

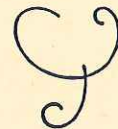
Victorian Baby Health Centres
Association

TWENTY-NINTH

Annual Report
of

CENTRAL
COUNCIL

1946-47



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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.

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1946-47

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VICTORIAN BABY HEALTH CENTRES ASSOCIATION (CENTRAL)

TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL REPORT

Ladies and Gentlemen,

In presenting the Twenty-Ninth 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 Council would like to place on record how much it has appreciated Lady Dugan's patronage of the work of the Association throughout the period of her residence in Victoria, and its deep regret that she is shortly having to return to England.

Lady Dugan has taken a keen interest in all the activities in progress throughout the State for furthering Maternal and Child Welfare work. Whenever she could, she visited the Baby Health Centres, especially during her visits to country districts, and attended the Annual Conferences and other Meetings of the Association.

Her presence amongst us, and her interest in this work will be much missed by members of the Association. During the year Lady Dugan visited Centres at East and West Ballarat and at Mirboo North.

OBITUARY.

The Council records its deep regret at the death, after a long illness, of Sister Muriel Peck. When the Baby Health Centre Movement was pioneered by the Association 30 years ago, Sister Peck was the first Nurse appointed to advise the Mothers and Babies at the first Centre, established in Richmond in June, 1917.

With the rapid establishment of other Centres, it was considered necessary to appoint additional Sisters to carry out this work, and also a Sister in Charge to act as supervisor of all Centres. Sister Peck was appointed to this position by the Association, and also to take charge of the first Training School and Model Centre, when it was established in South Melbourne in 1919, for the special instruction of Sisters in Health Centre Work.

Later in 1924 Sister Peck became organising Sister for the Association, her position as Matron of the Training School and Model Centre being taken by Sister A. Purcell.

Whilst organising Sister for the Association, Sister Peck accompanied the Better Farming Train throughout Victoria, giving demonstrations and tuition in Mothercraft and Lectures to Mothers in the country districts.

Sister Peck made 23 trips on the train whilst with the Association and during the first 3 years of the operation of the Better Farming Train. As a result of so many contacts in country districts, great interest was aroused in Baby Health Centre work, and the establishment of many country Centres by the Association, followed these visits.

In the latter part of 1926, when the Association's Medical Officer, Dr. Scantlebury Brown, was appointed Director of Infant Welfare and placed in charge of the newly created Infant Welfare Division of the Public Health Department, Sister Peck resigned from the Association, and became Assistant to the Director, a position she continued to hold for 19 years, and until her health broke down.

The Association and Baby Health Centre Movement as a whole, in this State, owes a great deal to Sister Peck's early pioneering work.

Her enthusiasm and personality was very largely responsible for the rapid growth of the Movement in country districts. Her tact, charm of manner, and knowledge of just how to put the salient points before Councils on the need for Baby Health Centres in their districts, rapidly removed any initial doubts they may have had.

The Movement has lost in Miss Peck one of its outstanding personalities, and one who knew the growth, development and set up of the movement since its inception. The memory of her work and personality, however, will remain for many years, as an inspiration to those who have been privileged to be her fellow workers and friends throughout the years this Movement has been in operation.

GENERAL PROGRESS.

The Association, as the major Voluntary Infant Welfare Organisation in the State of Victoria, continues its work of establishing new Baby Health Centres and extending the scope of existing ones.

The Association also continues its interest in promoting that legislative reform necessary for safeguarding the health of women and children, and stresses the definite need for increased funds for the development of all maternal and child welfare work, with its

valuable objectives of saving infant life, the prevention of ill-health amongst young children and encouraging mothers to have, and rear, the healthy children so much needed by the nation.

The Association, as a representative organisation, affords the vital link-up of municipal and public interest in infant welfare work throughout the State that is so essential to the movement and its progress.

The Council of the Association is formed of representatives from the Municipal and Shire Councils, their Baby Health Centre Committees, and from other kindred societies interested in the welfare of women and children and actively concerned with its actual promotion. Unity is strength, and such a link-up with a central organisation gives strength to this movement, since it creates the organised public opinion and interest that all progressive movements need in a democratic community.

Many Councils and Baby Health Centre Committees are interested and effective in promoting infant welfare work in their own districts, but it is only when they are linked up by representation in this Association that they can combine to form the necessary public opinion for promoting all measures for safeguarding the health of the mothers and babies, and their sphere of influence in this work is widened by contact with others similarly engaged.

One trusts that as the Baby Health Centre movement develops in this State, and Commonwealth as a whole, that nothing will be allowed to militate against the strength and unity of the Voluntary Infant Welfare Organisations, which have been responsible not only for playing the vital part of pioneering this movement, but in maintaining its general progressiveness during the many years of its development, facts, which are frequently forgotten.

The tremendous value to this movement of the work and interest of the Ladies' Baby Health Centre Committees formed to assist Councils in the domestic management of their Centres cannot be too strongly stressed.

Not only has the work of these committees been responsible in the first place for the establishment of the Centres in their district, and for stimulating the interests of their Councils in the project, but they have been largely responsible for the subsequent development of the work, and for obtaining for the sister the necessary equipment.

There is no doubt that the best results in Centre work and their general running to suit the interests of the mothers and babies who attend eventuates when Councils have such a Ladies' Committee, with whom they work in close co-operation and unison. The Council thus "fathers" the Centre and assumes technical responsibility for it, but uses its committee to "mother" the Centre and carry out the necessary detailed supervision and domestic management. Councils cannot expect to get the best work and interest from their committees unless they are prepared to work in close consultation with them in all Centre matters, and as the movement is one to serve the needs of the mothers, it is obvious that a Women's Committee will

understand their needs in regard to this service, and would be better equipped to carry out the purchase of the necessary equipment and the planning of new buildings, etc., and give all these details the necessary time and thought than a busy Council.

YEAR'S ACTIVITIES.

There are now 230 Centres affiliated with the Association — 146 being in country districts. With the 28 townships served by the Association's Travelling Baby Health Centre, this makes a total of 258 districts linked up with the Association. During the year 17 new Centres were established at Badger Creek, Diamond Creek, Heathcote, Hurstbridge, Keilor, Quambatook, Creswick, East Doncaster (Templestowe), Korongvale, Koo-wee-rup, Lockington, Poo-wong, Tatyoon, Sassafras, Upwey, Quarry Hill (Bendigo), Moama. Two Centres were closed during the year, Streatham and Tatyoon. Tatyoon Centre only operated from February to May, 1947. Propaganda work is in progress in other districts for the establishment of further Centres.

Reports from many Centres show a continuance of active work in their districts by the extension of the services given to the Mothers and the provision of extra equipment.

Many Committees have plans for the raising of the necessary funds to assist their Councils with the provision of new Centre buildings.

Many grants for assisting new Centres with equipment and for providing extra equipment for existing Centres, have been made by the Association.

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 Friday, 13th June at 2.30 p.m. One hundred and fifty delegates were present, a record attendance, and 31 country Centres were represented. Lady Dugan was present at the Conference and Mrs. John Cain.

The Hon. Secretary, Dr. Officer, visited the following country Centres during the year:—Ballarat, Croydon, Maryborough, Benalla, Castlemaine, Kerang, Warrnambool, Casterton, Warrandyte, Keilor, Daylesford, The Basin, Mt. Dandenong, Lilydale and Portland.

Yarra Glen, Hurstbridge and Panton Hills were also visited in connection with the establishment of Centres in those districts. The Hon. Secretary, Dr. Officer, spoke on the importance to the Community of the adequate care of Mothers and babies at the Annual Conference of the United Country Party (Women's Section).

The Association arranged an exhibit of a Model Baby Health Centre at the "Australia Makes It" Exhibition, held in June in aid of the Queen Victoria Hospital Re-building Fund. This exhibit formed part of the one arranged by the Hospital, and was designed to demonstrate the close liaison existing and needed between the Midwifery Hospitals, who have the initial care of the mother and baby, and the Baby Health Centres, who carry on that care after the mother leaves Hospital.

The Association also exhibited its "Bedford" Travelling Baby Health Centre at the "Community Festival" held at the Exhibition Buildings in July.

WORK OF THE BABY HEALTH CENTRES.

The work being carried out by the Baby Health Centres continues to increase and more demands than ever are being made on the Sisters' time and services to the community. This fact is becoming increasingly recognised by Councils and their Committees, and consequently additional Infant Welfare Sisters are being appointed to their Centres to cope with the extra work.

Many Councils also contemplate providing better transport facilities for their Sisters to help them to attend new Sub-Centres and to assist the mothers in their homes. This will conserve the Sisters' valuable time for the actual work of advising mothers, instead of much of it being wasted through inconvenient methods of transport.

The Baby Health Centre movement provides the most extensive system of parent education at very reasonable cost to the community. Of all services provided for the mothers, it is one that comes most intimately in contact with them, both through the mothers' regular attendances at the Centres and by the extensive system of home visiting, which is part of the Sisters' work.

The work carried out at the Centres by the Sisters, is not only invaluable in its preservation of precious infant life and its prevention of avoidable illness, but it helps the Mother in the establishment of sound family life, which is the only foundation for national happiness and security, and its promotion the only real remedy for the industrial unrest and social problems present in the Community.

It is therefore important for the Association to see that through the standard and type of training given at its Training School, its Sisters are equipped with the necessary knowledge and other qualities to enable them to help Mothers in all the domestic and family problems they bring to the Centre Sister. It is equally necessary that Councils make the most careful selection of fully qualified Infant Welfare Sisters for the positions in their Centres. They should bear in mind that not only is a sound training required, but adequate and recent experience subsequent to it, is essential. The right personality to gain the mothers' confidence is a most important requisite for any Sister in Charge of a Centre. Wrong personality will soon reflect itself in a lowered attendance of Mothers at the Centre.

Advice at the Centres covers:—

Expectant Mothers.—Attendances of expectant Mothers at all Centres need to be improved by publicity directed to the benefits obtained from such attendance, and the help given. This advice forms a valuable adjunct to that received from the ante-natal clinic of the public hospitals, or from the Mother's own doctor.

The establishment of *pre-natal clinics* in connection with Centres and under special expert medical supervision has been extended during the year.

There are now 10 special Pre-Natal Clinics attached to Baby Health Centres in the Metropolitan area—namely—at Collingwood, Fitzroy, Hawthorn, Northcote, Prahran, Richmond, Sandringham, South Melbourne, Sunshine and Fairfield.

In Maryborough, the medical practitioners have also established a pre-natal clinic, and are to be very warmly congratulated on this move—which could with advantage be followed in other country Centres.

Increased care of the expectant mother, with particular attention paid to nutrition, would considerably help to lower the infant mortality rate by decreasing the number of deaths from prematurity—the highest single cause of our infant mortality rate, and responsible for about half the deaths of infants occurring in the first month of life.

Better pre-natal care would also considerably help the mother in breast feeding her infant, another valuable factor in reducing the infant mortality rate, and in creating the right relationship between the mother and child at the outset, which is so necessary if the mother is to give her child the proper feeling of love and security, which is fundamental to its right adjustment through life. Pre-Natal Clinics in the Municipalities are available to all those in their district who wish to take advantage of that service.

Mothers With Infants.—Many unnecessary infant deaths and much ill-health and sickness is prevented by the mother's regular attendance at the Health Centre, where under expert guidance the baby's progress can be watched and correct advice and supervision in management given. Home Visiting, which is part of the work, is important in enabling the Sister to advise the Mother with a full knowledge of her home environment, and special help can be given her in overcoming any specific difficulties occasioned by it.

Children of Pre-School Age.—Post-war development of Centres should include the need for medical supervision of all work at the Centres, and for the periodic examination of the babies and children attending. Such medical officers would need to be specially experienced in this work, since it is a speciality requiring both training and experience. The appointment of Child Welfare Medical Officers to supervise the work in their districts is recommended to Councils. The City of Melbourne has for many years employed such a Medical Officer and the South Melbourne Council are to be congratulated for having appointed Dr. M. Smallwood, O.B.E., as Child Welfare Medical Officer to that district this year.

