

VICTORIAN BABY HEALTH CENTRES ASSOCIATION

Victorian Baby Health Centres
Association



TWENTY-FOURTH

Annual Report

of

CENTRAL COUNCIL

1941-42

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.
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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.

VICTORIAN BABY HEALTH CENTRES ASSOCIATION

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VICTORIAN BABY HEALTH CENTRES ASSOCIATION (CENTRAL)

TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

In presenting the Twenty-fourth 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.

LADY DUGAN.

The Association appreciates the interest shown in its activities by its Patroness, Lady Dugan, and her words spoken at our last Annual Meeting, held on 14th October, are an inspiration to all members of the Association to retain their active interest in this movement.

Lady Dugan said: "We must continue to look after the babies. Although we are throwing ourselves heart and soul into war efforts, we must not fail the children; we must still work for the best cause of all."

OBITUARY.

It is with great regret that the Council records the death during the year of Mrs. W. J. Boyland, who had represented the Box Hill Baby Health Centre on the Central Council of the Association from 1922. She was a member of the Training

School Committee from 1928, and a member of both the Finance and Executive Committees from 1931, positions which she retained until the time of her death. Mrs. Boyland's real interest and active work for the Association is very keenly missed by all members of the Committees on which she gave such faithful service for so many years.

The Council also regrets the passing of Miss E. Simpson, who represented the Caulfield and District Centres on the Central Council from 1920. Miss Simpson was always most interested, not only in the work of the Centres which she represented and did so much to develop, but in the Central activities of the Association. She was a member of the Training School Committee from 1921, and took a keen interest in its work. Members of the Association will miss her happy personality and the loyal service she gave to Baby Health Centre work for so many years. Miss Simpson very generously bequeathed a sum of money to the Association for use in developing its activities. The Executive hopes to be able to utilise this sum towards providing an additional Mobile Baby Health Centre Service for country mothers in memory of Miss Simpson, as she was so keenly interested in the work of our present Travelling Baby Health Centre.

The Council records with regret the death during the year of Sister Ingram, who was the first Baby Health Centre sister appointed to Geelong when it opened its first part-time Centre in December, 1917, being the first Centre to be established in this State in the country. Sister Ingram gave many years' faithful service to pioneering the work in Geelong and always retained her interest in it.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Council regrets for the last few months the absence from its meetings of its Senior Vice-President, Dr. Constance Ellis. Dr. Ellis has been seriously ill for some months. Her very active work for the movement is very much missed by members of the Executive Committee. Dr. Ellis has been associated with the Baby Health Centre movement in this State from its earliest years, and her help and advice has always been so greatly valued by the other members of the Committee.

GENERAL PROGRESS.

In many ways the year has been a difficult one, and an anxious one for everybody, but despite the increasing gravity of the war situation, the Council is glad to be able to record a successful and progressive year's work.

Several new Centres have been opened during the year, and propaganda is being actively carried out in regard to the formation of others. There are now 157 Centres affiliated with the Association, 87 being in country districts. During

the year new Centres have been established at Fishermen's Bend, Sandford, Vermont, St. Arnaud, Seville, Cobden and Timboon. Two visits were paid to St. Arnaud in connection with the re-establishment of a Centre in that district. Building restrictions due to war conditions have been responsible for holding up the erection of many new Centre buildings contemplated last year by several Councils, namely, at Caulfield for Murrumbeena district, at Richmond for the Burnley area, and at Lilydale. It is to be hoped that conditions will improve to enable these much needed buildings to be proceeded with.

The Hon. Secretary visited the following country Centres during the year:—Winchelsea, Warrnambool, Boronia and Coleraine. Dr. Younger Ross visited Emerald, Croydon and Bayswater. Dr. Ellis visited Maryborough Centre, and Mrs. Gardiner Benalla and Ballarat.

Petrol restrictions have of necessity made it very much more difficult for members of the Executive Committee to visit country Centres with the same ease as in former years. Train facilities make it difficult to visit some Centres on account of the extra time involved, and the fact that the recent cutting down in country train services for long distances often involves an absence of more than one day from Melbourne. Most of the medical personnel on the Executive Committee have undertaken, in addition to their peace time work, extra medical work related to the war effort to fill in the many gaps on hospital staffs occasioned by the call up of doctors for army medical work. These extra duties make long absences from Melbourne for country visiting extremely difficult to arrange. Despite the difficulties the Executive Committee feels these visits to country districts are too invaluable to allow them to lapse, and the Hon. Secretary and members of the Committee will continue to pay as many as possible, since these visits help to promote that feeling of unity, mutual help and interest essential to the work of the Association, and to the future progressiveness of the Baby Health Centre movement in this State.

The Association being solely a representative voluntary infant welfare organisation affords that vital link up of municipal and public interest in infant welfare work through the delegates appointed to the Centre Council from the Municipal and Shire Councils and their Baby Health Centre Committees. Unity is strength, since it alone creates the necessary public opinion and interest that all progressive and vital movements need in a community. As so ably put by Abraham Lincoln—"He who creates public opinion is greater than he that enacts statutes, for the creator of public opinion makes statutes possible or impossible of execution."

Many Councils and Baby Health Centre Committees are deeply interested individually in the promotion of infant welfare work in their districts, but linked up as they are by

representation in this Association, they form a very potent power and public opinion for promoting all measures of safeguarding the health of women and children in the community that individually would be impossible for them to effect. One trusts that as the movement develops and progresses in this State, that nothing will be allowed to militate against the strength and unity of the voluntary infant welfare organisations, which have played not only a vital part in pioneering the movement as a whole, but in its general progressiveness during its many years of development.

The Annual Conference of Presidents and Secretaries of Baby Health Centres and delegates to the Central Council of the Association was held at the Victoria Palace on 11th June. Attendances were not as large as in former years on account of difficulties in travelling, and the fact that the Country Women's Association did not this year hold its usual Annual Conference, and consequently not so many country delegates were in Melbourne to represent their Committees at our Annual Conference, which is specially arranged at that time to enable country delegates to attend both Conferences. There were, however, eleven country Centres represented and many delegates attended from the metropolitan area. Many members of the Central Council, including municipal representatives, were also present at the Conference at which subjects related to maternal and infant welfare were discussed.

The Hon. Secretary, on behalf of the Association, attended several conferences called by the Australian Association of Scientific Workers (Victorian Division) to discuss the problems of misleading advertising in connection with goods sold to the public and the possible formation of a "Consumer's Union" to protect the public by supplying accurate information in regard to many products on the market on the lines of a similar organisation in America. The formation of such a union has been left in abeyance during the war.

The Council were very interested to learn of the award of the Royal Red Cross Medal to Miss A. Sage, Deputy Matron-in-Chief of the A.A.N.S. and a former Matron of the Association's Infant Welfare Training School. The Council congratulates Matron Sage on the receipt of this honour in recognition of her services in her army work.

The office of the Association, situated in the National Bank Buildings, was taken over by the Defence authorities during the year at short notice, and new office premises had to be hurriedly found, and are situated in Harley House, 71 Collins Street, Melbourne.

WORK AT THE BABY HEALTH CENTRES.

The work carried out by the Baby Health Centres has been very active during the year and increasing demands are ever being made on the sisters' time and services to the community

in connection with it. This movement already provides a most extensive system of parent education at very reasonable cost to the community. A full time Centre costs £250 per annum to maintain, and many hundreds of mothers with young children can be served for this small annual cost. Of all services to the mothers, it is the one that comes most intimately in contact with them, both through the mothers' regular attendance at the Centres, and by the extensive system of home visiting provided. Particularly in these times of stress and strain for mothers with young children, many of whom have been left with the full responsibility of their young families, whilst their husbands are absent, serving with the forces overseas or at home, the comfort of the trained help, advice and supervision obtainable from the Sisters-in-Charge of the Centres is of inestimable value in relieving many of the anxieties and difficulties which beset these young mothers, and in relieving that feeling of loneliness and insecurity so often experienced by them when separated from their husbands.

Advice at the Centres covers that given to:—

Expectant Mothers.—This advice is important because the health of the child begins before birth. The help and advice received by expectant mothers at the Health Centres forms a very useful adjunct to the medical care obtained from an early attendance by the mother to her own private doctor or antenatal clinic at the hospital. With increased care of the expectant mother and improved supervision during this period, it might be possible to further lower the infant mortality rate by decreasing the number of deaths from prematurity, which now form the highest single cause in our infant mortality rate.

Mothers with Infants.—By the mother's regular attendance at the Centre the progress of her baby can be watched, and correct advice in feeding and management given, with the prevention of much ill-health and sickness. The home visiting carried out by the sister enables her to advise the mother with a full knowledge of her home environment, and help can be given her in overcoming any special difficulties.

Children of Pre-School Age.—With the attendances of over 15,000 children of pre-school age at the Centres, the Baby Health Centres form an excellent medium for assisting mothers with the proper knowledge of the needs, both physical and mental, of children of this age.

