount of that second
2 increase has not yet been determined.

3 The Panel finds that San Francisco is among the group of
4 cities considered as high-cost-of-living and high-wage areas. It
5 finds, further, that salary increases for nurses in the general
6 magnitude of \$1200 to \$1300 annually have recently been recommend-
7 ed by third parties and the recommendations have been adopted in
8 two other cities which also generally are classed in the high-
9 cost-of-living and high-wage-area group, one of them the major
10 metropolitan area closest to San Francisco. All of these facts
11 the Panel considers factors of some significance for its
12 recommendations for the Bay Area.

13 The Panel concludes, therefore, that despite the interim
14 adjustment of July 1966, an inequity continues to exist in the
15 salary level for nurses in the San Francisco Bay Area; that
16 changes have occurred in the duties and responsibilities of
17 registered nurses employed in hospitals; that these changes
18 warrant a reevaluation of the relative position of nurses compared
19 with other hospital personnel in the current hospital salary
20 structure; that, despite increased responsibility, nurses in the
21 Bay Area have failed even to maintain their salary position of a
22 decade and more ago compared with other hospital personnel and
23 other comparable professions in the area; and that salaries for
24 nurses in other comparable cities have moved significantly ahead
25 of those now in effect in the San Francisco Bay Area. On the
26 basis of these facts, the Panel concludes further that a

1 substantial salary increase for nurses should be recommended in
 2 this case. Regard for probable increased costs to the public, to
 3 which the Panel has given consideration, should not be a basis
 4 for continuation of an inequitable condition which requires one
 5 group of employees to contribute more than its fair share to the
 6 public welfare. The Panel recommends the following salary ranges:

<u>Effective</u>	<u>1st</u> <u>Year</u>	<u>2nd</u> <u>Year</u>	<u>3rd</u> <u>Year</u>	<u>4th</u> <u>Year</u>	<u>5th Yr. &</u> <u>Thereafter</u>
7/17/66	\$525	\$540	\$555	\$575	\$595
10/24/66	550	565	580	600	620
1/1/67 *Staff Nurse I, \$550					
1/1/67 Staff Nurse II	575	600	625	650	675
4/1/67 *Staff Nurse I, \$575					
4/1/67 Staff Nurse II	600	625	650	675	700

Classification

16 The CNA has proposed that a classification plan be establish-
 17 ed in the Bay Area hospitals that will give recognition to quali-
 18 ties such as greater education, including continuing education,
 19 in-service training, superior performance, or greater skills which
 20 an individual registered nurse may bring to the job. The CNA
 21 notes that all nurses are not equal in these respects and urges
 22 that superior achievement and performance be encouraged and

24 *Staff Nurse I is an R.N. with less than three months of
 25 hospital, clinic or similar nursing experience. She will
 26 move automatically to Staff Nurse II on completing a
 total of three (3) months of such nursing experience.

Basic wages in effect until December 31, 1967.

1 recognized. The CNA position is set forth more fully in Guide
2 on Recommended Personnel Policies (CNA Exhibit 52). Representa-
3 tives of the hospitals have indicated acquiescence to developing
4 a classification system and have participated in some preliminary
5 discussions of it.

6 In supporting the idea of a classification plan, however,
7 the Hospitals urge most strongly that the parties use accepted
8 methods of job evaluation and examine carefully each step of the
9 process in relation to their own situation. To function well, a
10 classification plan must be designed for the conditions to which
11 it will be applied. Normally, such plans are not readily trans-
12 ferable from one operation to another, and even when used within
13 the same industry may require modifications to fit the peculiar
14 organization of an individual institution.

15 A classification plan, the Hospitals observe, must have
16 objective features. It should incorporate clear job definitions
17 which are based on adequate job descriptions. The logic of job
18 evaluation is that it differentiates between the qualifications
19 required by different jobs on the basis of differences in
20 elements that comprise each job. Thus the development of a
21 classification plan calls for an analysis of job elements or
22 factors. At each stage the process requires study and care; it
23 also may require considerable time. Many job evaluation plans
24 have been developed through this procedure, some of them in
25 hospitals. The Hospitals believe that the parties should explore
26 carefully past experience in this area. They observe further

1 that classification is related only remotely to salaries. A
2 classification and evaluation system effects a relative ranking
3 of jobs according to the relative demands they make on job-holders
4 in terms of training, experience, responsibilities, etc.; the
5 setting of salary scales is a procedure of pricing the jobs in
6 accordance with the ranking that has already been made through
7 the process of job evaluation.

