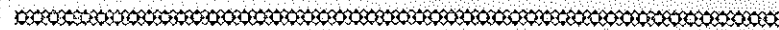


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TWENTY FIRST

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OF

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1938-39



## Aims and Objects of the Association

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- (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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VICTORIAN BABY HEALTH CENTRES ASSOCIATION  
(CENTRAL)

TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT.

Ladies and Gentlemen,—

In presenting the Twenty-first 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 and the Mothercraft Home and Training School.

ADMINISTRATION.

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

LADY HUNTINGFIELD.

The Council would like to place on record how much it has valued and appreciated Lady Huntingfield's patronage of the work of this Association throughout the period of her residence in Victoria.

Lady Huntingfield took a keenly active and personal interest in all the activities in progress for furthering this maternal and child welfare work throughout the State, and members of the Executive Committee have frequently received many practical and helpful suggestions from her. Lady Huntingfield attended a number of Council Meetings, and visited the Association's Mothercraft Home and Training School, and a great many of the Baby Health Centres situated both in the metropolitan and country areas. She also took a keen interest in the Association's Travelling Baby Health Centre.

The Council feels that Lady Huntingfield's interest has done much to arouse greater interest in this work amongst members of the general public, and consequently has given the whole movement new impetus.

Although Lady Huntingfield has now left Victoria, the memory of the wonderful inspiration and encouragement received from her by all those interested in the work, and who came in contact with her, will live and remain as an activating force for future progress in this work throughout the State.

PRESIDENT.

The Council was glad to welcome home, during the latter part of last year, Sir Walter Leitch, President of the Association, who had been in England for some months.

The Council missed Sir Walter's presence at its meetings, and the benefit of his ever-ready sympathy, interest and assistance in all activities of the Association.

The senior Vice-President, Dr. Constance Ellis, acted as President during Sir Walter's absence, and the Council wishes to thank her for carrying out these duties and for the helpful interest she gives to the work of the Association.

HON. SECRETARY.

The Council received with regret Dr. Younger Ross's resignation last October as Hon. Secretary of the Association, and would like to express its great appreciation of the very active work she has carried out during the years she has held that office in forwarding the general progress of the work. Dr. Ross was elected a Vice-President of the Association last year, and the Council is glad to have the continuance of that live interest in its work always shown by Dr. Ross since the movement was first inaugurated.

Dr. Doris Officer was elected as Hon. Secretary in place of Dr. Younger Ross.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Council also received with regret Mrs. Kernot's resignation as a member of the Executive Committee. Mrs. Kernot had been a member of the Executive Committee for many years, and had always taken a very active part in the affairs of the Association. The Council hopes at some future time Mrs. Kernot will again be able to find time to rejoin the Executive Committee. Mrs. Kernot still remains on the Central Council of the Association as a representative of Geelong Baby Health Centres.

GENERAL PROGRESS AND ACTIVITIES.

There are 133 Baby Health Centres affiliated with the Association, 71 being in country districts.

New Centres have been opened at Derinallum, Glenorchy, Korumburra, Kerang, Lilydale, Mt. Evelyn, Pearcedale, Winchelsea and Wandin Yalloak.

Very fine new Centre buildings have been erected at East Brunswick, Brighton (Elizabeth Bleazby Centre), Belgrave, North Essendon, Terang, Hamilton, Clayton, and great improvements have been made at the Moonee Ponds Centre.

New Centre rooms will shortly be opened at Ararat.

New Centre buildings are also contemplated at Ballarat, Kew, Shepparton, Emerald, Alphington, Warracknabeal and Black Rock.

At Croydon a toddlers' playground in connection with the Baby Health Centre was opened on 10th December by Lady Huntingfield. The new Lilydale Centre was also opened by Lady Huntingfield on 13th December.

Attendances at all Centres show a very decided increase this year; last year's figures of course were very much reduced owing to many Centres being closed for varying periods during the infantile paralysis epidemic.

Through the interest of Dr. Boyd Graham, the leaflets compiled by the Medical Sub-Committee of the Association and issued to mothers at the Centres are now used as a basis of instruction in infant feeding and management for the nurses at the Children's Hospital, Children's Orthopaedic Hospital, Frankston, and the Presbyterian Babies' Home; requests from several country doctors for these leaflets have also been received. The leaflets are issued by the Association in special booklet form and are obtainable at the office (271 Collins Street) at 6d. each.

At the last Annual Meeting in August, a cheque was received for £437/1/3 from the Rotary Club—the proceeds of a ball held by the club to help the expenses of the Travelling Baby Health Centre. This contribution to the maintenance fund of the caravan was a most valuable gift to receive and was very much appreciated by the Council.

During the year Dr. Younger Ross paid a visit to the Mallee in order to see the work of the Travelling Baby Health Centre in progress in that district.

Dr. Officer paid several visits to Kerang during the year in regard to the establishment of a Centre there. She also visited Cobden in order to accompany a deputation from the Country Women's Association to the Heytesbury Shire Council, to urge them to form a Baby Health Centre service in that district. Whilst away Dr. Officer visited the newly formed Winchelsea Centre, also the Centres at Colac and Camperdown.

Members of the Executive have paid many visits to the country to attend the opening of new Centres, and to speak at Annual Meetings. Country districts very much appreciate visits from members of the Central Council, and such visits certainly promote that firm feeling of mutual help, common interest, and unity amongst all members of the Association, so essential in keeping the work of a State-wide organisation such as this, alive and progressive.

The Council is grateful for the offer from the Victorian Amateur Cine Society to take a film of the work in progress at the Mothercraft Home and Training School and at the Health Centres. A Sub-Committee has been formed to work out the details of such a film, and it is hoped that a start will be made during the coming year. Naturally such a film needs careful thought prior to its actual photographing.

The Model Baby Health Centre was made available during the year to Dr. Clements to take "shots" for the film being produced by the Commonwealth Government on the Development of the Pre-School Child.

Dr. Deem, newly appointed Medical Advisor to the Council of the Royal New Zealand Society for the Health of Women and Children, was on a visit to Melbourne during the year and spent some time at the Association's Mothercraft Home and Training School investigating the work and feedings in use there, and was very much interested in the work. Dr. Deem also visited some of the Centres affiliated with the Association.

During the year the Federation of Mother's Clubs was asked to nominate a representative to the Council of the Association.

The Council is very grateful to Dr. Anita Mühl, Mr. J. W. Byrne of the Pre-School Dental Clinic, Dr. Kate Campbell and Dr. Featonby for coming to various Council Meetings during the year and giving such stimulating and interesting talks on different health topics.

The Annual Conference of Presidents and Secretaries of Baby Health Centres was held at the Victoria Palace on 23rd June, Sir Walter Leitch, President of the Association, kindly entertaining all those present to afternoon tea at the conclusion of the Conference. The date of the Conference had been specially arranged to follow the Country Women's Association's Conference in June, in the hope that many more country representatives would be able to attend. Despite the influenza epidemic that was prevalent at the time, the majority of the Metropolitan Baby Health Centres were represented and 25 country ones—a very large increase on former years. Many interesting subjects were brought up for discussion.

Twenty-five country representatives were taken round to see some of the new Centre buildings on the morning of the Conference. The Brighton Baby Health Centre Committee very kindly provided morning tea for the visitors, which was much appreciated.

The State Council for Physical Fitness has formed an Advisory Committee to assist in its work of promoting health in the community. The Association has been appointed a member of that Advisory Committee.

In the interests of providing educational facilities for mothers in the proper care of their babies and young children, the Council strongly advocated to the Housing Commission

the necessity for their making provision to include a Baby Health Centre and other health services in their plans for erecting a Model Settlement of 500 houses at Fisherman's Bend. The Council also supported the Headmasters' Association in their project for a Community Centre to be incorporated in this new Housing Scheme.

When the question arose in regard to the abolition of the Sunday milk delivery, the Council advocated the continuance of a Sunday delivery, as this was felt to be in the interests of a large section of the community, who would find it a hardship and inconvenience to keep milk satisfactorily for such a long period. It was also felt that the health of many small babies and young children would suffer if the Sunday milk delivery was discontinued. A letter to this effect was sent to the Premier, and also to the British Medical Association asking for their support.

During the coming year the Association hopes to hold a conference with other interested organisations to work out a scheme for providing more help for expectant mothers on sustenance.

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

During the year the Council decided to widen the policy of the work of the Association to include a more definite attempt to help bridge the gap that exists in adequate supervision for children of pre-school age.

For some years in addition to its ordinary work of advice to expectant mothers, and mothers with babies, the Association has encouraged mothers to continue to bring their children of pre-school years to the Health Centre so that they may have some care and supervision during this important period, and many Centres have added special toddler scales to their equipment. It was felt, however, that this Health Centre service for pre-school children could be extended and improved by working in close co-operation with the Nursing School Board and Free Kindergarten Union of Victoria to that end, and without overlapping any of their activities.

The Executive Committee realised that with large sums of money being necessarily spent by the Governments for defence purposes, it would be increasingly difficult for them to find all the necessary money for that full extension of the social services that one would like, and consequently the fullest use should be made of the facilities already existing in our Health Centres for carrying on some of this very necessary work in regard to the pre-school child so that the Association might help these other organisations to put some of their hopes into speedier operation than might otherwise be the case.

