VICTORIAN BABY HEALTH CENTRES ASSOCIATION

TWENTY SECOND
Annual Report
OF
CENTRAL COUNCIL
1939-40
Aims and Objects of the Association

(1) To safeguard the health of mothers and babies.

(2) To encourage the breast-feeding of infants.

(3) To train double certificated Nurses in Mothercraft and Infant Welfare.

(4) To employ these trained Nurses, who shall—
   (a) Attend certain Centres, where not only mothers with their babies can come, but also expectant mothers.
   (b) Visit mothers at their homes, and help them carry out simple hygienic rules.

(5) To hold meetings and give organised teaching to women, as opportunity shall arise, and to disseminate such knowledge by every available agency.

(6) To co-operate with all present or future organisations working for the same objects.

The object of the Association being to keep infants healthy, sick children are not treated at Centres, but are always referred to their own doctor or to a hospital.

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VICTORIAN BABY HEALTH CENTRES ASSOCIATION
(CENTRAL)

TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT.

Ladies and Gentlemen,—

In presenting the Twenty-second Annual Report the Council draws attention to the fact that, while its report gives a general survey of the Association's work, each Health Centre publishes its own Annual Report and Balance Sheet, manages its own affairs, and extends the work in its own district, the Association acting as a co-ordinating link between the various Centres.

The Balance Sheet at the end of this Report relates only to the Central Council, the Mothercraft Home and Training School, and Travelling Baby Health Centre.

ADMINISTRATION.

The Council has met every month. The Executive Committee, consisting of the office-bearers and ten members of Council, of whom two at least must be representatives of Municipal Councils, two at least representatives of country Centres, and one a member of the British Medical Association, is elected by the Council at the first meeting after the Annual Meeting. This Committee, which co-ordinates the work, has met every month. The Training School Committee and Medical Sub-Committee deal with all technical matters in connection with the training of the Nurses and the conduct of Baby Health Centres generally. Finance is controlled by a separate Sub-Committee, and there is a Board of Trustees to manage the affairs of the Newspaper Depot.

LADY DUGAN.

Lady Dugan kindly consented to become Patroness of the Association, and a warm welcome was given her by the President (Sir Walter Leitch) when she attended the Annual Meeting held on 31st August, 1939.

Lady Dugan has expressed her keen interest in the work of the Association for the Mothers and Babies in this State, and the great necessity for its continuance during the present time.

Lady Dugan inspected the Travelling Baby Health Centre when it was in Melbourne recently, and was very interested in its work for the Mothers living in the Mallee.

Lady Dugan, during the year, visited the Baby Health Centres at Bendigo and Ballarat.

OBITUARY.

It is with great regret the Council records the death during the year of Mrs. J. J. Hemphill, one of the founders of the Baby Health Centre Movement in Victoria. Mrs. Hemphill
was instrumental, with Dr. Younger Ross, in starting the first Centre in the State in Richmond in 1917. For many years Mrs. Hemphill was closely associated with the work, and always retained her interest in it as a Life Member of the Association.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Council received with regret Alderman J. Monahan Lewis’ resignation from the Executive Committee. Alderman Monahan Lewis had been a member of the Committee for many years, and his interest in the work has been much appreciated.

The Council regret the absence of some months from the Executive Committee from Mrs. W. J. Boyland, owing to continued ill health. Mrs. Boyland has for many years been one of the most active and helpful members of the Executive Committee, and her active participation in the work is greatly missed by everyone.

GENERAL PROGRESS.

There are 142 Baby Health Centres affiliated with the Association, 77 being in country districts. Propaganda work has been active throughout the year.

New Centres have been opened at Aberfeldie, Bacchus Marsh, Black Rock, Carlton (Newry Street), Drouin, Irymple, Kooindrook and Merino. Very fine and well-equipped new Centre buildings have been erected at Ararat, Kew, Emerald, Warracknabeal, Black Rock and Carlton (Newry Street), and at Monbulk a “Playhouse” was opened in connection with the Baby Health Centre on 10th April.

The Council is glad to report that the Donald Baby Health Centre affiliated with the Association during the year. At Barham (N.S.W.), a Baby Health Centre has been established, and is run in connection with that at Kooindrook in the Kerang Shire. Colac Baby Health Centre has established a scheme for dental inspection for children attending the Centre.

Attendances at the Centres have been very satisfactory during the year. In many cases there has been an increase in the advice given to individual mothers with babies and young children, though a slight falling off in total attendances due to the prevalence of such infectious illnesses as whooping cough, mumps, measles and chicken-pox in some districts.

Leaflets—Many requests for the leaflets compiled by the Association and issued to mothers at the Centres, have been received from country doctors. Requests for their use have been received from the Foundling Hospital (Tanderri, Infant Welfare Training School) and from other interested organisations. Permission was also given to the Canberra Mothercraft Society to use such of the leaflets as they desired.

The Secretary of the Association of Apex Clubs of Australia has notified the Association that they have the sum of £176 in hand to be used towards the provision of a Mobile Maternal and Child Welfare Centre, or for some special equipment for the work approved by the Apex Club. This sum is being kept by them on fixed deposit until such time as required by the Association. The sum cannot be used for ordinary maintenance purposes.

The Hon. Secretary has visited the following country Centres during the year:—Mildura, Merbein, Redcliffs, Bacchus Marsh, Terang, Ararat, Hamilton, Casterton, Kerang, Lang Lang and Maryborough. Members of the Executive have also attended many Annual Meetings in country districts. These visits are valuable and help to promote that feeling of unity, mutual help and interest essential in keeping the work of the Association alive and progressive.

The Annual Conference of Presidents and Secretaries of Baby Health Centres was held in June, following the Country Women’s Association’s Conference. Twenty-eight country Centres were represented, constituting a record attendance from country districts. On the morning of the Conference twenty-two representatives were taken to visit the new Centres at Carlton (Newry Street) and Kew. A visit was also paid to the Lady Gowrie Child Centre. This inspection of new Centres is always enjoyed by country representatives. Delegates attending this Conference subscribed the sum of £3/10/- toward the Association’s Travelling Baby Health Centre.

The Hon. Secretary was invited to speak on “Child Welfare” work at the Annual Conferences of the Australian Women’s National League, the United Country Party (Women’s Section), the Country Women’s Association and at the Quarterly Conference of the Women’s Organising Committee of the Australian Labour Party.

