

The usual monthly meeting was held at the Home on Wednesday, April 12th, these present being Mrs. Blight, Bostwick, Reek, Watson, Matthews, Corbett, Garfath and Haader. Mrs. Horrell, apologies were received from Mrs. Black, Newton, Thomson, Lurcio and Watson. Mrs. Blight took the devotions. The matron's reports, as attached, were received.

REPORT TO HOUSE COMMITTEE
12 APRIL 1972.

HEALTH.

[redacted] rheumatic fever check.
[redacted] tonsillitis
[redacted] swollen finger.
[redacted] hospital - ear operation.
[redacted] - " skinned fingers.
[redacted] infected bites & asthma check.
[redacted] speech defect.

ADMISSIONS.

[redacted]

DEMISSIONS.

[redacted]

Miss Hore	13	
" Eade	10	
" Thomas	9	
" Sharp	9	41
Foster Homes		10
Family Home		7
Total in Care		58.

EDUCATION.

[redacted] to Child Health & Welfare Depts.
[redacted] & [redacted] to Child Health.

Family Home Report.

th. We have had no illnesses over the last month.
ol. I attended P. T. A. meetings at both Sommerfield and South Intermediate Schools and spoke to some teachers.
gs All the children were placed for the Easter holidays. [redacted] children visited their mother and sister Easter Tuesday for tea. We were invited to a 'hangi' at Culverden and we spent the night there - all of us sleeping in a tent
ence: Mr Les Whitfield would be willing to fit desk tops in the childrens rooms at a cost of \$5.00 each. We are hoping to fit these as soon as finance is available.
Festival: We received generous donations from several churches and thank them very much.

G. J. Reed.

Many Harvest Festivals donations were received by both Homes, and the value of goods in kind was Harwood Rd. \$246.90 and Berrington St \$53.39. As well some clothing had been received. The goodwill of so many folk, as shown in their many and varied gifts to the Homes, is a source of much satisfaction to the authorities.

The meeting closed with the Benediction, after deciding that the next meeting be on June 14th. Mrs. Bostwick served a welcome afternoon tea.

Blight
12/6/72

The usual meeting of the House Committee was held at the Home on the 14th June 1972. Those present being Mesdames Blight, Matthews, Postwick, Reed, Black, Fairfax, Watson, Nelson, Surtees Corbett & Miss Horrell. Apologies were received from Mrs Newton & Mrs Thompson. A welcome was extended to Mrs Nelson's return to the meetings.

Mrs Matthews took the opening devotions, with Mrs Blight as Chairwoman.

Members stood in silence as a mark of respect to the late Mrs Hodder (our Secretary for so many years).

A letter of thanks was received from Dorothy Hodder, thanking Members for the flowers sent to her by the Committee. The following tribute has been written by the President ^{Mrs Blight}.

Mrs. B. J. Hodder M.A. was for 21 years Secretary of the House-Committee and for several years prior to that was active ~~at~~ times. We desire to place on record our gratitude to her for her long years of devoted service & hours unshrinkingly given to the cause of these unfortunate children. Many are the garments that she has knitted for the children. Her letters of cheer & sympathy to Members of the Committee were always an inspiration. We are grateful too, for her friendship, courage, and brightness during these last few years of increasing disability.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed, and the Matrons Reports received.

63 children were in total care, 41 in the Home & 22 in the family home and 15 in foster homes.

A bed-sit - desk was on display for Members to see.

A letter was received from the Secretary of the Board asking for suggestions re the nominations of some younger members to the Board.

The following names were unanimously agreed to. Mrs Fairfax, who has been a member of the House Committee for many years and two new women Mrs Blackhouse of Riccarton and Mrs S. J. Law of Teadaltan. All three women have indicated their

willingness to serve on the Board if appointed.

The question of Matrons being members of the Board was discussed, and it was decided to put this question to the Board together, in a letter regarding the unsatisfactory heating of parts of the Home buildings.

Mrs Postwick served a welcome afternoon tea. The next meeting is to be held at the Barrington Street Home on the 1st August.

Mrs Blight closed the meeting with the Benediction.

Vel Hon. Sec. - M. E. Corbett.

REPORT TO HOUSE COMMITTEE
14 JUNE 1972.

HEALTH.

SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST
CHILDREN'S HOME

Secretary-Treasurer
P.O. Box 901,
Christchurch

Handwritten notes and signatures, including names like "M. E. Corbett" and "Mrs Blight".

Family Home Report

9.8.72

Health: There has been no illness in the home.

Visits: Mr Ayers visited the home with Mr Bostwick re the feasibility of fitting desks. We are now going ahead with this. Also the roof of the home is to be painted during the spring.

Maintenance: The stove thermostat had to be repaired also one hotplate.

Clubs: The cubs and scouts held a bottle drive and all the children helped. I attended a Guide and a Brownie parents meeting. and Gail were in the school's Festival choir. I and Gail both attended the evenings.

Outings: [redacted] children have twice visited their mother - who is now living in Wood. The [redacted] children have visited their mother and sister fortnightly over the last two months.

Gifts: We have received gifts of toys, clothing and a sack of potatoes for which we are grateful.

School: Reports were given out followed by interviews with teachers. Results were consistent with effort. Room for improvement still.
Signed: A. J. Reed.

The usual meeting of the Committee met at ^{The} Barrington Street Home on the 9th August 1972. Those present being Mrs Blight, Black, Newton, Thompson, Suttons, Watson, Jayash, Bostwick, Reed & Corbett.

Apologies - were received from Mrs Matthews, Mrs Watson and Miss Horvath.

Mrs Blight opened the meeting with a reading & prayer. A letter was received from Miss Horvath, thanking Mrs Blight for her letter of cheer and good wishes from Members for a speedy recovery from her unfortunate accident.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & confirmed, and the Mrs Blight's reports received.

Mrs Bostwick reported that a mild form of measles affected some of the children but all were recovered without any complications. The children were taken on a trip to a snow field where they enjoyed playing in the snow.

62 children were in care in the two homes and foster homes.

16 sheep-skin rugs had been purchased and 12 bed-side desks - the amount of \$81.00 had been received from District fellowships.

Good received of jam & potatoes amounted to \$12.30.

Mrs Reed served a welcome afternoon tea and the meeting was closed with the benediction.

M. E. Corbett.
Sec. Gen. Sec.

Mrs Blight.
12.10.72.

Family Home Report

11-10-72

Health in the home has been good

Visits: During the August holidays the Welfare

Department visited for their annual inspection. [redacted] welfare officer visited us and arranged for a doctor to visit the children and talk to them about their mothers illness. Lester and I attended a talk on Children's Homes. The speaker was Mr Vogt, and we found it interesting and informative. I was asked to speak to the Springston Fire-side Group.

Cutings: All the children were placed for the school holidays. Six children went to Cass with an Interact Club, and had a good weekend. Lee sang in the music festival at the Town Hall. [redacted] have attended Cub and Scout Cutings.

Maintainance The fire alarm switches and bell were changed from electric to battery run.

[redacted] behaviour has been the cause of some concern at school and at home. We feel that with a change of family parents coming up, some consideration should be given to the possibility of her going to live with her father.

signed. A. J. Reed.

The meeting of the House Committee met at the Home on the 12th October. Those present being Mrs Davies, Blight, Black, Garfath, Surtles, Watson, Wilson, Thompson Reed, Corbett, and Sister Roma, and Miss Horrid.

Apologies were received from Mrs Newton & Mrs Matthews. Mrs Blight opened the meeting with a reading and prayer. A welcome was extended to Sister Roma and thanks to her for the way she has so willingly and efficiently carried on the running of the Home, in the absence of a Matron. Miss Horrid was welcomed back after her absence of sickness.

The minutes of the previous meeting was read and confirmed and the Matrons reports received.

Sister Roma mentioned the work done by Mr Ayers for the Home, also Mr R. L. Hepwood & S. Pakia, who had made ~~steps~~ kitchen steps for each of the family units and had assisted with the purchase of desks in (Kit. set) form at a very reasonable cost. The Secretary was asked to write him a letter of thanks.

The Committee approved the purchase of 6 mats for the family units in their kitchens.

Mrs Garfath and Mrs Black were thanked for taking charge of the Catering in connection with the collectors and helpers on Children's Homes Appeal Day. Members were very impressed with the new floor coverings in Miss Ed's Unit, and after inspection of other units, were all in favour of coverings being put in all the rooms. This would give more comfort and warmth and would reduce the hard work of keeping polished wooden floors clean.

