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## MESSAGE . . .

from

**Murray G. Little, Esq., M.A.**

(Director of Education in Western Australia)

To the Members of the Junior Red Cross Society of W.A.:  
As Vice-President of your Society, I have been greatly interested in the very fine work you are doing in your wide-spread Junior Red Cross Circles.

The Red Cross Society in which the grown-ups are busy has done a great work for humanity, and it is under the shadow of that great world-wide movement that you children begin a life of service. It may seem strange, but it is nevertheless true, that the more you think of others and the less you think of yourselves the happier you are, and it is the same if you work for others rather than for yourselves. Happiness lies in service.

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**THE EDITOR'S CORNER**

We hope you have all noticed that we have moved to a new office—at number 18, Howard Street. It is next door to the Headquarters of the W.A. Division of the Australian Red Cross Society.

We had to move, because the Junior work has become so extensive we had to have more room. Our new home is a truly hallowed spot, for, up to the beginning of the present war, it was the Headquarters of the Red Cross Society. You will feel with us that we are very fortunate in securing these excellent quarters for the Juniors. We hope many of you will be able to visit us there when you are in Perth. We still have the same telephone number — B 6621.

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**QUARTERLY RETURNS**

Would all Circles please endeavour to send Quarterly Returns in PROMPTLY, with ALL particulars filled in? This will greatly assist with the compiling of Circle news.

The following is a perfect Return:

**QUARTERLY RETURN: ARTHUR RIVER CIRCLE**

To be forwarded to Headquarters, 18 Howard Street, Perth, at the end of March, June, September, and the beginning of December of each year.

Number of Members: 15.

Leader: Miss P. Caporn; Hon. Secretary: Betty Fleay;

Hon. Treasurer: Miss P. Caporn.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT, QUARTER ENDED JUNE**

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**"I SERVE"**

Our Motto is a very old one, and had been used long before we chose it. During the Battle of Crecy, on August 26, 1346, Edward, the Black Prince, won his spurs. He was then only sixteen years old. As his crest, he chose the three ostrich feathers of King John of Bohemia, the blind king, who was killed at Crecy, and his motto "Ich Dien," which is the German for "I Serve." For nearly six hundred years now those plumes and those words have been the badge of the Prince of Wales.

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Both the Organising Secretary and the Editor ask you to be patient with them if you feel that some of your news is absent from this *Bulletin*. There are Circles which send in their reports after the paper is printed. In those cases,

reports cannot appear until the next issue of our paper, three months hence. So blame your Secretary — and not Headquarters.

The prizes for the Knitting Competition were sent by Mrs. Mary Grant Bruce, from Melbourne. Valma Farquar received "Karalta," Mrs. Grant Bruce's latest publication. Sylvia Rosen, who by the way is an evacuee from London, received her £1 prize.

DO write to "Cousin Catherine." We want to publish your best letters in the next *Bulletin*. She wants you to tell her about the amusing things that happen on the farm, at home, or at school. Surely funny things happen to you — even if there is a war raging.

Many consignments arrive without a list enclosed, or name of Circle. This is why parcels are not acknowledged at times. Clothing is no longer sent to England, as shipping space is not available. Evacuees are not needing so much now, so Sister Kate, St. Vincent's Orphanage, and the Alexandra Home have benefited.

Milk tins and similar ones are now accepted without press-in lids. Circles are asked to collect bottle tops (press-on ones), sheep skins, and rabbit skins. Send bottle tops addressed to Hon. Secretary, Howard Street, Perth. Sheep and rabbit skins are to be sent direct to Messrs. Elder, Smith & Co., Fremantle.

Arising out of a request by several adults, that they be allowed to join the Junior organisation, the following clause has been added to our constitution: "Adults may become auxiliary members of a Junior Red Cross Circle." These members will not be eligible to vote.

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**APPRECIATION**

We offer our grateful thanks to Mrs. Waite, Mrs. D'Arcy and Mrs. Gooch for gifts of clothing which they sent for evacuees.

We thank Barbara Blakey, an Associate Member, for her help in knitting for us.

Miss Pearce has sent in a further donation of £3 for the General Funds, for which we are very grateful.

The Ascot Camp Concert Party has been most helpful in giving time and talent to help the Junior funds. We thank them very much indeed. "Dawnette" has given much amusement with her Educated Dogs, and also helped add to our funds.

Mr. Hancock, and his "Orpheans Concert Party" have been untiring in the work they have done for the Juniors. They have helped add to our funds, and we are very grateful to them.

Many thanks to the Advertisers, who have helped to make this publication possible.

Nicholsons of Barrack Street, Perth, have been good enough to lend us a piano for a concert at Swanbourne. This is most kind of them.

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Rubber, aluminium and waste paper are no longer collected by Red Cross, as other organisations handle them. Mrs. Messer, of Waste Products, does NOT. Weights of packages must not exceed 56lbs, by passenger train, and 2cwt. by goods train.

## ★ ★ ★ News of Our Circles ★ ★ ★

*This news is compiled from Quarterly Returns received to the end of June.*

**ARMADALE:** 43 members; Vivienne Rowe, Hon. Sec. This Circle paid a visit to Junior Red Cross Headquarters during this quarter. Uncle Mac was present to meet the boys of this Circle, who have been doing toy-making under the supervision of their master, Mr. Pilbeam. The meeting proved very helpful on both sides. The girls have worked equally well, sending in 18 scarves, 10 pairs of bed-socks, 6 waistcoat-mufflers, 25 water-bag covers, 5 pairs of knee-caps, 1 pair of socks, 1 pair mittens and 1 balaclava. The Secretary made and sent in a beautifully-knitted coat for an evacuee. £1/5/7 in the bank.

**ARTHUR RIVER:** 15 members; Betty Fleay, Hon. Sec. On turning up this return, I find I have marked it "The Perfect Return." So many are incorrectly made out, that it is a joy to find one like this. Fifteen shillings donated to Prisoners of War Fund. Children of this Circle have planted vegetables, which are to be sold to raise funds. Articles are made and sold. Guessing Competitions and tuckshops conducted, while some of the members give a weekly donation. Waste products are also collected. £1/1/6 in the bank.

**ALBANY:** 60 members; Yvonne Ford, Hon. Sec. No report from you.

**BEDFORDALE:** 9 members; Betty Curtis, Hon. Sec. We regret to report the resignation of Mrs. Roberts, who has been the Leader for the past year, but welcome Miss Joyce Curtis, the new Leader. This Circle makes splendid rugs. A social and also a concert have been held. We received most useful painted tins from a member. Mrs. Messer is glad to receive anything like this for sale at her Waste Products shop. We were pleased to receive a visit from the new Leader and the Secretary.

**BELLAKABELLA:** 7 members; Keith Maynard, Hon. Sec. A tuckshop and concert were held to raise funds for Prisoners of War. Children knitted two very large rugs. These looked very attractive when opened, as many of the squares had been knitted with a striped effect. £2/4/- sent to Prisoners of War Fund. 13/1 in the bank.

**BODDINGTON:** 112 members; Jessie Firms, Hon. Sec. A splendid donation of £14 was received from this Circle for Prisoners of War Fund, collected thus—Senior Room, £5/3/8½; Junior Room, £2/12/1; Tuckshop, £2/4/-; Doll, £2/10/-. Donations from Mrs. L. Stagbouer, Messrs. T. Price, J. Dwyer and R. Crane included in Room totals. £1/4/- was also sent to General Funds. Keep on with the good work.

**BORDEN:** 35 members; Paddy Trappitt, Hon. Sec. A very busy Circle, which includes South Borden. Now South Borden is unable to attend, owing to transport difficulties, so a Circle has been formed there. Borden has been assisting the Senior branch until recently. Articles made this quarter for Junior Red Cross include 6 bed-bags, 4 housewives, 16 knitted squares, 1 waistcoat muffler, 1 child's apron, and 1 pair of bloomers. Funds are raised by guess-

ing competitions, the sale of vegetables, birds and bottles, and by direct giving. £1 sent to General Funds, £1 to Prisoners of War Fund, and £1 to the Cupboard Fund. Balance in the bank, 4/11.

**BULLARING:** 10 members; Pat Doyle, Hon. Sec. These members are very energetic, we feel sure, as such large quantities of waste products have been collected. The children are very interested in "Uncle Mac's" toy-making scheme, and are busy making up the first consignment sent to them. Ten shillings were sent to the Prisoners of War Fund and 10/- to the Cupboard Fund. 4/- in the bank.

**BRUCE ROCK:** 46 members; Margaret Lonsdale, Hon. Sec. Much good work is being done for the Senior Branch. Members are very keen, and many bright ideas are thought out. £20 sent in to the Prisoners of War Fund; £1/8/4 to the General Fund, and 3 parcels to Waste Products. Articles made were 3 pairs of bed-socks, 5 mufflers, 1 knee-cap, 4 hot-water bag covers, 1 scarf, 8 toilet bags, 12 sterilising cloths. Mrs. Bradley, Leader of this Circle, paid us a welcome visit and brought in a further donation which will appear in next quarter's *Bulletin*.

**BUREKUP:** 41 members; Greta Lon, Hon. Sec. £3/7/6 donated for Prisoners of War. No report from this Circle.

**BIG BELL:** 17 members; Jean Gellatly, Hon. Sec. We welcome Jean as our new secretary. No report from this Circle, but we hope to hear of the good work done by you next quarter.

**BROOMEHILL:** 21 members; Mr. L. Wanne, Hon. Sec. No report.

**CALINGIRI:** 34 members; Ernie King, Hon. Sec. Miss Peat has left the district, and Mr. C. Beverly, the Head Teacher, has kindly consented to carry on. Two large packages sent to Waste Products, and a large amount of aluminium collected. £2/1/10 is the bank balance.

**CARMEL:** 18 members; Maureen Ryan, Hon. Sec. Six pillow-slips were made by this Circle. £5 donated to the Prisoners of War Fund, and 10/- to the Cupboard Fund. We received a visit from the Leader, Mrs. Stewart. 11/- balance in the bank.

**COOLGARDIE:** 14 members; Dorothy James, Hon. Sec. In spite of dwindling numbers, the girls have made a bigger effort. £1 donated to Prisoners of War, and 4/6 to Cupboard Fund, 10/- to the State Schools Patriotic Fund. Good work is being done for the Senior Branch. Thirty-seven handkerchiefs, 30 traycloths, 5 tea-towels, 1 scarf, and 6 milk-jug covers were made from materials supplied. Bank balance 9/7.

**COONANA:** 27 members; Bob Russell, Hon. Sec. We regret that the Leader, Mrs. Blythe, has been transferred, but Mrs. Brooks has kindly consented to carry on for the time being. This Circle is only 4 months old, so has made a good beginning. £1 donated to Prisoners of War Fund. Three knitted pullovers made with the help of Senior supporters. A large quantity of wool has been purchased for knitting. Bank balance 7/10.

**CORRIGIN:** 36 members; Douglas Noack, Hon. Sec. No report; but we know this Circle is working. The child-

ren are receiving instructions in First Aid. 4/3 donated to Prisoners of War Fund.

**CLAREMONT:** 15 members; June Hood, Hon. Sec. This Circle has been in recess for 6 months. At a meeting held on July 17 new office-bearers were elected. Mrs. Hood, Leader; June Hood, Hon. Sec.; Miss Thelma Miller, Hon. Treasurer; and Miss Dulcie Ellery, Trustee. The State President and the Hon. Secretary attended the annual meeting and election of office-bearers.

**CARLISLE:** 80 members; L. Languant, Hon. Sec. No return. The Senior Branch is very interested in the Circle, and are most helpful.

**DALWALLINU:** June Davis, Hon. Sec. This Circle has done excellent work. £42 donated to the Schools Patriotic Fund. Balance on hand £1/18/-. Flowers and vegetables were sold and realised £3/8/3. A most successful bazaar was held and brought in £14/17/5. The proceeds from a tuck-shop were £1/10/-. £18/6/10 was paid in to Junior Funds when the Seniors organised a pet lamb competition. First Aid classes are being conducted. The boys manual class has made splints. The Junior Circle supplied tea and sugar to the Red Cross Shop—before the introduction of rationing. Congratulations to members on this splendid report.

**DARKAN:** 16 members; Barbara South, Hon. Sec. This Circle helps the local Red Cross by knitting and making articles at the school, for sale. Waste products are being collected. Congratulations on Prisoners of War Fund effort—£8 was sent to Head Office.

**DOWERIN:** No report.

**DURANILLAN:** 10 members; Colin Kirk, Hon. Sec. £8/10/- donated to Prisoners of War Fund, and a further

donation will appear in the next quarter's report. Members are very enthusiastic, and every opportunity is taken to gather in funds for the Society. We would welcome a report on your activities.

**DUMBLEYUNG:** 41 members; Leah Reid, Hon. Sec. The children conduct many small functions, generally at their own homes during the week-ends. The boys collect waste products and deposit them at the local dump. Sewing and knitting are done for the Senior Branch. A box of 21 beautiful crocheted knee-rugs have arrived at Headquarters as I write. £3 was donated to the Prisoners of War Fund; 3 waistcoat mufflers, 15 face-washers and 3 dozen milk-jug covers were made. Well done, girls; this is a credit to you.

**EAST CANNINGTON:** Mrs. McKinnon, Leader. We are awaiting the new Secretary's name. This Circle has been in recess, owing to many of the children evacuating. They have commenced work again, so we will hear more from them later.

**ESPERANCE:** 36 members; John Morton, Hon. Sec. £2/2/- was donated to the Prisoners of War Fund, £1/1/- to the Cuboard Fund, and £1/7/6 to the General Fund. Large quantities of waste products were collected. There were 2,222 bottles, 527 tins, 5 bags of rags, 45 car batteries, 1 box of tooth-paste tubes, 600lbs. rubber, 28lbs. aluminium, and 9½lbs. of silver paper. Three large parcels of clothing were sent for evacuees. Work sent to the Senior Branch includes 44 bandages, 11 housewives, 55 pyjama-cords, and 36 large tins. Knitting sent to Headquarters comprise 4 pairs of socks, 7 balaclava helmets, 15 scarves, 1 pair of knee-caps, and 32 squares. Two parcels were sent to Prisoners of War in Germany. The boys of this Circle chopped wood for

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the local community concerts. This is a report of which to be proud. £5/16/2 in the bank.

**GNOWANGERUP:** 90 members; Blanche Lower, Hon. Sec. £3/15/4 sent to the Prisoners of War Fund, and 3/3 to the General Fund. Five knitted rugs and 2 mufflers have been sent in. With 90 members now, we hope to hear of great activity from your Circle.

**GUILDFORD:** 6 members; John Gibbons, Hon. Sec. This is our Horse Section. Miss Jennings has taken over from Miss Mower. Lectures on the care of the horse, semaphore, etc., have been attended during the past 3 months. Waste rubber was collected with a horse and cart before this was taken over by the Government.

**GERALDTON:** 45 members; Max Carter, Hon. Sec. This Circle has had a difficult time owing to members having been evacuated. We welcome the new Leader, Miss Evans; the new Secretary, Max Carter; and the new Treasurer, Helen Butterfield. Helen organised penny concerts whilst away. Nan Shanks, Margaret Grisby and Hazel Bryant handed in £1/14/-, made from a tuck-shop. E. Scott, D. Jenkins, A. Plant and C. Berringer handed in £7/13/5. Well done Charlie Boyes for 5/9 from you—made by chopping firewood. £4 for Prisoners of War Fund, £1 for the General Fund, and £1 for the Cupboard Fund were given by this Circle.

**GOSNELLS:** 18 members; Alma Lilley, Hon. Sec. First Aid Certificates gained by 19 members. Parcels of clothing made and sent in. The girls of this Circle are excellent workers. No report from you, Alma.

**HARVEY:** 231 members; Miss Kitty Ochiltree, Hon. Sec. £3/7/8 donated to Prisoners of War Fund; 5/- to Cupboard Fund, 2 parcels to Waste Products, and 2 large parcels of clothing for evacuees and the Cupboard. The Schools Patriotic Fund is also well supported.

**HOFFMAN'S MILL:** 6 members; Mervyn Thomas, Chairman. We are waiting for the name of the new Secretary. Waste products were collected. £1/4/2 in the bank.

**HOLYOAKE:** 23 members; Claire Joynson, Hon. Sec. No report. Brian Pusey is interested in toy-making. We are hoping to hear from other members. £1 donated to Prisoners of War Fund. 10/- to the Cupboard Fund, and 10/- to Air Raid Victims.

**HYDEN:** 16 members; Debora Roseman, Hon. Sec. No report. Waste products being collected. £1/18/4 balance in hand.

**INGLEWOOD:** 25 members; Pam English, Hon. Sec. Three parcels to Waste Products; 3 parcels of clothing for Air Raid Victims; 7 large rugs, 54in. x 54in.; 4 pairs of socks; and knitted dozens of baby clothes and scarves for evacuees. £5 donated to the Prisoners of War Fund. The bank balance is £3/3/1.

**KELLERBERRIN:** 16 members; Grace Johnson, Hon. Sec. 10/6 donated to the Prisoners of War Fund. No word from you for some time. £1/18/4 in the bank.

**KIRUP:** 18 members; Val Sartori, Hon. Sec. Donation to General Funds of £3/9/6; Prisoners of War, £3/5/-. This Circle is evidently working hard. We would appreciate a newsy letter from the Secretary, though we have not had a detailed report.

**KNUNGAJIN:** Elaine Flood, Hon. Sec. This is a new Circle, interested in overseas correspondence portfolios. We are glad to hear that you are having a combined effort with Nungarin and Mangowine.

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**LAKE BIDDY:** 25 members; Rea McGlenn, Hon. Sec. One parcel sent for Air Raid Victims; another to the Red Cross Shop. A rug is being knitted. The Leader has a difficult task, as almost half the members are too far distant to attend meetings. 5/2 balance in the bank.

**LAKEWOOD:** 25 members; Rene Baker, Hon. Sec. Donation to Prisoners of War, £3/14/6. A splendid parcel containing nightgowns, matinee jackets, petticoats, dressing-gowns, bloomers, shoes, pyjamas and pyjama suits, pullovers, trousers, overalls, knee-rugs, overcoats, etc.—in all 107 articles were sent in by this Circle. Well done, children, and the folk who help you so well. A parcel of reading matter sent in, and quantities of waste products collected.

**LAVERTON:** 22 members; Robert Saglidferit, Hon. Sec. No report.

**MADDINGTON:** 12 members; Phyllis Winsor, Hon. Sec. This Circle has arranged fortnightly dances, which bring in substantial funds. The following donations have been made: £19 for Prisoners of War Fund; £2 for General Fund; £5 for local Red Cross. Balance in the bank, £2/2/6. Congratulations Maddington on a successful quarter.

**MANGOWINE:** 16 members; Elva Adams, Hon. Sec. This is a new Circle, already working hard. The members are co-operating with Knunajin and Nungarin during September to hold a stall at a fete to be held at Nungarin.

**MANJIMUP:** 200 members; Val Muir, Hon. Sec. Good work being done, but no report to hand.

**MARLEYUP:** 15 members; Alison Burrows, Hon. Sec. We send our sympathy to this Circle. Their school has been burnt down, together with their sewing and knitting. Needless to say, their work has been disorganised. Meetings have been resumed, and First Aid lectures are in progress. Good luck to you all.

**MAYLANDS:** 15 members; Myrtle James, Hon. Sec. We regret that the names of successful First Aid candidates were not published last quarter. They were: Myrtle James, Mary Cownie, Helen Morphett and Peter Redwood. £9 donated to Prisoners of War Fund; £1/10/- to the Cupboard Fund. Deck chairs were presented to convalescent Homes; 1 layette made, and some slippers for children. The trans-

port calls regularly for Waste Products. We are pleased to receive frequent visits from officer-bearers and members. The President (Mrs. Greatorex) and Secretary (Mrs. Darling) attended the annual meeting, and during the quarter they, with members of the committee, were the guests at a most enjoyable dance. £8/4/7 is the bank balance.

**MOOLIABEENEE:** 9 members; Caroline Foulkes-Taylor, Hon. Sec. Our newest Circle, just formed.

**MOORA:** 19 members; Crystal Baker, Hon. Sec. Good work being done, but no report to hand.

**MORNINGTON MILLS:** 25 members; Nora Di Guillo, Hon. Sec. £1/10/- donated to General Funds, and £1/5/- to Prisoners of War Fund. Money is raised by voluntary contributions, penny concerts, and a tuck-shop. Articles have been knitted and clothing collected.

**MOSMAN PARK (Girl Guides):** 22 members; Bruce Simpson, Hon. Sec. This is one of our hardest-working Circles. Donation to Prisoners of War Fund, 10/-. This quarter they have sent in 5 bonnets, 6 pairs of bootees, 1 vest, 5 ripple-cloth dresses, pantees and petticoats to match, 2 pairs of mittens, 1 hug-me-tight, 5 night-dresses, 12 knitted matinee jackets. To the Senior Branch they sent 6 milk-jug covers, 1 large knitted rug and 20 face-washers. To the Girl Guide Headquarters they sent 3 sacks of silver paper, 1 sack of bottle tops; to the Waste Products Department 3 cartloads of tins, bottles, etc. The Leader, Mrs. Hart, personally supervises these collections. Money was raised by fetes, concerts, and the sale of waste products. Mosman Park and Peppermint Grove organised a most successful concert, which brought in £46/10/-. Mosman Park No. 2 Circle has now been absorbed by No. 1 Circle. The President, Hon. Secretary and members of the Committee attended a most successful bazaar.

**MOUNT HELENA:** 40 members; Miss L. Chandler, Hon. Sec. Another perfect return. £4 donated to Prisoners of War Fund, and £1 to the Cupboard Fund. One knitted rug brought to Headquarters, size 72in. x 40in., and also 3 beautifully-made rugs from woollen pieces. Money was obtained from a tuck-shop, a concert, and also by card evening conducted by Seniors to assist Junior funds. We were pleased to receive a visit from the Leader, Mrs. Donaldson. Bank balance £1/6/4.

**MOUNT LAWLEY (State School):** 89 members; K. Refeld, Hon. Sec. Donations £6/10/- received for Prisoners of War Fund. Many children have left the district.

**MOUNT MAGNET:** 65 members; Millie Shadlow, Hon. Sec. Donations received from this Circle were for the following funds: £10/10/- for Prisoners of War, and £2 for General. Balance in the bank £5/15/-. Money is raised by means of tuck-shops and penny concerts. A rug and scarves are being knitted, and aprons and pyjamas are being made for sale to raise funds. The members also assist the Seniors with knitting and sewing. £12/10/- in the bank.

**MUKINBUDIN:** 9 members; Dorothy Nancarrow, Hon. Sec. A very keen Circle lately formed. 5/- sent to the Prisoners of War Fund, which was obtained when a penny concert was held. We regret that the Leader, Miss Trotter, has been transferred, but trust that her successor will be as interested in the work. A rug is being knitted for one of the military hospitals.

**MURADUP:** 6 members; Edgar Bracknell, Hon. Sec. We wish to express sympathy to the Leader, Mrs. Randall, who has lost her husband after a long illness, and to thank

her sincerely for the good work she has done during her term in office. This Circle has been in existence for nearly 3 years, and is one of our oldest. Miss Morrell has kindly undertaken the leadership. Waste products are being collected, and a package of various coupons have been received. We hope to hear of other activities next quarter.

**NANSON:** 14 members; Elaine Murphy, Hon. Sec. A donation of £2/10/- received for Prisoners of War Fund. No word from you lately—we would appreciate a letter.

**NARROGIN:** 60 members; B. Byrne, Hon. Sec. Children have been very busy knitting clothing and jumpers which they sent for evacuees. 220 articles made for Senior Branch. Included in this high number are 26 knee-rugs, 12 bed jackets, 44 mufflers, 18 pairs of socks, etc. £3 donated to the Prisoners of War Fund, £2 to the local Branch, and £2 to the Cupboard Fund. Children are making wooden toys which are to be sold locally.

**NARROGIN VALLEY:** 11 members; N. Rowe, Hon. Sec. Donation for Prisoners of War Fund 3/-, and General Funds 14/9. Have sent in a layette and a parcel for the Cupboard Fund.

**NORTHAM:** 80 members; Joan Campbell, Hon. Sec. A very busy Circle, but we would like to see funds forwarded direct to Junior Red Cross Headquarters to augment the J.R.C. funds. We are delighted to learn that Senior members take a great interest in our Juniors in this district. This is most encouraging. Members have been busy "Digging for Victory." A vegetable show is to be held soon. £8/9/- was sent to Prisoners of War Fund, £6/15/- to various other funds, and there is £3/17/3 in the bank. Money was obtained from a fair, a tuck-shop and a cricket match. Seventy-three articles were made.

**NORTH COLLIE:** 20 members; Gladys Vernon, Hon. Sec. A First Aid class is being held. No report has been sent in to Headquarters.

**NORTH MAYLANDS:** 31 members; Pat Pastell, Hon. Sec. No report. We know this Circle is working well. The boys have made swabs and surgical pads and rolled bandages. Clothing for evacuees has also been brought in. Members visited Hollywood Hospital and were allowed to serve the patients afternoon tea.

**NUNGARIN:** 34 members; Bert Waterhouse, Hon. Sec. The following donations have been made: 10/- to the Prisoners of War Fund, 10/- to Cupboard Fund, and 10/- to School Patriotic Fund. Three parcels of clothing sent to Headquarters, and 3 consignments of books. Bank balance on hand £3. Members have collected and sent a good supply to Waste Products. We were very pleased to receive a visit from the Treasurer, Mr. Vincent. The boys are interested in toy-making, and are going to help us during the coming quarter.

**OSBORNE PARK:** 85 members; Annie Blair, Hon. Sec. One of our busiest Circles. From here come many of our most original ideas. The boys are keen toy-makers. The girls do beautiful sewing, as well as knitting. Dozens of articles have been made this quarter, including bunny-rugs and knee-rugs with animals and farmyard scenes applied on them. Slippers have been made from felt hats. Twenty-four pairs of these slippers and 2 rugs were sent to the Children's Hospital; also trousers, nightgowns, pyjamas, panties, and many other articles. Donations were sent to the Prisoners of War Fund. "Uncle Mac" visited this Circle and embarked the boys on their toy-making venture.

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**PEPPERMINT GROVE:** 30 members; Judith Keane, Hon. Sec. A most successful concert was arranged with the co-operation of Mosman Park, and £46/10/- was paid in to General Funds as a consequence. Great credit is due to the office-bearers of these Circles for the capable way everything was managed.

**PINGELLY:** 14 members; Joan Menzies, Hon. Sec. This Circle has not sent a report for some time. Hurry up, Joan, and let us hear from you.

**PINGRUP:** 25 members; John Keay, Hon. Sec. £2 received for Prisoners of War Fund, and £1 for Cupboard Fund. Children have been busy collecting bottles, etc., and members are selling books to raise funds. A successful Penny Concert was held during the quarter. Two parcels of rabbit skins were sent to Waste Products, and 2 other parcels of waste. Two parcels of clothing were sent in for evacuees.

**PINJARRA:** 71 members; Anneliese Goerling, Hon. Sec. One box of clothing sent in for Air Raid Victims. One box of books to the Children's Hospital.

**QUEEN'S PARK:** 10 members; Nellie Varvell, Hon. Sec. This Circle has not been so active lately, as the previous Leader, Mrs. Northam, has been away ill; however, they are in working order again, and we expect to hear from them next quarter. Waste products have been collected, and the Prisoners of War Fund benefited by £5 when the children brought in a donation. The State President and Hon. Secretary, together with members of the Senior Branch, attended the annual meeting, when the following office-bearers were elected: Mrs. Davies, Leader; Mrs. Ryan, Treasurer; Nellie Varvell, Hon. Secretary, and Mrs. Varvell, Trustee. This was a very pleasant afternoon. We were very pleased when Mrs. Davies, the Leader, and Mrs. Varvell, the Trustee, brought the members to Head Office during the school holidays.

**ROLEYSTONE:** 15 members; Shirley Winstanley, Hon. Sec. Donation of £1/11/- received for Prisoners of War Fund. Members have not held many meetings this quarter owing to the prevalence of influenza. They are working again now, and a tuckshop, a children's party, and a dance have been arranged. We hope to hear that the functions

were a success. Very pleased to see members of the Circle at the Office.

**ROSA GLEN:** 16 members; Rosemary Nash, Hon. Sec. £1 received for General Funds, and 10/- for Prisoners of War. Waste products and reading matter were collected. Members are busy knitting, and many garments have been completed; even the boys are doing their bit in this direction. Cheers for you, boys! The following articles have been sent to Headquarters: 2 rugs, 6 vests, 1 bonnet, 1 baby's jacket, 1 pair of bootees, 1 pair of mittens, and 1 beret.

**ST. MARY'S SCHOOL:** 40 members; Ione Wittenoon, Hon. Sec. No report from this Circle. Clothing for evacuees has been made and collected. Housewives and a knitted rug were made for our convalescent soldiers. Waste products have been collected. £14 was donated to General Funds. We would like to hear from you more often, girls.

**SANDSTONE:** 31 members; Miss Hamersley, Hon. Sec. This Circle is the home of bright ideas, and large donations. The members are very keen. Pies are made, and boys sell them on Saturdays. £17/19/- was made this quarter by various efforts.

**SCARBOROUGH:** 80 members; Archie Jones, Hon. Sec. No report, though we know you are doing marvellous things. The girls are knitting, organising dances, and the boys are toy-making. A large parcel of knitting has just come to hand. A full report will appear in the next *Bulletin*.

**SOUTH BELMONT:** 15 members; E. Cobb, Hon. Sec. A new Circle.

**SOUTH BORDEN:** 10 members; Annie Smith, Hon. Sec. This Circle has been working with Borden, but have now formed one of their own. A rug for Hollywood Hospital is being made.

**SPRINGFIELD:** 15 members; Olive Hall, Hon. Sec. A new Circle.

**SUBIACO ROAD:** 9 members; Anne Meddes, Hon. Sec. £15 handed in for General Funds, £3 for Prisoners of War. Toys have been made, and sold by Mrs. Cameron. A most successful concert was organised by this Circle. No report received from you, Anne.

**SUBIACO SCHOOL:** 92 members; Kathleen Brooks, Hon. Sec. This Circle sent clothing and cot-covers to the Foundling Home, books and magazines to the Home of Peace and Hollywood Hospital. A good report, but it does not read like one from Subiaco School. Perhaps we are apt to expect too much from this Circle, which is one of our best.

**TAMBELLUP:** 30 members; Dot Hall, Hon. Sec. £1 donated to Schools Patriotic Fund. Waste products are sent to Headquarters every week. The following articles have been knitted: 2 waistcoat mufflers, 1 scarf, 1 pair of socks, 2 baby's bonnets, 4 baby's dresses and 2 baby's petticoats. Infant children collect paper, and older children collect rubber. (Note: No more rubber or aluminium to be collected by Red Cross, as these waste products are now collected by the Government.)