8 The Hospitals have directed the attention of the Panel to one
9 further point. The present undifferentiated salary structure pro-
10 vides automatic increments based on tenure. Where salary ranges
11 exist in job-classification systems, the range normally is used
12 to recognize superior job performance in the form of merit
13 increases within the range, Classification plans thus distinguish
14 between the individual incumbent and the job content. The job
15 is ranked according to such factors as qualifications required,
16 duties, and responsibilities; evaluation of individual performance
17 permits salary advances within the range applicable to that job.
18 The Hospitals suggest that in order to recognize superior per-
19 formance, the parties may wish at some future date to reconsider
20 their present structure of automatic within-grade salary increases
21 based upon tenure alone.

22 From what has been said it is clear that the Panel, with its
23 extremely limited knowledge of hospital organization in general
24 and of the differing systems of organization among the hospitals
25 party to this proceeding, is wholly unable to devise a job
26 classification system for the parties. For this reason they have

1 referred this issue back to the parties for negotiation, referring
2 at the same time a number of issues that are properly part of or
3 related to the classification issue.

4 In addition to recommending negotiation of these classifica-
5 tion issues and to afford the parties the greatest possible
6 flexibility, the Panel has also recommended a simultaneous wage
7 reopening. To be of the greatest possible assistance to the
8 parties the Panel has decided to retain some measure of jurisdic-
9 tion in this case pending agreement on these matters that are now
10 subject or will become subject to negotiations. The Panel there-
11 fore instructs the parties to inform it of their progress in
12 periodic reports on negotiations.

13 Specifically the Panel recommends all of the following items
14 be made subject to negotiation which shall commence no later than
15 January 1, 1967, and conclude no later than October 1, 1967. The
16 parties will report to the Fact-Finding Panel every sixty days
17 the status of negotiations on these matters. If the parties
18 cannot agree on these items they shall be subject to the continu-
19 ing jurisdiction of this fact-finding board. Effective date of
20 negotiated settlement or fact-finding recommendations will be
21 January 1, 1968:

- 22 1. Classifications to be negotiated:
23 Job content of Clinical Staff Nurse I, II and
24 III, Head Nurse, Supervisor and the applicable
25 differentials, if any.
- 26 2. Tenure credit for experience (Item No. 5 CNA
Exhibit 39).
3. Promotion (Item No. 6, CNA Exhibit 39).

1 seven. The Panel believes that the record supports a recommenda-
2 tion of eight holidays. Certain considerations suggest that the
3 added holiday should be the individual's birthday.

4 3. Holidays Worked (Item No. 10, CNA Exhibit 39).

5 CNA in its Exhibit 39 said with respect to this issue:

6 Currently most nurses (75% according to CNA
7 Questionnaire) work on holidays. When they
8 work they are given another day off with
9 straight-time pay within 30 days. This is
10 not premium payment, but rather a postponement
11 of the holiday.

12 The practice in other industries, for many years,
13 has been to pay a premium in cash. The next CNA
14 exhibit shows that 94% of workers covered by con-
15 tracts in this metropolitan area receive premium
16 pay; the greatest percentage receiving double-time.

17 The CNA proposal amounts to 1/2 pay additional,
18 since the nurse does get another day off with pay.
19 The proposal is modest, we believe, in view of the
20 constant inconvenience, and the comparative data above.

21 The Panel believes that the nurse who is obliged to work on
22 one of the scheduled holidays should be paid a premium (time and
23 one-half rate) for the inconvenience of working the holiday. In
24 addition, she should receive holiday pay for the holiday if she
25 qualifies for it under the agreement.

26 4. Shift Differential (Item No. 14, CNA Exhibit 39).

In discussing this proposal CNA said in its Exhibit 39

Most of the San Francisco non-governmental
hospitals now pay 9% of the first-year rate for
the 3-to-11 shift, and 6% of the first-year
rate for the 11-to-7 shift.

S.F. City and County and U.C. Hospitals pay 10%
above the nurses' regular rate. In S.F. City and
County facilities the 10% differential amounts to
a prevailing payment of \$62 to \$75 depending upon
the tenure step of the nurse.

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1 In view of the difficulty in hiring nurses, par-
2 ticularly for the 3-to-11 shift, because these
3 are the social hours; and in view of the reports
4 that evening and night nurses have heavier patient
5 loads, the CNA proposal does not seem unreasonable
6 as a recruiting device.

