

Victorian  
Baby Health Centres  
Association

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EIGHTH  
ANNUAL REPORT  
OF  
CENTRAL COUNCIL

1925-1926



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# AIMS AND OBJECTS OF THE ASSOCIATION

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- (1) To safeguard the health of mothers and babies, by the spread of knowledge of the laws of health.
- (2) To encourage the breast-feeding of infants.
- (3) To employ 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.
- (4) To hold meetings and give organised teaching to women, as opportunity shall arise, and to disseminate such knowledge by every available agency.
- (5) To co-operate with all present or future organisations working for the same objects.

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

# VICTORIAN BABY HEALTH CENTRES ASSOCIATION.

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## VICTORIAN BABY HEALTH CENTRES ASSOCIATION

(CENTRAL)

## EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT

Ladies and Gentlemen,—

In presenting the Eighth 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 Balance Sheet at the end of this pamphlet is for the Central Council and the Training School only.

### ADMINISTRATION.

The Council has met every month, and the Executive Committee, consisting of office-bearers, eight members of Council, of whom two at least must be representatives of Municipal Councils, and which is elected annually by the Council to co-ordinate the work, has met at frequent intervals. The finance is controlled by a sub-committee, a Training School Committee manages the affairs at South Melbourne, and a medical sub-committee deals with all technical matters in connection with the training of Nurses and the conduct of Baby Health Centres generally.

### GENERAL PROGRESS.

New Centres have been opened at Bairnsdale, Maryborough, Redcliffs, Merbein, Shepparton, Echuca, Lismore, Dookie, Carrum, and at all Centres throughout the metropolitan area and the country districts the attendances have increased. Everywhere the Mothers are most appreciative of the work and are more fully recognising the benefits to be obtained for themselves and their babies from regular

attendance at the Centres and adhering to the advice given by the Sisters.

The Box Hill Shire Council's building was opened in September last by Her Excellency, Lady Forster, who congratulated the Council on the new building.

The new Centre erected in the Edinburgh Gardens at North Fitzroy was also opened by Her Excellency Lady Forster, and is in an ideal position, and the attendances have greatly increased since its opening.

An excellent Centre has been built at East Kew by the Kew Council, which was opened in December last by the Countess of Stradbroke.

A charming Centre has been built at Fairfield by the Heidelberg Shire Council and was opened in April last.

It was in the City of Richmond that the first Health Centre was established in 1917, just nine years ago, and last month the Municipal Council placed upon its estimates £5000 in order to erect two new up-to-date Centres. Like all the municipalities, the Council of Richmond is most interested in the welfare of its mothers and babies.

The Melbourne City Council has erected a very fine building in Abbotsford Street, North Melbourne, which is proving a great boon to the residents. The old Centre at the North Melbourne Town Hall is still open on one day a week in order to keep in touch with the mothers in that vicinity.

A beautiful new Centre is in course of erection at Essendon, and is very shortly to be opened. The Collingwood Council has decided to erect its own building.

At Redcliffs, the largest soldier settlement in Victoria, and which boasts the highest birth-rate and the lowest death-rate in the world, a Centre was opened in December last. No suitable room being available, the women of Redcliffs decided to have a Centre built and in six months raised £300. The new building was opened in May last, and is indeed a credit to those who so generously assisted by their donations, both in money and material. The Centre is well attended, and much appreciated. In the near future a car

is to be purchased to enable the Sister to get into touch with the Mothers on the outlying blocks.

The Association had its Centre at the Agricultural Show, where the Sisters were able to get into touch with many country mothers. It also took part in the Children's Exhibition, and in "Health Week," which this year was held in the Prahran Town Hall. The Association desires to express its thanks to Messrs. Myers Pty. Ltd., who generously lent all the furnishing on these occasions.

Lectures have been given twice monthly by the Sisters to the wives of the new Settlers at the Elcho Farm, many of these mothers attending the Centres when possible, and if there is no Centre available near them keep in touch by correspondence.

Talks on Mothercraft have been broadcasted every Wednesday afternoon, and many grateful letters regarding these have been received from country mothers.

Many Lectures have been given to Mothers' Clubs, Domestic Arts Schools, Mothers' Unions, Girl Guides, and country organisations.