Dental Examination.—The need for extension of dental examination for children attending Centres is urgent, especially in country districts. Colac provides dental inspection for the children attending the Centre. This inspection has been in operation for some years, and has been possible through the co-operation and help

of the local dentists. Mobile vans for dental inspection and treatment is a crying need in such outback country districts as those served by the Association's Travelling Baby Health Centre. Local dentists are few, and their attendance at some country townships irregular and at long intervals, which make it impracticable for the mothers to take in their children of pre-school age for advice and treatment, and the incidence of dental caries amongst children of this age, in these districts is staggeringly high.

Pre-School Facilities.—Many new Baby Health Centres incorporate in their plans provision for special indoor and outdoor playing spaces for Toddlers. Suitable toys and equipment also provide demonstrations to parents of what is required for the development of children at different age levels.

Croydon has a Nursery School established in connection with its Centre. Play groups have been established in connection with various Centres, e.g., Belgrave, Lilydale, Warragul and Casterton, and others are contemplating forming them.

Parent Clubs.—Many Parent Clubs have 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 Albert Park, Bendigo, Northcote, North Essendon, Ascot Vale, Moonee Ponds, Croydon and Lilydale. Maryborough for 3 years has had a very progressive Mothers' Club, which has arranged many educational lectures for the Mothers in the District.

The Council hopes that other Councils will consider, with their Committees, the establishment of Parent Clubs, or the arrangement of Special Lectures for them. There is ample need for more extensive development of such Parent Clubs, and experienced Lecturers for them on all sorts of subjects of value to parents should be more readily obtainable now the war is over.

Libraries.—Many Centres are incorporating Libraries of suitable books for the use of Mothers; a lead other Centres could follow with advantage. Lists of suitable books and where to obtain them may be had on application to the Head Office of the Association.

Immunisation and Vaccination.—Many Councils continue to carry out immunising against diphtheria for children attending the Centre, or living in their districts. Vaccination against small-pox is another safeguard that Sisters in Charge of Centres should encourage Mothers to have carried out, and also prophylactic injections against whooping cough.

MUNICIPAL HOME HELP SCHEME.

The Council appreciates the increasing interest taken by Municipal Councils and Women's Organisations in the establishment of Municipal Home Help Schemes in their districts.

The service so successfully inaugurated and run by the Kew Council and its Women's Committee has proved a valuable demonstration to other Councils. Kew now employs 4 Emergency Housekeepers and hopes shortly to increase this number to 6. Hawthorn Council has also established a Home Help Scheme this year and employs one Housekeeper.

Other Councils interested, and who are considering the establishment of similar services are:—Port Melbourne, South Melbourne, Brunswick and Fern Tree Gully.

The establishment of such services in all districts will depend, as did the establishment of the Baby Health Centre Movement, on the initiative and drive of the Women in their own districts in pressing Councils for such a Service, and in assisting them in its successful running.

Since last year the Government has agreed to subsidise Councils £1 for £1 up to £125 per annum for any deficit in running such services. This subsidy, whilst being of value in assisting Councils in the initial establishment of the Scheme, is bound to prove inadequate as the Service develops, and more Emergency Housekeepers are required to meet the increasing demands of this help in individual districts. Consequently the pressure of all interested Women's Organisations will be needed to influence the Government to increase the amount allocated as a subsidy for this Service. The major financial burden of this and other important Health Services should be met from Government, rather than Municipal Funds, as they are in other countries, the practical running and developing of such health measures, however, is obviously better decentralised, and can be more efficiently carried out under Municipal supervision and control, and assisted by public interest and voluntary effort in their districts.

PROBLEMS AFFECTING MOTHERS.

Many problems affecting the health of Mothers and consequently that of their families, have been the concern of the Association during the year. Many of these difficulties have been aggravated by the recurring industrial unrest which reflects back inevitably to the home life of the Community, causing added strain and burden to the already overworked mother and housewife.

Many health schemes put forward by Government will prove of no real value, until such fundamental problems are tackled as:—Adequate and sufficient Housing; provision of reliable essential services, such as gas, electricity and fuel; adequate delivery services of household goods; increased accommodation for maternity cases in Hospitals and After Care Homes, together with an adequate Nursing Staff to ensure proper care of mother and child whilst in residence.

BREAST FEEDING.

As one of the many objects of the Association is the encouragement of breast feeding, more propaganda is needed to educate

mothers on the advantages to herself and her baby derived from this normal function of motherhood, and the safety to infant life and health that it gives.

Fully successful results will not be achieved until the necessity for it, and the incorporation of the principles and practice of modern infant feeding and management comes into all midwifery hospitals, large or small, public or private. It should be compulsory for such hospitals to have Infant Welfare Sisters in charge of all such Institutions, and a staff of Infant Welfare trained personnel to supervise the management of the mothers and infants. It is encouraging that one leading private Midwifery Hospital has expressed its desire to the Association to have all its permanent Staff trained in Infant Welfare, and arrangements are being made to assist the Hospital by giving such Staff the required Infant Welfare Training.

Many babies are relegated to the bottle on insufficient grounds, and on account of the mis-management of breast feeding in the early days prior to their attendance at a Baby Health Centre, a fact which militates against the success of our work in promoting normal motherhood.

An insufficient period of hospital care and adequate rest for the mother is another factor preventing the proper establishment and maintenance of lactation.

VICTORIAN BABY HEALTH CENTRES SISTERS' CLUB.

The Sisters' Club continues their interest in the Mothercraft Home and Infant Welfare Training School, and are always ready to help with any social functions.

Prior to her departure to England, Miss Brodie was given a farewell party by the Sisters' Club. Sister Brodie was awarded the Florence Nightingale Scholarship, and the good wishes of the Club were extended to her during her period of studies overseas.

President — Miss K. Crowe.
Vice-President — Miss C. Prendergast.
Treasurer — Miss E. Stafford.
Hon. Secretary — Miss R. Swanton.

IVANHOE BABY HEALTH CENTRES' TRAINING SCHOOL AUXILIARY.

This Auxiliary continues its interest and help for the Mothercraft Home and Infant Welfare Training School, and has donated £9 for providing necessities for the care of the premature infants in residence.

The Auxiliary has also funds in hand to help provide other essential equipment for the work of the Training School, and a list of such equipment required has been given to the Auxiliary to select from. At Christmas time, this Auxiliary presented a useful and attractive electric clock for the use of the Training School. The

Council very greatly appreciates this Auxiliary's interest and support for the Training School.

President — Mrs. A. Foletta.
Hon. Secretary — Mrs. Sevier.
Hon. Treasurer — Mrs. A. Thomson.

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

Although the activities of the Club have had to be curtailed, the members are however working quietly on for the benefit of the Training School. A very interesting afternoon was spent at the South Melbourne Centre. The members were grateful to Sister Becker for showing them over the Centre, its Toddlers' and Pre-Natal Sections. They also were shown over the X-Ray Department, Children's and Public Libraries and Social Service Department.

During the year the members were glad to welcome Miss Swanton to morning tea, as it was the first time they had met her since her appointment as Matron of the Training School. The members enjoy their afternoon meetings once a month, visiting each other — with an occasional Opportunity Stall, and as a result of these efforts the sum of £15/6/- has been raised.

The sum of £26/4/- was donated to the Mothercraft Home and Infant Welfare Training School during the year, for the purchase of mono-metal ware which was urgently needed. The Council is very grateful for this splendid donation.

President — Mrs. E. Nelson.
Hon. Treasurer — Mrs. A. Johnstone.
Hon. Secretary — Miss E. Wilson.

VOLUNTARY HELPERS.

The Council thanks the Voluntary Helpers of the many Baby Health Centres throughout the State for the regular times they give to help Sisters-in-Charge of Centres. This service is very greatly valued, as it would be extremely difficult for the Sisters-in-Charge of busy Centres to give as adequate time to advising mothers without such assistance.

Voluntary Helpers attend Centres to carry out the weighing of the babies, entering records, and doing any other helpful Centre duties that may be required. Some Voluntary Helpers give a regular afternoon each week to this work, some a whole day, others at regular fortnightly or monthly intervals, according to what time they have available. A roster of Voluntary Helpers is kept at each Centre, together with a list of emergency helpers who are available for call when the regular ones are unable for some reason to attend at any time. The work and duties are not onerous and are such that they can be undertaken by any woman without previous experience.

The Association can always arrange to give a short period of instruction and experience in what is required at its Infant Welfare Training School to those interested to help at Centres, or arrange-

ments can be made for them to be shown the work by the Sisters-in-Charge of the Centre at which they propose to assist.

The Association considers it is worthy of very special mention and congratulation that in the metropolitan area there are over 30 Voluntary Helpers who have completed from 10-22 years of regular attendance at the Centres and are still continuing this fine work. There are also records in several country centres where Voluntary Helpers have given similar periods of loyal service to the Baby Health Centre movement.

This voluntary help has always been available for the Sisters since the inception of the movement 30 years ago, and the Association is sure such service will be forthcoming in future years. Periodically, former Voluntary Helpers retire for various reasons, and consequently new personnel is always needed to fill those gaps.

The Association feels, especially now the war is ended, that the need for this help has only to be brought to the notice of women in the community and in the right quarters and there will be always a response to the call no matter whether the need be in the metropolitan area or country districts. Any Baby Health Centre Committee or Sister who requires personnel for this work should contact the headquarters of the Association, who can advise them in regard to the best methods of securing it.

MOTHCRAFT HOME AND INFANT WELFARE TRAINING SCHOOL.

The year has been a busy one, a number of difficult babies, including premature ones, have been in residence for special care and investigation.

The activities associated with the Mothercraft Home and Infant Welfare Training School increase considerably each year to meet the requirements of a rapidly expanding Baby Health Centre movement throughout the State. Consequently a new and enlarged Mothercraft Home and Infant Welfare Training School is urgently required, so that this Institution may adequately fulfil its obligations both in regard to teaching, and in its provision of more residential care for the many mothers and babies requiring it. The shortage of such accommodation, leading to an inability to admit all the mothers and babies seeking admission, is detrimental to the health of both and consequently to that of the Nation.

ADMISSIONS TO THE MOTHCRAFT HOME.

Breast fed Babies	29
Artificially fed Babies	65
Premature Babies	18
Nursing Mothers	29

making a total of 94 babies and 29 mothers who were given special investigation and residential care with correction of their problems.

In addition many mothers not able to be taken into full residence from lack of beds, or other reasons, attended for daily help and tuition in Mothercraft.

TRAINING SCHOOL BABY HEALTH CENTRE.

Total attendances for the year	5,328
New entries on the roll	484
Total attendances of babies (under 2 years)	4,752
Total attendances of children (over 2 years)	420
Number of individual babies (under 2 years)	570
Number of individual children (over 2 years)	152
Callers up to 6 years	156
Number of consultations of Expectant Mothers	66
Number of Visits to Homes	835
Number of letters for advice received and answered	262
Telephone consultations	321

Total attendances have increased this year by 1,957 attendances. New entries on the roll have doubled this year, and very encouraging increases in all attendance figures are reflected in this year's figures, and have fully justified the Training School Committee's provision of a full time Infant Welfare Sister to look after the work of this Centre, and develop it, both in regard to attendances of mothers and babies, and for the training in Baby Health Centre work of the Infant Welfare Trainees—a most important part of their training in Infant Welfare being the period spent in learning the practical side of running a Baby Health Centre.

The Committee is greatly appreciative of the very excellent and unsparing work of Sister F. M. Smith, who has been in charge of this Centre during the major part of this year, and responsible for its development during that period. The Committee has also valued the tremendous amount of work carried out by Sister Smith in preparing suitable record books for keeping the statistical records in, which are required by the Infant Welfare Department. These books have been printed by the Association's printers, Messrs. Cook & Heathcote, and are now in use by the Training School, and by many Centres affiliated with the Association, and they have received the approval of Dr. Meredith, Director of Maternal, Infant and Child Welfare. These printed record books will save Sisters in charge of Centres a tremendous amount of the time and labour, formerly spent in preparing such record books by hand. Their use will also aid in the teaching of the Trainees proper record keeping, and help to eliminate mistakes occasioned by faulty preparation of books and record keeping.

