



THE
Melbourne Athenæum.

188 COLLINS STREET, next the Town Hall.

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1940.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1940**

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Chartered Accountants (Australia)

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188 COLLINS STREET, MELBOURNE

January 15, 1941.

Notice is hereby given that the ANNUAL MEETING of the Institution will be held in the Art Gallery, on FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, at 3.45 p.m.

Your attendance is requested.

BUSINESS:

1. To confirm the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of February 1, 1940.
2. To receive and adopt the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts.
3. Election of Office-bearers:
The President (Mr. George A. Fielding), Vice-President (Mr. W. F. Gates), Treasurer (Mr. M. F. Burke), and the following Members of Committee, viz., Messrs. H. A. Hunt, E. E. Kelly, A. D. Pearce, R. M. Scott, W. H. Tredinnick, Dr. L. S. Latham and Dr. Stanley Wilkinson, retire, and are eligible for re-election.
4. Appointment of Auditors:
Messrs. Wilson, Bishop & Henderson and Mr. L. N. Rainey are eligible for re-election.
5. General.

R. W. E. WILMOT,

Secretary.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE

OF THE

MELBOURNE ATHENÆUM,

FOR THE YEAR 1940.

*To be submitted to the Members at the Annual Meeting
on Friday, January 31, 1941.*

THE Committee of the Melbourne Athenæum, in submitting its report of the transactions for the year 1940—the one hundred and first since the foundation of the Institution—congratulates members on the great success achieved.

Immediately after the Annual Meeting on February 1, 1940, the new Library was formally opened by His Worship the Lord Mayor of Melbourne (Cr. A. W. Coles). There was a large attendance of members and their friends, and the Lord Mayor paid a glowing tribute to the work of the President and Committee and all who had taken a share in the alterations. The Lord Mayor said that the Athenæum had had a long and honourable history in the first hundred years of its existence. It had been an asset to the city, and he looked forward to its still further progress and to an era of increased usefulness to the citizens.

By courtesy of the Australian Broadcasting Commission, the address of the Lord Mayor and the remarks of the President were broadcast through Station 3LO.

The final act of the celebration of the centenary was the unveiling of the new inscription on the memorial stone in the wall on the first landing. This stone, which recorded the foundation of the Institution on November 12, 1839, the erection of the first building in 1843, the erection of the Hall in 1872, and the transforming of the Hall into the theatre

in 1924, was brought up to date by the addition of the record of the celebration of the Centenary of the Institution on November 12, 1939, and the inclusion of the name of your President (Mr. George A. Fielding) with the names of former Presidents on the stone.

The unveiling was performed by your President on June 14, 1940.

THE LIBRARY.

The re-organization of the Library was highly appreciated by members, who found, that owing to the new arrangement of the shelves, they were able to discover opportunities for reading books they had not realized were available to them. The modern layout has enabled the Librarian and his staff to exercise closer supervision of the shelves and tables and reading desks.

While many members are always grateful to the Librarian and his staff for assistance and guidance in their reading, there are very many who prefer to choose for themselves, and they have availed themselves of the opportunities the new shelves afford.

During the year Mr. L. V. Biggs, a member of the Committee, who was President in 1936, wrote a most interesting and informative leaflet on "Reading in War Time." Your Committee, with a view to giving members the benefit of valuable information from such a well-known literary expert, had it reprinted in pamphlet form and distributed among the members. It was gratifying to know that, with the exception of very few works, some of which are out of print, almost all the books recommended by Mr. Biggs were available in the Library.

The Librarian has studied the question of war-time reading and has formed some definite conclusions from the experiences of the past year.

He finds that many members, who have been regular readers of what may be called the political magazines, have lost much of their interest in such publications. The reason for this is that, with daily changes of experience and outlook, articles of propaganda or forecast are out of date by the time they reach Australia and are frequently misleading.

There has been a strong demand for straight-out history relating to past happenings. Books which deal with events long past—but with a spice of anticipation or prophecy—have, for the time being, lost some of their appeal. While fiction is as popular as ever, members do not appreciate the intermingling of history with fiction. They prefer to read fiction as fiction and history as history.

In a world of change, such as we are living in to-day, there is naturally a demand for books of reference. Members who have been engaged in argument and discussion find the Encyclopaedia Britannica, dictionaries and similar works invaluable, and the Librarian and his staff are frequently asked for assistance by members who wish to read on the various subjects which come up from day to day.