These opportunities of bringing this important work before the public were very much appreciated and valued by the Association.

EXPECTANT MOTHERS.

During the year the Association held a Conference with other interested organisations to discuss the question of more adequate provision of nourishment for needy expectant mothers.

The recommendations from this Conference were forwarded to the Minister of Labour and to the Charities Board. At the request of the Women’s Organising Committee of the Australian Labour Party, the Association supported their deputation to the Charities Board asking that increased grants
be made available for providing more adequate nourishment for necessitous expectant mothers not on sustenance and who are unable to get the benefits given to those on sustenance.

Many other conferences relating to Child Welfare work have been attended and supported by representatives of the Association during the year.

**CARE OF THE PRE-SCHOOL CHILD.**

Special instruction and clinics are given to the Infant Welfare Trainees in residence at the Mothercraft Home on the care and needs of children of pre-school age. Plans are already in progress by the Association for increasing this instruction in so far as the already very full curriculum and limited time for training will allow at present.

As increasing numbers of children of this age attend Centres throughout the State, the inclusion and amplification of this part of the Infant Welfare Nurses' training is becoming most important, and the Council supports the move being made by the Director of Infant Welfare for a revision of the present curriculum to include more special instruction in preschool work. At present it is being given by the Association at its Mothercraft Home as an extra to an already full curriculum.

Many more, and most new, Baby Health Centres are including special indoor and outdoor waiting places for toddlers. They also provide special toys and equipment as a demonstration to parents of what is necessary for the proper physical and mental development of their children, and which can inexpensively be provided in the home.

The Association advocates the medical inspection of all infants and children of pre-school age attending Centres.

**PARENT EDUCATION.**

The Parent Clubs already established in connection with Baby Health Centres have been very active during the year, and several enquiries are being received in regard to establishing new ones. Clubs are established in connection with the Centres at Bendigo, Northcote, North Essendon, Moonee Ponds, Ascot Vale, Albert Park, Oakleigh, Colac, Terang, Benalla and Croydon.

It is advocated that these clubs should be primarily educational in object, and a means for furthering the knowledge of parents in all matters connected with the welfare of their children. Some Parent Clubs incorporate other activities. Camberwell has not established a Parent Club, but holds special monthly lectures that are attended by parents from any of its seven Baby Health Centres.

The Executive Committee has compiled a list of lecturers who would be willing to assist in giving lectures to the Parent Clubs, and a talk on the work of the clubs was given to the Victorian Medical Women's Society during the year to stimulate the interest of the members in these Parent Clubs.

**VICTORIAN BABY HEALTH CENTRES SISTERS' CLUB.**

The Victorian Baby Health Centres Sisters' Club is very active, and has a membership of 100.

Their Annual Meeting was held on 29th August, 1939, and a talk was given on 'International Affairs.'

A Social Evening was held during the year at the Training School, and funds raised towards providing special equipment for it.

An "Australian Tea" was held in June and proceeds donated to "Airdree" Home for Nurses, and the Australian Comforts Fund.

**VICTORIAN BABY HEALTH CENTRES ASSOCIATION VOLUNTARY HELPERS' CLUB.**

The Victorian Baby Health Centres Voluntary Helpers' Club reports a very successful year, during which the nett amount of £62.7/6 has been raised. A cheque for £40 has been paid to the Association, and the members also suggested that the amount of £30 previously donated towards a cine camera should be made available for present needs. £15 has been spent on blankets for the Training School, and £3/15/- donated to cover the cost of a Pigmy oven grill.

At the Annual Meeting of the Club, held in February last, Miss J. Vance was re-elected President, Mrs. J. Wilson Vice-President, Miss A. MacPherson Hon. Treasurer and Mrs. A. E. Johnstone Hon. Secretary.

Several outings have been arranged, and evening and afternoon bridge parties have been held. Members are again collecting for a Jumble Sale to be held at the end of August, and would be very grateful for any contributions.

Club Meetings are now being held at the English Speaking Union Rooms at 340 Little Collins Street on the first Wednesday of each month, when business is discussed over morning tea, and new members are cordially welcomed.

The Council expresses its great appreciation for the very active work of the Club, and its generous support for the activities of the Mothercraft Home and Training School.

**VOLUNTARY HELPERS.**

The Council wishes to thank the Voluntary Helpers at the many Baby Health Centres affiliated with the Association for the regular time they devote each week to help the sisters in charge of the Centres. It is very much valued by all the sisters, and they are most grateful for it.

The Voluntary Helpers are rendering a splendid and important service to the community by their work, which is of especial value at the present time, when the health and well-being of the mothers and babies is of such national importance.

To Mrs. H. L. Williams the Association owes a debt of gratitude for her capable work as Hon. Organiser of the
Voluntary Helpers and Convenor of the V.B.H.C.A. Voluntary Helpers’ Club, and for all her interest, help and cooperation in the work of the Association.

AUXILIARIES.

IVANHOE BABY HEALTH CENTRE VOLUNTARY HELPERS’ AUXILIARY.

The Council is very grateful for the continued interest and support of this auxiliary for the work of the Mothercraft Home and Training School.

During the year the Ivanhoe Auxiliary provided £9 for the special needs of the premature babies in residence. A gift of 15 dozen eggs was made in response to the ‘Egg Appeal.’

New curtains were provided for the mothers’ rooms and babies’ nursery—a gift to the value of £4/13/8. Many gifts of baby clothes were made during the year.

This auxiliary has also been raising funds to assist the Association in providing a new Mothercraft Home, and has a sum already put by towards this object.

“ASHFIELD” AUXILIARY.

Since her return from England at the end of last year, Miss Book has resumed her interest and work with this auxiliary, and many new members have been enrolled.

The Council has always been very appreciative of the wonderful work carried out by Miss Book and the members of this auxiliary for the Mothercraft Home and Training School. The sum of £8 has been raised this year towards providing special equipment needed.

The continued support and interest of this auxiliary is much appreciated by the Council.

The Hon. Secretary met members of the auxiliary during the year to speak to them on the activities of the Mothercraft Home and the work of the Association.

