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The Brotherhood of St Laurence
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In many ways 1966/67 has been a tremendous year for the Brotherhood. It has been a year of expansion in all departments, and this despite an 11% increase in basic running costs.

Over the years the Brotherhood has developed a reputation as a flexible welfare organisation that is constantly expanding its services and activities in the field of social welfare.

At the beginning of this last financial year we wondered how we would meet the rising costs involved in maintaining current Brotherhood projects and still manage to move ahead, but, move ahead we did.

Two extensions to existing projects were opened, one enlarged the children's adventure play area in the Creative Leisure Centre and the other doubled the capacity of "Carinya", the Brotherhood's hospital for the aged in need of constant nursing care. The new Tucker Court flats at St Laurence Park are almost completed, and land for future expansion has been purchased.

Finance has been found to commence St Laurence Court, a new housing project for the aged at Bendigo. New cottages have been built at Carrum Downs, we have

opened a Family Planning Clinic at Fitzroy and the Youth Department now has a mobile, adventure camping unit.

Community support, both financially and in donations to the Salvage Division, enabled the Brotherhood to carry out this programme and still finish the year with a deficit of a mere \$740. The Salvage Division has, against strong competition in this field, established three new opportunity shops this year and increased the Division's output by 18%.

For the first time a "Meet the Brotherhood Week" was held. Many of you will have taken advantage of this opportunity to meet the staff and to see just what is being done with your help. We hope that what you saw and the content of this report will encourage you to continue to help us to maintain our work as a voluntary social service organisation prepared to meet the needs and challenges in our community as they arise.



Family welfare

Initially families come to the Brotherhood for help but many home visits are paid by social workers.

Four hundred and ninety-seven families received counselling and other assistance from the four professional social workers in the Social Service Bureau. The problems brought to them are much the same year by year - the effects of chronic poverty in the affluent society, marriage difficulties, desertion of wife or husband, alcoholism, child care problems, housing and unemployment.

The policy of more intensive work with selected clients has continued and the results have been encouraging in some cases. Unfortunately resources are too limited to extend this work and make it really effective.

A house to provide emergency accommodation has been fully occupied throughout the year and many applications have been refused. This project has demonstrated that emergency housing is an essential provision very much lacking in the welfare facilities of this State.

Financial aid to the extent of \$13,000 was provided and the Bureau will have to continue meeting this need until more realistic statutory provision is made to meet emergency financial situations and

social service benefits are more adequate for certain groups.