**TINKURRIN:** 14 members; Jessie Black, Hon. Sec. No report, Tinkurrin. Tuckshops are held to raise funds. £2/6/- sent to the Prisoners of War Fund.

**TOODYAY:** 40 members; Pam Wroth, Hon. Sec. No report from your Circle.

VICTORIA PARK (Presbyterian Church): 29 members; Douglas Morey and Nola Hawkes, joint Hon. Secretaries. This is a very new Circle, which is already working hard. We expect a good report next quarter.

VICTORIA PARK (State School): Beryl Strang, Hon. Sec. No report from you, Beryl.

WADDOURING: 19 members; Beth Hounslow, Hon. Sec. This is a very keen Circle. A layette is nearly completed; 9 housewives and 2 tea-towels are finished. Bones, papers, jars and books have been collected. We regret that 6/- given to the Prisoners of War Fund was credited to Bencubbin in the last report.

WAGERUP: 20 members; Elvie Eastcott, Hon. Sec. £3/10/- donated to the Prisoners of War Fund. A tuckshop and a card party were held to raise funds. We would like to hear from you more often. We were pleased to receive a visit from your Leader, Mr. Lefley, during the last holidays. The balance in the bank is 13/5.

WALKAWAY: 16 members; Olive Maddren, Hon. Sec. Twelve parcels were sent to Waste Products. The boys are making toys, and the girls have finished a parcel of knitting. A dance is being held to swell the General Funds. £10 just to hand from Walkaway. This will appear in the financial statement in the December *Bulletin*.

WAROONA: 15 members; Shirley Faulkner, Hon. Sec. No report. 7/- sent to Prisoners of War Fund. We feel sure Waroona could do better than this. Word just to hand that a parcel of clothing for evacuees has been sent.

WATTLE GROVE: 15 members; V. M. Peters, Hon. Sec. No report from you this quarter. Here's to hearing from you soon.

WESTFIELD: 19 members; Mavis Allen, Hon. Sec. No report, though we know you are working.

WIDGEMOOLTHA: 12 members; Dorothy Johnson, Hon. Sec. A still newer Circle, formed on July 28. £8 has been made already by the sale of waste products.

WILLIAMS: 21 members; Ray Hall, Hon. Sec. What has happened to this Circle? We have had no news of you for some time.

WONGAN HILLS: 18 members; Helen Pelham, Hon. Sec. No report Yet. You are also a very new Circle. Send us news soon.

WYALCATCHEM: 73 members; William Bowden, Hon. Sec. No news of you yet. We will forgive you this time, as you are a new Circle.

YERAPIN: 11 members; Miss Annie Massam, Hon. Sec. No report, but members have been very active. £4 donated to the Prisoners of War Fund. An excellently-made layette was sent in, showing that much care and thought had been given to the making of it.

YORK: 51 members; Jocelyn Dodds, Hon. Sec. £2/2/- given to the Prisoners of War Fund, and £2/2/- to the Cupboard Fund. Three very large parcels were sent to Headquarters for evacuees, and 1 parcel to Waste Products. A most successful hall show brought in £29/12/8. A beautifully-made layette has been sent in, and another is being made. A rug has been knitted for Faversham Convalescent Home. Three scarves and 1 pair of mittens have also been made. Girls took afternoon tea to Faversham during June. They also assisted with afternoon tea at a senior fete. We very sincerely apologise to Jean Hardwicke for omitting her name from under the poem she wrote in the last *Bulletin*.

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## CHILDREN OF THE MIDDLE EAST

★ By CHARLES TAYLOR, Esq., O.B.E.

In the Arab town of Gaza, Palestine, where most of my official duties kept me, I saw much of the children and studied their life—a vastly different one from that enjoyed by our young folk. Theirs is a mere existence by comparison, for they mostly are reared in squalor, filth and dirt, and have many of the complaints usually associated with such countries. Despite this unhealthy outlook they are still nicely disposed in most cases. The little girls go to a separate school and are clad tidily enough; but by no means up to your standard. The boys—about 1,000 of them—attended the larger school; they dressed like Arabs do, and few ever wore boots or shoes. One lad I was interested in was presented with sandals and stockings; he disposed of the latter and carried the former about with him. A number spoke and read English, and in many ways were sharp customers; were adept in acquiring knowledge and habits of a kind, from their visitors. It was not unusual to see them playing "two-up" in the lanes. That old saying "Street Arab" we have heard here is true in every sense, for I have seen gangs of these lads about the town at all hours of the night, yabbering and certainly into mischief, or hanging about where soldiers were congregated. They played marbles, "Cat and Dog," and kicked about a bundle of rags shaped like a football. Other games as children know them here were not in evidence. At festive periods they emerged from hovels with their best clothes on, and were entertained by the elders with the same shows as are seen at Claremont on Royal Show day. Ninety per cent. of the children attend the Mosque; the remainder went to Christian churches. Sunday as we know it was a school day for them; most things in this country are opposite to our customs.

The most populated city in Palestine was wholly Jewish. Here the children lived in a totally different way. Much the same as you. Good schools, cultured people, a city surrounded with citrus orchards, and a lovely beach on the Mediterranean Sea, nice shops and picture shows, and pretty clothes such as children here wear. This city is modern Tel-Aviv, which has been bombed on a few occasions.

The city that had much attraction for the soldier was Jerusalem. This name is familiar to you and all that is biblically associated with it, for it was probably among the first of your teachings. It would take pages to narrate all that is to be seen here of a biblical nature. Here the majority of the children of Arab breed look poor and miserable, assembling in the bazaars in the Old City where the streets, narrow and cobbled and perhaps much the same as in the days when Christ walked them. Here men and children, donkeys and camels jostle to force a passage-way. The smells are many and varied, for the sun and fresh air do not appear to penetrate freely. The shops, jammed full of all variety of goods, are mere holes in the wall in many instances, where children, old men, but few young ones, seem to add to the already congested hovels called shops. Jerusalem has many splendid public buildings, hospitals, schools, flats, and fine shops. Drovers of guides hover about hotels and hostels where the soldiers stay when on leave to conduct them to the Mosque of Omar, Holy Sepulchre, Wailing Wall, and numerous other sights mentioned in the

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Bible. The visit to Bethlehem and the Dead Sea is of course included. The Mount of Olives is but a short distance from the city, with Mount Scopus close at hand, with the village of Ain Karen, associated with the life of St. John the Baptist. In Bethlehem and the latter place the Arab kiddies are of the same ragged type, and all have the backsheesh (begging) habit.

Haifa is a clean city with a fine harbour, and principal port of Palestine, and is built on the slopes of Mount Carmel. It is practically the administrative centre of Palestine, and has very extensive oil refineries, which so far have escaped Hitler's bombing.

Travelling into Syria one is impressed with Beirut. A city on the sea, it possesses a splendid university administered by Americans, excellent schools, and fine public buildings, shops, picture shows, etc., and is surrounded by orchards and attractive public gardens. The Syrian and French populations are refreshing after the peoples of Palestine. Their children dress and appear as well cared for as most of ours. The poor are not so much in evidence in the country as in Palestine.

Tripoli, on the sea, is a small town, but interesting. Talking to some Syrian and Lebanese lads who spoke English, I learned that they had then not been to school for six months on account of the war threatening and eventually taking place in their country.

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# The Trial of Fire

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This play formed part of a most interesting portfolio prepared by the Juniors of Sam Houston Ward School, Mineral Wells, Texas, for a Junior group in Toronto. It was prepared by the National Board of Fire Underwriters of New York for use in schools. Mr. Norman Somerville, Honorary Solicitor of the Canadian Red Cross Society, made the necessary changes to bring the court procedure into conformity with that used in Canada.—Editor's note.

[A few alterations have been made to make this correct for Australia.—Editor J.R.C. *Bulletin*.]

## Scene: Court Room.

There should be a large chair and table for the Judge's bench, and another chair and table for the Clerk of the Court, a witness chair beside the Judge's bench and chairs for the twelve jurymen and spectators. Various pupils should be designated to represent the different fire hazards.

The use of special costumes is optional. Inscribed placards about the necks of the pupils may be used.

## Dramatis Personae.

The Judge; Counsel for the Accused; the Crown Attorney; Clerk of the Court; Court Room; the Jury; the Defendants.

Eleven of the major causes of Fire—Kerosene; Defective Chimney; Cigarette; Petrol; Match; Lightning; Electricity; Bonfire; Rubbish; Spontaneous Combustion; Gas; The Arch Criminal—Carelessness.

The Judge enters after all have assembled. The different defendants (the hazards) are led in by the Court Officer. Everybody stands as the Judge enters.

Clerk (standing)—Oyez, Oyez, Oyez. All ye who have business before my Lord the King's Justice, give your attention and you shall be heard. (No one moves. He continues): The first case on the docket is that of The King versus Fire.

Judge—I assume that the formalities have been observed.

Clerk—Yes, your Honour.

Judge—Are the Counsel ready for the trial?

Crown Attorney—The Crown is ready, Your Honour: the accused should have been brought to trial years ago.

Judge—Who is appearing for the defense?

Counsel for the Accused (rising)—I am, Your Honour. I wish to say that there are eleven defendants involved in

these proceedings. Each defendant will speak for himself. Judge—Very well. We will proceed. (Looks at paper).

I see that Kerosene is charged with having wilfully caused the death of a little girl and boy and the destruction of their home. Clerk, call the accused.

Clerk—(Calls Kerosene to the bar).

Judge—Kerosene, you have heard the charge, what is your plea?

Kerosene—Not guilty.

Judge—Have you any witnesses?

Kerosene—I am my own witness.

Judge—Clerk, swear the witness.

Clerk—Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Kerosene—I do.

Judge—What have you to say for yourself?

Kerosene—May I tell you how it happened in my own way?

Judge—Yes, go on.

Kerosene—I was enclosed in my usual container, Your Honour, waiting to be of service and doing no one any harm, when the little girl came into the kitchen, took me up and poured me into the kitchen stove because she thought the fire was not burning fast enough. It was not my fault, Your Honour, that I was kept in the kitchen where I had no business to be. It was not my fault that the child was allowed to handle me and I could not help myself when I touched the flame. I flashed back, of course, exploded the can and burned the little girl to death. I also burned her brother who was playing nearby on the floor. There would have been no fire, Your Honour, if the family had been careful and the children had not been allowed to play with fire.

Judge—I recognise the truth of your story, Kerosene, and dismiss the case against you. (Kerosene takes a seat at one side).

Judge—What is the next case?

Clerk—It is all part of the same case, Your Honour. The next defendant is Cigarette.

Judge—If there are more defendants in this case, swear them in at once.

Clerk—(Calls Cigarette, motions him to witness box and administers oath). Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Cigarette—I do.

Judge—Tell us just what happened.

Cigarette—I was in a man's pocket in a warehouse, Your Honour, where a dangerous chemical was being stored. The man knew it was against the rules to smoke me, but he was reckless and "took a chance." When I was almost consumed he threw me to the floor and this ignited some of the chemical scattered about and caused it to explode the entire storage. The damage amounted to £500,000, but it was not my fault. I cause fires only when used by careless people.

Judge—Sit down until we hear some of the other defendants.

Clerk—Is Match present? (Calls Match. Match steps forward and takes the witness chair). Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Match—I do.

Judge—Tell us what happened.

Match—Somebody threw me on the floor, Your Honour, and a little child found me and used me in play, because she did not know that I was dangerous. First she ignited the curtain at the window and then her own clothing. They took her to the hospital and she may recover, but if she does, she will be disfigured for life. I was not guilty of any wrong doing and the accident would not have occurred if I had been kept out of the reach of small children.

Judge—Take your seat until we hear the rest of the witnesses. Call the next one, Clerk.

Clerk—Electricity, take the witness chair. Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Electricity—I do.

Judge—Your record is a bad one, Electricity. Every year you destroy a great deal of property. What is the reason?

Electricity—Your Honour, I have been basely used. I possess tremendous power, but nevertheless, I am harmless if properly installed and kept within bounds. I should be insulated against chance contacts and my wires should not be given too much to do. I was haled into Court, Your Honour, because I overheated an electric flat iron and set fire to a newly-built home. I burn many other homes in the same way every day, but it is not my fault, Your Honour. When I am once put to work I have to continue until I am switched off, but people forget and leave electric irons and other heating devices in contact. Consequently, these devices grow hotter and hotter until they ignite the nearest combustible material and soon there is another fire. Sometimes this occurs at night and causes loss of life, and yet engineers call me the safest known form of power and light, when properly used. If people would only be careful instead of careless in using me, there would be no cause for complaint. (Electricity steps down and takes former chair).

Clerk—Rubbish is among the defendants, Your Honour.

Judge—Very well, call Rubbish. (Clerk calls Rubbish, and Rubbish advances to chair. Clerk administers oath). Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Rubbish—I do.

Judge—I find that for a good many years you have been hanging around corners and have become a thoroughly undesirable citizen.

Rubbish—I was once a man of parts, Your Honour, but now I am only part of a man. I am made up of odds and ends from here and there and have no will of my own. If people realised how dangerous I am, because I furnish fuel for the chance spark and often ignite spontaneously, they would not have me around: but I find plenty of cellars and attics to sleep in where the careless housekeepers never disturb me and I stay there until I catch fire. I sometimes have to wait years, but the older I am the better I burn. However, I am not at fault, Your Honour, because I cannot remove myself.

Judge—You said a good deal, and it is not all rubbish. (To Clerk.) Call the next defendant. (Rubbish resumes former chair.)

Clerk—Gas (motions to witness box and administers oath). Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Gas—I do.

Gas—I would like to tell my story in a few words, Your Honour.

Judge—Very well, proceed.

Gas—Before I came into use, Your Honour, people ruined their eyesight by candlelight and often killed themselves with defective oil lamps. Oil was not properly refined in those days and, therefore, thousands of lamps exploded, causing great damage to life and property. I became and am still a boon to mankind, but I am touchy, I admit, and must be handled with care. People use rubber hose connections on stoves that I am supplying, instead of installing rigid iron pipes. A break develops, I escape into the air and cause an explosion and fire. Often a leak occurs in the cellar from poor connections or because of defective pipes and a careless mortal looks for me with a candle or other open flame. He is sure to find me, but in doing so he is apt to kill himself and burn up the property. Carefulness would prevent such occurrences. (Gas steps back to former seat).

Judge—I believe the Defective Chimney is closely involved in fire troubles. Where is he? (Clerk beckons to Defective Chimney. Administers oath). Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth?

Defective Chimney—I do.

Judge—I am given to understand that you cause a great many preventable fires.

Defective Chimney—Yes, Your Honour, I do. Many contractors do not build me properly. In some places they support me on brackets instead of building me up from

the ground. Sometimes they build me only one brick in thickness and, still worse, construct me with my bricks on edge instead of flat: consequently I develop cracks through which sparks escape and cause fire. Frequently, the sparks fall upon the roof, and when it is made of wooden shingles then it is likely to be burned up. Sometimes the cracks are under the roof and the sparks fly into the attic which is a dangerous place for a fire to originate. Careful construction, Your Honour, is the only remedy. (Defective Chimney takes former chair).

Judge—The name of Petrol is next.

Clerk—Yes, Your Honour, I will call him. (Calls Petrol, and Petrol takes the witness chair). Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Petrol—I do.

Judge—Petrol, you have made a place for yourself in good society, and I am shocked to find that you are charged with countless fires.

Petrol—Yes, Your Honour, I am forced to admit that this is true, but it is due to the fact that the average citizen does not realise my power. I have killed many people and started thousands of fires because I am volatile and flash up on slight provocation. Housewives sometimes use me for cleaning purposes in their homes. The moment I am free my vapor starts about the house looking for a flame or a spark. Presently I find it and, Puff! I cause a terrific explosion. Not long ago I killed a woman because she used me to clean her silk blouse. The rubbing of the silk caused a spark, which was all I needed. With automobiles in every highway and byway, nowadays, I have become almost as common as water; yet men smoke around filling stations and then wonder why there are accidents. I work hard for humanity, and am, Your Honour, reasonably safe when properly handled. I am more dangerous than dynamite, however, when carelessly used, for it takes but a little spark to set me off.

Clerk—Lightning (motions to witness box). Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Lightning—I do.

Judge—(to Lightning who has taken witness box): We have shocking reports of your work, Lightning; you strike helpless women and children as well as grown men, and destroy their homes. Have you anything to say in defence?

Lightning—Yes, Your Honour, at certain times I am created in the sky by atmospheric conditions, but I am forced by nature to seek the earth. I try to reach the ground by the easiest means. When people equip their buildings with properly installed lightning rods, I use these conductors to travel to earth and seldom cause any damage in doing so. There are not enough houses properly protected, however, and consequently I have to do the best I can with the means available. I often try flag poles, steeples and chimneys, because they come nearer to me than other portions of buildings, but I do not like them as well as rods because they are not such

good conductors of electricity. Sometimes I even cause forest fires, but country barns are my specialty. I shall be a force to be reckoned with, Your Honour, as long as the world lasts, and it behooves people to protect themselves against me.

Judge—It is evident that in your case, if you spare the rod, you may spoil the property. Clerk, call the next defendant.

Clerk—Bonfire is next. (Bonfire steps forward and takes the witness box). Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Bonfire—I do.

Judge—The records show, Bonfire, that while you have always been popular with children, you have acted toward them treacherously, harming them and sometimes destroying their homes as well. Is this true?

Bonfire—Grown people as well as youngsters often start me, Your Honour, and by doing so they frequently cause serious loss of life as well as of property. I am always potentially dangerous and seldom necessary, except to destroy rubbish, but when I am, I should be confined so that I cannot scatter sparks. A bucket of water or some other extinguisher should be at hand to keep me within bounds. There was a man who forgot my possibilities, and one day, when there was a high wind, lighted me in order to burn up some old chicken coops and trash. There was a wooden fence nearby as well as a frame garage, and before I got through 191 buildings were destroyed. Nevertheless, I plead not guilty, Your Hon-

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our, because I do not start fires unless some careless person starts me. (Resumes former seat).

Clerk—There is one more defendant, Your Honour, (Spontaneous Combustion takes the witness chair). Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Spontaneous Combustion—I do.

Judge—Proceed.

Spontaneous Combustion—Many people, Your Honour, think that I am a myth, but I want you to know that I am a self-starter when conditions are propitious. People allow old rags saturated with linseed oil or some other vegetable fat to accumulate in out-of-the-way corners, and the first thing they know I generate sufficient heat by chemical action to start a fire. I also ignite piles of rubbish where there is oily matter present, and all who store large quantities of coal, particularly if it is bituminous, should beware of me.

Judge—Do you plead guilty?

Spontaneous Combustion—No, Your Honour, I plead not guilty, for how can I help myself? Chemistry is my master and careless human beings are the chief reasons for my existence.

Judge—You may resume your seat. (He does so). (Turns to Clerk): Are there any more defendants?

Clerk—No, Your Honour, none that we have yet been able to locate.

Judge (turning to Crown Attorney)—The Crown Prosecutor may now address the jury.

Crown Attorney—May it please Your Honour and Gentlemen of the Jury, you have heard these various defendants testify in their own behalf. They have acknowledged their connection with various specific crimes. They have admitted that they were concerned with thousands of terrible disasters. They have shown no penitence and have expressed no intention of changing their destructive habits. These fire hazards, gentlemen, have convicted themselves by their own testimony. They have shown how dangerous they are, and if they continue at large the very progress of our country may be jeopardised. We cannot continue to burn up our natural resources at the present rate without courting disaster. I believe, gentlemen, that when you consider the evidence you can do no better than to convict these defendants as constituting a menace to our country. Their only rightful place is under lock and key. (Resumes seat).

Judge—The Counsel for the Defense may now put in his rebuttal.

Counsel—I move, Your Honour, that this case be thrown out of court, on the ground that proof of guilt on the part of the defendants has not been established. These defendants, Your Honour, are for the most part tools—involuntary tools of man. When rightly used they render him great service, for they are mighty, but the power to serve is generally accompanied by the power to harm. I maintain that the testimony of each of these, the accused defendants, shows complete absence of intent. They act as they have always acted and as they always will act under such conditions.

Man understands their nature; when he gives them their opportunities he knows, if he will stop to think, what the result must be. Therefore, why blame them for what they cannot help? Why not bring to trial the real culprit, Carelessness, who alone is responsible for most of our fires? Why not bring before the bar of this court the guilty one who causes these defendants to work havoc throughout the land? Without his evil influences they would merely be servants of humanity.

Judge—The court is of the opinion that the point is well taken. Carelessness should be the defendant here, and not these prisoners. Where is Carelessness, Mr. Crown Attorney? This court is of the opinion that you have been remiss in your duty in overlooking the arch criminal who causes the majority of all fires. (Court Officer walks over and hands a note to the Crown Attorney).

Crown Attorney—Your Honour, I have been looking for Carelessness and I have just received word that he has been brought to court and is now in the ante-room.

Judge—Have him brought in. (Carelessness represented by a pupil in patched, dilapidated clothing, is hustled in roughly by the court officer, who leads him before the judge, and into witness box, where oath is administered).

Clerk—Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Carelessness—I do.

Judge—The testimony that has been given in this court in the case of The King versus Fire, has indicated that you, Carelessness, are the culprit who should have been brought before the bar of justice. You are charged with having caused the loss of thousands of lives and the destruction of millions of pounds' worth of property every year. What have you to say in defense?

Carelessness—Nothing, Your Honour, except that I am an ingrained habit of the people. I begin with the youngest children and stay with them throughout their lives. I recognise danger, but I like to "take a chance."

Judge—That is an explanation, but not an excuse. I charge the Jury, on the evidence of all the other defendants and on his own admission, to find Carelessness guilty of the offence charged. (The Jury consult without leaving their seats; the Foreman rises).

Foreman—We find his guilty, Your Honour.

Judge—You heard the verdict. It is now my duty to sentence you in accordance with the dictates of justice. There can be no doubt as to your guilt. You have made it impossible for citizens and municipalities to live safely. You have killed thousands and devastated whole cities by your iniquity. You have filled the land with misery. You have undermined character, lowered efficiency, and retarded progress. Incarceration is too good for such as you. Instead you shall be labelled so that all men shall know you and shun your presence. You shall be an exile—a man without a country—unless some nation is so short-sighted as to take you in and call you her own. I banish you forever. Officer, take him away. (Officer exits with prisoner).

Judge—The court is adjourned.

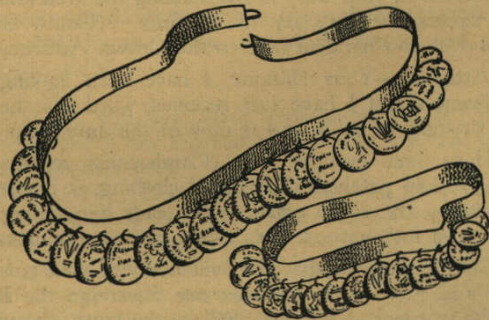
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# Handwork Section for Boys and Girls

## HOME-MADE JEWELLERY

*A necklace and bracelet to match.*

You will need two lengths of braid, one to fit the neck and the other to fit the wrist loosely. Also some buckram or stiff canvas, a hook and eye, and some paint.



From the buckram or canvas (or even thin cardboard) draw 34 circles round a halfpenny. There will then be 22 circles for the necklace and 12 for the bracelet. Paint these circles, then sew them on the braid so that they overlap each other. You can have them all round the neck, or rather close together, so that they fall to the front of the neck.

## BEADS TOYS

With all the different variety of wooden beads you can get nowadays, and some string cotton, you can make a whole family of bead men and women.

For the body part, there are big round beads, oval, lozenge-shaped, pear-shaped, or square beads. Smaller beads of the same shape and very small round ones are used for



arms and legs. Plain button-moulds, which you can paint, make hats and skirts, and plain round ones can be painted with any sort of face you like.

With all these, you can make very elaborate and dressed-up figures. But perhaps the most attractive are the simple ones you make first. To make a simple figure, you need 25 small round beads (assorted colours), one large lozenge-shaped bead, one button-mould, one large plain round bead, and four small square beads. Paint the plain round one to

make a cheeky little face. Poster colour gives the best effect, and it should be varnished afterwards. On top of this the button-mould makes a coolie hat, with one small bead at the top to hide the hole. The lozenge bead is the body, and can have waistcoat buttons painted down the middle.

To thread the beads, take a piece of cotton sufficiently long and strong to hold them. Thread each end through a darning needle. Pass one needle through the small bead on the top of his hat. Pass both needles, one after the other, through the hat, the face, the neck, the body, and the small round bead that begins both legs. Then take one needle down the left leg and one down the right. Passing the needles again, through the body and neck, down each arm, then up each arm, and out through the head and hat.

Keeping in mind that pear-shaped beads and big round beads make full sleeves and trousers, and that button-moulds make frilly skirts and fancy hats, you can design all sorts of figures for yourself. You can design your own colour schemes, too. Buy the small beads the colour you want, and paint the big ones. They can be striped, spotted or squared in a variety of colours. A coat of white varnish over the poster colour gives them a shiny and lasting finish.

## THE GENEVA CONVENTION

The Red Cross Society was instituted about 80 years ago to provide care for sick and wounded soldiers during wartime, and to protect from attack those who needed such care, and those who gave it to them. This protection is guaranteed by the "Geneva Convention," whereby all the members agreed not to molest the Red Cross. This Society also works for the suffering in peace time. The Red Cross Society may not help the fighting forces to fight, so when funds are collected in the name of the Junior Red Cross, they may only be used for the sick and wounded. Donations must not be given from the Junior Red Cross funds to other organisations which help the fighting forces, otherwise the Convention is being broken. It is by rigidly standing by this Convention that our enemies are bound in honour not to attack hospitals and ships, and to treat our prisoners of war well.

Circles may empty "Christmas Cheer" boxes if full, and bank the money, then solder tin up and use again. The fund will be closed in November, and amount collected may then be sent in to Headquarters.

## GRACE BUSSELL

Australia's Grace Darling was Grace Bussell, whose family lived near the beach at Busselton, near Cape Leeuwin, Western Australia. In December 1876 the steamer Georgette was wrecked eight miles from her home. The captain, trying to beach her, ran her on to a reef some distance from shore. A black boy brought the news to Grace Bussell, aged 16, working in the kitchen. She mounted her horse, rode to the shore, and then swam the horse through the boiling surf, out to the wreck. There she took a child in her arms and a woman behind her, and so brought them ashore. She continued back and forward for four hours, bringing 48 people ashore.

## Cousin Catherine

Dear Boys and Girls:

Time for another "Junior Red Cross Bulletin," and time for me to answer all the letters, which, unfortunately, did not arrive.

The year is going on, and we are leaving behind us many things that we should have done; many opportunities were held out to us which we did not take. I remember being told by a very dear and learned old gentleman that an opportunity missed was a closed door, that door will never open again to us; although other opportunities for doing good will come, that one, just that one we missed, is gone for ever. We must keep alert, and watch our opportunities—don't miss them, they are so precious, and it is such a pity they should be wasted.

Now examination time is drawing near, and I can just imagine you with your eyes glued to the pages. But oh! what fun when it is all over. You feel so glad when you can run home and say, "I passed—over 80 per cent."

One letter came from South Perth. It was from Mary Bell. Thank you very much, Mary. I'm glad you found my letter "inspiring," as you say; at any rate it must have been interesting to you.

Sincerely yours,

"COUSIN CATHERINE."

## Uncle Mac

Well, boys, how do you like the idea of the toy-making? I thank all of you who have shown an interest in this enterprise.

Please DO send along all finished articles as soon as possible, and don't be afraid to ask for more parts, as we have orders for hundreds of pounds' worth of toys before Christmas. Any others anxious to help will be very welcome. Bands of workers from the suburbs are coming into the workroom for whole days during the holidays.

Carry on, Boys!

"UNCLE MAC."

Mother: "Why are you pulling faces at our pet bulldog?"  
Small Girl: "He started it."

### NAMES OF MEMBERS WHO HAVE GAINED FIRST AID CERTIFICATES

QUEEN'S PARK.—Maureen Braybrook, Mary Davis, June Doyle, Florrie Harwood, Thelma Harwood, Dorothy Gardiner, Florrie Manolis, Nina Manolis, George Edwards, Sidney Edwards, Shirley Sullivan, Lora Sher-ali, Zara Sher-ali, James Hurley, Bebe Sher-ali, Valma Hurley, Arnold Edwards, and Les Woods.  
CARLISLE.—Peggy Robinson and Mavis Truslove.

## Would You Like a One Pound War Savings Certificate?

### ★ ★ ★ FREE ESSAY COMPETITION

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ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS TO WRITE AN ESSAY.

## "Why I Should Support the Red Cross"

Every boy and girl knows about the wonderful work the Red Cross is doing for the sick and wounded of our fighting forces at home and abroad. Now we want you to write an essay telling about these services, and why the Red Cross needs the support of every person.

- 2 GRADES: 1 Boys and girls up to 10 years of age.  
2 Boys and girls 11 and up to 14 years.

The winner of each grade will receive a £1 War Savings Certificate, and their essays will be published in the next issue of the Junior Red Cross "Bulletin."

ENTRIES All entries must be posted by November 5, but  
CLOSE: you may send in more than one essay.

### JUDGING:

The Judges will be from the executive of the Junior Red Cross Bulletin, and the manager of Selfridges.

### REMEMBER:

When sending your entries to give your name, age and address.

ADDRESS YOUR ENTRY  
"ESSAY COMPETITION"

The Manager

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## NURSING AS A CAREER

From an article by Miss Lambie, Director of Nursing,  
Health Department, New Zealand

*Naturally, as a nurse, I am interested in nursing as a profession for women. I find that so many people have the wrong conception with regard to what nursing means today, so that I hope these notes may bring some fresh ideas to you who are interested concerning this very important question.*

Next to the mother there is no woman in the community who is of more value than the nurse. Why? Because it is the nurse who cares for the mother when the baby is born; who cares for and helps to keep the baby well during its infant life and right through till it leaves school; who teaches the public how to keep well, what to eat, how to care for minor illnesses and accidents in their homes. When sickness does come it is on her comfort and care that the patient depends to restore him to health. Or if the grave shadow of death comes the nurse supports not only the patient but often the relatives as well.

To "nurse" means to "Nourish." There is no career for women which offers the same opportunity for human contact and is so satisfying to their natural instinct. Yet they hesitate to enter this profession because of the misunderstandings which have unfortunately grown up around it. It has come to be regarded as a hard life with little beyond work. Nurses are supposed to be over-worked, underpaid, and subject to much illness. Some of those drawbacks were no doubt true in the past, and even today the staffs in public and private hospitals alike may be called upon to work longer than the scheduled hours. When epidemics arise, or when accidents occur, the patient and his care must come first. On the whole where their hospital provides adequate staff, excessive hours for the nurses are rare. In the same way people are inclined to think there is a great deal of sickness when they hear of girls in training in hospitals being sent to bed for a rest, or sent home on leave. This, in the major ity of cases, is preventive care due to the fact that the health of nurses is very carefully scrutinised and kept under observation by means of recorded weight, various tests and X-ray examinations. The health of nurses is far more strictly watched now than it was even eight or ten years ago.