TRAINEES.

Twenty-nine (29) Sisters were trained in Infant Welfare during the year, making a total of 641 Infant Welfare Sisters trained by the Association since the inception of the Movement. The following prizes have been awarded during the year:—The "Sir Herbert and Lady Olney" prizes, given to the trainee in each term considered most suitable for Baby Health Centre work, have been allotted to—1st Term, Sister L. G. Ramsay; 2nd Term, Sister I. Ould; 3rd Term, Sister S. Barry.

The "Pro-Vita" prizes, awarded each term to the trainee submitting the best essay on "Pre-Natal Care and Mothercraft Nutrition" have been won by — 1st Term, Sister D. E. Jenkin; (other Terms not yet awarded).

The "Margaret White Prize" awarded to the trainee considered best for the year has been given to Sister Margaret C. Grant.

The Council is grateful to the donors of these prizes, and for their encouragement to the trainees to aim at a high standard of efficiency in their work.

The Council congratulates the various winners of these prizes, and wishes them success in their future work, which it is hoped will be in the sphere of Infant Welfare.

Fifty-four (54) Medical Students attended during the year, and showed great interest in the special lectures and demonstrations arranged for them in Infant Feeding and Management.

Eleven (11) Sisters completed Refresher Courses in Infant Welfare during the year.

Medical Lectures at the Training School have been given by Dr. Kate Campbell and Dr. Elizabeth Turner.

Dr. Winifred Kennan continues to give the Medical Lectures on Ante-Natal work to the trainees.

Lectures on "Public Speaking" have been given by the Hon. Secretary, Dr. Doris Officer.

Special Lectures have been given by Dr. Jean MacNamara on postural defects and their prevention, and by Miss Walker on Pre-School Child.

Nursing Lectures are given by the Matron, Miss R. Swanton.

Dr. Kate Campbell clinics every week — at the Training School to the Infant Welfare Trainees — on the babies in residence and their care.

Dr. Elizabeth Turner gives a Clinic every week on the babies attending the Health Centre.

The Council appreciates the work carried out by its Lecturers, and the time they devote to this work.

The Council values very highly the work of its Senior Medical Officer, Dr. Kate Campbell, and appreciates her interest and help in supervising the care of the Mothers and Babies in residence, and the teaching she gives in that connection to the trainees. The Council also values Dr. Campbell's experience and help in any medical matters connected with the Association's work referred to her by the Executive Committee.

The Council very greatly appreciates all the work carried out at the Training School by its Assistant Medical Officer — Dr. Elizabeth Turner.

Dr. Campbell continues to lecture once a month at the Training School to the Sisters in Charge of Centres. That her lectures are much valued is evidenced by the large attendances at them. Dr. Campbell has carried out these monthly lectures for twenty years, and they have been deeply appreciated all these years by the Sisters in Charge of Centres, and have been a valuable means of keeping

them up to date in knowledge connected with their work, and in assisting them with the personal problems met with in the course of it. These Lectures have the added advantage of keeping the Sisters in Centres in touch with the Training School, and what work is proceeding there.

It is a pity that, owing to free rail passes not being available, many country Sisters are debarred from participating in these lectures, owing to the expense involved in travelling. Free rail passes should be available for the country Sisters wishing to attend, in the same way that they are available for attendance at the monthly lectures run by the Infant Welfare Department. Country Sisters would then enjoy the same facilities and opportunities for keeping in personal touch with the Training School, and with knowledge of their work, as is open to the Metropolitan Sisters, and ones working nearer Melbourne.

The Council has valued the work of the Matron of its Training School, Sister R. Swanton, during the year, and appreciates her successful coping with the many difficulties that arise from time to time in connection with the work.

Several changes of staff have occurred during the year. Sister S. Brodie, who was in charge of the Baby Health Centre for part of the year, was awarded the Florence Nightingale Scholarship and has gone to England. Her place was taken by Sister F. Smith.

Sister P. Whiteside, former Assistant Matron, left to take a position as Sister in Charge of one of the Brunswick Centres. Sister F. Clarke, Staff Sister, left to take a position as Sister in Charge of one of the Caulfield Centres.

Sister I. Ould has been appointed Assistant Matron and Sister E. B. Phillips as Staff Sister.

The work of these Sisters has been most valued by the Council, who appreciates the helpful co-operation they so ably give in the smooth running of the Training School.

The excellent work carried out by the domestic staff of the Training School is very much appreciated by the Council, the smooth working in this sphere very greatly aids and assists the work of the Training School as a whole, and is greatly appreciated by the Matron, Nursing Staff and the trainees.

The many industrial troubles and strikes which have occurred throughout the year periodically have had repercussing effects on the routine working of the Training School and consequently added to the problems and difficulties of its Nursing and Domestic Staff. The Council has valued the very fine way that Matron and her Staff have coped with these difficulties, despite the extra work often occasioned by them; the Council has appreciated the way these problems have not been allowed by the Staff to interfere with the well being and care of the Mothers and Babies in residence.

SPECIAL GIFTS TO THE MOTHERCRAFT HOME.

Australian Red Cross Society	Screen covers, linen bags, torches (without batteries), unbleached calico, pillow slips, kettle holders, bed tables, tin-openers, fly-nets, parcel baby clothes.
Anonymous	Case of apples.
Bacchus Marsh B.H.C. Committee	6 prs. toddlers' socks.
Box Hill Girls' School	11½ doz. eggs, electric clock and installation of same.
Ivanhoe B.H.C. Auxiliary	Parcel of woollen garments.
"Moronga" Girls' School	3 large jars of Akta Vite.
Nicholas Pty. Ltd.	8 pkts. rusks, 10 lb. Wheat-harts.
Pro-Vita Products	Ham for Xmas dinner.
Foy & Gibson Ltd.	Fruit for Xmas.
Mr. S. G. Buck	10 cauliflowers.
Women's Hospital	Box of sweets for Staff and 3 doz. oranges.
Dr. K. Campbell	Box of sweets for Staff.
Dr. E. Turner	Box of flowers.
Dr. I. Ireland	Flowers.
Mrs. Edgar	Flowers.
Mrs. Purser	Perambulator and baby clothes.
Mrs. Douglas	3 bottles Adexolin, 4 doz. lemons.
Mrs. Stewart	7½ doz. eggs.
Mrs. Spokes	Flowers.
Mrs. Pierson	4 prs. booties.
Mrs. Teddow	6 singlets, 6 pr. booties.
Mrs. Roy	Box of sweets for Staff.
Mrs. Dixon and Mrs. Cox	Flowers for Xmas party.
Miss Swanton, Miss Mathews, Mrs. O'Hara, Miss Crowe	Blackberries.
Sister Pannell	Babies' socks and gloves.
Sister E. B. Phillips	Flowers.
Sister R. Graves	Flowers.
Sister Peters	Measure table and tea cosy.
Sister F. Smith	Meat, cream, bag of potatoes.
Mr. Forrest	

MATERNAL AND CHILD WELFARE CENTRE — CARLTON SITE.

At a conference held in March, 1947, by the Premier, the Hon. John Cain, M.L.A., and at which representatives of the Carlton Home, Victorian Baby Health Centres' Association, Mr. Ebbs, Secretary of the Maternal and Child Hygiene Branch of the Public Health Department, and Mr. C. L. McVilly, Secretary of the Charities Board, were present, further decisions—in regard to the erection of the proposed Maternal and Child Welfare Centre on the Carlton site were reached.

Originally it had been agreed at Conferences held with the Charities Board, and by representatives of the two organisations, i.e., Carlton Home and Victorian Baby Health Centres Association, that a new Maternal and Child Welfare Centre be planned to incorporate the work of both organisations, a sum of £44,000 having been allotted by the Dunstan Government for such a joint Institution. At the request of the Inspector of Charities, Mr. C. L. McVilly, a Joint Building Committee was formed consisting of representatives of both organisations and the late Director of Maternal and Child Welfare, Dr. Scantlebury Brown, was co-opted as a member of that Building Committee, and she worked closely with it in the preparation of the preliminary plans prepared by the Chief Architect of the Public Works Department. Owing to the considerable rise in building costs since the project was first discussed, and the amalgamation suggested by the Charities Board in 1942, the original sum of £44,000 allotted for the purpose was found inadequate when costs were estimated in the preliminary plans.

The Conference held with the Premier in March was called to discuss the position in regard to the project. As a result of the Conference certain points were clarified, and agreed to by the organisations concerned, and approved by the Government, namely:—

That it was the definite wish of the Government that there should be close co-operation between the two organisations, and to that end a portion of the site of the Carlton Home is to be allotted for the purposes of the Association's new Mothercraft Home and Infant Welfare Training School, in order that a suitable building may be erected there.

The Premier stated that while it was agreed that the amount of £44,000 provided by a former Government, and at present held in trust by the Carlton Home Committee, was intended to provide for a **joint** scheme, but had now proved inadequate, he was pleased at the Association's co-operation in allowing that amount to be devoted first to the re-building of the Carlton Home, which was in a bad state of repair and quite out of date.

It was however the Government's instruction that in the plans of the Carlton Home, adequate provision must be made for certain essential services, such as boiler house kitchen appointments, etc., which would be common and serve both Institutions, and to that end the Premier desired the Association to have the opportunity of conferring with the Carlton Home, and Chief Architect of the Public Works Department in regard to such matters.

The Premier stated that the Government was not in a position at the moment to set aside any further amount for the building of the Association's Mothercraft Home and Infant Welfare Training School, but he approved the Association's request that it should proceed to develop its plans and specifications for the building in order to obviate any undue delay in the future, when funds were made available. The Association was authorised to continue its discussions and planning for the new Mothercraft Home and Infant Welfare Training School with the Public Works Department.

Later a Conference was held between representatives of the Carlton Home and Victorian Baby Health Centres Association and the Public Works Department to discuss what communal facilities should be provided by the Carlton Home for servicing the two institutions, in accordance with the Premier's instructions. It was decided that for the simplification and the smooth running of both institutions, and in view of their diverse nature and functions, and personnel catered for, the only common services that could be advantageously supplied by the Carlton Home were boiler house facilities, and this arrangement was agreed to.

A new narrative is in course of preparation by the Association for submitting to the Chief Architect of the Public Works Department, in view of the alteration in planning occasioned by the agreement to erect two institutions on the site of the Carlton Home, each carrying out their specific objects and work, instead of the one originally planned for and suggested by the Charities Board.

This new arrangement has considerable advantages for both Institutions, especially for the Association, as the work and activities connected with its Mothercraft Home and Infant Welfare Training School carry education in Motherhood, and in the care of babies and young children right throughout the State. Its functions urgently need expansion to cope with a very rapidly developing Baby Health Centre movement, and bear, in that connection, as an important relationship to the Preventive Medicine as the Children's Hospital does to curative medicine. With 96% of the money spent in this State for Health purposes allotted for curative medicine and only 4% for the prevention of sickness and ill-health, surely a more adequate balance of expenditure is indicated and would be wisdom. It is hoped that when plans are completed for the Association's new Mothercraft Home and Infant Welfare Training School, and the Association is ready to build, that the required funds will be forthcoming.

TRAVELLING BABY HEALTH CENTRE.

This service has been on the road ten years and was the pioneer of such services in Australia. A successful year's work is reported.

Attendances for the Year.

New entries on roll	302
Individual babies (under 2 years)	483
Individual children (over 2 years)	216
Total No. of individual babies attending	699
Total attendances numbered	5,095
Total attendances of babies (under 2 years)	4,073
Total attendances of children (over 2 years)	942
Callers up to 6 years	80
Transfers from other Centres	19
Number of consultations of Expectant Mothers	64
Letters for advice	2
Telephone consultations	21



Total attendances show a slight increase on last year's figures, and many new babies have been enrolled. There is a slight decrease in the number of children over 2 years attending compared with last year's figures.

