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Cover - BALLARAT BENEVOLENT ASYLUM, 1860

The first building for the Ballarat Visiting and Benevolent Society was designed by antitlect, Mr. Backhouse, to be an "edifice of red brick in a modern modification of the Elizabethan style." Evers and Barket, builders, completed the work in seven months on five acres of government land at a cost of E3,765,477. The building consisted of dormitory accommodation in "wide, lafty, any rooms of handsome propartions," kitchen, apartments for the master and matrin, affices for the doctors and segretary and outbuildings. The first of 80 residents were admitted an February 20, 1860, after a four month delay due to insufficient tunds for turnishings.

President's Report

To the contributors and Life Governors of the Oueen Elizabeth Geriatric Centre.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am very pleased on behalf of the Board of Management to present this 123rd Annual Report together with the audited statements of accounts for the year which ended on 30th June, 1980.

SATELLITE DEVELOPMENT

Without any doubt the highlight of this year under review was the extremely successful Satellite Development Project which raised \$256,000 under the enthusiastic Chairmanship of Mr. Bromwell Walker. The success achieved by Mr. Walker and his Committee has been a great spur to the Board of Management in its pursuit of the policy of decentralisation of accommodation and day centre facilities for the elderly. The Midlands House and Midlands Day Centre complex has now been completed and occupied and is proving a very successful venture indeed. The Commonwealth Government Department of Social Security has now agreed to fund the development of a similar complex in Sebastopol and construction of the buildings at Sebastopol are planned to commence before the end of 1980.

MASTER PLANNING

The Health Commission of Victoria in recognising the need to upgrade facilities at the main centre in Ascot Street approved the Board of Management undertaking moster planning. The moster plan was finalized in June and presented to the Health Commission of Victoria. The broad proposals of the moster plan are that the following services and accommodation will require the provision of new buildings:—

- (a) Kitchen:
- (b) Bulk Stores;
- (c) Linen Handling and Sewing;
- (d) Mortuary,
- (e) Engineering Workshops,
- (f) Staff amenities;
- (g) Boiler House;
- (h) Podiatry, prosthetics and dental technician laboratories.

The master plan also proposes that the following buildings be removed.—

- (a) Bulk stores/dormitory 3;
- (b) Boiler House and briquette store;
- (c) Laundry (use now discontinued).
- (d) Painters' sheds:

- (e) Maintenance workshops;
- (f) Case store and change facilities.
- (g) Nursing Aides' change rooms;
- (h) Temporary buildings on the Talbot Street site and an existing dwelling on the Talbot Street site

The first priority is to establish a new boiler house, to demolish the existing boiler house and workshops, and construct a new kitchen block. This work, including documentation, demolition and new construction, is estimated as requiring three years to complete and will cost approximately \$3.6 million. Your Board of Management at the time of writing this report is negotiating with the government to achieve approval to commence this programme.



The Hon, W. A. Borthwick, M.P. presenting a cheque for \$15,000 to the Appeal Chairman, Mr. Bramwell Walker, after lounching the Satellite Development Project.

VOLUNTARY HELP

Being associated with the work of The Queen Elizabeth Geriatric Centre one becomes aware of the considerable voluntary support that the citizens of Ballarat and the central highlands region provide to the elderly and to organisations caring for the elderly Ballarat and region can be justifiably proud of this community involvement and we at The Queen Elizabeth Geriatric Centre are particularly mindful of the work of our Ladies' Auxiliary who this year raised the sum of \$6,938 through their fund raising activities but in addition contributed so helpfully to the happiness of the residents with the various functions they provided during the year.

MEDICAL SERVICES

The Board of Management is pleased with the growth in medical services that the Centre is providing. Residents at satellite facilities such as Eyres House, Brim Brim, Pleasant Home, Midlands House now receive regular visits by members of our medical staff. A rheumatology clinic has commenced on a weekly basis and we believe this is an extremely important and useful development in view of the high incidence of arthritic diseases in the elderly population. It is intended to extend the work of this clinic by providing a monthly visit from a visiting specialist in rheumatology. The excellent leadership provided by the Medical Superintendent, Dr. John Hurley, is not only recognized within the Centre, for this year the Health Commission of Victoria obtained the approval of the Board of Management for Dr. Hurley to provide a consulting service to the Health Commisssion, to provide an input to the Health Commission's policies for care of the elderly in the State. The Board of Management was pleased to be able to assist the Commission in this manner. Within the Centre the monthly lecture programme commenced last year by the Medical Superintendent continued this year and the Board has noted the success of this educational programme. In addition at the instigation of Mr. D. Skewes, Regional Geriatrician, a team visited St. Amoud Hospital at the request of that hospital. This was a successful venture and an excellent mutual learning experience. The Board of Management believes that we should promote education in our field in this manner throughout the region.