One feature of the re-organized Library, in which every shelf is within reach, is the number of members who avail themselves of the facilities provided for "browsing." Members are able to look out books for themselves and to read in comfortable surroundings. In the old reading room it was the exception rather than the rule to see a member reading a book. Newspapers, illustrated papers and magazines were popular, but there were no facilities for reading books. All this is changed in the new Library.

Another notable feature of the Library is the increased interest in standard works. During the year this branch of the Library has had special attention and, in addition to increasing the number of volumes, many of the works have been made more attractive by re-binding.

The advisability of directing special attention to particular sections of the Library has had the attention of your Committee and the establishment of an "Australiana" section was much appreciated. This idea will be developed as occasion offers.

As will be seen, there has been a record increase in the number of members who appreciate the fact that **the Library is open daily from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m., Saturday afternoons and evenings included, and on all holidays except Good Friday, Christmas Day and Anzac Day, when other libraries are closed. The advantage of being able to change books and magazines out of business hours and up to 10 p.m. daily cannot be over-estimated.**

The innovation, introduced in 1939, of establishing a waiting list whereby, on payment of a small fee just covering cost, members could rely on securing the books most in demand much more quickly than formerly, has worked satisfactorily. There have been objections, as was only to be expected, but in most cases, when the principle was explained to members they realized that it was to their advantage. The quick despatch of books caused by this system has increased the efficiency of the Library.

In order that due prominence might be given to the advantages to be derived from membership of the Institution, an illustrated brochure was prepared and published. This was highly attractive and produced good results. Copies of this are still available.

The quarterly list has been developed by the insertion of explanatory notes about the books. This work entails much research by the Librarian and his staff and is much appreciated.

During the year 2,938 books were added to the Library. Of these, 2,188 were fiction and 750 were of general literature. The amount expended on books, magazines and newspapers, including exchange, was £1,631/12/10, as compared with £1,611/10/9 in 1939.

The installation of a public telephone in a sound-proof box has been highly appreciated as well as profitable.

The provision of a retiring room for lady members has met with general approval, and the increased comfort, improved system of indirect lighting and up-to-date ventilation have more than fulfilled anticipations. **As it stands to-day the Athenaeum Library is one that members can confidently recommend to their friends, and they are invited to assist the Committee in this direction by bringing friends to inspect for themselves.**

The history of the Institution, published as part of the centenary celebrations was well received. There are still copies available, and members are requested to support the Committee by purchasing them.

Your Committee realizes that the serious dislocation of the publishing trade in England must materially interfere with the production of books. Close touch is being main-

tained with our suppliers and every step is being taken to ensure as little interference as possible.

Your Committee is keenly seeking every avenue to keep the Library in its foremost position.

The Australian publishers are arranging for the production of books in Australia, and this will help to relieve the tension.

During the year large supplies of old books and magazines have been forwarded to various camps and depots for **sailors, soldiers and airmen.** This did not in any way interfere with the ordinary distribution of similar publications to the Mission to Seamen for the use of members of the Mercantile Marine, whose quiet, unobtrusive work is so invaluable.

The following donations of works have been kindly made:—

- The Australian Stamp Monthly, by A. A. Rosenblum, Esq.
- Headway, by Miss Colville.
- The Australian Board of Missions Review, by A.B.M. Society.
- The Church of England Messenger, by the Diocese of Melbourne.
- The Theosophist, by the Theosophical Society.
- The Presbyterian Messenger, by Messrs. Arbuckle, Waddell Pty. Ltd.
- The Commonwealth, by the Rev. Dr. Chas. Strong.
- The New Zealand Local Authority Handbook, by the Government of New Zealand.
- Bradshaw's Guide to Victoria, by Stillwell and Stephens Pty. Ltd.
- New Zealand Parliamentary Papers, by the Government of New Zealand.
- The Rosierucian, by the Rosierucian Order.
- The Journal of the Royal Society of Arts, The Secretary, The Geographical Journal and United Empire, by W. Gordon Sprigg, Esq.
- The Hospital Magazine, by the Charities Board of Victoria.
- The Free Trader, by The Free Trade Union, London.
- History of Art, 3 vols., by Miss M. Alston
- The Jungle Book, Second Jungle Book, The Day's Work and Many Inventions (by Kipling), 4 vols., by Miss E. Johnstone
- The Englishman, by Miss E. Johnstone
- "Mufti," by R.S.S.L.A.
- Pictures of Their Majesties, The King and Queen
- Pamphlets on World Affairs, by the Department of Information

MEMBERSHIP.

