## The Society for the Health of Women and Children of Victoria

and

The Tweddle Hospital for Babies and School of Mothercraft (Plunket System).

# SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

1935-1936

## Aims and Objects.

1. To uphold the Sacredness of the Body and the Duty of Health; to inculcate a lofty view of the responsibilities of maternity and the duty of every mother to fit herself for the perfect fulfilment of the natural calls of motherhood, both before and after child-birth, and especially to advocate and promote the Breast-feeding of infants.

2. To acquire accurate information and knowledge on matters affecting the Health of Women and Children, and to disseminate such knowledge through the agency of its members, nurses, and others, by means of the natural handing-on from one recipient or beneficiary to another, and the use of such agencies as periodical meetings at members' houses or elsewhere, demonstrations, lectures, correspondence, newspaper articles, pamphlets, books, etc.

3. To train specially and to employ qualified Nurses, to be called Plunket Nurses, whose duty it will be to give sound, reliable instruction, advice, and assistance, gratis, to any member of the community desiring such services, on matters affecting the health and well-being of women, especially during pregnancy and while nursing infants, and on matters affecting the health and well-being of their children; and also to endeavour to educate and help parents and others in a practical way in domestic hygiene in general—all these things being done with a view to conserving the health and strength of the rising generation, and rendering both mother and offspring hardy, healthy, and resistive to disease.

4. To co-operate with any present or future organisations which are working for any of the foregoing or cognate objects.

N.B.—The Society was started as a League for mutual helpfulness and mutual education, with a full recognition of the fact that, so far as motherhood and babyhood were concerned, there was as much need for practical reform and "going to school" on the part of the cultured and well-to-do as there was on the part of the so-called "poor and ignorant."

## THE SOCIETY FOR THE HEALTH OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN OF VICTORIA

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## THE SOCIETY FOR THE HEALTH OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN OF VICTORIA AND

THE TWEDDLE HOSPITAL FOR BABIES AND SCHOOL OF MOTHERCRAFT (Plunket System)

## Sixteenth Annual Report 1935-36,

## TO THE MEMBERS:

#### Ladies and Gentlemen,

We have pleasure in submitting for your approval our report for the year ended 30th June, 1936, and in doing so heartily thank you for the wonderful support accorded our efforts on behalf of the health of the mothers and babies of Victoria and the education of our womenfolk in Mothercraft.

At the Fifteenth Annual Meeting held in the Windsor Hotel on the 5th day of September, 1935, speeches made by Drs. V. Scantlebury and Guy Springthorpe, General Coxen and the Mayor of Footscray (Councillor Anderson) eulogised the efforts of this Society both in its propaganda work and training of nurses.

The retiring office-bearers were re-elected and the Report and Accounts for year ended 30th June, 1935, were adopted.

#### Propaganda

The Mothers' Club at Deer Park asked for an address on the value of Infant Welfare work. This was given by Matron Graham. Through this club a sub-centre has been formed, and most of the furniture supplied by the club. Sister Hancock (from Sunshine Centre) now attends weekly.

Sister Offerman (Tweddle Hospital) judged at a baby show in connection with the Kyneton Infant Welfare Centre, and was also responsible for the lectures and demonstrations given in the term 1936 at the Homecraft Hostel, Hawthorn. The Society has its own stand at the Royal Show, and each year this offers an opportunity of advising and assisting mothers from the country, and others interested.

### School Work

From July, 1935, to December, 1935, lecturing and demonstrating to various schools was carried out by Sister Wilson, who in past years has been in charge of this work.

From January, 1936, to June, 1936, a second class of Homecraft students received lectures and demonstrations from Sister Offerman and were examined at "Tweddle" Hospital.

Three hundred and nine (309) school girls presented themselves for examination in Mothercraft. Of this number 273 gained the Society's School Girls' certificate of Mothercraft.

The name of the school and the number of candidates from each are as follows:—

School	Candidates	Certificates
Homecraft Hostel	85	84
Williamstown Domestic Arts	19	16
Footscray Domestic Arts	57	35
Fitzroy Domestic Arts	36	26
Flemington Domestic Arts	19	19
Brighton Technical School	36	36
Brunswick Domestic Arts	19	15
Sunshine Technical School	38	37
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Total	309	268

## Infant Welfare Centres

The Plunket Sisters in charge of the various Infant Welfare Centres continue to render valuable service to the community. Numbers of mothers attend these Centres from other suburbs to receive advice and carry out the principles of the Truby King System.

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#### Centres

#### Sisters in Charge

Braybrook	Sister L. Hancock
Coburg	Sisters L. Duff and K. Hughes
Footscray	Sisters B. Bird and K. Devine
Kyneton	Sister A. Forbes
Newport	Sister C. Moroney
Swan Hill	Sister A. Pye
Williamstown	Sister G. Leaney
Yarraville	Sister I. Macpherson

During the year Sister E. M. McCarthy resigned from Williamstown Centre and her position was taken by Sister G. Leaney. Apart from independent Infant Welfare Centres, Plunket Sisters are absorbed in hospital work (both public and private) in various ways such as: Matrons, Sister Tutors, and in charge of Bush Nursing Hospitals.