The health of the babies attending has been good, and there have been few serious illnesses amongst them. Last winter there was an epidemic of whooping cough, but not many serious cases among the babies, who in most cases have been immunised as soon as they are old enough to be done.

Twenty-eight (28) towns and townships are served with a regular fortnightly service, and many wayside calls and stops to interview Mothers en route are also made.

The schedule has been maintained during the year, occasionally engine trouble or road conditions may cause a delay in the conduct of a clinic at a certain scheduled time, or its non-conduct on odd days during the year. Such occasional interruptions are unavoidable at times.

Some alterations in the schedule have been made during the year in regard to the amount of time allotted for clinicing at various townships. Such alterations have been necessitated by fluctuations in attendance figures at different places in the schedule, and partly occasioned by the local road conditions.

Kulwin was deleted from the schedule temporarily, owing to road conditions, and small attendance figures there did not justify either the time spent in reaching Kulwin and the return from it, or the wear and tear on the vehicle itself from the poor road conditions.

Patchewollock, which was temporarily cut out last year, owing to road conditions, has been re-introduced since February and attendances have justified its re-inclusion, despite the unreliability of the road at times. On the schedule the Caravan travels over 1,000 miles per month. The ease with which the schedule can be varied to meet fluctuations in attendance figures at various points in the circuit is one of the most valuable features of the Travelling Baby Health Centre services for outback country districts.

The Sisters report that there have been many improvements in the roads since the Country Roads Board maintenance gangs have been back at work. However wet weather affects nearly all roads, except the highways, and skidding and bogging at times is unavoidable. Also sand-drifts in summer often cause bogging and delays in the schedule. The road to Ultima from Meatian and that from Torrita to Patchewollock are still trouble spots for the Sisters, and necessitate a change of route occasionally, when these roads become impassable.

The "Bedford" Travelling Caravan was in use for servicing this district until December, 1946, the vehicle gave excellent service and needed only minor repairs and general maintenance.

In January, 1947, the new "Dodge" Caravan was substituted for the older vehicle. The "Dodge" Caravan had just been specially constructed and re-designed for this service and incorporates in its design many new features, to provide greater facilities for carrying



out the work done for the Mothers and babies and for the domestic comfort of the Sisters, living in the Caravan.

The vehicle on its arrival in the Mallee occasioned much appreciative and delighted comment from the mothers, who value this service so highly.

Some trouble was experienced in the first two months of running of the vehicle, as some engine faults, which had not shown when the vehicle was tested out on the bitumen roads round Melbourne, and on the trip up to the Mallee, manifested themselves, and were aggravated by the rough roads in the Mallee. These troubles have now been rectified and the vehicle giving good service. The Sisters appreciate the greatly increased comfort of the living quarters and the added conveniences, incorporated in the vehicle, when used for the Centre work.

There have been various changes of Staff for the vehicle during the year. Sister U. Allen left in July, and Sister H. Northcott was appointed in her place. Sister J. Miers, who was the other Sister on the vehicle when Sister Northcott joined it, was suddenly taken ill in September, and was unable to return. Sister Nash, from Western Australia, relieved from September until November.

Miss Munro, a Voluntary Helper from Heidelberg, went up to the Caravan for a few weeks, to help Sister Northcott, with the driving of the Caravan, and the weighing of the babies — and as a relieving Sister was not available at that time, the Committee were deeply grateful to Miss Munro for her help during that period.

After Christmas Sister Greer returned to help Sister Northcott with the new vehicle, and remained with the Caravan four months. Sister Goodin was then appointed to the Caravan.

The Committee deeply appreciates the loyal and devoted work carried out for the Mothers by the Sisters in charge of its Travelling Baby Health Centre, and knows the high esteem in which these Sisters are held by the Mothers who owe so much to them.

The Council greatly appreciates the wonderful hospitality shown to the Sisters by the Mallee people throughout the districts and knows how much the Sisters value this kindness, and the help it is to their general happiness in their life with the Caravan.

The Council warmly thanks the men in the Mallee, who come so readily to the help of the Sisters in any difficulty or trouble with it. The Council also values the work put into the Caravan by the various garages in the district, and the helpful way they service the vehicle to keep it in running order, and up to time on its Schedule.

The "Bedford" Caravan, since it was taken off the Mallee run, has been completely re-conditioned as regards its engine and body-work, and is now available to service another outback area, as soon as funds are available for the financing of a second district. The necessary finance for the re-conditioning of this vehicle was made available from funds raised by the Apex Clubs of Australia, to help Travelling Baby Health Centre Services; the Council greatly values the generosity of the Apex Clubs of Australia in making this sum



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available for the re-conditioning of the "Bedford" Caravan. The sum made available by the Apex Clubs of Australia was £203/10/2.

A representative from the Department of Information and photographer visited the Association's Travelling Baby Health Centre in April, and went round with it during the course of its work. The Department has written an interesting account of the work of the Travelling Centre, and took many excellent photos. The narrative and photos will be published by the Department of Information in the many countries throughout the world in which the Department has agencies. The work therefore of the Travelling Centre will have interesting publicity in many countries.

LECTURES IN MOTHERCRAFT.

The Lectures in Mothercraft given by the Association at many Girls' Schools, and to various women's organisations, form a most important feature of its activities.

These Lectures play an important part not only in interesting girls in Motherhood, but in educating them for it. Many letters from the Principals of the Girls' Schools express appreciation for these lectures, emphasise their value, and refer to the keen interest taken in them by the girls.

Visits are arranged, where possible, for the girls receiving the lectures to visit the Association's Mothercraft and Infant Welfare Training School, and various Baby Health Centres, so that they may see the practical side of the work in progress. The girls are very appreciative of these visits, and show an intelligent interest in the babies and equipment of the Training School and Centres.

Project books are compiled by the girls, when receiving these lectures, and many of these have entailed a great deal of work in their preparation, and show clearly the enthusiasm of the girls for the subject of Mothercraft, when given an opportunity of learning about it.

Sister G. E. Mole continues as full time Lecturing Sister for the Association to the Girls' Schools. She reports that:—

During the year, 1,719 girls received tuition in Mothercraft, and 50 schools were visited.

The following schools received lectures during the year:—

Academy of Mary Immaculate (Fitzroy), Convent F.C.J. Genazzano (Kew), Convent F.C.J. Vaucluse (Richmond), St. Columba's College (Essendon), St. Fintan's College (St. Kilda), Williamstown and Essendon High Schools; Richmond, Tooronga Rd. (East Malvern), Preston, Camberwell, Collingwood, Flemington, Williamstown, Brunswick, Footscray and Fitzroy Girls' Schools; Brighton Girls' Technical School, Box Hill Girls' Technical School, Swinburne Technical College.

Emily McPherson College of Domestic Economy, J. H. Boyd College of Domestic Economy, "Penleigh" P.G.S. (Moonee Ponds), Camberwell C.E.G.G.S., "Stratherne" P.G.S. (Hawthorn), "Lauriston" (Malvern), Methodist Ladies' College, "Esperance" G.S.

(Brighton), "Firbank" C.E.G.G.S. (Brighton), "Lowther Hall" C.E.G.G.S. (Essendon), "Shelford" C.E.G.G.S. (Caulfield), "Ruyton" G.G.S. (Kew).

Middle Park, Mont Albert, Auburn, Westgarth, East Malvern, Gardiner, Hawthorn West, East Kew, Moonee Ponds, Fitzroy and Toorak Central Schools.

North Brunswick, Glenferrie and Northcote Modern State Schools.

William Angliss Food Trades School, "The Grail" Dietitians, Royal Melbourne Hospital; National Catholic Girls' Movement (Middle Park Branch).

Results of Examinations.

Certificates awarded	1,343
Passed	228
Failed	148
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	1,719

The Council considers that Mothercraft tuition, together with such subjects as Homecraft and Home Nursing should be compulsory ones at all girls' schools, and that a revision of the curriculum for girls' schools is urgently needed to include such subjects. Our girls during their school life are educated for all sorts of careers and occupations, and spheres of service in the community, but no provision is made for their education in that sphere of life of most vital importance for them, and incidentally for the Nation, namely, Motherhood and Home-making.

The Council intends, with other organisations, to make an approach to the Minister of Education in regard to this matter.

COUNTRY SISTERS LECTURING IN MOTHERCRAFT.

In addition to the lectures in Mothercraft supplied by the Association, to the schools in the Metropolitan area, Sisters in Charge of the following country Centres have given lectures in this subject to the schools in their districts—Benalla, Colac, Echuca, Euroa, Geelong, Maryborough, Rochester and Wonthaggi.

The Council congratulates these Sisters on carrying out this splendid educational work in addition to their routine Centre work.

CO-OPERATION.

The Council wishes to congratulate Dr. Meredith on her appointment as Director of Maternal, Infant and Pre-School Welfare during the year, and looks forward to a happy co-operation with her in the future in our combined work for the benefit of the Mothers and Babies throughout the State.

The Council wishes to express its appreciation for the interest, help and co-operation received from Dr. Meredith and members of her Department during the year.

The Council also expresses its appreciation of the interest and help received during the year from Dr. Hilda Kincaid, Child Welfare Medical Officer to the Melbourne City Council, especially in connection with the work of the Association's Training School Centre in Carlton.

The Council thanks the Directors of the "Argus", "Age", "Herald" and "Sun" Newspapers for the valuable publicity afforded during the year in regard to the Association's work. The Council also appreciates the space given by the Editors of many country newspapers to this work.

STATE GOVERNMENT.

The Government subsidy paid to Municipalities with Baby Health Centres amounts to £200 per annum for each full-time Sister employed, and proportionately for each part-time Sister. The Government's subsidy represents half the salary of the Sister (and that of a relieving Sister for 2 weeks).

Municipalities pay the other half of the Sisters' Salary (on a £1 for £1 basis with the Government), in addition the Municipalities assisted by the Committees pay all maintenance expenses of their Centres and the cost of the erection of any special buildings found necessary to house this service adequately. Consequently the Municipalities bear the major part of the expenses of this essential Health Service in their districts. It is felt that as health is a national necessity, and its foundations are laid in the Baby Health Centre period, more generous finance to Councils and organisations promoting this work should be forthcoming by both State and Commonwealth Governments. Especially should some Government subsidy be given to help Councils and their Committees erect the suitable buildings necessary for this work. Subsidies are given to hospitals for building work to meet the needs of curative medicine, but it is more important to provide those facilities and buildings necessary for the prevention of sickness and ill-health, with the consequent elimination of much of the need for hospital care. Much sickness and ill-health in the community is preventable. Government grants are given on a 3 to 1 basis for the erection of "Comfort Stations" and swimming pools in country districts, subsidies on a similar scale should be available for the erection of Baby Health Centre buildings, whose functions to the community are of such vital importance.

The Council values the Governments' continuance of the special grants to its Infant Welfare Training School and to other Training Schools. These grants are invaluable in keeping these institutions in operation. In view of the tremendous increased cost of running such institutions, which have been occasioned by increased salary rates and award conditions, plus the rising cost of all commodities (i.e., conditions over which those responsible for maintaining these institutions have no control), an increase in the Government subsidy for financing these institutions is urgently needed to defray the

increased costs in maintenance. An approach to the Government for consideration of such an increase has been made by the Association, and details of the increased cost of maintenance of the Association's Infant Welfare Training School have been supplied to the Government.

The Council appreciates the Government's interest in the Traveling Baby Health Centre service, and for the subsidy allotted for assisting its maintenance. This has been on the basis of half the salary of each full-time Sister employed on the vehicle. All other expenses are borne by the Association from Voluntary Funds made available for the purpose.

The Council appreciates the letter received from the Premier, the Hon. J. Cain, M.L.A., dated June 27, 1947, in which he states, "The Government appreciates the valuable work of the Committees of the Victorian Baby Health Centres Association, without whom it would have been difficult, if not impossible, to have established the present service. We will be pleased to have your co-operation and help in the future, as in the past."

