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WAR AWARDS, TO WHICH TRAINED NURSES WHO FULFIL THE CONDITIONS ARE ENTITLED.

THE 1914 STAR.

A distinctive decoration granted by the King in recognition of the services rendered by His Majesty's military forces under the command of Field-Marshal Sir J. D. P. French, G.C.B., G.C.V.O., K.C.M.G., in France and Belgium during the earlier phase of the war in 1914, up to midnight November 22nd-23rd, 1914.

The decoration is a Star in bronze, with red, white and blue riband, shaded and watered.

Provided the claims are approved by the Army Council, the Star is granted to Nursing Sisters, Nurses and others employed with military hospitals, who actually served in France or Belgium, on the establishment of a unit of the British Expeditionary Forces between August 5th, 1914, and midnight of November 22nd-23rd, 1914.

In the case of deceased officers and other ranks applications from their legatees or next-of-kin should, in the former case, be addressed to the Secretary, War Office (A.G. 10), and in the latter case to the officers i/c records concerned.

Discharged or demobilised personnel who are entitled to the Clasp to the 1914 Star for those who served under fire in France or Belgium between August 5th and November 22nd, 1914, can obtain forms of application at any head or branch post office in a town, or at any post office in the country districts. The forms should be completed in accordance with the instructions thereon and forwarded to the officer in charge of the Corps with which they last served.

Applications made otherwise than on these forms will be ignored.

THE 1914-1915 STAR.

A distinctive decoration granted by the King in recognition of the services rendered by His Majesty's military forces in France and Belgium between August 5th, 1914, and December 31st, 1915. The decoration is a Star in bronze, with red, white and blue riband, shaded and watered.

Provided the claims are approved by the Army Council the Star will be granted to Nursing Sisters, Nurses and others employed with military hospitals, who actually served on the establishment of the

theatres of war enumerated above, with the exception of the Russian theatre. Individuals in possession of the "1914 Star" will not be eligible for the award of this decoration. Applications from legatees should be addressed to the Secretary War Office (A.G. 10), and in the latter to the officer in charge of records concerned.

THE VICTORY MEDAL.

A Medal granted by the King in recognition of the services rendered by His Majesty's military forces in theatres of war since August 5th, 1914.

The medal is in bronze attached to the riband by a ring.

The riband is red in the centre with green and violet on each side, shaded to form the colours of two rainbows.

Provided the claims are approved by the competent military authorities the medal will be granted to nursing sisters, nurses and others employed with military hospitals who actually served on the establishment of a unit in a theatre of war within the periods as defined in Appendix A of Army Order 301, 1919.

The "theatres of war" defined in this Order, and further elaborated therein are: (1) Western European Theatre; (2) Balkan Theatre; (3) Russian Theatre; (4) Egyptian Theatre; (5) African Theatre; (6) Asiatic Theatre; (7) Australasian Theatre.

The medal is identical in design with that issued by other Allied and Associated Powers for service in theatres of war, and obviates the interchange of Allied Commemorative war medals.

A preliminary issue of the Victory Medal Riband is now made to those entitled to the medal. Demobilised members of the nursing services should make individual application as follows:—*Members of Q.A.I.M.N.S.* to the Secretary, War Office (A.M.D.4), Cornwall House, Stamford Street, E.C.1, giving particulars of service. *Members of T.F.N.S.*, to the Secretary, War Office (T.V. 4), 80, Pall Mall, S.W.1.

Members of other organisations who are entitled to the "Victory" Medal, and who are not now serving, should submit their application for the riband to the Head of the Organisation under which they served.

EMBLEM ON RIBAND OF VICTORY MEDAL.

The King has approved of the wearing of an emblem on the riband of the Victory Medal by all *personnel* on the strength of the British, Dominion, Colonial, and Indian Expeditionary Forces, who have been mentioned in dispatches during the war.

The emblem will be an oak leaf in bronze, and two emblems will be supplied in each case. Additional emblems will not be worn in respect of a second or subsequent mention.

BRITISH WAR MEDAL, 1914-1919.

A medal granted by the King to record the bringing the war to a successful conclusion, and the arduous services rendered by His Majesty's Forces.

The medal in silver will, provided the claims are approved by the competent military authorities, be granted to all who served on staffs of military hospitals, and all members of recognised organisations who actually handled sick and wounded, who entered a theatre of war on duty, or, who left their places of residence and rendered approved service overseas, other than the waters dividing the different parts of the United Kingdom, between August 5th, 1914 and November 11th, 1918, both dates inclusive. The riband is centre orange, watered, with stripes of white and black on each side and with borders of royal blue.

The riband may now be worn by all ranks who are entitled to the award of the British War Medal.

Demobilised members of the Q.A.I.M.N.S. should apply to the the Secretary, War Office (A.M.D.4),

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