MOTHERCRAFT HOME AND INFANT WELFARE TRAINING SCHOOL AND MODEL BABY HEALTH CENTRE.

The work of the Mothercraft Home has been carried on very successfully, despite the difficulties created by the war, and there has been no curtailment of any of its activities. There have been several changes in the personnel of the Mothercraft Home during the year.

The Council very much regretted receiving the resignation of Miss Sage, who had been Matron of the Mothercraft Home for several years. Matron Sage was called up and appointed to take charge of the 7th Division of the Australian Army Nursing Service, and is now serving overseas. The Council wishes Miss Sage every success in her new work and a safe return. She has been much missed by the staff and mothers at the Mothercraft Home and by all who knew her capable work.

Miss Crick was appointed Matron in place of Miss Sage, and the Council would like to express to her its deep appreciation of the capable way she has taken over the work and management of the Mothercraft Home and Infant Welfare Training School, and for the time and thought she has given to ensure its smooth running and efficiency.

The Council feels most fortunate in having secured the services of Miss Crick as its new Matron.

Sister Downe was appointed Assistant Matron in January, and her capable and efficient work at the Mothercraft Home is very much valued.

Admissions to the Mothercraft Home—

Total number of babies .................. 70
Breast fed ................................ 16
Artificially fed ............................. 54
Mothers .................................. 18
Premature babies ......................... 11

In addition to the above figures 206 mothers and babies not able to come into residence, but who were experiencing difficulties with their babies, were admitted for a daily residence for varying periods, and received much help through this special supervision.

Trainees.—Twenty Sisters were trained in Infant Welfare during the year, making a total of 450 trained by the Association since the beginning of the movement.

Several Infant Welfare Sisters were given special “refresher” courses during the year.

This year a special prize has been awarded to the best trainee in each term instead of the usual “Margaret White” Prize given to the best trainee of the year.

Owing to the change of Matron during the year, and Dr. Campbell’s absence for some months through ill health, comparison of the merits of all trainees through the year was rendered impossible. The prize for each term has been awarded to Sister M. G. Fenton, Sister L. M. Moden and Sister M. C. Perry.

Medical Students.—The number of medical students attending for special tuition in Infant Care for the year was 53, making a total of 298 medical students who have taken the special course arranged at the Mothercraft Home. All were keenly interested in the work, and especially in the premature babies in residence.

Dietitians.—The annual course of lectures in infant feeding, specially arranged for dietitians, was held this year at the Mothercraft Home. Eight dietitians attended, and four did a three weeks’ practical course subsequently.

Voluntary Helpers.—Several courses of lectures and demonstrations have been arranged for Voluntary Helpers to enable them to gain knowledge and experience before assisting the sisters-in-charge of Centres.
MODEL BABY HEALTH CENTRE.

Attendance at the Model Baby Health Centre have been satisfactory.
Total attendances for the year ...... 1,759
Babies under 2 years ............. 1,685
Children over 2 years ............. 74
Individual babies under 2 years .... 226
Individual children over 2 years .... 25

A Pre-school Child Clinic is held each month by the Association’s Medical Officer, Dr. Kate Campbell, and special lectures are also given. Arrangements have also been made for trainees to attend Dr. Hilda Kincaid’s monthly clinics and examination of pre-school children at the Carlton City Centre.

The Council is very grateful to Dr. Hilda Kincaid for her assistance and co-operation in giving these, and other facilities, for added experience for the trainees in Health Centre work.

The Council also appreciates Dr. Hilda Bull’s co-operation in allowing the trainees to attend her clinics, when she is immunising against diphtheria for the City Council. It is useful for the trainees to have some knowledge of this work, since immunising is becoming a routine in the Health Centres run by many municipalities.

The Council expresses its appreciation to all members of the staff of the Mothercraft Home for their excellent work during the year.

The Council specially thanks Mrs. Saulwick and Miss Moore who voluntarily give their time and services each week to do mending and sewing for the Mothercraft Home; this work is very valuable assistance to the Committee and staff.

The services of Miss Wainwright, who lectures in an honorary capacity to the trainees on “Public Speaking,” has been much appreciated, and her work is very helpful to the trainees.

All the work of the Mothercraft Home is under the supervision of Dr. Kate Campbell, the Association’s Medical Officer. Dr. Kate Campbell is also the lecturer to the medical students at the University and Women’s Hospital, instructing them on the care of the premature and new born babies.

Dr. Campbell gives monthly lectures to sisters-in-charge of the Centres, which are found most helpful by the sisters who are also able to bring many of their problems to Dr. Campbell, and so gain much help in their work at the Centres.

The Council was greatly grieved at Dr. Campbell’s illness during the year, and her absence for five months on that account. During her absence, Dr. Mona Blanch undertook all Dr. Campbell’s work at the Mothercraft Home, and the Council would like to place on record its warm and sincere appreciation for the excellent, capable and successful manner in which Dr. Blanch carried on this work, and for the time and interest she devoted to it.

Matron reports that 52 cases had to be refused admission during the year owing to lack of accommodation, and, as reported last year, the Association needs a new and larger Mothercraft Home, with improved accommodation to cope with the increasing demands being made on its many services for infant welfare work.

As the maintenance of the Mothercraft Home is almost entirely dependent on voluntary funds, financial support for this activity is greatly needed. It is an institution whose work confers a double benefit to the community through the very highly specialised care given to the mothers and babies and premature babies in residence, and also through its special training for both infant welfare nurses and medical students, which make it the “nervous centre” of the whole movement.

SPECIAL GIFTS TO THE TRAINING SCHOOL.

Mr. Arthur Sage.—Cases of fruit.
Mrs. Preese.—Baby clothes.
Ivanhoe Auxiliary.—Baby clothes, 15 dozen eggs.
Fitzroy Girls’ School Baby clothes.
 Coburg High School Baby clothes.
 J. H. Boyd School
 3 DB Woollies’ Appeal.—Parcel of “Woollies.”
 Sister Lewis.—Many gifts of home-made jam.
 Miss Lunnis.—Tray and toddlers’ meal set.
 Sister Mounsey.—Play-pen.
 Sister Johnstone.—Wireless for the Staff.
 Mrs. Fitton.—Baby clothes.
 3 DB.—Toys for Christmas.
 Dr. Constance Ellis.—Clock.
 Dr. Younger Ross.—Bed and Mattress.
 Mrs. Worcester.—Child’s enamel chair and laundry basket.
 Miss G. Turner.—Sewing machine.
 Christmas Gifts.
 Messrs. Foy & Gibson’s Ltd.—Ham.
 “Ronald’s” Flower Shop.—Large bunch of flowers.
 Mr. Friend.—Joint of meat.
 Mr. F. J. Rance.—Vegetables and fruit.