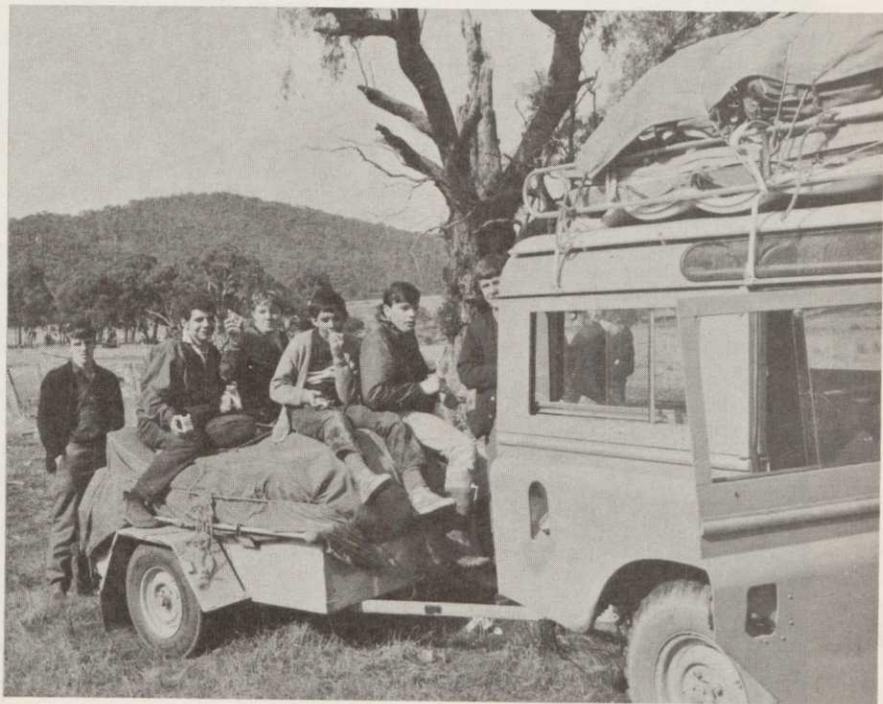
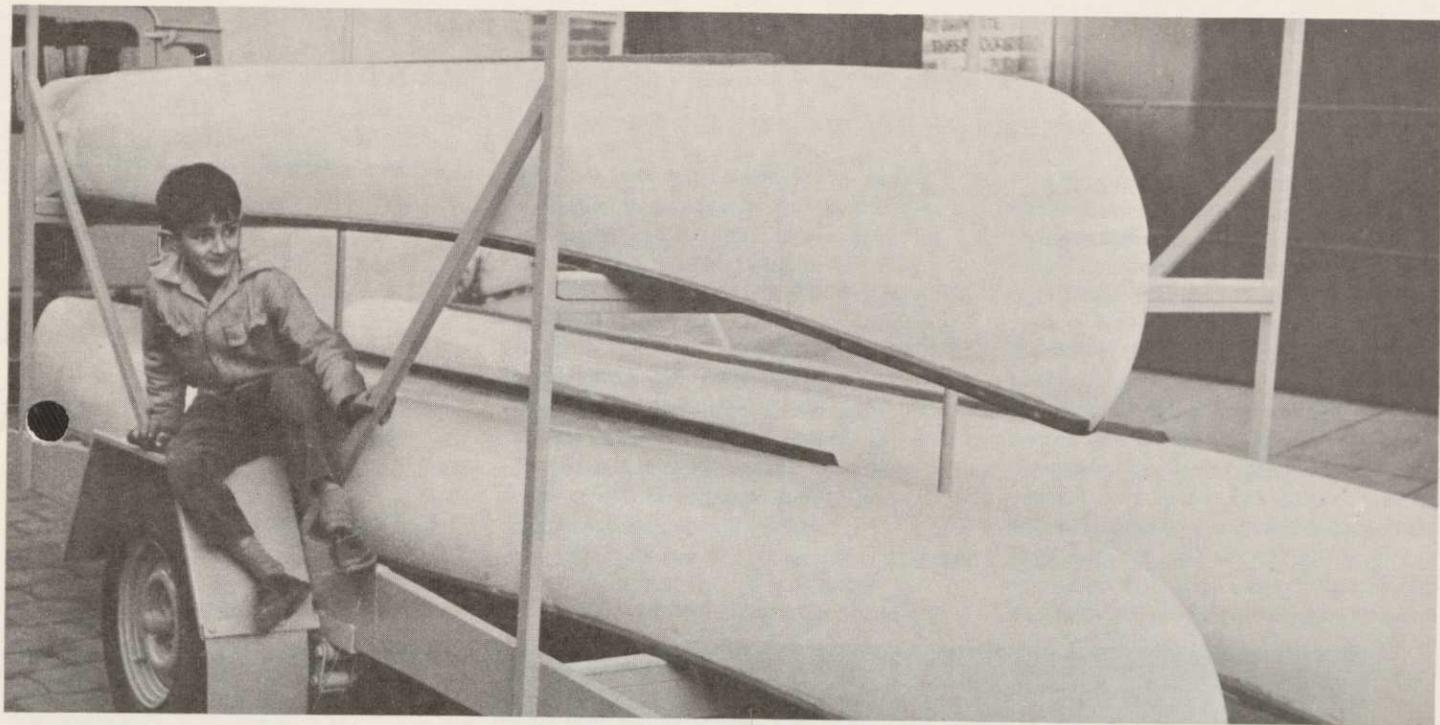
An important extension of the Bureau's work has been the establishment of a liaison with the Youth Centre to bridge the gap between the two departments. Social Worker, Mr Tom Paterson, attends Tuesday night coffee club and as a result has been able to establish contact with many of the youth attending. He is also working with young married couples who have grown up through the centre. In two years the first tenants will move into the new Housing Commission development in Brunswick Street. These family flats will house approximately 2,300 and the Brotherhood is already directing its thoughts towards the problems of redevelopment.

Youth centre

It has been a year of experiment and adjustment for the Brotherhood's Youth Centre at Fitzroy, adjustment to changes in leadership with the settling in of Graeme Bull as the new Director of Youth Work and to other staff changes, and adjustment to a changing pattern in attendance as family dwellings in surrounding areas are demolished to make way for Housing Commission and private flat development. This has brought a drop in attendance which has made it necessary to discontinue the Friday night dance but 35-50 still attend on coffee nights.

The Centre is open to any youth who care to come, and tends to attract those with an unsettled background of conflict with society and personal problems - it takes time for them to accept new faces and patterns.

A new development for the Centre has been the mobile camp programme. Consideration was given to the relative merits of acquiring a permanent camping site or a mobile camping unit. It was felt that the unit would be more flexible, provide a greater variety of activities and venues, and that the smaller groups would give leaders the opportunity to establish deeper relationships with the campers. The initial winter camps at Mt Buller and Lal Lal Falls proved very successful and it is planned to hold at least one of these weekend camps each month.



Leisure centre



This year saw the extension of the Creative Leisure Centre in the doubling of the outdoor play area - there is now grass to rough and tumble on, and room to kick a football. The aim of the Centre is to develop the creative instincts of the children by offering encouragement and opportunity. When it is realised that many of these children live in crowded conditions with no front or back garden to play in, then the true importance of the Centre is understood. Each afternoon some 50 children aged from 5 to 14 attend the Centre- some play in the adventure playground, others are to be found exercising their creative skills and imaginations in the painting and modelling room or in the workshop. There is a cupboard of clothes for those who want to play dress-ups and an old stove for the aspiring cook.

The summer camps programme for the year took 189 senior and junior campers on residential camps and 765 took advantage of the day trips during the school holidays. Many of these were referred to the Brotherhood by Social Workers, Doctors, Clergy and other agencies. With the coming of the Fitzroy Housing

The Brotherhood in the community

1967 has been a significant year for people concerned about poverty. For the first time impressions and intelligent guesses about the numbers affected have been supplanted by scientifically gathered facts. The Institute of Applied Economic Research at Melbourne University has found 120,000 or 1 in 18 in metropolitan Melbourne, living below the poverty line. The impact on the policy making levels of the community has yet to be seen, but it is apparent that more and more individuals and organisations are alerted and seeking information.

