

*We
Work
in
Silence*

Have you ever been absorbed in watching and listening to an exciting "Talkie" when suddenly something has gone wrong with the sound track, and the film has gone on in silence? How dull and strange it becomes, unreal and meaningless! That is the atmosphere in which our work is carried on, a world in which the folk, on whose behalf we serve, have to live their lives continually in such an exasperating silence.

The Adult Deaf and Dumb Society of Victoria endeavours to provide facilities for the Deaf and Dumb Community to constantly improve them. If you will kindly read the 65th Annual Report, which follows, we believe you will find much to interest you.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

6th October, 1949

It has been the custom for a message from the President to accompany the Annual Report of this Society. I appreciate this privilege but feel that this year I cannot do better than convey the message sent to me, as President, by Miss Helen Keller when she received her Certificate as Life Governor of this Society, conferred upon her at our Annual Meeting last year.

R. F. Sanderson

"Dear Mr. Sanderson,

Your warm-hearted letter with the citation has reached me, and I acknowledge your token of regard from a deeply grateful heart.

The feeling you convey is indeed gratifying—you and the Adult Deaf and Dumb Society of Victoria welcomed me to a silent membership as a fellow-explorer, bringing encouragement and confidence of still greater victories over limitation. Yes, the path which the Society has hewed will wind upward to heights irradiated with fulness of life and harmonious with the joy of fresh discoveries.

With affectionate greetings to each member of the Society, and with happy memories of my foregathering among you, I am,

Sincerely your friend,

(signed) Helen Keller"

Arcan Ridge
Westport, Conn., U.S.A.
11th April, 1949

Adult Deaf and Dumb Society of Victoria (INCORPORATED)

OFFICE-BEARERS, 1948-49

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GEELONG BRANCH

Hon. Secretary: Miss C. MONAHAN

Meeting Place: Free Lending Library, Geelong.

BALLARAT BRANCH

Honorary Superintendent: Mr. H. LUDBROOK

Meeting Place: The Orphanage, Victoria Street, Ballarat

*Deaf and Dumb

SIXTY-FIFTH
ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
Adult Deaf and Dumb Society
OF VICTORIA (Incorporated)

The Board of Management presents its Sixty-fifth Annual Report on the Society's activities with mixed feelings of pleasure and regret; pleasure in being able to report yet another year of service to the Adult Deaf and Dumb Community in Victoria, and deep regret for the sad losses that the Society and the whole community have sustained by the deaths of Messrs. G. W. Sweetland and J. E. Vincent, and the Superintendent of our Blackburn Homes, Mr. Douglas Abraham.

LOSSES BY DEATH

Mr. Abraham collapsed and died suddenly on the morning of 1st January, and we were all shocked and saddened by the tragic loss of such a valued officer. During his long and faithful service with the Society he endeared himself to the whole Deaf and Dumb Community, and was particularly beloved by all the doubly-afflicted folk in our Homes. His loving care, unequalled kindness and outstanding personal skill cannot be replaced and will be long remembered. To his widow and son we extend our deepest sympathy, in their loss of a dear husband and loving father.

Mr. G. W. Sweetland, who had been a zealous member of the Board of Management from 1932 to 1948, when he resigned on retiring from active business life, died in May last, and record is made of the splendid services he rendered to the Society, and more particularly to our Home, on the Committee of which he had acted as Chairman for a number of years.

To add to our distress and sorrow we learned with deep regret of the death in September last of Mr. J. E. Vincent, who had been a very active and valued member of the Board of Management since 1942. Mr. Vincent had a serious illness last year from which he appeared, to our joy, to have made a splendid recovery, and he was once again entering, with his usual zest and sincerity, into the activities of the Society, but again fell ill and suddenly died. We will greatly miss his so freely given services and valuable advice. To the relatives of Mr. Sweetland and Mr. Vincent we extend our sincere sympathy.

BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

Changes in the personnel of the Board, in addition to the deaths mentioned above, were:—

Election to the Board of Messrs. G. C. Tootell, F.C.A. (Aust.), and Mr. J. C. Carrodus. Mr. Tootell was later appointed Honorary Treasurer in place of Mr. Peacock.

WHAT ARE THE SOCIETY'S AIMS?

