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FOREWORD.

In the following pages are set out the activities undertaken during the past fiscal year. Members reading this report must feel a keen sense of pride and satisfaction in having participated in the meetings and duties of the year.

The period under review has not been extraordinary in its accomplishments but, in addition to being one of consolidation, has shown that steady progress has been an outstanding feature. Our work in assisting the J.L.C. Committee has again been faithfully carried out. The Legatees concerned have, by this time, an insight into the ramifications of the Senior body which will stand them in good stead in the future.

As in previous years the sporting activities were limited to Lacrosse. The members of the team, although their efforts did not reach the high rewards gained heretofore, put up a very creditable performance. The sponsoring and elder brothering of a Junior Legacy Lacrosse Team was undoubtedly one of the features of the year's work. It was a successful experiment.

During the year a billiard table was installed in the Club Rooms and our members have enjoyed spending many of their leisure hours at the Club Rooms.

At Christmas we had as our guests, a party of Adelaide Intermediate Legacy tennis players. The visit which included trips to various holiday resorts theatres, factories etc., extended over a period of 14 days and was a thoroughly enjoyable time for Melbourne Legatees as well as our visitors.

The year has been very arduous but it is with a feeling of sadness that I hand over to my successor. At this juncture, I would like to state emphatically that too much of the work of our Club is being carried on by the men holding executive positions and in the ensuing year an effort should be made to distribute more evenly the work.

To the incoming President, I tender my congratulations and advise him that although his will be a difficult year, I am sure that at the close of his term of office he will retire, as I do, with a feeling of satisfaction, not so much of results achieved, as the endeavours made to further the interest of the Club.

To the committee of management and members, I extend my sincere thanks for their loyalty, and to the Wardens I tender my appreciation for their help and the inspiration with which they have strengthened me in the happiest year of my association with Intermediate Legacy.

R. GILBERT,

President.

March, 1936.

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The following is a report on the activities of the Intermediate Legacy Club, Melbourne for 1935 - 36:-

Membership. Four new members were admitted during the year and the membership list now stands at 51, one member tendering his resignation and another being struck off strength.

Attendances during the year have been good (when it is recognised that absence in the country or attendance at night school or employment debars some) the average attendance being 27. Of this total there were three members who did not miss a meeting, whilst four members missed only one meeting.

Social Maintenance.

Five meetings were held during the year for the benefit of those youths whose names appear on the Legacy Unemployed list. Two of these meetings were held in conjunction with our own general meetings and proved to be very popular. The unemployed youths are given the opportunity of exchanging ideas with the members of I.L.C. The speakers at each meeting were exceptionally interesting and their subjects were most varied. The committee of management desires to thank all who were connected with these meetings and to express its appreciation of the happiness of the co-operation with the Employment sub-Committee of the Legacy Club.

During the year, wherever possible, a personal call was made by our members on all youths on the unemployment register and the reports therefrom were of great help in revising the roll.

Comradeship.

The spirit of comradeship which should exist in a Club such as ours, has been fostered. A visit was paid to Ballarat where a cricket match was played against members of Ballarat I.L.C. The result was a win for our own Club. Our members were the guests of the Ballarat Club at dinner and they generally benefited as a result of the "get together" gathering afterwards.

Several dances were successfully held in conjunction with the Girls' Club.

Members visited hospitals at which members of J.L.C. or other kindred Club were inmates. Contact was made with members who were a little irregular in their attendances to ascertain the cause. Visitors and new members were introduced among members before the start of meetings and thus they had the opportunity of becoming acquainted under favourable circumstances,

As in other years the Programmes generally were of a very high standard. Variety was the keynote and definite steps were taken to cater for the differing tastes of members. The committee of management records its appreciation of the efforts of those speakers who gave us the benefit of their knowledge.

Two debates were held during the year and proved most interesting and instructive, the members of the teams engaged showing a good understanding of the rudiments of debating.

In addition, a short story competition in which there were seven entrants, was held. Some fine literary efforts were submitted and the contrien Fazer was adjudged the best. Len was presented with a box of

Rooms.