7 The Panel believes that the record justifies a recommenda-
8 tion of a shift differential of 9 percent of the first-year rate
9 of Staff Nurse II (See Item No. 1 of the Panel's recommendation
10 below) for the shift that begins in the afternoon (at about 3 or
11 4 p.m.) and 6 percent of that rate for the shift that begins at
12 night (about 11 p.m. or midnight).

13 5. Automatic Approval of Leaves for Professional
14 Activities (Item No. 18, CNA Exhibit 39).

15 CNA Exhibit 39 summarized the CNA position on this
16 proposal as follows:

17 The nursing profession, and nursing organizations,
18 like other professions and professional organiza-
19 tions, are involved, from time to time, in activi-
20 ties such as educational conferences, conventions,
21 seminars, committee meetings, study groups, legis-
22 lative hearings, etc.;

23 Many nurses wish to participate, but generally have
24 difficulty obtaining such leaves. (There are
25 exceptions, however.)

26 Participation is important, not only to the
individual R.N. but also to nurse colleagues,
patients and employers of nurses.

CNA proposes automatic approval of such leaves
for legitimate professional activities, without
pay, but without change of anniversary date.

The Panel agrees with CNA that the desires of nurses to
improve their competence and to keep abreast of developments
within their profession should be encouraged. At the same time

1 it recognizes that in considering requests for leaves, hospital
2 administrators must always be guided by the staffing needs of
3 the hospital. The Panel's recommendation in this matter says in
4 effect that legitimate requests of nurses for leaves to partici-
5 pate in professional activities should be granted if staffing
6 needs of the hospital permit. It does not recommend automatic
7 leaves in the sense that a request must be approved once it has
8 been made. It leaves the hospital administration the judge of
9 its staffing needs, but assumes that it will act in good faith.

10 6. Dental Insurance (Item No. 25, CNA Exhibit 39).

11 In its summary of the CNA position on this
12 matter, CNA Exhibit 39 said:

13 Paid Dental Insurance is becoming a part of many
14 union Agreements in the Bay Area and in
California generally.

15 According to the California Dental Service in San
16 Francisco, an organization which sells such insur-
17 ance, approximately 546,000 men, women and children
in the Bay Area are now covered by Dental Insurance
fully paid by employers, usually at 5¢ per hour.

18 This proposal contemplates a relatively costly new fringe
19 benefit. The Panel's recommendation would oblige the hospitals
20 to discuss this matter with CNA prior to January 1, 1968, only
21 if such benefits shall have been granted to the Hospital and
22 Institutional Workers Union through a collective bargaining agree-
23 ment with the Associated, Affiliated, Voluntary, or Kaiser Hospitals.

24 7. Term of the Agreement.

25 The Panel's recommendation contemplates an agreement that
26 becomes effective as of July 17, 1966, and runs through December

1 31, 1968. It provides, however, for a reopening on basic salary
2 as of January 1, 1968, and for the negotiation of classifications
3 and certain related matters and that the effective date of any
4 negotiated settlement or fact-finding recommendation on basic
5 salary or on classifications and related matters shall be January
6 1, 1968 (See Recommendations II, 1 to 8, below).

7 The observation in the Recommendations that the parties may
8 undertake economic action with respect to the open items identi-
9 fied above (and in Section II of the Recommendations) implies
10 that such action should be undertaken only after earnest efforts
11 to reach agreement, after reporting the impasse to the Panel, and
12 after giving full consideration to whatever recommendations the
13 Panel might make in the matter. It also implies that the Panel
14 before making recommendations might hold a hearing and request the
15 parties to present evidence and argument on the matters in
16 controversy.

17 8. CNA requests about which the Panel is silent.

18 The failure of the Panel in its Recommendations to mention
19 or to make a specific recommendation with respect to particular
20 CNA requests is to be regarded as a recommendation that such
21 requests be dropped.

22 The reasons for recommending dropping of such requests
23 should be obvious. The Panel has recommended adjustments that
24 are unprecedented in magnitude. The Panel has also left basic
25 salary and a number of other cost items open for negotiations in
26 1968. These negotiations may result in further additions to

1 hospital costs. The parties themselves left to local negotiation
 2 a number of other issues which likewise are potentially quite
 3 costly. We are dealing, therefore, with an increase in payroll
 4 costs that is already very large and that may become even larger
 5 during the current contract period. Hospitals may adjust to some
 6 of this increase in costs by improved utilization of their staffs.
 7 Such improvements, however, can be realized only slowly. And the
 8 resulting economies, the Hospitals contend, will not be of such
 9 magnitude as to compensate for any major increase in nurses'
 10 compensation but that the greater part of such costs must be
 11 passed on to the public in the form of higher hospital rates. On
 12 the basis of all the evidence the Panel recommends that those
 13 requests be dropped about which it is silent in its Recommendations.