The Medical Sub-Committee of the Association, at the request of the Executive Committee, was asked to draw up a report on the ways in which the Association might help in this work of care for children of this age. This report was

presented to the Council at its December meeting, at which Lady Huntingfield was present. The Council unanimously adopted the suggestions incorporated in the report, and it was circulated to all Councils and local Baby Health Centre Committees affiliated with this Association. Copies were also sent to the Federal Director General of Health, Dr. Cumpston, and the Director of Infant Welfare, Dr. Scantlebury-Brown, to the Nursery School Board and to the Free Kindergarten Union.

Many of the suggestions incorporated in the report of the Medical Sub-Committee are already being carried out. At our Mothercraft Home and Training School special instruction to the trainees in this work is given. In the Health Centres, some are providing special indoor and out-door waiting places for toddlers, with special toys and equipment which provide a demonstration to parents of what is necessary for the physical and mental development of their children, and which can inexpensively be made at home.

Parent Clubs are also being formed in connection with the Centres. These clubs are primarily educational in character, as it is considered that this stimulation of the parents themselves to obtain greater knowledge and understanding of what is necessary for the upbringing of their children would help very considerably in improving the natural environment of the young child, which is the home. A great deal might be accomplished along these lines at comparatively little cost.

#### PARENT EDUCATION.

A number of Mothers' Clubs and Parent Clubs have been formed in connection with Baby Health Centres. These clubs are formed from those parents actually attending Centres with their babies or young children. The general object of such clubs is to provide facilities in the form of lectures, study circles, and demonstrations for furthering the knowledge of parents in all matters connected with the welfare of their children from every point of view.

It is hoped by this means to give to parents a right knowledge in the choice of food for the family, its economic buying and its proper preparation and cooking, as well as information as to what other factors are necessary for the proper physical, mental and emotional development of their children, so that they may grow up healthy, useful and self-reliant members of the community. Clubs have already been established at Bendigo, Northcote, North Essendon, Moonee Ponds, Ascot Vale, Albert Park, Oakleigh, Colac, Terang and Benalla.

Albert Park and North Essendon are definitely parents clubs, as fathers as well as mothers interest themselves in this educational movement and attend the lectures. This co-operation of the fathers is very essential and vital to the work.

Many of the clubs have been in operation for some years, and reports show how active and interested they are. Albert

Park and Oakleigh have only started their clubs this year, and already report good progress and interest. Camberwell is instituting a series of educational lectures for parents in that district as a preliminary to later forming parent clubs in connection with their Centres.

Many of these clubs, apart from their educational side, interest themselves in the work in progress at the Centres as a whole, and very often contribute to the work going on in their own district by providing help for necessitous cases. It is hoped that many new parent clubs will be formed during the coming year.

During the year members of the Executive had a conference with the Director of Infant Welfare, Dr. Scantlebury-Brown, to form a suggested constitution for these clubs so that there might be as much uniformity as possible in regard to them throughout the State. It is hoped that this suggested constitution will be adopted as much as possible by those forming new clubs.

#### AUXILIARIES.

The Council is very grateful for the continued support and interest of the various auxiliaries who work for the Mothercraft Home and Training School. The "Ashfield" Auxiliary donated £20 for the benefit of the Training School. This money was utilised towards the cost of repainting the interior of the lecture room and Model Baby Health Centre, which was very much needed, the remainder of the cost being donated by the Voluntary Helpers' Club. The colouring of these rooms is now cream and green and the lighter colouring has very much improved their general attractiveness and brightness. Matron and the staff are very pleased with the results achieved.

The Ivanhoe Auxiliary has provided £9 for the special needs of the premature babies, and have also made many garments for the babies at Mothercraft Home.

This active auxiliary has also provided five pairs of blankets, and two new carpets, one for the matron's sitting room, and one for the nurses' sitting room. The value of these gifts totalled £18/9/2. This auxiliary also sent 14 dozen eggs in response to the Egg Appeal. Such generous help is very much valued by the Council.

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

The V.B.H.C. Sisters' Club is very active and has a membership of 53. Their annual meeting was held on 26th September, 1938, at the Training School, and Miss Frances Pennington gave an address on "Slum Abolition."

A bridge party was held at the Training School on 8th November. A picnic was arranged on 3rd April at Sherbrooke, and the sisters visited the Children's Hospital Convalescent Home after lunch. Sister Forrest (Ivanhoe) is

President of this club and Sister A. Holmes (Brighton) is Hon. Secretary.

Donations to the Travelling Baby Health Centre from the Sisters' Club include books and a very fine map. The Council thanks the sisters for their interest and help.

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

The Victorian Baby Health Centres' Association Voluntary Helpers' Club has had a very progressive year. A net amount of £50/6/7 has been raised during the year.

A cheque for £28/10/- has been given to the Association in part payment of redecoration of the Training School. The club has also donated a steel filing cabinet and flannel for baby clothes to the Mothercraft Home and Training School.

A series of mystery outings have been arranged for members of the club throughout the year, which have been very entertaining and remunerative.

Several card afternoons, picture nights and a bridge evening have been held, and now the club is very busy collecting articles for a jumble sale, which is to be held in September next; contributions towards this sale would be most acceptable.

Club meetings continue to be held on the first Wednesday morning of each month at "Tudor Rose" Cafe, Newspaper House, Collins Street, Melbourne, where business is discussed over morning tea, and new members are gladly welcomed.

#### VOLUNTARY HELPERS AT BABY HEALTH CENTRES.

The Council wishes to thank the voluntary helpers at the various Baby Health Centres affiliated with the Association for the splendid services they are rendering to the movement. Sisters in charge of Centres are extremely grateful for this valuable assistance and the keen interest shown by the helpers is very much appreciated.

To Mrs. H. L. Williams, the Association owes a debt of gratitude for all she has done and continues to do in this branch of work as Hon. Organiser of the voluntary helpers and convenor of the V.B.H.C.A. Voluntary Helpers' Club.

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

The work of the Mothercraft Home and Training School has progressed very satisfactorily during the year, and the various activities carried on at this institution seem to increase each year.

#### Admissions to Mothercraft Home—

Total number of babies . . . . .	68
Breast-fed babies . . . . .	30
Artificially-fed babies . . . . .	38
Mothers admitted to residence . . . . .	30

**Twelve of the babies admitted were premature babies.**

No deaths reported from Home for the year.

In addition, many mothers experiencing difficulty with their babies, and who for domestic reasons cannot come into full residence, are admitted for a daily residence for varying periods. They are thus enabled to receive the special advice and care necessary, which is of great help to them. Many of these mothers are referred to the Mothercraft Home by the doctors in charge of out-patients at the hospitals and from the local Baby Health Centres when they are found to be in need of more detailed investigation, supervision and help than can be given otherwise.

**Trainees.**—The number of nurses trained in infant welfare for the year was 25, making a total of 430 trained by the Association since the inception of the movement.

Three infant welfare sisters were given two weeks' refresher courses during the year.

The "Margaret White" prize given for the best trainee of the year has been allotted to Sister Gwen Jones.

**Medical Students.**—The number of medical students attending for special tuition in infant feeding and management during the year was 33, making a total of 209 medical students who have gone through the special course arranged for them at the Association's Mothercraft Home. Recently the time allotted for this special course for medical students has been increased by the authorities responsible for the training of medical students, and it is encouraging to note that this important branch of preventive medicine is becoming increasingly recognised and valued by members of the medical profession.

**Post Graduate Course.**—A special post graduate course in infant feeding and management with special lectures and demonstrations was given in June to midwifery nurses at the request of the Women's Hospital.

**Voluntary Helpers.**—Special courses of instruction during the year have been arranged for voluntary helpers to enable them to have some knowledge and experience of their work before assisting the sisters in charge of Centres. During the year students from the Kindergarten Training College visited the Training School for tuition in "Bathing the Baby" and demonstrations on babies of 3 months, 6 months, 9 months and 12 months were given to enable them to observe the physical and mental activities of infants at those ages.

Lectures during the year were given at the Mothercraft Home and Training School by Dr. Anita Mühl to matrons and tutor sisters in charge of Infant Welfare Training Schools on the various psychiatric problems occurring in childhood. This course was arranged with Dr. Anita Mühl by the Director of Infant Welfare, the Association offering the use of the Training School as a convenient centre for such lectures to be held.

**Model Baby Health Centre.**—Attendances at the Model Baby Health Centre, run in connection with the Mothercraft Home and Training School, have been good.

Total attendances for the year . . . . .	1744	
Babies under 2 years . . . . .	1684	
Children over 2 years . . . . .	60	
Individual babies under 1 year . . . . .	261	} 397
Individual babies over 1 year . . . . .	79	
Children over 2 years of age . . . . .	57	

A **Pre-School Child Clinic** is held each month at the Training School, and lectures are given to the trainees by the Association's Medical Officer, Dr. Kate Campbell, on the pre-school child. Special attention is given to diet, posture, exercise, play material and clothing.

