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Office-Bearers for 1924-25

President—Hon. M. SALTAU, M.L.C.

Vice-President—Mr. J. E. BENNETT.

Hon. Treasurer—Mr. R. M. GORE.

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Mr. J. DICKSON Mr. W. SWINTON Mr. L. CRAWLEY
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 Mr. J. MAINLAND Mr. H. J. WORLAND, J.P. Mr. W. ROGERS
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Messrs. H. H. SMITH, G. S. MACKAY, J. H. SMITH, and W. ROGERS.
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Messrs. J. DICKSON, G. S. MACKAY, W. SWINTON, W. ROGERS,
 and H. H. SMITH.

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House—The PRESIDENT, VICE-PRESIDENT, Messrs. A.
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 and J. MAINLAND.

Visiting Committees for 1924-25—

1924—August 1 to Sep. 4—Messrs. A. ROBINSON and J. KING.
 „ Sept. 4 to Oct. 2—Messrs. J. E. BENNETT and L. CRAWLEY
 „ Oct. 2 to Nov. 6—Messrs. G. S. MACKAY and W. SWINTON.
 „ Nov. 6 to Dec. 4—Messrs. H. J. WORLAND and J. MAINLAND.
 „ Dec. 4 to Jan. 1—Messrs. J. DICKSON and R. M. GORE.
 1925—Jan. 1 to Feb. 5—Mr. H. H. CASTLES.
 „ Feb. 5 to Mar. 5—Messrs. A. ROBINSON and J. KING.
 „ Mar. 5 to Apr. 2—Messrs. J. E. BENNETT and L. CRAWLEY.
 „ Apr. 2 to May 7—Messrs. G. S. MACKAY and W. SWINTON.
 „ May 7 to June 4—Messrs. H. J. WORLAND and J. MAINLAND.
 „ June 4 to July 2—Messrs. J. DICKSON and R. M. GORE.
 „ July 2 till new Visitors are appointed—Mr. H. H. CASTLES.

Ordinary Meetings of Committee—

1924—Sept. 4, at 8 p.m. 1925—January 1, 8 p.m. 1925—May 7, at 8 p.m.
 „ Oct. 2, „ „ February 5, „ „ June 4, „
 „ Nov. 6, „ „ March 5 „ „ June 25, „
 „ Dec. 4, „ „ April 2 „

Finance Committee Meetings :

Members—Messrs. ROBINSON, WORLAND, GORE and MAINLAND.

1924—Sept. 4; Oct. 2; Nov. 6; Mar. 5; Apr. 2; May 7; June 4;
 Dec. 4. 1925—Jan. 1; Feb. 5; June 25; Aug.

Hon Medical Officers—

DRS. E. J. CONNELL, A. H. DUNSTAN, F. E. LITTLEWOOD,
 J. F. PATRICK, J. H. HENDERSON, H. I. HOLMES.

Rota for Attendance of Medical Staff.

1924			1925		
Week commencing			Week commencing		
Sept. 1	...	DR. LITTLEWOOD	Mar. 2	...	DR. DUNSTAN
„ 8	...	DR. CONNELL	„ 9	...	DR. PATRICK
„ 15	...	DR. DUNSTAN	„ 16	...	DR. HENDERSON
„ 22	...	DR. PATRICK	„ 23	...	DR. HOLMES
„ 29	...	DR. HENDERSON	„ 30	...	DR. LITTLEWOOD
Oct. 6	...	DR. HOLMES	Apr. 6	...	DR. CONNELL
„ 13	...	DR. LITTLEWOOD	„ 13	...	DR. DUNSTAN
„ 20	...	DR. CONNELL	„ 20	...	DR. PATRICK
„ 27	...	DR. DUNSTAN	„ 27	...	DR. HENDERSON
Nov. 3	...	DR. PATRICK	May 4	...	DR. HOLMES
„ 10	...	DR. HENDERSON	„ 11	...	DR. LITTLEWOOD
„ 17	...	DR. HOLMES	„ 18	...	DR. CONNELL
„ 24	...	DR. LITTLEWOOD	„ 25	...	DR. DUNSTAN
Dec. 1	...	DR. CONNELL	June 1	...	DR. PATRICK
„ 8	...	DR. DUNSTAN	„ 8	...	DR. HENDERSON
„ 15	...	DR. PATRICK	„ 15	...	DR. HOLMES
„ 22	...	DR. HENDERSON	„ 22	...	DR. LITTLEWOOD
„ 29	...	DR. HOLMES	„ 29	...	DR. CONNELL
1925			July 6	...	DR. DUNSTAN
Week commencing			„ 13	...	DR. PATRICK
Jan. 5	...	DR. LITTLEWOOD	„ 20	...	DR. HENDERSON
„ 12	...	DR. CONNELL	„ 27	...	DR. HOLMES
„ 19	...	DR. DUNSTAN	Aug. 3	...	DR. LITTLEWOOD
„ 26	...	DR. PATRICK	„ 10	...	DR. CONNELL
Feb. 2	...	DR. HENDERSON	„ 17	...	DR. DUNSTAN
„ 9	...	DR. HOLMES	„ 24	...	DR. PATRICK
„ 16	...	DR. LITTLEWOOD	„ 31	...	DR. HENDERSON
„ 23	...	DR. CONNELL			