The question of salaries has also been misunderstood. Because nurses in training receive salaries of only £40, £50, £60 and £75 for each year of their training, people are apt to think they are very badly paid; but added to that is the value of their board and lodging and their uniforms, so that they begin at a salary at least equal to £2/5/- a week. Of course they are receiving valuable free training at the same time.

In Western Australia, trainee pay is as follows:

- 1st year—13/4 per week.
- 2nd year—17/11 per week.
- 3rd year—£1/5/7½ per week.
- C-Class Sister—£2/6/6.

The trainee takes her own uniform on entering. After 6 months she is issued with free uniform for rest of training.

Old age, though sometimes a bad look-out for an unattached woman without a trade or profession, holds no worries for the hospital nurse. She begins to contribute to superannuation when she begins her training, and this she can carry on throughout her career.

You can see that the salaries of nurses compare very favourably with those of the clerical world and the teaching profession—the two other avenues of work that absorb so many women in this country.

Added to all this there are more opportunities for a nurse to travel than for most women who have their living to make. The Western Australian Nurse's Certificate holds good in all English-speaking countries, and she may register and practise her profession without sitting for another examination. The result of this is that Western Australian nurses are found working all over the world—in China, Malaya, India, New Zealand, South Africa, U.S.A., Canada, as well as in the Mother Country, and before the war on the Continent of Europe.

The full training lasts three years and three months for a general certificate; six months more for a maternity certificate. There are also various post-graduate courses, such as the six month's training in midwifery, four months in infant welfare for a Plunket nurse and six months in public health nursing or preparation for teaching.

The best background for the career of nursing is really home training. The girl who enters hospital at 18 or 19 should have had at least two years' secondary education, spent preferably in the Home Science side of the school curriculum. After leaving school the best training for any nurse is to spend a year or two in her own home learning what home-making means. If she must earn, however, there are many openings linked to the nursing service which any hospital matron would be very willing to put girls in touch with.

I can assure you that this life has a rich reward in personal satisfaction for the girl who is prepared to give herself to it. After all, any job is what you yourself are prepared to put into it. For interest and community service nursing offers a wonderful opportunity.

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### A GAME: MEMORY TRAYS

Lay out a couple of dozen small objects, as miscellaneous as possible, on a tray—for example, a penny, a postage stamp, a telegram form, a playing card, a match, a pen-nib, a needle, a reel, a spoon, a lemon, an egg, a thimble, a paper-clip, a pencil-sharpener, a razor blade, a chocolate, a hairpin, a penknife, a dice, a candle, a cork, a curtain ring, a watch. Cover them all with a cloth until you are ready to begin. When you have managed to gather everyone together from all the odd corners of the house, take the cloth off and tell them that they have two minutes in which to memorise the contents of the tray. At the end of the time cover the tray again, and give the players five minutes in which to write down everything they can remember. Thinking aloud should be discouraged. It is as well to get everybody to check their lists afterwards, for it is surprising how many remember objects that were never on the tray at all.

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### LATE NEWS

Gladys Marston and Barbara Jessers, both of Claremont, brought to the Junior Head Office £1/7/7 for the Prisoners of War Fund.



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## MESSAGE . . .

from

**Murray G. Little, Esq., M.A.**

(Director of Education in Western Australia)

To the Members of the Junior Red Cross Society of W.A.:  
As Vice-President of your Society, I have been greatly interested in the very fine work you are doing in your wide-spread Junior Red Cross Circles.

The Red Cross Society in which the grown-ups are busy has done a great work for humanity, and it is under the shadow of that great world-wide movement that you children begin a life of service. It may seem strange, but it is nevertheless true, that the more you think of others and the less you think of yourselves the happier you are, and it is the same if you work for others rather than for yourselves. Happiness lies in service.

In this world of trouble there is work for us all. Little acts of kindness, little jobs to be done, add up in the mass, like daisies in the field, to make the world brighter and happier. Children can help as well as the older folk, and that is the real purpose of the Junior Red Cross — that through it you may have the opportunity to do your share and that you may grow in usefulness and service.

In wartime the work you do is much needed, but when the glorious peace comes there will be just as many opportunities and just as much need for you to continue in your good work.

I hope, therefore, you will continue to take a keen interest in your Junior Red Cross Circle, and when you grow up you will identify yourself with some society which, through its activities, aims to make the world a better place to live in.

I wish the Junior Red Cross Circles every success in their work.

Signed: M. G. LITTLE.



**THE EDITOR'S CORNER**

We hope you have all noticed that we have moved to a new office—at number 18, Howard Street. It is next door to the Headquarters of the W.A. Division of the Australian Red Cross Society.

We had to move, because the Junior work has become so extensive we had to have more room. Our new home is a truly hallowed spot, for, up to the beginning of the present war, it was the Headquarters of the Red Cross Society. You will feel with us that we are very fortunate in securing these excellent quarters for the Juniors. We hope many of you will be able to visit us there when you are in Perth. We still have the same telephone number—B 6621.

**QUARTERLY RETURNS**

Would all Circles please endeavour to send Quarterly Returns in PROMPTLY, with ALL particulars filled in? This will greatly assist with the compiling of Circle news.

The following is a perfect Return:  
**QUARTERLY RETURN: ARTHUR RIVER CIRCLE**  
 To be forwarded to Headquarters, 18 Howard Street, Perth, at the end of March, June, September, and the beginning of December of each year.

Number of Members: 15.  
 Leader: Miss P. Caporn; Hon. Secretary: Betty Fleay;  
 Hon. Treasurer: Miss P. Caporn.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT, QUARTER ENDED JUNE	
RECEIPTS	PAYMENTS
Balance last Return	—
Membership Fees and Badges	6 6
Donations	11 11
General	—
Prisoners of War	—
Cupboard Fund	—
Various	10 0
Wool for Rugs	2 7
Vegetable Seeds	—
Stamps	1 1 6 <sup>3</sup>
Tuckshops	—
Various	8 0
Guessing Competition	4 8
Sale of Goods	—
£2 17 5	£2 17 5

**"I SERVE"**

Our Motto is a very old one, and had been used long before we chose it. During the Battle of Crecy, on August 26, 1346, Edward, the Black Prince, won his spurs. He was then only sixteen years old. As his crest, he chose the three ostrich feathers of King John of Bohemia, the blind king, who was killed at Crecy, and his motto, "Ich Dien," which is the German for "I Serve." For nearly six hundred years now those plumes and those words have been the badge of the Prince of Wales.

Both the Organising Secretary and the Editor ask you to be patient with them if you feel that some of your news is absent from this Bulletin. There are Circles which send in their reports after the paper is printed. In those cases,



reports cannot appear until the next issue of our paper, three months hence. So blame your Secretary—and not Headquarters.

The prizes for the Knitting Competition were sent by Mrs. Mary Grant Bruce, from Melbourne. Valma Farquart Sylvia Rosen, who by the way is an evacuee from London, received her £1 prize.

DO write to "Cousin Catherine." We want to publish your best letters in the next Bulletin. She wants you to tell her about the amusing things that happen on the farm, at home, or at school. Surely funny things happen to you—even if there is a war raging.

Many consignments arrive without a list enclosed, or name of Circle. This is why parcels are not acknowledged at times. Clothing is no longer sent to England, as shipping space is not available. Evacuees are not needing so much now, so Sister Kate, St. Vincent's Orphanage, and the Alexandra Home have benefited.

Milk tins and similar ones are now accepted without press-in lids. Circles are asked to collect bottle tops (press-on ones), sheep skins, and rabbit skins. Send bottle tops addressed to Hon. Secretary, Howard Street, Perth. Sheep and rabbit skins are to be sent direct to Messrs. Elder, Smith & Co., Fremantle.

Arising out of a request by several adults, that they be allowed to join the Junior organisation, the following clause has been added to our constitution: "Adults may become auxiliary members of a Junior Red Cross Circle." These members will not be eligible to vote.

**APPRECIATION**

We offer our grateful thanks to Mrs. Waite, Mrs. D'Arcy and Mrs. Gooch for gifts of clothing which they sent for evacuees.

We thank Barbara Blakey, an Associate Member, for her help in knitting for us.

Miss Pearce has sent in a further donation of £3 for the General Funds, for which we are very grateful.

The Ascot Camp Concert Party has been most helpful in giving time and talent to help the Junior funds. We thank them very much indeed. "Dawnette" has given much amusement with her Educated Dogs, and also helped add to our funds.

Mr. Hancock, and his "Orpheans Concert Party" have been uniting in the work they have done for the Juniors. They have helped add to our funds, and we are very grateful to them.

Many thanks to the Advertisers, who have helped to make this publication possible. Nicholson's of Barrack Street, Perth, have been good enough to lend us a piano for a concert at Swanbourne. This is most kind of them.

Rubber, aluminium and waste paper are no longer collected by Red Cross, as other organisations handle them. Mrs. Messer, of Waste Products, does NOT. Weights of packages must not exceed 50lbs. by passenger train, and 2cwt. by goods train.

**News of Our Circles**

This news is compiled from Quarterly Returns received to the end of June.

**ARMADALE:** 43 members; Vivienne Rowe, Hon. Sec. This Circle paid a visit to Junior Red Cross Headquarters during this quarter. Uncle Mac was present to meet the boys of this Circle, who have been doing toy-making under the supervision of their master, Mr. Pilbeam. The meeting proved very helpful on both sides. The girls have worked equally well, sending in 18 scarves, 10 pairs of bed-socks, 6 waistcoat-mufflers, 25 water-bag covers, 5 pairs of knee-caps, 1 pair of socks, 1 pair mittens and 1 balaclava. The Secretary made and sent in a beautifully-knitted coat for an evacuee. £1/5/7 in the bank.

**ARTHUR RIVER:** 15 members; Betty Fleay, Hon. Sec. On turning up this return, I find I have marked it "The Perfect Return." So many are incorrectly made out, that it is a joy to find one like this. Fifteen shillings donated to Prisoners of War Fund. Children of this Circle have planted vegetables, which are to be sold to raise funds. Articles are made and sold. Guessing Competitions and tuckshops conducted, while some of the members give a weekly donation. Waste products are also collected. £1/1/6 in the bank.

**ALBANY:** 60 members; Yvonne Ford, Hon. Sec. No report from you.

**BEDFORD:** 9 members; Betty Curtis, Hon. Sec. We regret to report the resignation of Mrs. Roberts, who has been the Leader for the past year, but welcome Miss Joyce Curtis, the new Leader. This Circle makes splendid rugs. A social and also a concert have been held. We received most useful painted tins from a member. Mrs. Mes-ser is glad to receive anything like this for sale at her Waste Products shop. We were pleased to receive a visit from the new Leader and the Secretary.

**BELLAKABELLA:** 7 members; Keith Maynard, Hon. Sec. A tuckshop and concert were held to raise funds for Prisoners of War. Children knitted two very large rugs. These looked very attractive when opened, as many of the squares had been knitted with a striped effect. £2/4/- sent to Prisoners of War Fund. 13/1 in the bank.

**BODDINGTON:** 112 members; Jessie Firms, Hon. Sec. A splendid donation of £14 was received from this Circle for Prisoners of War Fund, collected thus—Senior Room, £7/3/8<sup>3</sup>; Junior Room, £2/12/1; Tuckshop, £2/4/-; Doll, Price, J. Dwyer and R. Crane included in Room totals. £1/4/- was also sent to General Funds. Keep on with the good work.

**BORDEN:** 35 members; Paddy Trappitt, Hon. Sec. A very busy Circle, which includes South Borden. Now South Borden is unable to attend, owing to transport difficulties, so a Circle has been formed there. Borden has been assisting the Senior branch until recently. Articles made this quarter for Junior Red Cross include 6 bed-bags, 4 house-quivers, 16 knitted squares, 1 waistcoat muffler, 1 child's apron, and 1 pair of bloomers. Funds are raised by gues-

sing competitions, the sale of vegetables, birds and bottles, and by direct giving. £1 sent to General Funds, £1 to Prisoners of War Fund, and £1 to the Cupboard Fund. Balance in the bank, 4/11.

**BULLARING:** 10 members; Pat Doyle, Hon. Sec. These members are very energetic, we feel sure, as such large quantities of waste products have been collected. The children are very interested in "Uncle Mac's" toy-making scheme, and are busy making up the first consignment sent to them. Ten shillings were sent to the Prisoners of War Fund and 10/- to the Cupboard Fund. 4/- in the bank.

**BRUCE ROCK:** 46 members; Margaret Lonsdale, Hon. Sec. Much good work is being done for the Senior Branch. Members are very keen, and many bright ideas are thought out. £20 sent in to the Prisoners of War Fund; £1/8/4 to the General Fund, and 3 parcels to Waste Products. Articles made were 3 pairs of bed-socks, 5 mufflers, 1 knee-cap, 4 hot-water bag covers, 1 scarf, 8 toilet bags, 12 sterilising cloths. Mrs. Bradley, Leader of this Circle, paid us a well come visit and brought in a further donation which will appear in next quarter's Bulletin.

**BUREKUP:** 41 members; Greta Lon, Hon. Sec. £3/7/6 donated for Prisoners of War. No report from this Circle.

**BIG BELL:** 17 members; Jean Gellatly, Hon. Sec. We welcome Jean as our new secretary. No report from this Circle, but we hope to hear of the good work done by you next quarter.

**BROOMEHILL:** 21 members; Mr. L. Wanne, Hon. Sec. No report.

**CALINGIRI:** 34 members; Ernie King, Hon. Sec. Miss Peat has left the district, and Mr. C. Beverly, the Head Teacher, has kindly consented to carry on. Two large packages sent to Waste Products, and a large amount of aluminium collected. £2/1/10 is the bank balance.

**CARMEL:** 18 members; Maureen Ryan, Hon. Sec. Six pillow-slips were made by this Circle. £5 donated to the Prisoners of War Fund, and 10/- to the Cupboard Fund. We received a visit from the Leader, Mrs. Stewart. 11/- balance in the bank.

**COOLGARDIE:** 14 members; Dorothy James, Hon. Sec. In spite of dwindling numbers, the girls have made a bigger effort. £1 donated to Prisoners of War, and 4/6 to Cupboard Fund, 10/- to the State Schools Patriotic Fund. Good work is being done for the Senior Branch. Thirty-seven handkerchiefs, 30 traycloths, 5 tea-towels, 1 scarf, and 6 milk-jug covers were made from materials supplied. Bank balance 9/7.

**COONANA:** 27 members; Bob Russell, Hon. Sec. We regret that the Leader, Mrs. Blythe, has been transferred, but Mrs. Brooks has kindly consented to carry on for the time being. This Circle is only 4 months old, so has made a good beginning. £1 donated to Prisoners of War Fund. Three knitted pullovers made with the help of Senior supporters. A large quantity of wool has been purchased for knitting. Bank balance 7/10.

**CORRIGIN:** 36 members; Douglas Noack, Hon. Sec. No report; but we know this Circle is working. The child-

are receiving instructions in First Aid. 4/3 donated to Prisoners of War Fund.

**CLAREMONT:** 15 members; June Hood, Hon. Sec. This Circle has been in recess for 6 months. At a meeting held on July 17 new office-bearers were elected. Mrs. Hood, Leader; June Hood, Hon. Sec.; Miss Thelma Miller, Hon. Treasurer; and Miss Dulcie Ellery, Trustee. The State President and the Hon. Secretary attended the annual meeting and election of office-bearers.

**CARLISLE:** 80 members; L. Languant, Hon. Sec. No return. The Senior Branch is very interested in the Circle, and are most helpful.

**DALWALLINU:** June Davis, Hon. Sec. This Circle has done excellent work. £42 donated to the Schools Patriotic Fund. Balance on hand £1/18/-. Flowers and vegetables were sold and realised £3/8/3. A most successful bazaar was held and brought in £14/17/5. The proceeds from a tuck-shop were £1/10/-. £18/6/10 was paid in to Junior Funds when the Seniors organised a pet lamb competition. First Aid classes are being conducted. The boys manual class has made splints. The Junior Circle supplied tea and sugar to the Red Cross Shop—before the introduction of rationing. Congratulations to members on this splendid report.

**DARKAN:** 16 members; Barbara South, Hon. Sec. This Circle helps the local Red Cross by knitting and making articles at the school, for sale. Waste products are being collected. Congratulations on Prisoners of War Fund effort—£8 was sent to Head Office.

**DOWERIN:** No report.

**DURANILLAN:** 10 members; Colin Kirk, Hon. Sec. £8/10/- donated to Prisoners of War Fund, and a further

donation will appear in the next quarter's report. «Members are very enthusiastic, and every opportunity is taken to gather in funds for the Society. We would welcome a report on your activities.

**DUMBLEYUNG:** 41 members; Leah Reid, Hon. Sec. he children conduct many small functions, generally at their own homes during the week-ends. The boys collect waste products and deposit them at the local dump. Sewing and knitting are done for the Senior Branch. A box of 21 beautiful crocheted knee-rugs have arrived at Headquarters as I write. 7/9 was donated to the Prisoners of War Fund; 3 waistcoat mufflers, 15 face-washers and 3 dozen milk-jug covers were made. Well done, girls; this is a credit to you.

**EAST CANNINGTON:** Mrs. McKinnon, Leader. We are awaiting the new Secretary's name. This Circle has been in recess, owing to many of the children evacuating. They have commenced work again, so we will hear more from them later.

**ESPERANCE:** 36 members; John Morton, Hon. Sec. £2/2/- was donated to the Prisoners of War Fund. £1/1/- to the Cupboard Fund, and £1/7/6 to the General Fund. Large quantities of waste products were collected. There were 2,222 bottles, 527 tins, 5 bags of rags, 45 car batteries, 1 box of tooth-paste tubes, 600lbs. rubber, 28lbs. aluminium, and 9lbs. of silver paper. Three large parcels of clothing were sent for evacuees. Work sent to the Senior Branch includes 44 bandages, 11 housewives, 55 pyjama-cords, and 36 large tins. Knitting sent to Headquarters comprise 4 pairs of socks, 7 balalaava helmets, 15 scarves, 1 pair of knee-caps, and 32 squares. Two parcels were sent to Prisoners of War in Germany. The boys of this Circle chopped wood for

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the local community concerts. This is a report of which to be proud. £5/16/2 in the bank.

**GNOWANGERUP:** 90 members; Blanche Lower, Hon. Sec. £3/15/4 sent to the Prisoners of War Fund, and 3/3 to the General Fund. Five knitted rugs and 2 mufflers have been sent in. With 90 members now, we hope to hear of great activity from your Circle.

**GUILDFORD:** 6 members; John Gibbons, Hon. Sec. This is our Horse Section. Miss Jennings has taken over from Miss Mower. Lectures on the care of the horse, semaphores, etc., have been attended during the past 3 months. Waste rubber was collected with a horse and cart before this was taken over by the Government.

**GERALDTON:** 45 members; Max Carter, Hon. Sec. This Circle has had a difficult time owing to members having been evacuated. We welcome the new Leader, Miss Evans, the new Secretary, Max Carter; and the new Treasurer, Helen Butterfield. Helen organised penny concerts whilst away. Nan Shanks, Margaret Grisby and Hazel Bryant handed in £1/14/-, made from a tuck-shop. E. Scott, D. Jenkins, A. Plant and C. Berringer handed in £7/13/5. We'll done Charlie Boyes for 5/9 from you—made by chopping General Wood. £4 for Prisoners of War Fund, £1 for the General Fund, and £1 for the Cupboard Fund were given by this Circle.

**GOSNELLS:** 18 members; Alma Lilley, Hon. Sec. First Aid Certificates gained by 19 members. Parcels of clothing made and sent in. The girls of this Circle are excellent workers. No report from you, Alma.

**HARVEY:** 231 members; Miss Kitty Ochiltree, Hon. Sec. £3/7/8 donated to Prisoners of War Fund; 5/- to Cupboard Fund, 2 parcels to Waste Products, and 2 large parcels of clothing for evacuees and the Cupboard. The Schools Patriotic Fund is also well supported.

**HOFMAN'S MILL:** 6 members; Mervyn Thomas, Chairman. We are waiting for the name of the new Secretary. Waste products were collected. £1/4/2 in the bank.

**HOLYOAKE:** 23 members; Claire Joynton, Hon. Sec. No report. Brian Pusey is interested in toy-making. We are hoping to hear from other members. £1 donated to Prisoners of War Fund, 10/- to the Cupboard Fund, and 10/- to Air Raid Victims.

**HYDEN:** 16 members; Debora Roseman, Hon. Sec. No report. Waste products being collected. £1/18/4 balance in hand.

**INGLEWOOD:** 25 members; Pam English, Hon. Sec. Three parcels to Waste Products; 3 parcels of clothing for Air Raid Victims; 7 large rugs, 94in. x 94in.; 4 pairs of socks; and knitted dozens of baby clothes and scarves for evacuees. £5 donated to the Prisoners of War Fund. The bank balance is £3/3/1.

**KELLERBERN:** 16 members; Grace Johnson, Hon. Sec. 10/6 donated to the Prisoners of War Fund. No word from you for some time. £1/18/4 in the bank.

**KIRUP:** 18 members; Val Sartori, Hon. Sec. Donation to General Funds of £3/9/6; Prisoners of War, £3/5/-. This Circle is evidently working hard. We would appreciate a newsy letter from the Secretary, though we have not had a detailed report.

**KNUNGAJIN:** Elaine Flood, Hon. Sec. This is a new Circle, interested in overseas correspondence portfolios. We are glad to hear that you are having a combined effort with Nungarin and Mangowrie.

**LAKE BIDDY:** 25 members; Rea McGlenn, Hon. Sec. One parcel sent for Air Raid Victims; another to the Red Cross Shop. A rug is being knitted. The Leader has a difficult task, as almost half the members are too far distant to attend meetings. 5/2 balance in the bank.

**LAKEWOOD:** 25 members; Rene Baker, Hon. Sec. Donation to Prisoners of War, £3/14/6. A splendid parcel containing nightgowns, matinee jackets, petticoats, dressing-gowns, bloomers, shoes, pyjamas and pyjama suits, pullovers, trousers, overalls, knee-rugs, overcoats, etc.—in all 107 articles were sent in by this Circle. Well done, children, and the folk who help you so well. A parcel of reading matter sent in, and quantities of waste products collected.

**LAVERTON:** 22 members; Robert Saglidferri, Hon. Sec. No report.

**MADDINGTON:** 12 members; Phyllis Winsor, Hon. Sec. This Circle has arranged fortnightly dances, which bring in substantial funds. The following donations have been made: £19 for Prisoners of War Fund; £2 for General Fund; £5 for local Red Cross. Balance in the bank, £2/2/6. Congratulations Maddington on a successful quarter.

**MANGOWINE:** 16 members; Elva Adams, Hon. Sec. This is a new Circle, already working hard. The members are co-operating with Knunajin and Nungarin during September to hold a stall at a fête to be held at Nungarin.

**MANJIMUP:** 200 members; Val Muir, Hon. Sec. Good work being done, but no report to hand.

**MARLEYUP:** 15 members; Alison Burrows, Hon. Sec. We send our sympathy to this Circle. Their school has been burnt down, together with their sewing and knitting. Needless to say, their work has been disorganised. Meetings have been resumed, and First Aid lectures are in progress. Good luck to you all.

**MAYLANDS:** 15 members; Myrtle James, Hon. Sec. We regret that the names of successful First Aid candidates were not published last quarter. They were: Myrtle James, Mary Cornie, Helen Morphett and Peter Redwood. £9 donated to Prisoners of War Fund; £1/10/- to the Cupboard Fund. Deck chairs were presented to convalescent Homes; 1 layette made, and some slippers for children. The trans-

port calls regularly for Waste Products. We are pleased to receive frequent visits from officer-bearers and members. The President (Mrs. Grestorex) and Secretary (Mrs. Darling) attended the annual meeting, and during the quarter they, with members of the committee, were the guests at a most enjoyable dance. £8/4/7 is the bank balance.

**MOOLABENE:** 9 members; Caroline Foulkes-Taylor, Hon. Sec. Our newest Circle, just formed.

**MOORA:** 19 members; Crystal Baker, Hon. Sec. Good work being done, but no report to hand.

**MORNINGTON MILLS:** 25 members; Nora Di Guillo, Hon. Sec. £1/10/- donated to General Funds and £1/5/- to Prisoners of War Fund. Money is raised by voluntary contributions, penny concerts, and a tuck-shop. Articles have been knitted and clothing collected.

**MOSMAN PARK (Girl Guides):** 22 members; Bruce Simpson, Hon. Sec. This is one of our hardest-working Circles. Donation to Prisoners of War Fund, 10/-.

This quarter they have sent in 5 bonnets, 6 pairs of booties, 1 vest, 5 ripple-cloth dresses, pants and petticoats to match, 2 pairs of mittens, 1 hug-me-tight, 5 night-dresses, 12 knitted matinee jackets. To the Senior Branch they sent 6 milk-covers, 1 large knitted rug and 20 face-washers. To the Girl Guide Headquarters they sent 3 sacks of silver paper, 1 sack of bottle tops; to the Waste Products Department 3 cartloads of tins, bottles, etc. The Leader, Mrs. Hart, personally supervises these collections. Money was raised by fetas, concerts, and the sale of waste products. Mosman Park and Peppermint Grove organised a most successful concert, which brought in £46/10/-. Mosman Park No. 2 Circle has now been absorbed by No. 1 Circle. The President, Hon. Secretary and members of the Committee attended a most successful bazaar.

**MOUNT HELENA:** 40 members; Miss L. Chandler, Hon. Sec. Another perfect return. £4 donated to Prisoners of War Fund, and £1 to the Cupboard Fund. One knitted rug brought to Headquarters, size 72in. x 40in., and also 3 beautifully-made rugs from woollen pieces. Money was obtained from a tuck-shop, a concert, and also by card evening conducted by Seniors to assist Junior funds. We were pleased to receive a visit from the Leader, Mrs. Donaldson. Bank balance £1/6/4.

**MOUNT LAWLEY (State School):** 89 members; K. Refeld, Hon. Sec. Donations £6/10/- received for Prisoners of War Fund. Many children have left the district.

**MOUNT MAGNET:** 65 members; Millie Shadlow, Hon. Sec. Donations received from this Circle were for the following funds: £10/10/- for Prisoners of War, and £2 for General. Balance in the bank £5/15/-. Money is raised by means of tuck-shops and penny concerts. A rug and scarves are being knitted, and aprons and pyjamas are being made for sale to raise funds. The members also assist the Seniors with knitting and sewing. £12/10/- in the bank.

**MUKINBUDIN:** 9 members; Dorothy Nancarrow, Hon. Sec. A very keen Circle lately formed. 5/- sent to the Prisoners of War Fund, which was obtained when a penny concert was held. We regret that the Leader, Miss Trotter, has been transferred, but trust that her successor will be as interested in the work. A rug is being knitted for one of the military hospitals.

**MURADUP:** 6 members; Edgar Bracknell, Hon. Sec. We wish to express sympathy to the Leader, Mrs. Randall, who has lost her husband after a long illness, and to thank

her sincerely for the good work she has done during her term in office. This Circle has been in existence for nearly 3 years, and is one of our oldest. Miss Morrell has kindly undertaken the leadership. Waste products are being collected, and a package of various coupons have been received. We hope to hear of other activities next quarter.

**MANSON:** 14 members; Elaine Murphy, Hon. Sec. A donation of £2/10/- received for Prisoners of War Fund. No word from you lately—we would appreciate a letter.

**NARROGIN:** 60 members; B. Byrne, Hon. Sec. Children have been very busy knitting clothing and jumpers which they sent for evacuees. 220 articles made for Senior Branch. Included in this high number are 26 knee-rugs, 12 bed jackets, 44 mufflers, 18 pairs of socks, etc. £3 donated to the Prisoners of War Fund, £2 to the local Branch, and £2 to the Cupboard Fund. Children are making wooden toys which are to be sold locally.

**NARROGIN VALLEY:** 11 members; N. Rowe, Hon. Sec. Donation for Prisoners of War Fund 3/-, and General Funds 14/9. Have sent in a layette and a parcel for the Cupboard Fund.

**NORTHAM:** 80 members; Joan Campbell, Hon. Sec. A very busy Circle, but we would like to see funds forwarded direct to Junior Red Cross Headquarters to augment the J.R.C. funds. We are delighted to learn that Senior members take a great interest in our Juniors in this district. This is most encouraging. Members have been busy "Digging for Victory." A vegetable show is to be held soon. £8/9/- was sent to Prisoners of War Fund, £6/15/- to various other funds, and there is £3/17/3 in the bank. Money was obtained from a fair, a tuck-shop and a cricket match. Seventy-three articles were made.

**NORTH COLLIE:** 20 members; Gladys Vernon, Hon. Sec. A First Aid class is being held. No report has been sent in to Headquarters.

**NORTH MAYLANDS:** 31 members; Pat Pastell, Hon. Sec. No report. We know this Circle is working well. The boys have made swabs and surgical pads and rolled bandages. Clothing for evacuees has also been brought in. Members visited Hollywood Hospital and were allowed to serve the patients afternoon tea.

**NUNGARIN:** 34 members; Bert Waterhouse, Hon. Sec. The following donations have been made: 10/- to the Prisoners of War Fund, 10/- to Cupboard Fund, and 10/- to School Patriotic Fund. Three parcels of clothing sent to Headquarters, and 3 consignments of books. Bank balance on hand £3. Members have collected and sent a good supply to Waste Products. We were very pleased to receive a visit from the Treasurer, Mr. Vincent. The boys are interested in toy-making, and are going to help us during the coming quarter.

**OSBORNE PARK:** 85 members; Annie Blair, Hon. Sec. One of our busiest Circles. From here come many of our most original ideas. The boys are keen toy-makers. The girls do beautiful sewing, as well as knitting. Dozens of articles have been made this quarter, including bunny-rugs and knee-rugs with animals and farmyard scenes appliqued on them. Slippers have been made from felt hats. Twenty-four pairs of these slippers and 2 rugs were sent to the Children's Hospital; also trousers, nightgowns, pyjamas, pants, and many other articles. Donations were sent to the Prisoners of War Fund. "Uncle Mac" visited this Circle and embarked the boys on their toy-making venture.

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were a success. Very pleased to see members of the Circle at the Office.

**ROSA GLEN:** 16 members; Rosemary Nash, Hon. Sec. £1 received for General Funds, and 10/- for Prisoners of War. Waste products and reading matter were collected. Members are busy knitting, and many garments have been completed; even the boys are doing their bit in this direction. Cheers for you, boys! The following articles have been sent to Headquarters: 2 rugs, 6 vests, 1 bonnet, 1 baby's jacket, 1 pair of booties, 1 pair of mittens, and 1 beret.