14 RECOMMENDATIONS

15 I. Salary:

16 Effective	<u>1st</u> <u>Year</u>	<u>2nd</u> <u>Year</u>	<u>3rd</u> <u>Year</u>	<u>4th</u> <u>Year</u>	<u>5th Yr. &</u> <u>Thereafter</u>
17 7-17-66	\$525 (25)	\$540 (25)	\$555 (\$25)	\$575 (\$25)	\$595 (\$25)
18 10-24-66	550 (25)	565 (25)	580 (25)	600 (25)	620 (25)
19 1-1-67	*Staff Nurse I, \$550				
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21 1-1-67	*Staff Nurse II				
22 4-1-67	575 (25)	600 (35)	625 (45)	650 (50)	675 (55)
23	*Staff Nurse I, \$575				
24 4-1-67	*Staff Nurse II				
25	600 (25)	625 (25)	650 (25)	675 (25)	700 (25)
26	(\$100)	(\$110)	(\$120)	(\$125)	(\$130)
	*Staff Nurse I is an R.N. with less than three months of hospital,				

1 clinic or similar nursing experience. She will move automatical-
 2 ly to Staff Nurse II on completing a total of three months of
 such nursing experience.

3 These basic wages will remain in effect until December 31, 1967.

4 II. The following items are subject to negotiation which shall
 5 commence no later than January 1, 1967 and conclude no later
 6 than October 1, 1967. The parties will report to the Fact-
 7 Finding Panel every 60 days the status of negotiations on
 8 these matters. If the parties cannot agree on these items
 they shall be subject to the continuing jurisdiction of this
 fact-finding board. Effective date of negotiated settlement
 or fact-finding recommendations will be January 1, 1968:

- 9 1. Classifications to be negotiated:
 10 Job content of Clinical Staff Nurse I, II and
 11 III, Head Nurse, Supervisor and the applicable
 differentials, if any.
- 12 2. Tenure credit for experience
 (Item No. 5, CNA Exhibit 39).
- 13 3. Promotion (Item No. 6, CNA Exhibit 39).
- 14 4. Education premium (Item No. 7, CNA Exhibit 39).
- 15 5. Relief in higher classification (Item No. 9,
 16 CNA Exhibit 39).
- 17 6. Double time when assigned additional duties such
 as dual assignments (Item No. 13, CNA Exhibit 39).
- 18 7. Full-time float-nurses premium (Item 16, CNA Exhibit 39).
- 19 8. Base salary shall be open for negotiation in
 20 addition to the above described classification
 negotiation.

21 III. Per Diem Rate (Item No. 8, CNA Exhibit 39):

22 In connection with each of the above-described adjustments,
 23 the parties will work out a proration of contractual fringe
 24 benefits provided to the full-time nurse. This proration
 25 will be computed so that fringe-benefit credit will not be
 duplicated (e.g., social security shall not be an addition-
 26 al cost factor). The parties shall have worked out the
 arithmetic of this computation no later than November 15,
 1966.

1 IV. Holidays (Item 21, CNA Exhibit 39):

2 Eight holidays (one of which shall be the nurse's birthday)
3 shall be the minimum number of paid holidays in the hospitals
4 subject to this proceeding. Any birthday subsequent to July
5 17, 1966 shall be a paid holiday, provided that the nurse
6 has had a year of continuous employment. Any such birthday
7 occurring between July 17 and October 24, 1966 shall be
8 satisfied by granting an alternate day off with pay.

9 V. Holidays Worked (Item No. 10, CNA Exhibit 39):

10 Effective October 24, 1966, a nurse working on one of the
11 scheduled holidays shall receive time and one-half for all
12 hours worked on the holiday and the holiday pay, if any,
13 to which she is entitled.

14 VI. Shift Differential (Item No. 14, CNA Exhibit 39):

15 Effective January 1, 1967, the shift differential shall
16 be 9 percent on the evening shift and 6 percent on the
17 night shift of the first-year rate of the Staff Nurse
18 II salary range.