The customary stream of requests for speakers from the Brotherhood has been greatly increased and has afforded new opportunities

to interpret the causes, conditions and needs of people in poverty. These have included addresses to senior students in schools, political party branches and technical college teachers. There is a stronger sense than ever before of the motivation of the hearers to learn and perhaps contribute to alleviating the problem.

Brotherhood staff continue to play an active part on general community committees and organisations as well as specifically professional ones for youth leaders and social workers. We are represented on the Victorian Council of Social Services, the Fitzroy Youth Club, Aborigines' Education Research Committee, the Hanover Centre (for lone men), Church of England Social Service Advice Council (C.E.S.S.A.C.) and others. Two interesting developments this year have been the planning of a study into the problems of deserted wives under the auspices of the Victorian Family Council and the carrying out of a research project into the functioning of Anglican social service agencies with a view to guiding future planning.

Community Aid Abroad, founded by Father Tucker, is now a fast-growing independent overseas aid organisation having 135 Groups throughout Australia assisting village projects in India, Pakistan, Indonesia, Korea and East Africa. As its contribution to the campaign against world poverty, the Brotherhood continues to provide some resources for C.A.A.

Outdoor play at the Leisure Centre.



Every year, the Brotherhood has the opportunity to be present at the beginning of a new community. Within two years there are likely to be from 300 to 500 school age children living on this estate. The Housing Commission is very interested in any submissions that the Brotherhood may make on the leisure needs of children, and information is being gathered from relevant organisations.



Coolibah Club

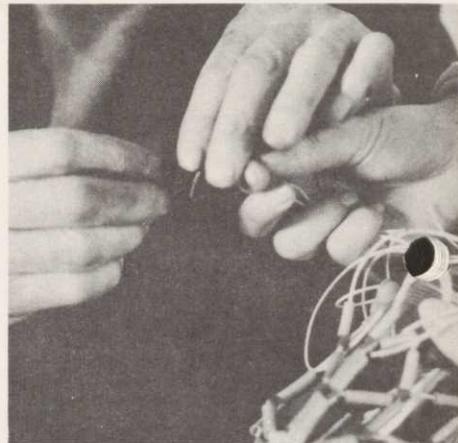
The Coolibah Club with its craft room, television and men's reading room is home for many of its 150 pensioner members. Here they sit and chat with their friends, play cards or watch the "telly". They can buy a hot mid-day meal five days a week for 25 cents and join in the social activities organised by the Club and outside organisations. Instruction in craft work is given by Mrs McCrae from the Old People's Welfare Council and members work enthusiastically making articles for sale at the Brotherhood's Market Fair.

Mrs Millott, Club Manageress, is never too busy to listen to a problem, apply first aid to minor ills or deliver a meal to a member who is unwell. This latter service is also available at week-ends and is extended to include non-member pensioners referred by Doctors. Club members also receive free chiropody. The Club is open seven days a week from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Pensioners relax in the sun in the Coolibah Club garden.



Young fingers show how its done.



Other help for the Elderly

As Welfare Officer for the Aged, Miss Jessica Sumner finds people bringing their problems to her from all over Melbourne. She helps them with accommodation problems and all kinds of personal and pension difficulties. A large proportion of her clients are referred by Doctors, hospitals, Police, relatives and interested citizens, but many hear how the Brotherhood has helped others and find their own way.

Miss Sumner represents the Brotherhood on a committee investigating the problems of the sick and frail aged pensioners. Last summer a small group of these elderly, chronically ill had 10 days' holiday at "Morven". Trained nurses gave their time free to make this possible.

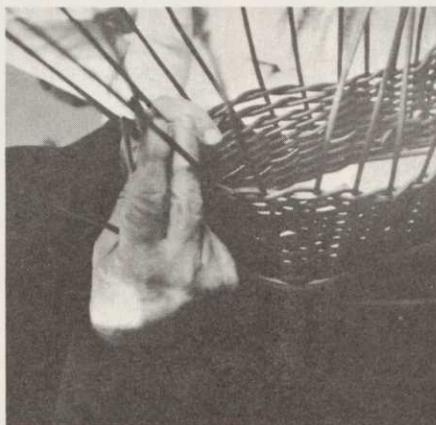
Housing for the Aged

Brotherhood housing projects can now provide accommodation for over 350 elderly people of limited means and this number will soon be increased to 400.

Plans have been drawn up for the establishment of St Laurence Court in Eaglehawk, a suburb of Bendigo, and the court is being erected in conjunction with the Anglican Diocese of Bendigo. When completed the Court will consist of nine blocks of flats to house 40 people. It is anticipated that work on the first stage of five blocks of flats will be completed early in 1968.

This year, the Brotherhood's accommodation officer, Miss Isabel Hodge, has received 417 enquiries from elderly people with accommodation needs. Many of these were able to help through our three housing projects for active elderly, who are able to look after their own cottage or flat, but the waiting time can be up to three years. Requests for care at Carinya Hospital at Box Hill far outnumber the vacancies that occur.

To our dismay, we have no suitable accommodation for approximately 40% of the enquiries we receive. These are from people who need hostel type accommodation where they receive some care and supervision such as is often provided by family or a kind landlady, rather than a trained nurse in a hospital. It appears that there is still an acute shortage of this type of accommodation throughout Victoria.



Top: A game of draughts for Coolibah Club members.

Above: Carrum Downs has a natural bush setting.