**ST. MARY'S SCHOOL:** 40 members; Ione Wittennoon, Hon. Sec. No report from this Circle. Clothing for evacuees has been made and collected. Housewives and a knitted rug were made for our convalescent soldiers. Waste products have been collected. £14 was donated to General Funds. We would like to hear from you more often, girls.

**SANDSTONE:** 31 members; Miss Hamersley, Hon. Sec. This Circle is the home of bright ideas, and large donations. The members are very keen. Pies are made, and boys sell them on Saturdays. £17/19/- was made this quarter by various efforts.

**SCARBOROUGH:** 80 members; Archie Jones, Hon. Sec. No report, though we know you are doing marvelous things. The girls are knitting, organising dances, and the boys are toy-making. A large parcel of knitting has just come to hand. A full report will appear in the next Bulletin.

**SOUTH BELMONT:** 15 members; E. Cobb, Hon. Sec. A new Circle.

**SOUTH BORDEN:** 10 members; Annie Smith, Hon. Sec. This Circle has been working with Borden, but have now formed one of their own. A rug for Hollywood Hospital is being made.

**SPRINGFIELD:** 15 members; Olive Hall, Hon. Sec. A new Circle.

**SUBIACO ROAD:** 9 members; Anne Meddes, Hon. Sec. £15 handed in for General Funds, £3 for Prisoners of War. Toys have been made, and sold by Mrs. Cameron. A most successful concert was organised by this Circle. No report received from you, Anne.

**SUBIACO SCHOOL:** 92 members; Kathleen Brooks, Hon. Sec. This Circle sent clothing and cot-covers to the Foundling Home, books and magazines to the Home of Peace and Hollywood Hospital. A good report, but it does not read like one from Subiaco School. Perhaps we are apt to expect too much from this Circle, which is one of our best.

**TAMBELLUP:** 30 members; Dot Hall, Hon. Sec. £1 donated to Schools Patriotic Fund. Waste products are sent to Headquarters every week. The following articles have been knitted: 2 waistcoat mufflers, 1 scarf, 1 pair of socks, 2 baby's bonnets, 4 baby's dresses and 2 baby's petticoats. Infant children collect paper, and older children collect rubber. (Note: No more rubber or aluminium to be collected by Red Cross, as these waste products are now collected by the Government.)

**TINKURRIN:** 14 members; Jessie Black, Hon. Sec. No report. Tuckshops are held to raise funds. £2/6/- sent to the Prisoners of War Fund.

**TOODYAY:** 40 members; Pam Wroth, Hon. Sec. No report from your Circle.



**VICTORIA PARK** (Presbyterian Church): 29 members; Douglas Morey and Nola Hawkes, joint Hon. Secretaries. This is a very new Circle, which is already working hard. We expect a good report next quarter.

**VICTORIA PARK** (State School): Beryl Strang, Hon. Sec. No report from you, Beryl.

**WADDOURING**: 19 members; Beth Hounslow, Hon. Sec. This is a very keen Circle. A layette is nearly completed; 9 housewives and 2 tea-towels are finished. Bones, papers, jars and books have been collected. We regret that 6/- given to the Prisoners of War Fund was credited to Bencubbin in the last report.

**WAGERUP**: 20 members; Elvie Eastcott, Hon. Sec. £3/10/- donated to the Prisoners of War Fund. A tuckshop and a card party were held to raise funds. We would like to hear from you more often. We were pleased to receive a visit from your Leader, Mr. Lefley, during the last holidays. The balance in the bank is 13/5.

**WALKAWAY**: 16 members; Olive Maddren, Hon. Sec. Twelve parcels were sent to Waste Products. The boys are making toys, and the girls have finished a parcel of knitting. A dance is being held to swell the General Funds. £10 just to hand from Walkaway. This will appear in the financial statement in the December Bulletin.

**WAROONA**: 15 members; Shirley Faulkner, Hon. Sec. No report. 7/- sent to Prisoners of War Fund. We feel sure Waroona could do better than this. Word just to hand that a parcel of clothing for evacuees has been sent.

**WATTLE GROVE**: 15 members; V.M. Peters, Hon. Sec. No report from you this quarter. Here's to hearing from you soon.

**WESTFIELD**: 19 members; Mavis Allen, Hon. Sec. No report, though we know you are working.

**WIDGEMOOLTHA**: 12 members; Dorothy Johnson, Hon. Sec. A still newer Circle, formed on July 28. £8 has been made already by the sale of waste products.

**WILLIAMS**: 21 members; Ray Hall, Hon. Sec. What has happened to this Circle? We have had no news of you for some time.

**WONGAN HILLS**: 18 members; Helen Pelham, Hon. Sec. No report yet. You are also a very new Circle. Send us news soon.

**WYALCATCHEM**: 73 members; William Bowden, Hon. Sec. No news of you yet. We will forgive you this time, as you are a new Circle.

**YERAPIN**: 11 members; Miss Annie Massam, Hon. Sec. No report, but members have been very active. £4 donated to the Prisoners of War Fund. An excellently-made layette was sent in, showing that much care and thought had been given to the making of it.

**YORK**: 51 members; Jocelyn Dodds, Hon. Sec. £2/2/- given to the Prisoners of War Fund, and £2/2/- to the Cupboard Fund. Three very large parcels were sent to Headquarters for evacuees, and 1 parcel to Waste Products. A most successful hall show brought in £29/12/8. A beautifully-made layette has been sent in, and another is being made. A rug has been knitted for Faversham Convalescent Home. Three scarves and 1 pair of mittens have also been made. Girls took afternoon tea to Faversham during June. They also assisted with afternoon tea at a senior fete. We very sincerely apologise to Jean Hardwicke for omitting her name from under the poem she wrote in the last Bulletin.

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**CHILDREN OF THE MIDDLE EAST**

★ By CHARLES TAYLOR, Esq., O.B.E.

In the Arab town of Gaza, Palestine, where most of my official duties kept me, I saw much of the children and studied their life—a vastly different one from that enjoyed by our young folk. There is a mere existence by comparison, for they mostly are reared in squalor, filth and dirt, and have many of the complaints usually associated with such countries. Despite this unhealthy outlook they are still nicely disposed in most cases. The little girls go to a separate school and are clad tidily enough; but by no means up to your standard. The boys—about 1,000 of them—attended the larger school; they dressed like Arabs do, and few ever wore boots or shoes. One lad I was interested in was presented with sandals and stockings; he disposed of the latter and carried the former about with him. A number spoke and read English, and in many ways were sharp customers, were adept in acquiring knowledge and habits of a kind, from their visitors. It was not unusual to see them playing "two-up" in the lanes. That old saying "Street Arab" we have heard here is true in every sense, for I have seen gangs of these lads about the town at all hours of the night, yabbering and certainly into mischief, or hanging about where soldiers were congregated. They played marbles, "Cat and Dog," and kicked about a bundle of rags slaped like a football. Other games as children know them here were not-in evidence. At festive periods they emerged from hovels with their best clothes on, and were entertained by the elders with the same shows as are seen at Claremont on Royal Show day. Ninety per cent. of the children attend the Mosque; the remainder went to Christian churches. Sunday as we know it was a school day for them; most things in this country are opposite to our customs.

The most populated city in Palestine was wholly Jewish. Here the children lived in a totally different way. Much the same as you. Good schools, cultured people, a city surrounded with citrus orchards, and a lovely beach on the Mediterranean Sea, nice shops and picture shows, and pretty clothes such as children here wear. This city is modern Tel Aviv, which has been bombed on a few occasions.

The city that had much attraction for the soldier was Jerusalem. This name is familiar to you and all that is biblically associated with it, for it was probably among the first of your teachings. It would take pages to narrate all that is to be seen here of a biblical nature. Here the majority of the children of Arab breed look poor and miserable, assembling in the bazaars in the Old City where the streets, narrow and cobbled and perhaps much the same as in the days when Christ walked them. Here men and children, donkeys and camels jostle to force a passage-way. The smells are many and varied, for the sun and fresh air do not appear to penetrate freely. The shops, jammed full of all variety of goods, are mere holes in the wall in many instances, where children, old men, but few young ones, seem to add to the already congested hovels called shops. Jerusalem has many splendid public buildings, hospitals, schools, flats, and fine shops. Drove of guides hover about hotels and hostels where the soldiers stay when on leave to conduct them to the Mosque of Omar, Holy Sepulchre, Wailing Wall, and numerous other sights mentioned in the

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Bible. The visit to Bethlehem and the Dead Sea is of course included. The Mount of Olives is but a short distance from the city, with Mount Scopus close at hand, with the village of Ain Karen, associated with the life of St. John the Baptist. In Bethlehem and the latter place the Arab kiddies are of the same ragged type, and all have the backsheesh (begging) habit.

Haifa is a clean city with a fine harbour, and principal port of Palestine, and is built on the slopes of Mount Carmel. It is practically the administrative centre of Palestine, and has very extensive oil refineries, which so far have escaped Hitler's bombing.

Travelling into Syria, one is impressed with Beirut. A city on the sea, it possesses a splendid university administered by Americans, excellent schools, and fine public buildings, shops, picture shows, etc., and is surrounded by orchards and attractive public gardens. The Syrian and French populations are refreshing after the peoples of Palestine. Their children dress and appear as well cared for as most of ours. The poor are not so much in evidence in the country as in Palestine.

Tripoli, on the sea, is a small town, but interesting. Talking to some Syrian and Lebanese lads who spoke English, I learned that they had then not been to school for six months on account of the war threatening and eventually taking place in their country.

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# The Trial of Fire

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This play formed part of a most interesting portfolio prepared by the Juniors of San Houston Ward School, Mineral Wells, Texas, for a Junior group in Toronto. It was prepared by the National Board of Fire Underwriters of New York for use in schools. Mr. Norman Somerville, Honorary Solicitor of the Canadian Red Cross Society, made the necessary changes to bring the court procedure into conformity with that used in Canada.—Editor's note.

[A few alterations have been made to make this correct for Australia.—Editor J.R.C. Bulletin.]

*Scene: Court Room.*

There should be a large chair and table for the Judge's bench, and another chair and table for the Clerk of the Court, a witness chair beside the Judge's bench and chairs for the twelve jurymen and spectators. Various pupils should be designated to represent the different fire hazards.

The use of special costumes is optional. Inscribed placards about the necks of the pupils may be used.

*Dramatis Personae.*

The Judge; Counsel for the Accused; the Crown; Attorney; Clerk of the Court; Court Room; the Jury; the Defendants. Eleven of the major causes of Fire—Kerosene; Defective Chimney; Cigarette; Petrol; Match; Lightning; Electricity; Bonfire; Rubbish; Spontaneous Combustion; Gas; The Arch Criminal—Carelessness. The Judge enters after all have assembled. The different defendants (the hazards) are led in by the Court Officer. Everybody stands as the Judge enters. Clerk (standing)—Oyez, Oyez. All ye who have business before my Lord the King's Justice, give your attention and you shall be heard. (No one moves. He continues). The first case on the docket is that of The King versus Fire.

Judge—I assume that the formalities have been observed. Clerk—Yes, your Honour. Judge—Are the Counsel ready for the trial? Crown Attorney—The Crown is ready, Your Honour: the accused should have been brought to trial years ago. Judge—Who is appearing for the defense? Counsel for the Accused (rising)—I am, Your Honour. I wish to say that there are eleven defendants involved in

Clerk—(Calls Cigarette, motions him to witness box and administers oath). Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Cigarette—I do. Judge—Tell us just what happened.

Cigarette—I was in a man's pocket in a warehouse, Your Honour, where a dangerous chemical was being stored. The man knew it was against the rules to smoke me, but he was reckless and took a chance. When I was almost consumed he threw me to the floor and this ignited some of the chemical scattered about and caused it to explode the entire storage. The damage amounted to £500,000, but it was not my fault. I cause fires only when used by careless people.

Judge—Sit down until we hear some of the other defendants.

Clerk—Is Match present? (Calls Match. Match steps forward and takes the witness chair). Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Match—I do. Judge—Tell us what happened.

Match—Somebody threw me on the floor, Your Honour, and a little child found me and used me in play, because she did not know that I was dangerous. First she ignited the curtain at the window and then her own clothing. They took her to the hospital and she may recover, but if she does, she will be disfigured for life. I was not guilty of any wrong doing and the accident would not have occurred if I had been kept out of the reach of small children.

Judge—Take your seat until we hear the rest of the witnesses. Call the next one, Clerk.

Clerk—Electricity, take the witness chair. Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Electricity—I do. Judge—You record is a bad one, Electricity. Every year you destroy a great deal of property. What is the reason? Electricity—Your Honour, I have been basely used, I possess tremendous power, but nevertheless, I am harmless if properly installed and kept within bounds. I should be insulated against chance contacts and my wires should not be given too much to do. I was haled into Court, Your Honour, because I overheated an electric flat iron and set fire to a newly-built home. I burn many other homes in the same way every day, but it is not my fault, Your Honour. When I am once put to work I have to continue until I am switched off, but people forget to leave electric irons and other heating devices in contact. Consequently, these devices grow hotter and hotter until they ignite the nearest combustible material and soon there is another fire. Sometimes this occurs at night and causes loss of life, and yet engineers call me the safest known form of power and light, when properly used. If people would only be careful instead of careless in using me, there would be no cause for complaint. (Electricity steps down and takes former chair).

Clerk—Rubbish is among the defendants, Your Honour. Judge—Very well, call Rubbish. (Clerk calls Rubbish, and Rubbish advances to chair. Clerk administers oath). Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Rubbish—I do. Judge—I find that for a good many years you have been hanging around corners and have become a thoroughly undesirable citizen.

Rubbish—I was once a man of parts, Your Honour, but now I am only part of a man, I am made up of odds and ends from here and there and have no will of my own. If people realised how dangerous I am, because I furnish fuel for the chance spark and often ignite spontaneously, they would not have me around; but I find plenty of cellars and attics to sleep in where the careless housekeepers never disturb me and I stay there until I catch fire. I sometimes have to wait years, but the older I am the better I burn. However, I am not at fault, Your Honour, because I cannot remove myself.

Judge—You said a good deal, and it is not all rubbish. (To Clerk) Call the next defendant. (Rubbish resumes former chair).

Clerk—Gas (motions to witness box and administers oath). Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Gas—I do. Gas—I would like to tell my story in a few words, Your Honour.

Judge—Very well, proceed. Gas—Before I came into use, Your Honour, people ruined their eyesight by candlelight and often killed themselves with defective oil lamps. Oil was not properly refined in those days and, therefore, thousands of lamps exploded, causing great damage to life and property. I became an am still a boon to mankind, but I am touchy, I admit, and must be handled with care. People use rubber hose connections on stoves that I am supplying, instead of installing rigid iron pipes. A break develops, I escape into the air and cause an explosion and fire. Often a leak occurs in the cellar from poor connections or because of defective pipes and a careless mortal looks for me with a candle or other open flame. He is sure to find me, but in doing so he is apt to kill himself and burn up the property. Carefulness would prevent such occurrences. (Gas steps back to former seat).

Judge—I believe the Defective Chimney is closely involved in fire troubles. Where is he? (Clerk beckons to Defective Chimney. Administers oath). Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Defective Chimney—I do. Judge—I am given to understand that you cause a great many preventable fires.

Defective Chimney—Yes, Your Honour, I do. Many contractors do not build me properly. In some places they support me on brackets instead of building me up from

the ground. Sometimes they build me only one brick in thickness and, still worse, construct me with my bricks on edge instead of flat; consequently I develop cracks through which sparks escape and cause fire. Frequently, the sparks fall upon the roof, and when it is made of wooden shingles then it is likely to be burned up. Sometimes the cracks are under the roof and the sparks fly into the attic which is a dangerous place for a fire to originate. Careful construction, Your Honour, is the only remedy. (Defective Chimney takes former chair).

Judge—The name of Petrol is next.

Clerk—Yes, Your Honour, I will call him. (Calls Petrol, and Petrol takes the witness chair). Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Petrol—I do.

Judge—Petrol, you have made a place for yourself in good society, and I am shocked to find that you are charged with countless fires.

Petrol—Yes, Your Honour, I am forced to admit that this is true, but it is due to the fact that the average citizen does not realise my power. I have killed many people and started thousands of fires because I am volatile and flash up on slight provocation. Housewives sometimes use me for cleaning purposes in their homes. The moment I am free my vapor starts about the house looking for a flame or a spark. Presently I find it and, Puff! I cause a terrific explosion. Not long ago I killed a woman because she used me to clean her silk blouse. The rubbing of the silk caused a spark, which was all I needed. With automobiles in every highway and by-way, nowadays, I have become almost as common as water; yet men smoke around filling stations and then wonder why there are accidents. I work hard for humanity, and am, Your Honour, reasonably safe when properly handled. I am more dangerous than dynamite, however, when carelessly used, for it takes but a little spark to set me off.

Clerk—Lightning (motions to witness box). Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Lightning—I do.

Judge—(to Lightning who has taken witness box): We have shocking reports of your work, Lightning; you strike helpless women and children as well as grown men, and destroy their homes. Have you anything to say in defence?

Lightning—Yes, Your Honour, at certain times I am created in the sky by atmospheric conditions, but I am forced by nature to seek the earth. I try to reach the ground by the easiest means. When people equip their buildings with properly installed lightning rods, I use these conductors to travel to earth and seldom cause any damage in doing so. There are not enough houses properly protected, however, and consequently I have to do the best I can with the means available. I often try flag poles, steeples and chimneys, because they come nearer to me than other portions of buildings, but I do not like them as well as rods because they are not such

good conductors of electricity. Sometimes I even cause forest fires, but country barns are my speciality. I shall be a force to be reckoned with, Your Honour, as long as the world lasts, and it behoves people to protect themselves against me.

Judge—It is evident that in your case, if you spare the rod, you may spoil the property. Clerk, call the next defendant.

Clerk—Bonfire is next. (Bonfire steps forward and takes the witness box). Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth? Bonfire—I do.

Judge—The records show, Bonfire, that while you have always been popular with children, you have acted toward them treacherously, harming them and sometimes destroying their homes as well. Is this true?

Bonfire—Grown people as well as youngsters often start me, Your Honour, and by doing so they frequently cause serious loss of life as well as of property. I am always potentially dangerous and seldom necessary, except to destroy rubbish, but when I am, I should be confined so that I cannot scatter sparks. A bucket of water or some other extinguisher should be at hand to keep me within bounds. There was a man who forgot my possibilities, and one day, when there was a high wind, lighted me in order to burn up some old chicken coops and trash. There was a wooden fence nearby as well as a frame garage, and before I got through 191 buildings were destroyed. Nevertheless, I plead not guilty, Your Honour.

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our, because I do not start fires unless some careless person starts me. (Resumes former seat).

Clerk—There is one more defendant, Your Honour, (Spontaneous Combustion takes the witness chair). Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Spontaneous Combustion—I do.

Judge—Proceed.

Spontaneous Combustion—Many people, Your Honour, think that I am a myth, but I want you to know that I am a self-starter when conditions are propitious. People allow old rags saturated with linseed oil or some other vegetable fat to accumulate in out-of-the-way corners, and the first thing they know I generate sufficient heat by chemical action to start a fire. I also ignite piles of rubbish where there is oily matter present, and all who store large quantities of coal, particularly if it is bituminous, should beware of me.

Judge—Do you plead guilty?

Spontaneous Combustion—No, Your Honour, I plead not guilty, for how can I help myself? Chemistry is my master and careless human beings are the chief reasons for my existence.

Judge—You may resume your seat. (He does so). (Turns to Clerk): Are there any more defendants?

Clerk—No, Your Honour, none that we have yet been able to locate.

Judge (turning to Crown Attorney)—The Crown Prosecutor may now address the jury.

Crown Attorney—May it please Your Honour and Gentlemen of the Jury, you have heard these various defendants testify in their own behalf. They have acknowledged their connection with various specific crimes. They have admitted that they were concerned with thousands of terrible disasters. They have shown no penitence and have expressed no intention of changing their destructive habits. These fire hazards, gentlemen, have convicted themselves by their own testimony. They have shown how dangerous they are, and if they continue at large the very progress of our country may be jeopardised. We cannot continue to burn up our natural resources at the present rate without courting disaster. I believe, gentlemen, that when you consider the evidence you can do no better than to convict these defendants as constituting a menace to our country. Their only rightful place is under lock and key. (Resumes seat).

Judge—The Counsel for the Defense may now put in his rebuttal.

Counsel—I move, Your Honour, that this case be thrown out of court on the ground that proof of guilt on the part of the defendants has not been established. These defendants, Your Honour, are for the most part tools—involuntary tools of man. When rightly used they render him great service, for they are mighty, but the power to harm is generally accompanied by the power to harm. I maintain that the testimony of each of these, the accused defendants, shows complete absence of intent. They act as they have always acted and as they always will act under such conditions.

Man understands their nature; when he gives them their opportunities he knows, if he will stop to think, what the result must be. Therefore, why blame them for what they cannot help? Why not bring to trial the real culprit, Carelessness, who alone is responsible for most of our fires? Why not bring before the bar of this court the guilty one who causes these defendants to work they would throughout the land? Without his evil influences they would merely be servants of humanity.

Judge—The court is of the opinion that the point is well taken. Carelessness should be the defendant here, and not these prisoners. Where is Carelessness, Mr. Crown Attorney? This court is of the opinion that you have been remiss in your duty in overlooking the arch criminal who causes the majority of all fires. (Court Officer walks over and hands a note to the Crown Attorney).

Crown Attorney—Your Honour, I have been looking for Carelessness and I have just received word that he has been brought to court and is now in the ante-room.

Judge—Have him brought in. (Carelessness represented by a pupil in patched, dilapidated clothing, is hustled in roughly by the court officer, who leads him before the judge, and into witness box, where oath is administered.

Clerk—Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Carelessness—I do.

Judge—The testimony that has been given in this court in the case of The King versus Fire, has indicated that you, Carelessness, are the culprit who should have been brought before the bar of justice. You are charged with having caused the loss of thousands of lives and the destruction of millions of pounds' worth of property every year. What have you to say in defence?

Carelessness—Nothing, Your Honour, except that I am an ingrained habit of the people. I begin with the youngest children and stay with them throughout their lives. I recognise danger, but I like to "take a chance."

Judge—That is an explanation, but not an excuse. I charge the Jury, on the evidence of all the other defendants and on his own admission, to find Carelessness guilty of the offence charged. (The Jury consult without leaving their seats; the Foreman rises).

Foreman—We find his guilty, Your Honour. Judge—You heard the verdict. It is now my duty to sentence you in accordance with the dictates of justice. There can be no doubt as to your guilt. You have made it impossible for citizens and municipalities to live safely. You have killed thousands and devastated whole cities by your iniquity. You have filled the land with misery. You have undermined character, lowered efficiency, and retarded progress. Incarceration is too good for such as you. Instead you shall be labelled so that all men shall know you and shun your presence. You shall be an exile—a man without a country—unless some nation is so short-sighted as to take you in and call you her own. I banish you forever. Officer, take him away. (Officer exits with prisoner).

Judge—The court is adjourned.

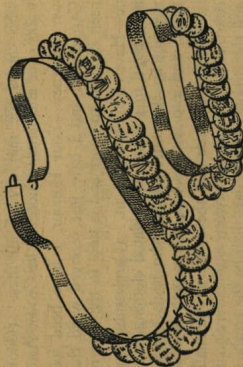
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## Handwork Section for Boys and Girls

### HOME-MADE JEWELLERY

A necklace and bracelet to match.

You will need two lengths of braid, one to fit the neck and the other to fit the wrist loosely. Also some buckram or stiff canvas, a hook and eye, and some paint.

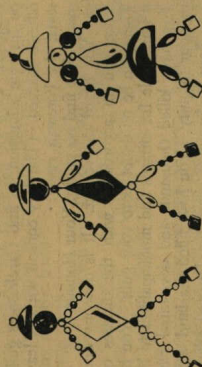


From the buckram or canvas (or even thin cardboard) draw 34 circles round a halfpenny. There will then be 22 circles for the necklace and 12 for the bracelet. Paint these circles, then sew them on the braid so that they overlap each other. You can have them all round the neck, or rather close together, so that they fall to the front of the neck.

### BEADS TOYS

With all the different variety of wooden beads you can get nowadays, and some string cotton, you can make a whole family of bead men and women.

For the body part, there are big round beads, oval, lozenge-shaped, pear-shaped, or square beads. Smaller beads of the same shape and very small round ones are used for



arms and legs. Plain button-moulds, which you can paint, make hats and skirts, and plain round ones can be painted with any sort of face you like.

With all these, you can make very elaborate and dressed-up figures. But perhaps the most attractive are the simple ones you make first. To make a simple figure, you need 25 small round beads (assorted colours), one large lozenge-shaped bead, one button-mould, one large plain round bead, and four small square beads. Paint the plain round one to

make a cheeky little face. Poster colour gives the best effect, and it should be varnished afterwards. On top of this the button-mould makes a coolie hat, with one small bead at the top to hide the hole. The lozenge bead is the body, and can have waistcoat buttons painted down the middle.

To thread the beads, take a piece of cotton sufficiently long and strong to hold them. Thread each end through a darning needle. Pass one needle through the small bead on the top of his hat. Pass both needles, one after the other, through the hat, the face, the neck, the body, and the small round bead that begins both legs. Then take one needle down the left leg and one down the right. Passing the needles again, through the body and neck, down each arm, then up each arm, and out through the head and hat.

Keeping in mind that pear-shaped beads and big round beads make full sleeves and trousers, and that button-moulds make frilly skirts and fancy hats, you can design all sorts of figures for yourself. You can design your own colour schemes, too. Buy the small beads the colour you want, and paint the big ones. They can be striped, spotted or squared in a variety of colours. A coat of white varnish over the poster colour gives them a shiny and lasting finish.

### THE GENEVA CONVENTION

The Red Cross Society was instituted about 80 years ago to provide care for sick and wounded soldiers during wartime, and to protect from attack those who needed such care, and those who gave it to them. This protection is guaranteed by the "Geneva Convention," whereby all the members agreed not to molest the Red Cross. This Society also works for the suffering in peace time. The Red Cross Society may not help the fighting forces to fight, so when funds are collected in the name of the Junior Red Cross, they may only be used for the sick and wounded. Donations must not be given from the Junior Red Cross funds to other organisations which help the fighting forces, otherwise the Convention is being broken. It is by rightly standing by this Convention that our enemies are bound in honour not to attack hospitals and ships, and to treat our prisoners of war well.

Circles may empty "Christmas Cheer" boxes if full, and bank the money, then solder tin up and use again. The fund will be closed in November, and amount collected may then be sent in to Headquarters.

### GRACE BUSSELL

Australia's Grace Darling was Grace Bussell, whose family lived near the beach at Busselton, near Cape Leeuwin, Western Australia. In December 1876 the steamer George was wrecked eight miles from her home. The captain, ette was wrecked eight miles from her home. The captain, trying to beach her, ran her on to a reef some distance from shore. A black boy brought the news to Grace Bussell, aged 16, working in the kitchen. She mounted her horse, rode to the shore, and then swam the horse through the boiling surf, out to the wreck. There she took a child in her arms and a woman behind her, and so brought them ashore. She continued back and forward for four hours, bringing 48 people ashore.

## Cousin Catherine

Dear Boys and Girls:

Time for another "Junior Red Cross Bulletin," and time for me to answer all the letters, which, unfortunately, did not arrive.

The year is going on, and we are leaving behind us many things that we should have done; many opportunities were held out to us which we did not take. I remember being told by a very dear and learned old gentleman that an opportunity missed was a closed door, that door will never open again to us, although other opportunities for doing good will come, that one, just that one we missed, is gone for ever. We must keep alert, and watch our opportunities—don't miss them, they are so precious, and it is such a pity they should be wasted.

Now examination time is drawing near, and I can just imagine you with your eyes glued to the pages. But oh! what fun when it is all over. You feel so glad when you can run home and say, "I passed—over 80 per cent."

One letter came from South Perth. It was from Mary Bell. Thank you very much, Mary. I'm glad you found my letter "inspiring," as you say; at any rate it must have been interesting to you.

Sincerely yours,

"COUSIN CATHERINE."

## Uncle Mac

Well, boys, how do you like the idea of the toy-making? I think all of you who have shown an interest in this enterprise.

Please DO send along all finished articles as soon as possible, and don't be afraid to ask for more parts, as we have orders for hundreds of pounds worth of toys before Christmas. Any others anxious to help will be very welcome. Bands of workers from the suburbs are coming into the workroom for whole days during the holidays.

Carry on, Boys!

"UNCLE MAC."

Mother: "Why are you pulling faces at our pet bulldog?"  
Small Girl: "He started it."

### NAMES OF MEMBERS WHO HAVE GAINED FIRST AID CERTIFICATES

QUEEN'S PARK.—Maureen Braybrook, Mary Davis, June Doyle, Florrie Harwood, Thelma Harwood, Dorothy Gardner, Florrie Manolis, Nina Manolis, George Edwards, Sidney Edwards, Shirley Sullivan, Lora Sher-ali, Zara Sher-ali, James Hurley, Bebe Sher-ali, Valma Hurley, Arnold Edwards, and Les Woods.

CARLISLE.—Peggy Robinson and Mavis Truslove.

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2 Boys and girls 11 and up to 14 years.

The winner of each grade will receive a £1 War Savings Certificate, and their essays will be published in the next issue of the Junior Red Cross Bulletin.

ENTRIES All entries must be posted by November 5, but you may send in more than one essay.  
CLOSE:

## NURSING AS A CAREER

From an article by Miss Lambie, Director of Nursing,  
Health Department, New Zealand

*Naturally, as a nurse, I am interested in nursing as a profession for women. I find that so many people have the wrong conception with regard to what nursing means today, so that I hope these notes may bring some fresh ideas to you who are interested concerning this very important question.*

Next to the mother there is no woman in the community who is of more value than the nurse. Why? Because it is the nurse who cares for the mother when the baby is born; who cares for and helps to keep the baby well during its infant life and right through till it leaves school; who teaches the public how to keep well, what to eat, how to care for minor illnesses and accidents in their homes. When sickness does come it is on her comfort and care that the patient depends to restore him to health. Or if the grave shadow of death comes the nurse supports not only the patient but often the relatives as well.

