

WAS NURSE 22 YEARS

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An outstanding member of the nursing profession, Miss Priscilla Elizabeth Edna Orr died this morning in the Public General Hospital after an illness of four months.

Miss Orr, who was the first nurse from Chatham to enlist during World War Two, was born at Bond Head, Ontario, daughter of Mrs. Jane Campbell Orr and the late William Andrew Orr. She was a niece of Miss Priscilla Campbell, administrator of the Public General Hospital Chatham.

Miss Orr received her training in the nurses' school of the General Hospital and was in the graduating class of 1928. She took post-graduate work at Grace Hospital, Detroit, and the Ottawa Civic Hospital. For 12 years she was operating supervisor at the General here.

Army Service

In 1941 Miss Orr enlisted in the Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps as a Lieutenant Nursing Sister, and after a period of service in Canada went overseas with the Second Canadian General Hospital, with which she served in England, France, Germany and Belgium.

On her return from overseas after the war Miss Orr returned to the staff of the Public General Hospital and reorganized the medical records department, of which she was in charge until the time of her fatal illness. She was recognized among her colleagues as having outstanding ability, and through her pleasing personality made a host of friends who will mourn her passing.

Miss Orr was a member of St. Andrew's United Church, the Business and Professional Women's Club of Chatham, and the Overseas Nursing Sisters' Club.

Surviving are her mother, Mrs. Jane Campbell Orr of Alliston; four sisters, Mrs. John Craig of Toronto; Mrs. Edgar Ritchie of Alliston; Mrs. Frank Purdy of Toronto; Miss Adeline Orr of Toronto, two brothers, William James of Alliston and Wilbert K., of Bond Head, and her aunt, Miss Priscilla Campbell.

Services

Miss Orr is resting at the Stephen's Funeral Home at 245 Wellington St. West, where a funeral service will be conducted this evening at 8.30 o'clock, with Rev. R. S. Johnston, pastor of St. Andrew's Church, officiating.

The remains will be conveyed to the Thomas Funeral Home at Alliston, Ont., Wednesday morning where funeral services will be conducted on Thursday, September 7, at 3.30 p.m. Interment will be in Bond Head Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Louis Newell, Jack Doble, Chas. Bryan, Jack McLean, Orland Orr and Dr. Gordon Graham.