The setting up of an infection control committee was, ironically, delayed by the outbreak of Salmonella Bovis Marbificans in March, 1980. This outbreak produced a great deal of pressure on all staff, and in particular the nursing division excelled itself in dealing with the multitude of problems consequent upon the outbreak not least of which was the setting up

and running of two isolation units. The outbreak was controlled by prompt action on the part of our medical and nursing staff who had the help of many, including the Health Commission of Victoria, the microbiology unit of the Ballarat Base Hospital, and the microbiology diagnostic unit at Melbourne University. The prevention of the spread of the infection to the kitchen area avoided what could have become a much larger outbreak considering the large number of meals the Centre provides out in the community, Despite this interruption the infection control committee has now been established and is further evidence of the upgrading of services at the Centre. The Board is aware that the medical staff is eagerly awaiting the opening of the assessment unit under construction on the first floor of the Janet Biddlecambe Wing,

This unit is to be used in a flexible tashian allowing rapid admission of patients, intensive assessment, and a high rate of early discharge to home.

NURSING

Progress has been achieved in education and clinical service in the nursing area Slx State Registered Nurses commenced their Post Basic Geriatric Nursing Programme in January. 1980. The students spend considerable time during this twenty-six weeks learning and working in all areas at the Centre including rehabit-Itation, welfare and domiciliary care, paramedical services, day hospital and day centres, as well as in the continuing care wards. This programme aims at providing knowledge of the total needs of our elderly. The Board of Managament has noted with satisfaction the enthusiastic contribution by staff from all departments to this first past basic geriatric nursing course. In particular Mrs Dianne Passalick, Principal Nurse Teacher is to be congratulated on the successful part played by the nursing school in this high level feaching programme.



Six State Registered Nurses commenced their Post Balis Geriatric Nursing programme in Junium, 1980.

Congratulations are also due to the following nursing aides who graduated during the year:—

Angela Annett Brendo Boiley Donna Barker Julie Bauer Foith Beer Ian Bradby Carmel Brennan Fave Britnell Bronwyn Broadbent Margaret Bruhn Cheryl Christensen Calleen Clark Wendy Clements Christine Cocks Virginia Carden Helen Cuthbertson Bronwyn Dart Wilhelmina Den Ouden John Dickson Norman Dowler Cermen Dunn Helen Eastman Clair Grills Laureen Hearne

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The Centre has developed methods of measuring patient dependency in ward areas and the nursing service committee has informed the Board of the trend to increasing dependency in those patients admitted at the main centre. This is to be expected with the development of a wide range of services being provided by the Centre to hostels, flats and private homes but does pase additional strains on the nursing staff Where practical, beds have been removed from ward areas to reduce overcrowding which has to some extent compensated for additional work load, and the Board is mindful that the consistently high standard of care maintained throughout a busy and demanding year has been due to the efficiency and dedication of our nursing staff.

WELFARE

The number of people residing in their own homes or with relatives who receive one or more services from the Queen Elizabeth Geriatric Centre has grown to approximately 400. The range of services now includes: Housekeeping, linen, shopping, transport, weekend frozen meals, home assessment, podiatry, installation of home aids, and assistance with re-housing. The welfare services are also of course associated with meals on wheels, day centre and day hospital services and short and long term admissions to the main centre. The Welfare Department is also assisted by many voluntary workers and organizations.

The objective of much of the work of this excellent department under the leadership of Mrs. P. Taylor, S.R.N., is to allow an increasing number of people to remain in their own homes and retain the highest level of independence. There are a number of indications that we are



Podiatry is an invaluable service for keeping people mobile:

achieving significant success in this area and that we are being of considerable assistance to concerned relatives.

PARAMEDICAL SERVICES

Significant progress has been made during the year in developing paramedical services both within the Centre and throughout the region. The arrival of new young stoff has contributed greatly to this development. In September, 1979 we welcomed three new occupational therapists who have a two year bursary commitment to the Queen Elizabeth Geriatric Centre. They have since been jained by two new graduate physiotherapists and a third physiotherapy position has been filled by rotation from the Ballarat Base Hospital. New bursaries have been awarded this year in physiotherapy, speech pathology, podiatry and dietetics.