This heading appears in all our Annual Reports, and just as constantly we state that the Society is an Organization endeavouring to find and provide, so far as it is possible for us to do so, substitutes for all those facilities so readily available to the ordinary adult person fortunately possessed of speech and hearing.

The work of the Society is intended, above everything, to be CONSTRUCTIVE, and to ensure permanent beneficial conditions for the whole of the Deaf and Dumb Community. The Board of Management, knowing that there can be no greater achievement on the part of any public organization than that of bringing about a citizen's realization of his duty to shoulder his share of the responsibilities of citizenship, is ever alert to provide new facilities for the advancement of the objective.

The Society undertakes the protection and care of the Deaf and Dumb child when leaving the special State school at the age of sixteen, using every means available to interest it in those aspects of life that really matter, by advice, leadership, and varied educational and social gatherings.

A perusal of this and former reports will reveal the fact that success has been achieved in a great measure. But such distinctively constructive, educational, and social work can only be perfectly accomplished in a perfectly equipped building (specially constructed to meet the peculiar conditions) and adequate expert staff, the former of which has yet to be acquired.

The remarkable success hitherto obtained in a cramped and unsuitable building fully reveals the great possibilities in a fully equipped centre.

The handicap of deafness is far greater than is realized by the average citizen. When one is brought to think of hearing as the avenue of knowledge and the only practical avenue of everyday intercourse, and the means by which humanity mainly transacts its business, makes progress, and enjoys the social side of life, and that the eye is the only avenue by which the Deaf and Dumb can gain a knowledge of the world and their duty in it, then, and then alone, can one visualize the serious nature of the obstacles preventing them from participation in the wonderful possibilities open to those so fortunately possessed of speech and hearing.

Our Society is faced with the problem of finding substitutes for the good things that the sense of hearing presents to normal

life, and so bring into the lives of the Deaf and Dumb some kind of equivalent for Church, Town Hall, High School, Theatre, Lecture, Concert and Public Functions, and numerous other attractive features of everyday life that are closed to them.

But, even when we provide the Deaf and Dumb with one all-inclusive Welfare Centre, covering as many of the above factors as can be substituted (which all will admit should be a national responsibility), what can we substitute—

For the voice of loved ones,
For music and song,
For the emotion of national functions,
For wireless, and the telephone,
For theatres?

Take an ordinary everyday life. What incentive have the Deaf and Dumb to rise above their fellows?

There is no star to which they may hitch their waggon. No incentive. Nothing to give them impetus. No glorious objective.

What is life without ambition, the possibilities of attainment, of striving and struggling to reach some ideal, to accomplish, to win through, to achieve something that is magnificent in the eyes of one's fellow men?

Be the Deaf and Dumb man ever so learned, ever so well equipped in knowledge and capabilities, would not his deafness be a positive bar to his appointment as Governor-General, or Chief Justice, or Chief Citizen? Coming down to everyday life in office, workshop and factory, what inducement, what opportunity is there for the Deaf and Dumb man to rise above the routine of earning sufficient to maintain himself?

He may be the most skilled mechanic in the shop where he is employed, know the work of various departments better than others, yet what likelihood is there of his being appointed overseer, manager, or one of the directors? His deafness is an insurmountable bar confronting every progressive outlook.

Is it possible to do too much for fellow men so heavily yoked?

Yet the plea we put forward is simply to give them just those opportunities that may conceivably bring them, in some measure, into line with the rest of humanity.

The average deaf and dumb man or woman is just an ordinary citizen, tragically handicapped by the loss of hearing and speech which makes necessary certain substitutes, both in childhood and in adult life, for those lost precious senses.

The Adult Deaf and Dumb Society, Jolimont Square, East Melbourne, is an organization aiming to find substitutes for all the ordinary adult life public facilities, the benefits of which the Deaf and Dumb are prevented from sharing because hearing is essential to their doing so.

Up to the time of leaving the special State School for the

Deaf at the age of sixteen years, Deaf and Dumb youth of both sexes are in every way well cared for by the School for Deaf Children, which in addition to boarding the country pupils, provides training.

It is at this period of their lives, when school routine is finished, the boy and girl, standing alone, with the immensity of the future before them, need protection, care, guidance, and loving supervision. For, if left alone, through lack of experience they are liable to spoil their whole future.