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Centre	Unc	ler I year	Over 1 year	Under I year	Over I year	
Braybrook		10	2	5	3	
Coburg		6	1	4	1	
Footscray		7	15	1.000		
Kyneton	***	0.027		3 <del>44</del>	144 M	
Newport			5	-	2	
Swan Hill		1	_	-		
Williamstown		2		1	77	
Yarraville		5		4	1	
TOTAL	S	31	23	14	7 = Total	75

Cases of Diarrhoea amongst Babies attending Centres,

Summary of Work done by	y Plunket Nurses in their several	Centres from 1 st July,	1935, to 30th June, 1936
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N		Number of			al Babies		<b>T</b> . 1	Ante	-Natal		D (	1.	D		Tel.Call Letters		of Babies
Name of Centre		Invitations issued to Mothers	ot New Cases Babies	attendin Under 12 months	g Centre Over 12 months	Total	Total Attend- ance Babies only	New Cases	Number of Con- sulta- tions	Visits to Homes	D	rred to octor Mothers	Н	erred to ospital Mothers	Recei- vcd & Ans- wered	Under 1 year	Over 1 year
Braybrook and Sub-Centres		155	142	164	175	339	3798	35	206	1067	20	6	9		54	2	
Coburg and Sub-Centres		452	629	715	502	1217	13003	50	77	1109	72	15	70	7	157		a.
Footscray		364	385	494	436	930	11143	67	297	1955	100	37	37	26	124	5	21
Kyneton and Sub-Centres	220	104	176	130	305	435	2725	33	146	1004	77	12	_	-	20	-	-
Newport and Sub-Centres		157	118	138	199	337	4732	37	120	998	57	13	4	_	11	1	+
Swan Hill and Sub-Centres		280	192	223	160	383	3130	43	63	679	13	4	1	-	96	-	-
Williamstown		176	221	152	133	285	4492	48	183	740	39	33	õ	3	33	3	2
Yarraville		301	191	245	113	358	4692	17	52	539	31	6	14	7	-	~	1
TOTALS		1989	2054	2261	2023	4284	47715	330	1144	8091	409	126	140	43	495	11	3

From the two foregoing tables it will be seen that from 1st July, 1935, to 30th June, 1936, the total deaths among babies attending the various centres numbered 14, and that out of 75 cases of diarrhoea, not one death occured from this cause amongst the babies attending the Centres.

#### Resignations

The following resignations have taken place during the year:

Sister Greenwood, Senior Hospital Sister, the vacancy was filled by Sister V. Offerman.

Miss I. Gallaugher (the Founder of the Primrose Nurses' Auxiliary) resigned as President, after several years of excellent service in that capacity. Sister Anderson (Vice-President), who has devoted much time and thought on Auxiliary affairs was appointed President. Both these members are assured of the Executive's thanks and appreciation for past and present services.

#### The Society and its Training School

It is of interest to note how wide-spread is the work of the Training School, due to the nurses who trained in the Truby King System. The following are extracts from various letters received during the past year from Plunket nurses and from a general trained nurse in Singapore—who with help from a Plunket sister, leaflets, and advice from "Tweddle" Hospital—is doing her best to improve conditions for infants under her care.

**From Singapore.**—"I must tell you about two babies I have on humanised milk since the second week after birth:

"Deborah—Birth weight  $6\frac{3}{4}$  lbs., lost to 6 lbs. Mother very ill with infectious disease, taken off breast and put on to condensed milk; a few days later humanised milk substituted. Her weekly gain was 8 ozs.; sleeping well, limbs firm, and is a happy contented baby. Fed four hourly, and at 5 months weighs 16 lbs.

"Susan Jane—Birth weight,  $8\frac{1}{2}$  lbs. Breast fed for 12 days; mother the hysterical type and refused to continue nursing. Humanised milk given; baby has developed steadily and is now  $4\frac{1}{2}$  months and weighs 16 lbs. and is even more beautiful than Deborah.

"These babies have the look of a real 'home baby,' not the yellow lethargic dull tropical looking baby we see so much of and who are fed on 'Cow and Gate' condensed milk. I find babies in this country do need the extra fat when they can assimilate it. It is only recently our fresh milk supply has been reliable."

#### From a Plunket sister at Ahameduagar district, India.—

"Even if I cannot open a Centre for some time. I can at least help those mothers who will learn in a small way through lectures. With the help of the Government doctor (a Mohommedan) and a Government worker in connection with the Agricultural Department (both speak English well). I have had two of my lectures translated into Marathi, and with the help of some posters, last Saturday evening in the Government girls' school building in our little village. I gave a lecture in Marathi on ante-natal subjects, 'The pregnant woman and preparation for child-birth.' Naturally, it had to be adapted to Indian women and their ways as much as possible, the main principles of Sir Truby King's system were talked upon. Special emphasis being given to cleanliness, and care to have a trained midwife, pointing out the terrible results of the untrained worker (as I have seen it hundreds of times), and the writer here quotes a case similar to those given in 'Mother India.' We had about 20 to 30 women, several of the wealthy from high caste homes. and I felt it was well worth while."