19 VII. Automatic Approval of Leaves for Professional Activities
20 (Item 18, CNA Exhibit 39):

21 The Panel believes it is desirable for the nurses to
22 participate in professional activities so long as it is
23 not inconsistent with staffing requirements of the
24 hospitals and that the hospitals should grant such leaves.

25 VIII. Dental Insurance (Item No. 25, CNA Exhibit 39):

26 In the event that dental benefits are added to Associated,
Affiliated, Voluntary or Kaiser agreements with the Hospital
& Institutional Workers, the hospitals will discuss this
matter with the CNA prior to January 1, 1968.

IX. Term of Agreement:

Standard duration clause running from July 17, 1966 to and
including December 31, 1968 except that an opening shall
be provided on January 1, 1968, at which time either party
may undertake economic action with respect to the items
for which the Agreement is open as above described.

X. There shall be no reduction of present salaries or fringe
benefits by reason of the Fact-Finding Panel recommendations.

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Respectfully submitted:

/s/ LEO C. BROWN
Leo C. Brown, Chairman

/s/ ADOLPH M. KOVEN
Adolph M. Koven

/s/ HOWARD E. DURHAM
Howard E. Durham

Recommendations issued:
San Francisco, California
October 21, 1966
Opinion issued:
San Francisco, California
November 14, 1966

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APPENDIX A

Participating Hospitals and ClinicsGroup Identification & NameAssociated Hospitals for the East Bay

1.	Alameda Hospital	2070 Clinton Avenue	Alameda
2.	Alta Bates Community Hospital	Webster at Regent	Berkeley
3.	Children's Hospital of the East Bay	51st & Grove	Oakland
4.	Herrick Memorial Hospital	2001 Dwight Way	Berkeley
5.	Merritt Hospital	Hawthorne & Webster	Oakland
6.	Peralta Hospital	450 30th Street	Oakland
7.	Providence Hospital	30th & Summit	Oakland
8.	St. Rose Hospital*	27200 Calaroga Ave.	Hayward

Independent Hospitals of the East Bay

1.	Albany Hospital	Main Avenue & Masonic	Albany
2.	Vallejo General Hospital	601 Tennessee Street	Vallejo

Affiliated Hospitals of San Francisco

1.	Callison Hospital	1055 Pine	San Francisco
2.	Children's Hospital	3700 California	" "
3.	Golden Gate Hospital	1065 Sutter	" "
4.	Hahnemann Hospital	3698 California	" "
5.	Mary's Help Hospital	145 Guerrero	" "
6.	Mount Zion Hospital & Medical Center		
7.	Notre Dame Hospital	1600 Divisadero	" "
8.	St. Joseph's Hospital	Park Hill & Buena Vista Ave. E.	" "
9.	St. Luke's Hospital	1580 Valencia	" "
10.	St. Mary's Hospital	Hayes & Stanyan	" "
11.	Sutter Towers**		" "

Voluntary Hospitals of San Francisco

1.	Franklin Hospital*	14th & Noe	San Francisco
2.	French Hospital	5th Ave. & Geary	" "
3.	Presbyterian Medical Center*	Clay & Webster	" "
4.	St. Francis Memorial Hospital	900 Hyde	" "

Kaiser Medical Care Entities
Hospitals:

1.	KFH - Oakland*	280 W. MacArthur Blvd.	Oakland
2.	KFH - Richmond	14th & Cutting Blvd.	Richmond
3.	KFH - Sacramento*	2025 Morse Ave.	Sacramento
4.	KFH - San Francisco*	2425 Geary Blvd.	San Francisco

Kaiser Medical Care Entities
Hospitals (Continued):

- 5. KFH - Santa Clara* 900 Kiely Blvd. Santa Clara
- 6. KFH - South San Francisco* 500 Grand Ave. S. San Francisco
- 7. KFH & KFRC - Vallejo 2600 Alameda St. Vallejo
- 8. KFH - Walnut Creek* 1425 So. Main St. Walnut Creek
- 9. KFH - Hayward* 27400 Hesperian Blvd. Hayward

Kaiser Medical Care Entities
Clinics:

- 1. PMG - Antioch* 3400 Delta Fair Blvd. Antioch
- 2. PMG - Hayward* 27400 Hesperian Blvd. Hayward
- 3. PMG - Martinez* 525 Green Street Martinez
- 4. PMG - Napa 3284 Jefferson Napa
- 5. PMG - Oakland* 280 W. MacArthur Blvd. Oakland
- 6. PMG - Redwood City* 910 Maple Street Redwood City
- 7. PMG - Richmond* 14th & Cutting Blvd. Richmond
- 8. PMG - Sacramento* 2025 Morse Avenue Sacramento
- 9. PMG - San Francisco* 2200 O'Farrell San Francisco
- 10. PMG - San Rafael (Marin)* 1930 4th Street San Rafael
- 11. PMG - Santa Clara* 900 Kiely Blvd. Santa Clara
- 12. PMG - South San Francisco* 500 Grand Avenue S. San Francisco
- 13. PMG - Sunnyvale* 690 Grape Avenue Sunnyvale
- 14. PMG - Vallejo* 2600 Alameda St. Vallejo
- 15. PMG - Walnut Creek* 1425 So. Main St. Walnut Creek

*The hospital adopts the conditions negotiated by the group of which it is a member but does not have a contract with the California Nurses' Association.

**The hospital is a member of Affiliated Hospitals; it has a contract with California Nurses' Association but did not participate in providing information for presentation to the Panel.

APPENDIX B

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2 CALIFORNIA NURSES' ASSOCIATION
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7 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

8 Whereas The Bay Area Hospitals Negotiating Committee on be-
9 half of its named participants and The California Nurses' Associa-
10 tion have agreed to submit 25 issues to the fact finding and to
11 refer 12 other issues to local negotiations with individual
12 hospitals or Associations, as the case may be; and

13 Whereas the hospitals on July 17, 1966 have placed in effect
14 a range of \$500 to \$570 a month for general duty nurses; and

15 Whereas the nurses have rejected the above mentioned range
16 and have proposed instead a range of \$600 to \$720 a month; and

17 Whereas the said interim adjustment for the period July 17,
18 1966 through December 31, 1966 is the only remaining issue to be
19 resolved;

20 Now, therefore, it is hereby agreed:

21 1. The Hospitals and CNA will jointly petition the Governor
22 of the State of California, the Secretary of Health,
23 Education and Welfare, and the Secretary of Labor to
24 appoint a three member fact finding panel. This fact
25 finding Panel shall make advisory recommendations as
26 hereafter outlined with respect to the following:

A. The 25 cost items, including salary commencing
January 1, 1967, which the parties agreed to submit
to the panel on July 29, 1966. In connection with
these matters it is stipulated that the recommenda-
tions shall cover a period of time two years,
January 1, 1967 through December 31, 1968.

B. The appropriateness and fairness of the interim
salary scale for general duty nurses of \$500 to
\$570 a month placed in effect by the hospitals on
July 17, 1966 for the period July 17, through
December 31, 1966. In the event that the parties
accept a recommendation that such interim adjustment
should be higher, then at the option of each

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hospital such retroactivity may be paid in a lump sum or in equal monthly installments up to twelve commencing February 1, 1967, provided that such retroactivity recommendation shall not be applicable to any hours worked prior to July 17, 1966,

2. The Panel shall hold hearings jointly with both parties who shall present oral and written evidence and arguments to support their respective positions.
3. On or before December 1, 1966, the panel shall submit its recommendations to the parties, who shall advise the panel and each other no later than December 15, 1966, regarding their respective positions on the panel's recommendations.
4. Negotiating matters referred to local hospitals or hospital groups may commence at such time as the respective individual hospitals or hospital Associations agree with CNA, provided, however, that any and all threats of economic action, including resignations or other forms of stoppage shall be withdrawn pending the results of fact finding with respect to all recommendations of the panel.
5. It is agreed that for the purpose of equitably dividing the cost of the Panel, including expenses connected therewith, the following organizations shall bear an equal share
 - A. Affiliated Hospitals
 - B. Associated Hospitals and Voluntary Hospitals
 - C. Kaiser Foundation Hospitals
 - D. California Nurses' Association
6. Finally, it is agreed that the following is in full settlement of all current discussions between CNA and the hospitals. Neither the CNA, its agents, members or supporters nor the hospitals, their agents or employees shall in any way discriminate against any person, organization or each other by reason of CNA activity, submission of resignations, failure to submit resignations, or any legitimate activity occurring during the July 1 to August 3, 1966 controversy.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned have executed this Memorandum of Understanding on this 2nd day of August 1966.