Matron—MISS L. PATON

Resident Medical Officer—DR. J. G. CAMERON

Hon. Collector—MR. H. H. SMITH

Hon. Veterinary Surgeon—MR. A. W. KNIGHT-TUCK

Bankers—THE BANK OF AUSTRALASIA.

Auditors—MR. JAS. CROMIE and Miss L. A. MACK

VISITING DAYS—TUESDAY, THURSDAY and SUNDAY, from 2 to 4 p.m.

J. WILSON,

Superintendent and Secretary,

Warrnambool Hospital and
 Benevolent Asylum.

COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

To the Life Governors and Contributors,
Warrnambool District Hospital.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

The Board of Management have much pleasure in submitting for your approval the annual report and statement of accounts duly audited for the year ending 30th June, 1924, and in doing so would point out that it has been the most progressive in the history of the institution. After mature consideration of various plans, contracts amounting to nearly £17,000 were let, and the work is now well advanced. It will, however, be necessary, to raise another £8,000 or £10,000 to build and equip bacteriological, pathological laboratories X-ray departments operating theatre second story on main building, and other necessary improvements to bring the hospital up to the requirements of the base standard.

It would be a matter for much regret if any cessation of the building operations for the remodelling of the institution occurred for lack of funds. It is the intention of your committee to undertake a vigorous campaign to raise the above sum during the next few months by straight out giving.

FINANCE.

We commenced the year with a dr. balance of £182/3/1 and closed with an overdraft of £621/9/4. Owing to the daily average being lower, the average cost per bed is higher, £118/9/9½.

ADMISSION TO HOSPITAL.

During the period under review 452 in patients (242 males and 210 females) and 296 out-patients (173 males, 123 females) received treatment. Out-patients attendances totalled 869.

HONORARY MEDICAL OFFICERS.

To Drs. E. J. Connell, J. H. Henderson, H. I. Holmes, A. H. Dunstan, F. E. Littlewood and J. F. Patrick special thanks are due for their valuable services to the institution.

RESIDENT MEDICAL OFFICER.

Dr. W. G. C. Godbehear was appointed and resigned during the year, the vacancy being filled by Dr. J. G. Cameron.

Miss Peacock resigned as Matron to take up a similar position in the Wagga Hospital, and Sister Paton was appointed in her place.

Nurses Coleman, Hensley, Faragher and Huffer were successful in passing their R.V.T.N.A. examination.

The following members retire by effluxion of time and are eligible for re-election :—Messrs. J. Dickson, L. Crawley, and W. Swinton.

Mr. J. H. Smith, who was an enthusiastic worker for the Institution, resigned during the year owing to his removal from the district. It will also be necessary to fill this vacancy.

Country members, Messrs. C. J. Horn, J. Glasgow, and Capt. Jenkins, also retire by effluxion of time and are eligible for re-election. There are also two vacancies to be filled.

The appeal for eggs was again generously responded to and we wish to thank the donors for their continued support.