Clinical training programmes in conjunction with the Lincoln Institute of Health Sciences for fourth year physiotherapy students were commenced in 1979. The students in groups of three spend four weeks at the Centre, Clinical experience for a first year occupational therapy student was also provided. The Board believes that these programmes indicate recognition by the Lincoln Institute of the high standard of paramedical services being provided in Ballarat. Physiotherapy sessions at Kelaston Home have continued and occupational therapy and physictherapy assistance is being provided for Daylesford and Bacchus Marsh day centres and McCallum House in Ballarat Podiatry Services have extended during the year and apart from care of many elderly feet at the main centre they supply visiting services to Lismore, Beautort, Ararat and the Ballarat Base Hospital, The Board of Management was concerned during the year with the illness of Mr. Borowiak the senior podiatrist but we are pleased to see him now recovering and look forward to his return to duty.

GENERAL SERVICES

The achievements made during the year in medical, paramedical, nursing and welfare areas have only been possible due to the able manner in which they are supported by the range of general services including financial management, purchasing and stores, catering, engineering and maintenance, domestic services, linen services and gardens and ground maintenance. The Board of Management is appreciative of the manner in which these services have been administered under the guidance of Mr. Peter Prendergast, A H A., Assistant Manager From the accompany ing accounting statements you will note that the Centre completed the year under review with a cash surplus which is an indication of efficient management and reflects a number of cost saving measures undertaken during the year.

A significant development during the year was the introduction of a mechanical blast freezer capable of freezing up to 150 plated meals per hour which was installed in conjunction with a large freezer storage room enabling us to cater centrally for the new satellite developments at Midlands and in future at Sebastopol. This method involves the supply of frozen meals which are reconstituted on site and which have been the subject of considerable praise by the residents receiving them. The system also is a most economical method of providing meals. Meals on Wheels again increased this year from 63,000 to approximately 73,000 meals. We are also supplying meals in bulk for the Ballarat North, Buninyong and Sebastopol Senior Citizens Clubs and this service has been well received by those clubs. Frozen meals are available for distribution by the Welfare Department for those who cannot cope without meal deliveries over the weekend or on public holidays.

The number of frazen meals is increasing and enquiries have been made from areas outside Ballarat who are interested in participating in this service in order to supply meals to people who live in the more remote areas.

The autbreak of Salmonella infection of the Centre placed a further burden on the catering staff to ensure that the infection did not reach the kitchen. The Board of Management admired the manner in which the catering staff successfully handled these pressures during the year

Considerable effort has gane into improving the security of residents, staff and property at the Centre. A number of additional procedures have been implemented including master keying, 'ectures and training in fire precautions and recurity lighting.

Damestic services staff have been involved in a programme aimed at restoring the parquetry flooring in the Centre and this programme has achieved good results with the timber floor. Approximately 40% of the parquetry flooring throughout the three floors of the main building has now been restored.

Garden areas are some-what limited by utilisation of land at the main centre and therefore they hold an important place in our plans for development and in their present use. The Curator and his staff have made noticeable progress this year with the upgrading of their equipment and facilities including the provision of a vehicle for their special needs. They have also received significant support from the Ballarat, Geelong and Melbourne Parks and Gardens Departments, the Alexander Home and Hospital for the Aged, Castlemaine and the Ballarat City Council Engineering Department. Considerable landscaping work has been undertaken successfully at the Central Highlands Linen Service and at Midlands, Through teamwork the Queen Elizabeth Geriatric Centre was awarded the Premier's State Innovative Gardening Prize in 1979 which included prize money of \$2,000. Schools have made a number of visits to view and appreciate our gardens and we have commenced a service where needed, through the Welfare Department, to elderly persons in their own homes.



The Premier of Victoria, the Han R. J. Hamer, E.D., M.P., presenting Mr. J. Wolfer, Manager, Queen Elizabeth Geriatric Centre, with the Premier's State Innovative Gardening Award for 1979 and a cash price of 52,000 for the Centre's patient implement gardening project.

The maintenance and engineering department is always a busy one and apart from keeping up with routine maintenance it is often called on to provide innovative aids to our work. This year saw the introduction of contract painting into the Centre which has achieved economies and allowed the maintenance and engineering staff to concentrate more on the urgent work that is always before them.

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State MPs inspect geriatric centre

KITCHEN INADEQUATE

Borthwick to be invited to view problems





CENTRAL HIGHLANDS LINEN SERVICE

23rd April, 1980 marked the first anniversary of operations of the Central Highlands Linen Service.

The total complex is now completely established and operating with the envisaged efficiency, being capable of a maximum production of 36 tonnes per week of clean dry weight linen with existing equipment and on a one shift basis.



The Federal Treasurer, Mr. Haward, officially opening The Queen Elizabeth Midlands Centre accompanied by Mr. Jim Short, M.P. and Mr. Graham Eyres, President of The Queen Elizabeth Gesiatric Contro.

Output for the year June, 1979 to May, 1980 totalled 1,651 tonnes, representing an average of 31.7 tonnes per week.

