## **EXTRACT FROM STANDING ORDERS**Members of the Australian Army Nursing Service

Qualifications of candidates.

A candidate for enrolment as a Sister must be between twenty-one and forty years of age, single, or a widow, and have not less than three years' training and service in Medical and Surgical nursing in a duly recognized civil General Hospital. She must be of British parentage or a naturalized British subject. The candidate will be required to fill in the declaration Form (C.M. Form 1). II.), which will be supplied to candidate by the District P.M.O., and to produce the following documents:-

- (a) Certificate of registration of birth, or, if this be not obtainable, a declaration made before a magistrate giving the date of her birth.
- (b) Certificate of training (in the original).
- (c) A recommendation from the Matron of the civil hospital at which she was trained.
- (d) A certificate from a duly qualified and registered medical practitioner that she is in good health and physically fit for duty in the Australian Army Nursing Service.

Age of retirement.

Members of the Australian Army Nursing Service will be retired on reaching the age of fifty five years, but in special cases the age for retirement may be extended for a period not exceeding two years.

'Efficient' and 'non efficient'

Members will be classified as 'efficient' or 'non efficient,' to be reckoned from 1st July each year until 30th June following.

Requirements Efficiency.

In order to be classified as efficient, each member will be required to

(1). Qualify in first aid.

(2.) Attend annually three out of the four lectures on Organization of Military Hospital, Hygiene, and Military Surgery.

Certificates.

Certificates of efficiency will be issued by the District P.M.O.

Discharge.

District Principal Medical Officers are required to bring forward for discharge such Sisters as they may consider to be medically or otherwise unfit for service.

Pay and allowance

Rates of pay and allowance for members of the Australian Army Nursing Service, when called up for duty, will be as laid down in Financial and Allowance Regulations.

Liabilities for service.

The Australian Army Nursing Service, or any portion thereof, may be called up for duty in case of emergency, and shall thereupon become subject to the like conditions as those prescribed for the Australian Military Forces, and remain subject to those conditions so long as they continue on active military service.

Supernumerary list.

Members of the Australian Army Nursing Service who are unable to comply with the requirements for 'efficiency' through residence in the country, but who have previously complied with the Standing Orders, may, if they so wish, be placed on a supernumerary list as supernumerary to the Establishment. Vacancies so caused to be filled up by Nurses residing in the Metropolitan Area.

The following Orders are issued for the Australian Army Nursing Service, *First Military District*, in extension of Standing Orders for the Australian Army Medical Service, 1914:

Admission.

(l.) Candidates for admission will be medically examined by the P.M.O. or a medical officer duly appointed by him. No standard of height or weight is required, but applicants must be of sound health and capable of doing hard work and undergoing fatigue.

Duly recognised hospital.

(2.) A duly recognized civil General Hospital will be taken to mean a hospital of eighty or more beds, in which lectures are systematically given to the Nurses.

Change of address and position.
Leave.

(5.) Every Sister shall notify the Principal Matron of any permanent change of address position.

(6.) No Sister of the Active or Supernumerary List shall leave the District without obtaining leave.

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