Left: Basket making for the Market Fair.

Carrum Downs Settlement

With the addition of eight new cottages this year, Carrum Downs can now accommodate 180 residents. The first of the Brotherhood's housing projects for the elderly in need of accommodation, it offers security and companionship to those who wish to escape from the hustle and bustle of city life.

Set in natural bushland, the 114 cottages reflect the varied personalities of the residents who take an active part in the community affairs of their village settlement. The store, library, switchboard and monthly jumble sales are all staffed by residents and much of the gardening and maintenance work is also done by them. An annual event is the Village Fair, which this year raised \$2,000 for the Brotherhood's general funds.

Carrum Downs Industries are progressing steadily and during the past year mailing contracts have been carried out for General Motors, thousands of boxes have been made for Golden Poultry and a steady output of metal wicks has been maintained.

Not all residents live in cottages. Collins Court provides serviced flat accommodation and some care for those who no longer wish to cope with cottage chores, and there is an eight-bed hospital for short-term illnesses.

St Laurence Park

It is exciting to visit St Laurence Park, the second of the Brotherhood's rural settlements for the elderly. Here, 15,000 trees and shrubs, 40 cottages and an almost completed 20-flat unit have transformed what was once a ploughed field into a picturesque village bursting with life, colour and activity. A striking example of Father Tucker's maxim that old age and retirement should

not mean the end of a working life.

The completed Tucker Court will bring the total accommodation available at Lara to 92 and will include a dining room to seat 80 and two four-bed sick bays for short term illnesses.

Industries provide residents with a variety of activities and the book binding, printing shop, plant nursery and sheet metal shop have all increased their output, quality and profit. The Administrator, Mr Neville Brooke, is constantly on the look-out for new contracts and markets.

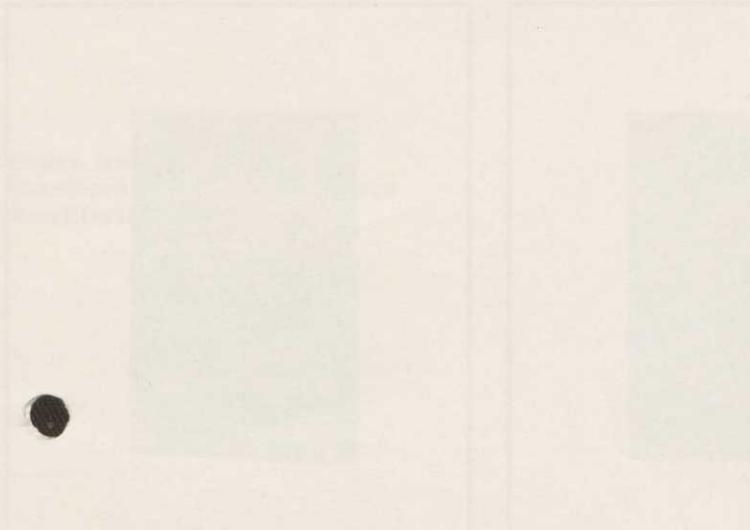
The most exciting development this year has been the purchase of 20 acres of adjoining land, as a result of which it is anticipated that Lara will eventually provide accommodation for 250 active elderly.

Keble Court East Brunswick

In 1961 the Brotherhood opened its first housing project for those elderly people with an accommodation problem who wish to live in the city.

Keble Court now consists of 30 flats housing 44 people. These self-contained flats are reserved for those who have no additional income to the age pension. Residents must be active and able to look after their flats, which are fully furnished and designed to give the maximum amount of comfort and convenience.

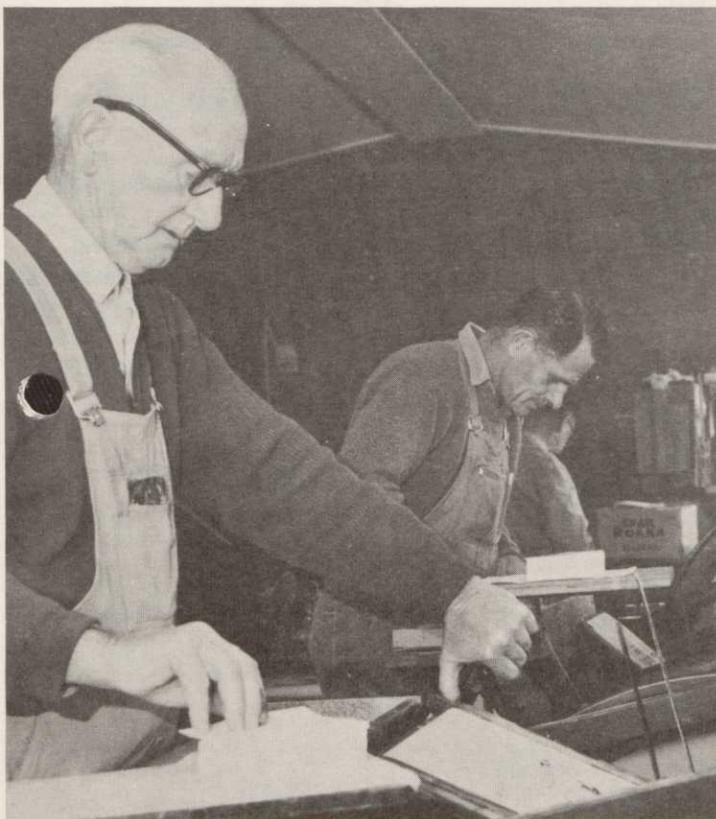
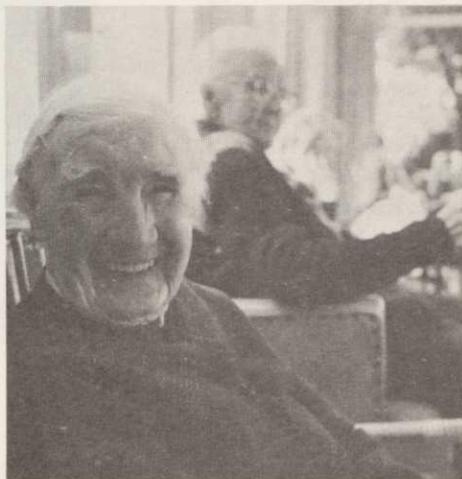
The Voluntary Helpers Shop, Camberwell, raised all the money required to attract the Commonwealth Government subsidy for this project.