#### LECTURING SISTER.

Through the generosity of the Felton Trustees a Lecturing Nurse was appointed at the beginning of April. Lectures are being given in the State Schools and Domestic Arts Schools in Richmond, Fitzroy, South Melbourne, Hawthorn, Auburn, North Carlton, Collingwood.

It is the desire of the Association that the Sister should visit all the Schools in the metropolitan area and give organised Mothercraft talks to the senior girls in all the State Schools. It is hoped that Girls' Secondary Schools might arrange with the Association for similar lectures to be given.

The attendances have been excellent and the interest taken by the girls has been more than encouraging. It is hoped to appoint more Lecturing Sisters in the near future.

In the country districts many of the Centre Sisters give Lectures in the Schools.

## BETTER FARMING TRAIN.

There have been eleven (11) tours of this Train, 89 Centres being visited, and each time Sister Peck has been in charge of the Mothercraft Car.

Tours have been arranged by the Women's Section of the Victorian Farmers' Union.

The attendances have been simply wonderful, and over 12,400 women have attended the lectures and 400 received individual advice.

In every district visited the mothers are very anxious for the establishment of a Centre.

## TRAINING OF NURSES.

The trainees of the Association continue to attend the Foundling Hospital, East Melbourne, for six weeks. Negotiations have been entered into with the Committee of the Women's Hospital, who have generously granted to the Association the use of a piece of ground on which to erect an up-to-date Training School, subject to the consent of the Government. The erection of the building has been prevented by the fact that the Government has not granted this permission, and it is now almost twelve months since the Minister for Health was first approached. This is very discouraging to those keenly interested in the work, for they recognise that the ideal place for this School is in close proximity to the Women's Hospital, where Medical Students and Midwifery Nurses in training will be in direct touch with its activities. The Edward Wilson Trustees have donated £2100 towards the erection of such a Training School.

One hundred and twenty-four Nurses have taken the post-graduate course in Mothercraft and Infant Welfare since the establishment of the Training School at South Melbourne. The School here has been most useful, but it is quite inadequate to cope with the increasing requirements of the Association.

Twenty-six Nurses of the Victorian Bush Nursing Association have done three months' training at the Training

School, South Melbourne, and many grateful letters have been received from these Nurses, stating that the value of this training cannot be over-estimated. The Edward Wilson Trustees grant each Bush Nurse £25 whilst they are in training.

Voluntary Helpers have received their training at South Melbourne and have proved of the greatest assistance in many of the Centres. Miss Rhoda Strachan still continues to act as Hon. Organiser in this work, and the Council desires to thank her most sincerely for her great interest.

## CO-OPERATION.

The Council has again to record the cordial co-operation of other Societies and Institutions. The Sisters continue to attend each Saturday morning at the Children's Hospital, where Lectures are given by the Association's Medical Officer, and by many leading medical men and women, who have generously co-operated in this respect. These lectures are sent to the Sisters in the country districts, who much appreciate this opportunity of keeping in touch with the work in the city.

The Women's and Queen Victoria Hospitals kindly allow the trainees to attend the ante-natal clinics, and this valuable instruction has been of the greatest benefit. The Council realises the tremendous importance of ante-natal work, and was very pleased to know that, assisted by the propaganda of the Health Centres, the ante-natal attendances at the Women's Hospital last year have been increased by 900.

The Talbot and Willsmere Milk Institutes, Kindergarten Union, Association of Creches, District Nursing Society, Victorian Bush Nursing Association and Benevolent Societies have greatly assisted in the work.

## HER EXCELLENCY LADY FORSTER.

The Council suffered a severe loss when Her Excellency Lady Forster left Victoria. She had always, since her arrival in Australia, taken the greatest interest in the work, and by her kindly words of encouragement and active interest did much to forward the movement, especially in the country districts.

## THE COUNTESS OF STRADBROKE.

The Council much regretted the departure of Lady Stradbroke, who took a great interest in the Association, and many times expressed her great appreciation of the work.

## LADY SOMERS.

The Council tenders a cordial welcome to Lady Somers, and is looking forward to having the benefit of her help and advice, and her active interest in the movement.