Special instruction and clinics are given at the Mothercraft Home and Infant Welfare Training School to Infant Welfare trainees on the care of the pre-school child, so that as Sisters-in-Charge of Centres they may be more adequately equipped to advise mothers on the many problems associated with the development of their older children. This side of Infant Welfare training very definitely needs further extension and development, much of which may be impossible of per-

fection until after the war, when a revision of the Infant Welfare curriculum might be necessary to incorporate further teaching in this direction. As the present curriculum is already a very full one, there may be the need for extending the time allotted to Infant Welfare training in order to carry out this further development in the work. At this juncture it is not considered practical to press for an extension of the course. At the Baby Health Centres many new buildings incorporate in their plans special indoor and outdoor waiting places for toddlers. Special toys and equipment provide demonstrations to the parents of what is necessary for the physical and mental development of children.

Croydon Baby Health Centre has this year established a Nursery School in connection with its Centre, under the supervision of a trained Kindergarten Director. The mothers greatly appreciate this extension of the work, and we hope other Centres will consider following Croydon's lead.

PARENT CLUBS.

Many Parent Clubs have already been established in connection with Baby Health Centres. These clubs are primarily educational in object, and form a valuable means of furthering the knowledge of parents in all matters connected with the upbringing of their children. Clubs are established at Bendigo, Northcote, North Essendon, Moonee Ponds, Ascot Vale, Croydon and Lilydale.

Camberwell holds monthly meetings at which lectures are given on a variety of subjects, and the lectures are attended by parents from its seven Baby Health Centres.

Boronia and Korumburra arrange periodical lectures for their mothers.

The Council hopes that other Centres will consider the establishment of Parent Clubs. Black-out conditions have made the operation of some of these clubs difficult, but despite the difficulties, it is to be hoped they will continue to function.

IMMUNISATION AND VACCINATION.

Many Councils continue to carry out immunising against diphtheria for the children in their districts free of charge. This year some Councils have carried out extensive vaccination for the children in their districts. Both these services are of tremendous importance to the community in the prevention of disease. It is hoped that mothers will take full advantage of them.

EVACUATION.

At the request of the Director of Evacuation, the Sisters-in-Charge of Centres in certain districts checked up on the equipment of all infants and children of pre-school age registered for emergency evacuation with the schools. The Sisters-in-Charge of Centres are to be congratulated on this big piece

of work carried out in addition to their already arduous Health Centre duties.

SUNDAY MILK DELIVERY.

The Association was greatly concerned at the cessation of the Sunday milk delivery which occurred at the end of last year. It was felt that any interruption of a 7-day delivery of milk must inevitably lead to an increased staleness of the milk supplied to the metropolitan area, with consequent danger to the health of the community, and particularly to young infants.

In conjunction with the Housewives' Association, the National Council of Women, and the Australian Women's National League, the Association supported a deputation to the Assistant Minister for Agriculture (Mr. Martin), asking that the Government take any necessary steps to bring about the resumption of a 7-day milk delivery, and for the maintenance of a fresh clean milk supply for the metropolitan area. It was felt that the milk industry should be declared an essential service, and that despite the war and difficulty in manpower conditions, that any deterioration in the milk supply should be prevented in the interests of the health of the whole community.

As a result of the trouble, which has continued for the last six months, there has already been a very marked increase in the number of cases of infantile diarrhoea occurring in babies attending Health Centres. For the quarter ending 30th June, 1942, there were 182 cases, as against 53 which occurred during a similar period last year. This increase is in spite of the fact that doctors and Sisters-in-Charge of Centres have increasingly advised the use of prepared dried milk as safer for infants who are artificially fed under present conditions.

The Association is grateful to the Minister of Agriculture (Mr. Hogan) and to the members of the Milk Board for their continued efforts to have the necessary action taken to ensure a fresh safe milk supply.

LACK OF WINTER FUEL.

Following reports from Sisters-in-Charge of Centres of the many cases of hardships suffered by mothers with babies and young children from lack of adequate supplies or inability to obtain any supplies of fuel for cooking, laundry and warmth during the winter, the Association made representations to the Fuel Committee that every effort should be made to increase supplies of firewood for the metropolitan area, and that the present ration of 1 cwt. per head be increased for mothers with young children, especially for those with no other means of cooking or obtaining warmth. Many mothers with infants have found it impossible to dry clothes adequately on account of complete lack of fuel or an inadequate supply; also many mothers, particularly those with sick children, have had great

difficulty in getting any supplies as they have been unable to fetch the wood themselves, and in some districts deliveries have not been able to be effected for them.

Lack of adequate warmth is liable to cause a lowered resistance to infection, with a consequent rise in the sickness rate for the community, which will definitely militate against the efficiency of the national war effort. This Association hopes that steps will be continued for the improvement in the fuel stocks both for immediate use and during the summer, so that there may be less hardships suffered next winter.

VICTORIAN BABY HEALTH CENTRE SISTERS' CLUB.

The activities of the club this year have been considerably curtailed owing to the war and the difficult circumstances arising from it. Two functions have been held during the year and a considerable amount raised for charitable purposes, and a donation was given to the Training School.

In December, 1941, a card evening was held and from the proceeds £5 was forwarded to the Prisoners of War Fund. An Australian tea party was held at the Training School in May, 1942; £6 was collected, of which £3 was forwarded to the Nurses' Ambulance Fund and £3 to the Training School. Miss Forrest (Ivanhoe) is still President of the club and Miss G. Morton is Hon. Secretary. Several new members have joined during the year, but the Committee would like others to join.

VOLUNTARY HELPERS.

The Council wishes to thank the Voluntary Helpers of the many Baby Health Centres for the regular time they devote each week to help the Sisters-in-Charge of Centres. Their help is very greatly appreciated and valued by the Sisters. It would be extremely difficult for many Sisters at busy Centres to give the adequate time and care in advising the mothers without the assistance given by the Voluntary Helpers in weighing the babies and carrying out many other helpful and important routine Centre duties.

The Council is very grateful to Miss Vance, Hon. Organiser of the Voluntary Helpers. Her interest, help and co-operation in this work of the Association is greatly appreciated.

During the year a shortage of Voluntary Helpers was experienced in some Centres, due to some of the younger ones leaving to take up special war work. In response to a special article in the "Herald," the Association had between 50 and 60 replies from women anxious to afford the Sisters help in the Centres. We were most grateful to the "Herald" for this publicity, which had such a wonderful and encouraging response.

V.B.H.C.A. VOLUNTARY HELPERS' CLUB.

The members of the V.B.H.C.A. Voluntary Helpers' Club meet on the first Wednesday in the month at the E.S.U. Club Rooms in Elizabeth House, Little Collins Street, and have been working steadily during the year. Outings have been arranged to Wattle Park, McAlpin's Factory and to the Botanical Gardens. A card party was held at the home of Mrs. Williams and a jumble sale was successfully conducted by members during the year.

As a result of these efforts the sum of £21/14/11 was raised during the year. The sum of £13/15/- was donated to the Training School, Carlton, to provide equipment, and £10 was donated to the V.B.H.C.A. Special Appeal.

Voluntary Helpers also gave much time and assistance in many of the functions arranged during the appeal period. The Council very greatly values the continued interest of members of the club and the practical support maintained for the Association's activities.

President of the club is Mrs. Nelson. Vice-Presidents are Mrs. Williams and Miss Vance. Mrs. Hancock is Hon. Secretary, and the Hon. Treasurer is Miss Macpherson.

AUXILIARIES.

IVANHOE BABY HEALTH CENTRE VOLUNTARY HELPERS' AUXILIARY.

The continued interest and support of this auxiliary for the work of the Mothercraft Home and Infant Welfare Training School is greatly valued and appreciated. The auxiliary regrets that their activities have not been greater during the year, but the proximity of the Heidelberg Military Hospital and the Camp at Watsonia has made it difficult for the auxiliary to interest the local people to the same extent as in former years, as these two activities so close to them have occupied most of the public interest.

The auxiliary despite its difficulties has forwarded a cheque to the value of £9 for the care of the premature babies, and before clothes rationing came in, the auxiliary bought flannel to make into dresses, gloves and bonnets, etc.

The Council is grateful to this auxiliary for their practical support and help.

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

The year has been a particularly busy one, and also in many ways a difficult one, due to many factors associated with the war. There has been an increase in the number of babies

taken for residence, and the attendances at the Model Baby Health Centre, run in conjunction with the Mothercraft Home, have been very good.

Admissions to the Mothercraft Home.

Breast-fed babies	19
Artificially-fed babies	78
Premature babies	11
Mothers	22

Making a total of 97 babies and 22 mothers given special residential care, an increase of 12 babies over last year's figures. The number of mothers (22) admitted for residential care is the same as last year. In addition to the above figures 168 mothers and babies not able to come in for full residential care attended as daily boarders. These mothers received special investigation and supervision with natural feeding and tuition in mothercraft with consequent benefit to themselves and their babies.

There was one death of a babe in residence at the Mothercraft Home. This baby was a premature infant, and was very cold and in poor condition on arrival.

MODEL BABY HEALTH CENTRE.

Total attendances are a little less than last year, but have been very satisfactory. Last year's big increase in figures was due to the extension and the re-allotment by the City Council of the areas served by the Training School's Baby Health Centre. New entries on the roll are higher than last year's figures.