The number of members on the roll on January 1, 1940, was 2,590. During the year **967** new members were enrolled and 440 discontinued their membership, leaving the

total number on the roll **3,117** on December 31, 1940, a **net gain of 527**. The corresponding figures for 1939 were: New, 498; Retirements, 327; net gain, 171. The amount received from subscriptions was £3,279/3/9, compared with £2,765/15/- in 1939, **an increase of £513/8/9**.

The slight increase in retirements is due to war conditions. Very many members have enlisted, while others who are engaged in war work have been forced to relinquish their membership owing to their inability to make use of the Library. There have been remarkably few complaints, and in many cases in notifying discontinuance members have expressed their regret at having to resign and their appreciation of the facilities provided and of the services given by the Library staff.

THE COMMITTEE.

There were 12 meetings of the General Committee during the year.

The President, MR. GEORGE A. FIELDING	..	attended	9
The Vice-President, MR. W. F. GATES	..	"	12
The Treasurer, MR. M. F. BURKE	..	"	11
Trustee, MR. G. H. WIGG	..	"	2
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Trustee MR. AMOS BURR	..	"	10

COMMITTEE

Mr. Robinson	..	attended	7	(d) Mr. C. R. Rigg	..	attended	4
Mr. Grut	..	"	11	Mr. Pearce	..	"	6
Mr. Hunt	..	"	10	Mr. Scott	..	"	11
(a) The Very Rev D. A. Cameron	..	"	2	Rev. Horton Williams	..	"	9
Mr. Biggs	..	"	8	Mr. Tingate	..	"	10
Mr. Kelly	..	"	10	(e) Dr. Latham	..	"	7
(b) Mr. Tredinnick	..	"	7	(f) Dr. Wilkinson	..	"	3
(c) Mr. Bainbridge	..	"	5				

(a) The Very Rev D. A. Cameron died on 4/6/40

(b) Mr. Tredinnick was granted leave of absence for three months on military duty

(c) Mr. J. W. Bainbridge died on 7/8/40

(d) Mr. C. R. Rigg was granted leave of absence for three months on military duty

(e) Dr. L. S. Latham was elected on 10/5/40

(f) Dr. Stanley Wilkinson was elected on 11/10/40

Your Committee records with deep regret the deaths of two of its valued members—The Very Reverend D. A. Cameron on June 4, and Mr. J. W. Bainbridge on August 7.

The Very Rev. D. A. Cameron had been a member of the Committee for twelve years and was for two years President of the Institution. His sound judgment was highly appreciated by the Committee.

Mr. Bainbridge had been a member of the Committee for only three years, but during that time had done great service to the Institution as a member of the Finance Committee.

The President (Mr. George A. Fielding), the Vice-President (Mr. W. F. Gates), the Treasurer (Mr. M. F. Burke) and the following members of Committee, viz.: Messrs. H. A. Hunt, E. E. Kelly, A. D. Pearce, R. M. Scott, W. H. Tredinnick, Dr. L. S. Latham and Dr. Stanley Wilkinson retire and are eligible for re-election.

FINANCIAL.

The financial statement shows that the year began with a credit balance of £1,484/0/10 and closed with a debit balance of £243/8/8. This was entirely due to the amount spent in improvements and alterations, which absorbed the sum of £2,639/0/9, all of which, as will be seen, the Committee has been able to pay out of increased revenue.

When the scheme for alterations and improvements was launched, your Committee arranged, with the Bank of Australasia, for permission to overdraw to the extent of £2,000, but it was not necessary to draw to this limit. The improvements and alterations in the Library cost £2,639/0/9, an increase of £139/0/9 on the estimate of £2,500. The highest amount overdrawn was £1,409/2/0, on May 27, 1940. This amount was gradually reduced, with the result that at the end of the financial year the amount owing to the bank was £244/11/7.

The amount received from subscriptions was £3,279/3/9, an increase of £513/8/9 on the previous year. This is a record for the Institution, being £115/16/- in excess of the previous record in 1932.

Salaries and wages absorbed £2,638/10/6, an increase of £251/5/- on the figures for 1939.

Advertising also shows an increase of £46/18/9. The amount expended on books, magazines and newspapers, £1,631/12/10, includes exchange and is £20/2/1 in excess of 1939.