This is important, as such instruction is not included in the curriculum for the State examination in infant welfare, but as many children of this age are being brought to the Health Centres for advice, the Council feels it is extremely necessary for its trainees to have some special knowledge and experience with these children.

The Council wishes to express its very deep appreciation of the wonderful work carried out at its Mothercraft Home and Training School by all members of the staff.

The whole of the tuition and work is under the care of the Association's Medical Officer, Dr. Kate Campbell, who also visits and supervises the care of the mothers and babies in residence. Dr. Campbell also gives lectures once a month to the sisters-in-charge of Centres affiliated with the Association. These lectures are extremely valued by the sisters, as evidenced by the large attendances. Many sisters come long distances to avail themselves of this opportunity of keeping up to date in knowledge of subjects connected with their work. The Council deeply appreciates having Dr. Campbell's interest and services available at the Mothercraft Home and Training School.

The Council would also like to express to Matron Sage how much it appreciates her very capable management of all the many details in connection with the running of the Mothercraft Home and Training School. The Council knows that the many activities carried on there entail a great deal of careful thought and time devoted to them to ensure a smooth running and high efficiency in the work.

The Council appreciates the fact that such a training school is necessarily the "nerve centre" of the whole infant welfare movement, since the efficiency of the work done by the sisters-in-charge of the Baby Health Centres rests largely on the training they have received. Consequently the efficient work of Dr. Kate Campbell, Matron Sage and the Assistant Matron (Miss J. Macknight) is highly valued.



Matron reports that during the year 70 applications for admission had to be refused from lack of accommodation. With so many mothers and babies needing the special care obtainable at the Mothercraft Home, but who have to be refused admission, more accommodation is urgently needed. This might be provided either by extensive additions and alterations on the present site, but preferably by the provision of a new, modern and larger Mothercraft Home on a new site, which would be the ideal. The number of "difficult" and "nervous" babies needing admission is definitely increasing, those coming in for "dietetic" problems on the whole are fewer. The "nervous" and "difficult" baby needs special accommodation for successful treatment and care, which gives another reason for the necessity of improved accommodation.

The most urgent problem at present before the Council must necessarily be in connection with its Mothercraft Home, at which so much useful work is carried out. At the present site any extension work to the Mothercraft Home is rendered difficult by the additions already carried out by the Women's Hospital, which is situated next to the Mothercraft Home, and owns the land on which the Mothercraft Home is built. The new buildings, erected by the Women's Hospital, by their close proximity to our own building, have, of necessity, rendered many of the rooms in the Mothercraft Home very dark.

**Case Reports.**—The following are some of the cases successfully treated at the Mothercraft Home. They will afford an indication of the many beneficial results which follow the expert care available there, and they speak for themselves of the work in progress. With extended and improved accommodation, so much more could be done for those who seek admission but cannot be admitted through lack of beds.

Especially is there need for good quarters to enable the Mothercraft Home to take in more mothers for re-establishment of breast feeding. Some of the cases mentioned will show what can be done for the mothers in this respect.

**Case I.** "Thomas."—This baby was breast fed for 11 days, then the mother became ill with pneumonia and pyelitis. The baby was consequently weaned from the breast and put on a cow's milk mixture. After a further two weeks, the mother was transferred from the hospital to the Mothercraft Home with her baby, the baby having had no breast milk for two weeks. Re-establishment was attempted and 1 2/8 ozs. of breast milk only was obtained in the first 24 hours. After 13 days' treatment, 29 ozs. of breast milk was yielded, and the baby left the Mothercraft Home fully breast fed.

**Case II.** "Robert."—Robert was a very premature baby, born at home. His mother was very ill at the time of her confinement, which was a difficult one. The baby was too ill to be weighed at birth, so its birth weight was not known. The baby was so feeble that the doctor had little hope of his surviving.

The baby was admitted to the Mothercraft Home three hours after birth in a very cyanosed (blue) condition, he was very weak, and had a sub-normal temperature. Carbogen and coramine were given on admittance. Six days after birth when the baby was able to be weighed, his weight was 3 1/4 lbs.



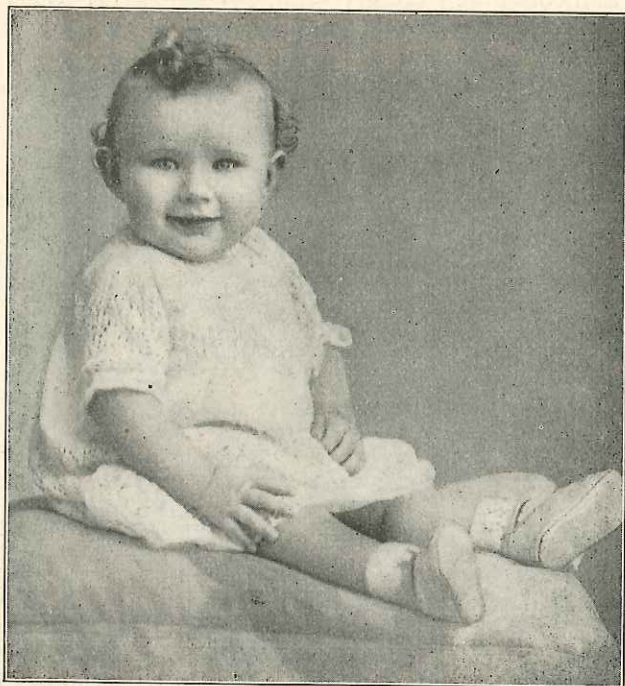
"Eric" at 16 months. (See Case III.)

Some weeks later the mother was admitted to the Mothercraft Home for re-establishment of breast feeding, which was completely successful, and mother and baby were discharged from the Mothercraft Home when the baby was two months of age, and he was being fully breast fed.

**Case III.** "Eric."—This baby was 8 lbs. 5 ozs. at birth. When he was eight weeks old he was admitted to a private hospital. At five months of age his weight was only 8 lbs. 8 ozs., i.e., 3 ozs. heavier than his birth weight, and at this stage he was transferred to the care of the Association's "Mothercraft Home." On admission he was a very thin, ill-nourished little baby, with a history of frequent vomiting and frequent abnormal motions.

After admission, Eric gained 15 1/2 ozs. in the first week, and continued to gain weight until he was discharged at one year, weighing 20 1/2 lbs., and on a normal diet for his age.

At 16 months he weighed 27 lbs. and was doing well and had taken a prize at a local baby show, to his mother's delight. (See photo at 16 months.)



"Evelyn" at 10 months. (See Case IV.)

**Case IV. "Evelyn."**—This baby was 7 lbs. 10 ozs. at birth, and was admitted to the Mothercraft Home at 11 weeks of age weighing 6 lbs. 9.6/8 ozs., i.e., 1.2/8 ozs. below her birth weight.

On admission this baby was very pale, emaciated and dehydrated, with a history of continual vomiting. This baby, prior to admission to the Mothercraft Home, had been breast fed for 10 days, and then weaned, with subsequent frequent changes of diet with no improvement in the vomiting, and a continued failure to gain in weight.

On the fourth day after admission to the Mothercraft Home, the baby had gained 12.3/8 ozs. in weight. In the second week after admission, the baby gained a further 18 ozs. This baby was discharged after 2½ months' residence, weighing 13 lbs.

This case is one of the very many typical cases of "habit vomiting" in young babies, requiring the very special and detailed care in feeding and mothercraft, such as is obtainable at the Association's Mothercraft Home. (See photo at 10 months.)

**Case V. "Berna."**—This baby weighed 7½ lbs. at birth, and on admission to the Mothercraft Home at 11 weeks of age she weighed only 7 lbs. 15½ ozs. Prior to admission to the Mothercraft Home, the baby had been in a private hospital for five weeks. The baby had a partial cleft palate.

The baby was transferred from the private hospital to the Mothercraft Home, and with special feeding care the baby gained 13 ozs. in the first week, and was subsequently discharged after two months, weighing 13¼ lbs., and taking her food well.

**Case VI. "Kathleen."**—This baby was admitted to the Mothercraft Home on account of difficulty in sucking at the breast and with a history that the baby went "blue" when it attempted to suck. The baby's birth weight was 5 lbs. 12 ozs., and at two weeks of age, when admitted, the weight was 5 lbs. 3 ozs.

The difficulty with sucking was found to be due to a congenital obstruction of the nasal passages.

When the baby was admitted she was partially breast fed only. The mother secreted 5½ ozs. only of breast milk in the first 24 hours.

With expert care and re-establishment treatment the baby was able to be completely breast fed on the tenth day. The mother was secreting 21 ozs. at the thirteenth day. The baby was discharged completely breast fed and sucking normally.

It is evident from this report that the activities carried on at the Association's Mothercraft Home and Training School are many and varied; also they are of great importance to the community.

The cost to the Association of running its Mothercraft Home and Training School and its Model Baby Health Centre averages about £1,500 a year. The only guaranteed income to the Mothercraft Home and Training School is the £200 annual grant from the Charities Board.