**From another Plunket sister at Papua (Samauri).** — "When your letter arrived I was preparing a lesson for our native nurses and students. You may think it looks vague and crude, however, it is only a few notes explaining the reasons for diluting the milk and adding sugar and fat."

Recipes were enclosed in Dobuan dialect of Plunket Infant Welfare notes and a snapshot of the weekly clinic for mothers and babies.

From the Canadian Mothercraft Society a letter was received asking for samples of work from our Training School for their Mothercraft section in the Toronto Exhibition. From the President of the Canadian Mothercraft Society the following was received, "Thank you so much for your donation to the Society here; we appreciate your interest. Your very fine posters arrived this morning and your student should be congratulated."

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This interesting extract was included in the letter:

Extract from letter of Burton T. Simpson, M.D., Director, State Institute for the Study of Malignant Disease, Buffalo, N.Y.:—

"There has, of course, been much research done in connection with cancer of the breast. The one which I think would be valuable to you in connection with breast feeding is a series of experiments which show that allowing the milk to stagnate in the breast increases greatly the incidence of cancer in the animals experimented with. Briefly, the experiment is as follows. We have strains of mice and immediately take the young away, thereby not allowing them to suckle, and we repeat this through several litters; we will increase the incidence from 5 per cent. to 67 per cent. It is probable that chemical change takes place in the retained milk which becomes a chronic irritant to the mammary cells. We, therefore, recommend that all women who can nurse their babies should do so and those who find it impossible should have the milk taken from the breast."

Sir Truby King's slogan is that "Breast fed is best fed," and this extract adds yet another reason for natural feeding.

The question often arises, "Are babies of premature birth worth saving?"

The answer is "Definitely, yes." Given the proper care and attention from birth a premature baby should be practically indistinguishable from a baby of normal birth. To verify this statement, the histories of some recent admissions and their consequent progress taken from records of premature babies that have been admitted to "Tweddle" Baby Hospital.

No. 1.—On admittance, baby 3 weeks old, 2 months premature. Weight 3 lbs.; vitality very low, temperature subnormal, color cyanosed, sucking reflex very feeble. Mother was also admitted in order to obtain any breast milk available for baby, and to establish lactation if possible. On first day only  $3\frac{1}{4}$  ozs. of breast milk was obtained by hand expression. Baby was given carefully regulated artificial warmth. Stimulative treatment was necessary to promote functioning of circulatory and respiratory systems. As breast milk was inadequate, baby was given artificial food in the form of carefully graded humanised milk to suit his digestive organs and nutritional needs. Owing to baby's feeble condition, all breast milk was expressed by hand and administered to baby by special premature feeding bottle.

Measures to establish the natural supply of breast milk were adopted and mother's breast milk increased rapidly; baby was given only his own mother's milk after 10 days. Baby's condition gradually improved and weighing at end of first week in residence showed a gain of 7 ozs. By this time improvement in circulatory and respiratory systems was noticed, and heat regulating mechanism showed functional activity. Mother remained in hospital three weeks, during this time lactation was fully established. Mothercraft details were taught to enable mother to become efficient in care of baby.

Baby's progress had no setback, a weekly weighing showed a regular gain of 6 ozs to 8 ozs. per week. As soon as baby was able to maintain his own temperature he was given the benefit of any sunshine available by gradual introduction to the "Sun Verandah."

His mother was discharged from hospital but continued to maintain a breast supply as taught in hospital with result there was always a supply of breast milk brought to the hospital daily. Baby was discharged from hospital after 8 weeks in residence, perfectly normal and fully breast fed. Weight 6 lbs. 8 ozs.

Nos. 2 and 3.-Twin baby girls, 4 days old, 6 weeks pre-Unfortunately, mother died in giving birth to mature. babies. Weight of babies 3 lbs.  $9\frac{1}{4}$  ozs. and 3 lb.  $4\frac{1}{4}$  ozs. respectively. Sucking reflex developed. There was no alternative but to feed these babies by artificial method. Correctly balanced food in form of humanised milk prepared to suit the feeble immature organs was given. Artificial warmth was strictly applied as babies were unable to maintain their own temperature. Hospital routine treatment to guard against loss of heat and prevention of infection was carried out. First weighing day showed a gain in weight, a very satisfactory happening as even normal babies generally lose weight during the first days of life. Babies progressed along normal lines; they continued to gain in weight and the gradual independence of their vital organs was noticed.

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Every fine day they were given the benefit of fresh air and sunshine. Their special feeding mixture of humanised milk was changed to a form of humanised milk given to babies of normal birth, this was done by careful grading according to progress and development of babies.

Both babies developed satisfactorily with no signs of frailty or weakness. They were apparently "perfect babies." They weighed 7 lbs. 3 ozs. and 7 lbs. 1 oz. on discharge from hospital and went home still under the care of a trained Mothercraft nurse when 9 weeks old. The latest report from their father was: "They are a constant delight."