New entries on the roll	198
Total attendances for year	2828
Individual babies under 2 years	368
Individual children over 2 years	32
Total attendances under 2 years	2719
Total attendances over 2 years	94
Transfers from other Centres	15
Number of consultations, expectant mothers	23
Number of letters of advice answered	43
Public lectures given	13
Demonstrations	138
Telephone consultations	108

A pre-school child clinic is held each month by the Association's medical officer, and special lectures are also given.

The trainees also attend Dr. Hilda Bull's Clinic when she is immunising against diphtheria for the City Council. With immunising becoming a routine in Health Centres run by many municipalities, it is useful for the trainees to have some knowledge of this work.

TRAINEES.

Twenty-five (25) Sisters were trained in Infant Welfare work during the year, making a total of 504 trained by the

Association since the inception of the movement.

The "Margaret White" prize given for the best trainee of the year has been awarded to Miss Doris Weave.

Mrs. Dennett, a member of the Executive Committee, secured the services of an experienced needlewoman, Miss Chapman, to do the mending for the Mothercraft Home one day a month. The Council is very grateful to Mrs. Dennett for this help. Miss Henty, of the "Time and Talents" Club, is also helping with the mending, and the Council is most appreciative of her interest and help.

The Council is most grateful to Mr. James Harrison for giving the trainees each term a course of public speaking. His lectures are very greatly appreciated by the trainees. These lectures form part of the curriculum for Infant Welfare training.

Dr. Kate Campbell, the Association's medical officer, has lectured once a month to the Sisters-in-Charge of Centres. These lectures are most appreciated by the Sisters, as they afford a very valuable method of keeping them up to date in their work, also they are enabled to keep in close contact with the work proceeding at the Training School. They are also able to bring many problems they encounter in the course of their work to Dr. Kate Campbell for discussion.

This free discussion of their problems not only helps the individual Sister who has encountered it, but all the others present too. Many Sisters-in-Charge of country Centres not too remote from Melbourne have expressed their regret that they are unable to attend these lectures, which they greatly wish to do. The Government has allowed "free rail" passes to Sisters in country districts to attend the monthly lectures arranged by the Infant Welfare Department. It seems a pity that this concession has not been extended to enable them to also take advantage of the lectures and discussions which take place once a month at the Association's Mothercraft Home and which the Metropolitan Centre Sisters have found so invaluable.

Primarily, these lectures were arranged for the benefit of those Sisters who were in charge of Centres and had been trained by the Association. The Association would, however, always be glad to welcome at these lectures any Sisters who are in charge of centres but who may have been trained at one or other of the approved Training Schools, since the greater the co-operation we can achieve amongst all those working for or interested in Infant Welfare, the greater the unity and progressiveness there will be for this movement in the State generally.

One of the problems that has made the work of the Mothercraft Home very difficult during the last twelve months

has been the constant shortage of domestic help, and the frequent changes that have occurred have been a continued source of worry to the staff of the Training School and increased work for them. The Training School Committee has been impressed by the wonderful way in which the Matron, Asst. Matron and Staff have tackled these difficulties when they have arisen.

Matron Crick would greatly appreciate offers of voluntary assistance to help with the domestic running of the Mothercraft Home. Some offers of regular help from Voluntary Helpers have already been received, but Matron would be still very grateful for further offers.

The Council expresses its deep appreciation to all the staff of the Mothercraft Home and Training School for their excellent work during the year, and particularly to Matron Crick for the capable way she has coped with all her problems, domestic and otherwise, and yet maintained the standard of the work generally.

To the Asst. Matron, Sister Houston, the Council records its very warm thanks for her very capable work and assistance in running the Training School.

The Council deeply appreciates Dr. Campbell's invaluable work in supervising the care of the mothers and babies in residence or in attendance at the Training School, and for her keen interest in the detailed training of the nurses in their Infant Welfare work.

Matron reports that 72 babies requiring admission to the Mothercraft Home for special care and investigation had to be refused admission on account of shortage of beds. Over the previous three years 52, 70 and 97 cases had to be refused admission. Extended accommodation is one of the most pressing needs at the Mothercraft Home if the increasing demands on its many services to the community are to be met adequately. Especially is there need for increased accommodation for toddlers, and in particular for the "difficult" feeding cases so frequently met with at this age. A new building for our Mothercraft Home and Infant Welfare Training School is the most pressing of all the Association's needs. Rebuilding an institution of this type will have to be deferred to the post-war period, and the Association looks forward to co-operating with the Charities Board in their project of erecting a Maternal and Child Welfare Centre in Carlton, which will include an Infant Welfare Training School. The Association also hopes to co-operate with the Carlton Home and Foundling Hospital in the development of this future Maternal and Child Welfare Centre.

SPECIAL GIFTS TO MOTHERCRAFT HOME.

Voluntary Helpers' Club—4 pairs of blankets, 2 chairs for nursing mothers.

Dr. Constance Ellis—Lemons and jam.

J. W. Fawckner & Co., Flinders Lane—Parcel of babies' clothes.

Mrs. Worcester—Gas jet for food room.

Ivanhoe Auxiliary—Clothing for premature babies, 9 doz. eggs, jam, £9 for special needs of premature babies.

Box Hill Centre—51 jars of jam, 10 tins of jam, 21 bars Velvet soap, 14 bars assorted soap, 24 cakes assorted soap.

Messrs. Johnstone & Johnstone—Box of sample soap, box of sample baby oil.

Bendigo Baby Health Centre—Case of eggs.

Mrs. Evans—Eggs and oranges.

Mrs. Key—Oranges.

V.B.H.C.A. Sisters' Club—Electric toaster.

Collingwood Girls' School—Parcel of knitted garments.

Fitzroy, Coburg and Canterbury Girls' Schools—Petticoats made from flannel donated to Training School.

Mrs. J. W. Davis (Kerang)—Case of plums.

Sister Muntz—Case of plums.

Woollies Appeal (per Mrs. Key)—3 doz. napkins.

Morongo Presbyterian Girls' School—Parcel of singlets.

Mrs. Skene—Radiator.

TRAVELLING BABY HEALTH CENTRE.

This service has now been on the road four and a half years. A very successful year's work is reported. The attendances show a marked increase on the previous year's figures,



despite petrol rationing and a number of families having left the district. The attendances show an increase of 491 on last year's figures. This is most encouraging and is the best evidence that the Mallee mothers value this service.

Attendances for the Year.

New entries on roll	171	
Individual babies under 2 years	378	} 554
Individual children over 2 years	172	
Total attendances numbered	4218	
Total attendances under 2 years	3143	} 1075
Total attendances over 2 years	1075	
Transfers from other Centres	27	

Visitors	55
Total consultations, expectant mothers	100
Telephone consultations	23

The general health of the babies and young children attending during the year was good. A few cases of diarrhoea occurred in the summer months which responded to dietetic treatment. The average attendance for the year is 7.6 visits each child. This is excellent for a scattered district and compares favourably with the metropolitan areas.

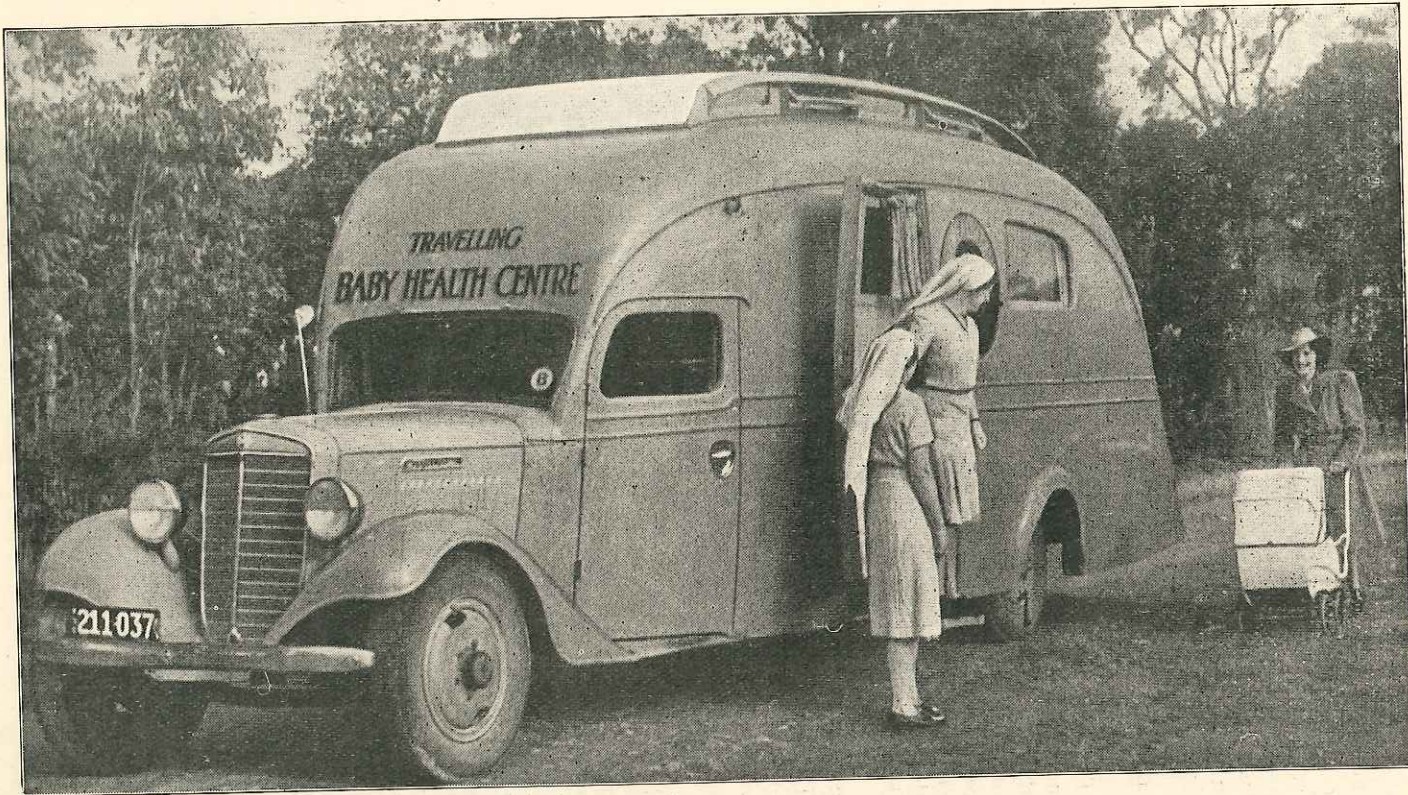
The pre-school children are in good health, but Sister reports that it could be better with regular dental treatment, and that this is so difficult to obtain in the more distant Mallee towns.

