

This research guide is the primary source and research materials regarding nurses and nursing in World War I (WW1) held at the Bates Center. All collection guides can be located at nursing.upenn.edu/history/archive-collections/ and selecting Finding Aids and Inventories.

[Nursing History Small Collections](#)

World War I Materials, MC 227 – Letters written by Army nurse during WWI

Nursing Calendar collection, MC 236 – Printed ephemera

[Henrietta Anna Wiltzius: World War I Materials, MC 224](#)

This collection consists of official American Red Cross (ARC) Photographs, scrapbook pages, and memorabilia. Photographs document the region where Henrietta Anna Wiltzius was station in the Balkans, primarily Montenegro. Scrapbook pages follow her time during World War I from Paris, France to the Balkins as well as stops and trips she made during the war. Pages include booklets, travel documents and receipts, photographs, and notes. This collection also contains numerous medals and pins she received and earned during her time in the Army as well as an American Red Cross flag and the book *Official: History of American Red Cross, 1922*.

[Sarah McCarron papers, MC 10](#)

2 war diaries from 1914 and 1918 along with records of oath to Army, military orders as well as medals received.

[Martha Emily Shaw papers, MC 171](#)

Photographs taken while she served in WWI at Base Hospital 20.

[Postcard collection, MC 222](#)

Postcards depicting images from WWI and WWII

[William H. Helfand collection, MC 220](#)

American Red Cross WWI posters

[WWI photograph album, MC 195](#)

This album contains copy prints of several photos, along with their negatives, depicting World War I-era France

[Edith Nunan collection, MC 80](#)

Research materials collected on individual nurses.

[Temple-Episcopal Hospital School of Nursing Records, MC 151](#)

Book on Base Hospital 34 in WWI

[Miscellaneous 20th Century Community Health photographs, MC 213](#)

Sheet with biographical information, nurse casualties in WWI

[Visiting Nurse Society of Philadelphia records MC 5B](#)

Minutes and reports; materials documenting Society's role in public health crusades of 1902-1918. Between 1913 and 1922, the Society caseload nearly doubled. Scrapbook 1918-1919 depicting society's efforts during the war.

[American Legion. Helen Fairchild Nurses' Post No. 412, MC 39](#)

World War I Army Base related photos, WWI register of Pennsylvania nurses, and membership cards

[Video Collection](#)

Videos of WWI Army nurses

[Mary A. Rothrock papers, MC 188](#)

Papers and scrapbook, photos from correspondence with a friend overseas during WWI

[Neighborhood Visiting Nurse Association records, MC 100](#)

Visiting Nurse Association of Downingtown was an outgrowth of the Emergency Aid and Home Relief Association during WWI. Neighborhood League annual reports and minutes.

[Roberta M. West collection, MC 57](#)

Listing of deceased officers and nurses from Pennsylvania

[Alumni Association of Philadelphia General Hospital Training School For Nurses photographs, MC 13A](#)

Pictures of PGH during (before and after) World War I, 1916-1930. Available [online](#).

[Ellen D. Baer papers, MC 126](#)

Within this collection documents nurses from St Vincent's Hospital in NYC who were sent to the WWI warfront & were involved in the pandemic of 1918. Baer wrote an article about it, "Letters to Miss Sanborn" as in the short lived journal of the Society for Nursing History and has copies of the letters the nurses wrote to St. Vincent about the war & pandemic.

[Alumni Association of the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing collection, MC 184](#)

1 photograph album, "Photographs/Military/WWI Base Hospital Unit #20 Clara Scott Stephen HUP 1915", 1918, sheet music- the Girls of France, personal letters, photographs, pamphlets, and articles from newspapers.