#### GIFTS TO TRAINING SCHOOL, 1938-39.

- Ivanhoe Auxiliary.—Woollen garments for babies.
- Girls' School, South Melbourne.—Infants' garments.
- Girls' School, Coburg.—Infants' garments.
- Voluntary Helpers' Club.—6 doz. squares.
- Fitzroy Girls' School (Repatriation Dept., Bell Street).—25 doz. squares.
- Miss R. Matthew, Auburn.—Infants' garments.
- Mr. Arthur Sage.—Many gifts of fruit and vegetables.
- Bendigo Baby Health Centre Committee.—25½ doz. eggs.
- Ivanhoe Auxiliary.—2 carpets.
- Miss Flagg (Windsor).—Fruit.
- 3DB (Miss Costello).—Christmas parcel of toys and infants' garments.

Sister Forrest (Ivanhoe).—Infants' garments.  
 Mrs Derham and Miss Cuscaden.—Infants' garments.  
 High School, Essendon.—Infants' garments.  
 Training School Committee.—Christmas gifts.  
 Mrs. Preece.—Infants' garments.  
 Sister Muntz.—Fruit.  
 Sister Lewis.—Jam and fruit.

### TRAVELLING BABY HEALTH CENTRE.

As the Travelling Baby Health Centre has now been on the road 20 months, it is possible this year, for the first time, to give a report on a full year's work, which will serve as a basis of comparison for future reports.

The attendances for the year have been very good, showing that this health service provided for mothers in the remoter country districts is very much appreciated and taken advantage of.

The following figures give details of attendances:—

New entries on the roll . . . . .	252
Individual babies (under 2 years) . . . . .	470
Individual children (over 2 years) . . . . .	174
Total attendances of babies (under 2 years) . .	2333
Total attendances of children (over 2 years) . .	544
Transfers from other centres . . . . .	9
Total attendances at Centre . . . . .	2886
Number of visits to homes . . . . .	20
Total number of consultations to expectant mothers . . . . .	51

Road and weather conditions have from time to time necessitated various changes in the schedule, consequently more new babies have been enrolled, but the subsequent visits have been fewer, because of towns later omitted from the schedule.

The general health of the babies and children has been good. An epidemic of measles occurred in Ouyen and Sea Lake at the end of June. During April and May cases of mild diarrhoea were reported, which quickly responded to dietetic adjustments.

It is interesting to report that though last summer was an exceptionally hot one, and the temperatures reached in the Mallee district amongst the highest in the State, the heat made no appreciable difference to the health and progress of the babies, who continued to make normal gains in weight. There appear to be very few cases of obvious malnutrition in the districts served by the caravan.

The number of children of pre-school age attending the Health Centre is very satisfactory, and the mothers are very glad of the help and advice in regard to diet and general regime for these children and for the helpful suggestions given in overcoming some of the "behaviour problems."

The mileage covered during the year has been 9,556 miles, roughly 800 miles a month. The engine is at present running well, and very few mechanical defects have occurred during the year.

There was some trouble with the generator and distributor, and the clutch linings have been renewed from time to time, this being due to the caravan having to travel through so much heavy sand. During the very hot spells several tyre blow-outs occurred.



Mallee Mothers attending Travelling Baby Health Centre.

The extremes of temperature to which the caravan is exposed, together with the fact that it is out in all weathers and is seldom under cover, have caused a certain amount of wear and tear on the body work. The rubber beadings lining the windows, etc., have had to be renewed, and lately some leakage of rain has occurred, and repairs to rectify this have to be undertaken from time to time.

Many minor improvements to the fittings in the caravan have been made, and extra cupboards added for books, etc. These alterations have added to the efficient working of the caravan, and to the comfort of the sisters-in-charge.

The Council is very grateful to Mr. Kerr for the very great interest he maintains in the caravan, and in its efficient running. Mr. Kerr has been most helpful during the year in advising and supervising any overhauls and repairs that have been necessary; he made a special trip to the Mallee to investigate the cause of rain seeping into the caravan, and which was causing discomfort to the sisters.

From time to time a number of alterations have had to be made in the former schedule of townships served by the caravan. This has been necessitated by the unusually long dry summer, which rendered many of the roads impassable

for the caravan owing to the heavy sand that had to be traversed. These changes have been very much regretted as some of the more outback and smaller townships had to be omitted until road conditions are improved.

The sisters will continue to advise and help mothers in these districts by correspondence. There is no doubt that the mothers in the omitted areas very much miss the health service formerly provided for them and frequent requests as to the possibility of a resumption of the service are received. When road conditions are improved the schedule will again be altered to reinclude as many townships as possible.

The townships omitted are Manangatang, Piangil, Haysdale, Kooloonong, Boundary Bend, Robinvale, Bannister, Annuello, Bolton, Kulwin, Tooleybuc, Mittiack, Nandaly, Waitchie, Chillingollah, Chinkapook and Patchewallock.

The present schedule includes the following townships:—

**1st Week.**—Murrayville, Cowangie, Tutye, Boinka, Linga, Ouyen, Tempy, Gama, Lascelles, Woomelang, Sea Lake.

**2nd Week.**—Culgoa, Nullawil, Lalbert, Ultima, Sea Lake, Woomelang, Ouyen, Walpuep.

During the year 3DB has broadcast daily the whereabouts of the caravan and its schedule. This is a great help to the country mothers, who know exactly when and where the caravan is to be found each day. Also if any delays or alterations occur in the schedule these are immediately put on the air; this is a great convenience to the mothers.

This helpful service from 3DB is very much valued by those living in the district and by the Council.

The Council is very grateful for the special donations received to aid it in maintaining the caravan on the road. The following donations are gratefully acknowledged:—Country Women's Association, St. Kilda Branch, £5; Country Women's Association, Heidelberg Branch, £2/2/-; Kooloonong C.W.A., £1/13/-; Ultima C.W.A., £1/1/-; Mrs. Hill (proceeds of dance), £1/6/-; Contribution Box (Caravan), £4/18/8; Warragul Baby Health Centre Committee, £1/1/-; Rotary Club (proceeds of ball held in aid of Travelling Centre), £437/1/3.

As the Travelling Baby Health Centre is maintained solely by voluntary contributions, and no grant or assistance is received from the Government or shires in whose districts it travels, such help from the public interested in this work is very much valued. Much help in the work carried out by the Travelling Baby Health Centre has been received from members of the Country Women's Association in the districts visited. Their interest, assistance and propaganda work has been invaluable to the sister-in-charge.

The Council regrets very much Sister Hughston's resignation as one of the sisters-in-charge of the caravan. Sister Hughston resigned at the end of June in order to go to England.

She was one of the original sisters appointed to the caravan when it first went on the road, and has been with it for twenty months. Much of the successful inauguration of this service was due to Sister Hughston's energy, enthusiasm and interest in the work. She was extremely popular with the mothers in the district and will be much missed by them.

The Council would like to place on record its appreciation of Sister Hughston's long term with the caravan and her fine work with it. The caravan is at present in charge of Sister Morton and Sister Serpell, who share all the duties in connection with the work. The Council is very grateful to them for the fine way they are carrying on this health service, which means so much to so many mothers. Letters of appreciation are constantly received from mothers expressing their gratitude for the wonderful help the sisters give them, and the Council is extremely grateful to the sisters in charge of the caravan for the efficient way they keep the caravan running to schedule, with few delays or hold-ups, and despite difficult weather and road conditions. Severe dust-storms, sometimes twice a week, have been frequent this summer, and recently heavy rains have made driving conditions difficult. Despite the many troubles inseparable from this nomadic life, no complaints are received from the sisters, and usually only a humorous reference is made in regard to any discomfort experienced. The caravan was originally given to the Association as a memorial to the pioneer women of Victoria, and one feels the spirit that dominated the pioneer women in the country in former years is still present in the sisters who have so willingly undertaken to carry on this work in the caravan for the benefit of the women in the remoter country districts.

#### LECTURES ON MOTHERCRAFT.

During the past year the following schools have received lectures in "Mothercraft":—

"Clyde" Girls' School, Woodend.

"Fintona" Presbyterian Girls' School, Balwyn.

"Firbank" Church of England Girls' Grammar School, Brighton.

Coburg, Essendon and Hampton High Schools.

Brighton and Swinburne Girls' Technical Schools.

Richmond, Collingwood, Fitzroy, Brunswick, Preston, East Camberwell, Flemington and J. H. Boyd Girls' Schools.

State Schools at South Richmond, Hawthorn, Burnley, East Malvern, Westgarth, Brunswick North, Port Melbourne, Ivanhoe, Heidelberg, Fairfield, Middle Park, Ascot Vale, Armadale, Auburn, Thornbury, Gardiner, Collingwood, Albert Park, Deepdene, East Kew, Fitzroy, Kew, Elwood and Windsor.

Lectures were given to two groups of students at the Emily McPherson College of Domestic Economy; also to the students of the Kindergarten Training College, Kew.

The latter group of students, with the Principal of the College (Miss Heinig), paid a visit to the Victorian Baby Health Centres Training School and were much impressed by the work that was carried out there.

A course of lectures was given to the midwifery trainees of St. George's Intermediate Hospital, Kew, and also to the members of the Young Women's Christian Association, Russell Street, Melbourne.