CALIFORNIA NURSES' ASSOCIATION

BAY AREA HOSPITAL
NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE

BY: (s) A. Lionne Conta

By: (s) Lawrence P. Corbett
(s) Arthur Mendelson
(s) Edwin Bell

CALIFORNIA NURSES' ASSOCIATION

August 2 1966

RESULTS OF BAY AREA NEGOTIATIONS TO DATE

A. COST ITEMS TO BE PRESENTED TO A FACT FINDING PANEL: (To be comprised of three members: one appointed by the Governor of the State of California, one by the Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, and one by the Secretary of Labor.

The Panel will make advisory recommendations to both parties.

The Panel shall hold hearings jointly with both parties who shall present oral and written evidence and arguments to support their respective positions.

On or before December 1, 1966, the Panel shall submit its recommendations to the parties, who shall advise the Panel and each other, no later than December 15, 1966, regarding their respective positions on the Panel's recommendations.

Negotiations on other matters requested by CNA, of the Hospitals, will be on an individual basis between CNA and the individual hospitals or groups of hospitals involved.

The parties agree to share equally the cost of compensating the Panel, together with reimbursement for administrative expenses of the Panel.

1. Amount of Interim Salary for the agreed upon period July 17, 1966 to December 31, 1966. (Sum to be paid on or after February 1, 1967 in one lump sum or equal monthly payments up to 12 months.)
2. Salaries to be effective January 1, 1967 - December 31, 1968.
3. Head Nurse -- 15% above General Staff Nurse II
4. Supervisor -- 15% above Head Nurse
5. For each (5) years' previous experience, one year tenure credit, applicable to currently employed and newly employed.
6. Promotion -- Promote from current tenure step to same step in salary range to which promoted.
7. Education premium -- 5% additional for Baccalaureate Degree
10% additional for Masters Degree

- 1 8. Per Diem Rate -- For nurses employed intermittently, or
2 working less than twenty hours per week:
3 prorate of full time salary plus 20%
4 in lieu of fringe benefits.
- 5 9. Relief in higher classification -- Payment for major
6 portion of each shift worked. Payment
7 to reflect exact percentage differential
8 in salary range of nurse relieving and
9 nurse relieved.
- 10 10. Holidays worked -- Premium pay at the rate of 1-1/2 time
11 in cash, plus one (1) paid compensatory
12 day off.
- 13 11. Saturday or Sunday work -- 15% additional over regular
14 rate, plus every other weekend off.
- 15 12. Call-back guarantee -- Four (4) hours at double time
16 after completion of eight (8) hours
17 per day and forty (40) hours per week.
- 18 13. Double time when assigned additional duties such as
19 dual assignments.
- 20 14. Shift differential -- 15% above nurses' regular rate for
21 3 to 11 shift.
22 10% above nurses' regular rate for
23 11 to 7 shift.
- 24 15. Nurses to work double shifts only in compliance with
25 IWC orders. (Double time for second shift of double shift.)
- 26 16. Full time float nurses to be paid 10% above nurses'
regular rate of pay.
17. Half tuition paid by hospital for nurses studying
toward Degrees.
18. Upon request, automatic approval of professional leaves
for professional business up to 30 days without pay and
without change of anniversary date.
19. Five (5) days paid education leave per year.
20. Sick leave -- 90 day accumulation. Elimination of all
waiting periods.
21. Holidays - Add choice of two (2) religious holidays,
plus three (3) days per year personal leave paid by
employer.

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- 1 22. Vacations - one week after six (6) months; four (4)
2 weeks after one (1) year.
- 2 23. Life insurance -- increase to \$5,000 (\$2,500 of each type)
- 3 24. No discrimination against any registered nurse who files
4 complaint with Industrial Welfare Commission directly or
5 through CNA Field Representative.
- 6 25. Dental insurance paid by employer.
- 7 26. Vacation relief.

8 NON-COST ITEMS TO BE PROCESSED THROUGH LOCAL NEGOTIATIONS

9 UNDER EACH HOSPITAL CONTRACT OR GROUPS OF HOSPITAL CONTRACT

- 10 A. Membership in CNA -- Mandatory within 90 days after initial
11 employment,
- 12 B. Monthly meetings of Professional Performance Committee in
13 each hospital with Director of Nursing Service, Hospital
14 Administrator and CNA RN Field Representative. Purpose: to
15 discuss constructively matters relating to constantly improv-
16 ing patient care and professional performance. (All contractual
17 matters excluded.) CNA representatives to attend as time permits.
- 18 C. Effective in-service training program.
- 19 D. Effective performance evaluation program.
- 20 E. Joint preparation of up-to-date job descriptions during
21 term of Agreement.
- 22 F. Clause providing that there shall be no dismissals except
23 for just cause. Nurse and/or representatives may protest
24 dismissal within five (5) calendar days after nurse and CNA
25 are notified of dismissal and reason for same. Protest to
26 be made through grievance procedure if the nurse and/or CNA
consider the dismissal to be for reasons other than just cause.
- G. Retirement Plan Improvements -- a) increase benefits by 100%
b) improve vesting provision to provide
50% vesting after fifteen (15) years
continuous service and 5% per year
thereafter.
c) add voluntary contributory program
d) where applicable, drop qualifying
age to 25
e) where applicable, drop 2 years
qualifying period.