Unlike the deaf child, the hearing child upon leaving school has the option of attending numerous adult classes, which, although needed far more, are not available to the deaf child, because the avenue through which that knowledge is gained—the ear—is closed to instruction.

The deaf child, on leaving school, is never on the same grade as the hearing through the loss of those precious early years that, in itself, makes the need of extended education compulsory to enable him or her to participate in the varied forms of business and social life. In adolescence continued training is also a necessary adjunct to help in maintaining physical and mental health.

All sections of thinking people have acknowledged the national importance of the training of our normal youth, and all kinds of plans are being considered, advanced, or are in active operation. Yet nothing is being done for the Deaf and Dumb youths other than the struggling efforts of our Society with its limited resources.

Our youths, as a whole, are capable and anxious to become skilled artisans when given the opportunity, and it is eminently desirable in the interests of the whole community, as well as the Deaf and Dumb themselves, that they should be given the opportunity to become skilled tradesmen and equally good citizens with the normal. It is merely a matter of training and opportunity.

By the constant support of our Subscribers, by legacies, bequests and donations, we are enabled to continue this work, and by the progress we are making we feel justified in stating that during the past year something further has been achieved.

FACILITIES OF THE SOCIETY

These are available to the whole of the Deaf and Dumb Community, not only in Victoria, but of Australia and overseas, and it gives us particular pleasure to welcome from time to time our Deaf and Dumb friends from all over the globe. The services of our experts in interpretation and social and industrial welfare advice are fully used. The Club House, Recreation Rooms, Library and Welfare Offices are open daily.

Work among the Deaf calls for understanding, patience and tact, and being specialized work, must be carried out by a specially trained staff. The benefits of our organization are denied to none—to be deaf and dumb is sufficient to give the applicant a claim

upon the services of the Society. Officers are in attendance at all times at Headquarters, and in times of need will assist at any hour of the day or night.

EMPLOYMENT AND INDUSTRIAL WELFARE

Placement of Deaf and Dumb in Victoria in congenial and suitable occupations is done almost entirely by the officers of this Society. Not only are positions found, but the vocational guidance officer keeps in close touch with the employer and employee, visiting the various workshops and factories, helping smooth out difficulties and misunderstandings, as and when they arise. The Deaf and Dumb are capable of adapting themselves to a wide variety of skilled trades, and it is our pleasure to report that all employable deaf are in employment.

INTERPRETATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE

Linked with the foregoing activity is this extremely important section of our work. Our expert interpreter's services are availed of in respect of employment, visits to doctors, dentists, lawyers, hospitals, government departments, at christenings, weddings and funerals. It is essential that fluent communication should always be available on such occasions. Many of the duties of the officers of this Society are of a confidential nature, continually calling for the giving of advice and assistance in private and family matters. Work of this nature demands much tactful and patient attention. Tact, sympathy and understanding of the Deaf and Dumb person is vitally necessary in these cases, which, without the assistance of experienced officers might easily end in disaster. This service, sincerely given, is but another of the many ways in which the Society acts as a link between the deaf person and the hearing world, and between the members of the deaf community. Experienced workers for the Deaf and Dumb are truly friends, guides and counsellors to that community at all times.

RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES

Divine Services in our undenominational special Church for the Deaf and Dumb ("Our Church") have been held each Sunday and Thursday evening throughout the year, special services were held for Easter, Christmas, Harvest Thanksgiving, Mother's Day, Anzac Day, Hospital Sunday and Ephphatha Sunday, all conducted in the Deaf and Dumb language. Film services have also been conducted and much appreciated.

HOSTEL

This valuable adjunct to the Society, and regarded as "Home" by its happy residents, continued to function very satisfactorily in spite of staff and other difficulties, under the capable control of Mrs. E. Reynolds.

DEAF COMMITTEE

A tribute is paid by the Board of Management to the members of this Committee who have again given a year of splendid service in the interests of the Deaf and Dumb community. This Committee, under the Chairmanship of the Welfare Superintendent, has the management of the "domestic" affairs of the Society, such as the arrangements for lectures, socials and meetings, and also exercises supervision over the guilds, clubs and functions held at the centre. This Committee's task is not an easy one, and the Society's ever-increasing activities make it more onerous year by year, but the members of this Committee cheerfully accept their responsibilities and faithfully carry out their duties.

