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NEE NORRIS.

5 APRIL 2023.

In 1959 as a 15 y.o. I started Mothercraft Nursing at Alexandria Home NTH PERON under [REDACTED]. I was not really aware of the mothers and babies. As Mothercraft Nurses we cared for babies to 2 y.o. when parents unable to do so.

We were transferred to NCAHA when it opened in 1960 where [REDACTED] was in charge.

The trainee Mothercraft Nurses did not interact with the girls waiting to have their babies as they were on a ^{separate} wing just along from the toddlers Nsy.

one day I was responding to a phone call message for [REDACTED] who I had noticed walk passed just minutes before. I went into that wing to pass the message and she abused me loudly and threatened me with dismissal!

After 3 years of general nursing training at Hemantle I went to King Edward M.H. to do midwifery training

There were 3 postnatal wards and as I remember we would always have 2, 3 or 4 adoption babies ~~to~~ in each NSY being cared for by trainee midwives.

The mothers of babies for adoption would go straight back to NGAFA after delivery - the babies would stay at K.E.M.H. until a Dr would give the O.K. for adoption.



Regards *evita Barrett*



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DAILY NEWS, TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 1948

Graduating nurses of the Olive Jones nursing centre. They are: Left to right, from front: Nurses Armstrong, J. Smith, D. Fisher, R. Smith, C. Minchin, L. Webb, J. Peterson, M. Fisher, M. Anderson, M. Cuthbertson, M. Gower, D. Edwards, E. Officer, B. Sutton, M. Somers, E. Hobbs, K. Lloyd, J. Norris, J. Harrison, A. Green, H. Randall, M. Ghesard, J. Clemens, E. Mason-Jones, P. Richardson, J. Dear, D. Mills, J. Roberts, E. Park, A. Ramona, T. Teipstra, M. Newcombe, E. Tremboth.

120 Watch Nurses Graduate

THE 120 Olive Jones Nurses' Home provided the perfect setting for a graduation ceremony for more than 30 nurses.

About 120 people were at the ceremony and former matron Mrs. O. Jones presented the graduates with certificates and badges.

Special prizes were presented to the two outstanding nurses by president of the Ex-Trained Nurses Association, Mrs. H. Kerman.

The winners of these prizes were Nurse Barbara Hobbs and Nurse Marion Fisher.

Matron Olive Ansley, of the Chest Hospital, was among the invited guests, and she saw Nurse Astrid Green receive her general nursing certificate.

Nurse Green had completed her two-year course at the Chest Hospital and was the first

nurse from that hospital to finish her general training by nursing two years at Fremantle Hospital.

The two-year course at the Chest Hospital is accredited as one year towards a general certificate, which requires three years' training.

For the first time a guest speaker was invited to a graduation ceremony and this was Red Cross general secretary V. Howe.

His subject was the plans of Red Cross in time of disaster and he briefly explained the activity of the society in

time of disaster from the international point of view and in Australia and WA, in particular.

The Red Cross in Australia works in conjunction with the Civil Defence and Emergency Services set up in each State.

In time of emergency the three main factors are blood transfusion service, auxiliary help in hospitals with trained personnel and welfare, which include evacuation, mass feeding, billeting, clothing, repatriation, information, personnel services and rehabilitation.

Fires

Howe told of work already done in the emergency field with the fires at Dwellingup and floods at Carnarvon in the same year, and work done during the cyclone period this year.

Guests at the ceremony were shown a variety of equipment used in emergency services and this ranged from eye irrigator bottles for fire fighters to first aid kits and modified parachute equipment for bottles of blood and food.

The group was told that food drops were nearly made at Dooloo this year.

The talk ended on a serious note when Howe told what could happen in time of man-made disaster and war and with the aid of a diagram of Perth, showed what would happen to the city if it ever suffered nuclear attack.

Children Will Show Flowers

THE Mosman Park Horticultural Society will hold its 41st annual show on Saturday.

The society is one of the oldest in the metropolitan area and conducts an Autumn and Spring Show each year.

School children from all schools in the area will be participating and prizes to the value of £40 will be awarded supplementing the grant the children receive for buying library books.

The show will be held in the Mosman Park Town Hall, the doors opening at 3 p.m.

The judges will be R. and Mrs. Waters and J. Hammond. The official opening will be at 7.30 p.m. by Mosman Park State School head J. Hodger, who will also present prizes.

FOGGING MACHINE

The buying of a fogging machine to assist in the treatment of premises which are subject to pest infestation has been suggested to the Fremantle City Council.

Consideration of the suggestion has been deferred pending a report from the Medical Officer of Health and Assistant Town Clerk.

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