No. 4.—Baby ½ hour old. 1 month premature. Weight 4 lbs. 9 ozs. Mother a patient in private hospital. Baby was Caesarian birth as mother's life was endangered by toxaemia. This would be an only child. Baby was given treatment to guard against shock such a birth would cause. The prematurity of baby called for the usual additional care. At. first artificial food was given in form of diluted humanised milk a few days after birth, a minute quantity was obtained by hand expression and brought to hospital. Breast milk was obtained daily, given to baby and deficiency made up with humanised milk. Mother recovered and was discharged at end of three weeks. A visiting Plunket nurse called on mother and advised treatment for establishment of lactation with result that amount of breast milk brought to the hospital increased. When mother's health completely regained baby had progressed so well he was ready to go home. Mother visited hospital and was taught how to humanise milk and other mothercraft details to comply with baby's needs.

Weight on discharge at 5 weeks of age, 6 lbs.  $12\frac{1}{4}$  ozs. On a recent visit to hospital, baby was 8 lbs. 12 ozs. at  $2\frac{1}{4}$  months of age; he was perfectly normal.

These records will verify statement premature babies are worth saving.

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Premature I riplets.Born 4th April, 1930.Birth Weights.AgnesEveline $4\frac{1}{2}$  lbs.3 lbs. $3\frac{1}{2}$  lbs.Present Weight $10\frac{1}{2}$  lbs.—3/8/3610 lb. 5 ozs.

Premature Twins. Born 24th March, 1936 Lorraine Maroline 4 lbs. 1 oz. 3 lbs. 12 ozs. 11 lbs. 10 lbs. 4 ozs. Cases were admitted to hospital from the following suburbs and country districts of Melbourne:—

Albert Park Ascot Vale Beaumaris Black Rock Brighton Brighton Beach Camberwell Carnegie Caulfield Coburg East Malvern Elwood Suburbs Footscray Hawthorn Malvern Mentone Middle Park Moonee Ponds Mont Albert Newport North Melbourne Oakleigh Ormond Parkdale

Port Melbourne Seddon South Melbourne St. Kilda Sunshine West Footscray West Melbourne Williamstown Windsor Yarraville

#### Country

Little River South Gippsland Warracknabeal Manangatang Tourmeval, N.S.W.

#### "Tweddle" Hospital for Babies

From 1st July, 1935, to 30th June, 1936, 88 babies and 42 mothers were admitted, making a total of 130. These, with the addition of 3 babies and 3 mothers carried over from the previous year, make a total of 91 babies and 45 mothers (136) resident in hospital, and under treatment for varying periods. The average length of stay has been 29 days for babies, and 10.7 days for mothers. Of the 88 babies under treatment, 2 died, the infant mortality rate being 2.2.

		Hosp	ital Statist	ics		
Ad	Imitted	Disch	arged	Deaths	In Re	sidence
Babies	Mothers	Babies	Mothers	Babie <sub>3</sub>	Babies	Mothers
88	42	82	43	2	9	2
		5 from previous	3 from previous year.			

These figures show a considerable increase over last year.

## Analysis of Deaths

Age whe admitte		Condition on Admission	Cause of Death	Length of time in Hospital
21 days	6 lbs. I3 ozs	Suffering from extreme exhaust- ition caused by malnutrition.	Malnutrition and Prematurity	15 days
18 days	3 lbs.	One of triplets. Attacks of marked pallor. Small Sore on forehead,	Prematurity complicated by Cellulitus	30 days

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#### Students

During the year 15 trained nurses took the course of infant welfare training. They passed the hospital examinations and gained the hospital certificate.

The names are as follows:—Doris Hargrave, Dorothea Butler-Pearson, Elizabeth Crothers, Elsie Caldicott (India), Mabel Read (South Australia), Estelle Hicks, Clare Peters (South Australia), Alice Leitch, Alice Prust, Myrtle Ball, Jessie Reeves, Estelle Doyle, Elaine Lewes, Belinda Harry, Olga Counsell.

Twelve nurses presented themselves for the Nurses' Board Examinations. All passed and are registered as Infant Welfare Nurses.

The following probationers have completed a 12 months course of training and passed the hospital examinations entitling them to the Primrose Baby Nurse Certificate; the names are as follows:—Patricia Bryan, Vida McEwing, Mary Rocke, Margaret Holgate, Mary Samuel, Jean Mole, Julia Mitton, Geraldine Pennefather, Mary Stephens (Tasmania).

Apart from the curriculum of study for training, extra lectures have been given for the benefit and interest of students by the following lecturers:—

Miss Dann, bacteriologist from the Model Dairy, Kew (A most interesting lecture on Cow's Milk, demonstrated by a film).

Hon. J. Hume-Cook, on Public Speaking.

The Primrose Nurses visited the Frankston Orthopaedic Hospital in a body; this was arranged by Sister Anderson, her idea being to stress to those nurses under tuition the value of fresh air and sunshine both in health and in illhealth. Our thanks are due to the Matron of the Orthopaedic Hospital for granting permission, and to the Sister for her interest in showing the nurses over the Hospital, and her explanation of the work.