"TALKABOUT"

A magazine published and edited by the Deaf Committee is forwarded to all country deaf, keeping them in touch with their friends and Centre activities. Copies are exchanged interstate and overseas, thus keeping in touch with Deaf activities in other countries.

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S GUILDS

These successful Guilds, composed entirely of Deaf and Dumb persons under the Chairmanship of the Welfare Superintendent, have continued their excellent work, assisting in the promotion of learning and good citizenship by debates, lectures and other similar worth-while activities. Special educational classes have been held each Tuesday evening for the purpose of furthering education gained at school.

INSTRUCTION AND ENTERTAINMENT

Our sincere thanks go to those many kind friends who have visited our Centre during the year, and contributed so much to the success of our efforts in these sections.

RECREATION

The Cricket, Tennis and Table Tennis Clubs provide healthy recreation for our young Deaf, and each Club has had a successful season. It is indeed gratifying to hear the complimentary remarks made by hearing members of sporting bodies as to the sportsmanship and standard of play of the deaf.

Billiards, chess, draughts, quoits and other indoor games attract good entries and keen competition among the members.

GEELONG BRANCH

This Branch has been very active and regular meetings held, attended by our Welfare Superintendent. Another successful Christmas Rally was held at the Geelong West Town Hall, attended by the Mayor and Mayoress, whose kindly interest is very much

appreciated. Our thanks go to the Misses Monahan and their helpers for another year of service.

OUR HOMES AT BLACKBURN

At Blackburn, in one of our most beautiful outer-suburban areas, we have 88 acres running from the Central Road to the Blackburn Lake and beyond. Here in a tranquil and beautiful setting our less fortunate deaf spend their days.

More than 40 inmates of both sexes and of all ages are housed and cared for here. All are deaf and dumb, some deaf, dumb and blind, and each with more than one human's share of physical handicaps. The extensions and re-building commenced late in 1948 have greatly progressed this year, and the work is now approaching completion. At a cost to 31st August, 1949, of £10,947 much needed new bedrooms, bathroom accommodation, new laundry block, small hospital, staff room, etc., will widen the scope of the work and assist in the efficient management of the Home. The Hospitals and Charities Commission has generously contributed £5,136 towards the cost of this most necessary work.

We have at our Home, uneducated, blind, and mentally-ill Deaf and Dumb, who through their additional handicaps are deprived of the standard Manual language, and have had to be taught, in their adult state, on entering our Home, a simple method of signs, to enable them to express themselves. So elementary has this mode of expression to be, and so many unorthodox, yet self-expressive signs are invented by our patients, that this particular sign method has become understandable only to those resident at the Home. Although this is the case, these patients are in the position to understand, and be understood. Through this mode of expression, our Home becomes not only their Home, but their country, in fact their world.

The Board of Management fully realizes this fact and does all in its power to make their little world as happy and congenial as possible, restricting rules and regulations to a minimum; each individual case is carefully studied and specially catered for, and is made to feel an important member amongst their similarly handicapped fellows, for here competition is more even, and handicaps are consequently greatly lessened by comparison.

Enjoyable picnics at the seaside and at the Zoo, picture nights and other entertainments made possible by our Auxiliary and others have brightened the lot of the Home folk during the year. The work of the Home Auxiliary in these and other directions is greatly valued and sincerely appreciated by the Board of Management.

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

In our Report for 1948 appreciative reference was made to the Australian Red Cross Society and its helpers for the setting-up

of this work amongst our inmates, and the great interest taken in its progress. We desire to reiterate those sentiments in respect of the excellent work done during the past year, as the results attained through their efforts have far exceeded our expectations. By this means great enjoyment, and the sense of fulfilment, have been given to our sadly handicapped folk of the Homes.

STAFF

Several changes have taken place during the past year. On the death of Mr. Douglas Abraham, his widow was appointed Lady Superintendent at the Homes, and her son, Mr. Douglas Macleod, Assistant Superintendent.

Owing to continued ill-health two of our valued long-service employees, in the persons of Miss E. Empson, Women's Welfare Officer, and Mr. J. M. Johnston, Men's Welfare Officer, retired during the year, and the opportunity is taken of expressing sincere appreciation of their wonderful services to the Society and to the Deaf and Dumb community.