This recognition from the Government itself of the splendid work carried out by the Baby Health Centres Committees throughout the State is encouraging to them, and it is satisfying to the Committees to know that the Government wishes for a continuance of their work, and desires their co-operation and help in the future developments of the Movement on the lines that it has been given during the 30 years of the Movement's existence.

MUNICIPAL AND SHIRE COUNCILS.

Municipal and Shire Councils continue to take an active interest in the Centres and in the extension of this service in their districts.

The Councils have been responsible for the erection of many fine buildings. Further ones are contemplated both in Metropolitan and country Districts as soon as building conditions are easier. Permits for the Centre buildings have been granted, and their erection will shortly proceed. Plans for other Centre buildings are well in hand. As Councils bear the cost of the erection of these buildings, and are frequently helped by funds raised by their Baby Health Centre Committees, particularly in country districts, subsidies given by the Government towards their cost would greatly help the financial side of their erection.

Councils bear all the maintenance costs of their Centres, and the cost of the Sister's salary, they receive a subsidy from the Government of £200 per annum for each full time Sister appointed, proportionately for part time Sisters employed. The award rate for Infant Welfare Sisters salaries is £7/0/6 per week.

Many Councils have increased the number of Sisters employed by them for Baby Health Centre work, others contemplate increasing their staff in the near future. These staff increases have been occasioned by the increasing attendances at the Centres. The Councils are to be congratulated on meeting these increasing demands of the Movement in their districts by extra staff, to ensure that the Sisters have adequate time to carry out the work efficiently for the Mothers. Some Councils provide cars for their Sisters use in visiting and travelling between Sub-Centres.

In some cases the Baby Health Centre Committee assists the Council with funds for the maintenance of the Centre, for the provision of a car for the Sister, or by arranging other transport facilities.

Where the Sister owns her car and uses it for her work, provision is made in the award for a re-imbusement towards the cost of the use of her own car. This cost is borne by the Council.

In many country districts, especially those unserved or sparsely served by train or bus services, a car is a necessity for the Sister to facilitate her transport from one Centre to another to carry on her work in part time Centres, or to save her time in visiting the Mothers in their homes.

The Sister's time should be conserved and utilised in every way for the benefit of the Mothers, for whom her services are provided. Time wasted in travelling is uneconomic for Councils at present award rates of salary.

The Council is grateful to those Municipal Councils who support the work of the Mothercraft Home and Infant Welfare Training School with regular donations each year.

CHARITIES BOARD.

The Council records its thanks to the members of the Charities Board for their helpful grant of £500 made during the year, and which is of material assistance in keeping the Mothercraft Home in operation.

WASTE PAPER.

The Association has continued to benefit each month by the contributions received from the sale of Waste Paper. The collection of such waste paper is carried out by the Hospitals and Charities Waste Paper Appeal Committee. The interest of every householder to save as much waste paper as possible, and to allocate it to the Hospitals and Charities Waste Paper collection is sought, so that by an increase in the general collection of waste paper, the Association may benefit to an increasing amount.

FINANCE.

The Council desires to thank the Trustees of the Estate of the late Dr. Georgina Sweet, Alfred Felton Estate, Alfred Edments Estate, Edward Wilson Estate, Henry Gyles Turner's Estate, T. J. Sumner Estate, J. R. Hartley Estate, Sir Wm. Austin Zeal Estate, Thomas Baker (Kodak), Alice Baker and Eleanor Shaw Benefactions Fund, David Syme Charitable Trust, "Walter and Eliza Hall" Trust, J. R. MacPherson Estate for grants towards the funds of the Association which have been of the greatest assistance to the work.

Donations are gratefully acknowledged from the Lord Mayor's Fund, Nestle & Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk Co. Ltd., J. Murray More Pty. Ltd., State Savings Bank Officers Association, Gippsland and Northern Co-operative Company, Brown's Dry Cleaning Company, Victoria Palace Ltd., Swallow & Ariell Ltd., Kraft Walker Cheese Co., The Shell Company of Australia Ltd. The Ladies Committees of Baby Health Centres at Benalla, Geelong, and Korumburra; Branches of the Country Women's Association at Heidelberg and Lalbert; Woomelang Women's Section Country Party, Walpeup Young People's Social Club; Ivanhoe Baby Health Centre Auxiliary, Voluntary Helpers' Club; Mr. and Mrs. Carson, Mrs. C. O. White, Mrs. Gunson, Sir Herbert Olney, Mr. A. W. McNicol.

Donations are acknowledged from the following schools for lectures arranged by the Association—Brunswick Girls' School, Coburg High School, Camberwell Church of England Girls' Grammar School, Methodist Ladies' College, Vaucluse Convent (Richmond), Convent of Mercy (Ascot Vale) and the Director of Catholic Education.

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

CONCLUSION.

The year has been a successful and progressive one as regards the development of the Association's activities, and the extension of Baby Health Centre Services to many new districts.

The Council values the very fine work carried out by all the Sisters in Charge of Centres, and appreciates their loyal and devoted services to the Mothers. Especially the Council wishes to place on record its deep appreciation of the work of those Sisters, who have pioneered this Movement, and who have worked for it for many years, some for over 20 years. Some of these pioneer Sisters are now retiring, or have retired from the Movement, and their places are being taken by new and younger Sisters. These retiring Sisters will be greatly missed in their work by the Association, and by the

Mothers whom they have served so devotedly for many years. The warm wishes and thanks of the Association go to these Sisters in their retirement.

In leaving their work these Sisters pass on to those following them a wonderful tradition of service which we feel sure will be an inspiration to all those carrying on this work and service for the mothers of this country.

It has always been through the excellent and devoted work of the Sisters that the Movement has been built up, and the confidence of the mothers gained, as evidenced by their increasing attendances at the Centres. The Movement will continue to develop and progress in the future, as it has done in the past through the work of the Sisters; theirs is invaluable work in the Community and provides the most vital service of all — help and service to the Mothers, on whom the whole future security of our Nation depends. Sound family life is the only basis for National security and strength. Education in parenthood and family life is the key to its provision.

HERBERT H. OLNEY, President.

DORIS L. OFFICER, Hon. Secretary.

Victorian Baby Health Centres Association

ANNUAL RETURNS, 1946-47.

Individual Babies attended Centres under 2 Years	59,810	Total Attendance of Babies at Centres under 2 Years	665,252
Individual Children over 2 years	18,325	Total Attendances of Children over 2 Years	81,157
Individual Expectant Mothers advised	4,464	Total Attendances Callers up to 6 Years	5,877
		Total No. of Visits paid by Sisters to Homes	65,659

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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	Callers up to 6 Yrs.	Visits to Homes	Individual Expectant Mothers Advised
Alexandra	Alexandra (part-time)	1	104	44	1208	219	8	122	2
Ararat	Ararat (part-time)	1	236	26	2754	72	21	537	4
	Willaura (part-time)	—	33	—	240	—	1	—	—
	Streatham (part-time)	—	18	—	114	—	—	—	—
	Tatyoona (part-time)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Avon	Stratford (part-time)	1	55	11	739	96	2	55	13
Bacchus Marsh	Bacchus Marsh (part-time)	1	128	90	1786	643	40	389	43
Bairnsdale	Bairnsdale	1	250	36	3131	457	15	423	41
Ballan	Ballan (part-time)	1	44	41	450	304	9	136	5
Ballarat	Ballarat	3	1252	310	6883	1776	55	1050	214
	Ballarat East	—	527	244	4740	940	31	1124	26
	Ballarat North (part-time)	—	78	26	343	93	14	94	2
	Buninyong (part-time)	—	24	10	195	51	3	101	4
		—	30	8	120	17	1	15	1
	Daylesford (part-time)	—	84	48	628	114	15	129	3
	Sebastopol (part-time)	—	49	21	919	168	6	258	2

Bass	Wonthaggi Nth. (part-time)	1	23	3	292	6	1	37	—
Beechworth	Beechworth (Ford St.)	1	84	4	1258	32	21	1	3
Benalla	Benalla (Bridge St.)	1	366	180	3856	955	49	464	20
Bendigo	Bendigo (Charing Cross)	3	1225	146	11356	377	196	1163	101
	Eaglehawk (Sub-Centre)	—	112	26	1235	136	7	110	2
	Elmore (Sub-Centre)	—	59	2	534	22	4	—	—
	Quarry Hill (Sub-Centre)	—	38	2	75	2	—	4	—
Berwick	Berwick (part-time)	1	54	47	404	150	9	22	—
	Bunyip (part-time)	—	54	17	538	48	14	9	2
	Garfield (part-time)	—	39	—	298	—	10	12	2
	Gembrook (part-time)	—	18	10	161	38	1	10	—
	Nar-Nar-Goon (part-time)	—	37	5	230	6	4	19	—
	Officer (part-time)	—	20	4	108	10	3	9	—
	Pakenham (part-time)	—	79	18	675	45	13	35	—
	Tynong (part-time)	—	17	2	103	3	2	5	—
Birchip	Birchip (part-time)	1	66	36	659	253	—	240	13
Box Hill	Box Hill (Whitehorse Rd.)	1	666	98	8417	1707	79	967	150
	Box Hill South	1	180	3	2385	532	14	142	—
Brighton	Brighton N. (Parliament St.)	3	752	286	9255	1248	67	519	63
	Brighton E. (Hurlingham Pk.)	—	707	245	7506	669	29	578	49
	Brighton Beach	—	274	68	3586	169	34	323	11
	Elsternwick, Cross St.	—	279	40	3446	136	20	150	14
Brunswick	Brunswick (Town Hall)	3	588	206	6738	1187	2	146	49
	Brunswick East	—	926	182	10630	1352	46	6	28
	Brunswick West	—	697	269	8210	1387	175	607	21
Buln Buln	Drouin (part-time)	1	117	39	1007	238	23	156	15
	Longwarry (part-time)	—	32	19	285	90	4	21	2
	Noojee (part-time)	—	23	3	219	40	—	17	7

Camberwell	Balwyn	7	555	113	6497	585	35	251	31
	Burwood	—	556	219	6744	540	15	156	20
	Camberwell	—	623	141	10491	434	4	181	80
	Camberwell South	—	222	30	2567	180	20	54	12
	Canterbury	—	335	59	4248	658	12	144	16
	Glen Iris	—	364	228	5131	1295	19	296	26
	Surrey Hills	—	420	33	4424	223	18	65	22
	Castlemaine	1	525	250	4058	569	48	1036	48
Caulfield	Caulfield	5	969	161	11152	2441	—	803	72
	Carnegie	—	378	45	5161	538	—	303	24
	Murrumbeena	—	427	112	6571	683	33	258	28
	Ormond	—	537	115	6594	614	60	491	45
Charlton	Charlton (part-time)	1	106	29	981	70	19	52	1
Chelsea	Aspendale (part-time)	1	85	3	1201	16	19	51	1
	Carrum (part-time)	—	103	3	1186	5	6	48	—
	Chelsea (part-time)	—	533	82	4887	317	76	257	3
Cohuna	Cohuna (part-time)	1	150	15	1730	33	35	353	39
	Gunbower (part-time)	—	35	20	359	48	10	—	—
	Leitchville (part-time)	—	29	7	390	15	6	—	1
Colac	Colac	1	525	143	4665	374	11	597	29
	Cororooke (Sub-Centre)	—	45	17	383	59	7	49	—
Collingwood	Collingwood	2	746	166	8041	638	2	937	13
	Clifton Hill	—	275	95	4403	378	44	443	32
Corio	Geelong North	1	61	18	987	156	24	28	3
Combined Shires	Geelong Country Mothers (part-time)	—	85	9	779	33	38	—	2
Cranbourne	Cranbourne (part-time)	1	40	14	586	142	—	61	6
	Koo-wee-rup (part-time)	—	42	9	276	45	—	54	—
	Lang Lang (part-time)	—	51	35	762	172	3	20	20
	Pearcedale (part-time)	—	9	5	131	23	—	6	3
Donald	Donald (part-time)	1	69	75	984	447	—	303	13
	Watchem (part-time)	—	16	13	255	156	—	60	3
Doncaster and Templestowe	Warrandyte (part-time)	1	51	28	696	148	10	163	9