Lectures:—Doctors, 58; Matron's, 120.

Practical Demonstrations, and Clinics given during the year:—Sisters, 80; Students, 120; To Mothers, 80; Doctors, 9 (at Infant Welfare Centre), 18 (at Women's Hospital, Carlton); Test Examinations (written), 40.

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#### Visitors

Dr. Scantlebury (Director of Infant Welfare), visits, official and social.

Dr. Burden, President, Truby King Mothercraft League, South Australia.

Sister Davaney (Dietitian), Queensland.

Miss Mitchell (Matron), Mothercraft Plunket Training School, Capetown.

Mrs. Jukes, President, Swan Hill Infant Welfare Centre.

Mr. Anderson (Mayor of Footscray).

Sisters Patterson and Waugh, New Zealand trained.

#### Correspondence

Letters of advice were written to 140 mothers and enquiries from prospective trainees have been answered. Advice by telephone, and the supplying of Primrose Nurses for private and hospital work are included in the hospital duties. During the past year it is evident that the public appreciate and realise the value of a well-trained Primrose Nurse in the home so constant has been the demand for their services.

#### Acknowledgments

Interest and help have again been shown in practical ways in the Hospital and its affairs. The Hospital authorities acknowledge and extend their thanks and appreciation to the various Auxiliaries, and to others who helped in numerous ways, and also to those who promoted special functions to assist financially.

The members of the Central Auxiliary supplied funds to:

Upholster a suite at the Nurses' Home;

Replenish the stock of table linen;

Replace worn out equipment where necessary (Gift £5);

Pay for a Seamstress.

To the "Tweddle" Hospital Auxiliary, Footscray, especial thanks are due for the continual supply of materials for the making of babies' garments. The following supplies have been received during the year:—

26 yards cream flannel;
12 yards aertex;
116 yards gauze;
114 yards towelling;
26 yards white crepe;
4 dozen boxes brilliant cotton;
45 boxes grey flannel;
4 dozen tape;
1 dozen unbleached calico;
<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> dozen skeins wool;
Enamel ware for kitchen;
For Xmas donation (value £10).

To the Primrose Nurses' Auxiliary, especial thanks for all efforts made to raise money for the Hospital, and for the following improvements:—

Painting of Dispensary, table, and linoleum, large safe;

And for numerous other equipment suppled (See Primrose Nurses' Report).

To Nurse Gallaugher for a special gift of a play-ground with eanopy.

To Sister Anderson for  $\frac{1}{2}$  dozen hot-water bags, cutlery, china.

The Management also thanks the following persons and institutions for gifts in kind:—

To Mrs. Blumfield for a Sunray stove for nurses' sittingroom, and installation of same.

Mrs. Neilson for hearth-rug for nurses' sitting-room.

Mrs. White and Miss Inglis for cushions.

Mrs. Coxen and Miss Ella Coxen for continuous supply of hand-knitted garments.

Mr. J. T. Tweddle for Xmas donation to staff and nurses.

Dr. McCarthy for Xmas turkey.

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Mrs. J. Wilson and Footscray Auxiliary for Xmas cakes.

Fitzroy Repatriation Domestic Arts School, donation 33 hand-knitted singlets.

To Miss Eunice Angliss for valuable weekly help at hospital (singlets).

To Mr. Greenwood and Mr. Sneath for transport of Show and Homecraft Hostel equipment.

Mrs. Kerr (Castlemaine), blankets and sack of wool.

To the Hon. Medical Staff we extend our sincere thanks for the following services: as Examiners, Lecturers, for Clinics given; and particularly to Dr. K. McCarthy for medical advice so willingly granted to patients and nursing staff.

For and on behalf of the Society,

#### J. HUME-COOK, President.

STUART A. DAVIS, Secretary.

#### GRANT IN AID

The Government	of Victoria			88 S	(x, y)		$\pounds 500$	0	0
The Lord Mayor's	s Fund—Sundry	receipts a	allotted			(e.).	60 1	15	5

#### TRUSTS AND BEQUESTS

Felton Bequest £	300	0	0	Sumner Estate	10	0	0
Alfred Edments' Trust	91	0	0	H. G. Turner Estate	10	0	0
Jane Douglas Estate	40	2	9	Mark Herman Trust	9	0	0