TRAVELLING BABY HEALTH CENTRE.

This service has now been on the road 2½ years, and is more than fulfilling the hopes held of it when first inaugurated. The work during the last year has been most successful, and attendances have increased satisfactorily over last year’s figures—showing that the mothers in increasing numbers are valuing this service in their districts.

ATTENDANCES FOR THE YEAR:

New entries on the roll ....... 191
Individual babies under 2 years .... 362
Individual children over 2 years .... 507
Total attendances at Centre ........ 3003
Total attendances babies under 2 years ... 2519
Total attendances babies over 2 years ... 466
Transfers from other Centres .......... 18
Total consultations to expectant mothers .... 62

In addition, a number of letters for advice have been attended to, and telephone consultations received.

The above figures represent 11 months' work only, as the caravan was off the road for one month for repairs.

The general health of the babies has been excellent, some isolated cases of whooping cough and measles have been reported. There were a few cases of simple dietetic diarrhoea in the summer time, which quickly responded to the advice given.

The health of the pre-school children is generally good. Dental caries is a trouble, and treatment in such isolated parts difficult to obtain.

Since it was placed on the road, the caravan has travelled 24,269 miles. The approximate monthly mileage is 800 miles, and 26 townships are served in the present schedule. Several tyre 'blow-outs' during the hot weather occurred, a common trouble in the Mallee. In May, the caravan was brought to Melbourne, after eighteen months' absence, for a thorough inspection, overhaul, special repairs and alterations.

The Council is very grateful to Mr. Leslie Bevan of Messrs Bevan Bros., South Melbourne, who undertook to advise free of charge on the repairs necessary, both to engine and body work. Mr. Bevan gave most generously of his time to supervising every detail of the work undertaken.

The repairs and alterations to improve the accommodation for the comfort of the sisters have been most successful, and since the overhaul the engine has been running splendidly. The route is much the same as last year, but Patchewollock, Turriff, Speed and Underbool have been reincluded, and quite recently Torrita and Speed West have been added to the schedule.

The present schedule is:

1st Week.—Culgoa, Nullawil, Lalbert, Ultima, Sea Lake, Woomelang, Turriff, Speed, Speed West, Patchewollock, Ouyen, Galah, Walpeup East, Walpeup.

2nd Week.—Murrayville, Danyo, Cowangie, Tuty, Boinka, Linga, Underbool, Torrita, Ouyen, Tempy, Gama, Lascelles, Woomelang, Sea Lake.

Requests have been received from the Swan Hill Shire Council for re-inclusion in the schedule of certain townships formerly served. This matter is under consideration, but is difficult, as the Travelling Baby Health Centre has a very full schedule already. In addition to the regular clinics, a few 'wayside calls' are made by the sisters in the course of their work.
The Council is grateful to 3DB for its daily broadcast of the caravan’s schedule and whereabouts, and any sudden changes occurring for any reason in the schedule. It is a service much valued by the mothers, and a great convenience for them. The Council is also grateful to 3DB for making available time for a special broadcast on the work of the Travelling Centre for publicity purposes.

Roads have on the whole improved, but some are very rough and dusty owing to continued dry weather.

Various changes in the staffing of the Travelling Centre have occurred during the year.

Sister Serpell has been with the caravan over a year. Sister Morton resigned after 18 months’ service in November. Her leaving was much regretted by the mothers in the district, with whom she was very popular.

The Council records its very great appreciation of Sister Morton’s excellent work whilst with the caravan.

Sister Mounsey was appointed in place of Sister Morton, and carried on the work with Sister Serpell most capably. Sister Mounsey left in May to become correspondence sister with the Infant Welfare Department, but may return later to be with the Travelling Centre as one of its sisters. Sister Serpell was also appointed as an infant welfare sister to the Infant Welfare Department, but remains with the Travelling Centre as special sister appointed by the department to it, in accordance with the conditions of a Government subsidy made available this year in recognition of the work being carried out by this service for country mothers.

The Council would specially like to place on record its appreciation of the capable and efficient services of Sister Serpell in her work with the Travelling Centre during the year; her interest and assistance in planning much of the work of this service has been invaluable to the Council.

Sister Prendergast has been appointed by the Association in place of Sister Mounsey, and is at present with the caravan and enjoying the life with it.

In February, Dr. Officer visited the Mallee and travelled with the caravan for ten days, covering about 350 miles with it during this period. In this way a thorough detailed knowledge of the work being accomplished was obtained.

There is no doubt this unique service is providing wonderful benefits to the mothers; it is a remarkably efficient one, working with almost clockwork precision to its schedule and is amply fulfilling a long felt need in these parts.

Dr. Officer attended a conference held at Sea Lake on 28th February by representatives from the five Shire Councils whose districts are served by the caravan. The Councils have agreed to make a grant of £150 per annum between them to assist in providing more security for a service they value, and which provides such help and comfort to the mothers.

Dr. Officer also attended five meetings whilst in the Mallee to give addresses on Child Welfare work, and that of the Travelling Centre to stimulate interest and financial support in the district itself.

The Council values very greatly the assistance received by the sisters in their work from many residents in the district. In any difficulties and troubles willing help has always been available, and in particular the garages render many services free of charge for them, such as changing of tyres, etc.

Special thanks of the Council are made to the Sea Lake Branch of the Country Women’s Association, who organised
a special function and raised the sum of £28/11/9 towards the maintenance costs of the caravan. This wonderful effort from the district is much appreciated.

Even with some support obtained this year from the Government and Shire Councils, the Association still has to find a large sum annually to maintain this service on the road. This will have to be found from voluntary sources, and also funds towards providing a new vehicle when the present one needs renewing. The Council feels sure the public will, even in these difficult times, help to support a health service so valuable to the Mallee mothers, many of whom live 50 to 60 miles from the nearest doctor and hospital. For them the Travelling Centre is the only opportunity of receiving expert advice, care and supervision for themselves and their children.