A lecture was given to the members of the Mothers' Union, "All Saints" Church, St. Kilda, during the year.

The results of examinations held in the schools were as follows:—

Certificates awarded . . . . .	1047
Passes obtained . . . . .	730
Total number of candidates . . . . .	1986

Many of the pupils receiving lectures on Mothercraft have given gifts of singlets, jackets and petticoats to the Training School.

The Fitzroy Girls' School (Repatriation Department) gave a parcel of two dozen napkins and one dozen pairs of bootees. Essendon High School—parcel of knitted garments. J. H. Boyd School—flannel jackets.

Applications are being made to the Association in increasing numbers by new schools for the services of the Association's Lecturing Sister, Sister Colvin, and the Council would like to extend this branch of its work by employing other sisters for this purpose—if funds were available. The salary of the Association's full time lecturing sister is borne by the Association with no subsidy from any source. This education in Mothercraft to senior girls in schools plays a very important part in educating them for future parenthood.

#### CO-OPERATION.

The Council wishes to thank Professor Marshall Allan for his continued interest in the Association. To Dr. Hilda Kincaid, Dr. George Simpson and Dr. Hallows, sincere thanks are rendered for their valued help as lecturers and examiners at the Training School.

The Council would like to express its appreciation of the helpful interest and co-operation received during the year from the Director of Infant Welfare, Dr. Scantlebury-Brown, and members of her department, in the work of the Association. The Council feels that the closer it can work with the Director of Infant Welfare, and with other organisations interested in this work, the more effective will be the results achieved, and the movement throughout the State will thereby be strengthened.

The City Council very generously repainted the exterior of the Training School during the year, and the Council very much appreciated this practical help.

The Council wishes to thank 3DB Broadcasting Station for the woollen garments for the babies received during the year.

#### STATE GOVERNMENT.

The Victorian Government has subsidised the Centres £1 for £1 with the Municipal Councils up to £112/10/- for the salary of each approved nurse appointed. This amount includes subsidy of salary for each relieving nurse appointed when the sister-in-charge of Centres is on annual leave.

The full subsidy of £112/10/- is given on condition that the salary of the full time nurse is not less than £208 per annum.

If the salary of the nurse is less than £208 per annum for a full time nurse, the subsidy is payable on the basis of half that salary paid to the nurse. Consequently the Government makes no provision at all for any maintenance expenses in connection with the Centres, which it did prior to the depression period. When the movement was inaugurated the Government agreed to pay up to £125 per annum on a £1 for £1 basis with the Municipal Councils, as the estimated cost of running a full time Centre was £250 per annum (including salary of nurse and maintenance of Centre). The Council would like to express its appreciation of the subsidy given in aiding this work, and to express the hope that the Government will further encourage the Municipal Councils in this work by making to them a full restoration of the former grant.

Considering the vast amount of work carried on at the Centres throughout the State in educating parents in the proper care and upbringing of their families, money spent in aiding this work will be amply repaid by preventing future ill-health in the community, which it is far more costly to cure than to prevent.

#### MUNICIPAL AND SHIRE COUNCILS.

The Municipal and Shire Councils take a very active and encouraging interest in their Centres. Many exceedingly fine new Centre buildings have been erected by Councils this year, and others are contemplated. The whole cost of the erection of these buildings is borne by the Councils, which subsidise the Centres £1 for £1 with the Government, and in addition all maintenance expenses are met by the individual Councils, sometimes with local support from the public.

In many new Centres being built provision for waiting places and outside playgrounds for children of pre-school age is being made.

There is no doubt that the Municipal and Shire Councils recognise the value of the work being done in their districts by the Baby Health Centres. Representatives of the Councils attend regularly the monthly meetings of the Council of the Association. The Executive Committee values very greatly this keen interest from municipal representatives.

### CHARITIES BOARD.

The Council is grateful to the Charities Board for the grant of £200 made towards the cost of maintenance of the Mothercraft Home and Training School.

### NEWSPAPER DEPOT.

The Newspaper Depot continues to be a source of revenue to the Association. Donors of paper are very sincerely thanked for their interest and the regular supplies of paper received.

Many schools have arranged for collections of paper for the depot. Special mention must be made of Northcote High School for the largest supply of paper received during the year. The Council is very grateful for this assistance and for the kind co-operation of the head teachers in this connection.

Boxes for the collection of papers are installed at Baby Health Centres and at various railway stations. The Council would like to take this opportunity of thanking all those who have contributed their papers to the Association in this way throughout the year.

### FINANCE.

The Council desires to thank the Trustees of the Alfred Felton Estate, Alfred Edments Estate, the H. V. McKay Charitable Trust, J. R. MacPherson Trust, Trustees of the Estate of the late Madame C. d' A. Fonceca, Trustees Helen Gyles Turner's Estate, Walter and Eliza Hall Trust, the David Syme Charitable Trust, Trustees Sir William Austin Zeal Estate, Trustees William Heath Estate, the T. J. Sumner Trust, Trustees Sidney Myer Charitable Trust, for their generous allocations towards the funds of the Association. The work has been considerably helped by these donations and grants towards equipment, for several new Centres have been made during the year.

The donation from Dr. Maloney's Free Milk Appeal for milk for the babies at the Mothercraft Home is much appreciated.

The following Municipal Councils have contributed towards the Association's funds and are sincerely thanked for their interest and help:—Brighton, Moorabbin, Kew, South Melbourne, Sandringham and St. Kilda.

Members of the two Auxiliaries and the Voluntary Helpers' Club are all thanked for their financial support, which has been of the greatest assistance to the Association.

The Council also thanks the Country Women's Association for donations towards the Travelling Centre, and donations have been received and gratefully acknowledged from Gippsland & Northern Co-op. Society, Messrs. G. J. Coles & Co., Mrs. Mott, Miss T. Officer, Miss Mathieson, Sir Walter Leitch, E. Truby Williams, Esq., Free Kindergarten Training College, Firbank Girls' School; Bendigo, Ringwood and Hawthorn Baby Health Centres.

The Directors of the "Argus," "Age," "Herald" and "Sun" newspapers are thanked for their co-operation and interest.

The Council desires to thank the Sisters-in-Charge of Centres for their loyal and devoted services, without which it would be impossible to carry on so successfully the work for the mothers and babies of Victoria.

In conclusion, it must be mentioned that infant welfare work has now been in operation in Victoria for twenty-two years. For those who doubt the benefits derived from this valuable educational service made available to all mothers through the Baby Health Centres, one has but to recall that in 1916, prior to its establishment, 74 babies under one year died out of every 1,000 born. In 1938 that figure had been reduced to 34.21, the lowest figure on record for Victoria.

The movement in this State, which was originally pioneered by this Association, has grown and flourished with the years. Many additions and improvements in this service have been effected.

The Association has, as a voluntary organisation, endeavoured to play an active part in these changes and improvements, thereby inviting the confidence of the public it wishes to serve. Any past achievements must act as a spur to future endeavour so that this service may be rendered more complete and perfect and the future be as fruitful of results as the past.

## Victorian Baby Health Centres Association

### GRANTS AND DONATIONS.

Felton Bequests Committee .. . . .	£360	0	0
Trustees Estate of the late Madame C. d'A. Fonceca .. . . .	100	0	0
Trustees Alfred Edments Estate .. . . .	90	0	0
Trustees Sidney Myer Charitable Trust .. . . .	50	0	0
Trustees Henry Gyles Turner Estate .. . . .	28	0	0
Trustees David Syme Charitable Trust .. . . .	25	0	0
Trustees J. R. MacPherson Trust .. . . .	20	0	0
Trustees T. J. Sumner Trust .. . . .	15	0	0
Trustees Stanley Heath Fund .. . . .	10	0	0
Messrs. G. J. Coles Limited .. . . .	5	5	0
Sir Walter Leitch .. . . .	5	5	0
Mr. E. Truby Williams .. . . .	2	2	0
Mr. R. P. Creed .. . . .	2	2	0
State Savings Bank Officers' Association .. . . .	2	2	0
Mr. Justice Lowe .. . . .	1	5	0
Mr. C. H. Book .. . . .	1	5	0
Mrs. E. E. Mott .. . . .	1	1	0
Miss Mathieson .. . . .	1	1	0
Ringwood Baby Health Centre Committee .. . . .	1	1	0
Gippsland & Northern Co-operative Society .. . . .	0	10	6

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**Donations from Municipal Councils—**

Brighton City Council .. . . . . .	£10 0 0	
St. Kilda City Council .. . . . . .	5 5 0	
Kew City Council .. . . . . .	5 0 0	
South Melbourne City Council .. . . . . .	2 10 0	
Sandringham City Council .. . . . . .	2 2 0	
Moorabbin City Council .. . . . . .	2 2 0	
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**Donations in Appreciation of Lectures on "Mothercraft" Arranged by the Association—**

Free Kindergarten Union .. . . . . .	£3 10 0	
Flemington Girls' School .. . . . . .	0 10 6	
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Grant from Charities Board (Victoria) .. . . . . . £200 0 0