## STATE GOVERNMENT.

During the year the State Government has authorised the opening of six new Centres, making the usual grant of £125 per annum to each such Centre. On the other hand, seven new Centres are all ready to start, partly owing to the propaganda of the Association on the Better Farming Train and partly to the keen interest of the people of the districts concerned. This interest is shown by constant application to the Association, especially by women in the districts in question, and it is discouraging to them and to the Association that the Government cannot see their way to give the necessary permission to enable these Centres to be opened.

The Association has, from the inception of its activities, carried out all the work of training its Sisters (who are paid whilst in training) and paying all the expenses of the School, including Medical and Nursing instruction. It pays printing and office expenses, and in addition grants of £30 to each new Centre towards equipment. A lecturing nurse has recently been added to the staff, whilst the cost of the extraordinary propaganda carried out by Sister Peck on the Better Farming Train has been entirely borne by the Association. To all this the Government has never contributed, the expenses being maintained as will be seen in the Financial Statement.

We may compare this want of financial support on the part of the Government to these basic activities of the Association with the amount of £24,000 given by the New Zealand Government.

The total amount allocated by the Victorian Government to work under the auspices of this Association is approximately between five and six thousand pounds, and this is sent direct from the Treasury to the municipalities concerned.

## MUNICIPALITIES.

The support of these bodies has been wonderful. They fully realise that it is their duty to safeguard the health of their mothers and babies, and are always ready to do all in their power to assist the work, which is shown so practically by the special buildings they have erected, at the expense of the Councils in order to carry out the work more effectively; and, in addition, Councillors individually take the greatest interest. The Association feels it cannot adequately thank the municipalities for their splendid co-operation. Victoria is the only country in the world where the municipalities so willingly undertake their responsibilities in regard to their mothers and babies.

## NEWSPAPER DEPOT.

The Council desires to thank Mr. H. Evans for his able management of the Depot, which is still a considerable source of revenue to the funds of the Association. It also thanks the Trustees, Mrs. J. H. Dodds, Cr. Crate and Mr. F. E. Bellmaine, for their interest and assistance.

## FINANCE.

The Council desires most gratefully to thank the Trustees of the Edward Wilson Estate for their very generous donations, which have enabled the Association to maintain its Training School and effectively carry out its propaganda work in the country districts.

The Trustees of the Alfred Felton Estate have also most generously assisted the work, and the Council desires to express its appreciation of their much-valued financial assistance.

The Trustees of the Estates of the late T. J. Sumner, Walter & Eliza Hall, Helen Gyles Turner Samaritan Fund, Sir William Zeal, Mr. E. Truby Williams, and all kind friends are gratefully thanked for their donations.

The Council wishes to thank Dr. Kate Campbell, who so ably carried out Dr. Vera Scantlebury's duties whilst she was absent in New Zealand. The Hon. Solicitors, Messrs. Moule, Hamilton & Kiddle, for their valuable assistance, and the Melbourne Tramway Board for allowing tickets to be purchased for Sisters, whilst on duty, at a reduced rate.

The Council sincerely thanks all the Sisters of the Association for their loyal and faithful services, without which it would have been impossible to carry on so successfully the work for the mothers and babies of Victoria.

M. E. WHITE,  
Hon. Secretary.

# Victorian Baby Health Centres Association.

## ANNUAL RETURNS, 1925-1926.

Individual Babies attended Centres . . . . . 23,264  
 Total attendances of Babies at Centres . . . . . 158,883  
 Total number of visits paid by Sisters to Homes .. 50,064  
 Individual Expectant Mothers advised . . . . . 2,631

Municipality.	Centres.	Number of Centre Sisters.	Individual Babies Attended Centre.	Total Attendance of Babies at Centres.	Visits paid by Sisters to Homes.	Individual Expectant Mothers Advised.
II Training School . . . . .	South Melb. Town Hall ..		388	1829	1584	80
Ararat . . . . .	1. Town Hall . . . . .	1	151	1180	755	15
Bairnsdale . . . . .	1. Law Courts . . . . .	1	713	2014	825	56
Ballarat . . . . .	1. City Hall . . . . .	1	599	4446	979	71
	2. Ballarat East . . . . .					
Bendigo . . . . .	1. Commonwealth Chambers, Charing Cross . . . . .	1	434	1739	972	93
	2. Long Gully . . . . .					
Brighton . . . . .	1. The Library . . . . .	1	522	3896	1015	60
Brunswick . . . . .	1. Town Hall . . . . .	1	780	6113	1574	77



ANNUAL RETURNS, 1925-1926 (Continued).