#### GENERAL DONATIONS

Mrs. E. M. Blumfield	$\pounds 1$	1	0	Herald & Weekly Times			
Mrs. W. Angliss	25	0	0	Ltd	<b>2</b>	2	0
Mrs. M. B. Armstrong	2	0	U	Holdenson & Neilson Pty.			
Mr. Malcolm H. Brodie	1	1	0	Ltd	1	1	0
Mr. C. F. Bulley	3	3	0	Metropolitan Gas Co	5	5	0
Associated Public Schools	15	0	0	Mrs. McMillen	01	0	0
Commonwealth Fertilisers				National Bank of A/sia	6	6	0
Ltd	2	0	0	Royal Insurance Co. Ltd.			
Commonwealth Bank of				(Staff)	$0 \ 1$	0	6
A/sia	3	3	0	Miss Alma Simmonds (5			
Messrs. Connibere Bros.		5	0	girls)	1	1	0
Miss A. Danks	1	1	0	Sun-Pictorial	2	<b>2</b>	0
Dunlop Perdriau Rubber				Mr. Thompson	2	<b>2</b>	0
Co. Ltd	$^{2}$	0	0	Central Auxiliary	100	0	0
Mrs. Stuart Davis (bridge)	6	17	6	Primrose Nurses' Auxili-			
Mr. F. D Earle	1	1	0	ary	52	1	9
Footscray Council	5	0	0	Footscray Auxiliary	25	0	0
Mr. F. Heathershaw	0 1	10	6				

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## THE SOCIETY FOR THE HEALTH OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN OF VICTORIA

## Statement of Receipts and Payments for Year ended 30th June, 1936

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RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS
To Cash in Hand, 1/7/35 " Donations " Government Grant . " Lord Mayor's Fund . " Bequests " Entertainments " Hospital Takings " Nurses' Training Fees " Sale of Heaters " Overdraft at 30/6/36, Commercial Bank of Aust. Ltd	$\begin{array}{c} \pounds 24 \ 19 \ 7 \\ 819 \ 18 \ 8 \\ 500 \ 0 \ 0 \\ 46 \ 0 \ 5 \\ 19 \ 6 \ 3 \\ 21 \ 12 \ 6 \\ 321 \ 1 \ 3 \\ 450 \ 6 \ 0 \\ 6 \ 10 \ 0 \\ \end{array}$	By Overdraft, $1/7/35$ $\pounds 2529$ 8 8 , Hospital Expenses— Provisions $\pounds 420$ 8 4 Fuel and Light . 177 12 5 Medical Supplies 8 9 0 Wages & Salaries . 1011 19 3 Renewals -Furnish- ings and Equip- ment . 4 6 8 Repairs . 22 10 3 Insurance 31 5 1 Telephone 8 0 10 Postages, Stationery & Petties 36 9 9 Stores 23 5 1 
		" Capital Expenditure— Hot Water System 59 1 2
		,, Cash in Hand, 30/6/36 39 8 (
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## THE SOCIETY FOR THE HEALTH OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN OF VICTORIA

## Revenue Account for Year ended 30th June, 1936

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To Hospital Expenses— Provisions Fuel and Lighting Medical Supplies . Wages and Salaries Renewals of Fur- nishings & Equip- ment	$\begin{array}{c} \pounds 422 & 9 \\ 197 & 17 & 5 \\ 6 & 15 & 3 \\ 1020 & 7 & 9 \end{array}$	By Donations , Government Grant . , Lord Mayor's Fund . , Bequests , Entertainments , Hospital Takings , Nurses' Training Fees	$\begin{array}{c} \pounds 819 \ 18 \\ 500 \ 0 \\ 46 \ 0 \\ 19 \ 6 \\ 21 \ 12 \\ 321 \ 1 \\ 450 \ 6 \end{array}$	8 0 5 3 6 3 0
Repairs Insurance Telephone Postages, Fares, Stationery, etc Stores	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$		£2178 5	1
" Depreciation— Furniture and Equipment Buildings & Kiosk Improvements Hot Water System	$\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$			
" Society Expenses— Lecturing Sister—				
Salary Travel Expenses Printing, Station- ery, Postages and	$\begin{array}{cccc} 65 & 0 & 0 \\ 6 & 5 & 2 \end{array}$			
Advertising, etc Bank Interest	$\begin{array}{rrrr} 31 \ 18 & 6 \\ 78 \ 12 \ 11 \end{array}$	" Net Loss for year	38 18	1
	£2217 3 2	-	£2217 3	2

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Statement of Affairs at 30th June, 1936

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LIABILITIES	ASSETS
The Commercial Bank	Buildings £6012 14 0
of Australia Ltd. Over- draft (including un- presented cheques)£2344 6 5	Less Depre- ciation 150 6 4 £5862 7 8
Sundry Creditors 84 5 0 Reserve Account-Bequest 1074 0 3	Hot Water System 242 2 2
Surplus at 1/7/35£483413_1 Less Loss for	Less Depre- ciation 24 4 2
year 38 18 1	£217 18 0
4795 15 0	Less Sale of old heat- ers
	ers 610 0 211 8 0
	Improvements 9 4 3 Less Depre-
	ciation 3 1 6 6 2 9
	Furniture, Fittings and Equipment 1087 16 0 Less Depre- ciation 81 11 0
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	Show Ground Kiosk 101 10 0 Less Depre-
	ciation 215 0
	Commercial Bank of
	Aust. Ltd., Endow- ment Account 1074 0 3
	Cash in Hand 39 8 0
£8298 6 8	£8298 6 8.

Audited and found correct,

ERIC A. KELLAM, A.C.A. (Aust.)