"Margaret White" Prize for Best Trainee of Year (donated by Mrs. C. O. White) .. . . . . . £1 1 0

**Donations Towards Mothercraft Home and Training School and Model Baby Health Centre—**

"Ashfield" Auxiliary (for redecoration of Lecture Room and Model Centre at Training School)	£20 0 0	
Lord Mayor's Fund .. . . . . .	18 18 2	
Trustees Walter and Eliza Hall Trust .. . . . . .	18 0 0	
Dr. Maloney's Free Milk Appeal Fund .. . . . . .	15 0 0	
Voluntary Helpers' Club (for steel filing cabinet and material for infants' garments) .. . . . . .	13 13 6	
Donation Box—Training School .. . . . . .	5 14 6	
Miss T. Officer .. . . . . .	5 5 0	
Bendigo Baby Health Centre .. . . . . .	2 2 0	
Hawthorn Baby Health Centre .. . . . . .	1 2 0	
Victorian Baby Health Centres Sisters' Club .. . . . . .	1 1 0	
Victoria Palace Limited .. . . . . .	1 1 0	
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**Donations Towards Travelling Baby Health Centre—**

Rotary Club—Proceeds from Rotary Club Ball .. . . . . .	£437 1 3	
Country Women's Association—		
St. Kilda Branch .. . . . . .	£5 0 0	
Heidelberg Branch .. . . . . .	2 2 0	
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# Victorian Baby Health Centres Association

## ANNUAL RETURNS, 1938-1939.

Individual Babies Attended Centres Under 2 Years . . . . .	32,090				Total Attendances of Babies at Centres Under 2 Years . . . . .	373,092
Individual Children Over 2 Years of Age . . . . .	9,520				Total Attendances of Children Over 2 Years . . . . .	42,608
		41,610				415,700
Total number of visits paid by Sisters to Homes . . . . .		55,774			Individual Expectant Mothers Advised . . . . .	4,602

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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 Attendances—Babies.	Total Attendances—Children.	Visits to Homes.	Individual Expectant Mothers Advised.
Ararat . . . . .	Town Hall . . . . .	1	229	60	2145	123	617	13
	Willaura . . . . .							
Bairnsdale . . . . .	Nicholson Street . . . . .	1	186	37	2254	59	628	15
Ballarat . . . . .	Camp Street . . . . .							
	Ballarat East . . . . .							
	Buninyong . . . . .	2	1223	429	10,532	1862	2833	193
	Daylesford . . . . .							
Belmont . . . . .	Sebastopol . . . . .							
	Mt. Pleasant Road (same Sister as Mulgrave) . . . . .	—	53	36	646	192	133	3
Benalla . . . . .	Bridge Street . . . . .	1	259	127	3262	363	523	26
	Devenish . . . . .							
Bendigo . . . . .	Bendigo . . . . .							
	Eaglehawk . . . . .	2	970	145	9204	704	1650	99
	Elmore . . . . .							
Blackburn-Mitcham . . . . .	(Same Sister as Ringwood) . . . . .	—	181	95	2866	1290	732	38
Box Hill . . . . .	Whitehorse Road . . . . .	1	298	61	4906	839	1305	66



ANNUAL RETURNS, 1938-1939 (Continued).

Municipality.	Centres.	No. of Centre Sisters.	Individual Babies at Centres under 2 Yrs.	Individual Children at Centres Over 2 Yrs.	Total Attendances—Babies.	Total Attendances—Children.	Visits to Homes.	Individual Expectant Mothers Advised.
Brighton . . . .	Parliament Street . . . .	2	730	153	7557	428	1337	73
	East Brighton . . . .							
Brunswick . . . .	Town Hall . . . .	2	909	96	10279	406	149	244
	Progress Hall . . . .							
	Lygon Street . . . .	1						
Camberwell . . . .	Town Hall . . . .	1						
	Camberwell South . . . .							
	Canterbury . . . .	1						
	Balwyn . . . .	4	1788	501	25,716	1691	1751	217
	Burwood and Hartwell . . . .							
	Glen Iris . . . .							
	Surrey Hills . . . .							
Casterton . . . .	Casterton . . . .	1	128	21	525	61	122	1
Caulfield . . . .	Town Hall . . . .	4	1637	222	18,547	2019	1952	228
	Carnegie . . . .							
	Ormond . . . .							
Castlemaine . . . .	Town Hall . . . .	1	263	51	3154	268	348	26
Chelsea . . . .	Station Street . . . .	1	273	9	2924	23	567	33
Colac . . . .	Colac . . . .	1	434	98	3924	438	1176	19
	Birregurra . . . .							
	Cororooke . . . .							
Coleraine . . . .	Coleraine . . . .	1	80	—	452	249	—	—
Collingwood . . . .	Gahan Reserve . . . .	2	757	190	11,017	656	1644	130
Cranbourne . . . .	Lang Lang . . . .	1	29	21	354	68	15	2
	Pearcedale . . . .							
Doncaster and Templestowe . . . .	Warrandyte . . . .	1	26	12	281	80	193	16
Echuca . . . .	Town Hall . . . .	1	159	79	1199	267	737	17

ANNUAL RETURNS, 1938-1939 (Continued).

Municipality.	Centres.	No. of Centre Sisters.	Individual Babies at Centres under 2 Yrs.	Individual Children at Centres Over 2 Yrs.	Total Attendances—Babies.	Total Attendances—Children.	Visits to Homes.	Individual Expectant Mothers Advised.
Essendon . . . .	Pascoe Vale Road . . . .	3	1368	576	17,178	2037	1404	138
	Ascot Vale . . . .							
	North Essendon . . . .				4131	613	336	50
Ferntree Gully . . . .	B.H.C. . . . .	1	352	116				
	Bayswater . . . .							
	Belgrave . . . .							
	Boronia . . . .							
	Emerald . . . .				11,333	754	1148	135
	Monbulk . . . .							
Fitzroy . . . .	Young Street . . . .	2	884	202	14,976	1225	1575	193
	North Fitzroy . . . .							
Geelong . . . .	Geelong City . . . .	3	1151	286				
	Geelong West . . . .							
	Newtown and Chillwell . . . .				393	47	47	3
	Queenscliff . . . .							
Gisborne . . . .	Gisborne . . . .	1	31	11	3038	479	1438	33
	Macedon . . . .				2778	573	795	21
Hamilton . . . .	B.H.C. . . . .	1	453	149				
Hampden . . . .	Camperdown . . . .	1	318	123				
	Derrinallum . . . .							
	Lismore . . . .				5013	116	597	53
	Terang . . . .							
Hawthorn . . . .	Burwood Road . . . .	2	608	62	16,073	2693	2383	156
	Auburn . . . .							
Heidelberg . . . .	Barkly Place . . . .	3	1185	529				
	West Heidelberg . . . .							
	Alphington . . . .							
	Fairfield . . . .							
	Greensborough . . . .							
	Ivanhoe . . . .							
Kerang . . . .	Shire Hall . . . .	1	New Centre		10,452	1343	1197	58
Kew . . . .	Town Hall . . . .	2	673	205				
	East Kew . . . .							
	North Kew . . . .							

ANNUAL RETURNS, 1938-1939 (Continued).

Municipality.	Centres.	No. of Centre Sisters.	Individual Babies at Centres under 2 Yrs.	Individual Children at Centres Over 2 Yrs.	Total Attendances—Babies.	Total Attendances—Children.	Visits to Homes.	Individual Expectant Mothers Advised.
Koroit . . . . .	Koroit (same Sister as Port Fairy) . . . . .	—	59	15	653	50	112	4
Korumburra . . . . .	New Centre.							
Lilydale . . . . .	Lilydale . . . . .	1	169	63	2558	520	328	80
	Croydon . . . . .							
	Mt. Evelyn . . . . .							
	Wandin Yallock . . . . .							
Malvern . . . . .	Barkly Avenue . . . . .	2	1057	414	11,849	1051	1257	142
	East Malvern . . . . .							
Maryborough . . . . .	Clarendon Street . . . . .	1	285	76	2825	659	649	34
Melbourne City . . . . .	Swanston Street . . . . .	5	2081	1381	21,319	4983	4207	337
	North Carlton . . . . .							
	Flemington . . . . .							
	North Melbourne . . . . .							
Mildura . . . . .	Mildura . . . . .	1	470	136	4460	303	1478	54
Moorabbin . . . . .	Point Nepean Road . . . . .	1	448	40	5153	40	957	51
Mulgrave . . . . .	Clayton . . . . .	1	75	73	756	401	163	10
	Glen Waverley . . . . .							
Northcote . . . . .	Oldis Avenue . . . . .	2	970	330	13,072	1904	1269	94
	Thornbury . . . . .							
Oakleigh . . . . .	Warawee Park . . . . .	1	435	26	6171	248	652	89
Pakenham . . . . .	Pakenham East . . . . .	1	40	8	316	29	—	13
Port Fairy . . . . .	Borough Chambers . . . . .	1	84	33	1227	188	361	5
Portland . . . . .	Portland . . . . .	1	169	59	2642	378	178	46
	Heywood . . . . .							
	Branxholme . . . . .							
Port Melbourne . . . . .	Liardet Street . . . . .	1	518	—	4880	—	750	91
Prahran . . . . .	Malvern Road . . . . .	2	1206	323	15,223	1116	1465	245
Redcliffs . . . . .	Redcliffs and Merbein . . . . .	1	305	100	3305	202	879	2