Right: There are many sunny corners at Carinya.

Below: The printing shop is just one of the industries at St Laurence Park.

Below right: Residents staff the library at Carrum Downs.



"Carinya", Box Hill

Those in greatest need have first priority when a vacancy occurs in this hospital for the chronically ill and frail aged in need of constant nursing care.

The recently opened extensions bring "Carinya's" capacity to 40, and care has been taken to see that there are plenty of sunny corners where residents can spend part of the day.

Throughout the hospital bright, attractively furnished lounges and carefully chosen colour schemes in the wards provide a homely atmosphere for the elderly residents who in many cases are completely bed-ridden.

Research and Social Action

This is one of the Brotherhood's most important departments, combining as it does the tasks of drawing the public's attention to the causes of social problems and stimulating community interest in possible solutions and reforms.

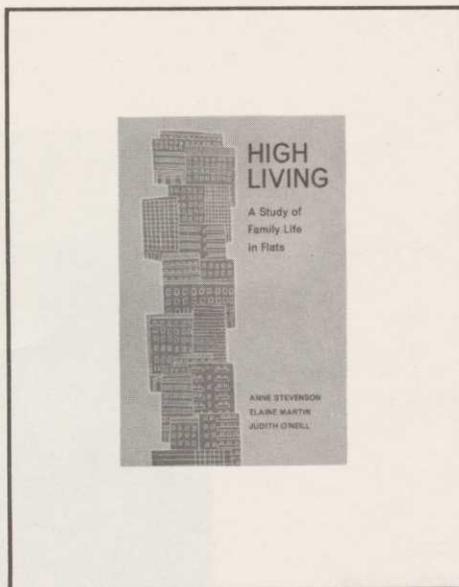
A major project this year has been the establishment of a Family Planning Clinic in Fitzroy. The Brotherhood's decision to open the Clinic is based on the conviction that low income families should have the same opportunity to limit their children as those who can afford private medical care and advice.

Over the year the Director of the Department, Miss Janet Paterson, addressed professional and student audiences on a variety of subjects including poverty, abortion, housing and the work and aims of the Brotherhood, and took part in TV and radio programmes commenting on topical social problems.

Even before publication, "High Living", a study of family life in flats now available in all book shops, aroused considerable interest in professional circles and some suggested improvements have been included in more recent blocks of Housing Commission flats. A current survey on the costs of free education has received the full co-operation of the Education Department. It is hoped the results will be available to the public by the end of the year.

In December a memorandum arguing against the hanging of Ronald Ryan was circulated to Victorian Members of Parliament and other prominent citizens.

A very successful "Students Meet the Community" week was held in June when 18 students from the three Universities looked at the problems of the aged, mentally and physically handicapped people, delinquent youth and families in poverty. A rewarding result has been the formation of social involvement groups at Melbourne and Monash universities.



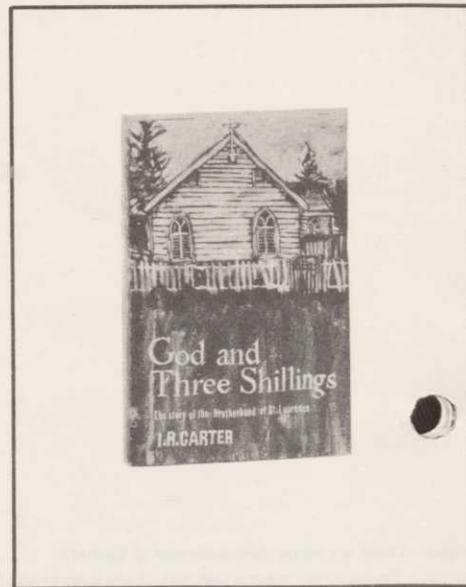
"Morven" Holiday Home, Mornington

On a pension of \$13 a week it is not possible to save enough for a holiday, and to many of our elderly citizens a holiday is something to dream about.

"Morven" is the Brotherhood's answer to this problem and this year 123 pensioners, some referred by Doctors or by other organisations, have had a ten-day holiday in this comfortable old home. Local residents entertain them and take them for drives, and in fine weather the Hostess Miss Alma Smith, organises beach outings.

During the short school holidays "Morven" is reserved for mothers and families. Brotherhood Social Workers take this opportunity to book in the families that they feel are most in need of a rest and a change of scene.