To "nurse" means to "Nourish." There is no career for women which offers the same opportunity for human contact and is so satisfying to their natural instinct. Yet they hesitate to enter this profession because of the misunderstandings which have unfortunately grown up around it. It has come to be regarded as a hard life with little beyond work. Nurses are supposed to be over-worked, underpaid, and subject to much illness. Some of those drawbacks were no doubt true in the past, and even today the staffs in public and private hospitals alike may be called upon to work longer than the scheduled hours. When epidemics arise, or when accidents occur, the patient and his care must come first. On the whole where their hospital provides adequate staff, excessive hours for the nurses are rare. In the same way people are inclined to think there is a great deal of sickness when they hear of girls in training in hospitals being sent to bed for a rest, or sent home on leave. This, in the major ity of cases, is preventive care due to the fact that the health of nurses is very carefully scrutinised and kept under observation by means of recorded weight, various tests and X-ray examinations. The health of nurses is far more strictly watched now than it was even eight or ten years ago.

The question of salaries has also been misunderstood. Because nurses in training receive salaries of only £40, £50, £60 and £75 for each year of their training, people are apt to think they are very badly paid; but added to that is the value of their board and lodging and their uniforms, so that they begin at a salary at least equal to £2/5/- a week. Of course they are receiving valuable free training at the same time.

In Western Australia, trainee pay is as follows:

- 1st year—13/4 per week.
- 2nd year—17/11 per week.
- 3rd year—£1/5/7½ per week.
- C-Class Sister—£2/6/6.

The trainee takes her own uniform on entering. After 6 months she is issued with free uniform for rest of training.

Old age, though sometimes a bad look-out for an unattached woman without a trade or profession, holds no worries for the hospital nurse. She begins to contribute to superannuation when she begins her training, and this she can carry on throughout her career.

You can see that the salaries of nurses compare very favourably with those of the clerical world and the teaching profession—the two other avenues of work that absorb so many women in this country.

Added to all this there are more opportunities for a nurse to travel than for most women who have their living to make. The Western Australian Nurse's Certificate holds good in all English-speaking countries, and she may register and practise her profession without sitting for another examination. The result of this is that Western Australian nurses are found working all over the world—in China, Malaya, India, New Zealand, South Africa, U.S.A., Canada, as well as in the Mother Country, and before the war on the Continent of Europe.

The full training lasts three years and three months for a general certificate; six months more for a maternity certificate. There are also various post-graduate courses, such as the six month's training in midwifery, four months in infant welfare for a Plunket nurse and six months in public health nursing or preparation for teaching.

The best background for the career of nursing is really home training. The girl who enters hospital at 18 or 19 should have had at least two years' secondary education, spent preferably in the Home Science side of the school curriculum. After leaving school the best training for any nurse is to spend a year or two in her own home learning what home-making means. If she must earn, however, there are many openings linked to the nursing service which any hospital matron would be very willing to put girls in touch with.

I can assure you that this life has a rich reward in personal satisfaction for the girl who is prepared to give herself to it. After all, any job is what you yourself are prepared to put into it. For interest and community service nursing offers a wonderful opportunity.

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### A GAME: MEMORY TRAYS

Lay out a couple of dozen small objects, as miscellaneous as possible, on a tray—for example, a penny, a postage stamp, a telegram form, a playing card, a match, a pen-nib, a needle, a reel, a spoon, a lemon, an egg, a thimble, a paper-clip, a pencil-sharpener, a razor blade, a chocolate, a hairpin, a penknife, a dice, a candle, a cork, a curtain ring, a watch. Cover them all with a cloth until you are ready to begin. When you have managed to gather everyone together from all the odd corners of the house, take the cloth off and tell them that they have two minutes in which to memorise the contents of the tray. At the end of the time cover the tray again, and give the players five minutes in which to write down everything they can remember. Thinking aloud should be discouraged. It is as well to get everybody to check their lists afterwards, for it is surprising how many remember objects that were never on the tray at all.

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### LATE NEWS

Gladys Marston and Barbara Jessers, both of Claremont, brought to the Junior Head Office £1/7/7 for the Prisoners of War Fund.



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## MESSAGE . . .

from

**Murray G. Little, Esq., M.A.**

(Director of Education in Western Australia)

To the Members of the Junior Red Cross Society of W.A.:  
As Vice-President of your Society, I have been greatly interested in the very fine work you are doing in your widespread Junior Red Cross Circles.

The Red Cross Society in which the grown-ups are busy has done a great work for humanity, and it is under the shadow of that great world-wide movement that you children begin a life of service. It may seem strange, but it is nevertheless true, that the more you think of others and the less you think of yourselves the happier you are, and it is the same if you work for others rather than for yourselves. Happiness lies in service.

In this world of trouble there is work for us all. Little acts of kindness, little jobs to be done, add up in the mass, like daisies in the field, to make the world brighter and happier. Children can help as well as the older folk, and that is the real purpose of the Junior Red Cross—that through it you may have the opportunity to do your share and that you may grow in usefulness and service.

In wartime the work you do is much needed, but when the glorious peace comes there will be just as many opportunities and just as much need for you to continue in your good work.

I hope, therefore, you will continue to take a keen interest in your Junior Red Cross Circle, and when you grow up you will identify yourself with some society which, through its activities, aims to make the world a better place to live in.

I wish the Junior Red Cross Circles every success in their work.

Signed: M. G. LITTLE.

**THE EDITOR'S CORNER**

We hope you have all noticed that we have moved to a new office—at number 18, Howard Street. It is next door to the Headquarters of the W.A. Division of the Australian Red Cross Society.

We had to move, because the Junior work has become so extensive we had to have more room. Our new home is a truly hallowed spot, for, up to the beginning of the present war, it was the Headquarters of the Red Cross Society. You will feel with us that we are very fortunate in securing these excellent quarters for the Juniors. We hope many of you will be able to visit us there when you are in Perth. We still have the same telephone number—B 6621.

**QUARTERLY RETURNS**

Would all Circles please endeavour to send Quarterly Returns in PROMPTLY, with ALL particulars filled in? This will greatly assist with the compiling of Circle news.

The following is a perfect Return:  
**QUARTERLY RETURN: ARTHUR RIVER CIRCLE**  
 To be forwarded to Headquarters, 18 Howard Street, Perth, at the end of March, June, September, and the beginning of December of each year.

Number of Members: 15.  
 Leader: Miss P. Caporn; Hon. Secretary: Betty Fleay;  
 Hon. Treasurer: Miss P. Caporn.

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
Balance last Return	—	Badges	6
Membership Fees and Donations	6 6	General Fund	15 0
Prisoners of War	11 11	Cupboard Fund	—
Cupboard	—	Various	10 0
Wool for Rugs	—	Vegetable Seeds	2 9
Stamps	1 6 4	Stamp	1 1 6
Guessing Competition	8 0	Balance this Return	—
Sale of Goods	4 8		
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**"I SERVE"**

Our Motto is a very old one, and had been used long before we chose it. During the Battle of Crecy, on August 26, 1346, Edward, the Black Prince, won his spurs. He was then only sixteen years old. As his crest, he chose the three ostrich feathers of King John of Bohemia, the blind king, who was killed at Crecy, and his motto "Ich Dien," which is the German for "I Serve." For nearly six hundred years now these plumes and these words have been the badge of the Prince of Wales.

Both the Organising Secretary and the Editor ask you to be patient with them if you feel that some of your news is absent from this Bulletin. There are Circles which send in their reports after the paper is printed. In those cases,



reports cannot appear until the next issue of our paper, three months hence. So blame your Secretary— and not Headquarters.

The prizes for the Knitting Competition were sent by Mrs. Mary Grant Bruce, from Melbourne. Valma Farquar received "Karalta," Mrs. Grant Bruce's latest publication. Sylvia Rosen, who by the way is an evacuee from London, received her £1 prize.

DO write to "Cousin Catherine." We want to publish your best letters in the next Bulletin. She wants you to tell her about the amusing things that happen on the farm, at home, or at school. Surely funny things happen to you—even if there is a war raging.

Many consignments arrive without a list enclosed, or name of Circle. This is why parcels are not acknowledged at times. Clothing is no longer sent to England, as shipping space is not available. Evacuees are not needing so much now, so Sister Kate, St. Vincent's Orphanage, and the Alexandra Home have benefited.

Milk tins and similar ones are now accepted without press-in lids. Circles are asked to collect bottle tops (press-in ones), sheep skins, and rabbit skins. Send bottle tops addressed to Hon. Secretary, Howard Street, Perth. Sheep and rabbit skins are to be sent direct to Messrs. Elder, Smith & Co., Fremantle.

Arising out of a request by several adults, that they be allowed to join the Junior organisation, the following clause has been added to our constitution: "Adults may become auxiliary members of a Junior Red Cross Circle." These members will not be eligible to vote.

**APPRECIATION**

We offer our grateful thanks to Mrs. Waite, Mrs. D'Arcy and Mrs. Gooch for gifts of clothing which they sent for evacuees.

We thank Barbara Blakey, an Associate Member, for her help in knitting for us.  
 Miss Pearce has sent in a further donation of £3 for the General Funds, for which we are very grateful.

The Ascot Camp Concert Party has been most helpful in giving time and talent to help the Junior funds. We thank them very much indeed. "Dawnette" has given much amusement with her Educated Dogs, and also helped add to our funds.

Mr. Hancock and his "Omphans Concert Party" have been untiring in the work they have done for the Juniors. They have helped add to our funds, and we are very grateful to them.  
 Many thanks to the Advertisers, who have helped to make this publication possible.

Nicholsons of Barrack Street, Perth, have been good enough to lend us a piano for a concert at Swanbourne. This is most kind of them.

Rubber, aluminium and waste paper are no longer collected by Red Cross, as other organisations handle them. Mrs. Messer, of Waste Products, does NOT. Weights of packages must not exceed 5lbs. by passenger train, and 2cwt. by goods train.

**News of Our Circles**

This news is compiled from Quarterly Returns received to the end of June.

**ARMADALE:** 43 members; Vivienne Rowe, Hon. Sec. This Circle paid a visit to Junior Red Cross Headquarters during this quarter. Uncle Mac was present to meet the boys of this Circle, who have been doing toy-making under the supervision of their master, Mr. Pilbeam. The meeting proved very helpful on both sides. The girls have worked equally well, sending in 18 scarves, 10 pairs of bed-sheets, 6 waistcoat-mufflers, 25 water-bag covers, 5 pairs of knecaps, 1 pair of socks, 1 pair mittens and 1 balacava. The Secretary made and sent in a beautifully-knitted coat for an evacuee. £1/5/7 in the bank.

**ARTHUR RIVER:** 15 members; Betty Fleay, Hon. Sec. On turning up this return, I find I have marked it "The Perfect Return." So many are incorrectly made out, that it is a joy to find one like this. Fifteen shillings donated to Prisoners of War Fund. Children of this Circle have planted vegetables, which are to be sold to raise funds. Articles are made and sold. Guessing Competitions and tuckshops conducted, while some of the members give a weekly donation. Waste products are also collected. £1/1/6 in the bank.

**ALBANY:** 60 members; Yvonne Ford, Hon. Sec. No report from you.

**BEDFORDALE:** 9 members; Betty Curtis, Hon. Sec. We regret to report the resignation of Mrs. Roberts, who has been the Leader for the past year, but welcome Miss Joyce Curtis, the new Leader. This Circle makes splendid rugs. A social and also a concert have been held. We received most useful painted tins from a member. Mrs. Messer is glad to receive anything like this for sale at her Waste Products shop. We were pleased to receive a visit from the new Leader and the Secretary.

**BELLAKABELLA:** 7 members; Keith Maynard, Hon. Sec. A tuckshop and concert were held to raise funds for Prisoners of War. Children knitted two very large rugs. These looked very attractive when opened, as many of the squares had been knitted with a striped effect. £2/4/- sent to Prisoners of War Fund. 13/1 in the bank.

**BODDINGTON:** 112 members; Jessie Firms, Hon. Sec. A splendid donation of £14 was received from this Circle for Prisoners of War Fund, collected thus—Senior Room, £5/3/8; Junior Room, £2/12/1; Tuckshop, £2/4/-; Doll, £2/10/-. Donations from Mrs. L. Staghobert, Messrs. T. Price, J. Dwyer and R. Crane included in Room totals. £1/4/- was also sent to General Funds. Keep on with the good work.

**BORDEN:** 35 members; Paddy Traupitt, Hon. Sec. A very busy Circle, which includes South Borden. Now South Borden is unable to attend, owing to transport difficulties, so a Circle has been formed there. Borden has been assisting the Senior branch until recently. Articles made this quarter for Junior Red Cross include 6 bed-bags, 4 housewives, 16 knitted squares, 1 waistcoat muffler, 1 child's apron, and 1 pair of bloomers. Funds are raised by gues-

sing competitions, the sale of vegetables, birds and bottles, and by direct giving. £1 sent to General Funds, £1 to Prisoners of War Fund, and £1 to the Cupboard Fund. Balance in the bank, 4/11.

**BULLARING:** 10 members; Pat Doyle, Hon. Sec. These members are very energetic, we feel sure, as such large quantities of waste products have been collected. The children are very interested in "Uncle Mac's" toy-making scheme, and are busy making up the first consignment sent to them. Ten shillings were sent to the Prisoners of War Fund and 10/- to the Cupboard Fund. 4/- in the bank.

**BRUCE ROCK:** 46 members; Margaret Lonsdale, Hon. Sec. Much good work is being done for the Senior Branch. Members are very keen, and many bright ideas are thought out. £20 sent in to the Prisoners of War Fund; £1/8/4 to the General Fund, and 3 parcels to Waste Products. Articles made were 3 pairs of bed-sheets, 5 mufflers, 1 knee-cap, 4 hot-water bag covers, 1 scarf, 8 toilet bags, 12 sterilising cloths. Mrs. Bradley, Leader of this Circle, paid us a welcome visit and brought in a further donation which will appear in next quarter's Bulletin.

**BUREKUP:** 41 members; Greta Lon, Hon. Sec. £3/7/6 donated for Prisoners of War. No report from this Circle.

**BIG BELL:** 17 members; Jean Gellatly, Hon. Sec. We welcome Jean as our new secretary. No report from this Circle, but we hope to hear of the good work done by you next quarter.

**BROOMEHILL:** 21 members; Mr. L. Wanne, Hon. Sec. No report.

**CALINGIRI:** 34 members; Ernie King, Hon. Sec. Miss Peat has left the district, and Mr. C. Beverly, the Head Teacher, has kindly consented to carry on. Two large packages sent to Waste Products, and a large amount of aluminium collected. £2/1/10 is the bank balance.

**CARMEL:** 18 members; Maureen Ryan, Hon. Sec. Six pillow-slips were made by this Circle. £5 donated to the Prisoners of War Fund, and 10/- to the Cupboard Fund. We received a visit from the Leader, Mrs. Stewart. 11/- balance in the bank.

**COOLGARDIE:** 14 members; Dorothy James, Hon. Sec. In spite of dwindling numbers, the girls have made a bigger effort. £1 donated to Prisoners of War, and 4/6 to Cupboard Fund, 10/- to the State Schools Patriotic Fund. Good work is being done for the Senior Branch. Thirty-seven handkerchiefs, 30 traycloths, 5 tea-towels, 1 scarf, and 6 milking covers were made from materials supplied. Bank balance 9/7.

**COONANA:** 27 members; Bob Russell, Hon. Sec. We regret that the Leader, Mrs. Blythe, has been transferred, but Mrs. Brooks has kindly consented to carry on for the time being. This Circle is only 4 months old, so has made a good beginning. £1 donated to Prisoners of War Fund. Three knitted pullovers made with the help of Senior supporters. A large quantity of wool has been purchased for knitting. Bank balance 7/10.

**CORRIGIN:** 36 members; Douglas Noack, Hon. Sec. No report; but we know this Circle is working. The child-

ren are receiving instructions in First Aid. 4/3 donated to Prisoners of War Fund.

**CLAREMONT:** 15 members; June Hood, Hon. Sec. This Circle has been in recess for 6 months. At a meeting held on July 17 new office-bearers were elected. Mrs. Hood, Leader; June Hood, Hon. Sec.; Miss Thelma Miller, Hon. Treasurer; and Miss Dulcine Ellery, Trustee. The State President and the Hon. Secretary attended the annual meeting and election of office-bearers.

**CARLISLE:** 80 members; L. Languvalant, Hon. Sec. No return. The Senior Branch is very interested in the Circle and are most helpful.

**DALWALLINU:** June Davis, Hon. Sec. This Circle has done excellent work. £42 donated to the Schools Patriotic Fund. Balance on hand £1/18/-. Flowers and vegetables were sold and realised £3/8/3. A most successful bazaar was held and brought in £14/17/5. The proceeds from a tuck-shop were £1/10/-. £18/6/10 was paid in to Junior Funds when the Seniors organised a pet lamb competition. First Aid classes are being conducted. The boys manual class has made splints. The Junior Circle supplied tea and sugar to the Red Cross Shop—before the introduction of rationing. Congratulations to members on this splendid report.

**DARKAN:** 16 members; Barbara South, Hon. Sec. This Circle helps the local Red Cross by knitting and making articles at the school, for sale. Waste products are being collected. Congratulations on Prisoners of War Fund effort —£8 sent to Head Office.

**DOWERIN:** No report.

**DURANILLAN:** 10 members; Colin Kirk, Hon. Sec. £8/10/- donated to Prisoners of War Fund, and a further

donation will appear in the next quarter's report. Members are very enthusiastic, and every opportunity is taken to gather in funds for the Society. We would welcome a report on your activities.

**DUMBLEYUNG:** 41 members; Leah Reid, Hon. Sec. The children conduct many small functions, generally at their own homes during the week-ends. The boys collect waste products and deposit them at the local dump. Sewing and knitting are done for the Senior Branch. A box of 21 beautiful crocheted knee-rugs have arrived at Headquarters as I write. £9 was donated to the Prisoners of War Fund; 3 waistcoat mufflers, 15 face-washers and 3 dozen milk-jug covers were made. Well done, girls; this is a credit to you.

**EAST CANNINGTON:** Mrs. McKinnon, Leader. We are awaiting the new Secretary's name. This Circle has been in recess, owing to many of the children evacuating. They have commenced work again, so we will hear more from them later.

**ESPERANCE:** 36 members; John Morton, Hon. Sec. £2/2/- was donated to the Prisoners of War Fund, £1/1/- to the Cupboard Fund, and £1/7/6 to the General Fund. Large quantities of waste products were collected. There were 2,222 bottles, 527 tins, 5 bags of rags, 45 car batteries, 1 box of tooth-paste tubes, 600lbs. rubber, 28lbs. aluminium, and 9½lbs. of silver paper. Three large parcels of clothing were sent for evacuees. Work sent to the Senior Branch includes 44 bandages, 11 housewives, 55 pyjama-cords, and 36 large tins. Knitting sent to Headquarters comprise 4 pairs of socks, 7 balaclava helmets, 15 scarves, 1 pair of knee-caps, and 32 squares. Two parcels were sent to Prisoners of War in Germany. The boys of this Circle chopped wood for

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the local Community concerts. This is a report of which to be proud. £5/16/2 in the bank.

**GNOWANGERUP:** 90 members; Blanche Lower, Hon. Sec. £3/15/4 sent to the Prisoners of War Fund, and 3/3 to the General Fund. Five knitted rugs and 2 mufflers have been sent in. With 90 members now, we hope to hear of great activity from your Circle.

**GUILDFOURD:** 6 members; John Gibbons, Hon. Sec. This is our Horse Section. Miss Jennings has taken over from Miss Mower. Lectures on the care of the horse, semaphores, etc., have been attended during the past 3 months. Waste rubber was collected with a horse and cart before this was taken over by the Government.

**GERALDTON:** 45 members; Max Carter, Hon. Sec. This Circle has had a difficult time owing to members having been evacuated. We welcome the new Leader, Miss Evans; the new Secretary, Max Carter; and the new Treasurer, Helen Butterfield. Helen organised penny concerts whilst away. Nan Shanks, Margaret Grisby and Hazel Bryant handed in £1/14/-, made from a tuck-shop. E. Scott, D. Jenkins, A. Plant and C. Berringer handed in £7/13/5. Well done Charlie Boyes for 5/9 from you—made by chopping firewood. £4 for Prisoners of War Fund, £1 for the General Fund, and £1 for the Cupboard Fund were given by this Circle.

**GOSNELL:** 18 members; Alma Lilley, Hon. Sec. First Aid Certificates gained by 19 members. Parcels of clothing made and sent in. The girls of this Circle are excellent workers. No report from you, Alma.

**HARVEY:** 231 members; Miss Kitty Ochiltree, Hon. Sec. £3/7/8 donated to Prisoners of War Fund; 5/- to Cupboard Fund. 2 parcels to Waste Products, and 2 large parcels of clothing for evacuees and the Cupboard. The Schools Patriotic Fund is also well supported.

**HOFFMAN'S MILL:** 6 members; Mervyn Thomas, Chairman. We are waiting for the name of the new Secretary. Waste products were collected. £1/4/2 in the bank.

**HOLYOAKE:** 23 members; Claire Joynson, Hon. Sec. No report. Brian Pusey is interested in toy-making. We are hoping to hear from other members. £1 donated to Prisoners of War Fund. 10/- to the Cupboard Fund, and 10/- to Air Raid Victims.

**HYDEN:** 16 members; Debora Roseman, Hon. Sec. No report. Waste products being collected. £1/18/4 balance in hand.

**INGLEWOOD:** 25 members; Pam English, Hon. Sec. Three parcels to Waste Products; 3 parcels of clothing for Air Raid Victims; 7 large rugs, 54in. x 54in., 4 pairs of socks; and knitted dozens of baby clothes and scarves for evacuees. £5 donated to the Prisoners of War Fund. The bank balance is £3/3/1.

**KELLERBERRIN:** 16 members; Grace Johnson, Hon. Sec. 10/6 donated to the Prisoners of War Fund. No word from you for some time. £1/18/4 in the bank.

**KIRKUP:** 18 members; Val Sartori, Hon. Sec. Donation to General Funds of £3/9/6; Prisoners of War, £3/5/-. This Circle is evidently working hard. We would appreciate a newsy letter from the Secretary, though we have not had a detailed report.

**KNUNGAJIN:** Elaine Flood, Hon. Sec. This is a new Circle, interested in overseas correspondence portfolios. We are glad to hear that you are having a combined effort with Nungarin and Mangrove.

**LAKE BIDDY:** 25 members; Rea McGlenn, Hon. Sec. One parcel sent for Air Raid Victims; another to the Red Cross Shop. A rug is being knitted. The Leader has a difficult task, as almost half the members are too far distant to attend meetings. 5/2 balance in the bank.

**LAKEWOOD:** 25 members; Rene Baker, Hon. Sec. Donation to Prisoners of War, £3/14/6. A splendid parcel containing nightgowns, matinee jackets, petticoats, dresses, gowns, bloomers, shoes, pyjamas and pyjama suits, pullers, overalls, knee-rugs, overcoats, etc.—in all 107 articles were sent in by this Circle. Well done, children, and the folk who help you so well. A parcel of reading matter sent in, and quantities of waste products collected.

**LAVERTON:** 22 members; Robert Sigldferri, Hon. Sec. No report.

**MADDINGTON:** 12 members; Phyllis Winsor, Hon. Sec. This Circle has arranged fortnightly dances, which bring in substantial funds. The following donations have been made: £19 for Prisoners of War Fund; £2 for General Fund; £5 for local Red Cross. Balance in the bank, £2/2/6. Congratulations Maddington on a successful quarter.

**MANGOWINE:** 16 members; Elva Adams, Hon. Sec. This is a new Circle, already working hard. The members are co-operating with Knunajin and Nungarin during September to hold a stall at a fête to be held at Nungarin.

**MANJIMUP:** 200 members; Val Muir, Hon. Sec. Good work being done, but no report to hand.

**MARLEYUP:** 15 members; Alison Burrows, Hon. Sec. We send our sympathy to this Circle. Their school has been burnt down, together with their sewing and knitting. Needless to say, their work has been disorganised. Meetings have been resumed, and First Aid lectures are in progress. Good luck to you all.

**MAYLANDS:** 15 members; Myrtle James, Hon. Sec. We regret that the names of successful First Aid candidates were not published last quarter. They were: Myrtle James, Mary Cowrie, Helen Morphet and Peter Redwood. £9 donated to Prisoners of War Fund; £1/10/- to the Cupboard Fund. Deck chairs were presented to convalescent Homes; 1 layette made, and some slippers for children. The trans-



port calls regularly for Waste Products. We are pleased to receive frequent visits from officer-bearers and members. The President (Mrs. Greateore) and Secretary (Mrs. Darling) attended the annual meeting, and during the quarter they, with members of the committee, were the guests at a most enjoyable dance. £8/4/7 is the bank balance.

**MOOLLABBENE:** 9 members; Caroline Foulkes-Taylor, Hon. Sec. Our newest Crystal Baker, Hon. Sec. Good work being done, but no report to hand.

**MORNINGTON MILLS:** 25 members; Nora Di Guillo, Hon. Sec. £1/10/- donated to General Funds, and £1/5/- to Prisoners of War Fund. Money is raised by voluntary contributions, penny concerts, and a tuck-shop. Articles have been knitted and clothing collected.

**MOSMAN PARK (Girl Guides):** 22 members; Bruce Simpson, Hon. Sec. This is one of our hardest-working Circles. Donation to Prisoners of War Fund, 10/-. This quarter they have sent in 5 bonnets, 6 pairs of booties, 1 vest, 5 ripple-cloth dresses, pants and petticoats to match, 2 pairs of mittens, 1 hug-me-tight, 5 night-dresses, 12 knitted matinee jackets. To the Senior Branch they sent 6 milk jug covers, 1 large knitted rug and 20 face-washers. To the Girl Guide Headquarters they sent 3 sacks of silver paper, 1 sack of bottle tops; to the Waste Products Department 3 cartloads of tins, bottles, etc. The Leader, Mrs. Hart, personally supervises these collections. Money was raised by fetes, concerts, and the sale of waste products. Mosman Park and Peppermint Grove organised a most successful concert, which brought in £46/10/-. Mosman Park No. 2 Circle has now been absorbed by No. 1 Circle. The President, Hon. Secretary and members of the Committee attended a most successful bazaar.

**MOUNT HELENA:** 40 members; Miss L. Chandler, Hon. Sec. Another perfect return. £4 donated to Prisoners of War Fund, and £1 to the Cupboard Fund. One knitted rug brought to Headquarters, size 72in. x 40in., and also 3 beautifully-made rugs from woollen pieces. Money was obtained from a tuck-shop, a concert, and also by card evening conducted by Seniors to assist Junior funds. We were pleased to receive a visit from the Leader, Mrs. Donaldson. Bank balance £1/6/4.

**MOUNT LAWLEY (State School):** 89 members; K. Refell, Hon. Sec. Donations £6/10/- received for Prisoners of War Fund. Many children have left the district.

**MOUNT MAGNET:** 65 members; Millie Shallow, Hon. Sec. Donations received from this Circle were for the following funds: £10/10/- for Prisoners of War, and £2 for General. Balance in the bank £5/15/-. Money is raised by means of tuck-shops and penny concerts. A rug and scarves are being knitted, and aprons and pyjamas are being made for sale to raise funds. The members also assist the Seniors with knitting and sewing. £12/10/- in the bank.

**MUKINBUDIN:** 9 members; Dorothy Nancarrow, Hon. Sec. A very keen Circle lately formed. 5/- sent to the Prisoners of War Fund, which was obtained when a penny concert was held. We regret that her successor will be as has been transferred, but trust that her successor will be as interested in the work. A rug is being knitted for one of the military hospitals.

**MURADUP:** 6 members; Edgar Bracknell, Hon. Sec. We wish to express sympathy to the Leader, Mrs. Randall, who has lost her husband after a long illness, and to thank

her sincerely for the good work she has done during her term in office. This Circle has been in existence for nearly 3 years, and is one of our oldest. Miss Morrell has kindly undertaken the leadership. Waste products are being collected, and a package of various coupons have been received. We hope to hear of other activities next quarter.

**NANSON:** 14 members; Elaine Murphy, Hon. Sec. A donation of £2/10/- received for Prisoners of War Fund. No word from you lately—we would appreciate a letter.

**NARROGIN:** 60 members; B. Byrne, Hon. Sec. Children have been very busy knitting clothing and jumpers which they sent for evacuees. 220 articles made for Senior Branch. Included in this high number are 26 knee-rugs, 12 bed jackets, 44 mufflers, 18 pairs of socks, etc. £3 donated to the Prisoners of War Fund, £2 to the local Branch, and £2 to the Cupboard Fund. Children are making wooden toys which are to be sold locally.

**NARROGIN VALLEY:** 11 members; N. Rowe, Hon. Sec. Donation for Prisoners of War Fund 3/-, and General Funds 14/9. Have sent in a layette and a parcel for the Cupboard Fund.

**NORTHAM:** 80 members; Joan Campbell, Hon. Sec. A very busy Circle, but we would like to see funds forwarded direct to Junior Red Cross Headquarters to augment the J.R.C. funds. We are delighted to learn that Senior members take a great interest in our Juniors in this district. This is most encouraging. Members have been busy "Digging for Victory." A vegetable show is to be held soon. £8/9/- was sent to Prisoners of War Fund, £6/15/- to various other funds, and there is £3/17/3 in the bank. Money was obtained from a fair, a tuck-shop and a cricket match. Seventy-three articles were made.

**NORTH COLLIE:** 20 members; Gladys Vernon, Hon. Sec. A First Aid class is being held. No report has been sent in to Headquarters.

**NORTH MAYLANDS:** 31 members; Pat. Pastell, Hon. Sec. No report. We know this Circle is working well. The boys have made swabs and surgical pads and rolled hand-ages. Clothing for evacuees has also been brought in. Members visited Hollywood Hospital and were allowed to serve the patients afternoon tea.

**NUNGARIN:** 34 members; Bert Waterhouse, Hon. Sec. The following donations have been made: 10/- to the Prisoners of War Fund, 10/- to Cupboard Fund, and 10/- to School Patriotic Fund. Three parcels of clothing sent to Headquarters, and 3 consignments of books. Bank balance on hand £3. Members have collected and sent a good supply to Waste Products. We were very pleased to receive a visit from the Treasurer, Mr. Vincent. The boys are interested in toy-making, and are going to help us during the coming quarter.

**OSBORNE PARK:** 85 members; Annie Blair, Hon. Sec. One of our busiest Circles. From here come many of our most original ideas. The boys are keen toy-makers. The girls do beautiful sewing, as well as knitting. Dozens of articles have been made this quarter, including bunny-rugs and knee-rugs with animals and farmyard scenes appliqued on them. Slippers have been made from felt hats. Twenty-four pairs of these slippers and 2 rugs were sent to the Children's Hospital; also trousers, nightgowns, pyjamas, pants, and many other articles. Donations were sent to the Prisoners of War Fund. "Uncle Mac" visited this Circle and embarked the boys on their toy-making venture.

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were a success. Very pleased to see members of the Circle at the Office.