**LECTURES ON MOTHERCRAFT.**

During the past year the following schools have received lectures on 'Mothercraft':-
- "Pintoa" Presbyterian Girls' Grammar School, Balwyn.
- "Fitbank" Church of England Girls' Grammar School, Brighton.
- Methodist Ladies' College, Hawthorn.
- "Clyde" Girls' School, Woodend.
- Swinburne and Brighton Technical Schools.
- Coburg, Hampton and Essendon High Schools.
- Collingwood, Richmond, East Brunswick, Fitzroy, Flemington, Preston, East Camberwell and J. H. Boyd Girls' Schools.
- Salvation Army Schools, Kew and Camberwell.

The principals of these schools have expressed their appreciation of this work which is being done through the efforts of the Association.

The results of the examinations over the last twelve months are as follows:
- Certificates ......................................... 1,030
- Pass .................................................. 622
- Fail .................................................... 202

Total number of girls who sat for the examinations ............................................. 1,854

The schools have contributed to the newspaper collections, large amounts being received from East Kew, East Malvern, Elwood and Northcote Schools, and smaller amounts from various others.

Gifts of garments for the babies at the Training School have been sent from the following schools:—Fitzroy Girls' School (Repatriation Department), nightgowns, booties and mittens; J. H. Boyd Girls' School, nightgowns and jackets; Coburg High School, knitted garments; Canterbury Central School, $1. Many other garments have been given by individual pupils.

Two courses of lectures have been given to the nurses of St. George's Intermediate Hospital, Kew, during the past year. Lectures were also given to the students of the Emily MacPherson College of Domestic Economy, and to those of the Kindergarten Training College, Kew.

Students of the Kindergarten Training College, with the Principal, Dr. Macfarland, visited the Training School, where they were given a demonstration by Miss Sage, and shown some of the work done by the Association.

A lecture was given in March last to the members of the Northcote and Thornbury Mothers’ Club.

The Association employs a full time lecturing sister for this work. This education in Mothercraft to senior girls in schools plays a most important part in educating them for future parenthood.

**CO-OPERATION.**

The Council wishes to thank Professor Marshall Allan for his continued interest in the Association. Sincere thanks are rendered to Dr. George Simpson and Dr. Hallows for their valued help in lecturing and examining during the year at the Mothercraft Home.

The Council would specially like to express its appreciation to the Director of Infant Welfare, Dr. Scantlebury Brown, and the members of her department for their interest, help and close co-operation in the work of the Association during the year.

The Council has also co-operated with many other organisations interested in child welfare work, and feels that the closer such co-operation can be, the more effective will be the results achieved for the health and well-being of the mothers with young families. The future success of the work lies very largely in united and concerted effort for this one object.

The assistance given by the members of the Country Women's Association to the Association in its work is very much valued, and the support of so many branches of the C.W.A. for the Travelling Baby Health Centre has been most encouraging and helpful.

The Council wishes to thank 3DB broadcasting station for the woolen garments for the babies received during the year.

The directors of the "Argus," "Age," "Herald" and "Sun" newspapers and the editors of the many country newspapers are thanked for their co-operation and interest in so generously giving publicity for the activities of the Association; it is invaluable to the work.
The Council also thanks the sisters-in-charge of Centres for their work and loyal and devoted services for the mothers and babies, and for their valuable interest and co-operation for the work of the Association.

STATE GOVERNMENT.

The Victorian Government has subsidised the municipal councils up to £112/10/- for the salary of each approved full time nurse appointed. This amount includes subsidy of salary for each relieving nurse appointed when the sister-in-charge of the Centres is on annual leave.

The full subsidy is given on condition that the salary of the nurse is not less than £208 per annum. If the salary of the nurse is less than £208 per annum, the subsidy is on the basis of half the salary paid to the nurse. The Government makes no provision for any maintenance expenses in connection with the Centres.

Prior to the depression and when the movement was first inaugurated, the Government agreed to pay up to £125 per annum on a £1 basis with the municipalities as the estimated cost of running a full time Centre was £250 (including salary of nurse and maintenance of Centres).

The Council would like to express its appreciation of the subsidy given to all this work.

The subsidy to any one municipality is limited to three full time nurses employed. A municipality who employs more than this number of nurses for adequately staffing the work of the Centres in its district, bears the full cost of the salary of such extra sisters. To encourage more adequate staffing of Centres to cope with the increasing numbers attending in many districts, the Association expresses the hope that the Government will alter its conditions of subsidy to relate to the salary of each full time nurse employed by a municipality.

The Council very much appreciated the Government’s granting a subsidy this year towards the maintenance of the Travelling Baby Health Centre. The subsidy amounts to the salary of one of the full time nurses appointed. This grant will help to provide some financial security in these difficult times for a very valuable Health Centre service to country mothers.

There is no doubt that the Government will receive a double dividend for money spent on this work, both in the increased health for the present generation and for those in the future.

MUNICIPAL AND SHIRE COUNCILS.

The Municipal and Shire Councils continue to take an active and encouraging interest in their Centres, and in the development of this work.

Many fine new buildings have been erected during the year and many councils contemplate a still further extension of this work. The municipalities have long recognised the value of the work being carried out in the Baby Health Centres.

The whole cost of the erection of special buildings is borne by the municipalities, who, in addition, subsidise the salary of the nurse £1 for £1 with the Government, and also bear all maintenance expenses, which sometimes includes the provision of a car for the sister’s use. In some cases the Baby Health Centre Committees assist the councils with the funds for maintenance, and in providing transport facilities for the sister.

The Association’s warm thanks are due to those municipalities who so generously made special donations towards the Association’s Mothercraft Home and Infant Welfare Training School during the year. This support was invaluable in helping the Association maintain this activity through a difficult period soon after the outbreak of war.

The Association would also like to thank those municipalities who support the work of the Mothercraft Home and Infant Welfare Training School with regular donations each year. This assistance is greatly appreciated.

The Association would specially like to congratulate the Melbourne City Council on the very progressive child welfare work being carried out by them, which includes medical and dental inspection at its Health Centres, immunisation, and a proposal to increase kindergarten facilities for the children of pre-school age in its districts.