- 1 H. Health Plan -- Add major medical and surgical, plus coverage
2 for dependents under 21,
- 3 I. No discrimination in employment, or employment conditions,
4 due to sex, race, creed, national origin, political affilia-
5 tion or age.
- 6 J. Extension of current Kaiser-CNA Agreement to cover all
7 facilities north of the Tehachapi. CNA requests representa-
8 tion election under the auspices of California State
9 Conciliation Service as soon as possible if voluntary exten-
10 sion of master agreement is not granted.
- 11 K. Head nurses to be included under CNA agreements with
12 Affiliated and voluntary hospitals of San Francisco. If
13 voluntary inclusion not granted, CNA requests representation
14 election under the auspices of California State Conciliation
15 Service.
- 16 L. Retirement plans at least equivalent to Associated and Kaiser
17 retirement plans to be instituted by January 1, 1967 in the
18 following hospitals: Vallejo General; Concord Community;
19 Pittsburg Community and Antioch.

20 PROPOSALS THAT HAVE BEEN DELETED BY MUTUAL AGREEMENT

- 21 1. Request that Directors of Nursing study the institution of
22 Clinical Staff Nurse class.
- 23 2. Elimination of time clocks, but retention of timecards.
- 24 3. Meetings of Professional Performance Committee in each
25 hospital with Medical Staff Representatives when requested
26 by Committee to discuss matters relating to patient care.
Dates of meetings to be arranged by mutual agreement.

PROPOSALS ACCEPTED FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION

1. Concerted effort by hospitals to protect evening and night
nurses during change of shifts when leaving and entering the
premises - after nurses covered under each contract indicate
which hospitals need to take action.

A FINAL POINT OF AGREEMENT

Neither the CNA, its agents, members or supporters nor the
hospitals, their agents or employees shall in any way discriminate
against any person, organization or each other by reason of CNA
activity, submission of resignations, failure to submit resigna-
tions, or any legitimate activity occurring during the July 1 to
August 3, 1966 controversy.

APPENDIX C

SALARY SCHEDULES, SAN FRANCISCO TEACHERS AND NURSES 1946 - 1966

<u>Date effective</u>	<u>Teachers</u> ^{1/}		<u>Staff & General Duty Nurses</u> ^{2/}	
	<u>Minimum</u> ^{3/}	<u>Maximum</u> ^{3/}	<u>Minimum</u>	<u>Maximum</u>
Jan. 1946			\$200	\$215
Jan. 1947			200	215
Jan. 1948			215	230
Jan. 1949	\$270	\$480		
Jan. 1950				
Jan. 1951	300	510	240	255
Jan. 1952			255	270
July 1, 1952			260	275
Jan. 1953	347	567	275	290
Jan. 1954			285	300
Jan. 1955	362	600	295	310
Jan. 1956			295	310
Jan. 1957	425	652	320	350
Jan. 1958	450	697	320	350
Jan. 1959	467	727	335	365
Jan. 1960	477	737	345	390
Jan. 1961	506	785	355	410
Jan. 1962	506	824	367	425
Jan. 1963	533	871	387	445
Jan. 1964	557	908	400	455
Jan. 1965	584	954	420	480
Jan. 1966	609	992	440	510
July 17, 1966	636	1040	500	570

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- 2 1/ San Francisco teachers salary schedules are found in
3 Salary Schedules for Classroom Teachers, a publication of
4 the Research Division of the National Education Association.
- 5 2/ Source of salary figures for Staff and General Duty Nurses:
6 Bay Area Hospitals' Negotiating Committee, Exhibit #7.
- 7 3/ Salaries quoted in source cited in footnote #1 are for
8 teachers with a Bachelor's Degree or equivalent. Minimum
9 and maximum monthly salaries arrived at by dividing annual
10 salaries by ten (10).
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