Municipality.	Centres.	Number of Centre Sisters.	Individual Babies Attended Centre.	Total Attendance of Babies at Centres.	Visits paid by Sisters to Homes.	Individual Expectant Mothers Advised.
Camberwell . . . . .	1. Town Hall . . . . .	3	1053	10226	1949	150
	2. Canterbury . . . . .					
	3. Balwyn . . . . .					
	4. Burwood . . . . .					
	5. Surrey Hills . . . . .					
	6. Camberwell South . . . . .					
Carrum . . . . .	1. Soldiers' Memorial Hall, Chelsea . . . . .	1	86	427	491	16
Caulfield . . . . .	1. B.H.C., Caulfield . . . . .	3	1161	10422	1750	182
	2. B.H.C., Carnegie . . . . .					
Colac . . . . .	1. Soldiers' Memorial Hall . . . . .	1	267	2437	1034	39
Collingwood . . . . .	1. Town Hall . . . . .	2	632	5292	2087	53
Echuca . . . . .	1. Town Hall . . . . .	1	415	780	429	19
Essendon . . . . .	1. Town Hall . . . . .	1	634	5669	807	72
	2. Scouts' Hall . . . . .					
Fern Tree Gully . . . . .	1. Fern Tree Gully . . . . .		101	638		8
	2. Belgrave . . . . .					
Fitzroy . . . . .	1. Town Hall . . . . .	2	708	6564	1986	101
	2. Fitzroy North . . . . .					
Geelong . . . . .	1. Geelong . . . . .	1	1306	3264	850	23
	2. Geelong East . . . . .					
	3. Geelong West . . . . .					

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Municipality.	Centres.	Number of Centre Sisters.	Individual Babies Attended Centre.	Total Attendance of Babies at Centres.	Visits paid by Sisters to Homes.	Individual Expectant Mothers Advised.
Hampden . . . . .	1. Camperdown . . . . .	1	241	1292	1420	32
	2. Terang . . . . .					
	3. Lismore . . . . .					
Hawthorn . . . . .	1. B.H.C., Burwood Road . . . . .	1	1437	3270	738	52
	2. Hawthorn West . . . . .					
	3. Auburn . . . . .					
Heidelberg . . . . .	1. Heidelberg . . . . .	1	528	5951	1097	59
	2. Fairfield . . . . .					
	3. Ivanhoe . . . . .					
Kew . . . . .	1. Town Hall . . . . .	1	1784	3999	1233	38
	2. Kew East . . . . .					
Malvern . . . . .	1. Union Street . . . . .	2	896	7786	1711	142
	2. Malvern East . . . . .					
Maryborough . . . . .	1. "Advertiser" Office . . . . .	1	170	1028	968	16
Melbourne City . . . . .	1. Women's Hospital . . . . .	5	2073	13927	7380	343
	2. North Melbourne . . . . .					
	3. Flemington . . . . .					
	4. North Carlton . . . . .					
Mildura . . . . .	1. Town Hall . . . . .	1	392	3102	515	30
Mulgrave . . . . .	1. Clayton . . . . .	(Same Sister as Oakleigh)	53	498	170	22
	2. Glen Waverley . . . . .					

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Municipality.	Centres.	Number of Centre Sisters.	Individual Babies Attended Centre.	Total Attendance of Babies at Centres.	Visits paid by Sisters to Homes.	Individual Expectant Mothers Advised.
Northcote . . . . .	1. B.H.C., High Street . . . . .	2	624	5552	1928	53
	2. Thornbury . . . . .					
Nunawading . . . . .	1. Box Hill . . . . .	1	371	2838	760	49
	2. Blackburn . . . . .					
Oakleigh . . . . .	1. Town Hall . . . . .	1	340	2765	887	63
Port Melbourne . . . . .	1. Town Hall . . . . .	1	215	2181	1278	64
Prahran . . . . .	1. B.H.C., Malvern Road . . . . .	3	1163	11462	1543	127
Richmond . . . . .	1. Town Hall . . . . .	2	1009	10901	2690	147
	2. Swan Stret . . . . .					
	3. Burnley . . . . .					
Sandringham . . . . .	1. Town Hall . . . . .	1	352	2853	1098	44
Shepparton . . . . .	1. B.H.C., Queen's Gardens . . . . .	1	151	780	1653	20
	2. Dookie . . . . .					
South Melbourne . . . . .	1. Albert Park . . . . .	1	386	3193	1307	61
	2. Middle Park . . . . .					
	3. Montague . . . . .					
St. Kilda . . . . .	1. Town Hall . . . . .	2	613	4995	1072	71
Stawell . . . . .	1. Town Hall . . . . .	(Same Sister as Ararat)	130	903	520	9
Redcliffs . . . . .	1. Scouts' Hall . . . . .	1	174	694	102	12
	2. Merbein . . . . .					
Warrnambool . . . . .	1. Council Chambers . . . . .	1	212	2007	907	62