In December the caravan was brought to Melbourne for the transfer of the body to a new chassis, as the old one was showing definite signs of wear and tear after its years of service. Repairs owing to military priorities were 5½ months in operation, the estimated time having been given as six weeks to two months' work. During the period the caravan was off the road, the work was carried on by Sister Prendergast, and Messrs. Swallow & Ariell very generously lent the Association one of their spare vans to enable the service for the Mallee mothers to be continued during the hot weather without interruption. The Council is deeply grateful to this firm for their wonderful assistance in this work, and their action was very greatly appreciated by the Mallee mothers and by the Shire Councils whose districts the caravan serves.

Sister Prendergast reports that the new Travelling Baby Health Centre, which resumed work at the beginning of May, was an enormous success. After some weeks on the road, the vehicle had shown its metal, and the extra powerful engine—a new Dodge 1942 Model with dual wheels and dual back axle—had, on extremely bad wet roads, carried them through successfully without bogging. The year has been a very wet one, and the roads consequently more difficult than usual—only once had the caravan to be pulled out of the mud on account of bogging.

The dual wheels proved their ability to prevent so much sway which was experienced with the old chassis, and Sister reports that the new caravan is 100% efficient, and that the garage men in the district very much approved of all the improvements.

A gas producer was installed, so that, if necessary, the vehicle could continue to carry out its schedule should its petrol allowance be reduced at any time. The Council is grateful for the sympathy and interest of the Chairman of the Liquid Fuel Board, Mr. Fraser, in permitting this vehicle to continue to operate on petrol during the running-in period of the new engine.



Victorian Baby Health Centres' Association Travelling Baby Health Centre.

The gas producer was a source of great interest to the men and boys in the district.

The schedule has been altered, a new one being put into operation in August. This schedule includes Patchewollock on their busy days and attendances have shown an appreciable increase in consequence. The schedule is so arranged now to include the major townships on their busy days as far as possible.

Since its return the caravan has been off schedule for 1½ days, the interruptions being caused by impassable roads, and some mechanical trouble which developed and was rectified. The route has been slightly altered, but the total mileage is not much affected. In the new route the Torrita road through the desert is taken to get to Patchewollock, instead of the original one via Speed. Roads have improved since the rain, and graders have been constantly at work. One or two cross roads will never improve, but Sister reports that whilst this vehicle is operating she does not expect many hold ups due to bad roads.

Sister reports on the many kindnesses received by the Sisters-in-Charge of the caravan from the Mallee mothers. Their hospitality, especially during the time the caravan was off the road, and when Sister Prendergast had few conveniences in the temporary van, was wonderful and their homes were always open to her.

Several changes in staff occurred during the year. Sister Murdoch replaced Sister Sawyer in August and remained with the van till Christmas, when she left to become Assistant Inspector at the Infant Welfare Department. When the caravan returned to the Mallee it was staffed by Sister Prendergast, and Miss Gale was appointed by the Infant Welfare Department as motor driver and mechanic, and to assist Sister Prendergast with other work in connection with the service. The responsibility of all the Infant Welfare work was entirely in the hands of Sister Prendergast. The Council deeply appreciates the wonderful work and loyal service given by Sister Prendergast on the caravan over the last two years; her interest and energy have been untiring, and she has never spared herself in making this service the complete success it has been.

The Council deeply appreciates the excellent work carried out by both Sister Sawyer and Sister Murdoch whilst with the caravan, and for the interest that Miss Gale has shown since she has been appointed as a member of the caravan staff and for the way she settled down to her new life.

The Council owes a warm debt of gratitude to Mr. Leslie Bevan for his valuable help and advice in the purchase of the new chassis, and in supervising the transfer of the body from the old vehicle to it. He gave most generously and unsparingly of his time, and many hours of careful thought and

planning went into this work. The constant hold-ups in the procedure of the work, due to Defence priorities, were a source of anxiety to him as well as to the Committee.

In the words of one writer from the district: There are comparatively few who realise just the relief it is for the mothers who, miles from doctors, may look for the help and comfort of the Travelling Baby Health Centre.

The benefit of the travelling nurse and the appreciation of her services has been emphasised in having to do without her (for five weeks they have been deprived of their friend), and the deprivation brings renewed interest to the establishment of this helpful and humane service. It might be said that, though far from being the most costly of the many schemes adopted, it has proved to be the most humane monument to Victoria's credit.

These words are a challenge and encouragement to the Association to continue to provide not only this service, but other similar ones for other sparsely populated districts; it is a challenge the Association will endeavour to meet.

LECTURES ON MOTHERCRAFT.

During the past year one thousand three hundred and sixty-six girls have received instruction in Mothercraft at the following schools:—Swinburne Technical College, Brighton Technical School, Methodist Ladies' College, Coburg and Essendon High Schools, "Firbank" C.E.G.G.S., "Fintona" P.G.S., J. H. Boyd and Collingwood Domestic Arts Schools; Richmond, East Camberwell, Preston, Fitzroy, East Brunswick and Flemington Girls' Schools; East Malvern, Gardiner, Hawthorn, Westgarth, Port Melbourne (two schools), North Brunswick, Collingwood, Armadale, Middle Park, Glenferrie, Albert Park, Windsor, East Kew, Fitzroy and Elwood State Schools, and Hampton High School.

Results of examinations at these schools were:—Certificates 893, Passed 357, Failures 116.

A course of lectures was also given to the Kindergarten Training College. Miss Paul, the Principal, and students visited the Training School for special demonstrations and greatly appreciated their visit.

Courses of lectures were given to the Emily McPherson School of Domestic Economy and to the midwifery trainees at St. George's Hospital, Kew.

The following donations were received for the V.B.H.C.A. Appeal:—

Swinburne Technical College	£2	2	0
Gardiner Central School	1	0	7
East Malvern Central School	1	7	0
North Brunswick Central School . .	1	1	0
Brunswick Girls' School	1	1	0
Port Melbourne State School	1	17	0

Parcels of infant garments were received from the following schools:—Coburg High School; Fitzroy, Collingwood and Brunswick Girls' Schools.

The Council is very grateful for these gifts in appreciation of the lectures given.

Sister Colvin, the Lecturing Sister, was granted leave of absence for the duration of the war to enable her to take up other work, and Sister B. Hawkins was appointed Lecturing Sister. The Council is most grateful to Sister Colvin for her many years' service in connection with this work. Sister Hawkins reports keen enthusiasm for these lectures in Mothercraft given to the girls, and many principals at the schools have expressed their appreciation to the Association for continuing to give them.

This education in mothercraft to senior girls in schools plays a most important part in educating them for future parenthood, and the principals of the schools feel that these lectures form a very important adjunct to the ordinary school curriculum for girls.

CO-OPERATION.

The Council wishes to thank Professor Marshall Allan for his continued interest in the Association. Sincere thanks are due to Dr. George Simpson and Dr. Hallows for their help in the activities for the Mothercraft Home. The Council would also like to express its very real appreciation to the Director of Infant Welfare, Dr. Scantlebury Brown, and the members of her department for their interest, help and co-operation during the year. Particularly the Council would like to record its appreciation of Dr. Scantlebury Brown's interest and help during our appeal period, and for having made her home available for a "Musical Afternoon" in aid of the Appeal Fund, at which the wonderful sum of £52 was raised.

The Council wishes to thank the Directors of the "Argus," "Age," "Herald" and "Sun" newspapers not only for the valuable publicity they afford us for our ordinary activities during the year, but also for the special facilities for publicity afforded us in our appeal. The Council is most grateful to the Press, and there is no doubt that the publicity afforded was responsible for the success of the appeal made last year, with not only direct benefit to the Association itself, but an indirect benefit accrued from this publicity to the Infant Welfare movement in the State as a whole, since the work of the Association and of the Baby Health Centres was brought so prominently before the public and greater interest thereby stimulated.