Binding shows an increase of £92/8/2. This expenditure caused by the reconditioning of books has been more than justified, as it has resulted in restoring very many books hardly procurable at present, and with supplies becoming shorter on account of the war, it was essential that any book that could be saved was worth while. The appearance of the shelves is a tribute to the excellent work done in this direction.

The other items are normal. Due care has been observed in the upkeep of the Institution in all departments.

PROGRESS OF THE INSTITUTION.

The following table shows the progress of The Institution during the last ten years:—

	Subscriptions.	Purchase of Books, etc.	Gross Receipts.
1931 . . .	£3082 2 0	£1829 9 1	£7677 16 0
1932 . . .	3163 7 9	1815 14 3	7122 10 4
1933 . . .	3092 8 6	1676 10 7	7073 17 5
1934 . . .	2763 9 3	1583 6 7	6772 11 4
1935 . . .	2708 15 0	1833 11 4	6746 3 3
1936 . . .	2655 6 6	1638 4 3	7045 6 4
1937 . . .	2648 4 9	1617 9 0	7114 6 7
1938 . . .	2675 3 6	1714 12 8	7296 12 6
1939 . . .	2765 15 0	1611 10 9	7873 11 4
1940 . . .	3279 3 9	1631 12 10	8114 11 1

WAR SERVICE.

During the year it became evident that members of the staff might be called upon to enlist. Your Committee, after discussing the matter, adopted the following resolution:—

“For the present, but always subject to modifications, in the event of a present employee enlisting in the A.I.F., the difference between his military pay and allowances and his present salary will be made up by the Institution.”

In November, the Caretaker (A. C. Mannering) volunteered for Home Defence, for the duration of the war, and was called up. He went into camp on January 1, 1941, for 90 days training. Your Committee brought him under the scope of this resolution and granted him leave of absence. In order to carry on his work, F. Riley, who has been rejected for medical reasons, has been appointed acting Caretaker.

LECTURES.

The lectures this year were held in the Library instead of in the Art Gallery. The change proved very satisfactory. The Lecturer was Professor W. A. Osborne, who delivered six lectures, with the title, “Helping the Reader.” The series was most interesting, entertaining and instructive, but it must be regretted that the attendance was disappointing. Members are requested to patronize the series this year. A syllabus will be prepared shortly.

THE ART GALLERY.

The Art Gallery still retains its position as the centre of the Art world in Melbourne. The crowds of visitors who attend the various exhibitions prove conclusively how much the Gallery is appreciated.

On the outbreak of war your Committee, realizing that artists would suffer materially, made a reduction of 33 1-3 per cent. in the rent of the Gallery during the continuance of the war, for which artists have been very grateful. Other concessions have also been made in order to assist war funds.

Shows held during the year were: “The Argus” Photographic Display, the Artists’ Red Cross Exhibition, Messrs. Suhr and Miller, H. C. Lloyd, Adrian Lawlor, Travis Webber, John Rowell, P. G. Moore, Septimus Power, John Gardner, Arthur M. Boyd and Keith Nichol, Sir Arthur Streeton, Miss Gates and Mrs. Fleay, Mrs. E. Phillips Fox, Miss Dorothy Dempsey, The Australian Commercial and Industrial Artists’ Association, New Melbourne Art Club, Twenty Melbourne Painters, Melbourne Society of Women Painters, The Independent Group, Paraclete Art Group’s exhibition of school children’s work, and the Victorian Salon of Photography.

There are very few vacancies for this year.

Your Committee expresses its thanks to the metropolitan press for the publicity given of the activities of the Institution at various times.

GEORGE A. FIELDING, President.

R. W. E. WILMOT, Secretary.

SECRETARY AND STAFF.

I have now had two years' close association with our Secretary, our Librarian, and our staff. The Athenaeum is well served by all.

Mr. Wilmot is the captain of a selected team. His leadership and wide experience of men and affairs are potent factors both in the success of the Institution and in meeting unusual difficulty.

Mr. De Pledge worked tirelessly and to excellent purpose in combing out obsolete volumes and filling the new shelves with the 20,000 books our present members feel should be readily available.

All assistants under these seniors deserve the Committee's and my acknowledgement of the whole-hearted way in which they have worked and responded to the special calls of the past two years.

Increase in membership, as well as the widening and the giving of special help and service to subscribers is largely in the hands of the staff. They are encouraged to do this, and they give of their best.

