

THE ROYAL AIR FORCE NURSING SERVICE.

It is fitting that the Royal Air Force, "the last creation of the fighting forces of the world," should have its own Nursing Service, which will build up its own traditions.

The appointment of Miss L. E. Jolley as Matron-in-Chief of the Service foreshadowed its development, and Miss Jolley is now prepared to receive applications from nurses who desire to join its ranks.

The rates of pay are as follows:—

Staff Nurses.—£40 per annum, rising by annual increments of £2 10s. to £45.

Sisters.—£50 per annum, rising by annual increments of £5 to £60.

Superintending Sisters.—£60 per annum, rising by annual increment of £5 to £75.

Matrons.—£75 per annum, rising by annual increments of £10.

There is no provision for Assistant Matrons, but the Superintending Sisters will have charge of units.

The Nursing Service will have a uniform of its own, and those members who sign on for the duration of the war will receive an extra bonus of £20 per annum.

Application for particulars should be made, in the first instance, to the Secretary, Air Ministry, Strand, W.C. 2.

The Service will assuredly be a popular one, for the splendid work of the gallant airmen who guard our coasts, and keep watch over the safety of the metropolis in the air, that lesser folk may sleep securely, commands both admiration and gratitude, and the privilege of serving those who are sick or wounded is one which should be very highly esteemed. So far the scope of the Service is restricted to the United Kingdom, as provision is made in the military hospitals abroad for the reception of airmen in need of medical and nursing care.

THE ROYAL RED CROSS.

The King has been pleased to award the Royal Red Cross to the following ladies in recognition of their valuable services in connection with the war:—

SECOND CLASS.

TALBOT, Mrs. K. H. E., Trained Matron and Commdt., 24th Durham V.A. Hospl., Middleton St. George, Durham; TAYLOR, Mrs. B. D., Sister, Ridley House Hospl., Carlton House Terrace, S.W.; TAYLOR, Miss D., Staff Nurse, Hooton Pagnell Hall Aux. Mil. Hospl. (V.A.D.), Doncaster; TAYLOR, Mrs. M. A. J., Matron, Belmont Aux. Mil. Hospl., Anfield, Liverpool; TAYLOR, Miss M. E., Sister, T.F.N.S., 1st Eastern Gen. Hospl., Cambridge; TAYLOR, Miss N. H. R., Nurse, The Norlands Aux. Hospl., Erdington, Birmingham; THOMAS, Mrs. A., Sister, Highbury Aux. Hospl., Birmingham; THOMAS, Miss G. M., Sister-in-Charge, Temple Road Aux. Mil. Hospl., Birkenhead Section, 1st West Gen. Hospl.; THOMPSON, Mrs. A. M., Sister, Northd. War Hospl., Gosforth, Newcastle-on-Tyne;

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VERDIN, Miss E. G., Commdt., Winsford Lodge Aux. Hospl., Winsford, Cheshire.

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