Honorary Auditor

#### CENTRAL AUXILIARY

#### SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

#### TO THE MEMBERS:

We have much pleasure in presenting the Seventh Annual Report and Balance Sheet of the Central Auxiliary of the Tweddle Hospital for Babies and School of Mothercraft for the year ending 30th June, 1936.

#### Membership

Our membership has been well maintained and we still have an active membership of over 40.

Our grateful thanks are due to Mrs. W. A. Coxen who has so ably acted as President during Mrs. Springthorpe's absence, also to Miss F. Anderson and Miss F. Inglis, who for a time carried on the duties of Hon. Treasurer and Hon. Secretary.

We are sorry to lose the help of Mrs. Fred White and we take this opportunity of thanking her for her willing assistance and we hope that she will be happy in Sydney.

We are pleased to welcome Mrs. C. Ebeling, Mrs. W. F. Merrell and Miss Eunice Angliss to the Auxiliary.

To Mrs. Sanderson (nee May Rimmington) we extend our best wishes for the future and we appreciate the interest she has always taken in our activities.

Owing to ill-health Mrs. K. Kiddle and Mrs. J. V. Griffith found it necessary to obtain leave of absence. We trust they will soon be well enough to take up Auxiliary work again.

#### **Donations to General Fund**

During the year the sum of £100 has been paid to the Hon. Treasurer of the Hospital.

#### Gifts to Hospital

The sum of £5 was handed to Matron to enable her to replenish her stock of kitchenware and linen. The Auxiliary also supplied a rug for Matron's office, and, as a Christmas gift, recovered the furniture in the Nurses' sitting-room. We offer our thanks to Mrs. White for her gift of two cushions for the Mothers' Cottage.

#### **Entertainments**

Several entertainments have been arranged for the benefit of the Hospital funds.

On 15th August, 1935, Mrs. H. Edgell Little very kindly lent her home and provided afternoon tea for a successful bridge party.

Through the influence of Mrs. Eccles Mackay, Miss E. Adderley generously donated to the Hospital half the proceeds of the entertainment given by her pupils.

Mrs. R. Lawrence and Miss F. Anderson were the efficient ticket secretaries for the dance which was held at the Oriental Hotel on August 31. We have to thank Mignon Hosiery for donation of balloons and stockings, and Mr. Stuart Davis for his valuable assistance. A successful bridge party was held at Myers on April 22. Our grateful thanks are due to Mrs. Struan Robertson and Mrs. W. Angliss, who donated the afternoon tea, and to Mrs. F. B. Suhr, Mrs. W. Merrell, Mrs. J. B. Mills, Mrs. Farrin Webb, Mrs. E. M. Blumfield, Miss E. Coxen, Footscray Auxiliary and to all others who helped.

#### **Other Activities**

The Auxiliary has again been responsible for paying for the services of a competent seamstress who visits the Hospital at regular intervals.

Mrs. Coxen and Miss Inglis very kindly assisted with the Wattle Day collections in the City.

This year the Auxiliary again took charge of the produce stall at the Primrose Nurses' Fete.

#### Meetings

Our sincere thanks are due to the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor of Melbourne, Cr. A. G. Wales, who again made available a room at the Town Hall for our monthly meetings.

Our June meeting, which took the form of a linen tea, was held at the Hospital. Members and friends enjoyed the opportunity afforded of seeing the Hospital and a welcome supply of linen, valued at  $\pounds 6/10/-$ , was donated. Representatives of the City of Hawthorn Ladies' Bowling Club were

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present and we should like to take this opportunity of thanking them for their generous interest.

The members appreciate Mrs. Angliss' kindness and wish to thank her for the interesting and enjoyable afternoon spent at her home and for entertaining them at Georges.

In conclusion, we wish to thank all members for their keen interest and their enthusiastic and helpful support, which have made the year's efforts so successful.

(Mrs.) BEBE COXEN.

President.

(Miss) M. ANGLISS,

Hon. Secretary.

Statement of Receipts and Payments for Year ended June 30, 1936

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RECEIPTS	EXPENDITURE
Fo Balance in Bank, 1/7/35 £7 4 3	By Hospital Donation £100 0 (
"Subscriptions 1210 0	"Furniture Covering
" Donations—	and Materials 1214 (
Mrs. T. San-	" Carpet 2 3 6
derson £5 5 0	"Seamstress
Mrs. W. Sen-	" Printing Notices and
nitt	Receipt Books 1 6 4
Mrs. W. An-	. Donation to Hospital
gliss 5 0 0	for small items 5 0 (
Mrs. Struan	" Cheque Book 0 5 0
Robertson 1 1 0	"Balance in Bank,
	30/6/36
"Efforts—	
Dance at Or-	
iental $\dots$ £3414 3	
Mrs. Adder-	
ley's School	
Entertain-	
ment 29 8 2	
Annual	
Bridge at	
Meyers 26 17 10	
Mrs. Little	
(bridge) 911 0	
Mrs. Farrin	
Webb, balance	
from 1935 111 0	
102 2 3	
£138 211	£138 211
£138 211 E. A. KELLAM, A.C.A. (Aust.) Melbourne, 31st July, 1936	£138 21 BEBE COXEN, Honorary President J. ANGLISS, Honorary Treasurer

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#### PRIMROSE NURSES' AUXILIARY

#### The Tweddle Hospital

#### FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT, 1936

#### TO THE MEMBERS:

We have pleasure in presenting this, the Fifth Annual Report, giving a summary of the activities of the Auxiliary during the past twelve months.