### LIST OF CENTRES.

- ABERFELDIE.**—Scouts' Hall, Cr. Ardmillan and Clarinda Roads, Tuesday, 1 to 4 p.m.
- ALBERT PARK.**—Alexandra Hall, 154 Nelson Road, South Melbourne, Tuesday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30.
- ARARAT.**—Town Hall, Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursday, 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- BAIRNSDALE.**—Law Courts, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 10 to 12 noon, 1.30 to 4.30.
- AUBURN.**—665 Burwood Road, Hawthorn, Tuesday, 1.30 to 4.30.
- BALLARAT.**—City Hall, Sturt Street, Tuesday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 12.30, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday, 1.30 to 4.30.
- BALWYN.**—Rotunda, Whitehorse Road, Thursday, 10 to 12, 1.30 to 4.30.
- BELGRAVE.**—Soldiers' Memorial Hall, Main Road, Friday, 11 to 4.30.
- BENDIGO.**—Commercial Chambers, Charing Cross, Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 1.30 to 4.30.
- BENDIGO.**—Long Gully, Thursday, 2 to 4.30.
- BLACKBURN.**—Sword's Hall, Tuesday, 1.30 to 4.30.
- BOX HILL.**—The Reserve, Whitehorse Road, Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday, 11 a.m. to 4.30; Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- BURNLEY.**—St. Bartholomew's Hall, cr. Burnley and Boyd Street, Monday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursday, 10 to 12, 1.30 to 4.30.
- BRIGHTON.**—Library, Bay Street, North Brighton, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- BRUNSWICK.**—Town Hall, Monday, Tuesday, Friday, 1.30 to 4.30; Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

BURWOOD.—Mechanics' Institute, Burwood Road, Thursday, 10 to 12, 1.30 to 4.30.

CAMBERWELL.—Town Hall, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30.

CAMBERWELL SOUTH.—Kindergarten Room, Methodist Church, cr. Park Street and Toorak Road, Thursday, 10 to 12 a.m., 1.30 to 4.30.

CAMPERDOWN.—Old Power House, Scott Street, Tuesday, 10 to 12, 1.30 to 4.30.

CANTERBURY.—Library, Tuesday and Friday, 2 to 4.30 p.m.

CAULFIELD.—B.H.C., near Town Hall, Hawthorn Road, Tuesday, 10 to 12, 1 to 4; Wednesday and Thursday, 1 to 4; Friday, 10 to 12, 1 to 4 p.m.

CARLTON.—Women's Hospital, Grattan Street, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12.30, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

CARNEGIE.—B.H.C., Truganina Road, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 1 to 4 p.m.

CARRUM.—Soldiers' Memorial Hall, Chelsea, Monday and Friday, 1 to 4; Wednesday, 10 to 1 p.m.

CLAYTON.—Mechanics' Hall, Tuesday, 12.30 to 4.

COLAC.—Soldiers' Memorial Hall, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30. Thursday, 9.30 to 12.30.

COLLINGWOOD.—Town Hall, open daily, 10 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.

DOOKIE.—Presbyterian School Room, Second Monday and Fourth Wednesday in month, from 1 to 4.

ECHUCA.—Town Hall, cr. High and Hogarth Streets, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 2 to 4.30 p.m.; Friday, 10 to 12.30.

ESSENDON & MOONEE PONDS.—Town Hall, Moonee Ponds, Monday, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon; 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.; Friday, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

FAIRFIELD.—84 Arthur Street, Tuesday and Friday, 11 a.m. to 12.30 and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

FERN TREE GULLY.—Soldiers' Memorial Hall, Thursday, 11 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.