During the year gifts of money, provisions, linen, etc., were received from the children of the junior Red Cross circles of the State Schools. The committee highly appreciate their thoughtful efforts on behalf of the institution. In memory of the late Miss E. H. Griffiths, her relatives have generously presented a modern hygienic bed to the new Women's Ward.

Bequests and special donations are gratefully received from the following: estate of the late T. H. Whicher, Joseph Kronheimer trust, the Alfred Felton estate, the Edward Wilson charitable fund, the Stanley Heath Fund, the estate of the late W. Geldhoff, the estate of the late D. McInnis, the estate of the late P. Brennan, the estate of the late J. W. Anderson, Sir W. A. Zeal's estate, the estate of the late Miss E. H. Griffiths, employees Warrnambool Woollen Mills, employees Nestles Condensery, I.O.R. conference and A.N.A. conference.

Your committee acknowledges the valuable services rendered by our Honorary Collector, Mr H. H. Smith, the Warrnambool "Standard," and all who by gifts of money and in kind assisted the institution.

On behalf of the Committee,

M. SALTAU, PRESIDENT.

Medical Officer's Report

TO THE COMMITTEE.

GENTLEMEN,—

I have the honor to submit the following Report for the year ending 30th June, 1924, for your consideration:—

HOSPITAL PATIENTS.

	Males	Females	Totals
Remaining in Institution on 30/6/1923 ...	13	14	27
Admitted during year ending 30/6/1924 ...	228	197	425
Total Patients Treated ...	241	211	452
Discharged, Cured or Relieved ...	212	175	387
Deaths ...	12	16	28
Patients remaining in Hospital on 30/6/1924 ...	18	19	37
Total ...	242	210	452

BENEVOLENT INMATES.

Remaining in Institution on 30/6/1923 ...	6	0	6
Admitted during year ending 30/6/1924 ...	0	0	0
Total Inmates ...	6	0	6
Discharged, Cured or Relieved ...	6	0	6
Deaths ...	0	0	0
Inmates remaining in Institution on 30/6/1924 ...	0	0	0
Total ...	6	0	6

DAILY AVERAGES.

Hospital ...	31.33
Benevolent ...	3.87
Total ...	35.20

The Total Attendance of Out-Patients was 869.

THE AGES OF THOSE WHO DIED WERE:—

	Males	Females	Total
Under 5 years ...	3	0	3
5 and under 10 years ...	1	1	2
10 " 15 " ...	0	0	0
15 " 25 " ...	1	1	2
25 " 35 " ...	1	1	2
35 " 45 " ...	1	3	4
45 " 55 " ...	1	3	4
55 " 65 " ...	3	1	4
65 " 75 " ...	0	3	3
75 " 85 " ...	1	3	4
85 years and upwards ...	0	0	0
Total ...	12	16	28

DENOMINATIONS OF PATIENTS OR INMATES.

Roman Catholics ...	146
Church of England ...	152
Presbyterian ...	102
Methodist ...	21
Baptist ...	16
Salvation Army ...	3
Independents ...	7
Other Protestants and Protestants un-	
specified ...	10
Buddhists, Confucians, &c. ...	1

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RESIDENCES OF PATIENTS

Allansford ... 11	Koroit ... 10	Rosebrook ... 1
Ballangeich ... 5	Kirkstall ... 7	Russell's Creek ... 1
Ballarat ... 1	Laang ... 1	The Sisters ... 1
Bessiebelle ... 1	Lake Gilear... 1	Southern Cross ... 4
Bushfield ... 1	Mailer's Flat ... 9	Terang ... 8
Camperdown ... 1	Melbourne ... 4	Wangoom ... 12
Caramut ... 1	Mepunga ... 3	Warrnambool ... 247
Coleraine ... 1	Mortlake ... 1	Willatook ... 2
Cudjee ... 5	Naringal ... 3	Woodlands ... 3
Daylesford ... 1	N.F. Abode ... 9	Woodford ... 5
Dennington ... 23	Nirranda ... 5	Wollaston ... 3
Digby ... 1	Nullawarre ... 8	Woolsthorpe... 1
Framlingham ... 6	Noorat ... 1	Winslow ... 7
Garvoc ... 4	Panmure ... 6	Yangery ... 2
Grasmere ... 10	Penshurst ... 3	Yarpturk ... 4
Hamilton ... 1	Peterborough ... 1	Yambuk ... 1
Hexham ... 1	Port Fairy .. 3	
Illowa ... 1	Purnim ... 6	

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Hospital ...	452
Benevolent Asylum ...	6

Warrnambool District Hospital.