Summer holidays mean holiday camps, tents spring up in the grounds and four groups of 40 young people from Melbourne's inner suburbs move in for a holiday by the sea under the supervision of trained leaders.



Story of The Brotherhood

An account of the Brotherhood's development from its beginnings in industrial Adamstown, near Newcastle, to the present day has been written by Isobel Carter. The book will be published in October under the title of 'God and Three Shillings' and can be obtained at all bookshops. Miss Carter, a well known journalist and author, has generously donated the royalties from the sale of the book to the Brotherhood.

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Auxiliaries and Voluntary Helpers

Two new Auxiliaries have been formed, one in Eaglehawk, a suburb of Bendigo, and the other in Bendigo itself, bringing the total number of Auxiliaries helping to maintain and extend the work of the Brotherhood to 27. In a busy year of fund raising activities these Auxiliaries raised the amount of \$20,417, while the Annual Market Fair brought in \$2,794.

As well as our friends in the Auxiliaries the Brotherhood is greatly indebted to the large group of voluntary helpers who assist in numerous ways. Some will take a child for part of the holidays or when a mother is ill and has to go to hospital; others baby-sit so that a mother can visit her husband in prison or attend a funeral, or they may take children to visit their mother in hospital. Many act as drivers taking Social Service Bureau clients and pensioners to and from "Morven".

Without the help of Volunteers the Salvage Division would probably cease to function. As well as the many hours they spend serving in the Opportunity Shops, most of the preliminary sorting is done by voluntary helpers. They also help with clerical work and knit for the shops and street stalls.

Church and school groups are helping throughout the year, spring-cleaning, gardening and painting. At Christmas they sort, paint and repair toys for the toy sale and wrap hampers and toys for clients.

Salvage Division

When it comes to clothing collections and opportunity shops, the Brotherhood finds itself in a highly competitive field. This in itself has made it a rather difficult year. However, despite these difficulties we successfully established three new shops that were opened in the latter part of the previous financial year.

The Personal Canvass programme continues to operate successfully and the canvassers are very well received as they move about making contact with the general public and giving a brief outline of the work of the Brotherhood. The final results of this programme are hard to assess but calls have gone up in areas they have been working.

Records show that the Division has made contact with 50,000 people over the last twelve months. This emphasises the value the Brotherhood places on keeping our existing donors well informed and also the necessity to build up new Salvage donors. As well as stocking our shops, goods donated to the Brotherhood are distributed through the Social Workers to low income families and pensioners.

Please phone 41 3183 if you would like the Brotherhood to call for clothing or household goods.

The Better Way

The Better Way provides a service to those people who want an alternative to the time-honoured custom of showing sympathy by sending expensive wreaths to funerals. The Brotherhood sends a simple, dignified card which says that a person has sent a gift to the Brotherhood as a token of sympathy. The money received from the "Better Way" totals \$15,600. It has enabled 11 accommodation units for elderly people to be built at Carrum Downs and Lara. "The Better Way" Secretary is Miss M. Perry, at 51 Royal Arcade, Melbourne, 63 3011.

Fitzroy footballers help sort donations of clothing.



Financial report as at 30th June 1967

Working Accounts

Last year's Financial Report recorded an excess of expenditure over income of \$11,761. Further, it expressed the concern of the Directors for the year now under review bearing in mind the continuing cost spiral and unavoidable growth of Brotherhood services.

The working account income statement for this year indicates the extent to which the community have rallied in support by way of direct giving and donations of clothing and household goods to the Sewing Division. The Brotherhood's fund-raising auxiliaries produced at record levels with the result that, despite the expansion that had to be met and the spiral of costs that could not be avoided, the year ended with a deficit of only \$743.

An extensive maintenance programme at Keble Court was undertaken as planned during the year and the surplus monies in that fund of \$1,909 have been transferred to the Working Account Reserve Fund. As a result the Working Funds in Reserve at the beginning of the year of \$482 converted to a reserve of \$1,648 at the 30th June, 1967.

Income

The Working Account Income Statement discloses that income received during the year totalled \$278,936, an increase on the previous year's income of \$23,015. Of this increase donations contributed \$6,112, an improvement on the previous year's receipts of 14%. The increased support through the Salvage Division advanced the net proceeds of that Division by \$8,188, an 18% improvement on the previous year's returns. The Auxiliaries, collectively, raised \$1,816 more than the previous year. Income from the investment of special funds temporarily in reserve and the endowment fund increased by \$4,589. Accommodation fees also recorded an improvement, this was mainly at Keble Court and was the result of the opening of new flats at the beginning of the year.

Expenditure

The Expenditure Statement shows that the cost of operating the various departments of the Brotherhood, other than the Lara settlement, totalled \$266,408, an increase of \$33,569 on the previous year's costs (almost 15%). This increase was in keeping with anticipations when preparing the budget at the beginning of the financial year and

repeated for a second year the tremendous expansion and cost spiral which is taxing the Brotherhood's resources to their utmost. The situation, once again, was kept in control by the heavy curtailment of development programmes from Working Funds. During the 1965/66 year, drastic cuts in developmental programmes kept expenditure down to \$23,273. This year the restrictions applied cut the commitment even further to a mere \$13,271.