FLEMINGTON.—Town Hall, Tuesday and Wednesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m. Thursday, 10 to 12 and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

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

FITZROY NORTH.—Edinburgh Gardens, Brunswick Street, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 1 to 4; Tuesday and Thursday, 10 to 12, 1.30 to 4 p.m.

GEELONG.—Guild Hall, Myer's Street, Thursday, 2 to 4.30 p.m.

GEELONG EAST.—Haines' Homes, McKillop Street, Wednesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

GEELONG WEST.—Kindergarten, O'Connell Street, Tuesday, 2 to 4.30 p.m.

GLEN WAVERLEY.—Mechanics' Hall, Thursday, 12 to 3 p.m.

HAWTHORN.—B.H.C., 319 Burwood Road, Daily, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

HEIDELBERG.—Scot's Hall, Burgundy Street, Wednesday, 11 to 12 and 1 to 4.30 p.m.

IVANHOE.—Cr. Kenilworth Parade and Upper Heidelberg Road, Monday, 1 to 4.30; Thursday, 11 to 12.30 and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

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

KEW EAST.—Cr. High and Valerie Streets, Monday and Thursday, 2 to 4.30 p.m.

MALVERN.—227 High Street, Malvern, Monday, Thursday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30; Tuesday, 10.30 to 12.30, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

MALVERN EAST.—Old Fire Station, Waverley Road, opp. East Caulfield P.O., Monday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30; Thursday, 10.30 to 12.30, 1.30 to 4.30.

MARYBOROUGH.—“Advertiser” Office, High Street, Monday, 1.30 to 4.30; Wednesday and Friday, 10 to 12, 1.30 to 4.30.

MERBEIN.—Crosbie Hall, Tuesday, 11.30 to 12.30 and 2 to 4; Friday, 10.30 to 12.30, 2 to 4 p.m.

MIDDLE PARK.—Picture Theatre, Armstrong Street, Monday and Wednesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

MILDURA.—Carnegie Library, Tuesday, 1.30 to 4.30; Thursday, 10 to 12, 1.30 to 4.30; Saturday, 10 to 12, 1 to 4.

MONTAGUE.—Buckhurst Street, Kindergarten, Thursday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

NORTH CARLTON.—682 Rathdown Street, Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, 2 to 4.30 p.m.

NORTH MELBOURNE.—Abbotsford Street, near Flemington Road, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30; Town Hall, Errol Street, Thursday, 1.30 to 4.30.

NORTHCOTE.—B.H.C., High Street, between Library and Town Hall, Wednesday, 11 to 4.30; Thursday, 11 to 1.

OAKLEIGH.—Town Hall, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 1 to 4 p.m.

PORT MELBOURNE.—Town Hall, Monday, Tuesday, Friday, 1.30 to 4 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, 1.30 to 4 p.m.

PRAHRAN.—B.H.C., Malvern Road, near Chapel Street.

ARMADALE } Monday, 1.30 to 4.30; Tuesday and  
WINDSOR } Friday, 10 to 12, and 1.30 to 4.30.

HAWKS BURN } Wednesday and Thursday, 10 to 12,  
TOORAK } and 1.30 to 4.30.

SOUTH YARRA }

REDCLIFFS.—Scouts’ Hall, Monday and Thursday, 9.30 to 1, 2 to 4.30; Wednesday and Saturday, 9.30 to 12.30.

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

RICHMOND SOUTH.—The Library, Church Street, South Richmond, Tuesday and Thursday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday morning, 10 to 12.

SANDRINGHAM.—56 Bay Road, Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 1.30 to 4.30; Tuesday, 10 to 12.

SHEPPARTON.—B.H.C., Queen’s Gardens, Wyndham St., Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 1.30 to 5.

SOUTH MELBOURNE (Town Hall).—Training School, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 11 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.; Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m. only.

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

SURREY HILLS.—Rotunda in Gardens, Union Road, off Canterbury Road, Tuesday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

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

TERANG.—Mechanics’ Hall, Monday and Wednesday, 1.30 to 4.30.

THORNBURY.—Normanby Hall, Normanby Avenue, Monday, 1.30 to 4.30; Friday, 10 to 1.30.