The Association values very much the grants made by the Karkaroo, Kerang, Swan Hill, Walpeup and Wyperfield Shire Councils towards the maintenance of the Travelling Baby Health Centre.

AN APPRECIATION.

The Council places on record its appreciation of the interested and loyal work for the Association of the Secretary, Miss Lunnis, especially that in connection with the running of the Association’s Waste Paper Depot.

Baby Health Centre Committees also appreciate Miss Lunnis’ interested help in the selection and provision of the demonstration sets of infants and toddlers’ garments for display in the Centres.

CHARITIES BOARD.

Members of the Charities Board visited the Mothercraft Home during the year, and were very interested and sympathetic towards the work being carried out. The Council is grateful to the members of the Charities Board for their interest, and for their help in raising the grant to the Mothercraft Home to £500 for the year. This has been a great assistance towards the care of the necessitous mothers and babies taken into residence.
Practically all the mothers and babies cared for at the Mothercraft Home are such cases and contribute little or nothing towards the cost of their residence, but it is these mothers and babies who need so much the specialised care available at the Mothercraft Home.

**WASTE PAPER SCHEME.**

Donors of paper to the Association's Waste Paper Depot are very sincerely thanked for their support and splendid contributions received during the year. Junior Red Cross Circles have again been very active and we are very grateful for their continued interest and help.

The following schools have made generous contributions of paper—Camberwell (Mangarra Rd.), Elwood Central, Flemington Girls' School, Fawkner, N. Fitzroy, Hawthorn W., E. Kew, E. Malvern, Northcote High School, Westgarth, Williamstown and Yarra Park State Schools. Northcote School still maintains its high record. The co-operation of head teachers in connection with collections of paper at schools is much appreciated by the Association.

Boxes for the collection of papers are installed at Baby Health Centres, committees of Centres and sisters-in-charge in their efforts to interest the mothers in the waste paper scheme. Many mothers are regular contributors to the Association's Depot—saving papers in their own homes to be collected by V.B.H.C. collectors—but there are also many mothers, who bring with them on their visits to the Centres, papers to place in the waste paper boxes at the Centres.

The Sister-in-charge of Leongatha Baby Health Centre, Sister E. Lewis, and Sister Lindsay, of Colac Centre, are both very warmly thanked for their efforts in this connection. These sisters arrange for collection of papers at the Centres and bring or send the papers (carrier paid) to the Association's Depot. They have made many fine contributions during the year.

Sisters-in-charge of Centres at Albert Park, Brighton, Brunswick, Black Rock, Carnegie, Caulfield, Carlton, Chelsea, Camberwell, Glen Iris, Fitzroy, Hampton, Malvern, E. Malvern, Moorabbin, Oakleigh, Port Melbourne, Prahran, Hawthorn, Northcote, Sandringham and St. Kilda are sincerely thanked for their interest and help.

Various Municipal Councils and firms contribute regularly to the V.B.H.C. Depot, and are thanked for their generous donations of paper.

The Association's Waste Paper Depot has been in existence for the past 21 years, and amongst our donors of paper are many who have contributed to the depot regularly throughout that period. The Association is deeply grateful for their generous support and for the interest shown in the work.

**FINANCE.**

The Council desires to thank the Trustees of the Alfred Felton Estate, Alfred Edmonds Estate, the H. V. McKay Charitable Trust, Helen Gyles Turner Estate, T. J. Summer Trust, the David Syme Charitable Trust, R. J. Alcock Estate, W. M. Heath Estate, the Walter and Eliza Hall Trust, and Sir William Austin Zelal Estate for their generous donations towards the funds of the Association.

Donations are also gratefully acknowledged from the Gippsland & Northern Co-operative Company, G. J. Coles Ltd., Victoria Palace Ltd., State Savings Bank Officers' Association, V.B.H.C. Sisters' Club, V.B.H.C. Voluntary Helpers' Club, "Ashfield" and Ivanhoe V.B.H.C. Auxiliaries, Mrs. Marcus Martin, Miss M. Manger, Miss T. Officer, Sir Walter Leitch, and Mr. E. Truby Williams.

The generous support received from Municipal Councils and Baby Health Centre Committees has been of the greatest assistance to the work. The following are sincerely thanked for their donations—Bendigo, Essendon, Croydon, Oakleigh, and Ringwood B.H.C. Committees; Ballarat, Box Hill, Brighton, Brunswick, Camberwell, Caulfield, Collingwood, Essendon, Heidelberg, Kew, Melbourne, Moorabbin, Northcote, Port Melbourne, Richmond, Sandringham and South Melbourne Municipal Councils.

Contributions in connection with lectures on Mothercraft arranged by the Association have been received as follows and are gratefully acknowledged—Camberwell Central School, Methodist Ladies' College, "Clyde" Girls' School, "Fintona" Presbyterian Girls' School, and Kindergarten Training College.

The Council also thanks the Country Women's Association for donations received from the following C.W.A. Branches—Heidelberg, St. Kilda, Ultima and Woollert towards the Association's Travelling Baby Health Centre. Other contributions towards the Travelling Centre have been received from members of the Returned Sailors and Soldiers' Club (Women's Auxiliary), Ultima, "Old Fintonians," Wooleling U.C.P. (Women's Section), the Shell Company and Vacuum Oil Company. These donations are all very much appreciated.

Although the year has been a difficult one, the Council has been able through the generous help of its many friends and supporters to maintain all its work.

The strain of war inevitably falls most hardly on the women in the community with young families, and brings increased anxieties and responsibilities to them.

The work of the Baby Health Centres throughout the State will do much to alleviate this strain on the mothers, with consequent benefit to the whole family, by providing expert help, care and comfort in their difficulties.
The movement was started by the Association during the last war, when the vital necessity of conserving and preserving child life and health was recognised as essential for the future. The full benefits of this widespread service for the mothers will be felt not only during the present war years, but in the years of reconstructive effort that will follow our ultimate victory.

The future may be difficult with so much of the work dependent on voluntary funds, but Faith in ourselves and the national importance of our work, together with the Happiness that comes from service for the well-being of others and a concentration on Health (the foundations of which are laid in infancy and early childhood) as one of the prime necessities for national security, will enable the Association to surmount its difficulties, and make its maximum contribution to the present war effort.