The Council also appreciates the space given by editors of many country newspapers to the work; it is all invaluable in rendering the movement a progressive one.

Many broadcasts were made by various members of the Association during the year, and the Council is deeply indebted to the many broadcasting stations who gave very generously of their time in assisting us with our appeal efforts. The Council thanks 3LO, 3XY, 3UZ, 3AW and 3DB for the times given to these broadcasts and for the scatters arranged over their stations. Special thanks to the Editor of "Pix" for the wonderful publicity given the work of the Travelling Baby Health Centre.

STATE GOVERNMENT.

The Government continues to subsidise municipalities to the extent of half the salary of each full time nurse appointed up to a limit of three such nurses employed by any one municipality.

The interest and support the Government has given to the Infant Welfare movement is greatly valued and appreciated, particularly the fact that this year the Government has further recognised the importance of Infant Welfare training, and has increased considerably the grants made last year to approved Infant Welfare Training Schools. Last year the Government subsidised each Training School to the extent of £150 per annum. This year the Association received an additional £750 for assisting in the maintenance of its Mothercraft Home. Such assistance helps very considerably, in these difficult times, to ensure the continued maintenance of this activity.

The Association is also deeply grateful for the grant of £500 made by the Government to the Association this year for the purchase of a new chassis for the Travelling Baby Health Centre. The Council is also deeply grateful to the Commonwealth Government for allowing the chassis to be purchased duty free—by this concession a considerable sum was saved on the purchase price.

MUNICIPAL AND SHIRE COUNCILS.

Municipal and Shire Councils continue to take an active interest in their Centres and the development of their work. They have been responsible for the erection of many fine buildings; further ones are contemplated when war conditions permit of the erection.

Municipal interest has been largely responsible for the rapid development of the Baby Health Centre movement in this State. The cost of the erection of the special Baby Health Centre buildings has been borne by the Councils, often helped by funds raised by their Voluntary Committees. Municipal Councils subsidised the salary of the nurse £ for £ with the Government. In addition the Councils bear all maintenance expenses, and many Councils have increased the salaries of their Sisters above the Government subsidised rate of £208 per annum, such increase in salary being borne by the Councils.

Some Councils provide cars for the Sisters' use in visiting

and for travelling between sub-Centres. In some cases the Committees assist the Council with funds for maintenance of the Centres, and for providing transport facilities for the Sisters. The Association is grateful to those Councils who support the work of the Mothercraft Home and Infant Welfare Training School with regular donations each year. This regular assistance is greatly valued. The Association is deeply grateful to the Councils for their co-operation and assistance with the special appeal last year and also for the very generous donations received for the appeal funds from so many Councils. These donations contributed greatly to the success of the appeal.

CHARITIES BOARD.

The Council is very appreciative of the interest of the members of the Charities Board, and for the very helpful grant of £500 made to the Mothercraft Home during the year; it is of very material assistance in keeping this institution in operation. The Council appreciated the Charities Board's permission to make a public appeal for funds in July-August last year, and is most grateful to Mr. McVilly, Secretary of the Charities Board for his help in connection with it and for his ready advice in any time of difficulty.

The Council appreciates the Charities Board's inclusion of the Association amongst those bodies asked to co-operate in the establishment of a Maternal and Infant Welfare Centre on the Carlton site.

The Council congratulates the Chairman of the Charities Board, the Hon. Sir H. H. Olney, M.L.C., on the honour conferred on him during the year. The Council has always found Sir Herbert Olney a very real friend and helper in its activities.

PUBLIC APPEAL.

The Council is very glad to be able to report the complete success of the public appeal launched during the months of July and August last year. This was the first public appeal made by the Association since it pioneered this movement in 1917. The objective was £5,000, and the Appeal Fund stands at £5,402/9/1 net. Of this amount over £2,200 was collected by the Baby Health Centre Committees situated throughout the State, and in many cases their Councils contributed very generously to the appeal.

Special functions held for the appeal contributed £546 19/10 to the fund. The Council owes a great deal to those who arranged these special efforts on our behalf, and thanks are due to Mr. David Martin, of the Comedy Theatre, for the one-hundredth gala performance of "Susan and God," and the management of Messrs. Foy & Gibson's for the special mannequin parade arranged in connection with the performance of "Susan and God." To the "Gasqueraders" for the show, "Flat to Let," and to Mrs. N. Chaldjian for her organising of that effort. To the Shell Company for a picture night

To the Melbourne Total Abstinence Society for a picture night at the Savoy Theatre. To the staff of the Victoria Palace Ltd. for a dance in aid of the appeal, and to the Australian Women's National League for a card afternoon.

The Council appreciated the help of the Sisters-in-Charge of the Travelling Baby Health Centre in connection with the appeal and the wonderful response to it by the mothers in the Mallee, who contributed £80/15/9 to the fund.

The Council is greatly indebted to Lady Dugan for consenting to be Patroness of the Appeal Fund, and to Lady Brookes for consenting to be Chairman of the Appeal Committee. Her enthusiasm, able advice, help and leadership ensured the success of the appeal. The Council is most grateful to the Lord Mayor, Sir Frank Beaurepaire, for acting as Hon. Treasurer of the appeal, and for all the help given the Committee by the members of the Melbourne City Council staff in connection with it.

The Council thanks Lady Armitage, Mrs. A. A. Dunstan, Dr. Deborah Buller Murphy, Cr. E. C. Rigby, Lady Angliss, Lady Leitch, Lady Gengoult Smith, the Hon. T. T. Hollway, M.L.A., Mrs. N. Chaldjian, Mrs. I. Esme Desailly, Mrs. E. J. Hogan, Mrs. J. F. Key, Mrs. H. Leckie, Mrs. Peter Manifold, Mr. M. Natham, Mrs. John Ramsay, Mrs. G. I. Stevenson, Dr. Lawrence Stokes, and Dr. H. Douglas Stephens for acting on the special Committee.

The Council is greatly indebted to all those who so greatly assisted the appeal funds by supporting Lady Brookes in her series of chain bridge parties, which contributed the sum of £317/5/9 to the fund. Special thanks are due to Mrs. J. A. Gilruth who acted as Hon. Treasurer of that fund and gave so much of her time and help to it, and to Miss Valerie Purves who acted as Hon. Secretary of that effort.

The Council thanks the many firms and private individuals who supported this appeal so generously despite the increasing demands being made on them for specific war efforts. The Council specially thanks the members of all the Baby Health Centre Committees, who worked so hard to ensure the success of the appeal; the success achieved was very largely due to their efforts.

The Council also very greatly appreciated and valued the wonderful help of the Sisters-in-Charge of the Centres whose efforts and help so materially aided the raising of the necessary funds. Thanks are also due to the Voluntary Helpers for their assistance in the Committee's efforts.

The Council thanks the Victorian Housewives' Association for their assistance with the appeal by publicity in their paper, over the air, and in the collection of funds. The Council specially thanks the many parents who contributed towards the appeal funds in recognition of the benefits for their children derived from the work of the Baby Health Centres.

At the last Annual Meeting Lady Dugan presented the special trophy awarded by Lady Brookes to the Baby Health Centre raising the highest quota, pro rata, for the appeal to Brighton.

The second trophy, presented by Sir Walter Leitch, was awarded to Gisborne. The special trophy, presented by Mrs. J. F. Key, of the Woollies Appeal, to the Centre selling the largest number of the special badges sold in connection with the appeal, was awarded to Brighton.

WASTE PAPER.

The Association continues to benefit each month by the contributions received from the sale of waste paper collected under the Red Cross and Charities Scheme run under the auspices of the State Controller of Salvage.

FINANCE.

The Council desires to thank the Trustees of the Estate of the late Alfred Felton, Alfred Edments Estate, Helen Gyles Turner Estate, Wm. M. Heath Estate, Sir William Austin Zeal Estate, the T. J. Turner Trust, the David Syme Charitable Trust, Walter and Eliza Hall Trust, and the H.V. McKay Charitable Trust.

Donations are gratefully acknowledged from the Lord Mayor's Fund, Kraft Cheese Company, Gippsland & Northern Co-operative Company, Brown's Dry Cleaning Co., A.W.N.L. Malvern Junior Branch, State Savings Bank, Officers' Association, Fintona Girls' School, Mr. J. G. Coles, Mrs. Douglas, Mrs. Marcus Martin, Mrs. Mott, Cr. J. A. Grant; Camberwell, Heidelberg, Sea Lake and Yarra C.W.A.; Ruffy and Narre Warren Mothers' Clubs, Shell Oil Co., Vacuum Oil Co.

The following Councils are sincerely thanked for their donations:—Brighton, Colac, Kew, Moorabbin, Port Melbourne, Sandringham and St. Kilda.

CONCLUSION.

The year has been a successful one both as regards development of the Association's work and activities for safeguarding the health of mothers and babies and in the greater measure of financial security obtained for these efforts during the year. The Council thanks the Sisters-in-Charge of Centres not only for their valuable interest and co-operation with the work of the Association, but for their loyal and devoted services to the mothers. There is no doubt that these Sisters are, through their work, contributing very greatly to the national war effort. All of us look to a "new order" in the future; it can only come through the health and strength of character of the individuals who comprise a nation. The foundations of health and character are laid in early infancy and childhood through the influence of the mother in the home.