WARRNAMBOOL.—Town Hall, Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

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**VICTORIAN BABY HEALTH CENTRES ASSOCIATION  
TRAINING SCHOOL**

And

**BABY HEALTH CENTRE,  
TOWN HALL.  
SOUTH MELBOURNE.  
Matron, Miss A. Purcell.**

# Victorian Baby Health Centres Association.

Balance Sheet at 30th June, 1926.

LIABILITIES.	ASSETS.
Balance, being surplus of Assets over Liabilities . . . . . £3,591 13 10	Furniture and Equipment, Central Office .. £100 0 0
	Do. Training School, South Melbourne . . . . . 40 0 0
	National Bank of Australasia Ltd., Fixed Deposit . . . . . 2,000 0 0
	State Savings Bank . . . . . £1,139 3 8
	Commonwealth Savings Bank . . . . . 59 19 7
	National Bank of Australasia.. Ltd. . . . . 252 10 7
	1,451 13 10
<u>£3,591 13 10</u>	<u>£3,591 13 10</u>

Melbourne, 16th July, 1926.

Audited and found correct.

BRETNALL, MEWTON & BUTLER, Fellows of the Australasian Corporation of Public Accountants, Hon. Auditors.

FRED. S. BRYANT,

Hon. Treasurer.

## VICTORIAN BABY HEALTH CENTRES ASSOCIATION

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure from 1st July, 1925, to 30th June, 1926.

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURE.
To Balance at 30th June, 1925—	By Training School—Salaries .. £255 14 0
State Savings Bank . . . . . £309 0 0	„ Trustees Edward Wilson Estate, Paid Direct Bush Nursing Trainees . . . . . 225 0 0
Commonwealth Savings Bank 206 2 6	„ Travelling Expenses . . . . . 9 17 7
National Bank of Australasia Ltd. . . . . 266 14 4	„ Maintenance . . . . . 138 15 3
	£899 6 10
„ Grants . . . . . 4,058 8 0	„ Grants for Equipment, New Centres . . . . . 171 0 0
„ Edward Wilson Trustees' Special Grant for Trainees, Victorian Bush Nursing Assoc. 225 0 0	„ Salaries, including Medical Officer . . . . . 301 8 0
„ Donations . . . . . 34 11 0	„ Petty Cash and Stamps . . . . . 20 4 0
„ Newspaper Depot . . . . . 250 0 0	„ Printing and Stationery . . . . . 53 4 0
„ Sale of Patterns . . . . . 10 2 0	„ Propaganda . . . . . 412 14 11
„ Interest . . . . . 60 5 9	„ Insurance . . . . . 16 2 1
	„ Telephones and Electric Light . . . . . 21 0 5
	„ Travelling Expenses . . . . . 22 8 6
	„ Rent . . . . . 51 1 0
	„ Fixed Deposits . . . . . 2,000 0 0
	„ Balance at 30th June, 1926—
	State Savings Bank . . . . . £1,139 3 8
	Commonwealth Savings Bank 59 19 7
	National Bank of Australasia Ltd. . . . . 252 10 7
	1,451 13 10
<u>£5,420 3 7</u>	<u>£5,420 3 7</u>

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### GRANTS.

Trustees Edward Wilson Estate—		
Building for Training Centre . . . . .	£2,100	0 0
Maintenance . . . . .	1,150	0 0
	£3250	0 0
Felton Bequest . . . . .	700	0 0
Walter and Eliza Hall Trust . . . . .	50	0 0
Helen Gyles Turner, Samaritan Fund . . . . .	40	0 0
Sir William Austin Zeal Estate . . . . .	8	8 0
T. J. Sumner Estate . . . . .	10	0 0
	£4058	8 0

### DONATIONS.

Mrs. F. O. Robertson . . . . .	£10	0 0
Mr. Thomas Baker . . . . .	5	1 0
Mrs. Bayley . . . . .	5	0 0
Kew City Council . . . . .	5	0 0
St. Kilda City Council . . . . .	3	3 0
Mrs. F. Danks . . . . .	2	2 0
E. Truby Williams, Esq. . . . .	2	2 0
Mrs. Stewart . . . . .	1	0 0
Health Week . . . . .	0	15 0
Per Echuca B.H.C. . . . .	0	8 0
	£34	11 0