Echuca	Echuca	1	315	120	2772	252	69	742	42
Eltham	Eltham (part-time)	1	86	20	863	115	6	—	4
	Hurstbridge (part-time)	—	33	13	278	73	6	10	3
	Yarra Glen (part-time)	—	15	16	230	44	3	19	—
Essendon	Aberfeldie (part-time)	1	264	5	2869	5	8	59	—
	Ascot Vale (part-time)	3	689	172	7562	316	18	327	30
	Essendon North	—	505	318	8489	934	56	208	44
	Glenroy (part-time)	—	59	1	355	1	—	—	—
	Keilor (part-time)	—	15	1	82	1	—	—	—
	Moonee Ponds	—	747	280	6429	130	39	432	20
Euroa	Euroa (Binney St.)	1	326	94	1312	352	33	668	16
Ferntree Gully	Bayswater (part-time)	—	50	25	587	71	5	94	3
	Belgrave (part-time)	2	175	51	1776	276	85	169	15
	Boronia (part-time)	—	89	33	1068	158	7	192	5
	Emerald (part-time)	—	43	16	400	74	18	40	2
	Ferntree Gully (part-time)	—	172	53	1358	300	12	184	18
	Monbulk (part-time)	—	52	17	459	97	10	54	2
	The Basin (part-time)	—	45	29	703	239	6	76	4
	Upwey (part-time)	—	68	10	620	29	6	38	1
Fitzroy	Fitzroy North	2	585	197	7912	679	72	639	22
	Fitzroy South	—	643	77	7449	731	42	777	62
Geelong	Geelong (McKillop St.)	2	641	136	6994	304	42	722	31
	Newton & Chillwell	—	493	153	6189	256	19	380	21
Geelong West	Geelong West	1	435	153	5483	499	75	460	22
	Manifold Heights (part-time)	1	111	19	1724	259	7	44	6
Gisborne	Gisborne (part-time)	1	41	20	524	143	9	—	6
Glenelg	Casterton (part-time)	1	158	99	1990	455	32	379	12
	Merino (part-time)	—	44	26	421	69	10	83	4
Gordon	Boort (part-time)	1	70	8	644	13	10	39	3
Hamilton	Hamilton (Brown St.)	1	563	162	5239	1347	79	1504	190

Hampden	Camperdown (part-time)	1	483	78	2304	167	55	326	9
	Derrnallum (part-time)	—	18	10	129	28	6	—	1
	Lismore (part-time)	—	25	1	189	3	4	—	—
	Terang (part-time)	—	102	21	1751	148	20	133	10
Hawthorn	Auburn	2	408	125	5309	267	26	410	37
	Hawthorn	—	639	87	6743	238	117	473	17
Healesville	Healesville (part-time)	1	133	42	1488	128	53	308	11
	Marysville (part-time)	—	67	15	695	44	10	—	—
	Toolangi (part-time)	—	18	13	144	57	3	—	—
Heidelberg	Alphington (part-time)	5	216	94	2819	393	28	662	33
	Diamond Creek (part-time)	—	21	8	194	32	1	45	4
	Fairfield	—	456	118	6022	1410	315	674	64
	Greensborough (part-time)	—	154	79	1904	339	2	176	24
	Heidelberg	—	304	97	3151	381	—	529	39
	Heidelberg West	—	159	53	1608	380	4	203	27
	Ivanhoe	—	478	114	5316	846	—	977	83
	Ivanhoe East	—	165	85	2179	315	25	493	55
Heytesbury	Cobden (part-time)	1	128	76	1674	237	—	203	2
	Timboon (part-time)	—	51	13	502	39	—	21	—
Kerang	Barham (part-time)	1	43	2	373	4	8	—	1
	Koondrook (part-time)	—	17	—	138	—	3	—	1
	Kerang (part-time)	—	255	69	2508	161	56	398	14
	Quambatook (part-time)	—	28	3	166	6	5	—	2
Kew	Kew, Denmark St.	3	400	82	6687	352	44	402	27
	Kew East	—	733	432	11030	1764	28	357	23
	Kew North	—	188	148	3357	590	27	258	18
Koroit	Koroit (part-time)	1	62	16	569	32	10	55	6
Korong	Korong Vale (part-time)	1	19	4	159	6	4	2	—
	Wedderburn (part-time)	1	48	16	337	25	12	23	—
Korumburra	Korumburra (part-time)	1	228	70	1489	241	16	638	24
	Loch (part-time)	—	46	18	450	95	3	46	6
	Poowong (part-time)	—	54	27	540	154	3	77	11

Lilydale	Croydon (part-time)	1	187	141	2364	557	—	242	15
	Lilydale (part-time)	—	80	63	965	265	—	131	6
	Mt. Dandenong (part-time)	—	16	6	76	25	—	18	2
	Mt. Evelyn (part-time)	—	41	4	306	8	—	67	1
	Seville (part-time)	—	13	23	122	107	—	17	2
	Wandin Yallock (part-time)	—	14	12	116	25	—	34	2
Maffra	Maffra (part-time)	1	226	33	2147	175	13	198	20
	Heyfield (part-time)	—	40	4	260	18	—	48	6
Malvern	Malvern (Barkly St.)	4	841	235	9019	571	23	547	69
	Malvern North	—	469	101	6328	669	10	943	83
	Malvern South	—	555	123	7233	639	23	420	42
	Malvern East	—	325	104	5115	734	24	401	38
Mansfield	Mansfield (part-time)	1	55	16	933	187	5	78	—
Maryborough	Maryborough	1	334	145	3230	558	49	479	19
McIvor	Heathcote (part-time)	—	57	4	277	6	7	2	2
Melbourne	Carlton (part-time)	6	93	145	1042	327	27	269	10
	Carlton N. (Newry St.)	—	1135	356	6361	983	99	776	42
	Carlton N. (Pigdon St.)	—	270	156	2966	609	36	527	32
	Kensington-Flemington	—	666	454	9124	1698	9	1606	37
	Melbourne North — Errol St. & Abbotsford St.	—	885	769	8021	2990	20	1744	42
	South Yarra (Fawkner Pk.)	—	319	64	4059	162	13	416	23
Melton	Melton (part-time)	1	28	30	400	226	6	87	7
Mildura	Irymple (part-time)	2	56	14	823	46	14	103	—
	Merbein (part-time)	—	128	22	1959	89	16	118	5
	Mildura	—	524	176	5633	401	107	755	67
	Redcliffs (part-time)	—	180	43	2430	97	16	231	4
Mirboo North	Mirboo North (part-time)	1	102	57	775	236	29	14	10
Moorabbin	Cheltenham (part-time)	3	198	12	2486	52	18	202	8
	McKinnon	—	645	200	7956	753	42	866	26
	Moorabbin	—	441	60	5375	310	10	455	25
Mulgrave	Clayton (part-time)	1	75	35	651	160	12	42	6
	Glen Waverley (part-time)	1	43	17	287	56	13	31	1

Northcote	Northcote (Bastings St.)	3	695	221	7032	782	23	408	35
	Thornbury (Clarendon St.)	—	1093	271	13341	890	44	360	58
Numurkah	Numurkah (part-time)	1	120	63	1774	325	45	328	29
	Nathalia (part-time)	—	75	30	876	237	10	193	5
	Strathmerton (part-time)	—	13	5	104	26	3	26	—
Nunawading	Blackburn (part-time)	1	157	66	1913	557	13	105	11
	Mitcham (part-time)	—	150	64	2120	535	46	118	9
	Vermont (part-time)	—	36	14	476	149	23	26	3
Oakleigh	Oakleigh	1	906	180	10445	705	41	452	48
Port Fairy	Port Fairy (part-time)	1	120	62	1708	224	40	270	18
Portland	Branxholme (part-time)	1	20	23	227	150	2	56	3
	Digby (part-time)	—	12	12	151	88	5	—	—
	Heywood (part-time)	—	83	43	836	235	5	8	6
	Portland (part-time)	—	182	75	2035	485	88	376	25
Port Melbourne	Port Melbourne	2	373	50	6508	222	6	849	34
	Fishermen's Bend	—	136	16	1621	38	11	864	13
Prahran	Prahran	4	1919	250	24045	713	12	819	32
Queenscliff	Queenscliff (part-time)	1	86	26	1066	114	96	—	—
Richmond	Richmond N.	2	563	221	6695	1086	44	658	28
	Richmond S.	—	429	74	5833	600	11	355	20
	Burnley (Sub-Centre)	—	258	18	3468	268	3	245	6
Ringwood	Ringwood	1	311	168	4076	723	155	343	18
Rochester	Rochester	1	173	88	1710	412	74	331	25
	Lockington (Sub-Centre)	—	35	5	212	11	2	54	2
Sale	Sale (part-time)	1	287	33	3197	226	10	328	32
Sandringham	Black Rock	3	276	100	4056	942	—	362	20
	Hampton	—	588	316	5642	780	16	422	55
	Sandringham	—	429	161	5902	925	—	382	39
Shepparton	Dookie (part-time)	—	27	—	200	—	—	—	—
	Shepparton	1	655	162	6643	731	31	1677	14

South Barwon	Barwon Heads (part-time)	1	20	12	241	68	43	5	2
	Belmont (part-time)	—	145	76	1695	388	25	19	2
	Torquay (part-time)	—	19	15	210	58	21	5	2
South Melbourne	Albert Park	—	887	282	9346	461	30	655	16
	Montague (part-time)	3	84	2	1325	4	3	232	—
	South Melbourne	—	562	57	7169	99	54	810	15
St. Arnaud	St. Arnaud	1	202	171	1511	661	40	498	62
St. Kilda	Elwood	4	460	107	5778	736	27	703	36
	St. Kilda	—	1617	408	14573	1698	31	1908	120
Stawell	Stawell (part-time)	1	190	26	1747	78	8	393	4
Tungamah	Katamatite (part-time)	—	24	8	155	46	2	33	3
Wannon	Coleraine (part-time)	1	100	85	1220	248	44	—	—
Warracknabeal	Warracknabeal (part-time)	1	130	25	1273	77	8	533	12
Warragul	Warragul	1	553	287	4379	664	162	552	117
Warrnambool	Warrnambool	1	418	30	3604	89	53	333	17
Winchelsea	Birregurra (part-time)	—	54	30	425	48	3	58	—
	Winchelsea (part-time)	1	46	26	456	147	26	8	1
Wonthaggi	Wonthaggi	1	262	86	2352	305	2	366	23
Woorayl	Inverloch (part-time)	—	14	6	79	26	2	26	6
	Leongatha	1	244	176	2290	957	176	704	52
	Meenyan	—	94	84	826	513	26	46	12
Wycheproof	Wycheproof (part-time)	1	64	32	628	90	15	85	4
Yarrawonga	Yarrawonga	1	148	18	1377	101	39	432	17
Yea	Yea (part-time)	1	83	50	1276	388	7	77	3
V.B.H.C.A.	Model Centre (Carlton)	1	570	152	4752	420	156	835	26
V.B.H.C.A.	Travelling Centre (Upper Mallee)	2	483	216	4073	942	80	103	21

LIST OF CENTRES.