(Signed) WALTER LEITCH, President.

DORIS L. OFFICER, Hon. Secretary.

Victorian Baby Health Centres Association

ANNUAL RETURNS, 1941-1942.

Individual Babies Attended
Centres Under 2 Years . . . 40,846
Individual Children Over 2
Years of Age 12,083
Total number of visits paid by Sisters
to Homes 56,781

Total Attendances of Babies
At Centres Under 2 Years 463,517
Total Attendances of Chil-
dren Over 2 Years 52,821

Individual Expectant Mothers Advised 3,698

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Municipality.	Centres.	No. of Centre Sisters.	Individual Babies at Centres under 2 Yrs.	Individual Children at Centres Over 2 Yrs.	Total Attend- ances— Babies.	Total Attend- ances— Children.	Visits to Homes.	Individual Expectant Mothers Advised.
Alexandra	B.H.C.	—	65	20	646	121	183	8
Ararat	Town Hall	1	229	40	2357	50	498	16
	Willaura							
Bacchus Marsh	Public Hall, Main Street (same Sister as War- randyte)	—	166	44	1157	490	64	8
Bairnsdale	Nicholson Street	1	204	57	2393	257	591	19
Ballarat	Camp Street							
	Ballarat East							
	Buninyong	2	1698	901	12,870	2080	3250	190
	Daylesford							
	Sebastopol							
Belmont	Mt. Pleasant Road (same Sister as Mulgrave)	82	45	1155	160	64	3
Benalla	Bridge Street	1	293	203	3395	554	490	18
	Devenish							
Bendigo	Bendigo							
	Eaglehawk	2	1116	111	8897	402	1339	47
	Elmore							
Blackburn- Mitcham- Vermont	(Same Sister as Ring- wood)	—	165	52	1961	458	301	26
Box Hill	Whitehorse Road	1	579	148	7098	1155	1477	90

ANNUAL RETURNS, 1941-1942 (Continued)

Municipality.	Centres.	No. of Centre Sisters.	Individual Babies at Centres under 2 Yrs.	Individual Children at Centres Over 2 Yrs.	Total Attendances—Babies.	Total Attendances—Children.	Visits to Homes.	Individual Expectant Mothers Advised.
Berwick	Bunyip	1	91	61	916	175	39	8
Brighton	Garfield							
	Brighton Beach							
	North Brighton	2	1526	594	18,741	2357	1273	120
	East Brighton							
Brunswick	Town Hall							
	Progress Hall	3	1456	395	19,755	3021	811	103
	Lygon Street							
Camberwell	Town Hall							
	Camberwell South							
	Canterbury							
	Balwyn	4	2558	681	36,436	2014	767	167
	Burwood and Hartwell							
	Glen Iris							
	Surrey Hills							
Casterton	Casterton	1	132	63	1816	602	369	7
	Merino							
	Sandford							
Caulfield	Town Hall							
	Carnegie	4	2016	354	21,777	2628	1834	173
	Ormond							
Castlemaine	Town Hall	1	333	79	3587	535	629	50
Chelsea	Station Street	1	310	48	3300	256	466	29
Colac	Colac							
	Birregurra	1	490	102	4762	655	930	14
	Cororooke							
Coleraine	Coleraine	1	70	18	733	30	—	—
Collingwood	Gahan Reserve	2	624	120	6844	528	1506	37
Cranbourne	Lang Lang	1	34	28	402	115	112	3
	Pearcedale							
Donald	Shire Hall	1	65	30	859	103	227	7
Doncaster and Templestowe	Warrandyte	1	28	34	294	232	206	9
Echuca	Town Hall	1	201	109	1768	376	556	25
Essendon	Aberfeldie							
	Pascoe Vale Road	3	1952	621	20,347	1592	1397	135
	Ascot Vale							
	North Essendon							
Ferntree Gully	B.H.C.	1	436	168	4243	869	351	30
	Bayswater							
	Belgrave							
	Boronia							
	Emerald							
	Monbulk							
Fitzroy	Young Street	2	1023	222	11,608	1017	960	86
	North Fitzroy							
Geelong	Geelong City	2	800	164	9311	519	1466	58
	Newtown and Chillwell							
Geelong West	B.H.C.	1	349	111	4266	544	407	44
Gisborne	Gisborne	1	39	10	295	41	8	—
Hamilton	B.H.C.	1	291	120	3746	783	1177	16
Hampden	Camperdown	1	310	170	3457	596	852	38
	Derrinallum							
	Terang							
Hawthorn	Burwood Road	2	785	87	7512	250	933	55
	Auburn							
Heidelberg	Barkly Place	3	1467	578	18,716	2771	2448	197
	West Heidelberg							
	Alphington							
	Fairfield							
	Greensborough							
	Ivanhoe							
Kerang	Shire Hall	1	329	116	3175	279	428	45
	Koondrook							
	Barham							
	Cohuna							
Kew	Denmark Street	2	1047	323	14,833	2097	609	83
	East Kew							
	North Kew							

ANNUAL RETURNS, 1941-1942 (Continued)

Municipality.	Centres.	No. of Centre Sisters.	Individual Babies at Centres under 2 Yrs.	Individual Children at Centres Over 2 Yrs.	Total Attendances—Babies.	Total Attendances—Children.	Visits to Homes.	Individual Expectant Mothers Advised.
Koroit	Koroit (same Sister as Port Fairy)	—	78	33	830	58	149	7
Korumburra	Korumburra	1	144	37	2031	474	447	42
Lilydale	Loch	1	262	119	2928	553	595	4
	Lilydale							
	Croydon							
	Mt. Evelyn							
	Wandin Yallock							
Malvern	Barkly Avenue	2	1564	512	16,626	1538	1491	164
	East Malvern							
Maryborough	Clarendon Street	1	297	108	2576	509	443	16
Melbourne City	Swanston Street	5	2082	981	23,502	3600	5571	178
	Newry Street, N. Carlton							
	North Carlton, Pigdon St.							
	Flemington							
	North Melbourne							
Mildura	Mildura	1	404	153	4566	427	784	30
Moorabbin	Point Nepean Road	1	488	30	6393	40	706	41
Mulgrave	Clayton	1	83	79	854	353	131	2
	Glen Waverley							
Northcote	Oldis Avenue	2	1168	439	14,213	1681	617	82
	Thornbury							
Oakleigh	Warawee Park	1	630	118	9277	1520	1268	130
Pakenham	Pakenham East	1	61	—	333	—	—	—
Port Fairy	Borough Chambers	1	90	44	1274	254	509	23
Portland	Portland	1	221	114	3143	696	465	54
	Heywood							
	Branxholme							
Port Melbourne	Liardet Street	1	417	—	4791	—	641	49
	Fishermen's Bend							
Prahran	Malvern Road	4	1582	361	18,839	1451	1870	79
Queenscliff	B.H.C. (Same Sister as Bunyip)	—	83	16	692	101	—	8
Redcliffs	Redcliffs	1	352	57	3562	97	471	4
	Merbein							
	Irymple							
Richmond	Richmond North	2	1013	155	12,959	1175	1094	94
	Richmond South							
	Burnley							
Ringwood	Town Hall	1	109	32	2641	573	251	29
Rochester	Town Hall (same Sister as Echuca)	1	132	99	912	396	251	6
Sandringham	Town Hall	2	892	230	8101	1116	1005	73
	Hampton							
	Black Rock							
Shepparton	Westford Street	1	450	80	5102	124	1021	19
	Dookie							
South Melbourne	Town Hall	2	1095	175	13,276	690	1831	109
	Albert Park							
	Montague							
St. Kilda	Chapel Street	3	1409	201	16,482	1511	2035	142
	Elwood							
Stawell	Town Hall (same Sister as Ararat)	—	156	46	1195	68	423	8
Warracknabeal	Warracknabeal	1	117	68	1122	86	530	20
Warragul	B.H.C.	1	467	307	4584	815	553	190
	Drouin							
Wonthaggi	McBride Street	1	232	92	2616	299	908	33
	North Wonthaggi							
	Bass							
Warrnambool	Liebig Street	1	380	90	2633	113	497	28
Winchelsea	Winchelsea	1	52	18	386	99	98	—
Woorayl	Leongatha	1	231	54	3788	523	523	34
	Meenyan							
	Mirboo North							
V.B.H.C.A.	Travelling Centre (Upper Mallee)	2	378	176	3143	1075	—	20
V.B.H.C.A.	Model Centre (Carlton)	2	368	32	2719	94	585	16

LIST OF CENTRES.

ABERFELDIE.—St. Andrew's Hall, 29 Kinnord Street. Thursday, 11 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.; 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

ALEXANDRA.—C.W.A. Rooms. Monday and Friday, 1.30 to 5 p.m. Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon; 1.30 to 5 p.m.

ALBERT PARK.—18 Dundas Place. Monday and Friday, 11 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 4 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 5 p.m.

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 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

ASCOT VALE.—Maribyrnong Road. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

AUBURN.—Recreation Hall, Auburn Road. Tuesday and Friday, 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

BACCHUS MARSH.—Mechanics' Hall, Main Street. Friday, 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m., and 2 to 4.30 p.m.