(Signed) WALTER LEITCH, President.
DORIS L. OFFICER, Hon. Secretary.

Victorian Baby Health Centres
Association

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Woomelang Branch U.C.P.: £1 18 0
Old Piltonians: £7 0 0
Mrs. Swinburne (towards "Kool Kushions"): £2 2 0
Women's Auxiliary R.S.S.L. Club, Ultima: £1 1 0
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Shell Oil Company: £132 10 7

Total: £132 10 7
# Victorian Baby Health Centres Association

**ANNUAL RETURNS, 1939-1940.**

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Total number of visits paid by Sisters to Homes: 58,781

Total Attendances of Babies at Centres Under 2 Years: 400,303

Total Attendances of Children Over 2 Years: 47,379

Individual Expectant Mothers Advised: 4,593
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ALPHINGTON.—Methodist Hall, Heidelberg Road. Monday and Thursday, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

ARARAT.—Town Hall. Monday, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.; Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

ASCOT VALE.—Maribyrnong Road. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.; Thursday, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

AUBURN.—Recreation Hall, Auburn Road. Tuesday, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

BACCHUS MARSH.—C.W.A. Rooms, Main Street. Friday, 12:30 to 5:30 p.m.

BAINSNADE.—B.H.C., Nicholson Street. Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.; Friday, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

BALLARAT.—B.H.C., Camp Street. Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 1 to 4:30 p.m.

BALLARAT EAST.—Barclay Street. Monday and Wednesday, 1 to 4:30 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

BALWYN.—B.H.C., Cherry Street, off Whitehorse Road. Monday, 12:30 to 4:30 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

BARMHAM (N.S.W.).

BAYSWATER.—High Street. Friday, 2 to 4:30 p.m.

BELGRADE.—B.H.C., Main Road. Tuesday, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

BELMONT.—Shire Hall, Mount Pleasant Road. Friday, 12 noon to 4 p.m.

BENALLA.—B.H.C., Bridge Street. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

BENDIGO.—Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

BIRREGURRA.—B.H.C., Main Street. Friday, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

BLACKBURN.—Recreation Hall. Tuesday, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

BLACK ROCK.—Bluff Road. Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Friday, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

BORONIA.—Progress Hall. Monday, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

BOX HILL.—B.H.C., Eastern Oval, Whitehorse Road. Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

BRANXHOLME.—B.H.C. Tuesday, 1 to 4:30 p.m.

BRIGHTON.—Parliament Street. Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

BRIGHTON EAST.—B.H.C., Harlingham Park, Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

BRUNSWICK.—Town Hall. Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 1:30 to 4 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

BRUNSWICK.—Proper Hall. Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

BRUNSWICK EAST.—Lygon Street. Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1:30 to 4 p.m.

BURLEIGH.—Shire Hall. Fortnightly: Tuesday, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

BUNYIP.—Main Street. Friday, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

BURNLEY.—St. Bartholomew's Hall, cor. Burnley and Boyd Streets. Monday and Friday, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.
FITZROY.—Young Street (near Town Hall). Monday, Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4 p.m.; Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., and 1 to 4 p.m.

FITZROY NORTH.—Edinburgh Gardens, Brunswick Street. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4 p.m.

FLEMINGTON.—Town Hall. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4 p.m.

CARPENTER.—Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

GEELONG.—McMillan Street, Monday, 2 to 4:30 p.m.; Tuesday, Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4 p.m.; Friday, 2 to 4:30 p.m.

GEELONG WEST.—Town Hall. Monday, 2 to 4:30 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and 2 to 4:30 p.m.

GIBSON.—Shire Hall. Monday, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and 1:30 to 2 p.m.

GLEN IRIS.—High Street. Tuesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4 p.m.

GLEN WAVERLEY.—Mechanics' Hall, Springvale Road. Thursday, 12 noon to 4:30 p.m.

GREENSBOROUGH.—Main Road. Wednesday, 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4:15 p.m.; Thursday, 1 to 4:15 p.m.

HAMPTON.—B.H.C. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

HAWTHORN.—B.H.C. 319 Burwood Road. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

HEILDEBERG.—Barclay Place. Tuesday and Friday, 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4:30 p.m.

HEILDEBERG WEST.—Methodist Church. Wednesday, 1 to 4:30 p.m.

HEYWOOD.—B.H.C. Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

ICY RYMPLE.—IVANHOE.—B.H.C., Waterdale Road. Monday and Thursday, 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4:30 p.m.; Friday, 1 to 4:30 p.m.

KIRRANG.—Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

KINGSTON.—Deer Park Street. Tuesday, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

KINGSTON EAST.—Strathalbyn Street, East Kew. Monday, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and 2 to 4:30 p.m.

KIRRAWOOL.—Melbourne, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

KINGSTON NORTH.—Peel Street, Kew. Monday, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and 2 to 4:30 p.m.

KUNDA.—B.L.B., Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 1 to 5 p.m.

KURUMBA.—Commercial Road. Thursday, 1 to 5 p.m.

LANG LANG.—Friday, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and 1:30 to 4 p.m.

LEONGAH.—Memorial Hall. Wednesday, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.; Thursday, 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Friday, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

LILYDALE.—Tuesday, 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

LIMOS.—First and Third Fridays, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

MALVERN.—Presbyterian Guild Room. Wednesday, 130 to 4:30 p.m.

MALVERN.—Barkly Avenue. Monday to Friday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4 p.m.

MALVERN EAST.—Old Fire Station, junction of Waverley and Dun-"doo Roads. Monday and Friday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4 p.m.

MARYBOROUGH.—B.H.C., Clarendon Street. Monday and Thursday, 1:30 to 5 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1:30 to 5 p.m. (December-March, 7 to 9 p.m.).

MEENYAN.—Mechanics' Institute. Monday, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

MENINGA.—Box Street. Tuesday and Friday, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

MERINO.—Alternate Wednesdays, 12 noon to 4:30 p.m.
SOUTH MELBOURNE.—Town Hall. Monday and Tuesday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Wednesday, 9.30 to 12 noon, and 1 to 4 p.m.; Friday, 11 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4 p.m.

ST. Kilda.—B.H.C. Monday, 9 to 10.30 a.m.; Tuesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday and Thursday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

STAWELL.—Town Hall. Tuesday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

SURREY HILLS.—B.H.C., in Gardenia, Union Road, off Canterbury Road. Tuesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 4 p.m.