- ABERFELDIE.—St. Andrew's Hall, St. Kinnord Street. Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- ALBERT PARK.—18 Dundas Place. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9.30 to 12 noon; Tuesday and Thursday, 1 to 4 p.m.
- ALEXANDRA.—Perkins Street. Monday and Friday, 1.30 to 5 p.m.
- ALPHINGTON.—Miller Street. Monday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.15 p.m.
- ARARAT.—Town Hall. Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursday, 9.30 to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- ASCOT VALE.—147 Maribyrnong Road. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- ASPENDALE.—Life-Saving Club Hall. Friday, 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.
- AUBURN.—241 Auburn Road. Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- BACCHUS MARSH.—Public Hall, Main Street. Tuesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 2 to 4.30 p.m.
- BADGER CREEK.—Route Visits. Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- BAIRNSDALE.—Nicholson Street. Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 to 4.30 p.m.; Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- BALLAN.—Shire Hall. Thursday, 10.30 to 1 p.m. and 2 to 4.30 p.m.
- BALLARAT.—Mair Street. Monday and Wednesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- BALLARAT (North).—Lydiard Street. Tuesday and Friday, 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- BALLARAT (East).—Barkly Street. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 1.30 to 5 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday, 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon and 1.30 to 5 p.m.
- BALWYN.—Cherry Street (off Whitehorse Road). Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 9.30 to 12 noon and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday, 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon.
- BARHAM (N.S.W.).—Memorial Hall. Alternate Thursdays, 2 to 4.30 p.m.
- BARWON HEADS.—Hitchcock Avenue. Alternate Tuesdays, 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 3.30 p.m.
- BAYSWATER.—Public Hall, High Street. Tuesday, 1.30 to 5 p.m.
- BEECHWORTH.—Shire Office, Ford Street. Tuesday, 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 5 p.m.
- BELGRAVE.—Main Road. Tuesday, 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- BELMONT.—Shire Hall. Monday and Friday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- BENALLA.—Bridge Street. 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.
- BENDIGO.—Charing Cross. Monday and Wednesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 9.30 to 11.30 a.m. and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- BERWICK.—High Street. Wednesday, 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4 p.m.
- BIRCHIP.—Shire Hall. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 1.30 to 5.30 p.m., alternate weeks.
- BIRREGURRA.—C.W.A. Building. Friday, 2 to 4 p.m.
- BLACKBURN.—Morton Park. Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4 p.m.; Thursday, 1 to 4 p.m.
- BLACK ROCK.—Cr. Bluff Road and Gordon Street. Monday and Tuesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- BOORT.—Memorial Hall. Friday, 1 to 4.30 p.m.
- BORONIA.—Progress Hall. Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- BOX HILL.—The Oval, Whitehorse Road. Monday and Thursday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 10 to 12 noon and 1 to 4 p.m.
- BOX HILL SOUTH.—Canterbury Road. Monday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 to 12 noon and 1 to 4 p.m.
- BRANXHOLME.—Mechanics' Hall. Monday, 1 to 4.30 p.m.

BRIGHTON (North).—Parliament Street. Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, 9.30 to 12 noon and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

BRIGHTON EAST (Hurlingham Park).—Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 9.30 to 12 noon and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Monday and Thursday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

BRIGHTON BEACH (Were St.).—Tuesday and Thursday, 9.30 to 12 noon and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

BRIGHTON.—Arrowe Lodge, Cross Street, S.4. Monday and Friday, 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

BRUNSWICK.—Town Hall. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1.30 to 4 p.m.; Friday, 1.30 to 4 p.m.

BRUNSWICK EAST.—320 Lygon Street. Monday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12.15 p.m. and 1.30 to 4 p.m.

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

BUNINYONG.—Shire Hall. Wednesday, alternate weeks.

BUNYIP.—Main Street. Tuesday, 10.30 to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

BURNLEY.—Burnley Street (St. Bartholomew's Hall). Monday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

BURWOOD-HARTWELL.—Trent Street, off Toorak Road. Monday and Wednesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 9.30 to 12 noon.

CAMBERWELL.—Inglesby Road (rear Town Hall). Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 9.30 to 12 noon and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

CAMBERWELL SOUTH.—Bowen Street (off Toorak Road). Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursday, 9.30 to 12 noon and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

CAMPERDOWN.—Scott Street. Tuesday, 9.30 to 12 noon and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

CANTERBURY (in Gardens).—Scott Crescent. Monday and Thursday, 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

CARDROSS.

CARLTON.—V.B.H.C.A. Training School, 730 Swanston Street (near Women's Hospital). 9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Monday to Thursday, Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

CARLTON (Melbourne City Council).—730 Swanston Street, Carlton. Thursday, 9.30 a.m. to 12.50 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

CARNEGIE.—Truganini Road. Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

CARRUM.—Mechanics' Hall. Monday, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

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

CASTLEMAINE.—Town Hall. Monday and Thursday, 1 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday and Friday, 9.30 to 11.30 and 1 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.

CAULFIELD.—Hawthorn Road. Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

CHARLTON.—Shire Hall. Wednesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

CHELSEA.—Municipal Buildings, Station Street. Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 to 4 p.m.; Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

CHELTENHAM.—Pt. Nepean Road. Thursday, 9.30 to 4.30 p.m.

CLAYTON.—Clayton Road. Tuesday, 12 noon to 4.30 p.m.

CLIFTON HILL.—Mayor's Park, Heidelberg Road. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 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.

COBDEN.—Court House. Tuesday, 1 to 5 p.m.; Friday, 11 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 5 p.m.

COHUNA.—Shire Hall, Market Street. Monday and Tuesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

COLAC.—Queen Street. Monday, 11.30 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.—Shire Hall. Tuesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

COLLINGWOOD.—Gahan Reserve, Park Street. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

COROROOKE.—Public Hall. Tuesday, 2 to 4.30 p.m.

CRANBOURNE.—B.H.C. Friday, 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

CRESWICK.—B.H.C. Monday, 1 to 4.30 p.m. alternate weeks.

CROYDON.—Haig Avenue. Monday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

DAYLESFORD.—Vincent Street. Every second Monday, 11 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.

DERRINALUM.—Main Street. Second and fourth Friday in each month, 1.30 to 3.30 p.m.

DIAMOND CREEK.—St. John's C. of E. Sunday School. Thursday, 1 to 4.15 p.m.

DIGBY.—Memorial Hall. First and Third Wednesdays, 11 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 2.30 p.m.

DONALD.—Shire Hall. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 1.30 to 5.30 p.m. each alternate week.

DOOKIE.—C. of E. Hall. Second and fourth Monday each month, 2.30 to 5 p.m.

DROUIN.—Shire Hall. Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

EAGLEHAWK.—Town Hall. Thursday, 9.30 to 11.30 and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

EAST DONCASTER & TEMPLESTOWE.—Methodist Church Building. Monday, 10.45 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 to 4 p.m.

ECHUCA.—Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, 2 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 2 to 4.30 p.m.

ELMORE.—Town Hall. Monday, 1.15 to 4.15 p.m.

ELSTERNWICK.—(See Brighton, Cross Street.)

ELTHAM.—Public Hall. Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 to 4.30 p.m.

ELWOOD.—St. Bede's Schoolroom, Ormond Road. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 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 (Moonee Ponds).—Pascoe Vale Road. Tuesday and Thursday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

ESSENDON NORTH.—Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Monday and Thursday, 1 to 4 p.m.

EUROA.—Binney Street. Monday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 5 p.m.; Friday, 1.30 to 5 p.m.

FAIRFIELD.—84 Arthur Street. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 4.15 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

FERNTREE GULLY.—Main Road. Monday, 10 a.m. to 12.15 p.m.; 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, Wednesday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 4 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 1 to 4 p.m.

FITZROY NORTH.—Edinburgh Gardens. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 4 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 1 to 4 p.m.

GARFIELD.—B.H.C. Monday, 10.30 to 12.30 and 1.30 to 4.30 alternate Mondays.

GEELONG.—McKillop Street. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

GEELONG (Combined Shires).—Commonwealth Bank Building, Malop Street. Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1 to 4.30 p.m.

GEELONG NORTH.—"Osborne House", Swinburne Street. Monday, 10.30 to 1 p.m. and 2.30 to 4.30 p.m.

GEELONG WEST.—Pakington Street. Monday, 2 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 to 4.30 p.m.
 CEMBROOK.—B.H.C. Alternate Fridays, 10 a.m. to 12 noon.
 GISBORNE.—Shire Hall. Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4 p.m.
 GLEN IRIS.—113 High Street. Tuesday and Friday, 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
 GLENROY.—Glenroy Hall. Alternate Tuesday mornings.
 GLEN WAVERLEY.—Mechanics' Hall. Thursday, 12 noon to 4.30 p.m.
 GREENSBOROUGH.—Main Street. Tuesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.15 p.m.
 GUNBOWER.—Main Street. Friday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
 HAMILTON.—Brown Street. Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, 1 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 4.30 p.m.
 HAMPTON.—Hampton Street. Monday and Thursday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
 HAWTHORN.—319 Burwood Road. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
 HEALESVILLE.—Shire Hall. Monday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 2 to 4.30 p.m.
 HEATHCOTE.—B.H.C. Friday, 10.30 to 11.30 a.m. and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
 HEIDELBERG.—Barkly Place. Tuesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.15 p.m.; Wednesday, from 1.30 to 4.15 p.m.
 HEIDELBERG WEST.—Altona Street. Monday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 and 1.30 to 4.15 p.m.
 HEYFIELD.—Temple Street. Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon fortnightly.
 HEYWOOD.—St. Andrew's Hall. Wednesday, 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
 HURSTBRIDGE.—Main Road. Monday, 11 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.
 INVERLOCH.—B.H.C. First and third Tuesday of each month from 1.30 to 4 p.m.
 IRYMPLE.—15th Street. Monday and Wednesday, 1.15 to 4.30 p.m.
 IVANHOE.—Waterdale Road. Monday, Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.15 p.m.; Wednesday, 1.30 to 4.15 p.m.
 IVANHOE EAST (Lower Heidelberg Road).—Tuesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
 KEILOR.—B.H.C. Alternate Tuesday afternoons.
 KENSINGTON-FLEMINGTON.—Bellair Street. 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.
 KERANG.—Court House. Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
 KEW.—Denmark Street. Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
 KEW NORTH.—Peel Street. Monday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 4 p.m.
 KEW EAST.—Strathalbyn Street. Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 2 to 4.30 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.
 KOONDROOK.—Memorial Hall. Thursday (alternate weeks), 11 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.
 KOO-WEE-RUP.—B.H.C. Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.
 KOROIT.—B.H.C. Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1 to 4.30 p.m.
 KORONG VALE.—Mechanics' Hall. Thursday, 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. (fortnightly).
 KORUMBURRA.—B.H.C. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m. (alternate weeks).
 LANG LANG.—B.H.C. Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

LEITCHVILLE.—Memorial Hall. Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 3.30 p.m.
 LEONGATHA.—Municipal Chambers. 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.
 LILYDALE.—Melba Park. Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
 LISMORE.—William Street. Second Friday in each month, 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon; fourth Friday in each month, 1.30 to 4 p.m.
 LOCH.—C.W.A. Club Room. Monday and Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m. (alternate).
 LOCKINGTON.—Memorial Hall. Tuesday, 1 to 4 p.m.
 LONGWARRY.—B.H.C. Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 5 p.m.
 MAFFRA.—Johnson Street. Wednesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Friday, 1 to 4.30 p.m.
 MALVERN.—4 Barkly Avenue. Monday and Friday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 4 p.m.
 MALVERN NORTH (Tooronga).—1410 Malvern Road, Tooronga. Monday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 4 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon.
 MALVERN SOUTH.—Junction of Waverley and Dandenong Roads. Monday, Thursday and Friday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Tuesday, 10 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon.
 MALVERN EAST.—462 Waverley Road. Monday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 4 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon.
 MANIFOLD HEIGHTS.—Methodist School Hall. Thursday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 to 4 p.m.
 MANSFIELD.—Highett Street. Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 5 p.m.
 MARYBOROUGH.—Clarendon Street. Monday and Thursday, 1.30 to 5 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday, 10 to 12 noon and 1.30 to 5 p.m.
 MARYSVILLE.—Ma'n Street. Tuesday (Route Visits), 1.30 to 5 p.m.
 MCKINNON.—149 McKinnon Road. Monday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 4 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon.
 MEENIYAN.—Mechanics' Institute. Monday, 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon and 12.30 to 4.30 p.m.
 MELTON.—B.H.C. Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 2 to 4 p.m.
 MERBEIN.—Box Street. Tuesday, 10.45 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m. Wednesday, 9.45 a.m. to 12 noon; Friday, 11.45 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
 MERINO.—High Street. Second and fourth Wednesday in each month, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; first and third Wednesday, 3 to 4.30 p.m.
 MILDURA.—Deakin Avenue. Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 2 to 4.30 p.m.
 MIRBOO NORTH.—Shire Hall. Tuesday, 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
 MITCHAM.—Soldiers' Memorial Hall. Monday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4 p.m.
 MOAMA.—Shire Hall. First Thursday of each month.
 MONBULK.—B.H.C. Wednesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
 MONTAGUE.—Buckhurst Street. Friday, 1 to 4 p.m.
 MOORABBIN.—Pt. Nepean Road. Tuesday and Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.
 MOUNT DANDENONG.—C.W.A. Rooms, Falls Road. Second and fourth Wednesday in each month, 1 to 4.30 p.m.
 MOUNT EVELYN.—Mechanics' Hall. First and third Wednesday in each month, 1 to 4.30 p.m.
 MURRUMBEENA.—65 Murrumbena Road. Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
 NAR-NAR-GOON.—Thursday (alternate weeks), 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

NATHALIA.—Town Hall Building. Wednesday, 1 to 5 p.m.; Thursday, 11 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 4 p.m.