The average number of staff, including overheads, employed by the Central Highlands Linen Service during the year was 36, resulting in a productivity figure of 45.8 tonnes per employee.

It is pleasing to note that the service charge of 55c per kg, set in January, 1979, has been maintained to date, despite National Wage rises and a substantial growth in fuel and raw material costs. At this point in time no increase is envisaged for the near future.

Institutions participating in the service at 18th June, 1980 were the following.—

Ballarat and District Ambulance Service
Ballarat and District Base Hospital
Clunes District Hospital
Creswick District Hospital
Daylesford District Hospital
Kelaston Home for the Blind
Nazareth House
Ripon Peace Memorial Hospital, Beaufort
Skipton and District Memorial Hospital
The Queen Elizabeth Geriatric Centre
Ballan and District Soldiers' Memorial Bush
Nursing Hospital will jain the service in
July, 1980.

The service aims to provide a high standard of linen supplies at moderate costs, and judging by the favourable comments received from participating organisations the staff can be proud of their achievements in this new facility.

STAFF

I am pleased to record in this record the appreciation of the Board of Management to the Manager, the Assistant Manager, the Directors of the Divisions of Nursing, Medical Services, Paramedical Services and Welfare and all staff employed during the year for their dedication to the objectives of our organisation and who through their awn efforts have ensured the success of the many care programmes provided by The Queen Elizabeth Geriatric Centre.

CONCLUSION

I thank radio 3BA, BTV6, Ballarat Courier and Ballarat News for their valuable support at all times and also express to my colleagues on the Board of Management my thanks for their involvement and contribution during my year as President.

G. R. EYRES, President.

Services for the Elderly

Q.E. Gearing Up to Meet 'Crisis' Situations

EXISTING SERVICES

Health Services to the elderly in the Ballarat district are provided through the primary care of their general practitioners supported by specialist services in hospitals, domiciliary services to private homes, and day hospital/day centre/elderly citizen centres. These services cover prevention and early detection, treatment, rehabilitation, short stay and long term admissions to nursing care.

FEATURES

The above is a sweeping and very brief overview of existing health services to the elderly. The main features at present are:—

- general practice consultations;
- provision for acute admission to hospital, psychiatric care,
- · hospital treatment an short stay basis,
- accommodation and nursing care on long term basis;
- rehabilitation for inpatients or day/patients with support from therapeutic professional staff;
- voluntary, municipal and government social welfare services;

- · day care;
- specialist geriatric medical consultation is available to general practice, and hospitals

PROBLEM.

Historically, acute care, psychiatric care and geriatric medicine have been physically separated. Acute assessment in collaboration with general medicine and psychiatry has as a consequence been difficult to achieve.

ACUTE ASSESSMENT UNIT - JB1

The Q.E.G.C. is to provide a service to general practitioners caring for the elderly. Sixteen ocute hospital beds will be available towards the end of this year under the direct control of a cansultant physician in geriatric medicine and staffed with nurses possessed of specialised training. A full range of diagnostic facilities will be available to this unit which will aim at a speedy return of its patients to their normal surroundings. Admission will be on request from the patient's general practitioner. The unit will be located on the first floor of the Janet Biddlecombe Wing and will open for admission in November, 1980.



Youth Involvement

At a time when youth unemployment is so high, the Board of Management is happy to report that this Centre is actively promoting youth employment. Over 200 young people have been provided with apportunities for Apprenticeships in gardening, painting and cooking, Nurse Aide training, bursaries to attend the Lincoln Institute of Health Sciences or Deakin University for courses in physiotherapy, occupational therapy, podiatry, speech pathology and dietetics, Special Youth Employment Training as typists, porters and storemen. Clinical experience is provided for physiotherapists, occupational therapists, ambulance officers, dietitians or Resident Medical Officers, and many students have spent a week or more gaining Work Experience whilst still at school. Together with these, many tertiary students from the Ballarat Callege of Advanced Education have, as part of their Bachelor of Education (Post Primary Teacher Training Physical Education) or Diploma in General Studies (Community Studies) courses, been involved with the staff and residents of this Centre.

On behalf of the residents, the Board of Management would like to express its appreciation to the many children and school groups who have visited residents to either entertain them with their singing, dancing, music and drama, or who have merely come to sit and have a chat or read to the residents. During the year over 40 students have come to visit the Centre and a number of school groups have provided the residents with entertainment.