The Secretary was asked to write to the Board asking for an urgent definition of the duties & responsibilities of the House Committee. Goods to the value of £55.60 were received, also 5 doz. Cordials and a large quantity of sweets. The next meeting is for the 3rd Nov. A welcome afternoon tea was served, and the meeting closed with the Benediction.

Rel. Sec. M. C. Corbett

6.11.72

SOUTH ISLAND METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME

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Report to House Committee 12th October, 1972.

There has been a continued demand for us to take in children. At the moment the families are

Miss Thomas 10
Miss Armstrong 10
Miss Eade 9
Miss Hore 15

and two boys sleeping in the downstairs office who I am looking after. Two more pre-schoolers come in this afternoon and will go into Miss Eade's family. I have had to turn away children in about five cases this term.

Staff. The staff have all co-operated very well this term and we are very fortunate in having these women. Miss Twort left us as she had been offered a position at the Mohepa Home in Nelson, and Miss Palmer, who was assistant matron at Chomondley has come to take her place. Miss Palmer, I feel will be an asset on the staff. The Executive told me I could take on an additional staff to cover the duties usually performed by Miss Melrose and do help with duties in the Middle. Miss Fraser, who is not gifted with the children was transferred to this new task, and Miss Russ, a 21 year old girl from Nelson was taken on to help Miss More in the Reception unit. I'm not sure what we will do with Miss Fraser when Mr & Mrs Reed take up their duties! Miss Hopwood has given notice and will leave this Friday. I will have the cooking duties partly covered by Beth Whittle and also Miss Twort, who arrived back here within a fortnight asking if she could have a job.

Master and Matron's Flat. I would be pleased if the Committee would have a look at the flat before the Reed's come. Curtains need to be bought for the kitchen, and perhaps after discussion with the Reeds the committee could decide if any further furniture etc is needed there.

Family Units. After receiving a generous donation from a Country and Western Club, we were given permission to buy floor coverings for Miss Eade's lounge and dining room. I would be pleased for you to see these. They were laid today. I am still very anxious that there are no floor coverings on so many of the children's rooms. To start with I don't think it looks good enough, and secondly as things are the staff are having

to work too long and too hard to keep things to a good standard. I would also like you to see these rooms that I refer to.

The staff would like mats in their kitchens by the sinks and bench. They have seen what they would like at Smiths. The larger mats are about \$7 and the smaller about \$5 (passed)

In one Unit the kitchen chairs are showing wear, being torn on back and the seat. In other units some of the lounge chairs are showing wear.

I bought a new steam iron and a mattress for Miss Fraser's bed after discussion with Mrs Blight.

I hope that this committee will help us press for more adequate heating upstairs, so that we can be sure next winter will be more comfortable than the past.

Outings. Nine of the older children went to the Mountains with young people from the High School Interact club. On Sunday 23 children will be going to the country, at the invitation of another group. Children will all be going away for Labour Weekend, and I have told the staff that they can all have the weekend off.

Two boys broke their arms in different incidents. [REDACTED] is still under the Doctor regarding her fainting turns. [REDACTED] have an appointment at the GU Clinic for undescended testicles.

Produce Eggs from Horrelville and Willowby Churches have been very acceptable as we are now buying all our eggs. A considerable amount of other produce has also been sent in.

Women's Groups Two groups from MWF's have been here this term, one to do sewing, and I have spoken to two groups.

CHILD WELFARE inspection was conducted on 3rd October. I think this was satisfactory. This Dept is very co-operative and considerate.

Visitors I have had requests from two groups of people to have accommodation here over the Christmas break. One is a family group who will be attending the Fraser/West Wedding at Papanui Church - this will be for up to a fortnight. The other is a family of four for two nights. In the middle of January Deaconesses may ask for a bed for one night on their way to the Consultation on Service.

Sausages 4.00
Eggs 36.50
Bananas 4.00
Gum 11.10
Total \$55.60

Number on Roll at the moment 54. in Home

Since last meeting four children who were here for temporary placements have left and nine children from three families have been admitted because of mothers illness.

[redacted] a State Ward, has also been admitted on a longer term basis.