GEORGE A. FIELDING,
President.



Magazines & Periodicals Available in the Reading Room.

PAPERS.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN.

Belfast Weekly News
British Weekly
Christian Herald
Christian World
Church Guardian
Church Times
Financial News
Headway
Irish Weekly
Liverpool Weekly Post
Manchester Guardian
Methodist Recorder
New York Times
Reynold's
Time and Tide
Times (London)
Times Literary Supplement
Times' Weekly
Travel Bulletin
Weekly Scotsman

AUSTRALASIAN.

Victoria—Melbourne.

Age
Argus
Herald
Australasian
Leader
Presbyterian Messenger
Spectator
Sun News Pictorial
Sporting Globe
Weekly Times

Victoria—Provincial.

Ararat Advertiser
Ballarat Courier
Bendigo Advertiser
Geelong Advertiser
Ovens and Murray Advertiser
Rutherglen Sun
Stawell News
Wangaratta Chronicle
Warrnambool Standard

New South Wales.

Bulletin
Smith's Weekly
Sydney Morning Herald
Sun
Sunday Sun and Guardian

South Australia.

The Advertiser
The Chronicle

Queensland.

Courier-Mail (Brisbane)

Western Australia.

The West Australian
Western Mail

Tasmania.

Mercury (Hobart)
Examiner (Launceston)

New Zealand.

Weekly News (Auckland)

PERIODICALS.

British.

Architect
Britannia and Eve
British Australasian
Country Life
Dublin Review
Economist
English Mechanic
English Speaking World
Field
Harper's Bazaar
Illustrated London News
Inquirer
Jewish Chronicle
John o'London's Weekly
Lancet
London Punch
Mercantile Guardian
Mining Journal
Nature
New Statesman
Public Opinion

Queen
Saturday Review
Science Progress
Sketch
Spectator
Sphere
Sporting and Dramatic News
Studio
Sunday Companion
Sunday At Home
Tablet
Tatler
Time and Tide
Trident
Truth (London)
Vogue
Women's Journal

American.

Rosicrucian Digest
Saturday Evening Post
Scientific American
Theosophist

Australasian.

A.B.M. Review
Adam and Eve
Australasian Insurance and Banking Record (Melb.)
Australasian Manufacturer (Sydney)
Australasian Traveller
Australian Brewing and Wine Journal (Melb.)
Australian Christian World (Sydney)
Australian Stamp Monthly
Church of England Messenger (Melb.)
Economic Record
Government Gazette of Victoria
Home
Home Beautiful
Industrial Australian and Mining Standard (Melb.)
Leather Journal
Presbyterian Messenger
Spectator (Melbourne)
The Commonwealth
Woman's World

Magazines for Circulation in the Library.

PERIODICALS.

British.

Argosy
 Blackwood's
 Chambers' Journal
 Contemporary Review
 Discovery
 English Digest
 Fortnightly Review
 Geographical Magazine
 Good Housekeeping
 Gramophone
 Hibbert Journal
 Life and Letters
 Lilliput
 Musical Times
 National Review
 Nineteenth Century
 Parade
 Picture Post

Political Quarterly
 Quarterly Review
 Round Table
 Strand
 Wide World
 World Review
 World Digest

American.

American Mercury
 Atlantic Monthly
 Coronet
 Current History
 Esquire
 Etude
 Good Housekeeping
 Harper's
 Life
 Look
 Maclean's

Magazine Digest
 National Geographical
 New Yorker
 North American Review
 Popular Mechanics
 Popular Science
 Readers Digest
 Saturday Evening Post
 Science Digest
 Scientific American
 Time
 World Digest

Australasian.

Australian National Review
 Australian Quarterly
 Digest of Digests
 Digest of World Reading
 Life Digest
 Walkabout
 Wild Life

MEMBERSHIP.

Members have the right to the use of the Lending and Reference Library, the Reading and Smoking Rooms, and to borrow a book and a magazine as often as necessary, and to introduce a member of his family residing in the subscriber's home.

The Subscription Rates are:—

	Quarterly	Half-yearly	Yearly
1 Volume and Magazine ..	0 7 6	0 12 6	1 1 0
2 Volumes and Magazine	0 12 6	1 0 0	1 11 6
3 Volumes and Magazine	0 16 0	1 7 6	2 2 0

The Library and Reading Room are **open from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily (including Saturday)**, except Sundays, Christmas Day, Good Friday and Anzac Day.