Mr. M. B. Dyson was appointed as Assistant Welfare Officer, also Mr. M. Fraser, whilst Miss Small was appointed as Auxiliary Organiser.

JOLIMONT PROPERTIES

During the war it was not possible to obtain labour or material for renovating our Church, Headquarters, Hostel, etc., and the buildings fell into disrepair. During the past year the Board of Management succeeded in obtaining a contractor who took a deep personal interest in the work, and the whole of the Jolimont properties were renovated, and urgent repair work carried out at a very satisfactory cost to the Society. In this work we were greatly assisted by a generous bequest of £500 from the late Sydney W. Jones, a good friend of the Society for many years.

In conjunction with this work we laid down an en-tout-cas tennis court in place of our badly worn old asphalt one. We are sure that this new court will prove a great asset to the Deaf and Dumb Tennis Club and through it, to the Society.

WARNING

The public are warned against giving relief, in money or kind, to any beggar who is, or pretends to be, Deaf and Dumb, but to refer such to the Missioner, by whom the case will be enquired into and assistance accorded when found deserving.

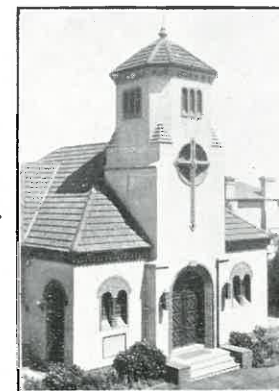
THANKS, AND AN INVITATION

In conclusion we desire to record our thanks for, and appreciation of, the support, financial and otherwise, accorded the Society during the past year. To thank each individually is not possible

SOME OF THE SOCIETY'S ACTIVITIES



Adult Deaf and Dumb Social Welfare Centre and Headquarters of the Society, Jolimont, Melbourne East.



Church for the Deaf and Dumb.

Jolimont, Melbourne East.



Homes for Aged, Infirm, and Dependent Deaf Mutes, Blackburn.

Manual Alphabet as used by the Deaf and Dumb



because of lack of space, so we ask all our friends to share in this collective expression.

A cordial welcome is extended to all interested in the Society and its work to visit our Centre and Homes and learn more of our activities amongst our Deaf and Dumb of Victoria.

For and on behalf of the Board of Management,

H. BEDGGOOD, Chairman.

C. R. B. JAMES, Hon. Director.

SIXTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DEAF COMMITTEE

Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is with pleasure your Committee present this, the Sixty-fifth Annual Report of the community's activities.

The year just past has been one of great achievement. The work of the Committee has at times been carried out under great difficulties, but with the co-operation of the deaf community it has been possible to overcome those difficulties.

Divine Services have been held each Sunday throughout the year, Services being conducted by the Welfare Superintendent and Missioner, Mr. E. A. Reynolds, assisted on occasions by Mr. H. Blackmore and Mr. A. Sutherland. Special Services were held on Mother's Day, Hospital Sunday, Anzac Day, Harvest Festival. Film Services have been conducted on occasions.

All meetings have shown good attendances; the four Rallies, Christmas, Easter, King's Birthday and Show Rally, being popular functions. The Annual Basket Picnic at Blackburn was most successful and is an event that is greatly appreciated by the Home folk and those at Jolimont.

Both the Women's and Men's Guild continue to do their good work. The Cricket, Tennis and Table Tennis Clubs are functioning well. Billiards competitions have attracted a number of keen players. A highlight of the year was the cricket match played at Jolimont, Saturday, 16th April. Teams represented were Present Players v. The Rest. Several country deaf made the trip and took part in the match.

The formation of the Adult Education Classes has been a forward step and will be of great benefit to those who take advantage of the classes. Adult education being considered of great importance, the Men's Guild agreed to include this matter in its work and, in order to attract both young women and young men to the classes, ordinary meetings of the Guild will be held over until a date to be announced.

The Savings Bank and Thrift Club show that our members are taking advantage of the present employment position and building up financial security for the future. The savings held by our bank constitute an all-time record for our community. The Christmas Treat for the children of Deaf parents, organised by the Women's Guild, was a great success. The Annual Flower and Vegetable Show

proved a great attraction. A highlight of the show was the Hand-craft exhibit by members of our Blackburn Home and the children of the School for the Deaf.