Health The health of the children has been good. Unfortunately [redacted] was admitted to Hospital for appendicitis on Monday morning but she is progressing satisfactorily. [redacted] has been for an XRay as she has had repeated chest colds.

Staff The staff have remained the same, and have given good service. Beth Whittle did not continue helping in the kitchen, but Lucille Twort who is working part time in our kitchen and part time at Fairhaven is prepared to take on the cooking full time if she is asked.

Gifts. The most out standing gift has been the covering of Miss Thomas's lounge/dining room. This room, like Miss Eade's is now looking very attractive. \$114 has been given for carpet squares for Miss Hore's and Miss Armstrong's families, and a promise of up to \$60 more should cover the cost of these. Another gift has been the rocker and the trolley which three families at Bishopdale bought with money they raised on a stall.

Visits. A visit from Mr Tan, a Methodist and Lawyer from Singapore and the Secretary of Foreign Affairs assistant, was very interesting. The children attended the Magician's Concert at the end of October. The Papanui Young People organised Fire Works on 6th Nov.

St Davitt's ladies came to do mending.

Mattresses Some of our mattresses need recovering, and I feel these should be attended to immediately. Also, some of the kitchen chairs need attention and of course the lounge suits.

The Staff are very interested in supporting a money raising concern if the House Committee decided to organise one. For the interest of the Committee I asked the representative from Rees's to give a quote for covering the upstairs rooms (those with only wooden floors).

Two different types of covering	Armstrong end	642	589
	Miss Thomas & Eade end	1884	1698

This carpet is rubber backed and would be glued down, and the price quote includes laying of carpet, but not sanding of floor.

1972

minutes of House Committee - met at childrens Home 8th November, 1972 at 2pm.
Present Mesdames Black, Blyth, Kenfalk, Watson, Nelson, Newton, Thomson, Kirk, Miss Daniels, Sister Rosa.
Apologies were received from Mrs ~~Black~~ Matthews & Sisters, Corbett
Minutes of the previous meeting were read & confirmed.

Reports from Bannington St & Hanwood Road Homes were read.

It was moved that the motion be given permission to recover mattresses in the Home

Mention was made of blankets for sale at Mosby House. Motion was to ascertain the needs at the Home & contact Mosby House if necessary.

Chairs in the Family Home will need recovering shortly. It was moved that the Committee look into this next year.

Lamp shades had been bought for the Family Home & disks are being fitted. Also the roof is being painted.

Gifts Letters of \$34 from Hanwood Rd & \$7-45 from Bannington St have been received.

Correspondence a letter from the Board was received.

- ① House Committee are asked to nominate 2 reps. for the Board.
- ② The Executive is to look into the role of the House Committee.
- ③ House Committee to draw up a list of furnishings needed & report Reps to Board Mrs Black & Newby.

Family Home Report

8-11-7.

I am pleased to report that Mr Mangles has been here this afternoon to look at the heating, and will be making a report to the Board.

We are looking forward to Mr * Mrs Reed taking up their appointment here, and wish them God's blessing.

Rona Collins

Health - has been good.

Outings - Children attended the magicians show. Three children were invited out for Labour weekend, we took the others camping at Coe's Ford.

The children are all going out for Show weekend and are looking forward to having new 'parents' on Sunday.

signed: A. J. Reed.

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men elected as members for the Board

Matron & Deputy Matron to bring list of furnishings to next meeting.

A letter from Sister Elizabeth Allan was read extending thanks to ladies who served tea at the Appeal. Mrs Newton to extend our thanks to Sister Elizabeth Allan.

Lain It was moved that the House Committee organise a Luncheon on the 1st Saturday in April '73. Mrs Blyth to draw up a suitable circular to be sent to MWFs asking for their support.

Mrs Thomson to cyclostyle same, post.

Proceeds from Lain to go towards floor coverings and other furnishings.

After afternoon tea members inspected Miss Thomas' new room with carpet & vinyl.

Meeting closed with prayer.

Miss Blyth.
14.2.73.

House Committee Report. 14th. Feb. 1973.

We commenced duties on 12th. Nov. last, and wish Robert & Cheryl all the best in their new position at the Family Home.

Admissions.

Demissions.

With the [redacted] family now home with their father we have moved home.