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Richmond . . . . .	Richmond North . . . . .	2	936	164	14,640	1751	1701	133
	Richmond South . . . . .							
	Burnley . . . . .							
Ringwood . . . . .	Town Hall . . . . .	1	132	40	1333	693	289	26
Rochester . . . . .	Town Hall (same Sister as Echuca) . . . . .	1	66	37	588	120	335	9
Sandringham . . . . .	Town Hall . . . . .	1	431	32	4538	197	620	46
	Hampton . . . . .							
Shepparton . . . . .	Queen's Gardens . . . . .	1	201	195	4903	414	1350	92
	Dookie . . . . .							
South Melbourne . . . . .	Town Hall . . . . .	2	997	246	14,102	1229	2248	200
	Albert Park . . . . .							
	Montague . . . . .							
St. Kilda . . . . .	Chapel Street . . . . .	2	983	260	10,503	1794	1479	129
Stawell . . . . .	Town Hall (same Sister as Ararat) . . . . .	1	150	51	1374	72	479	7
	Glenorchy . . . . .							
Warracknabeal . . . . .	Warracknabeal . . . . .	1	131	59	1525	349	164	36
Warragul . . . . .	B.H.C. . . . .	1	407	242	4481	756	603	167
	Bunyip . . . . .							
	Garfield . . . . .							
Wonthaggi . . . . .	McBride Street . . . . .	1	228	63	2383	251	876	52
	North Wonthaggi . . . . .							
Warrnambool . . . . .	Liebig Street . . . . .	1	354	79	2932	189	593	49
Winchelsea . . . . .	Winchelsea . . . . .	1	31	8	220	20	51	2
Woorayl . . . . .	Leongatha . . . . .	1	227	34	2035	131	412	15
	Meenyan . . . . .							
	Mirboo North . . . . .							
V.B.H.C.A. . . . .	Travelling Centre (Upper Mallee) . . . . .	2	470	174	2333	544	20	26
V.B.H.C.A. . . . .	Model Centre (Carlton) . . . . .	—	340	57	1684	60	517	17

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## LIST OF CENTRES.

- ALBERT PARK.—18 Dundas Place. Monday and Friday, 11 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 4 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- ALPHINGTON.—Methodist Hall, Heidelberg Road. Monday and Thursday, 1 to 4.30 p.m.
- ARARAT.—Town Hall. Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursday, 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- ASCOT VALE.—Maribyrnong Road. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- AUBURN.—Recreation Hall, Auburn Road. Tuesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- BAIRNSDALE.—B.H.C., Nicholson Street. Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- BALLARAT.—B.H.C., Camp Street. Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 9.30 to 12 noon, and 1 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday, 1 to 4.30 p.m.
- BALLARAT EAST.—Barkly Street. Monday and Wednesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Friday, 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- BALWYN.—B.H.C., Cherry Street, off Whitehorse Road. Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- BAYSWATER.—Public Hall. Friday, 2 to 4.30 p.m.
- BELGRAVE.—B.H.C. Tuesday, 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- BELMONT.—Mount Pleasant Road. Friday, 12 noon to 4 p.m.
- BENALLA.—B.H.C., Bridge Street. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- BENDIGO.—Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- BIRREGURRA.—B.H.C., Main Street. Friday, 2 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.
- BLACKBURN.—Recreation Hall. Tuesday, 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- BORONIA.—Public Hall. Monday, 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- BOX HILL.—B.H.C., Eastern Oval, Whitehorse Road. Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- BRANXHOLME.—B.H.C. Tuesday, 1 to 4.30 p.m.
- BRIGHTON.—Parliament Street. Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday, 9.30 to 11.30 a.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- BRIGHTON EAST.—B.H.C. Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday, 9.30 to 11.30 a.m.
- BRUNSWICK.—Town Hall. Tuesday and Friday, 1.30 to 4 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4 p.m.
- BRUNSWICK.—Progress Hall. Monday, 1.30 to 4 p.m.
- BRUNSWICK EAST.—Lygon Street. Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 1.30 to 4 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4 p.m.
- BUNINYONG.—Town Hall. Fortnightly: Tuesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- BUNYIP.—Main Street. Friday, 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- BURNLEY.—St. Bartholomew's Hall, cor. Burnley and Boyd Streets. Monday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- BURWOOD-HARTWELL.—B.H.C., Trent Street, near Burwood Station. Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- CAMBERWELL.—Town Hall. Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- CAMBERWELL SOUTH.—B.H.C., Bowen Street. Monday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4 p.m.
- CAMPERDOWN.—Old Power House, Scott Street. Tuesday, 11 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- CANTERBURY.—Scott's Crescent (rear of Canterbury Gardens). Tuesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- CARLTON.—Training School, Swanston Street (near Women's Hospital). Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- CARLTON V.B.H.C.A.—Training School. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1 to 4 p.m.
- CARNEGIE.—B.H.C., 15 Truganina Road. Monday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4 p.m.; Tuesday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4 p.m.; Friday, 1 to 4 p.m.
- CASTERTON.—Thursday, 12 noon to 5 p.m.
- CASTLEMAINE.—Town Hall. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 1 to 4.30 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- CAULFIELD.—B.H.C., Hawthorn Road (near Town Hall). Monday (Exp. Mothers only), 1 to 4 p.m.; Tuesday, 9 to 11.30 a.m., and 1 to 4 p.m.; Wednesday and Thursday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Friday, 9 to 11.30 a.m., and 1 to 4 p.m.
- CHELSEA.—B.H.C., Station Street, Chelsea. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and 2 to 4 p.m.
- CLAYTON.—B.H.C. Tuesday, 12 noon to 5 p.m.
- COLAC.—B.H.C. Monday, 11 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4 p.m.; Wednesday and Thursday, 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- COLERAINE.—Tuesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- COLLINGWOOD.—Gahan Reserve. Monday to Friday, 10 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.
- COROROOKE.—Public Hall. Tuesday, 2 to 4.30 p.m.
- CROYDON.—B.H.C., Haig Avenue. Monday and Friday, 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- DAYLESFORD.—Fortnightly: Monday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- DERRINALLUM.—First and Third Friday, 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon.
- DEVENISH.—B.H.C. Alternate Thursdays, 2 to 4.30 p.m.
- DOOKIE.—C. of E. Hall. Second and Fourth Monday, 2.30 to 5 p.m.
- EAGLEHAWK.—Monday and Thursday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- ECHUCA.—Town Hall, cor. High and Hogarth Streets. Tuesday, 2 to 4.30 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 2 to 4.30 p.m.
- ELMORE.—Tuesday, 1.15 to 4.15 p.m.
- EMERALD.—Hogan's Cafe. Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon.
- ESSENDON AND MOONEE PONDS.—B.H.C., cor. of Pascoe Vale Road and Thomas Street, Moonee Ponds. Tuesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursday, 11 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- ESSENDON NORTH.—B.H.C., Lincoln Road. Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.; Thursday, 11 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- FAIRFIELD.—84 Arthur Street. Tuesday and Friday, 10.30 to 12 noon, and 1 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon.
- FERNTREE GULLY.—Main Road, Ferntree Gully. Thursday, 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- FITZROY.—Young Street (near Town Hall). Monday, Thursday and Friday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Tuesday, 10 to 11 a.m., and 1 to 4 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4 p.m.
- FITZROY NORTH.—Edinburgh Gardens, Brunswick Street. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4 p.m.
- FLEMINGTON.—Town Hall. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- GARFIELD.—Tuesday, 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.
- GEELONG.—Hopetoun Park. 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.; Friday, 2 to 4.30 p.m.
- GEELONG WEST.—Town Hall. Monday, 2 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and 2 to 4.30 p.m.

GISBORNE.—Shire Hall. Tuesday, 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4 p.m.

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

GLEN WAVERLEY.—Mechanics' Hall, Springvale Road. Thursday, 12 noon to 4.30 p.m.

GREENSBOROUGH.—Main Road. Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4.15 p.m.; Thursday, 1 to 4.15 p.m.

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

HAMPTON.—Hampton Street. Monday and Tuesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

HAWTHORN.—B.H.C., 319 Burwood Road. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

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

HEIDELBERG WEST.—Methodist Church. Wednesday, 1 to 4.30 p.m.

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

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

KERANG.—Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

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

KEW, EAST.—Strathalbyn Street, East Kew. Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 2 to 4.30 p.m.; Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

KEW, NORTH.—Peel Street, Kew. Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 2 to 4.30 p.m.

KORUMBURRA.—New Centre.

KOROIT.—Thursday, 1 to 5 p.m.

LANG LANG.—Friday, 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4 p.m.

LEONGATHA.—Memorial Hall. Wednesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursday, 10.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.; Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

LILYDALE.—Tuesday, 10.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.

LISMORE.—First and Third Fridays, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

MACEDON.—Presbyterian Guild Room. Wednesday, 1.30 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, EAST.—Old Fire Station, junction of Waverley and Dandenong Roads. Monday and Friday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4 p.m.