NEWTOWN & 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.

NOOJEE.—Noojee Hall. Wednesday, 1.15 to 4.15 p.m.

NORTH CARLTON (Newry Street).—Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

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NORTH MELBOURNE.—Errol Street (Town Hall). Monday, 9.30 to 11.30 a.m.; Wednesday, 9.45 a.m. to 12 noon; Thursday, 9.45 a.m. to 12 noon and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

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NUMURKAH.—Shire Hall Building. Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 5 p.m.

OAKLEIGH.—Monday and Tuesday, 1 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 4.30 p.m.

OFFICER.—B.H.C. Thursday (alternate weeks), 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

ORMOND.—Grange Road. Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

PAKENHAM EAST.—Princes Highway. Friday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

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SEBASTOPOL.—Shire Hall. Thursday, 1.30 to 4 p.m.

SEVILLE.—Main Road. Thursday (second and fourth in each month), 1 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.

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

STRATTFORD.—Shire Hall. Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

STRATHMERTON.—Public Hall Library. Second and fourth Monday in each month, 1 to 3.30 p.m.

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TOOLANG.—B.H.C. Wednesday, 1.30 to 5 p.m. (fortnightly).

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WINCHELSEA.—Library Building. Friday, 11 a.m. to 12 noon and 1.30 to 5 p.m.

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VICTORIAN BABY HEALTH CENTRES' ASSOCIATION.

GRANTS AND DONATIONS, 1946-47.

Grants from Trust Funds —

Trustees, Alfred Felton Estate	£360	0	0	
The H. V. McKay Charitable Trust	200	0	0	
The Alfred Edmonds Trust	99	0	0	
Trustees, The Edward Wilson Estate	75	0	0	
The John Russell MacPherson Fund	50	0	0	
Thomas Baker (Kodak), Alice Baker and Eleanor Shaw Benefactions	50	0	0	
The David Syme Charitable Trust	25	0	0	
Trustees, Henry Gyles Turner's Estate	20	0	0	
Trustees, T. J. Sumner Estate	15	0	0	
Trustees, J. R. Hartley Estate	15	0	0	
Trustees, Sir Wm. Austin Zeal Estate	7	0	0	
Special Grant — from The H. V. McKay Charitable Trust — for Longwarry Centre		£907	0	0
		£50	0	0

Donations — General —

Nestle & Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk Co. Ltd.	£25	0	0	
Sir Herbert Olney	17	11	0	
Mr. A. W. McNicol	5	5	0	
State Savings Bank Officers' Association	5	0	0	
Geelong Baby Health Centre	2	2	0	
J. Murray More Pty. Ltd.	1	10	0	
Mrs. D. Gunson	1	1	6	
Gippsland & Northern Co-operative Co. Ltd.	1	1	0	
		£58	10	6

Municipal Councils —

Port Melbourne City Council	£6	6	0	
St. Kilda City Council	5	5	0	
Brighton City Council	5	0	0	
Moorabbin City Council	2	2	0	
South Melbourne City Council	2	0	0	
		£20	13	0

Donations in Appreciation of Lectures on "Mothercraft" arranged by the Association —

Director of Catholic Education	£10	0	0	
Coburg High School	3	3	0	
Cambervell Church of England Girls' Grammar School	3	3	0	
Methodist Ladies' College	2	2	0	
Brunswick Girls' School	2	2	0	
Convent of Mercy (Ascot Vale)	2	2	0	
Vauluse Convent (Richmond)	1	10	0	
		£24	2	0

Australian Paper Manufacturers Ltd. —

Guaranteed payment in connection with Central Collection of Waste Paper		£708	8	11
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Grants and Donations — Training School and Mothercraft Home —

Trustees, Dr. Georgina Sweet Estate	£1,000	0	0	
Pro Vita Products	31	10	0	
Voluntary Helpers' Club	26	4	0	
Trustees, "Walter and Eliza Hall" Trust	25	0	0	
Ivanhoe B.H.C. Auxiliary (for Premature Babies Ward)	9	0	0	
Benalla Baby Health Centre, Mothers' Club	5	5	0	
Kraft Walker Cheese Company Pty. Ltd.	5	5	0	
Mrs. Marcus Martin	2	2	0	
Mrs. C. O. White (England) for "Margaret White Prize"	2	2	0	
		£1,106	8	0

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School —

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WARDS TRAVELLING BABY HEALTH CENTRE.

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.....	£10	0	0	
Club	6	11	6	
.....	4	4	0	
Country Party	1	1	0	
Ltd.	1	1	0	
	<hr/>			£22 17 6

Victorian Baby Health Centres Association

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1947.

LIABILITIES.	ASSETS.
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> 59 <div> <p>General Fund—</p> <p>Balance at 30th June, 1946, before deduction of Building Fund £900 5 4</p> <p>Add Surplus for the year 128 11 4</p> <hr style="width: 20%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> <p style="text-align: right;">£1,028 16 8</p> <p>Creditor, Training School Telephone Account 18 14 10</p> <p>Late Sir George Cuscaden Memorial Balance 13 12 0</p> <hr style="width: 20%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> <p style="text-align: right;">£1,061 3 6</p> </div> </div>	<p>Furniture and Equipment at Central Office valued at £100 0 0</p> <p>Commonwealth Government Bond 70 0 0</p> <p>State Savings Bank Accounts—</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">General Account £100 1 8</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Country Work Account 39 9 8</p> <hr style="width: 20%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> <p style="text-align: right;">139 11 4</p> <p>National Bank of Australasia Ltd. 646 18 7</p> <p>Debtor, V.B.H.C.A. Training School 104 13 7</p> <hr style="width: 20%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> <p style="text-align: right;">£1,061 3 6</p>

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR TWELVE MONTHS ENDED 30th JUNE, 1947.

To Salaries, Secretarial and Lecturing	£700 17 4	By Grants and Donations	£1,036 3 6
" General Expenses, Postages and Petties	98 6 6	" State Controller of Salvage	708 8 11
" Printing and Stationery	170 6 3	" Lecture Fees	24 2 0
" Grants to Centres	92 10 0	" Sales of Milk Powder	2 8 0
" Travelling Expenses—Lecturing Nurse	108 11 8	" Children's Welfare Exhibition	£16 0 0
" Telephone	19 9 7	Less Payment	10 0 0
" Electric Light and Heating	4 7 6		6 0 0
" Rent and Cleaning	86 15 0	" Materials, Patterns, Booklets and	
" Audit Fee	5 5 0	Badges	26 15 0
" Equipment	16 14 0	Less Payments	20 5 10
" Insurance	28 13 5		6 9 2
" Transfer to V.B.H.C.A. Training School	300 0 0	" Interest	9 19 9
" Transfer to Building Fund	33 3 9		
" Surplus for the year	128 11 4		
	<u>£1,793 11 4</u>		<u>£1,793 11 4</u>

BUILDING FUND ACCOUNT.

To Balance at 30th June, 1946	£33 3 9	By Transfer from General Fund	£33 3 9
	<u>£33 3 9</u>		<u>£33 3 9</u>

**TRAVELLING CENTRE.
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1947.**

LIABILITIES.		ASSETS	
General Fund—		Cash at State Savings Bank	£549 17 7
Balance at 30th June, 1946	£1,127 15 1	V.B.H.C.A. Training School	22 4 3
Less Deficit for the year	578 7 11		
National Bank of Australasia Ltd.	£549 7 2		
	22 14 8		
	<u>£572 1 10</u>		<u>£572 1 10</u>

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR TWELVE MONTHS ENDED 30th JUNE, 1947.

To Salaries	£667 8 10	By Donations—	
" Repairs, Replacements and Spares	123 4 6	Box on Caravan	£16 15 0
" Petrol and Oil	191 0 8	General	22 17 6
" Equipment and Work on New		Country Women's Association	3 3 0
Caravan	£1,355 5 2		£42 15 6
Less Insurance received	1,235 8 1	" Shire Grants	300 0 0
	119 17 1	" Government Grant	247 10 0
" Insurances	57 1 6	" Patterns	10 3
" Printing and Stationery	5 4 10	" Interest	16 0 4
" Fares and Expenses	9 17 7	" Deficit for the year	578 7 11
" Postages and Petties	11 9 0		
	<u>£1,185 4 0</u>		<u>£1,185 4 0</u>

SPECIAL APPEAL ACCOUNT.

To Balance at 30th June, 1946—		By V.B.H.C.A. Training School	£208 13 8
National Bank of Australasia Ltd.—		" Balance—	
Current Account	£208 13 8	National Bank of Australasia Ltd.—	
Fixed Deposits	5,952 1 1	Fixed Deposits	6,067 13 10
	£6,160 14 9		
" Interest	115 12 9		
	<u>£6,276 7 6</u>		<u>£6,276 7 6</u>

MOTHERCRAFT HOME AND TRAINING SCHOOL.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1947.

LIABILITIES.		ASSETS	
Sundry Creditors	£282 19 7	Cash at Banks—	
Victorian Baby Health Centres Association	126 17 10	National Bank of Australasia	£1,304 2 9
Cot Endowment	116 18 7	State Savings Bank	520 7 11
Maintenance Fund—		State Savings Bank Cot Endowment	116 18 7
Balance at 30th June, 1946	£873 11 5		£1,941 9 3
Transfers from—		Cash in Hand	3 8 9
Victorian Baby Health Centres Association	300 0 0	Plant and Equipment—	
Special Appeal Account	208 13 8	Balance at 30th June, 1946	902 13 0
	1,382 5 1	Less 10% Depreciation	90 5 4
Less Deficit for the year	548 10 9		812 7 8
	833 14 4	Additions during the year	212 11 4
Capital Account	10,274 17 8		1,024 19 0
		Buildings—	
		Balance at 30th June, 1946	£8,753 1 8
		Less 1% Depreciation	87 10 8
			8,665 11 0
			£11,635 8 0
	£11,635 8 0		

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR TWELVE MONTHS ENDED 30th JUNE, 1947.

To Provisions	£697 5 7	By Government Grants	£1,652 0 0
„ Surgery and Dispensary	150 15 7	„ Lord Mayor's Fund	47 7 0
„ Domestic	692 2 5	„ Municipal Grants	3 3 0
„ Salaries and Wages	2,175 12 9	„ Donations	£1,106 8 0
„ Miscellaneous and Administration	205 18 3	Less Prizes presented	43 1 0
„ Establishment Charges	540 12 3		1,063 7 0
		„ Patients' Fees	728 7 1
		„ Trainees' Fees	409 10 0
		„ Interest	10 2 0
		„ Deficit for the year transferred to Maintenance Fund	548 10 9
	£4,462 6 10		£4,462 6 10

Melbourne, 6th November, 1947.

Audited and found correct.

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

C. C. A. George,
Hon. Treasurer.