Our membership is now 72, 20 of that number being Life Members. Five of our members are in England, two in South Africa and three in Queensland, where they are finding many opportunities for doing good work.

At our monthly meetings, in addition to general business, we have had interesting talks and discussions concerning our work. It is a source of gratification to note the interest that is maintained in the hospital by past trainees, and we appreciate the help they have given; whilst new trainees have been anxious to join the Auxiliary and have also helped with the various efforts.

During the year two picture nights were held, realising £6; and two jumble sales realised  $\pounds 13/1/1$ . The annual fete held on December 14, and opened by Miss Mary Truby King, was very successful. We are most grateful to all those who worked so hard, and who, by their gifts, helped us to achieve the grand total of  $\pounds 73/4/9$ . We would especially thank Miss Jean Barrell, whose beautifully dressed dolls brought in £20; G. J. Coles & Co. Ltd., who gave £5 worth of toys; Mrs. Blumfield, who sent a special donation of £10; and also the Hyde Street Boys' Band, who supplied the music. The members of the Central Footscray Auxiliary provided and served the afternoon tea.

Again we have to thank the Secretary and members of the A.M.P. Dramatic Society for their donation of  $\pounds 22/1/9$ , the proceeds of the play, "Lilies of the Field." This sum, along with  $\pounds 30$  for cot maintenance was handed over to the Society.

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In addition to cot maintenance, £56 has been spent in the interests of the Hospital by supplying needed wants. namely, curtains, hot water bags, blankets, cot mattresses, baby safe cot, sugar; also new linoleum for the dispensary and premature babies' ward. The dispensary has also been re-painted and a new table provided by the Auxiliary.

We are grateful to Miss Pennefather and Miss Mitton for their work as Secretary and Treasurer; also to Miss Orler Sale and Miss Hughes, who have given such valuable assistance and took over these offices when Miss Pennefather's and Miss Mitton's training terminated.

To all who have helped in any way we would tender our warmest thanks and hope that we may continue to receive their interest and support.

Finally, to Matron Graham for continued interest, and the way she has helped us at every opportunity, we express our thanks and appreciation.

W. ANDERSON, President.

#### PRIMROSE NURSES' AUXILIARY

### Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for Year ended 30th JUNE, 1936

RECEIPTS To Balance in Bank, 1/7/35	5 15 4 18 15 15 78 4 13 1	0 3 5 9	DISBURSEMENTS By Blankets and Mat- tresses fl0 810 , Furniture and Cur- tains, etc 27 1 6 , Repairs to Buildings, etc 11 19 9 , Maintenance of Cot . 30 0 0 , Xmas Gift to Hospital 22 1 9 , Telephone
	22 1	9 9 9	

Audited and found correct.

DAVIS & RAVEN. Chartered Accountants (Aust.) (Miss) OSLER SAYLE, Hon. Secretary (Miss) MARY HUGHES, Hon. Treasurer

Footscray, 10th July, 1936

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#### MEMBERS OF THE CENTRAL AUXILIARY

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#### PRIMROSE NURSES' AUXILIARY

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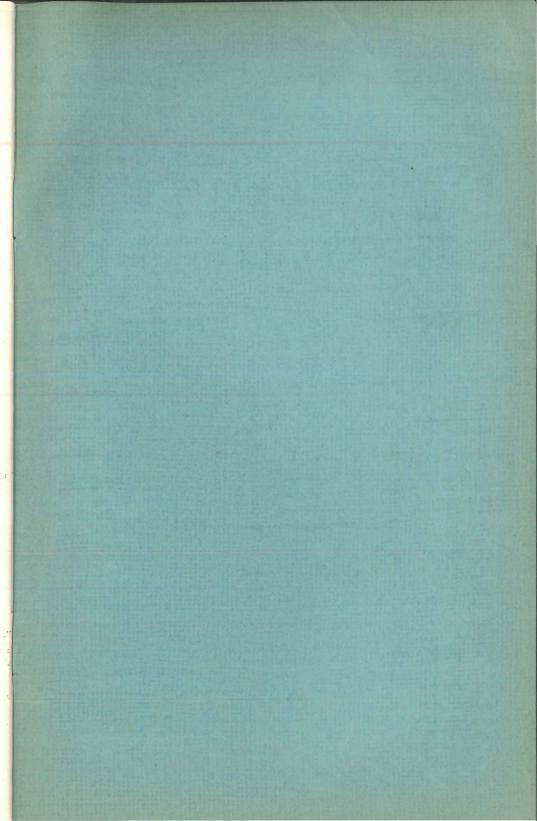
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