A great deal of work has been done by the Carnival Committee in raising funds for the Carnival to be held at Sydney, Christmas, 1949-50. Socials, dances, picture nights and ugly man competitions being the means of raising funds.

The Cup Day Picnic was held at Mordialloc, a very good sports programme being arranged. Regular meetings have been held at Geelong Branch. A happy Social was held at the Geelong West Town Hall on Saturday, 11th December, approximately 80 visitors from Melbourne being in attendance. It was pleasing to see several members from Board of Management in attendance.

Thursday evening meetings continue to attract good attendances; lectures, cinema shows, quiz competitions and other forms of entertainment providing a variety that has been greatly appreciated. The great increase in club activities and functions has given the Committee no little concern, but here again, by the co-operation of the Committee of the various clubs, arrangements have been so planned that there has been no overlapping amongst them.

A great loss was sustained in the community by the illness of Mr. J. M. Johnston. Mr. J. M. Johnston has been a great worker for the Deaf for many years. His loss will be keenly felt. Mr. Melby Dyson was appointed as Welfare Officer in succession to Mr. Johnston, and we wish him every success in his responsible position.

It is with great regret that we report the passing of Mr. Douglas Abraham, Superintendent of the Blackburn Home. Mr. Abraham had a lifelong experience with our community and was held in high esteem and respect by all.

The passing of Miss Alice Graham took from our community a much loved and valued helper. Miss Graham had for many years, in a quiet and unassuming manner, taken a great interest in the well-being of her deaf friends. Evidence of her generosity is shown both at the Centre and at our Blackburn Home.

In conclusion, your Committee wishes to thank all those who by their interest and assistance have helped make our Society the happy community it is. The assistance so cheerfully and generously given has helped the Committee to function more smoothly—also it has given the Deaf an opportunity to demonstrate that we do appreciate the co-operation of our hearing friends.

For and on behalf of the Deaf Committee,

W. A. ROSS, Hon. Secretary.

ADULT DEAF AND DUMB SOCIETY OF VICTORIA (Incorporated)

General Revenue Account for Year Ended 30th June, 1949.

To Staff Salaries	£2,924 15 5
" Office Expenses, Postage, etc.	155 0 0
" Travelling, Collection and Car Expenses	222 0 3
" Earnings & Travelling Expenses of Deaf & Dumb Employees	2,430 2 6
" Printing, Stationery and Advertisements	257 12 1
" Lighting and Fuel	103 17 4
" Insurance	76 14 7
" Audit Fees	42 0 0
" Rent of Administrative Headquarters	300 0 0
" Employment & Relief of Indigent Deaf & Dumb	289 10 6
" Grant to Deaf Committee	50 0 0
" Sundries	204 5 5
" Depreciation, Furnishings and Plant	59 6 11
" Transfer to Investments Fluctuation Reserve	500 0 0
" Surplus	2,547 17 2
	<u>£10,163 2 2</u>

By Subscriptions	£8,047 15 3
" Bequests and Donations	1,435 3 5
" Proceeds of Functions, Deaf Members' Contributions and Church Collections	106 18 0
" Interest on Investments	566 11 0
" Sundry Receipts	6 14 6

£10,163 2 2

Hostel Maintenance Account for Year Ended 30th June, 1949.

To Staff Salaries and Wages	£549 8 0
" Maintenance, Food, etc.	760 11 8
" Lighting and Fuel	91 9 1
" Laundry	77 14 7
" Sundries	15 9 2
" Repairs and Replacements	19 9 0
" Rent	104 0 0
" Insurance	0 19 10
" Depreciation	53 17 6
	<u>£1,672 18 10</u>

By Contributions	£1,465 5 0
" Donations	5 0 0
" Deficiency	202 13 10

£1,672 18 10

Home Maintenance Account for Year Ended 30th June, 1949.

