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[Red Cross Archives series reference: NO6]??Comprises periodicals, pamphlets, books and small posters produced by the Youth Department of the Australian Red Cross for the purpose of promotion and education. There are long but incomplete sets of periodicals, such as, Australian Red Cross Junior (1945-1975) and NSW Junior Red Cross Record (1943-1949); as well as singular purpose publications relating to topics such as civics, community involvement, food, health, home nursing, refugees, managing libraries, preparing financial budgets, music and song, debating, as well as personal safety on the road, in the home and on the farm. Also includes teachers resource kit on International Humanitarian Law and tracing patterns for five different sizes of ARC Cape.??This series has been aggregated from the National Office as well as the divisions of New South Wales, Victoria, Northern Territory, Western Australia, Queensland, Tasmania and Papua New Guinea. There are also International Friendship Books with Thailand, Japan, New Zealand, West Germany, India, Greece, Philippines and Canada.??The Australian Junior Red Cross was founded in New South Wales in August 1914 by Mrs Eleanor MacKinnon, originally aimed at involving children in supporting recuperating soldiers, as well as assisting soldier's children. Subsequently the movement evolved to focus on the development of a humanitarian ethos amongst young people through education programs, participation and activities that encourage active citizenship and community participation. In the 1970s the Australian Junior Red Cross changed its name to Red Cross Youth and became part of the Youth and Education Service Department, focusing on people under 30 years. (Australian Women's register: Youth and Education Services, Australian Red Cross. (1914-) <http://www.womenaustralia.info/biogs/AWE0717b.htm>)??Researchers should also refer to: 'Junior Red Cross (VIC) Index Cards (2016.0072) pertaining to Junior Red Cross activities in schools; Junior Red Cross and Australian Red Cross Youth Records (2016.0058) and the Poster series (2016.0076).??Researchers should note that under the Geneva Conventions Act 1957 protections govern the use of the Red Cross emblem. For further information see Archives staff.

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