**ROSA GLEN:** 16 members; Rosemary Nash, Hon. Sec. £1 received for General Funds, and 10/- for Prisoners of War. Waste products and reading matter were collected. Members are busy knitting, and many garments have been completed; even the boys are doing their bit in this direction. Cheers for you, boys! The following articles have been sent to Headquarters: 2 rugs, 6 vests, 1 bonnet, 1 baby's jacket, 1 pair of booties, 1 pair of mittens, and 1 beret.

**ST. MARY'S SCHOOL:** 40 members; Ione Wittennoon, Hon. Sec. No report from this Circle. Clothing for evacuees has been made and collected. Housewives and a knitted rug were made for our convalescent soldiers. Waste products have been collected. £14 was donated to General Funds. We would like to hear from you more often, girls.

**SANDSTONE:** 31 members; Miss Hamersley, Hon. Sec. This Circle is the home of bright ideas, and large donations. The members are very keen. Pies are made, and boys sell them on Saturdays. £17/19/- was made this quarter by various efforts.

**SCARBOROUGH:** 80 members; Archie Jones, Hon. Sec. No report, though we know you are doing marvelous things. The girls are knitting, organising dances, and the boys are toy-making. A large parcel of knitting has just come to hand. A full report will appear in the next Bulletin.

**SOUTH BELMONT:** 15 members; E. Cobb, Hon. Sec. A new Circle.

**SOUTH BORDEN:** 10 members; Annie Smith, Hon. Sec. This Circle has been working with Borden, but have now formed one of their own. A rug for Hollywood Hospital is being made.

**SPRINGFIELD:** 15 members; Olive Hall, Hon. Sec. A new Circle.

**SUBIACO ROAD:** 9 members; Anne Meddes, Hon. Sec. £15 handed in for General Funds, £3 for Prisoners of War. Toys have been made, and sold by Mrs. Cameron. A most successful concert was organised by this Circle. No report received from you, Anne.

**SUBIACO SCHOOL:** 92 members; Kathleen Brooks, Hon. Sec. This Circle sent clothing and cot-covers to the Founding Home, books and magazines to the Home of Peace and Hollywood Hospital. A good report, but it does not read like one from Subiaco School. Perhaps we are apt to expect too much from this Circle, which is one of our best.

**TAMBELLUP:** 30 members; Dot Hall, Hon. Sec. £1 donated to Schools Patriotic Fund. Waste products are sent to Headquarters every week. The following articles have been knitted: 2 waistcoat mufflers, 1 scarf, 1 pair of socks, 2 baby's bonnets, 4 baby's dresses and 2 baby's petticoats. Infant children collect paper, and older children collect rubber. (Note: No more rubber or aluminium to be collected by Red Cross, as these waste products are now collected by the Government.)

**TINKURRIN:** 14 members; Jessie Black, Hon. Sec. No report; Tinkurrin. Tuckshops are held to raise funds. £2/6/- sent to the Prisoners of War Fund.

**TOODYAY:** 40 members; Pam Wroth, Hon. Sec. No report from your Circle.

**VICTORIA PARK** (Presbyterian Church): 29 members; Douglas Morey and Nola Hawkes, joint Hon. Secretaries. This is a very new Circle, which is already working hard. We expect a good report next quarter.

**VICTORIA PARK** (State School): Beryl Strang, Hon. Sec. No report from you, Beryl.

**WADDOURING**: 19 members; Beth Hounslow, Hon. Sec. This is a very keen Circle. A layette is nearly completed; 9 housewives and 2 tea-towels are finished. Bones, papers, jars and books have been collected. We regret that Bencubbin in the last report.

**WAGERUP**: 20 members; Elvie Eastcott, Hon. Sec. £3/10/- donated to the Prisoners of War Fund. A tuckshop and a card party were held to raise funds. We would like to hear from you more often. We were pleased to receive a visit from your Leader, Mr. Lefley, during the last holidays. The balance in the bank is 13/5.

**WALKAWAY**: 16 members; Olive Maddren, Hon. Sec. Twelve parcels were sent to Waste Products. The boys are making toys, and the girls have finished a parcel of knitting. A dance is being held to swell the General Funds. £10 just to hand from Walkaway. This will appear in the financial statement in the December Bulletin.

**WAROONA**: 15 members; Shirley Faulkner, Hon. Sec. No report. 7/- sent to Prisoners of War Fund. We feel sure Waroona could do better than this. Word just to hand that a parcel of clothing for evacuees has been sent.

**WATTLE GROVE**: 15 members; V.M. Peters, Hon. Sec. No report from you this quarter. Here's to hearing from you soon.

**WESTFIELD**: 19 members; Mavis Allen, Hon. Sec. No report, though we know you are working.

**WIDGEMOOLTHA**: 12 members; Dorothy Johnson, Hon. Sec. A still newer Circle, formed on July 28. £8 has been made already by the sale of waste products.

**WILLIAMS**: 21 members; Ray Hall, Hon. Sec. What has happened to this Circle? We have had no news of you for some time.

**WONGAN HILLS**: 18 members; Helen Pellham, Hon. Sec. No report yet. You are also a very new Circle. Send us news soon.

**WYALCATCHEM**: 73 members; William Bowden, Hon. Sec. No news of you yet. We will forgive you this time, as you are a new Circle.

**YERAPIN**: 11 members; Miss Annie Massam, Hon. Sec. No report, but members have been very active. £4 donated to the Prisoners of War Fund. An excellently-made layette was sent in, showing that much care and thought had been given to the making of it.

**YORK**: 51 members; Jocelyn Dodds, Hon. Sec. £2/2/- given to the Prisoners of War Fund, and £2/2/- to the Cupboard Fund. Three very large parcels were sent to Headquarters for evacuees, and 1 parcel to Waste Products. A most successful hall show brought in £29/12/8. A beautifully-made layette has been sent in, and another is being made. A rug has been knitted for Faversham Convalescent Home. Three scarves and 1 pair of mittens have also been made. Girls took afternoon tea to Faversham during June. They also assisted with afternoon tea at a senior fete. We very sincerely apologise to Jean Hardwicke for omitting her name from under the poem she wrote in the last Bulletin.

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## CHILDREN OF THE MIDDLE EAST

★ By CHARLES TAYLOR, Esq., O.B.E.

In the Arab town of Gaza, Palestine, where most of my official duties kept me, I saw much of the children and studied their life—a vastly different one from that enjoyed by our young folk. There is a mere existence by comparison, for they mostly are reared in squalor, filth and dirt, and have many of the complaints usually associated with such countries. Despite this unhealthy outlook they are still nicely disposed in most cases. The little girls go to a separate school and are clad tidily enough; but by no means up to your standard. The boys—about 1,000 of them—attended the larger school; they dressed like Arabs do, and few ever wore boots or shoes. One lad I was interested in was presented with sandals and stockings; he disposed of the latter and carried the former about with him. A number spoke and read English, and in many ways were sharp customers; were adept in acquiring knowledge and habits of a kind, from their visitors. It was not unusual to see them playing "two-up" in the lanes. That old saying "Street Arab" we have heard here is true in every sense, for I have seen gangs of these lads about the town at all hours of the night, yabbering and certainly into mischief, or hanging about where soldiers were congregated. They played marbles, "Cat and Dog," and kicked about a bundle of rags shaped like a football. Other games as children know them here were not in evidence. At festive periods they emerged from hovels with their best clothes on, and were entertained by the elders with the same shows as are seen at Claremont on Royal Show day. Ninety per cent. of the children attend the Mosque; the remainder went to Christian churches. Sunday as we know it was a school day for them; most things in this country are opposite to our customs.

The most populated city in Palestine was wholly Jewish. Here the children lived in a totally different way. Much the same as you. Good schools, cultured people, a city surrounded with citrus orchards, and a lovely beach on the Mediterranean Sea, nice shops and picture shows, and pretty clothes such as children here wear. This city is modern Tel-Aviv, which has been bombed on a few occasions.

The city that had much attraction for the soldier was Jerusalem. This name is familiar to you and all that is biblically associated with it, for it was probably among the first of your teachings. It would take pages to narrate all that is to be seen here of a biblical nature. Here the majority of the children of Arab breed look poor and miserable, assembling in the bazaars in the Old City where the streets, narrow and cobbled and perhaps much the same as in the days when Christ walked them. Here men and children, donkeys and camels jostle to force a passage-way. The smells are many and varied, for the sun and fresh air do not appear to penetrate freely. The shops, jammed full of all variety of goods, are mere holes in the wall in many instances, where children, old men, but few young ones, seem to add to the already congested hovels called shops. Jerusalem has many splendid public buildings, hospitals, schools, flats, and fine shops. Drives of guides hover about hotels and hostels where the soldiers stay when on leave to conduct them, to the Mosque of Omar, Holy Sepulchre, Wailing Wall, and numerous other sights mentioned in the

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The visit to Bethlehem and the Dead Sea is of course included. The Mount of Olives is but a short distance from the city, with Mount Scopus close at hand, with the village of Ain Karen, associated with the life of St. John the Baptist. In Bethlehem and the latter place the Arab kiddies are of the same ragged type, and all have the backsheesh (begging) habit.

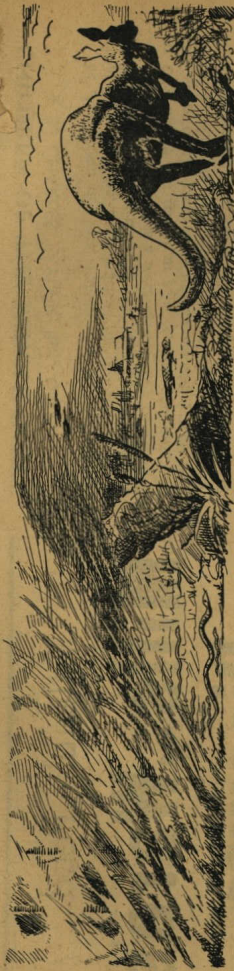
Haifa is a clean city with a fine harbour, and principal port of Palestine, and is built on the slopes of Mount Carmel. It is practically the administrative centre of Palestine, and has very extensive oil refineries, which so far have escaped Hitler's bombing.

Travelling into Syria one is impressed with Beirut. A city on the sea, it possesses a splendid university administered by Americans, excellent schools, and fine public buildings, shops, picture shows, etc., and is surrounded by orchards and attractive public gardens. The Syrian and French populations are refreshing after the peoples of Palestine. Their children dress and appear as well cared for as most of ours. The poor are not so much in evidence in the country as in Palestine.

Tripoli, on the sea, is a small town, but interesting. Talking to some Syrian and Lebanese lads who spoke English, I learned that they had then not been to school for six months on account of the war threatening and eventually taking place in their country.

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# The Trial of Fire

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This play formed part of a most interesting portfolio prepared by the Juniors of Sam Houston Ward School, Mineral Wells, Texas, for a Junior group in Toronto. It was prepared by the National Board of Fire Underwriters of New York for use in schools. Mr. Norman Somerville, Honorary Solicitor of the Canadian Red Cross Society, made the necessary changes to bring the court procedure into conformity with that used in Canada.—Editor's note.

[A few alterations have been made to make this correct for Australia.—Editor J.R.C. Bulletin.]

## Scene: Court Room.

There should be a large chair and table for the Judge's bench, and another chair and table for the Clerk of the Court, a witness chair beside the Judge's bench and chairs for the twelve jurymen and spectators. Various pupils should be designated to represent the different fire hazards. The use of special costumes is optional. Inscribed placards about the necks of the pupils may be used.

## Dramatis Personae.

The Judge; Counsel for the Accused; the Crown Attorney; Clerk of the Court; Court Room; the Jury; the Defendants.

Eleven of the major causes of Fire—Kerosene; Defective Chimney; Cigarette; Petrol; Match; Lightning; Electricity; Bonfire; Rubbish; Spontaneous Combustion; Gas; The Arch Criminal—Carelessness.

The Judge enters after all have assembled. The different defendants (the hazards) are led in by the Court Officer. Everybody stands as the Judge enters.

Clerk (standing)—Oyez, Oyez, Oyez. All ye who have business before my Lord the King's Justice, give your attention and you shall be heard. (No one moves. He continues): The first case on the docket is that of The King versus Fire.

Judge—I assume that the formalities have been observed.

Clerk—Yes, your Honour.

Judge—Are the Counsel ready for the trial?

Crown Attorney—The Crown is ready, Your Honour: the accused should have been brought to trial years ago.

Judge—Who is appearing for the defense?

Counsel for the Accused (rising)—I am, Your Honour. I wish to say that there are eleven defendants involved in

these proceedings. Each defendant will speak for himself.

Judge—Very well. We will proceed. (Looks at paper).

I see that Kerosene is charged with having wilfully caused the death of a little girl and boy and the destruction of their home. Clerk, call the accused.

Judge—Kerosene, you have heard the charge, what is your plea?

Kerosene—Not guilty.

Judge—Have you any witnesses?

Kerosene—I am my own witness.

Judge—Clerk, swear the witness.

Clerk—Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Kerosene—I do.

Judge—What have you to say for yourself?

Kerosene—May I tell you how it happened in my own way?

Judge—Yes, go on.

Kerosene—I was enclosed in my usual container, Your Honour, waiting to be of service and doing no one any harm, when the little girl came into the kitchen, took me up and poured me into the kitchen stove because she thought the fire was not burning fast enough. It was not my fault, Your Honour, that I was kept in the kitchen where I had no business to be. It was not my fault that the child was allowed to handle me and I could not help myself when I touched the flame. I flashed back, of course, exploded the can and burned the little girl to death. I also burned her brother who was playing nearby on the floor. There would have been no fire, Your Honour, if the family had been careful and the children had not been allowed to play with fire.

Judge—I recognise the truth of your story, Kerosene, and dismiss the case against you. (Kerosene takes a seat at one side).

Judge—What is the next case?

Clerk—It is all part of the same case, Your Honour. The next defendant is Cigarette.

Judge—If there are more defendants in this case, swear them in at once.

Clerk—(Calls Cigarette, motions him to witness box and administers oath). Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Cigarette—I do.

Judge—Tell us just what happened.

Cigarette—I was in a man's pocket in a warehouse, Your Honour, where a dangerous chemical was being stored.

The man knew it was against the rules to smoke me, but he was reckless and "took a chance." When I was almost consumed he threw me to the floor and this ignited some of the chemical scattered about and caused it to explode the entire storage. The damage amounted to £500,000, but it was not my fault. I cause fires only when used by careless people.

Judge—Sit down until we hear some of the other defendants.

Clerk—Is Match present? (Calls Match. Match steps forward and takes the witness chair). Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Match—I do.

Judge—Tell us what happened.

Match—Somebody threw me on the floor, Your Honour, and a little child found me and used me in play, because she did not know that I was dangerous. First she ignited the curtain at the window and then her own clothing. They took her to the hospital and she may recover, but if she does, she will be disfigured for life. I was not guilty of any wrong doing and the accident would not have occurred if I had been kept out of the reach of small children.

Judge—Take your seat until we hear the rest of the witnesses. Call the next one, Clerk.

Clerk—Electricity, take the witness chair. Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Electricity—I do.

Judge—You record is a bad one, Electricity. Every year you destroy a great deal of property. What is the reason?

Electricity—Your Honour, I have been basely used. I possess tremendous power, but nevertheless, I am harmless if properly installed and kept within bounds. I should be insulated against chance contacts and my wires should not be given too much to do. I was haled into Court, Your Honour, because I overheated an electric flat iron and set fire to a newly-built home. I burn many other homes in the same way every day, but it is not my fault, Your Honour. When I am once put to work I have to continue until I am switched off, but people forget to leave electric irons and other heating devices in contact. Consequently, these devices grow hotter and hotter until they ignite the nearest combustible material and soon there is another fire. Sometimes this occurs at night and causes loss of life, and yet engineers call me the safest known form of power and light, when properly used. If people would only be careful instead of careless in using me, there would be no cause for complaint. (Electricity steps down and takes former chair).

Clerk—Rubbish is among the defendants, Your Honour. Judge—Very well, call Rubbish. (Clerk calls Rubbish, and Rubbish advances to chair. Clerk administers oath). Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Rubbish—I do.

Judge—I find that for a good many years you have been hanging around corners and have become a thoroughly undesirable citizen.

Rubbish—I was once a man of parts, Your Honour, but now I am only part of a man. I am made up of odds and ends from here and there and have no will of my own. If people realised how dangerous I am, because I furnish fuel for the chance spark and often ignite spontaneously, they would not have me around; but I find plenty of cellars and attics to sleep in where the careless housekeepers never disturb me and I stay there until I catch fire. I sometimes have to wait years, but the older I am the better I burn. However, I am not at fault, Your Honour, because I cannot remove myself.

Judge—You said a good deal, and it is not all rubbish. (To Clerk.) Call the next defendant. (Rubbish resumes former chair).

Clerk—Gas (motions to witness box and administers oath). Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Gas—I do.

Judge—I would like to tell my story in a few words, Your Honour.

Judge—Very well, proceed.

Gas—Before I came into use, Your Honour, people ruined their eyesight by candlelight and often killed themselves with defective oil lamps. Oil was not properly refined in those days and, therefore, thousands of lamps exploded, causing great damage to life and property. I became an am still a boon to mankind, but I am touchy, I admit, and must be handled with care. People use rubber hose connections on stoves that I am supplying, instead of installing rigid iron pipes. A break develops, I escape into the air and cause an explosion and fire. Often a leak occurs in the cellar from poor connections or because of defective pipes and a careless mortal looks for me with a candle or other open flame. He is sure to find me, but in doing so he is apt to kill himself and burn up the property. Carefulness would prevent such occurrences. (Gas steps back to former seat).

Judge—I believe the Defective Chimney is closely involved in fire troubles. Where is he? (Clerk beckons to Defective Chimney. Administers oath). Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Defective Chimney—I do.

Judge—I am given to understand that you cause a great many preventable fires.

Defective Chimney—Yes, Your Honour, I do. Many contractors do not build me properly. In some places they support me on brackets instead of building me up from

the ground. Sometimes they build me only one brick in thickness and, still worse, construct me with my bricks on edge instead of flat; consequently I develop cracks through which sparks escape and cause fire. Frequently, the sparks fall upon the roof, and when it is made of wooden shingles then it is likely to be burned up. Sometimes the cracks are under the roof and the sparks fly into the attic which is a dangerous place for a fire to originate. Careful construction, Your Honour, is the only remedy. (Defective Chimney takes former chair).

Judge—The name of Petrol, is next.

Clerk—Yes, Your Honour, I will call him. (Calls Petrol, and Petrol takes the witness chair). Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Petrol—I do.

Judge—Petrol, you have made a place for yourself in good society, and I am shocked to find that you are charged with countless fires.

Petrol—Yes, Your Honour, I am forced to admit that this is true, but it is due to the fact that the average citizen does not realise my power. I have killed many people and started thousands of fires because I am volatile and flash up on slight provocation. Housewives sometimes use me for cleaning purposes in their homes. The moment I am free my vapor starts about the house looking for a flame or a spark. Presently I find it and, Puff! I cause a terrific explosion. Not long ago I killed a woman because she used me to clean her silk blouse. The rubbing of the silk caused a spark, which was all I needed. With automobiles in every highway and by-way, nowadays, I have become almost as common as water; yet men smoke around filling stations and then wonder why there are accidents. I work hard for humanity, and am, Your Honour, reasonably safe when properly handled. I am more dangerous than dynamite, however, when carelessly used, for it takes but a little spark to set me off.

Clerk—Lightning (motions to witness box). Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Lightning—I do.

Judge—(to Lightning who has taken witness box): We have shocking reports of your work, Lightning; you strike helpless women and children as well as grown men, and destroy their homes. Have you anything to say in defence?

Clerk—Yes, Your Honour, at certain times I am created in the sky by atmospheric conditions, but I am forced by nature to seek the earth. I try to reach the ground by the easiest means. When people equip their buildings with properly installed lightning rods, I use these conductors to travel to earth and seldom cause any damage in doing so. There are not enough houses properly protected, however, and consequently I have to do the best I can with the means available. I often try flag poles, steeples and chimneys, because they come nearer to me than other portions of buildings, but I do not like them as well as rods because they are not such

our, because I do not start fires unless some careless person starts me. (Resumes former seat).

Clerk—There is one more defendant, Your Honour, (Spontaneous Combustion takes the witness chair). Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Spontaneous Combustion—I do.

Judge—Proceed.

Spontaneous Combustion—Many people, Your Honour, think that I am a myth, but I want you to know that I am a self-starter when conditions are propitious. People allow old rags saturated with linseed oil or some other vegetable fat to accumulate in out-of-the-way corners, and the first thing they know I generate sufficient heat by chemical action to start a fire. I also ignite piles of rubbish where there is only matter present, and all who store large quantities of coal, particularly if it is bituminous, should beware of me.

Judge—Do you plead guilty?

Spontaneous Combustion—No, Your Honour, I plead not guilty, for how can I help myself? Chemistry is my master and careless human beings are the chief reasons for my existence.

Judge—You may resume your seat. (He does so). (Turns to Clerk): Are there any more defendants?

Clerk—No, Your Honour, none that we have yet been able to locate.

Judge (turning to Crown Attorney)—The Crown Prosecutor may now address the jury.

Crown Attorney—May it please Your Honour and Gentleman of the Jury, you have heard these various defendants testify in their own behalf. They have acknowledged their connection with various specific crimes. They have admitted that they were concerned with thousands of terrible disasters. They have shown no penitence and have expressed no intention of changing their destructive habits. These fire hazards, gentlemen, have convicted themselves by their own testimony. They have shown how dangerous they are, and if they continue at large the very progress of our country may be jeopardised. We cannot continue to burn up our natural resources at the present rate without courting disaster. I believe, gentlemen, that when you consider the evidence you can do no better than to convict these defendants as constituting a menace to our country. Their only rightful place is under lock and key. (Resumes seat).

Judge—The Counsel for the Defense may now put in his rebuttal.

Counsel—I move, Your Honour, that this case be thrown out of court on the ground that proof of guilt on the part of the defendants has not been established. These defendants, Your Honour, are for the most part tools—involuntary tools of man. When rightly used they render him great service, for they are mighty, but the power to serve is generally accompanied by the power to harm. I maintain that the testimony of each of these, the accused defendants, shows complete absence of intent. They act as they have always acted and as they always will, act under such conditions.

Man understands their nature; when he gives them their opportunities he knows, if he will stop to think, what the result must be. Therefore, why blame them for what they cannot help? Why not bring to trial the real culprit, Carelessness, who alone is responsible for most of our fires? Why not bring before the bar of this court the guilty one who causes these defendants to work havoc throughout the land? Without his evil influences they would merely be servants of humanity.

Judge—The court is of the opinion that the point is well taken. Carelessness should be the defendant here, and not these prisoners. Where is Carelessness, Mr. Crown Attorney? This court is of the opinion that you have been remiss in your duty in overlooking the arch criminal who causes the majority of all fires. (Court Officer walks over and hands a note to the Crown Attorney).

Crown Attorney—Your Honour, I have been looking for Carelessness and I have just received word that he has been brought to court and is now in the ante-room.

Judge—Have him brought in. (Carelessness represented by a pupil in patched, dilapidated clothing, is hustled in roughly by the court officer, who leads him before the judge, and into witness box, where oath is administered.

Clerk—Do you promise that the evidence you shall give the court and jury sworn between our Sovereign the King, and the prisoner at the bar, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth?

Carelessness—I do.

Judge—The testimony that has been given in this court in the case of The King versus Fire, has indicated that you, Carelessness, are the culprit who should have been brought before the bar of justice. You are charged with having caused the loss of thousands of lives and the destruction of millions of pounds' worth of property every year. What have you to say in defence?

Carelessness—Nothing, Your Honour, except that I am an ingrained habit of the people. I begin with the youngest children and stay with them throughout their lives. I recognise danger, but I like to "take a chance."

Judge—That is an explanation, but not an excuse. I charge the jury, on the evidence of all the other defendants and on his own admission, to find Carelessness guilty of the offence charged. (The Jury consult without leaving their seats; the Foreman rises).

Foreman—We find his guilty, Your Honour.

Judge—You heard the verdict. It is now my duty to sentence you in accordance with the dictates of justice. There can be no doubt as to your guilt. You have made it impossible for citizens and municipalities to live safely.

You have killed thousands and devastated whole cities by your iniquity. You have filled the land with misery. You have undermined character, lowered efficiency, and retarded progress. Incarceration is too good for such as you. Instead you shall be labelled so that all men shall know you and shun your presence. You shall be an exile—a man without a country—unless some nation is so short-sighted as to take you in and call you her own. I banish you forever. Officer, take him away. (Officer exits with prisoner).

Judge—The court is adjourned.

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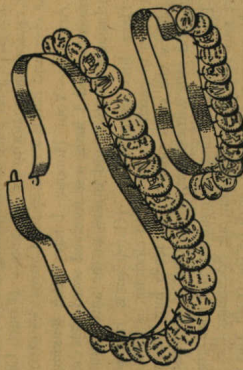
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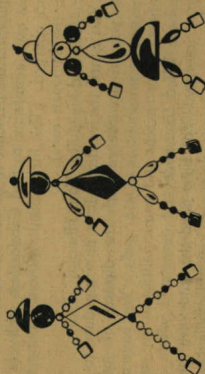


From the buckram or canvas (or even thin cardboard) draw 34 circles round a halfpenny. There will then be 22 circles for the necklace and 12 for the bracelet. Paint these circles, then sew them on the braid so that they overlap each other. You can have them all round the neck, or rather close together, so that they fall to the front of the neck.

### BEADS TOYS

With all the different variety of wooden beads you can get nowadays, and some string cotton, you can make a whole family of bead men and women.

For the body part, there are big round beads, oval, lozenge-shaped, pear-shaped, or square beads. Smaller beads of the same shape and very small round ones are used for



arms and legs. Plain button-moulds, which you can paint, make hats and skirts, and plain round ones can be painted with any sort of face you like.

With all these, you can make very elaborate and dressed-up figures. But perhaps the most attractive are the simple ones you make first. To make a simple figure, you need 25 small round beads (assorted colours), one large lozenge-shaped bead, one button-mould, one large plain round bead, and four small square beads. Paint the plain round one to

make a cheeky little face. Poster colour gives the best effect, and it should be varnished afterwards. On top of this the button-mould makes a coolie hat, with one small bead at the top to hide the hole. The lozenge bead is the body, and can have waistcoat buttons painted down the middle.

To thread the beads, take a piece of cotton sufficiently long and strong to hold them. Thread each end through a darning needle. Pass one needle through the small bead on the top of his hat. Pass both needles, one after the other, through the hat, the face, the neck, the body, and the small round bead that begins both legs. Then take one needle down the left leg and one down the right. Passing the needles again, through the body and neck, down each arm, then up each arm, and out through the head and hat.

Keeping in mind that pear-shaped beads and big round beads make full sleeves and trousers, and that button-moulds make frilly skirts and fancy hats, you can design all sorts of figures for yourself. You can design your own colour schemes, too. Buy the small beads the colour you want, and paint the big ones. They can be striped, spotted or squared in a variety of colours. A coat of white varnish over the poster colour gives them a shiny and lasting finish.

### THE GENEVA CONVENTION

The Red Cross Society was instituted about 80 years ago to provide care for sick and wounded soldiers during wartime, and to protect from attack those who needed such care, and those who gave it to them. This protection is guaranteed by the "Geneva Convention," whereby all the members agreed not to molest the Red Cross. This Society also works for the suffering in peace time. The Red Cross Society may not help the fighting forces to fight, so when funds are collected in the name of the Junior Red Cross, they may only be used for the sick and wounded. Donations must not be given from the Junior Red Cross funds to other organisations which help the fighting forces, otherwise the Convention is being broken. It is by rigidly standing by this Convention that our enemies are bound in honour not to attack hospitals and ships, and to treat our prisoners of war well.

Circles may empty "Christmas Cheer" boxes if full, and bank the money, then solder tin up and use again. The fund will be closed in November, and amount collected may then be sent in to Headquarters.

### GRACE BUSSELL

Australia's Grace Darling was Grace Bussell, whose family lived near the beach at Busselton, near Cape Leeuwin, Western Australia. In December 1876 the steamer George-ette was wrecked eight miles from her home. The captain, trying to beach her, ran her on to a reef some distance from shore. A black boy brought the news to Grace Bussell, aged 16, working in the kitchen. She mounted her horse, rode to the shore, and then swam the horse through the boiling surf, out to the wreck. There she took a child in her arms and a woman behind her, and so brought them ashore. She continued back and forward for four hours, bringing 48 people ashore.

## Cousin Catherine

Dear Boys and Girls:

Time for another "Junior Red Cross Bulletin," and time for me to answer all the letters, which, unfortunately, did not arrive.

The year is going on, and we are leaving behind us many things that we should have done; many opportunities were held out to us which we did not take. I remember being told by a very dear and learned old gentleman that an opportunity missed was a closed door, that door will never open again to us; although other opportunities for doing good will come, that one, just that one we missed, is gone for ever. We must keep alert, and watch our opportunities—don't miss them, they are so precious, and it is such a pity they should be wasted.

Now examination time is drawing near, and I can just imagine you with your eyes glued to the pages. But oh! what fun when it is all over. You feel so glad when you can run home and say, "I passed—over 80 per cent."

One letter came from South Perth. It was from Mary Bell. Thank you very much, Mary. I'm glad you found my letter "inspiring," as you say; at any rate it must have been interesting to you.

Sincerely yours,

"COUSIN CATHERINE."

## Uncle Mac

Well, boys, how do you like the idea of the toy-making? I think all of you who have shown an interest in this enterprise.

Please DO send along all finished articles as soon as possible, and don't be afraid to ask for more parts, as we have orders for hundreds of pounds' worth of toys before Christmas. Any others anxious to help will be very welcome. Bands of workers from the suburbs are coming into the workroom for whole days during the holidays.

Carry on, Boys!

"UNCLE MAC."

Mother: "Why are you pulling faces at our pet bulldog?"  
Small Girl: "He started it."

### NAMES OF MEMBERS WHO HAVE GAINED

#### FIRST AID CERTIFICATES

QUEEN'S PARK.—Maureen Braybrook, Mary Davis, June Doyle, Florrie Harwood, Thelma Harwood, Dorothy Gardner, Florrie Manolis, Nina Manolis, George Edwards, Sidney Edwards, Shirley Sullivan, Lora Sher-ali, Zara Sher-ali, James Hurley, Bebe Sher-ali, Valma Hurley, Arnold Edwards, and Les Woods.  
CARLISLE.—Peggy Robinson and Mavis Truslove.

## Would You Like a One Pound War Savings Certificate?

### JUDGING:

The Judges will be from the executive of the Junior Red Cross Bulletin, and the manager of Selfridges.

### REMEMBER:

When sending your entries to give your name, age and address.

ADDRESS YOUR ENTRY  
"ESSAY COMPETITION"

The Manager



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## FREE ESSAY COMPETITION

ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS TO WRITE AN ESSAY.