Master Plan Report

The Board of Mcnagement received approval from the Health Commission of Victoria to prepare a Master Plan of development on its Ascot and Talbat Street sites. The Master Plan envisages the closure of Talbot Street between Dana and Eyre Streets. In its instructions to the architects the Board of Management stated "it is the desire of the Board of Management and the staff of The Queen Elizabeth Geriatric Centre to provide the residents of the Centre with more landscaped garden areas and to reduce the congestion which currently exists on the site. It is also planned that improved facilities should be provided for the catering, linen and environmental services. The architects, consultants, and surveyors commenced with a survey and appraisal of the existing conditions. Their approisal found: "the southern-most buildings around Argyle consist of a conglomeration of buildings built close upon each other presenting an overcrowded configuration and very poor and confused lines of communication with the main building."

"The service buildings to the Talbat Street frontage are now mainly redundant or the equipment they house in need of renewal with no possibility of re-use of the building. They form a physical barrier to any future coherent development of the Talbat Street site and should be removed at a time to suit the staged re-development in that area."

"The building currently used for bulk storage and dormitary 3 above, has been autibuilt by the adjacent ward block and its fabric is at insufficient stature to allow a successful returbishment. This building should be removed to allow more open space around the chapel and a better aspect to the southern perimeter of the George Skerritt Wing:"

'The existing kitchen is small in relation to the number of meals it serves, does not lend itself to extention and has inadequate facilities for preparation, dish washing and plating. The planning of the kitchen is fragmented and does not allow easy access between various functions and supervision is extremely difficult. Further, the restricted space allows no expansion in the number of bain marie tralleys in use. This denies the possibility of providing the patients with a choice of meals. No facilities exist at present for trolley washing and this has to be carried out in the centre of the kitchen where the trolleys are loaded. This practice is most undesirable especially considering that the floor in this area is extremely slippery and has inodequate drainage facilities. Soiled linen is extremely adourous and offensive and the present route past the kitchen is extremely undesirable."

A Master Plan now adapted by the Board of Management provides not only for new facilities for kitchen, bulk stores, linen handling, mortuary, engineering workshops, staff amenities, boiler house and prosthetic laboratories but also provides for upgrading and refurbishing of ward units in the main black together with demalition of redundant and unsuitable facilities.



Enriching Life

The Queen Elizabeth Geriatric Centre is committed to assisting the residents maintain as rich and variable life as possible. Opportunities for recreation and socialization have a prominent place in the daily life of the Centre Increasingly, residents are initiating or choosing to participate in a wide range of activities.

Perhaps the most significant events are those which involve going out into the community. Some 200 residents went on bus-trips this year. The tulip festival, Sylvan; the Modern Art Exhibition, Melbourne; and the Military Tattoo, Melbourne were three of the excursions. One lady tulfilled a life-time wish when she was invited to play Melba's piono in the drawing-room at Como.

Frequently, groups attend theatre events, aften as guests of the various Ballarat theatre companies. In March 210 residents attended the Begonia Festival Parade followed by a picnic lunch in the gardens Weekly shopping expeditions for small groups are well "booked" in advance. Last year 170 residents went Christmas shopping in December Members of the Bowling Club and former members of church and community groups are regular visitors to social events during the year

The Community also comes into the Centre to entertain. Chairs and brass bands, soloists and orchestras are always enthusiastically received. Guest Speakers and demonstrations are popular with experts in gardening or grooming being high on the list.

Group activities are limitless. The Garden Club has developed an international reputation following its "Premier" success, in the 1979 State Innovative Community Garden Competition Cooking is a source of great pleasure for both women and men, especially when the results are shared with family and friends. A monthly, formal dinner-party by candle-light has become a most significant social event, Card parties, bingo, games, discussion groups and films all feature in the programme.





Music is a daily feature of life — piano or organ recitals from residents, visitors or staff, community singing, music and movement groups, record concerts and dancing are all in great demand. Art is a source of pleasure for many residents. Pottery and painting facilities are well used. The range of hobbies and crafts seem endless as residents maintain skills or take on new interests. Books are always available from several libraries. Especially important are the large-print and "talking" books.



A small range of sporting appartunities are available for those who wish to participate. Adaptations for disabilities are usually possible. Bowls, both green and bias, have a long history at the Centre. Croquet and billiards are enjoyed by many Swimming is gradually gaining adherents while horse-riding for the disabled is a new event on the list.

Pets are a usual feature of life. Fish and birds enhance many areas. A white robbit and a guinea-pig have proved great successes. Many a resident's life is enriched by visits from the cat or dog he has left with family and friends.

Sebastopol

This year we will start work on the site at Sebastopol constructing a complex of residential and day care facilities.

The accommodation will provide single rooms with shared en-suite facilities. This new project in the south will all ow residents individual freedom in their daily living and activities but similarly to the Midlands complex will also provide live-in and visiting staff to assist when required

A day centre will be constructed a djoining the residential accommodation and will provide a wide range of recreational and social activities for individuals and groups.