The committee of management desires to express its appreciation of the action of the Rooms Management Committee of the Legacy Club in once again making the rooms available for the use of I.L.C. A popular addition to the rooms is the billiard table which has been the source of much enjoyment.

Field Games.

This year saw the entry into the lacrosse field of two Legacy teams. Our own Club team, playing in "B" Section, though playing particularly well, were not able to reach the finals, finishing in 5th position after a very successful season. The committee of management expresses its appreciation of the efforts of Mr. "Jimmy" Downing towards keeping this team in the field.

The other team was the newly formed J.L.C. team which played in "F" section under the guidance of two Intermediate Legatees. These boys began the season as "raw material" and finished sixth in a field of eleven. Towards the close of the season they were successful in defeating two of the teams which reached the finals, and this fact speaks well for their possibilities next year.

Duty by Members.

Members were again detailed for duty at the various J.L.C. Classes and appreciation of their efforts has been expressed by the J.L.C. Committee. At the close of the year 17 members are doing duty and two more are to be added immediately with a possibility of further development in other directions.

Camps.

Two Intermediates attended the 1935 J.L.C. Camp at Balnarring and rendered assistance to the legatees in charge which has been the subject of favourable comment.

Sub-Committees.

The various sub-committees again carried out their duties to the complete satisfaction of the committee of management.

Evening Meals.

There has been a good average attendance of members at the evening meals which are served under ideal conditions at the Rialto Tea Rooms. Members generally look forward to these gatherings at which they have the opportunity of discussing Club matters, topical events and subjects of mutual interest in absolute privacy and they are definitely an asset to the Comradeship of the Club. More than that, it gives new members an opportunity of quickly becoming acquainted with their colleagues.

Christmas Dinner.

Another successful Christmas Social night was held in the Victoria Palace on December 16th. 1935. A good meal, a good sing song and a good programme put members in the happy spirit that is needed to make a success of a night such as this.

Visit of Adelaide Legacy Tennis Club.

Christmas 1935 saw a party of 16 members of Adelaide Legacy Tenni Club on a visit to Melbourne. This party, men and women, were cur guests for 14 days and a programme calculated to maintain the interest was arranged.

The programme included three days tennis, at which Adelaide were superior, visits to the Shrine of Remembrance, 3 U.Z. Studio, Emerald Country Club and the Sylvan Dam, a tour of the subarbs, the Legacy Camp at Somers and so on.

The tour proved most successful and the committee of management takes this opportunity of expressing its thanks to those people who so kindly assisted in the entertainment of our guests. It has been suggested that a return visit be paid and it is confidently expected that a party of Melbourne Intermediates will visit Adelaide during Christmas 1936.

The Bulletin.

This year has seen the inauguration of our own fortnightly bulletin. This publication enables members to learn first-hand, anything of importance to Legacy, at the same time provides an outlet for some of the Club's excellent literary talent. The committee of management take this opportunity of expressing its thanks to the members responsible for the publication of this excellent bulletin.

Finance.

The Financial Report, which has been prepared by the Treasurer, is submitted with this Report.

Wardens.

The committee of management desires to record its appreciation of the service so freely given to I.L.C. by Wardens Smith, Johnston, Ellis and Rigby, and to Legatees Brain and Doyle, President and Vice President respectively for the year 1935, of the Legacy Club. In 1936, the President and his Board have taken an interest in I.L.C. and our old friends Legatees Carleton and W.T. Wilkinson have been added as Wardens.

The Wardens are always prepared to assist Intermediates in any matter, and their advice in many cases is sought by members who realise that any matter discussed will be treated with confidence by any legatee that they approach.

Secretary.

While it is not the rule to praise any individual members of the club for their work during the year, the President and members of the committee of management feel that they are in duty bound to pay a tribute to the excellent services of their secretary, Norman Smith, whose devotion to duty has been an inspiration to the club.

General.

In presenting this Report on the Club's activities during the year ending 16th March 1936, the Committee of Management desires to express its appreciation of the interest members have maintained in their Club during the past year.