BAIRNSDALE.—B.H.C., Nicholson Street. Tuesday and Thursday, 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

BALLARAT.—B.H.C., Mair Street. Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

BALLARAT EAST.—Barkly Street. Monday and Wednesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Friday, 9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

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

BARHAM (N.S.W.).—Alternate Thursdays, 2 to 4 p.m.

BASS.—Church, Melbourne Road. 1st Thursday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

BAYSWATER.—High Street. Friday, 2 to 5 p.m.

BELGRAVE.—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, Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 2 to 5 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 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

BLACK ROCK.—Bluff Road. Tuesday and Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 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., The 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., Mechanics' Hall. Tuesday, 1.30 to 4 p.m.

BRIGHTON.—Parliament Street. Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday, 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

BRIGHTON EAST.—B.H.C., Hurlingham Park. Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday, 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

BRIGHTON.—Were Street, St. Peter's C. of E. Tuesday and Thursday, 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.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 p.m.

BRUNSWICK.—Victoria Street. Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 1.30 to 4 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4 p.m.

BRUNSWICK EAST.—Lygon Street. Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 1.30 to 4 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4 p.m.

BUNINYONG.—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.

BURWOOD-HARTWELL.—B.H.C., Trent Street, near Burwood Station. Monday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Wednesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4 p.m.

CAMBERWELL.—Town Hall. Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

CAMBERWELL SOUTH.—B.H.C., Bowen Street. Monday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4 p.m.

CAMPERDOWN.—Scott Street. Tuesday, 11 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Friday, 1.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.

CANTERBURY.—Scott's Crescent (rear of Canterbury Gardens). Tuesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4 p.m.

CARLTON.—Training School, Swanston Street (near Women's Hospital). Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4 p.m.

CARLTON (City Council).—730 Swanston Street. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m. Friday, 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

CARLTON (Newry Street).—Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

CARNEGIE.—B.H.C., 15 Truganina Road. Monday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4 p.m.; Tuesday and Friday, 1 to 4 p.m.

CASTERTON.—Tuesday and Wednesday, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.; Thursday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.; Friday, 2 to 4.30 p.m.

CASTLEMAINE.—Town Hall. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 1 to 4.30 p.m.; Friday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4.30 p.m.

CAULFIELD.—B.H.C., Hawthorn Road (near Town Hall). Monday (Exp. Mothers only), 1 to 4 p.m.; Tuesday and Friday, 9 to 11.30 a.m., and 1 to 4 p.m.; Wednesday and Thursday, 1 to 4 p.m.

CHELSEA.—B.H.C., Station Street, Chelsea. Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and 2 to 4 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

CLAYTON.—B.H.C. Tuesday, 12 noon to 5 p.m.

COHUNA.—Memorial Hall. Tuesday, 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon, 1 to 4.30 p.m.

COLAC.—B.H.C. Monday, 11 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday and Thursday, 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

COLERAINE.—Tuesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

COLLINGWOOD.—Gahan Reserve. Monday to Friday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.

COROROKE.—Public Hall. Tuesday, 2 to 4 p.m.

CROYDON.—B.H.C., Haig Avenue. Monday and Friday, 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

DAYLESFORD.—Fortnightly: Monday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

DERRINALUM.—First Friday, 1.30 to 3.30 p.m.

DEVENISH.—B.H.C. Alternate Thursdays, 2 to 5 p.m.

DONALD.—Shire Hall. Fortnightly: Monday and Friday, 1.30 to 5 p.m. Alternate Fortnights, Wednesday and Thursday, 1.30 to 5 p.m.

DOOKIE.—2nd and 4th Monday, 2.30 to 5 p.m.

DROUIN.—Shire Hall. Tuesday and Friday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ECHUCA.—Town Hall. Tuesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, 2 to 4.30 p.m.

EAGLEHAWK.—Monday and Thursday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

ELMORE.—Memorial Hall. Tuesday, 1.15 to 4.15 p.m.

ELWOOD.—St. Bede's, Ormond Road. Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

EMERALD.—Main Road. Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

ESSENDON AND MOONEE PONDS.—B.H.C., cor. of Pascoe Vale Road and Thomas Street, Moonee Ponds. Tuesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursday, 11 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

ESSENDON NORTH.—B.H.C., 129 Lincoln Road. Monday, Thursday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursday, 11 a.m. to 12 noon (exp. mothers only).

FAIRFIELD.—84 Arthur Street. Tuesday and Friday, 10.30 to 12 noon, and 1 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

FERNTREE GULLY.—Main Road, Ferntree Gully. Thursday, 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

FITZROY.—Young Street (near Town Hall). Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 to 12 noon, 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 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

GARFIELD.—Tuesday, 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

GEE LONG.—McKillop Street. Monday, 2 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m., and 2 to 4.30 p.m.

GEE LONG WEST.—Town Hall. Monday, 1 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and 2 to 4.30 p.m.

GISBORNE.—Shire Hall. Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., and 1 to 4 p.m.

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

GLEN WAVERLEY.—Mechanics' Hall, Springvale Road. Thursday, 12 noon to 5 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.

HAMILTON.—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.; Saturday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

HAMPTON.—Hampton Street. Monday and Thursday, 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.

HEIDELBERG.—Barkly Place. Tuesday and Friday, 10.30 to 12 noon, and 1 to 4.30 p.m.

HEIDELBERG 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 p.m.

IRYMPLE.—

IVANHOE.—B.H.C., Waterdale Road. Monday, Thursday and Friday, 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4.30 p.m.

KERANG.—Monday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m. Alternate Thursday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

KEW.—Denmark Street. Friday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

KEW, EAST.—Strathalbyn Street, East Kew. Monday and Friday, 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.

KEW, NORTH.—Peel Street, Kew. Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursday, 11 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

KOONDROOK.—Memorial Hall. Alternate Thursday, 11.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.

KORUMBURRA.—B.H.C. Wednesday and Friday, 1 to 5 p.m. Pre-school—Alternate Wednesday, 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon.

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

LANG LANG.—Thursday, 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

LEONGATHA.—Memorial Hall. Wednesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

LILLYDALE.—Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

LOCH.—B.H.C. 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4.30 p.m.

MACEDON.—Presbyterian Guild Room. Wednesday, 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4 p.m.

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

MALVERN, EAST.—Old Fire Station, junction of Waverley and Dandenong Roads. Monday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 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.).

MEENIYAN.—Mechanics' Institute. Monday, 12.30 to 4.30 p.m.

MERBEIN.—Bex Street. Tuesday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

MERINO.—Wednesdays, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

MILDURA.—B.H.C. Tuesday and Thursday, 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 2 to 4.30 p.m.; Friday, 2 to 4.30 p.m.; Saturday, 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon.

MIRBOO NORTH.—Shire Hall. Tuesday, 12.30 to 4.30 p.m.

MITCHAM.—Memorial Hall. Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

MONBULK.—B.H.C. Wednesday, 2 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.

MONTAGUE.—Lady Northcote Kindergarten, cnr. Montague and Buckley Streets. Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

MOORABBIN.—B.H.C., Point Nepean Road. Monday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon; Tuesday and Thursday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4 p.m.; Wednesday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Friday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

MT. EVELYN.—Mechanics' Hall, Birmingham Road. Wednesday, 1.30 to 4 p.m.

NEWTOWN AND CHILWELL.—Russell Street, Chilwell. Monday, 2 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m., and 2 to 4.30 p.m.

NORTH CARLTON.—B.H.C., Princes Hill, Pigdon Street. Wednesday 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Friday, 1.30 to 4 p.m. Alternate Wednesday morning and every Friday morning.

NORTHCOTE.—B.H.C., cor. Bastings Street and Oldis Avenue. Tuesday and Wednesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

NORTH MELBOURNE.—B.H.C., Abbotsford Street, near Flemington Road. Tuesday and Wednesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Pre-School Children: Tuesday and Friday, 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon; Monday, 9.30 to 11.30 a.m.

NORTH MELBOURNE.—Town Hall. Monday, 9.30 to 11.30 a.m.; Thursday and Friday, 9.30 to 12 noon, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Pre-school Children—Monday, 9.30 to 11.30 a.m.; Wednesday and Thursday, 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon.

OAKLEIGH.—B.H.C., Warrawee Park. Monday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4 p.m.

ORMOND.—B.H.C., cor. Grange and Oakleigh Roads. Monday, 2 to 4 p.m. (by appointment); Tuesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4 p.m.; Wednesday, 1 to 4 p.m.

PAKENHAM EAST.—Wednesday, 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 noon, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

PEARCEDALE.—Monday, 11.45 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.

PORT FAIRY.—Borough Chambers. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, 2 to 5 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 5 p.m.

PORTLAND.—Monday, 2 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursday and Friday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., and 2 to 4.30 p.m.

PORT MELBOURNE.—B.H.C., Liardet Street. Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4 p.m.

PORT MELBOURNE (Fishermen's Bend).—5 Batman Street. Tuesday, 1 to 4 p.m.

PRAHRAN.—B.H.C., Malvern Road, near Chapel Street. Monday to Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Saturday, 10 to 11.30 by appointment. This Centre serves Armadale, Windsor, South Yarra, Hawksburn and Toorak.