Family unit numbers:	Thomas:	11
	Eade:	10
	Hore:	15
	Armstrong:	9
	Family Home:	7
	Fostered:	11
	Total in Care:	63

Staff. Miss Palmer left our employment at Christmas, we were sorry to lose her. Other staff have changed duties & at present Miss Fraser is assistant in the receiving unit, Miss Twort is reliever & Miss Fuss is cook. Miss Broad, a teacher doing a post graduate course is doing weekend & evening relieving in Miss Armstrong's family.

Health. Hospital: [redacted]
cardiac tests.

Tests: [redacted]

Doctor: [redacted]

Dentist: [redacted] teeth x-rayed after being hit in mouth. [redacted] was indecently assaulted, this was reported to the police & a court case followed.

Gifts. Three children held a stall & raised 14 dollars which we spent on pictures for the children. Other gifts included fruit, cordial & clothing for which we are grateful.

Visits. Two Sisters from Nazereth House came to see how we had altered our home into family units. Two groups of dental nurses also came to look through the Home. A Guide pack came one afternoon to play with

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Mrs. Blight presided and opened the meeting with Prayer.

Mrs. Reed was welcomed as Matron of the Home and Mrs. Brown as Matron of the Barrington Home.

Mrs. Mackhouse was welcomed as a new Committee member. Other members present were Mesdames. Newton, Thompson, Zapp, Justices Corbett & Miss Hornell. Apologies were received from Mrs. Black, Mrs. [redacted] & Mrs. [redacted].

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M. C. Corbett

14.3.73

the children. St. Marks ladies came to do marking.

Outings. Children went to Hay's procession - arranged by Rotary, the Waimari school picnic & the Christmas party on the Rangitara.

Holidays: All the children ~~were~~ were placed for the holiday period. [redacted] died during the holidays, [redacted] accepted the news quietly.

During the holidays we had a number of people stay in the home. These people gave us donations amounting to 134 dollars which with other donations will enable us to put lino on the playroom floor in Miss Armstrongs unit.

Nine mattresses were repaired or recovered during the holidays. Mr. Reed painted Miss Thomas' dining room walls up to the dado & lockers in two units. Kitchen chairs replaced as necessary

Miss Hore & Miss ~~Edie~~ Armstrong have new carpet squares for their sitting rooms, the money for these coming from donations.

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14.3.73

HEALTH

1. [redacted] taken to Doctor in Dec. for flea bites. Doctor discovered an undescended testicle. Father has been notified and Doctor advises an operation in Wanganui.
2. [redacted] taken to the Doctor at the same time with ear trouble. Penicillin cleared up the infection.
3. [redacted] taken to Doctor in holidays by Mrs. Bottomley. Stomach bug soon cleared up.
4. [redacted] also lost glasses in December. New pair obtained before the holidays.
5. [redacted] has note from school advising corrective treatment for teeth from a qualified dentist. Will attend to this.

OUTINGS

[redacted] see mother on the first and third Saturday in the month. The other children go to regular outings people at the same time. The new children see their fathers on these days.

Other

1. Guide Camp - Halswell in December. [redacted]
2. Mrs. Thian - second weekend in December. [redacted]
3. School trip first week in December to Moana - [redacted]

Christmas Parties.

1. Cub Breakup - [redacted]
2. Scout Breakup - [redacted]
3. Guide Breakup - [redacted]
4. Brownie Breakup - [redacted]
5. Rangatira Party - early December. All the children went and received gifts.
6. Home party at Barrington St. Mrs. Wright and Mrs Doel invited but only Mrs Doel able to come.

School Evenings.

1. Mannequin parade at South P.T.A. Kim modelled skirt and blouse she made. I attended.
2. [redacted] attended Father and Son evening at South.
3. [redacted] received traffic certificate at School Prize Giving. We were unable to attend.

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14.5.73

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS.

The [redacted] children went home to their father.
The [redacted] children -

1. [redacted]
2. [redacted]
3. [redacted]

GIFTS

1. Hoon Hay working Men's Club - toys for the children.
2. St. James's Sunday School - toys and books.
3. Dunsandel School - \$20 for sports gear
4. Anonymous - \$5
5. Mrs. Moyle and Mrs. Douglas (Welfare) Books for [redacted] children.
6. Anonymous tin of biscuits and chocolate for children.
7. Mr. and Mrs. Baird - money for children at Christmas.
8. Houghton Hughes Ltd. - records for the home
9. Clothes for children from Mrs. Roberts, Mrs. Overton, Mrs. Carran, Mrs. Mitchell.
- 10 two large dolls from Mrs. Thian for [redacted]

MAINTENANCE

1. Desks have not been fitted, children too young for them at the moment.
2. Dishmaster ring and wastemaster guard fitted.
3. Roof not painted yet.

other things needing attention.