## "Why I Should Support the Red Cross"

Every boy and girl knows about the wonderful work the Red Cross is doing for the sick and wounded of our fighting forces at home and abroad. Now we want you to write an essay telling about these services, and why the Red Cross needs the support of every person.

2 GRADES: 1 Boys and girls up to 10 years of age.  
2 Boys and girls 11 and up to 14 years.

The winner of each grade will receive a £1 War Savings Certificate, and their essays will be published in the next issue of the Junior Red Cross "Bulletin."

ENTRIES All entries must be posted by November 5, but you may send in more than one essay.

CLOSE:

## NURSING AS A CAREER

From an article by Miss Lambie, Director of Nursing,  
Health Department, New Zealand

*Naturally, as a nurse, I am interested in nursing as a profession for women. I find that so many people have the wrong conception with regard to what nursing means today, so that I hope these notes may bring some fresh ideas to you who are interested concerning this very important question.*

Next to the mother there is no woman in the community who is of more value than the nurse. Why? Because it is the nurse who cares for the mother when the baby is born; who cares for and helps to keep the baby well during its infant life and right through till it leaves school; who teaches the public how to keep well, what to eat, how to care for minor illnesses and accidents in their homes. When sickness does come it is on her comfort and care that the patient depends to restore him to health. Or if the grave shadow of death comes the nurse supports not only the patient but often the relatives as well.

To "nurse" means to "Nourish." There is no career for women which offers the same opportunity for human contact and is so satisfying to their natural instinct. Yet they hesitate to enter this profession because of the misunderstandings which have unfortunately grown up around it. It has come to be regarded as a hard life with little beyond work. Nurses are supposed to be over-worked, underpaid, and subject to much illness. Some of those drawbacks were no doubt true in the past, and even today the staffs in public and private hospitals alike may be called upon to work longer than the scheduled hours. When epidemics arise, or when accidents occur, the patient and his care must come first. On the whole where their hospital provides adequate staff, excessive hours for the nurses are rare. In the same way people are inclined to think there is a great deal of sickness when they hear of girls in training in hospitals being sent to bed for a rest, or sent home on leave. This, in the major ity of cases, is preventive care due to the fact that the health of nurses is very carefully scrutinised and kept under observation by means of recorded weight, various tests and X-ray examinations. The health of nurses is far more strictly watched now than it was even eight or ten years ago.

The question of salaries has also been misunderstood. Because nurses in training receive salaries of only £40, £50, £60 and £75 for each year of their training, people are apt to think they are very badly paid; but added to that is the value of their board and lodging and their uniforms, so that they begin at a salary at least equal to £2/5/- a week. Of course they are receiving valuable free training at the same time.

In Western Australia, trainee pay is as follows:

- 1st year—13/4 per week.
- 2nd year—17/11 per week.
- 3rd year—£1/5/7½ per week.
- C-Class Sister—£2/6/6.

The trainee takes her own uniform on entering. After 6 months she is issued with free uniform for rest of training.

Old age, though sometimes a bad look-out for an unattached woman without a trade or profession, holds no worries for the hospital nurse. She begins to contribute to superannuation when she begins her training, and this she can carry on throughout her career.

You can see that the salaries of nurses compare very favourably with those of the clerical world and the teaching profession—the two other avenues of work that absorb so many women in this country.

Added to all this there are more opportunities for a nurse to travel than for most women who have their living to make. The Western Australian Nurse's Certificate holds good in all English-speaking countries, and she may register and practise her profession without sitting for another examination. The result of this is that Western Australian nurses are found working all over the world—in China, Malaya, India, New Zealand, South Africa, U.S.A., Canada, as well as in the Mother Country, and before the war on the Continent of Europe.

The full training lasts three years and three months for a general certificate; six months more for a maternity certificate. There are also various post-graduate courses, such as the six month's training in midwifery, four months in infant welfare for a Plunket nurse and six months in public health nursing or preparation for teaching.

The best background for the career of nursing is really home training. The girl who enters hospital at 18 or 19 should have had at least two years' secondary education, spent preferably in the Home Science side of the school curriculum. After leaving school the best training for any nurse is to spend a year or two in her own home learning what home-making means. If she must earn, however, there are many openings linked to the nursing service which any hospital matron would be very willing to put girls in touch with.

I can assure you that this life has a rich reward in personal satisfaction for the girl who is prepared to give herself to it. After all, any job is what you yourself are prepared to put into it. For interest and community service nursing offers a wonderful opportunity.

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### A GAME: MEMORY TRAYS

Lay out a couple of dozen small objects, as miscellaneous as possible, on a tray—for example, a penny, a postage stamp, a telegram form, a playing card, a match, a pen-nib, a needle, a reel, a spoon, a lemon, an egg, a thimble, a paper-clip, a pencil-sharpener, a razor blade, a chocolate, a hairpin, a penknife, a dice, a candle, a cork, a curtain ring, a watch. Cover them all with a cloth until you are ready to begin. When you have managed to gather everyone together from all the odd corners of the house, take the cloth off and tell them that they have two minutes in which to memorise the contents of the tray. At the end of the time cover the tray again, and give the players five minutes in which to write down everything they can remember. Thinking aloud should be discouraged. It is as well to get everybody to check their lists afterwards, for it is surprising how many remember objects that were never on the tray at all.

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### LATE NEWS

Gladys Marston and Barbara Jessers, both of Claremont, brought to the Junior Head Office £1/7/7 for the Prisoners of War Fund.

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Dear Madam,

Approval has been given to your application of 1/9/42, for the registration of "Junior Red Cross Bulletin" for transmission through the post as a periodical, subject to the provisions of the Postal Regulations governing the posting of such articles.

The registration dates from 5/9/42, and the words "Registered at the General Post Office, Perth, for transmission by post as a periodical" must be printed on the outside of the front cover of each copy issued. The enclosure contained in the June publication submitted by you is not permissible, and it is requested that you take the necessary action to ensure that it is not contained in future issues.

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Yours faithfully,

*J.G. Kilpatrick*  
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The publication complies with the Postal Regulations governing the registration of periodicals, with the exception of the enclosure. Action has been taken to advise the publisher to this effect.

Registration for transmission by post as a periodical is recommended.

*G. S. Gerrans*

(G. S. Gerrans),  
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Junior Red Cross Bulletin,  
18, Howard Street,  
Perth. W.A.  
1st September, 1942.

The Deputy Director,  
Posts & Telegraphs,  
PERTH. W.A.

Dear Sir,

Herewith are the Application for registration of a publication for transmission through the post as a periodical; and the Statutory Declaration.

Re number 3 on the Application Form, I will send three copies of the latest issue as soon as they come from the printer.

Yours truly,

*Theresa A. Greateux*

(Mrs R.F. Greateux.)

HUSBAND

EDITOR.

*Mails*  
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I, (a) Theresa Agnes Greaiores (Editor)  
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- (1) I am the (b) ~~printer~~ <sup>proprietor</sup> publisher of the (c) Junior Red Cross Bulletin

and as such I am well acquainted with the nature and purpose of the said publication.

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And I make this solemn declaration by virtue of the Statutory Declarations Act 1911 conscientiously believing the statements contained therein to be true in every particular.

(f) L.A. Greaiores.  
Declared at Berth the 1<sup>st</sup> day of September 1942.

Before me (g) Frederick Ash  
(h) Commissioner for Declarations

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To the Deputy Director, Posts & Telegraphs,

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★ *A Message to Junior Red Cross Members*

From Charles Taylor, Esq., O.B.E., Chairman of the Red Cross Society, W.A. Division

It is extremely interesting to learn of the fine work you are all performing for the Red Cross Society. A few years ago your ranks numbered but a few hundred, with about half a dozen Circles. Today you are about 2,600 strong with a much increased number of Circles scattered throughout the State. As time goes on I hope to hear that your membership has doubled itself, and that Circles will be found wherever there is a Senior body of the Society established.

During visits I made to hospitals in the Middle East, where I was serving the Red Cross Society at a Bureau for Wounded, Missing and Prisoners of War, I often thought of the children at home, and wondered if the members of the Junior Red Cross were responsible for some of the comforts that were issued to the sick and wounded soldiers. Perhaps you made some of the face-washers; mosquito-net squares with beads attached, for keeping flies off food; knitted scarfs, gloves and socks; hand-made handkerchiefs, and many other items. You probably collected many of the papers and magazines that were handed around to the patients by honorary Red Cross Workers from Australia, who were attached to the military hospitals.

In many other ways I thought of the Australian children by comparison with those seen in the three countries that my

duties caused me to visit. These will be narrated in further editions.

I had the privilege of visiting many of our W.A. troops in the mountains of Syria and was impressed by the children encountered on the mountain roads. They appeared well nourished, healthy looking and neatly attired. With their parents they assisted in the tilling of small plots of rich soil on the mountain sides, which rise to heights of 5,000 feet, or perhaps more. The soil in these small holdings is retained by terracing with stones, and when viewed from a distance the irregular shapes of these plots with their retaining walls present a fascinating scene. These people impress one as provident, sturdy, mountaineering stock, composed mostly of Syrians and Lebanese who embrace, in the main, Christianity.

In this message our beloved President, Lady Mitchell, joins, and she, with me, thanks you for your efforts over the past years, and especially during the years of the present war, for we know that in addition to helping Red Cross you have devoted time and energies to Comfort and Unit Associations, for you are interested in them because many of you have fathers, brothers and relatives in the various Services.

Carry on as in the past and success will be your lot.



### EDITOR'S NOTES

Every Wednesday at 2.30 p.m. 6KY have a session, called "RED CROSS CORNER." Juniors are asked to listen then, or ask their mothers to listen, because messages are sometimes sent to them at this time.

Our very grateful thanks to those Circles who so generously responded to the urgent appeal for clothes for evacuees. Many beautiful articles were sent, and you gave comfort to many sore hearts and troubled souls who have reached our shores in the last few months. All have blessed the members of the Junior Red Cross Circles. Thank you boys and girls.

We regret that Mrs. J. W. Morrison has found it necessary to resign her position as State President, which she so admirably filled, owing to pressure of private affairs. We thank her for her excellent work. She is going to help us as much as she can, for she is still a member of the Committee.

We have suffered another loss, too, in the resignation of Miss Gwen Cadd. She is the Red Cross Hospital Visitor, and this work has become a full-time job. We hope that there will soon be no more sick and wounded, and that Miss Cadd will join our Committee again.

The Committee has been augmented by the following new members: Mrs. W. A. Walters, Mrs. J. R. Fleming, Mrs. R. E. Polkinghorne, Miss Sheila Lotz, Mrs. T. S. Parry and Mrs. A. F. Griffith.

We especially ask all Juniors to read the reports of every Circle. You will be able to learn many ideas from each other, and get to know each other, too. Some Circles carry out novel ideas.

We offer our grateful thanks to the ladies of the Sewing Circles at Queen's Park for the help they have given us in clothing the evacuees. These ladies have very cleverly cut down clothes to fit smaller people, and made up materials which have been given to us. Many city firms have been most generous with their cloth samples, which have been large enough to make such things as skirts and trousers for little girls and boys.

We specially thank Mrs. Waite for the many gifts of beautiful clothes which she makes herself. Mrs. Waite works far away from Perth. From time to time a parcel of beautiful clothes for children arrive at Head Office from her. Thank you very much Mrs. Waite.

Miss Pearce also sews for the cupboard at Head Office. She is very clever in cutting down garments to fit small people. Thank you Miss Pearce. Mrs. Holly buys her own material and makes it into lovely clothes and brings them to Head Office and gives them to us for those in need. And thank you, too, Mrs. Holly.

Since our last Bulletin was issued the following new Circles have been formed: Carlisle, Holyoake, Maddington, North Collie, Subiaco Road, Waroona, Yerapin and Armadale.

The Christian Science community in Perth heard our SOS for the evacuees, and sent some very good coats and clothing, which they had sent first to the cleaners so that our evacuees would feel smart.

Aunt Peggy, of 6AM, sent us a pram and some clothes. Thank you Aunt Peggy—your gifts were a very great comfort to the recipients. Bless you!

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### SCHOOLS PATRIOTIC FUNDS

Mr. Murray G. Little has promised that all funds to Red Cross from State schools shall in future come through the Junior Red Cross at Headquarters. This has been done because so many Juniors help to swell the funds of Red Cross at school. Besides, Red Cross helpers at school are still juniors, and we feel sure they would like it to be known what good is really being done by the Junior Red Cross, Western Australian Division. All these items may be entered in the Quarterly Return.

When the school's sewing for the year has been finished, Miss E. Sheath (Education Department's Inspector of Needlework) allows the girls to knit for various patriotic and charitable organisations. The Education Department supply the main part of the wool, the children supplying the small extras which help to make the knitting brighter and more interesting. Mr. Little has promised that all work sent in for the sick, wounded, and evacuees shall come to the Junior Red Cross. We thank Mr. Little for this gesture towards the Junior Red Cross of W.A. It makes us feel that he appreciates the work of the children of this State.

## News of Our Circles

**ALBANY.**—Leader: Mrs. Crossing. No news from you. What about it?

**ARTHUR RIVER.**—Leader: Miss P. Caporn. We are so glad you are working hard.

**BEDFORDALE.**—Leader: Mrs. Letitia Roberts, 12 members. Five parcels sent in for Air-Raid Victims and 3 miscellaneous parcels. This Circle is setting to work with fresh energy. They think outside helpers who sent in squares for making into a rug. Members, too, added more squares.

**BELLAKABELLA.**—Leader: Miss S. O. Harlon; 7 members. Four boxes full were sent to Waste Products. One knitted blanket measuring 54in. x 54in. was made and given to Balking Senior Red Cross branch. We would like you to send your work to the Junior Head Office so that we may see it. We have many requests for warm blankets. Do you think the Senior Branch would mind? Fifteen shillings were sent to general funds, and 5/6 is still in the bank.

**BIG BELL.**—Leader: Mrs. Anderson; 41 members. How dearly we would like some news of you!

**BODDINGTON.**—Leader: Mr. A. J. Scanlon; 54 members. We have not seen your handwriting yet. We know you are a very new Circle.

**BORDEN.**—Leader: Miss Joan Trappitt. A very hard-working Circle. We hope you will go on so well.

**BROOMEHILL.**—Leader: Mr. L. W. Waime. We are looking forward to your next report.

**BRUCE ROCK.**—Leader: Mrs. Bradley. Eight parcels were sent to Waste Products and 3 to Air-Raid Victims; also 78 tyres and a number of bottles to Waste Products. (We hope you haven't been stripping cars of their rubber!) £1/1/- was sent to the general fund. Shirley Osborne made a rug for Air-Raid Victims. Thank you very much Shirley.

**BUKUP.**—Leader: Mr. J. H. Flanagan; 12 members. Six parcels were sent to the local Waste Products by this small Circle, and 4/9 to general funds. Very good work—and you are a new Circle. Keep it up!

**CALINGIRI.**—Leader: Miss M. Peat; 39 members. One parcel sent to Waste Products; £2/10/- in the bank.

**CARLISLE.**—Mrs. Darling (Organising Secretary) and Mrs. Greatorex were invited to the Senior Branch meeting on April 18, 1942, to advise and help in forming a Junior Circle. Miss A. J. King was made the Leader, G. Harvey the Secretary, and Mrs. L. Languant the Treasurer. We shall hear more from Carlisle when the Circle has had time to get some work done.

**CARMEL.**—Leader: Mrs. L. Stewart. New Circle. Six pillowcases sent to Lady Mitchell Home.

**CLAREMONT.**—Miss Betty McClements was the Leader of the concert given on March 17 we have received 16 more news. Miss McClements had to resign, as she was leaving Perth. So far the Circle has not elected a new Leader. We hope the members will soon come to a decision and be in full working swing again.

**COOLGARDIE.**—Leader: Mrs. J. Trotman; 14 members. One parcel for Waste Products sent to local Red Cross branch. The members are at work on a parcel for the Cupboard Fund. The Senior Branch kindly supplied mate-

rial from which 14 tea towels, 17 tray cloths, 2 scarfs and 1 crocheted blanket were made. 3/6 was sent to the Cupboard Fund.

**COONANA.**—Leader: L. Blythe. This new Circle will send us a good report for the next quarter, we feel sure.

**CORRIGIN.**—Leader: Miss J. Knight. What has happened to you. Do send us a report.

**CUNJARDINE.**—Leader: Miss Dorothy Winnett. No news yet. Don't keep us waiting long, for we have always been interested in you, even before you formed a Circle.

**DALWALLINU.**—Leader: Mr. A. B. Loneragan. Still no news of you.

**DARKAN.**—Leader: Mr. J. A. Osborne; 14 members. Our Secretary tells us such lovely things about you—we feel quite excited at the prospect of your first report. Could we have one by the next mail?

**DOVERIN.**—Leader: Miss A. Anderson; 42 members. No news from you. We can't imagine how so large a Circle can be quite so silent.

**DUMBLEYUNG.**—Leader: Miss Agnes Harris; 41 members. There is a balance of £1/0/4 in the bank. Cotton wool was bought for the First Aid Box, and wool for knitting. We expect to hear of many activities in the next Quarterly Return. This Circle has had a long recess, and a number of new office-bearers.

**EAST CANNINGTON.**—Leader: Mrs. J. McKinnon; 26 members. We are eagerly awaiting a report from you. We know you have been in recess.

**ESPERANCE.**—Leader: Mr. J. Rintoul; 43 members. The membership has nearly doubled since last quarter. Two chaff bags of rags, 236 tins and 297 bottles were collected and sent to the local Red Cross depot. One parcel was sent to Head Office for Air-Raid Victims, and 1 parcel to a prisoner of war. We shall be delighted to hear much more from you good people. You are doing splendid work.

**GERALDTON.**—Leader: Miss M. Horsfall; 45 members. We expect to hear much of interest from this Circle later.

For the meantime, carry on boys and girls.

**GNOWANGERUP.**—Leader: Miss D. Callahan; 90 members. What a large Circle! Almost our biggest. Are you getting writer's cramp writing out your report? We shall be glad to receive it.

**GOSNELLS.**—Leader: Mr. Staniland. Nineteen members passed their First-Aid examination. A dance was held for the Juniors to help their funds, and as an occasion to distribute the Certificates. Mrs. R. F. Greatorex, the State President, and Mrs. J. W. Darling, the State Secretary, were present at the dance. Mrs. Greatorex distributed the Certificates to the successful First-Aid candidates.

This Circle came forward very generously when an SOS was sent out for clothes for a little Dutch child. Within a week a skirt and clothes were made and brought into Headquarters. Thank you very much Gosnells—from the little Dutch girl and the Head Office.

**GULDFORD.**—Leader: Miss Jennings; 8 members. You probably heard Miss Jennings' account of the work of this



Circle over 6ML on Friday afternoon, May 15. We hope the Secretary, Charlie Haines, will soon send in a report.

**HARVEY**.—Leader: Miss Rita B. Teakle; 190 members. What news we are expecting from so large a new Circle! **HYDEN**.—Leader: Mr. John Richards. We are eagerly awaiting a report from you. You are a new-old Circle. We are glad you have rejoined.

**HEBREW SCHOOL**.—Leader: Rev. L. Rubin Zaacks. We would be glad to have a report from you.

**HOFFMAN'S MILL**.—Leader: Mr. Ben Dods; 6 members. The work from this small Circle is always good.

**HOLYOAKE**.—Leader: M. Marshall. This Circle is new-old one. Already a raffle has been held, yielding 19/-, and a concert 14/-. 10/- was sent to the Prisoners of War Fund.

**INGLEWOOD**.—Leader: Mrs. A. F. Dunbar; 18 members. This Circle is essentially a knitting Circle. Thanks are due to Mrs. Dunbar for the many beautiful babies sets and children's clothes which she has brought in from that for her. Many thanks to the good folk who do the work.

**KELLERBERRIN**.—Leader: Mr. H. E. Minchin; 22 members. Always help the local hospital. Held a social and made 12/4. £1/18/3 in the bank. We hope that next Quarterly Returns will provide us with news of many activities.

**KIRUP**.—Leader: Miss Sylvia Ball. Three parcels of books sent to soldiers. 17/1 balance in bank.

**LAKE BIDDY**.—Leader: Miss Frances Appleton; 22 members. No news from you, Lake Biddy.

**LAKEWOOD**.—Leader: Mrs. McCarthy; 20 members. Please send us a report as soon as you can, as you do such excellent work.

**LAVERTON**.—Leader: Mrs. Phyllis Stringwell; 28 members. We are looking forward to your report from so far inland.

**MADDINGTON**.—Leader: Miss Paul Sewell; 12 members. A social held on May 8. We are waiting for your report. We know you are a new Circle, and most enthusiastic.

**MANJIMUP**.—Leader: Mr. J. Mack; 200 members. You have not yet sent us a report.

**MARLEYUP**.—Leader: Miss B. Pearson; 13 members. One parcel of bottles, 1 parcel of aluminium sent to Waste Products through local agents. One parcel for Air-Raid Victims. Children's books for the Cupboard Fund. £1/4/6 balance in bank. 3/11 spent on material for Emergency Hospital to be set up in Kojonup, the nearest town. Material to be made into face-washers and hot water bag covers. When wood is obtained the boys are going to make splints for the Emergency Hospital.

The Circle is in two sections. Every second Friday a concert is held after school each section taking turns to provide the items and introducing their money-making ideas. The children worked for the Knitting Competition which finished at the end of April.

First-Aid lectures are to be started. This splendid little Circle is trying to be one of the hardest-working Circles, even if it cannot be the largest. A packet of gift coupons was sent in by this Circle. We were so grateful for these as they purchased some towels and pillow-slips for a Polish

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lady who is an evacuee here. She belongs to a nation which is one of our noblest allies.

**MAYLANDS**.—Leader: Mrs. Norman; 30 members. Deck chairs were purchased and given to Hollywood Military Hospital, and to the Naval Sick Bay at Fremantle.

**MELVILLE**.—Leader: Mrs. O. Sheppard; 70 members. We expect to have news of this Circle soon.

**MOORA**.—Leader: Mrs. Thachrah; 9 members. We shall be glad to hear from you.

**MORNINGTON MILLS**.—Leader: Mr. G. Williamson; 36 members. We are awaiting your report. Do send it to us soon.

**MOSMAN PARK**.—Leader: Mrs. Hart; 41 members. The G.F.S. Circle have joined No. 1 Circle at Mosman Park. £8 was donated to the Senior Branch, and £2/1/4 remains in the bank. Four bags of rags, 6 boxes of bottles, 2 sacks of tins and 3 sacks of silver paper were sent to Waste Products. What splendid work to have collected so much. Four layettes, 7 knitted coats, 10 nightdresses, 2 bonnets, 1 shawl and 4 pairs of booties were made. There is still material to make many more baby clothes. Other articles by the Juniors included 18 garments to make sets for babies, and also knitted toys. A very amusing knitted pig made by Peter Hart was donated to the Society for a little evacuee.

A library has been formed, the charge being 1d. a book and 1d. fine if the book is kept out too long. Well done, Mosman Park.

**MOUNT HELENA**.—Leader: Mrs. J. D. Donaldson; 37 members. This is a very new Circle, and working very hard.

**MOUNT LAWLEY**.—Leader: Mrs. L. Milligan; 89 members. This Circle was formed some time ago, but has not been in full working order until lately. We congratulate you on your first donation made from your Tuck Shop—£6/10/- sent for the prisoners of war. Carry on, boys and girls!

**MOUNT MAGNET**.—Leader: Mrs. M. Marquand; 65 members. A sale of work was held here, from which £12 was made. £2 was sent to the general fund, and £10 to prisoners of war.

**MURADUP**.—Leader: Mrs. Randle; 6 members. Please write to us about yourselves.

**MUKINBUDIN**.—Leader: Miss Jean Trotter; 7 members. A new Circle working hard already.

**NAANSON**.—Leader: Mr. G. Powell; 14 members. No news is not good news from our Circles. Have you secured these new members yet?

**NARROGIN**.—Leader: Mrs. S. Logan; 36 members. Some knitted articles were brought in when the Leader was in Perth.

**NARROGIN VALLEY**.—Leader: Sheila Martin; 11 members. Do you hear me calling you?

**NORTHAM**.—Leader: Miss E. Campbell; 40 members. We do hope our new Bulletin will inspire you to send us a report.

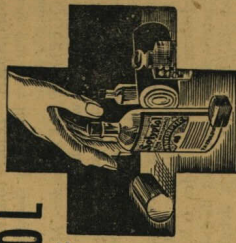
**NORTH COLLIE**.—Leader: Miss Margaret J. Wilson; 20 members. You are a new Circle, so we don't expect your report yet.

**NORTH MAYLANDS**.—Leader: Mrs. C. Oagden; 31 members. One parcel sent in for Child Air-Raid Victims. Roller bandages, swabs, splints, and 2 woollen mufflers sent to Headquarters. £6/4/11 balance in bank. A good Circle.

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**NUNGARIN**.—Leader: Mrs. H. Creagh; 36 members. Tuck shop made 13/7. Some clothing is ready to be sent to Head Office. We shall be glad if you send the clothes soon, as we still have evacuees insufficiently clad for this colder weather. Thank you, Nungarin.

**OSBORNE PARK**.—Leader: Mrs. Blair; 89 members. Two parcels were sent to Waste Products; 3 parcels to Air-Raid Victims (one parcel contained 19 garments, another 70 articles, and the third 8 books). They also sent 39 articles to the sick and wounded. Most of these articles were made by this splendid Circle. Recently Osborne Park held a novel competition—embroidered squares for a rug. Complete strangers judged the squares in Perth. The squares only had a letter G (for girls) and B (for boys) and a number. Two squares were so excellent that a decision was very hard to make. When the result was obtained on points, these still had equal marks. Therefore two prizes had to be given. All the work was very good—as is all the work which comes from Osborne Park.

**PEPPERMINT GROVE**.—Leader: Mrs. E. Sanderson; 30 members. Four lovely woollen dressing gowns were purchased from funds and donated to the Hospital at Keane's Point. This Circle intends to adopt this Hospital. What a lovely idea!

**PINGELLY**.—Leader: Miss L. Atwell; 35 members. Two parcels sent to Waste Products. £4/8/3 in the bank.

**PINGRUP**.—Leader: Miss R. Gilbert; 22 members. £3/13/6 balance in the bank. Last quarter's Bulletin only mentioned £1 as being sent to the Prisoners of War. This was a mistake—£2 was sent, and is quite correctly recorded in our books. We are very sorry for the error.

A lovely parcel containing a knee-rudd, made by two boys and a little girl during the Christmas holidays, was sent to Perth. They bought the wool for it with their own pocket-money—very, very good indeed. The boys of the Circle sent 14 skins, being the skins from rabbits which they had caught in their traps. Two boxes of bottles and tins, and 6 sugar bags. Thank you for the bags, which we had specially asked for in our last issue of the Bulletin.

Yet another £1 has come this quarter for the Prisoners of War. This Circle has made their Senior Branch interested in them, and the Seniors are giving the Juniors help. Thank you, Seniors.

**PINJARRA**—Leader: Miss Elsie Short; 45 members. We know you have had many changes lately. We hope to hear from you soon.

**QUEEN'S PARK**—Leader: Mrs. Northam; 37 members. The following was missing from the last Bulletin, as this Circle was unable to send in the Returns: £5 to General Funds; £5 to the Prisoners of War; £4/15/- to the Cup-board Fund; 10 bags and boxes to Waste Products; 4 to Child Air-Raid Victims. We regret the omission.

Mrs. R. F. Greatorex, the State President of the Junior Red Cross Society, and Mrs. J. W. Darling, the Organising Secretary, went to the First Birthday Party of this Circle on May 12, 1942. It was a delightful party. A three-tier birthday cake held pride of place on the main table. Valmai Fitzgerald and Anne Orfanus sang, and Winnie Davies and Sheila Egan recited. Winnie is only a very little girl, about 5 years old. Mrs. Northam, the Leader, was unable to be present, owing to illness. We sincerely hope she will soon be quite well again.

**ROLEYSTONE**—Leader: Mrs. Crossdale; 14 members. A dance was held, at which £4/10/1½ was made. £1/11/11 was sent for the Air-Raid Relief Fund, £1/7/6 to the General Fund, and £1/10/8½ in the bank. We are sure we shall hear of more activities from this Circle.

**ROSA GLEN**—Leader: Miss W. Crozier; 13 members. Five parcels were sent to Waste Products. One parcel of reading matter to convalescent homes. 10/- was spent on wool to be knitted into garments. We are looking forward with interest to your next report to us.

**ST. MARY'S, Colin Street**—Leader: Miss Tothill; 44 members. No report received from you, but your parcels of clothing were gratefully received. We hope to hear more from you.

**SANDSTONE**—Leader: Mr. E. Morris; 30 members. Owing to railway difficulties all materials for toys had not yet arrived when the Circles report came in. Knitting is being done in the meantime—and boys, we hope you are not leaving it all to the girls. Some old clothes and a few bottles and bags have been collected. £4/9/11 was sent into the General Fund. We hope your toy-making materials have arrived by now.

**SCARBOROUGH**—Leader: Mrs. Baker; 10 members. Miss Brittain has resigned, and Miss Cadd is the new Secretary. We are looking forward to your report for the next quarter.

**SUBIACO SCHOOL**—Leader: Miss E. Stanbury; 86 members. This Circle does excellent needle-work, with every kind of needle. They have fitted out a set of triplets and 4 pairs of twins at the King Edward Memorial Hospital. So you see they have been working very hard.

**SUBIACO ROAD**—Leader: Mrs. M. McEddes; 9 members. This is a very new Circle, only 10 weeks old at the time the report was sent in. The lecturer was unable to continue the First-Aid lectures. We hope you have found a new one by now. The meetings have been changed to Saturday afternoons, as it is unwise for young people to be out these dark nights. This Circle is rather small, and so has decided to join up with the Leederville Baptist Red Cross Branch. The Juniors will keep their own money, etc.,

and the Seniors will help them. A social was held on April 24, at which £57/7/- was made at the Juniors' stall. Mrs. Darling and Mrs. Greatorex attended this social, and were delighted to meet the members. A library has been started, 1d. being charged for a book, and 1d. if kept past the date due back.

**TAMBELLUP**—Leader: Miss Pat Waugh; 50 members. No report from you.

**TINKURRIN**—Leader: Miss F. Muir; 17 members. This is a very active Circle. Many tins, bottles, aluminium, rubber, paper, bones and glass have been sent to Waste Products. There were 7 boxes of bottles and 5 bags of glass. The members are knitting for the local branch. £2 was raised for the First of May Appeal by an auction sale. Each child brought something to be auctioned. Vernorn Mills was the auctioneer. Harold and Esme Masters donated 3/-, which they earned helping a team to clean the school for a week. The Parents and Citizens' Association is specially interested.