Lara

The Lara settlement is administered separately by a special council appointed by the Brotherhood's Board of Directors specifically for this purpose. The reason behind this is that the Council, which is representative of the Geelong Community, aims to develop and maintain the settlement without making a demand on the general working funds of the Brotherhood. Their Working Account Statement indicates how successfully they are keeping this undertaking. The cost of operating the settlement for the past twelve months was \$27,771. The Council not only met this amount from the various sources of income available to it, but was able to transfer a small surplus of \$56 to their building fund.

Capital projects

The Better Way Fund

As mentioned elsewhere in this Annual Report, donations to this fund received throughout the year have raised the fund total to \$13,000 and have enabled an amount of \$2,400 to be passed to the Lara Council to provide a flat for an aged pensioner in the extensions to Tucker Court.

Carrum Downs

The eight cottages commenced at the time of publishing last year's report have been completed and extensive improvements to the settlement's drainage system were undertaken during the current year. 1967/68 should see the production of a plan for the final stages of development of the settlement which will involve an extension of the accommodation and services provided by the settlement. The final stages of development will, by necessity, be spread over a number of years.

Fitzroy

Capital projects under this heading have been the extension of the Creative Leisure Centre's adventure playground area and equipment and the acquisition of the Mobile Camp equipment, vehicle and trailers.

Salvage

Although the Division had to meet the challenge of substantially increased business, only a comparatively small expenditure on capital improvements had to be made. Expenditure of this nature which was incurred, was mainly on the additional equipment and shop fittings necessary to cope with the increased flow of goods.

1967/68 should provide an exciting year for the Salvage Division as it expands its operations into the City of Bendigo in conjunction with the development of the St Laurence Court project.

Morven

The long term policy of progressive improvement to the holiday home at Mornington involved a small amount of capital expenditure including new tents for the children's holiday programme.

Lara

The commencement of the second stage of Tucker Court, a block of flats for active and semi-active elderly, was the major item of the development programme at Lara during the year. This stage comprises 14 flats, a kitchen and communal dining room and an 8-bed sick bay. This programme is anticipated to cost \$130,000 two-thirds of which will be met by Commonwealth Government subsidy. The new flats should be available for occupation in November 1967.

**General working account
Income for the year ended
30th June, 1967**

1965/66	INCOME		1966/67	
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
4820	Government & Municipal Grants			6308
42970	Donations			49082
44970	Legacies			40494
	Accommodation Fees:-			
37358	Carrum Downs		37801	
1702	Coolibah Club		2184	
826	"Morven" Holiday Home		718	
27437	Box Hill Home for Frail Aged		28604	
2754	Keble Court		<u>4450</u>	73757
	Auxiliaries:-			
16956	General		18162	
	Proceeds of Fairs:-			
2000	Carrum Downs	2000		
2357	Melbourne	<u>2967</u>	<u>4967</u>	23129
94	Publications Income			19
20643	Investment Income			25232
44602	Salvage Division - Net Proceeds			52790
826	Other Income			1791
2006	Net Rents Received			2334
3600	Allocation from Research Reserve Fund			<u>4000</u>
<u>\$255921</u>	<u>Total Income</u>			<u>\$278936</u>

SUMMARY OF WORKING ACCOUNT FUND

	\$	\$	\$
General Working Account - Reserve at 1st July 1966			482
Keble Court Working Account Reserve at 1st July 1966	6925		
Less Transfer to Depreciation Reserve Fund (Keble Court)	<u>5016</u>	<u>1909</u>	2391
Less Deficit - General Working Account			<u>743</u>
General Working Account Reserve at 30th June 1967			<u>1648</u>

LARA WORKING ACCOUNT

For the year ended 30th June 1967

Income	\$	\$
Salvage Division - net proceeds	20433	
Donations	3866	
Accommodation Fees	3222	
Sundry Income	<u>306</u>	\$27827
Expenditure		
Telephone, electricity & heating	1055	
Salaries & allowances	14357	
Superannuation	489	
Transport & vehicle depreciation	1508	
Rates, Insurances, stationery & other office expenses	4355	
Repairs & maintenance	1256	
Publicity	250	
Depreciation	<u>4501</u>	<u>\$27771</u>
Surplus Funds transferred to Building Fund		<u>\$ 56</u>

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE:

We have examined the books of account of the Brotherhood of St Laurence and the above General Working Account for the year ended 30th June, 1967, and in our opinion it represents a true and fair account of the general workings of the Brotherhood of St Laurence for the year.

GOODE, MORRIS AND TONER.

**General working account
Expenditure
for the year ended
30th June, 1967**

1965/66 EXPENDITURE	Youth Centre	Coolibah Club	Social Service Bureau	Carrum Downs	Morven H.H.	Box Hill Home	Keble Court	Community Education	Research	Auxilia- ries & Appeals	Grants & Scho- larships	Totals 1966/67
17735 Meals provided & Sundry provisions	75	4206	97	7023	2086	3436	—	3	3	3	—	16932
154 Surgery & Dis- pensary	7	2	—	218	3	42	—	—	—	—	—	272
14134 Cleaning, lighting & Domestic exps.	2001	1967	1710	6513	1718	2576	227	87	87	25	—	16911
139458 Salaries, Wages Superannuation	13298	6498	26896	53532	3847	30756	628	1752	10651	5480	—	153338
6163 Transport	1205	574	888	3222	746	283	—	40	81	229	—	7268
14988 Rates, Insurance Stationery & Other exps.	2047	1166	3289	6990	689	1511	1023	160	318	195	—	17388
13167 Aid Rendered	79	—	12942	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	13021
2621 Miscellaneous exps.	2017	68	—	—	7	—	—	—	—	235	—	2327
6558 Repairs Mtce.	614	896	479	9271	1210	410	4360	5	5	5	—	17255
3984 Community Education & Social Action	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5413	567	—	—	5980
549 Extraordinary exps.	—	—	—	—	—	—	118	—	31	53	—	202
13328 Grants & Scholarships	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	15514	15514
\$232839	\$21343	\$15377	\$46301	\$86769	\$10306	\$39014	\$6356	\$7460	\$11743	\$6225	\$15514	\$266408
23273 Development Costs Fitzroy, Salvage Division, Morven Holiday Home, Carrum Downs Settlement												13271
\$256112												\$279679