1. Dining and living room chairs are wearing and will need recovering.
2. Drive is deteriorating rapidly.
3. Plaster is cracking in bedrooms etc. Paintwork poor.
4. Garage doors have dropped.
5. Lugs at the top of swings have worn and need replacing.
6. Some tools are needed eg. edge clippers, hoses, handfork.

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14.3.75

NEW CHILDREN

The children are slowly settling in. They are testing the bounds of authority at the moment especially the [redacted] boys. Seems that the older the children are when they come the harder it is for them to change to a new routine. [redacted] boys are a completely different type of child to the rest and may not settle in well.

[redacted] has run away twice in the time he has been here.

1. The first time was the day before school started. Robert found him in Sydenham and brought him home.
2. The second time was the first day Mrs. Wright was here and he became lost in town. He finally contacted the police and they brought him home. In the meantime we had come home and tried to trace him via relations and the police.

SCHOOL

1972 Reports. Not good. [redacted] the only one working to capacity - all the rest have room for improvement and the marks mainly below average.

[redacted] enrolled at South this year. [redacted] children enrolled at Somerfield school.

6.4m Brown.

The House Committee met at the House on the 14th Feb.

Mrs. Blight presided and opened the meeting with Prayer.

Mrs. Reed was welcomed as Matron of the House and Mrs. Brown as Matron of the Barrington Home.

Mrs. Mackhouse was welcomed as a new Committee member. Other members present were Mesdames. Newton, Thompson, Hayler, Justice, Corbett, Miss Horrell. Apologies were received from Mrs. Black, Mervin + Watson.

Reports were read by the Matrons both very well set out and interesting and copy's given to the Secretary for the Minute Book.

A letter was received from the Chairman of the Board in connection with the nomination of (2) Members to the Board in November. After discussion, it was agreed that a reply be sent, stating that we wished the nominations to remain as it is, until the end of the year when younger members would have more experience ^{on} the House Committee and the running of the Home and would be available for nomination to the Board next year.

New names of some younger women who might be interested in the Home and be active on the Committee were given and these women were to be approached for that purpose.

Mrs. Reed and Sister Pava were appointed Joint-Conveners for the Fair, and to appoint helpers for the various stalls etc. Committee Members offered help as needed.

Mrs. Reed asked for the replacement of the Hall carpet which is very worn in places. A letter to the Board recommending this was asked to be sent. Other floor carpets are needed in Miss Cole's and Miss Armstrong's rooms.

Some chairs need recovering in both Homes. Gifts have been given. To Harewood £39.50 in value for fruit jam and some very generous gifts were given for Barrington H.

At Mrs. Reed's suggestion, it was decided to write to the Board recommending that consideration be given to offering accommodation for the Common Wk. Lunches in Jan 1974. This would bring in extra money for the Home.

It was decided that future meetings start at 1.30. to allow for earlier finish. A welcome afternoon tea was served and the meeting closed with the benediction.

M. C. Corbett

L. Blight
14.3.75

Report to House Committee 14 th. March, 1973.

Admissions: [REDACTED]

Demissions: [REDACTED]

Family Unit Numbers:	Thomas:	11
	Eade:	10
	Hore:	15
	Armstrong:	9
	Family Home:	7
	Posterred:	12
	Total:	66

Health: [REDACTED] attended Cardiac clinic & had a cardiac catheter then was seen by the cardiac committee. She has a condition called Primary pulmonary hypertension for which there is no known treatment or cure. We notified her father & her guardians & she is now living with her aunt & uncle in Timaru.

[REDACTED] was treated for boils on his knee & also for the effects of a golf ball exploding in his eyes.

[REDACTED] had an ear infection.

[REDACTED] check up, tubes in his ears.

Two children had mumps.

[REDACTED] was knocked off his bike, bruising only.