QUEENSCLIFF.—Town Hall. Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m., and 2 to 3.55 p.m.

REDCLIFFS.—B.H.C., Heath Street. Wednesday and Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 12 noon; Thursday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

RICHMOND.—Church Street, North Richmond, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon.
 RICHMOND SOUTH.—Cor. of Church and Hill Streets. Tuesday and Thursday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon.
 RINGWOOD.—Town Hall. Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursday, 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
 ROCHESTER.—Town Hall, MacKay Street. Wednesday and Thursday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
 SANDFORD.—Friday, 2 to 4.30 p.m.
 SANDRINGHAM.—Town Hall. Tuesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.
 SEBASTOPOL.—Shire Hall. Thursday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
 SHEPPARTON.—B.H.C., Welsford Street. Tuesday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 5 p.m.; Thursday and Friday, 1.30 to 5 p.m.; from December to March, Tuesday, 7 to 9 p.m.
 SOUTH MELBOURNE.—Town Hall. Monday and Tuesday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Wednesday and Thursday, 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4 p.m.; Friday, 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon.
 ST. ARNAUD.—
 ST. KILDA.—B.H.C. 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 Gardens, 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, 12.30 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.
 VERMONT.—C. of E. Hall. Friday, 9.50 a.m. to 12.10 p.m.
 WANDIN YALLOAK.—Hunter Road. First and Third Thursdays, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
 WARRAGUL.—B.H.C., Queen Street. Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4 p.m.
 WARRACKNABEAL.—Town Hall. 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.
 WILLAURA.—Public Hall. Alternate Wednesdays, 3 to 5 p.m.
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 WONTHAGGI.—B.H.C., McBride Avenue. Monday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday and alternate Saturday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.
 WONTHAGGI NORTH.—Methodist Church, White Road. Wednesday, 2 to 4.30 p.m.

TRAVELLING BABY HEALTH CENTRE.

UPPER MALLEE.

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

1st Week—Nandaly		2nd Week—Murrayville	
Culgoa	Ouyen	Danyo	Speed
Nullawil	Galah	Cowangie	Turriff
Lalbert	Walpeup	Tutye	Gama
Meatian	Linga	Boinka	Lascelles
Ultima	Underbool	Patchewollock	Woomelang
Sea Lake	Torrta	Ouyen	Sea Lake
Woomelang		Tempy	

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR TWELVE MONTHS ENDED 30th JUNE, 1942.

INCOME.				EXPENDITURE.	
To Grants and Donations	£838	5	0	By Training School—	
„ Patients' Contributions	447	9	2	Salaries—Medical and Nursing	£572 17 0
„ Trainees' Fees	209	8	0	Wages—Domestics	231 5 7
„ Government Grants	1,415	6	1	Provisions	476 1 9
„ Controller of Salvage	395	15	9	Fuel, Heat and Light	184 0 0
„ Interest	27	11	6	Equipment	86 17 11
„ Lecture Fees	7	0	0	Drugs and Dressings	30 4 11
„ Sale of Garments	£37	3	0	Babies' Foods	46 4 3
Less Material and Making	24	7	7	Telephone	23 17 11
				Insurances	23 5 0
				Repairs	48 15 8
„ Margaret White Prize—				Printing and Stationery	19 6 10
Received	£2	2	0	Laundry	110 12 1
Paid	1	1	0	Rent and Cleaning	37 15 9
				Rates	6 5 0
„ Sale of Patterns	£2	2	6	Advertising	12 1 6
Less Purchases	2	0	1	Postages and Petties	14 5 0
				A.R.P.	16 3 3
„ Sale of Leaflets		0	2		£1,939 19 5
„ Sale of Badges		0	5	„ Transfer to Building Fund	43 7 8
				„ Salaries—Secretarial and Lecturing	433 19 4
				„ General Expenses, Postages and Petties	32 17 6
				„ Printing and Stationery	120 16 6
				„ Grants to Centres	25 0 0
				„ Travelling Expenses—Lecturing Nurse	24 4 5
				„ Telephone	20 6 3
				„ Electric Light and Heating	9 6 0
				„ Rent and Cleaning	76 4 7
				„ Audit Fees	5 5 0
				„ Affiliation Fees	2 1 0
				„ Removal Expenses	5 3 7
					£2,738 11 3
				„ Surplus for the year	617 8 1
					£3,355 19 4
	£3,355	19	4		

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	By Balance at 30th June, 1941 £304 4 5
„ Balance at 30th June, 1942 260 16 9	
£304 4 5	£304 4 5

TRAVELLING CENTRE.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1942.

LIABILITIES.	ASSETS.
General Fund—Balance at 30th June, 1941 £172 14 4	Cash at State Savings Bank £82 13 11
Less Deficit for year 71 14 6	Cash at National Bank of Australasia Ltd. .. . 17 5 7
£100 19 10	Cash in hand 1 0 4
£100 19 10	£100 19 10

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR TWELVE MONTHS ENDED 30th JUNE, 1942.

To Donations £53 14 6	By Salaries £231 0 0
„ Shire Grants 300 0 0	„ Repairs, Replacements and Spares 117 0 11
„ Government Grant for new Chassis 500 0 0	„ Petrol, Oil and Charcoal 112 5 5
„ Transfer from "Country Work" Account .. 100 0 0	„ Insurance 4 8 11
„ Interest 3 1 3	„ Equipment 4 9 1
	„ Patterns £1 11 3
	Less Sales 1 10 9
	0 0 6
„ Deficit for year 71 14 6	„ Postages and Petties 10 13 7
	„ Printing and Stationery 4 15 4
	£484 13 9
	„ Purchase of New Chassis £452 19 0
	„ Purchase of Gas Producer 90 17 6
	543 16 6
£1,028 10 3	£1,028 10 3

SPECIAL APPEAL ACCOUNT. STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE TO 30th JUNE, 1942.

1942 Jan. 7 To Cash received per the Lord Mayor of Melbourne £5,844 2 8	1942 June 30 To Balance brought down £5,422 12 9
June 30 „ Cash received from 8th January, 1942 to date 132 8 7	June 30 By Expenses paid by and refunded to V.B.H.C.A.—
„ Interest Accrued on Fixed Deposit .. 30 13 8	Cost of Badges £414 15 8
	Salary 120 0 0
	Postages, Stationery and Petties .. 49 16 6
	£584 12 2
	By Balance carried down, Nat. Bank A/asia—
	Current Account £391 19 1
	Fixed Dep. and Accrued Interest .. 5,030 13 8
	5,422 12 9
£6,007 4 11	£6,007 4 11

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1942.

LIABILITIES.	ASSETS.
General Fund—	Furniture and Equipment at Central Office—
Balance at 30th June, 1941, before deduction of Building Fund .. £1,143 0 6	Valued at £100 0 0
Add Surplus for the year 617 8 1	State Savings Bank Accounts—
£1,760 8 7	General Account £669 17 10
Deduct Building Fund Deficiency .. £260 16 9	Country Work Account 412 18 6
Deduct Cash Transferred to Travelling Centre Account .. 100 0 0	Cot Endowment Account 105 19 0
	Training School Account 1 1 1
	1,189 16 5
	National Bank of Australasia Ltd. .. . 234 11 5
	£1,524 7 10
Sundry Creditors 5 5 0	
Late Sir George Cuscaden Memorial Balance .. 13 12 0	
Cot Endowment 105 19 0	
£1,524 7 10	

Melbourne, 15th September, 1942.
Audited and found correct.

BRENTNALL, MEWTON & BUTLER, Chartered Accountants (Aust.)
C. C. A. GEORGE, Hon. Treasurer.

Health Centres Association

D DONATIONS, 1941-42.

.....	£360	0	0	
.....	200	0	0	
.....	90	0	0	
.....	25	0	0	
.....	20	0	0	
.....	10	0	0	
.....	10	0	0	
.....	3	3	6	
.....	£10	10	0	
.....	6	6	0	
.....	2	2	0	
.....	2	0	0	
.....	1	1	0	
.....	1	1	0	
.....	0	17	6	
.....	0	11	0	
.....	0	3	0	
.....	10	0	0	
.....	5	5	0	
.....	5	5	0	
.....	5	0	0	
.....	2	2	0	
.....	2	2	0	
.....	£31	18	6	
.....	18	0	0	
.....	7	0	6	
.....	3	3	0	
.....	2	4	0	
.....	1	1	0	
.....	1	1	0	
.....	1	1	0	
.....	0	7	6	
.....	£838	5	0	
.....	£915	6	1	
.....	500	0	0	
.....	£1,415	6	1	
.....	£2	2	0	
.....	1941 and 1942			
.....	for Best Trainee of Year)			

TOWARDS TRAVELLING BABY HEALTH CENTRE.

.....	£500	0	0	
.....	£100	0	0	
.....	70	0	0	
.....	70	0	0	
.....	30	0	0	
.....	30	0	0	
.....	£300	0	0	
.....	£31	7	3	
.....	5	5	0	
.....	5	0	0	
.....	2	2	0	
.....	1	6	6	
.....	2	2	0	
.....	0	10	0	
.....	3	19	9	
.....	1	1	0	
.....	1	1	0	
.....	£53	14	6	