MARYBOROUGH.—B.H.C., Clarendon Street. Monday and Thursday, 1.30 to 5 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 5 p.m.; (December-March, 7 to 9 p.m.).

MEENIYAN.—Monday, 12.30 to 4.30 p.m.

MERBEIN.—Crosbie Hall. Tuesday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

MILDURA.—Town Hall. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 2 to 4.30 p.m.; Friday, 2 to 4.30 p.m.

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

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

MONBULK.—B.H.C. Wednesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

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

MOORABBIN.—B.H.C., Point Nepean Road. Tuesday and Thursday 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday, 1 to 4.30 p.m.

MT. EVELYN.—Wednesday, 1 to 4.30 p.m.

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

NORTH CARLTON.—B.H.C., Princes Hill, Pigdon Street. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

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

NORTH MELBOURNE.—B.H.C., Abbotsford Street, near Flemington Road. Tuesday and Wednesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Pre-School Children: Tuesday and Friday, 9.45 a.m. to 12 noon.

NORTH MELBOURNE.—Town Hall. Thursday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Pre-School Children: Wednesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

OAKLEIGH.—B.H.C., Warrawee Park. Monday and Tuesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursday, 2 to 4 p.m. (by appointment only).

ORMOND.—B.H.C., cor. Grange and Oakleigh Roads. Monday, 2 to 4 p.m. (by appointment); Tuesday and Friday, 9.45 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4 p.m.; Wednesday, 1 to 4 p.m.

PAKENHAM EAST.—Thursday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 to 4.30 p.m.

PEARCEDALE.—Thursday, 12 noon to 4 p.m.

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

PORTLAND.—Monday, 2 to 4.30 p.m.; Thursday and Friday, 11 a.m. to 12.30, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

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

PRAGRAN B.H.C., Malvern Road, near Chapel Street. Children over ARMADALE 2 years: Wednesday and Thursday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; WINDSOR Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday and Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

SOUTH YARRA Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

HAWKSBUURN 4.30 p.m.

TOORAK

QUEENSCLIFF.—Town Hall. Friday, 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m., and 2 to 4.30 p.m.

REDCLIFFS.—B.H.C. (near Methodist Church). Wednesday and Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 12 noon; Thursday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

RICHMOND.—Church Street, North Richmond. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

RICHMOND SOUTH.—Cor. of Church and Hill Streets. Tuesday and Thursday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

RINGWOOD.—Town Hall. Monday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday, 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

ROCHESTER.—Town Hall, MacKay Street. Wednesday and Thursday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

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

SEBASTOPOL.—Shire Hall. Thursday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

SHEPPARTON.—B.H.C., Queen's Gardens, Wyndham Street. Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 5 p.m.; Thursday and Friday, 1.30 to 5 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 5 p.m.; from December to March, Tuesday, 7 to 9 p.m.

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

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

STAWELL.—Town Hall. Tuesday and Friday, 2 to 4.30 p.m.

SURREY HILLS.—B.H.C., in Gardens, Union Road, off Canterbury Road. Tuesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

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

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

WANDIN YALLOAK.—Hunter Road. First and Third Thursdays, 1 to 4.30 p.m.  
 WARRAGUL.—B.H.C. Wednesday and Thursday, 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.  
 WARRACKNABEAL.—Woolcock Street. Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.  
 WARRANTYTE.—Tuesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.  
 WARRNAMBOOL.—B.H.C., Liebig Street. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.  
 WILLAURA.—Public Hall. Alternate Wednesdays, 3 to 5 p.m.  
 WINCHELSEA.—Library Building. Thursday, 1.30 to 5 p.m.  
 WONTHAGGI.—B.H.C., McBride Avenue. Monday and Friday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.; Wednesday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.  
 WONTHAGGI NORTH.—Methodist Church, White Road. Tuesday, 1.30 to 4.30 p.m.

## TRAVELLING BABY HEALTH CENTRE.

### UPPER MALLEE.

(Korkorook, Walpeup, Kerang and Wycheproof Shires.)

1st Week—Murrayville	Woomelang
Cowangie	Sea Lake
Tutye	2nd Week—Culgoa
Boinka	Nullawil
Linga	Lalbert
Ouyen	Ultima
Tempy	Sea Lake
Gama	Woomelang
Lascelles	Ouyen
	Walpeup

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## Victorian Baby Health Centres Association

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1939.

INCOME.			EXPENDITURE.		
To	Grants and Donations . . . . .	£840 6 4	By	Training School—	
	" Patients' Contributions . . . . .	167 7 0		Salaries—Medical & Nursing . . . . .	£552 5 6
	" Trainees' Fees . . . . .	364 10 0		Wages—Domestics . . . . .	186 19 0
	" Government Grant . . . . .	200 0 0		Provisions . . . . .	403 8 1
	" Newspaper Depot . . . . .	130 0 0		Fuel, Light and Heat . . . . .	138 18 4
	" Receipts from Patterns . . . . .	£5 14 5		Equipment . . . . .	58 5 7
	Less Purchases . . . . .	1 9 6		Drugs and Dressings . . . . .	25 11 11
		4 4 11		Babies' Foods . . . . .	15 8 10
				Telephone . . . . .	18 8 11
				Insurance . . . . .	16 14 11
				Repairs . . . . .	67 5 9
				Printing and Stationery . . . . .	31 6 2
				Laundry . . . . .	50 9 3
				Rent . . . . .	19 10 0
				Rates . . . . .	6 19 0
				Cleaning . . . . .	6 6 0
				Advertising . . . . .	12 6 0
				Postages and Petties . . . . .	9 0 0
					£1,619 3 3
				" Transfer to Building Fund . . . . .	43 7 8
				" Salaries—Secretarial and Lecturing . . . . .	428 2 0
				" General Expenses, Postages and Petties . . . . .	37 16 4
				" Printing and Stationery . . . . .	71 8 4
				" Equipment . . . . .	2 13 2
				" Grants to Centres . . . . .	111 0 0
				" Travelling Expenses—Lecturing Nurse . . . . .	25 9 5
				" Telephone . . . . .	23 0 0
				" Electric Light and Heating . . . . .	6 4 6
				" Rent and Cleaning . . . . .	75 0 0
				" Materials and Making Garments . . . . .	£38 4 0
				Less Receipts . . . . .	32 9 0
					5 15 0
					£2,448 19 8
		£1,706 8 3			
	" Deficit for Year . . . . .	742 11 5			
		£2,448 19 8			



**BUILDING FUND ACCOUNT.**

To Transfer from General Fund of the amount required annually to extinguish the debt at the expiration of the lease in 1949 ..	£43 7 8	By Balance at 30th June, 1938 .. .. .	£434 7 5
„ Balance at 30th June, 1939 .. .. .	390 19 9		
	<u>£434 7 5</u>		<u>£434 7 5</u>

**TRAVELLING CENTRE.  
BALANCE SHEET AT 30th JUNE, 1939.**

LIABILITIES.		ASSETS.	
General Fund .. .. .	£1,156 2 4	Fixed Deposit .. .. .	£900 0 0
Less Deficit for Year .. .. .	135 13 8	Cash at State Savings Bank .. .. .	78 1 6
	<u>£1,020 8 8</u>	Cash at National Bank of Australasia Ltd. .. .. .	42 1 2
		Cash in Hand .. .. .	0 6 0
	<u>£1,020 8 8</u>		<u>£1,020 8 8</u>

**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1939.**

INCOME.		EXPENDITURE.	
To Donations .. .. .	£454 2 11	By Salaries .. .. .	£408 10 4
„ Interest .. .. .	26 13 5	„ Repairs, Replacements and Spares .. .. .	102 13 3
„ Proceeds from Patterns .. .. .	£2 10 0	„ Petrol and Oil .. .. .	67 0 9
Less Purchases .. .. .	2 3 9	„ Insurance .. .. .	24 4 10
	<u>0 6 3</u>	„ Equipment .. .. .	1 11 6
	£481 2 7	„ Printing and Stationery .. .. .	6 9 1
„ Deficit for Year .. .. .	135 13 8	„ Postages and Petties .. .. .	6 6 6
	<u>£616 16 3</u>		<u>£616 16 3</u>

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th JUNE, 1939.**

LIABILITIES.		ASSETS.	
General Fund—		Furniture and Equipment at Central Office valued at .. .. .	£100 0 0
Balance at 30th June, 1938 before deduction of Building Fund ..	£1,429 1 9	State Savings Bank (including £100 for Cot Endowment) .. .. .	239 13 2
Less Deficit for Year .. .. .	742 11 5	National Bank of Australasia Ltd., Current Account .. .. .	69 9 5
	<u>£686 10 4</u>		
Less Building Fund Deficiency ..	390 19 9		
	<u>£295 10 7</u>		
Late Sir George Cuscaden Memorial Balance ..	13 12 0		
Cot Endowment .. .. .	100 0 0		
	<u>£409 2 7</u>		<u>£409 2 7</u>

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

Melbourne, 16th August, 1939.  
Audited and found correct—

Chartered Accountants (Australia).  
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