The two pictures on this page are of a community health centre and nursing home accommodation in Vara, Sweden, visited by the Manager in 1979. The architecture chosen in Vara maximises the use of natural light and is being considered as a style suitable for the level site at Sebastopol.

\$200,000 Satellite Development Project

During the six months from June to November, 1979, Mr. Bramwell Walker and his many enthusiastic workers raised an amount of \$256,000 for the provision of accommodation for frail elderly. The Board of Management has announced elsewhere in this report that the Department of Social Security has approved matching grants to enable 35 hostel units to be constructed on the Sebastopol site. The Board of Management wishes to express its appreciation to all those who gave so willingly of their time or donated so generously to ensure that the Project was a success.

Industries Professional Q.E.G.C. Ladies' Auxiliary Q.E.G.C. Social Club Queen Quest Radiothan Raffle Rural Sportsmen's Committee	\$1,000 3,500 3,500 10,000 39,000 6,000 5,500 11,000
General \$2,500 Drag Meeting 4,000 State Government Suppliers Trusts General Danations	6,500 15,000 5,000 95,000 55,000

\$256,000



The Mayor of Bollarat, Cr. J. F. McKay, stumping the winner of the Miss Charity Queen Quest, Miss Learner Millar.



Competitors line up for a race in the Drug Race organised by the Batturat Drug Race Club for the Satellite Development Project.

Visit by Members of Osaka Prefectural Assembly

Care of the aged in Japan has been traditionally a matter for families with sons caring for their aged parents. With changing structures in society and increased life span, community care of the aged is now becoming a major problem for the Japanese Welfare Services.

A party of 15 members from the Osaka Prefectural Assembly (the equivalent of our State Government) in Japan together with staff members, interpreters and travel escorts visited the Centre during their whirlwind tour of Australia and New Zealand. They were studying problems such as social welfare, care of the aged, pollution, airport enlargement, traffic control, noise abatement and emergency, services, and the Queen Elizabeth Geriatric Centre was the only place visited to study care of the aged.



Chairman of the Osako Prefectural Assembly, Mr. Katsuichi Wakabayashi, and Japanese Interpreter Mrs. Yoka Pinkerton talk to residents at The Queen Elizabeth Geriatric Centre.

The Ladies' Auxiliary Annual Report

To our Members and Friends.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present to you the 58th Annual Report covering the activities of the Auxiliary for the past twelve months.

MEMBERS

Our President, Mrs. J. Prolongeau, has had a very successful year of office, with all members fully supporting her in all activities.

Members' dedication to the Auxiliary and residents of the Centre is fully reflected in the balance sheet presented. Residents have been visited regularly, and members assisted with the Satellite Project for the Centre, along with outside functions for Begonia Festival, Meals on Wheels, and collections as part of their community effort.

We have added five new members to our Auxiliary. It is with regret we record the passing of Mrs. Jenny Campbell, who was a member for many years.

The Board of Management honoured us by giving Life Governships to Mrs. E. Davies and Mrs. C. Goodall for their dedication to the Auxiliary.

Prior to our first meeting in 1980, Father Rob. De Caen, a Chaplain of the Centre, conducted a service in the Chapel. Members and triends all Joined to thank God for his guidance and help for the past year and to ask his help for the coming year.

EFFORTS

The Annual Card Party raised \$403, Coffee Parties \$1,145.98, President's Afternoon \$97.45, Mrs. Davies afternoon \$43, Annual Fete, \$1,720.86, Street Stall \$236.07, Fashion Parade Through the Years \$678.20, Mrs. O'Reilly's afternoon \$127.

Monthly Card Parties, which are enjoyed by members, residents and friends resulted in \$142.63

Miss Olive Connaughton has donated \$128 from sale of goods made by residents. Thanks to Mrs. Lewis for collecting and delivering nylon.

Mrs. Nell Pring through her own efforts with donations of goods, etc. from residents and staff raised \$1,576.15.

We have received many donations from clubs, friends, and residents, whom we thank most sincerely.

To all these kind people who have worked so hard and given so generously we express our sincere gratitude and sincere thanks. CHRISTMAS TREE

The Annual Christmas Tree was held on Friday, 10th December.

Members packed all parcels with the usual kind greetings attached. These were all distributed by Fathers Christmas Gay, Oliver, Crawford, Nolan and Clamp, assisted by the ladies.

Each resident was wished all Seasons Greetings and members chatted with them all.

The President of the Board of Management, Mr G, Eyres, the Manager, Mr J Walter, Director of Nursing, Mrs. M. Compbell and Auxiliary President, Mrs. J. Prolongeau toured all wards, wishing residents a Happy Christmos.