To Staff Salaries and Wages	£2,914 10 11
" Repairs and Replacements	124 19 2
" Maintenance, Food, Clothing, etc.	1,381 7 11
" Farm Food, Manures, etc.	66 5 0
" Sundries	72 10 1
" Insurance	54 13 3
" Interest on Overdraft	20 4 9
" Travelling Expenses and Freight	86 9 4
" Lighting and Fuel	239 11 9
" Stock Revaluation	8 7 5
" Depreciation	80 3 0
	<u>£5,049 2 7</u>

By Pensions and Maintenance Fees	£2,797 9 11
" Donations and Bequests	155 18 9
" Government Grant	1,514 0 0
" Deficiency	581 13 11

£5,049 2 7

Jolimont Square Property Revenue Account for Year Ended 30th June, 1949.

To Rates and Insurance	£149 2 3
" Repairs and Upkeep	1,298 0 7
" Interest on Overdraft	66 9 4
" Collection Expenses	15 3 6
	<u>£1,528 15 8</u>

By Rents from Tenants	£627 11 2
" Rent of Administrative Headquarters	300 0 0
" Rent of Hostel	104 0 0
" Deficiency	497 4 6
	<u>£1,528 15 8</u>

Summary of Revenue Accounts.

Centre Revenue	£2,547 17 2	SURPLUS.
	<u>£2,547 17 2</u>	

Hostel Revenue	£202 13 10	DEFICIENCY.
Home Revenue	581 13 11	
Jolimont Square Property	497 4 6	
	<u>£1,281 12 3</u>	

Surplus	£2,547 17 2
Less Deficiency	1,281 12 3
	<u>£1,266 4 11</u>

H. L. BEDGGOOD,
Acting Hon. Treasurer.

H. F. McCREA,
Secretary.

O. R. MacDONALD,
Chartered Accountant (Aust.).

General Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1949.

LIABILITIES.	
Sundry Creditors	£1,466 16 2
E. S. & A. Bank	3,798 14 4
Investment Fluctuation Reserve	2,500 0 0
General Fund	£53,893 0 0
Add Surplus for Year	1,266 4 11
	<u>55,159 4 11</u>

ASSETS.	
Administrative Headquarters—	
Furniture	£50 0 0
Plant	155 12 6
Car	75 0 0
	<u>£280 12 6</u>
Hostel—	
Furnishings	500 0 0
Blackburn Home—	
Property—At cost	£11,109 6 11
Additions	8,442 11 3
	<u>£19,551 18 2</u>
Less Hospitals and Charities Comm. Contri- bution	
	3,884 10 0
	<u>£15,667 8 2</u>
Plant and Furniture	800 0 0
Livestock	75 3 0
	<u>16,542 11 2</u>
Jolimont Square Property—	
Property—At cost	£26,332 10 0
Chapel	2,736 18 0
Chapel Furniture	130 0 0
Tennis Court	374 0 0
	<u>29,573 8 0</u>
Investments—At Cost	
Accrued Interest	£15,945 8 8
	<u>16,008 3 8</u>
Petty Cash—On hand	
	20 0 0
	<u>£62,924 15 5</u>
Trust Fund Investment	
	<u>£13,466 18 10</u>

Trust Funds

H. L. BEDGGOOD,
Acting Hon. Treasurer.

H. F. McCREA,
Secretary.

I have examined the books and accounts of the Adult Deaf and Dumb Society of Victoria (Incorporated) for the year ended 30th June, 1949, in my opinion, the above statements, which are correctly made up from the books of the Society, truly set forth its financial condition, its income from all sources, and its expenditure on all accounts. I have verified the Securities and obtained Bankers' Certificates with respect to the balances represented by assets in the various statements of accounts and found them to be in order.