**TOODYAY**—Leader: Miss S. Anderson; 46 members. No report yet received from you.

**VICTORIA PARK**—Leader: Miss M. Galloway. No news from you.

**WADDOURING**—Leader: Mrs. Helen H. Breakell; 19 members. 5/- raised by a penny concert. This money was used to buy material to make housewives, and for to make tea-towels. Mrs. Breakell paid a visit to Headquarters during the school holidays in May, and made the acquaintance of Mrs. Greatorex and Mrs. Darling. Headquarters are expecting great things from this Circle.

**WAGERUP**—Leader: Mr. K. H. Lefley; 20 members. This new Circle has already raised £2/5/-. Knitted 12 scarfs, sufficient squares to make a rug, and two pairs of men's socks. Mr. Lefley brought in £3/10/- for the May Appeal from a tuck shop and concert. Miss Elvie Eastcott, the Secretary, strained her arm just before the school holidays. We hope she is quite better now.

**WALKAWAY**—Leader: Betty O'Brien; 18 members. No report from you, though we know you have been busy.

**WAROONA**—Leader: H. Thomson; 29 members. £1 sent to various funds; 5/10 spent on material; face-washers sent to Hollywood Hospital; 12/4½ balance in the bank.

**WATTLE GROVE**—Leader: Mrs. Betty Wright; 30 members. Staunch helpers of the evacuees.

**WILLIAMS**—Leader: Mrs. Agnes Johnstone; 21 members. No report yet received from you.

**WYALKATCHEM**—A new Circle. No report yet.

**YERAPIN (new Circle)**—Leader: Mr. Dixon; 11 members. No report yet.

**YORK**—Leader: Mrs. M. Dineen; 8 members. We are expecting an interesting report soon. Hurry, York. A very successful doll show has been recently held, and realised £30. **ASSOCIATE MEMBERS:** Joan Ash, Shirley Burgess, Joy Allen (a new member), Beryl Allday, Barbara Blakey, Joyce Ellison, Hilda Ellison, Margaret Fletcher, Shirley Forman, Norma Forman, Ann Fleming, Jan Hosking (sent 3 cases to Waste Products), Roma Harring, Beverley Keall, Alex Lamb, Elizabeth Lawrence, Noreen McGurk, Margaret Moniger, Mary McNeess, Shirley Morrison, Jack Morrison, Lorna Paul (sent bottles and jars to Waste Products), John Pannell, Jean Alwyn Payne, Glennys Rose Payne, Marie Louise Payne, Cara Scaddon, Irene Smith, Mabel Townsen, Betty Wintle, Joan Watters and Joan Wright.

## Cousin Catherine

We have been able to persuade Cousin Catherine to write to you, and she would be glad for you to write to her as soon as you like. Here is her letter:

Dear Girls and Boys,  
At the present time, we, all of us, are Empire Builders. If you were asked to write an essay on the making of a British colony, what would you write? I will tell you how England does it: First she gets a missionary; when the missionary has found a specially beautiful and fertile tract of country, he gathers all the people round him and says "Let us pray," and when all eyes are closed up goes the British flag.

Of course that is not the way British colonies were made and the Empire built. You, who are scattered all over Western Australia, could tell quite a different story of how hard work, well and patiently done, turns a land that was once useless into a valuable part of not only the British Empire, but of the whole world.

As a matter of fact, most of the British Empire has been built by the hard work of settlers, the keenness of traders, and the spirit of service. Our motto is "I serve." Now what is service?

I am thinking of a story I read of a negro Pullman car conductor. As a train pulled up at a certain station a man asked him: "Is this train on time?" "No, sah!"

he replied, "She's two minutes ahead of time; when she's on time we call her late." It is the spirit of that remark that has to govern our idea of service. It is the little bit more than we ought, that counts. If I pay my rent and my axes, record my vote at elections, and don't swindle the railways on which I travel, all that counts for nothing—as service. If you get up when you are called and do work that is set you, all that counts for nothing as service. You've got to be two minutes ahead of time!

Here is another story that will illustrate my point: There was a boy who was very fond of fishing. Near his home was a trout stream that ran through a rich man's estate. Permits to fish in the stream could now and then be obtained, and this boy was lucky enough to obtain one.

One day he was fishing with another boy, when a game-keeper suddenly darted through the hedge. The lad with the permit uttered a cry of fright, dropped his rod, and ran off at top speed. The game-keeper pursued. Then, worn out, the boy stopped. The man seized him by the arm and said: "Have you a permit?" "Yes, to be sure," replied the boy. "You have; then show it to me." The boy drew the permit from his pocket. The man looked at it, frowned, and answered angrily: "Then why did you run away?" "To let the other boy get away, because he hadn't one."

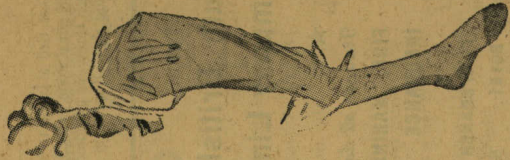
The boy with the permit, as far as his friend was concerned, was doing that little extra that means service. Stories used to be written about boys, or some good young man, who always had clean hands, brushed boots,

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picked up pins and paper from the office floor, wrote a good hand, never made a mistake in addition, never forgot a message, never thought of anything except mastering every detail of the business, and, as a prize, married his master's daughter and became a partner in the business.

You smile! There is something wrong with those stories. What is it? It is not wrong to be clean, tidy, economical, thrifty, accurate, truthful, and earnest. Solomon told us: "Seest thou a man diligent in business? He shall stand before Kings"; and in the Book of Ecclesiastes we are advised: "Whatsoever thy hand findest to do, do with thy might." The prophets and the wise men were right; we know that the list of virtues, at which you have just smiled, is a good one. Why did you smile? Because you realised that the hero of these old stories was, all the time, thinking chiefly of himself. He was selfish, and to practise virtue in pursuit merely of your own happiness and well-being seems to me about the most pitiful form of goodness there is.

A good cricketer or footballer does not play for himself and the applause of the spectators, but for his side; and your business in life is not simply to "get on", but to make some other person a little happier and better, just because you have lived, because you have learned the lesson of SERVICE. Don't drop your bundle, but keep right on—IN SERVICE.

Will you write to me? Tell me anything, and I'll try and answer. This is just the opening letter, and the others that follow will not be so long; but I want you to understand what our motto really means.

Goodbye children,

Yours sincerely,

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The Voluntary Wood-working section of the Red Cross has decided to extend its activities to the making of small wooden toys, which are to be sold, and the money thereby raised to be passed into the Junior section's funds. The toys are to be cut out at the Voluntary Wood-workers' workshop and passed on to the boys of the Juniors to assemble in their own homes. To simplify the cutting-out of these toys, we would be very grateful if someone would come forward and lend as a small hand saw and electric motor. The machine would be operated only by the experienced machinist who is in charge of this section of the Red Cross. Anyone who could kindly help us in this way please communicate with the General Secretary (Mr. Ash), Red Cross, 20 Howard Street, Perth.



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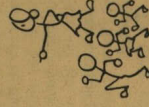
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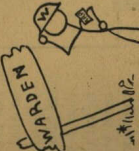
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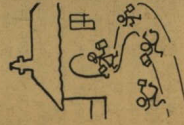


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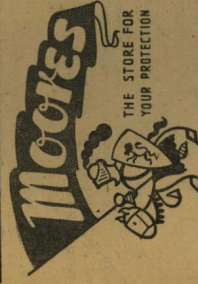
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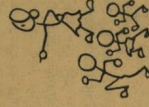
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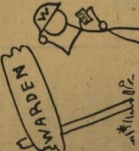
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### SUCCESSFUL FIRST-AID CANDIDATES

MAYLANDS.—Myrtle James, Mary Cowing, Helen Morphet, Peter Redwood. (We regret that Maylands successes were not published in the last issue.)

GOSNELLS.—Jean Price, Dorothy Evans, Doreen Lilly, Judith Heywood, Joan Price, Edwina Denning, Kath Keelan, Iris Stephen, Alma Lilly, Verna Appelbee, Gwen Mills, Marg Stephen, Morra Clark, Amy Marsten, Joan Gilchrist, Phyllis Somerfield, Joan Lamp, Betty Wishart, Kath Ellison.

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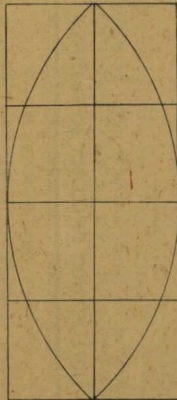
Armadale, Boddington, Carlisle, Coonana, Dumbleyung, Holyoake (old-new), Lake Biddy, Mount Helena, Mukinbudin, North Collier, Rosa Glen, Sandstone, Wagerup, Worgan Hills, Yerapin (old-new).

### Boys' Section

Here are some handicrafts to interest the boys on these cold nights, when we all like to sit around the fire, listen to the radio, and do something interesting with our hands. Mother knits and sister Susie sews; father and Johnny will try some of these suggestions we hope.

#### Soft Ball

One of the simplest toys to make is a coloured ball of felt, cloth or velvet. It is made of six pieces over-sewn together. A very convenient size is to make each piece 6in. long and 2in. wide at the widest part. You can either make the ball in contrasting colours—yellow and black, for ex-

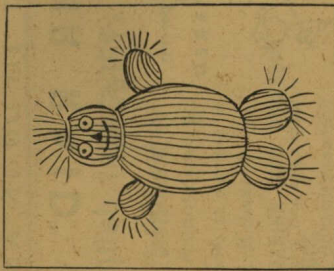


ample—or each of the six pieces could be a different colour. Having cut your pieces, over-sew them together, leaving part of the last seam open to stuff it through. When it has been tightly and evenly stuffed, close up the opening. It is a good idea to start with this ball before going on to more complicated toys, like animals and dolls.

#### Wool Gollywog

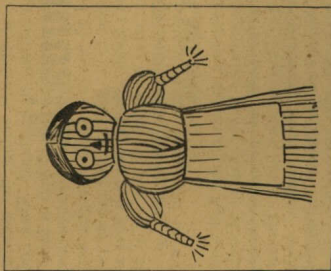
To make a gollywog about 4in. high, cut a piece of cardboard 5½in. high. Wind some wool over this, keeping the strands close together and on top of each other so that when you take it off it makes a compact little body. Wind on plenty of strands, so that he is good and fat. Black is the most usual colour for a gollywog, but don't be limited to that if any other colour takes your fancy. Take off the strands, being careful not to get them crossed or muddled.

Tie three pieces of wool tightly round the body in three places to make the hair, face and body. Allow plenty of hair; make a small face and a body which is about equal in length to the legs. Divide the leg part in two and tie each leg near the bottom. For the arms, wind some more strands, making them long enough to protrude each side of the body. Put them through the middle and tie each end.



The hands, feet and hair must be treated the same way to finish them off. First cut the strands where they are doubled over. Then shape them round with the scissors so that there are no odd ends sticking out, and the hair is compact and fluffy. Stitch in the eyes and mouth with different coloured wools.

You can make little wooden figures as though they are dressed. For instance, you can make a woman with an apron on. Make the figure of red wool. Tie it once round for the head, and once more (the same size) for the waist. Do not cut the hair or divide the legs. Make fairly long arms, and put them through the body. With fine white wool bind the arms from the wrist to where you imagine the elbows would be.

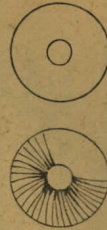


The red wool at the top will bulge out like a short sleeve. Cut several lengths of white wool and double them over a thicker piece of wool, which you then tie round the waist to make the apron. Cut a few strands of black wool and sew them across the middle of the head to make the hair. Then fasten it down at the side or the back. Finish her off with white wool apron straps across her chest. You can plan all sorts of variations of this figure.

#### A Woolly Rabbit

With the help of two circles of cardboard you can make woolly toys, like a rabbit or a mouse. Make the rabbit in diameter is a good size. Then cut out two more, 6in. in diameter. Put the two 9in. ones together, and wind your wool on them as closely as it can possibly go. The more wool you can pack on, the better will be the finished article.

When you can't get any more on, tuck in the end. Run a darning needle threaded with strong cotton in between the two cardboard discs, all the way around, and out again at the same place. Tie the two ends of the thread tightly, but so that you can undo it again. Cut the wool round the edge of the cardboard, tightening the strong thread as often as you can. Then you will have a woolly ball. Trim it round with your scissors till the wool is tidy. This is the rabbit's body. The head is another ball made in exactly the same way on the smaller discs. Tie the two balls very close together, so that the head and body merge. The eyes are two black boot buttons. If you would like to give them pink eyes, use two little circles of pink felt. Stitch the nose out in a "V" with wool. His large, floppy ears should be cut out of felt and sewn on to his head. You might give him a little felt tail, too.



### MAY APPEAL FOR PRISONERS OF WAR

Borden, £2; Mornington Mills, £2/10/-; Mossman Park, 10/-; Coolgardie, £1; Mt. Lawley, £6/10/-; Burekup, £3/7/6; Rosa Glen, 10/-; Hoffman's Mill, 12/4; Duranilla, £8/10/-; Tambellup, £1/12/6; Peppermint Grove, £3/10/-; Subiaco Road, £3; Wattle Grove, £3; Dackan, £8; Arthur River, 15/-; Maddington, £2; Bellakabella, £3/14/-; Holyoake J.R.C., £1; Cunjardine State School, £1/14/-; Wagerup, £3/10/-; Tinkurri, £2; Bencubbin, 6/-; Kirrup, £3/5/-; Nungarn, 10/-; Harvey, £3/7/8; Pinjarra, £1/3/-; Mount Helena, £4; Sandstone, £8/15/4; Grosvangrup, £3/15/3; Narragin, £3; Manjimup, £6/10/-; North Collic, £1; Marleyp, 14/6; Norma and Shirley Forman, £2/11/6; Queen's Park, £3; Inglewood, £3; Mukinbudin, 5/-; Boddington, £1; York, £2/2/-; Scarborough, £7/4/6; Mt. Magnet, £10; Corrigin, 4/3; Bruce Rock, £20; Maylands, £5; Esperance, £2/2/-; North Maylands, £4/10/-; Dumbleyung, 6/-; Warcoona, 7/-; East Cannington, £1/18/-; Gosmells, £3/5/-; Yerapin, £4.

There is more money to come.

The Hon. Secretary apologises for all things left undone this month. Work at the office has been particularly heavy, and much new organising has been going on. To put it in a nutshell: She is sorry for all she has done she shouldn't have done, and all she hasn't done she should have done.

#### BIRDS

A robin red-breast in a cage Puts all Heaven in a rage.

#### PUZZLE

If a brick weighs 9lbs. and half a brick, what is the weight of a brick and a half? Answer: 27lbs.

there was once a man who spent a lot of money on painting a leaky old tub. the paint didn't save him. he went to davy jones.

There was once a woman who spent a little money and got lots of various goods that were so inexpensive . . . . . she went to . . . . .



## LATE NEWS

Margaret Neve and Valma King of Maylands came into Headquarters on Friday, May 22, and brought in a baby's layette, two beautiful knitted rugs, and some babies frocks.

Harvey report just to hand; 200 members; 2 layettes sent in; 7/1½ collected in funds. Our Secretary cannot make out how this amount came about. She has divided 7/1½ by 200; also multiplied 200 by 7/1½, to try and find out what we would have received had each child given 7/1½. Now what about it, Harvey!

Duranillan is our newest Circle. It joined up on May 22, 1942.

Pauline Lockton of Boddalin organised a concert one Saturday afternoon and made £1/6/3, which she sent to the Red Cross. After such a great effort we hope they will now form a Junior Circle at their school.

Since writing the Circle news another splendid parcel has arrived from Lakewood. Their work is a joy to everyone who sees it at Headquarters.

Carmel sent in £5 for the Prisoners of War Fund, and 10/- for the Cupboard Fund.

East Cannington sent in £1/18/- for the Prisoners of War Fund.

The total for the Prisoners of War Fund is £170 up to the printing of this *Bulletin*.

The following are very new Circles: Westfield, Mangowine, Coonana and Bullaring. Mr. George Tuffin is the Leader of the Bullaring Circle.

## THE LAWS OF HEALTH

### ARE YOU CARRYING OUT THESE LAWS?

*They are more important than ever during war-time!*

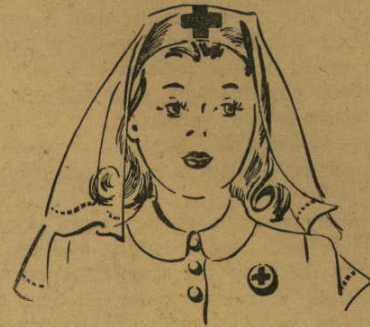
1. Wash hands always before meals.
2. Brush teeth and hair night and morning.
3. Breathe through your nose.
4. Windows open night and day.
5. Play in the open air as much as you may.
6. Early to bed—10 hours sleep—and early to rise.
7. Wash all over with soap and warm water as often as you can.

### A JUNIOR WROTE THE FOLLOWING VERSES FOR HER CIRCLE DISPLAY . . .

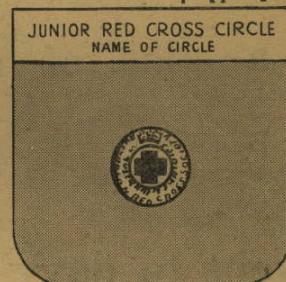
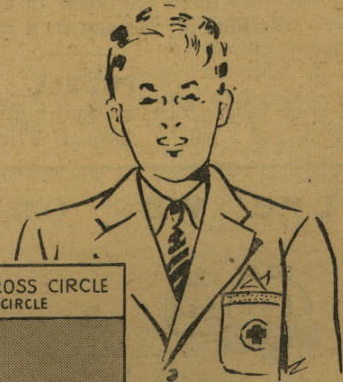
We are the Junior Red Cross band,  
The busiest in all the land.  
We bid you welcome here today,  
And hope you'll like our small display.  
There are dollies, dressed in all their best,  
And rugs we've knitted up with zest—  
Around the stalls you'll see arrayed  
The pretty things that we have made.  
The merry faces here you see,  
Will serve you soon with cups of tea;  
The brew is good, the cakes are sweet,  
So come and buy! and drink! and eat!  
Now, we've invited you today  
To while a pleasant hour away—  
We hope you'll show your sound applause  
By spending well for this good cause.

A. CHILD, York.

## The Juniors' Uniform



The girls' uniform consists of any plain white frock; the Junior Red Cross button on the left breast; and a white veil (a piece of material 1 yard square will make 2 veils if cut diagonally from corner to corner) with a red cross cut out of red material, oversewn on the centre of the veil over the forehead.

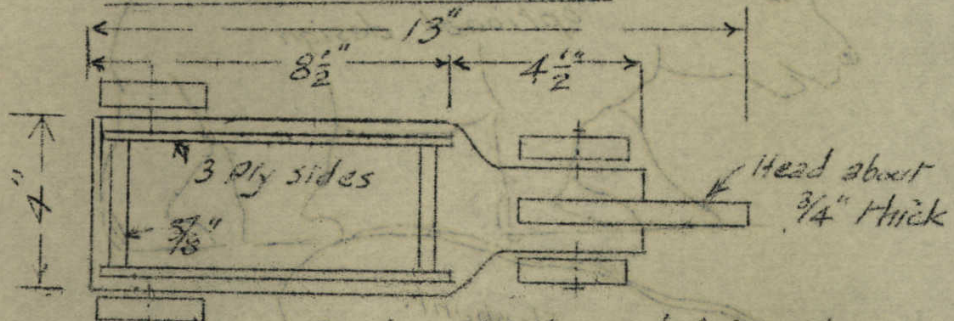


The boys' uniform is the Junior Red Cross button on the breast pocket of any coat. At the top of the pocket a white tape is sewn, with the words "Junior Red Cross Circle" printed on it and the name of their Circle beneath.

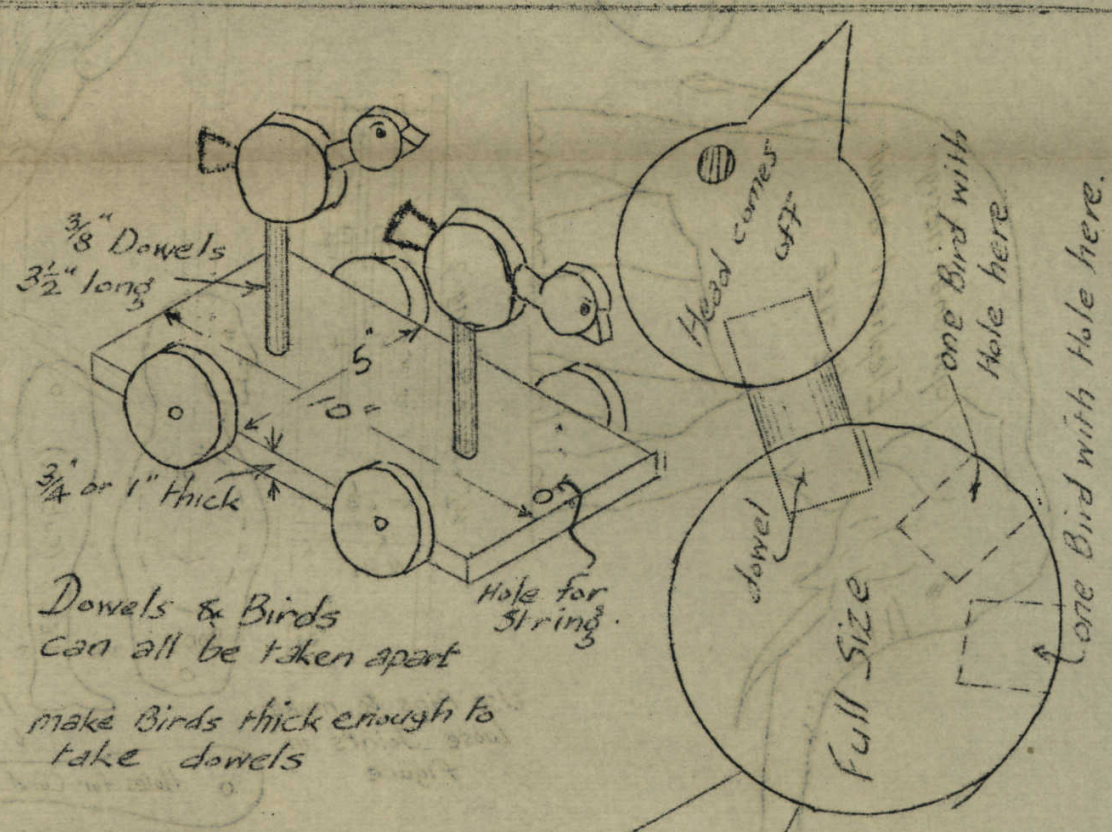
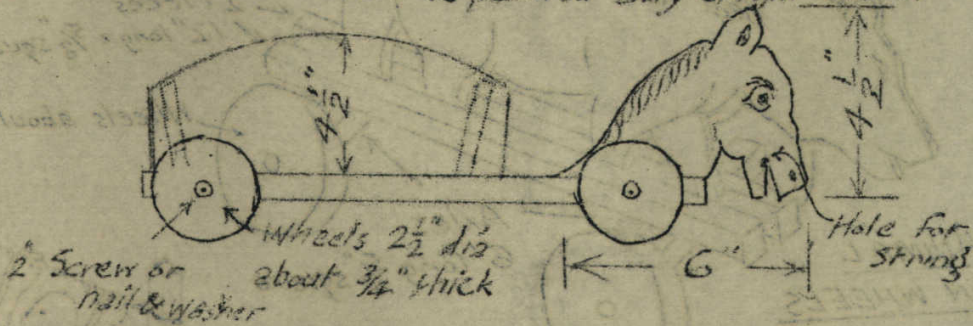
## A WARNING!

Never, never jump off a trolley bus while it is still moving. The front of the trolley bus is even more dangerous than the back. At the back there are no more wheels to pass over you should you fall or slip. At the front, when going round corners, the wheel is unguarded, and can quickly drag one under. A boy was killed the other day when jumping off while the bus was turning round a very busy corner. *Wait till the bus stops!*

# HOBBY HORSE CART.



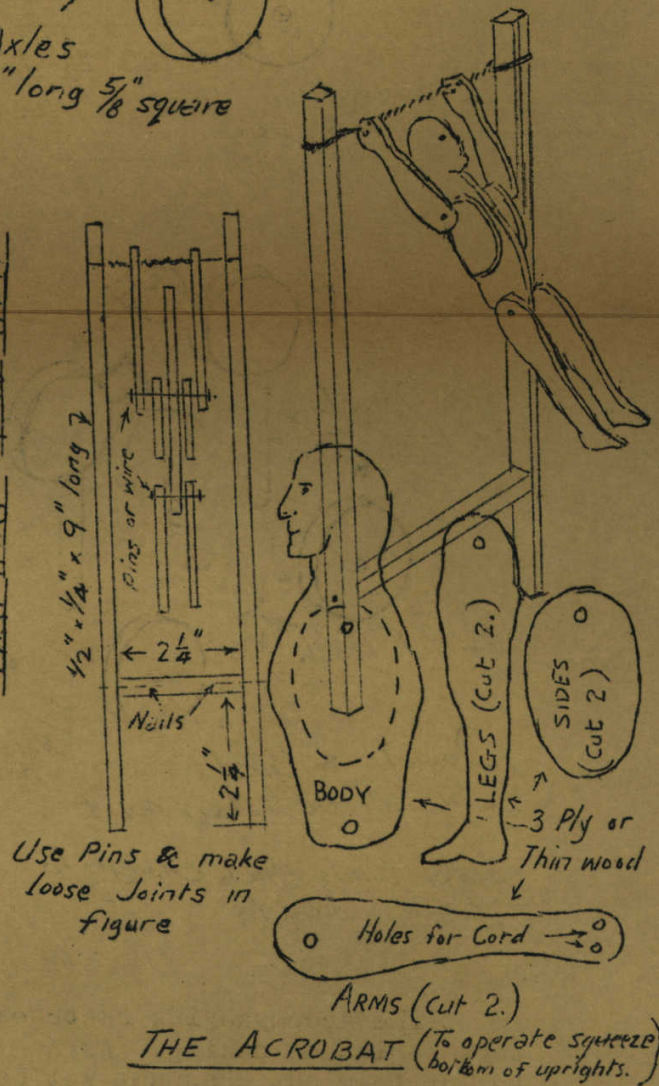
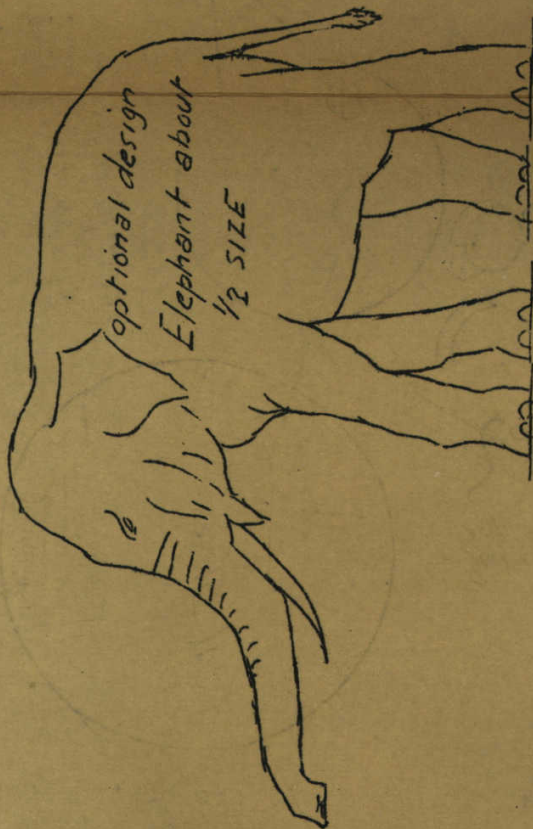
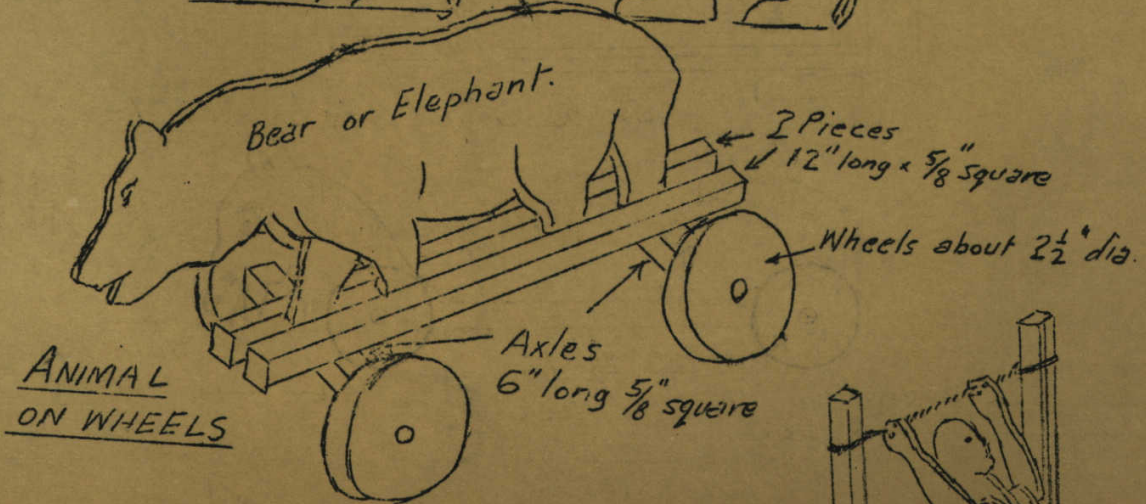
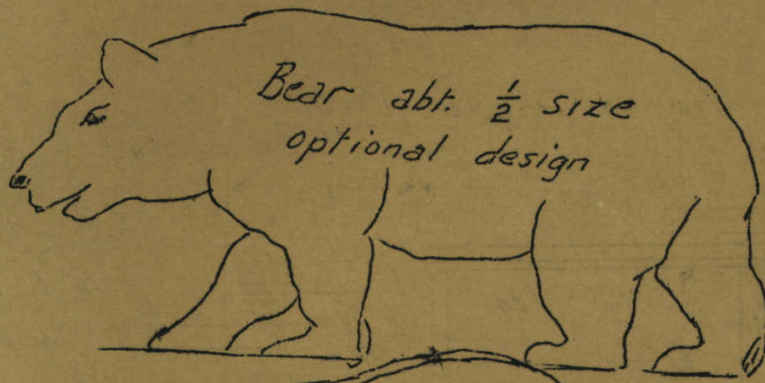
Can be painted any bright colour



Dowels & Birds  
can all be taken apart  
make Birds thick enough to  
take dowels

The accompanying sketches  
toys we intend making. As a  
to cut them out, has not yet been  
of you boys capable of cutting out  
the parts? Perhaps some of you  
small working groups - some to cut out and others to assemble.

Uncle Mac



These are Two more Toys I thought of.

Uncle Mac