Members of the Ballarat Calisthenic Club, to whom we are indebted each year for giving their time and talent to entertain the residents on this night, and to Mr. Barry Wilkins, who always can arrange a wonderful musical programme always adds to this Christmas Festivity, we thank you all most sincerely. Without your co-operation and help our task would be much bigger. To Nursing Staff who have all residents so immaculate our "special thanks" to you all.

At the conclusion of this evening the Board of Management expressed their thanks to the Auxiliary and entertained them at supper

PICNIC

The Annual Picnic is always enjoyed by residents who attend, and this year was no exception.

Sit-down lunch was served at the Wendouree Municipal Hall. Members served turkey, harn salads, fruit salad, and ice-cream. Later five bus loads of residents were taken on a tour of the district and later returned to the Centre.

Miss O. Connaughton entertained during luncheon.

Letters of appreciation have been received from residents.

FATHERS' DAY

Each September all the men are remembered and presented with sweets, and people unable to have these are provided with fruit.

EASTER EGGS

Are given to all residents of the Centre and Hostels. For those who cannot have eggs, again fruit is supplied. Members visit each resident personally and present these to them.

MOTHERS' DAY POSIES

Each lady in the Centre receives a posy for Mothers' Day, these being lavingly made by our members, and later delivered to each lady by them. For hospital wards, tins of powder with a posy of flowers attached are given to patients. Thanks are extended for flowers danated to us, especially Mr. Stubbs who grew lots of Chrysanthemums for us.

APPRECIATION

This is only a short resume of our work during the year and, in conclusion, my most grateful thanks are extended to our President, Mrs. J. Prolongeau, Treasurer, Mrs. O. Eggleton, and Assistant Secretary, Mrs. K. Miller, and Mrs. P. Price for reporting all functions.

To Mrs. Cassells and Mrs. Goodall, we say thank you' for conducting card parties.



Each lady in the Centre received a pasy for Mathers' Day

Outdoor furniture has been given to Eyres House and Pleasant Home. We have given another hair dryer for use of residents and contributed toward other amenities.

This year our project, which is under way now, is to refurbish N2 with attractive blinds and curtains. We have added another \$2,000 towards the amount which had been already given to the Satellite Appeal

We get very helpful support from the gardene., Mr. Stubbs, and we are able to help him with flower pats in return.

Work tables have been provided for Day Hospital Garden Club To Nell Pring for her untiring efforts — 'thank you Nell.'

To Mrs. K. Carvasso and Mrs. F. Whitelaw, thank you both for your many years of buying, stocking and supervision of the work stall.

To each and every member my sincere thanks for your personal help and friendship.

To the residents and day patients who donate so generously and attend our functions, we say a big 'thank you.' On vour behalf I thank most sincerely Manager, Mr. J. Walter, Assistant Manager, Mr. P. Prendergast, Director of Nursing, Mrs. M. Campbell for help and guidance throughout the year. To Mr. P. Whitla who audits our books, many thanks. Thanks to Mr. Rothwell, Neil and Pat who make our heavy work very easy, and to all staff and office staff for your valuable assistance.

Special thanks are also extended to all our contributors and to the Ballarat Courier for their excellent publicity and co-operation.

BERNEICE I. FERGUSON, Hon. Secretary.

PRESIDENT'S ADDENDUM

The dedicated and untiring effort of each member and the giving of their time and talents is, I am sure, greatly appreciated by our friends, the residents of the Queen Elizabeth Geriatric Centre, and myself in particular. The friendships we have formed over the years are many and treasured.

Special thanks to Mrs. Ferguson, Secretary, Mrs. O. Eggletan, Treasurer, and Mrs. K. Miller, Assistant Secretary.

Sincere thanks to Mrs. Campbell, Director of Nursing, for her help, and attendance at our meetings; Mrs. Cassells, Mrs. Goodall, and Hostesses for their help at our card afternoons; Mrs. Jean Wardlow for her excellent commentary as we turned back the years of our Fashion Parade and to all who helped in many ways. I sincerely thank you all,

I would also like to thank Mrs. N Pring and Miss Connaughton for their wanderful help during my year of office, and Mrs. E. Davies and Mrs. O'Reilly for opening their homes for most successful afternoons.

To the Board of Management for their support and guidance at all times, many thanks.

Congratulations to our incoming President, Mrs Jean Najim, and all office-bearers. May your term of office be as happy and memorable as mine.

To each and everyone 'thanks again' for a wonderful year.

ILA PROLONGEAU.

President

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AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I report having audited the books of the Ladles' Auxiliary of The Queen Elizabeth Genatric Centre for the year ended 31st May, 1980.