O. R. MacDONALD,
Chartered Accountant (Aust.),
Auditor.

Subscriptions 1948-49

SPECIAL GRANTS AND BEQUESTS

Government Grant to Blackburn Home	£1,514 0 0	Mr. Buddle	3 3 0
Estate late Miss A. Graham	300 0 0	G. J. Coles & Co. Ltd. ..	3 3 0
A. L. Smith, Esq.	100 0 0	Mrs. M. Player	3 3 0
A. A. Thomas Trust	100 0 0	Mrs. A. M. Rouch	3 3 0
Estate late M. Fleming	80 0 0	Tullis Hunter & Co. Ltd. .	3 3 0
Trustees Edward Wilson Estate	65 0 0	W. D. & H. O. Wills (Aust.) Ltd.	3 3 0
Estate F. Pinkerton	58 9 6	Australian Knitting Mills Ltd.	2 2 0
Henry and Georgina Berry Benevolent Fund	50 0 0	B. L. Barnett	2 2 0
Metrop. Gas Co. Employees Canteen Fund, Fitzroy ..	50 0 0	Bedggood & Co. Pty. Ltd.	2 2 0
F. N. Porter, Esq.	50 0 0	Thos. Borthwick & Sons (Australia) Ltd.	2 2 0
Aust. Glass Co. Ltd.	25 0 0	Dr. E. R. Cordner	2 2 0
Electrolytic Zinc Co. Ltd. .	25 0 0	Glazebrooks (Aust.) Pty. Ltd.	2 2 0
Estate Alfred Edments	25 0 0	Kelly & Lewis Limited ..	2 2 0
I. W. Trescowthick, Esq. .	25 0 0	D. & W. Murray Ltd. ..	2 2 0
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Bonham & Creed Pty. Ltd. .	10 10 0	Rosella Preserving & Mfg. Co. Limited	2 2 0
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Southern Can Co. Pty. Ltd. .	10 0 0	National Bank of A/alia Ltd.	2 2 0
G. C. Tootell, Esq.	5 5 0	Metropolitan Gas Company	2 2 0
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City of Box Hill (per Lord Mayor's Fund)	5 5 0	Shire of Oxley	1 1 0
City of Brighton	5 0 0	Shire of Rodney	1 1 0
City of Brunswick	5 0 0	Shire of Seymour	1 1 0
City of Caulfield	5 0 0	Shire of Stawell	1 1 0
City of Collingwood	5 0 0	Shire of Tullaroop	1 1 0
City of Footscray	2 2 0	Shire of Tungamah	1 1 0
City of Moorabbin	2 2 0	Shire of Wodonga	1 1 0
City of Sandringham	2 2 0	Shire of Bellarine	1 0 0
City of St. Kilda	2 2 0	Shire of Broadmeadows	1 0 0
City of Ballarat	1 0 0	Shire of Colac	1 0 0
City of Northcote (per Lord Mayor's Fund)	1 0 0	Shire of Rochester	1 0 0
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Shire of Gordon	1 1 0	Borough of Wonthaggi	1 0 0
Shire of Kerang	1 1 0	Borough of Portland	0 10 6
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Shire of Lexton	1 1 0	Ascanthus Lodge	1 1 0
Shire of Melton	1 1 0	Branxholme Lodge	1 1 0
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Cannot hear—Music or Song
The Spoken Word
Radio, Talkies, Telephone.

To fill these blanks it is the Society's endeavour to promote a better understanding between the Deaf and Dumb and the general community. To do this we need constant help and suggest hereunder a few ways to achieve this.

Send a Donation.
Become an Annual Subscriber.
Remember the Society in your Will
(Form of Bequest in the Annual Report).
Form Auxiliary to work with the Society.

Form of Bequest

The following form of bequest is recommended to those who may be desirous of assisting the Society by way of a specific legacy:—

I give to THE ADULT DEAF AND DUMB SOCIETY OF VICTORIA, JOLIMONT, the sum of:

..... pounds,
(free of duty) for the general purpose of the Society, and I declare that the receipt of the Hon. Treasurer for the time being of such Society shall be a good discharge to my Executors.

When a will has been made, and it is afterwards desired to benefit the Society, it will be sufficient if the form below is filled in, duly signed and witnessed as below, and carefully attached to the existing Will.

THIS IS A CODICIL to the last will of me.....

.....dated.....
(Name in full) (date of Will)

I give to THE ADULT DEAF AND DUMB SOCIETY OF VICTORIA, JOLIMONT, for the general purposes of the Society the sum of:

..... (£.....)
(words) (figures)

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In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this.....
(words)

day of.....19.....

Signed by the Testator as and for a
Testatrix
Codicil to his last Will dated.....
her

(insert date of will)
in the presence of us, both present at
the same time, who at his request, and
her
in his presence, and in the presence of
her each other, have hereunto set our names
as witnesses.

(Signature of Testator or
Testatrix.)

Two witnesses should sign here.

(1).....of.....
.....(Occupation).....

(2).....of.....
.....(Occupation).....

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