*Social Studies Scholarship provided and grants made to Community Services not provided by the various departments of the Brotherhood.

**General working account
1966/67
compared with
1965/66**

INCOME	
GOVERNMENT GRANTS	\$6308 \$4820
DONATIONS	\$49082 \$42970
LEGACIES	\$40494 \$44970
ACCOMMODATION FEES	\$73757 \$70077
AUXILIARIES & FAIRS	\$23129 \$21313
INVESTMENTS INCOME	\$25232 \$20643
SALVAGE	\$52790 \$44602
RESEARCH	\$4000 \$3600
SUNDRY	\$4144 \$2926
TOTALS	\$278936 \$255921

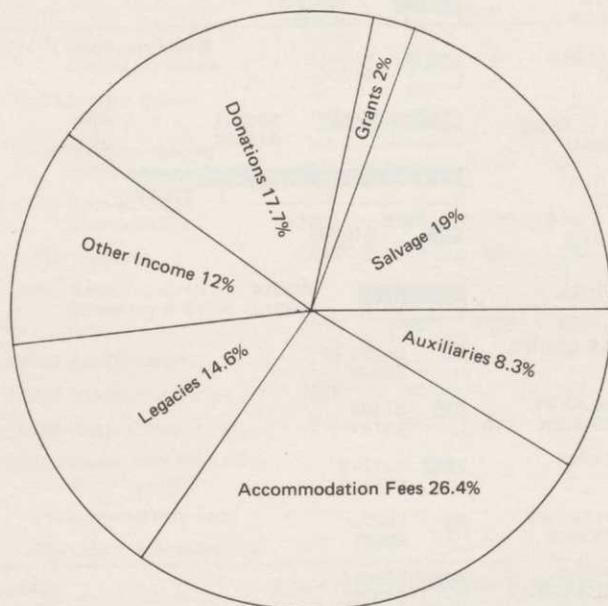
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1966/67
1965/66

EXPENDITURE	
YOUTH CENTRE	\$21343 \$20196
COOLIBAH CLUB	\$15377 \$13841
SOCIAL SERV. BUREAU	\$46301 \$41624
CARRUM DOWNS	\$86769 \$75483
MORVEN	\$10306 \$ 7326
BOX HILL	\$39014 \$35215
KEBLE COURT	\$6356 \$2844
COMMUNITY EDUCATION	\$7460 \$5144
RESEARCH	\$11743 \$11879
AUXILIARIES & APPEALS	\$6225 \$5959
GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS	\$15514 \$13328
CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT	\$13271 \$23273
TOTALS	\$279679 \$256112

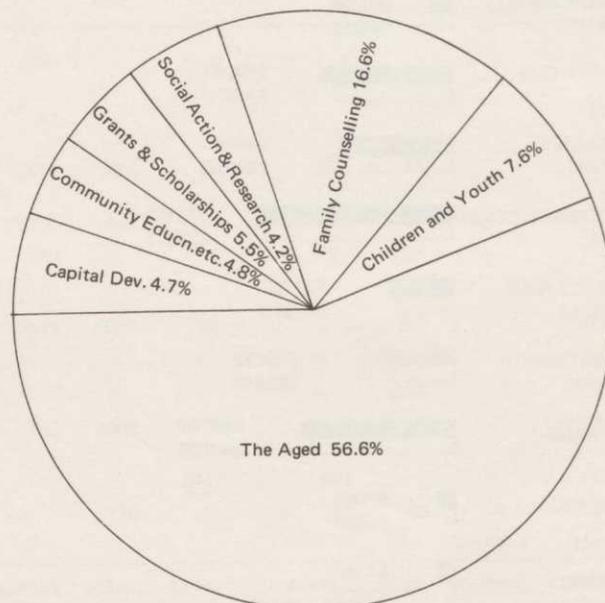
General working account 1966/67

How the money was received



<u>Received from:</u>	\$
Government & Municipal Grants	6308
Salvage Division	52790
Auxiliaries & Fairs	23129
Hospital & Accommodation Fees	73757
Legacies	40494
Other Income	33376
Donations	49082
	<u>\$278936</u>

How the money was spent



<u>Expended on these Services:</u>	\$
Children & Youth	21343
The Aged	157822
Capital Development	13271
Auxiliaries, Appeals, Community Educn	13685
Grants & Scholarships	15514
Social Action & Research	11743
Family Counselling	46301
	<u>\$279679</u>

Form of bequest

"I give and bequeath to the St Laurence Trust
Pty Ltd for the purpose of the Brotherhood of
St Laurence".

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(The St Laurence Trust Pty Ltd is the holding
company for all properties of the Brotherhood of
St Laurence.)