In my opinion the statement of Income and Expenditure is properly drawn up so as to give a true and foir view of the state of affairs of the Auxiliary for the period and of the result of its aperations for the year ending on that date.

The accounting and other records have in my opinion been properly maintained.

P. R. WHITLA, A.A.S.A.

Estate and Charitable Trusts

Following is a list of amounts received from Estates of Deceased persons and from Charlitable Trusts including Legacies, arguests and distributions of capital and income.

ABRAHAM, Amelia, per Baird and McGregor	\$29,455,41
ANSTIS, M. A., per Evans & Metcalfe	886.72
BASAN, E. T. A., Charitable Truit per The Union Fidelity Trustee Co. of Aust. Etd.	400.00
BAXTER, Percy, Charitable Trust per The Perpetual Executors & Trustess Assoc	22,000,00
BELL, Charitable Fund per Aitken, Walker & Strachan	2,000.00
BIRD, Alice N., per Cuthberts	200.00
BLACK, E. D., Choritable Trust Fund, per Nevett Coutts & Wilson	259.64
BRETT, R. C., per Whyte, Just & Moore	102.36
BROWN, Mary, per The Union Fidelity Trustee Co. of Aust. Ltd.	50,049.18
BUCKLAND, William, Foundation, per The Trustees Executors & Agency Co., Ltd.	10,000.00
CAMERON, M. C., per D. Ford	10.96
CLARKE, Mary C., per Cuthberts	1,818.73
COLLIER, Charitable Fund	2,500.00
CURRIE, tan Rollo, Estate Foundation, per The Union Fidelity Trustes Co. of Aust. Utd.	40,000.00
DANKS, The Trust	250.00
DODDS, Euphemia, per The Union Fidelity Trustee Co. of Aust Ltd.	5,390.15
DRISCOLL Ellen R., per The Union Fidelity Trustee Co. of Aust Ltd.	147.40
EADY, E. M., per Nevett, Courts & Wilson	5,000.00
EVA John per Cuthberts	1,567.01
FELTON, Alfred, per The Trustees Executors & Agency Co. Ltd	600.00
FLEMING, J. W., per The Perpetual Executors & Trustees Assoc	
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HAWKESFORD, Lillian, per Cuthberts	4,289,52
HECHT, H. & L. Trust, per Perpetual Executors & Trustees Assoc. of Aust. Ltd.	10,000.00
HERMAN, F. G., per The Union Fidelity Trustee Co. of Aust. Ltd.	427,22
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MATTHEWS, L. H., per Romany Gount & Fraser	71,14
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PETHARD TARAX Chantable Trust, per Marquand & Co.	1,000.00
FOTTER, Ian, Foundation	1,000.00
RIDGE, E. F., per Murrow & Morrow	6,711.19
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THOMPSOM, I. E., per Culliberts	400.00
TREVOR, Add F., per Ramsay Gaunt & Fraser	5,500.00
WALKER, Wij per Trust A/c.	2,704.9
WENDOUREE Charitable Fund	10,000.00
WHITE, C. T., per Patricia M. Courts	10.18
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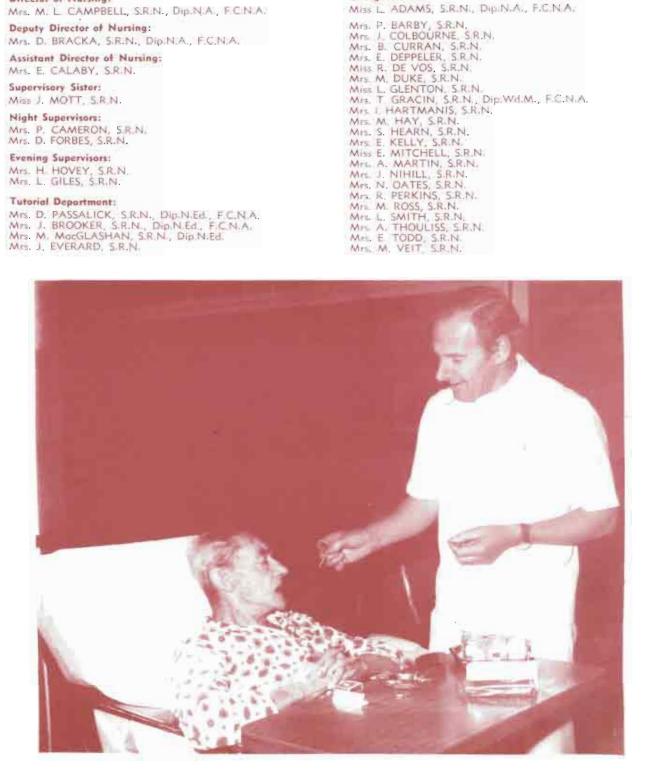
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