TERANG.—B.H.C. Monday and Wednesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

THORNBURY.—B.H.C., Clarendon Street. Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday, 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon; Friday, 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

WANDIN YALLOAK.—Hunters Road. First and Third Thursdays, 1 to 4.30 p.m.

WARRINDEL.—B.H.C. Monday, 2 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Friday, 1 to 4.30 p.m.

WARRACKNABAL.—Woolcock Street. Monday, Tuesday, and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

WARRANDYTE.—B.H.C., Main Road. Tuesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

WARRNAMBOOL.—B.H.C., Liebig Street. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

WILLAWARRA.—Public Hall. Alternate Wednesdays, 3 to 5 p.m.

WINCHELSEA.—Library Building. Wednesday, 1.30 to 5 p.m.

WONTHAGGI.—B.H.C., McBride Avenue. Monday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

WONTHAGGI NORTH.—Methodist Church, White Road, Tuesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

TRAVELLING BABY HEALTH CENTRE.

UPPER MALLEE.

(Kaarkaroo, Walpeup, Kerang, Wycheproof, and Swan Hill Shires.)

1st Week—Culgoa
2nd Week—Murrayville
Nullawil
Laibert
Ultima
Sea Lake
Woonelang
Turiff
Speed
Speed West
Patchewollock
Ouyen
Galih
Walpeup East
Walpeup

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## Victorian Baby Health Centres Association

**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1940.**

### INCOME:
- **To Grants and Donations** ........................................ £1,452 12 9
- **Patients' Contributions** ........................................ 260 0 3
- **Trainees' Fees** .................................................. 304 6 0
- **Government Grant** ............................................... 500 0 0
- **Newspaper Depot** ................................................. 280 0 0
- **Receipts from Patterns** ........................................ £4 19 9
  **Less Purchases** .................................................. 3 3 7
  **In all** .............................................................. 1 16 2

### EXPENDITURE:
- **By Training School—**
  - **Salaries—Medical & Nursing** .................................. £510 12 2
  - **Wages—Domestics** ............................................... 192 4 0
  - **Provisions** ..................................................... 395 2 2
  - **Fuel, Heat and Light** ......................................... 123 1 2
  - **Equipment** ..................................................... 109 4 4
  - **Drugs and Dressings** .......................................... 31 7 9
  - **Babies' Foods** .................................................. 20 7 0
  - **Telephone** ..................................................... 17 15 11
  - **Insurance** .................................................... 22 8 8
  - **Repairs** .......................................................... 30 4 1
  - **Printing and Stationery** ..................................... 21 9 1
  - **Laundry** .......................................................... 48 13 10
  - **Rent** .............................................................. 11 5 0
  - **Rates** ............................................................. 6 19 0
  - **Cleaning** ........................................................ 4 10 0
  - **Advertising** ................................................... 19 0 0
  - **Postages and Petties** ......................................... 14 14 11

  **In all** .............................................................. £1,578 19 1
- **Transfer to Building Fund** ...................................... 43 7 8
- **Salaries—Secretarial and Lecturing** .......................... 411 13 4
- **General Expenses, Postages and Petties** .................... 45 14 5
- **Printing and Stationery** ....................................... 80 15 6
- **Equipment** ....................................................... 15 10 3
- **Grants to Centres** ............................................... 55 15 0
- **Travelling Expenses—Lecturing Nurse** ....................... 17 14 1
- **Telephone** ........................................................ 19 2 7
- **Electric Light and Heating** ................................... 11 5 0
- **Rent and Cleaning** ............................................... 75 0 0
- **Audit Fees—three years** ........................................ 15 15 0
- **Materials and Making Garments** £28 1 9
  **Less Receipts** ................................................... 23 7 0

**In all** .............................................................. 4 14 9

### Summary:
- **Interest** .......................................................... 10 13 3
- **Surplus for year** ................................................. £2,375 6 8
- **£2,809 8 5**
BUILDING FUND ACCOUNT.

To Transfer from General Fund of the amount
required annually to extinguish the debt at
the expiration of the lease in 1949 ... £43 7 8
Balance at 30th June, 1940 ... 347 12 1

£390 19 9

By Balance at 30th June, 1939 ... £390 19 9

TRAVELLING CENTRE.

BALANCE SHEET AT 30TH JUNE, 1940.

LIABILITIES.

General Fund ... £1,020 8 8
Less Deficit for year ... 538 3 3
£482 5 5

ASSETS.

Fixed Deposit ... £400 0 0
Cash at State Savings Bank ... 78 1 6
Cash at National Bank of Australasia Ltd. ... 3 9 4
Cash in Hand ... 0 14 7
£482 5 5

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1940.

INCOME.

To Donations ... £68 9 7
" Shire Grants ... 65 0 0
" Interest ... 8 15 9
" Deficit for year ... 538 3 3
£680 8 7

EXPENDITURE.

By Salaries ... £408 14 0
" Repairs, Replacements and Spares ... 117 17 8
" Petrol and Oil ... 95 0 6
" Insurance ... 21 19 1
" Equipment ... 9 10 3
" Printing and Stationery ... 7 6 0
" Postage and Petties ... 13 7 8
" Patterns ... 6 13 8
" Less Sales ... 3 4 3
" Advertising ... 3 9 5
£680 8 7

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30TH JUNE, 1940.

LIABILITIES.

General Fund—
Balance at 30th June, 1939, before deduction of Building Fund ... £686 10 4
Plus Surplus for year ... 434 1 9
£1,120 12 1
Less Building Fund Deficiency ... 347 12 1
£773 0 0
Late Sir George Cascade Memorial Balance ... 13 12 0
Cot Endowment ... 100 0 0
£886 12 0

ASSETS.

Furniture and Equipment at Central Office valued at ... £100 0 0
State Savings Bank (including £100 Cot Endowment) ... 751 8 11
National Bank of Australasia Ltd., Current Account ... 35 3 1
£886 12 0

C. C. A. GEORGE,
Hon. Treasurer.

Melbourne, 23rd August, 1940.
Audited and found correct.

BRENTNALL, MEWTON & BUTLER,
Chartered Accountants (Australia).