THOMSON FUND CAPITAL ACCOUNT

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for Year ending 30th June, 1924

RECEIPTS.	£ s. d.	EXPENDITURE.	£ s. d.
To Balance in Savings Bank...	2 16 4	By Balance in Savings Bank	... 2 19 6
Interest ...	0 3 2		
	£2 19 6		£2 19 6

Audited and found correct—J. CROMIE } Auditors.
15th July, 1924. L. A. MACK }

J. WILSON,
Secretary.

Warrnambool District Hospital, as at 30th June, 1924

	1920	1921	1922	1923	1924
RECEIPTS					
Government Grant	£600 0 0	£800 0 0	£1050 0 0	£850 0 0	£900 0 0
Municipal Grants	90 0 0	120 0 0	125 0 0	105 0 0	145 0 0
Local Contributions, including Hospital Sunday and Proceeds of Entertainments	475 11 1	879 0 1	733 6 8	433 13 3	575 13 3
In-Patients { Infections £127 12 0 } { Old Age Pens. 80 8 0 } { Ordinary 498 6 3 }	1266 17 0	1430 4 10	978 8 0	886 1 9	127 12 0
Out-Patients	356 17 2	4 14 6	411 16 3	462 6 8	498 6 3
Interest on Investments	5 12 6	175 5 0	7 17 6	12 2 0	14 4 0
Other Sources of Revenue	217 5 0	19 10 5	217 3 0	217 5 0	217 5 0
Ordinary Revenue	20 14 0	3928 14 10	5 12 6	34 17 0	28 12 4
Extraordinary Revenue	3144 16 1	608 13 10	3844 11 11	2977 7 8	2934 19 6
	608 13 10	885 17 4	531 13 9	990 13 9	560 11 3
EXPENDITURE					
Provisions	1011 15 3	1013 9 4	784 2 1	£846 14 9	806 4 5
Surgery	1446 0 8	646 12 1	835 4 5	688 19 6	237 13 0
Domestic	659 9 3	643 15 10	614 15 11	760 17 11	685 13 4
Establishment Charges	129 4 0	173 14 9	138 8 2	119 8 0	105 3 9
Miscellaneous	129 10 0	151 9 4	146 9 2	138 8 0	142 14 7
Administration	276 5 7	204 13 5	234 10 1	233 14 0	255 8 1
Salaries and Wages	1886 2 5	1444 7 5	1484 10 4	1633 16 5	1657 17 5
Total Ordinary Expenditure	4019 7 2	4068 4 0	3781 3 9	4365 2 9	3940 19 7
Total Extraordinary Expenditure	£840 1 3	14 4 0	92 1 11	114 3 0½	118 9 9½
Cost per Bed	93 13 4	31 9 9	92 1 11	114 3 0½	118 9 9½
FINANCIAL POSITION					
Cash in hand	612 15 1	360 8 8	..	£182 3 1	621 9 4
Bank Overdraft	..	..	..	..	..
Unpaid Accounts	..	..	214 18 3	..	..
Net Balance { Credit	612 15 1	360 8 8	..	..	..
Endowment	6850 0 0	6850 0 0	7450 0 0	7450 0 0	7450 0 0
STATISTICAL					
Daily Average—Hospital	No. 36 718	No. 38 821	No. 39 09	No. 32 58	No. 31 33
Daily Average—Benevolent Asylum	5 295	5 649	4 3	5 06	5 87
In-Patients—Hospital	588	536	516	480	452
In-Patients—Benevolent Asylum	6	4	5	6	6
Paid Staff	28	28	29	29	27
Accommodation	60	66	66	66	66
Infections	26	26	26	26	26
Out-Patients	103	326	679	367	296
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J. WILSON, Secretary.