Staff: Miss Eade is leaving in the May school holidays to be married. She has been on the staff for 8 years & we are sorry to be losing her. Miss Broad who does weekend relieving is away on section for a month. Miss Twort, our reliever also is leaving by the May holidays.

Staff Training: Miss Thomas has enrolled for a house mothers course run by the Social Welfare, she is awaiting acceptance.

Miss Puss (our cook) & I attended a meeting of Food Services which is run by people interested in ~~the~~ catering for institutions. ~~xx~~ I have been accepted for a course of house keeping in institutions during ~~the~~ the May school holidays.

Gifts: Harvest Festival gifts from six churches have been gratefully received. Mrs. Hay donated 4 trikes to the kindergarten. Three cub jerseys were given by the Waimairi cub pack. Various other gifts of goods have also been donated.

Visits: Mr. Alcorn came to morning tea with the staff.

Rev. & Mrs. Widdup had tea with Miss Armstrongs & Miss Hores families. Father Cahill came to look at our Home arrangement. Robert Corson, an old boy of the home has been staying for a few weeks, while awaiting a vacancy at the Y.M.C.A.

Maintenance: Miss Armstrongs playroom floor has been covered with vinyl & we are waiting for the carpet square. Both were brought ~~xx~~ with money from people who stayed during the christmas holidays.

The House Committee met at the Home on the 14th March at 1.30 pm. Mrs Blight presided and took the opening devotions.

Apologies were received from Mrs Black, & Mrs Blackhouse. Those present were Madamnes Blight, Reed, Brown, Watson, Nelson Thompson, Newton, Nurtees, Corbett, Read and Miss Horrell.

Mrs. Read was welcomed as a new member and Mrs Nikoniko has been asked and will be willing to join the Committee.

A Report was given by the Matron (Mrs. Reed) on the arrangements being made for the Fair. Mrs Wally Clark will be willing to make the official opening at 1.30 pm.

The Matrons reports were received. A total of 66 children being cared for in the Homes and Foster Homes.

We were sorry to hear that Miss Eade would be leaving soon, after being 8 years on the Staff.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read & confirmed. A letter from the Sec of the Board was read, asking for the name of a representative, to act in place of the Convenor of the House Committee, or the executive of the Board.

Mrs Newton was appointed and agreed to attend the next meeting on the 21st March.

The new Secretary to the House Committee was appointed. Mrs Blight nominated Mrs Nurtees and this was seconded by Miss Horrell and carried.

Mrs LaFath was appointed Vice-Chairwoman to the House Committee.

Gifts of fruit, jam & groceries given to the Home amounted to \$72.73

The meeting was closed with the Benediction. Afternoon tea was served by the Matron and then Members visited the ~~playroom~~ Miss Armstrongs playroom, to see the renovations made with new floor coverings, also paint-work to lower walls and cupboards done by Mr. Reed. The next meeting will be at Barrington St.

A. C. Corbett

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HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT - BARRINGTON ST.

Health. Nothing to report.

Outings. As before.

The [redacted] children visited Mr. & Mrs. Overton one Sunday in February.

Gifts.

- 1. Mrs. Waters - clothes.
- 2. St. Mark's Church - Harvest Festival produce.

Maintenance.

Dining and Lounge Chairs need recovering.

School.

- 1. I went to the PTA meeting at South Intermediate on general school running.
- 2. I went to the PTA meeting at Somerfield. A film was shown on Speech and talk given.
- 3. In early March I saw the Headmaster of Somerfield School on the progress of the children [redacted] have had psychological tests.

Health.

- 1. [redacted] knocked off her bicycle by a car. Taken to Casualty and treated for bruises and scatches. [redacted] had one day home and was then able to go back to school.
- 2. [redacted] had a day off school with a stomach upset.

Lester has painted the walls of this room up to the dado & it now looks quite attractive.
 Miss Eade has been using her own electric jug for the last two years, I would suggest we keep it & buy her a new one when she leaves.
 Miss Thomas' iron can not be repaired- suggest a new one for the laundry.
 We have brought a reconditioned washing machine for the laundry.

The showers are now working.
 Fair: A sub committee has been formed & have held 2 meetings.
 Further notices have been sent to Fellowships. Replies are coming in.
 The Mayor is unable to open the fair but we are hoping the deputy mayor will be able to do so.
 We are hoping the house committee will help prepare the afternoon with Miss Hore's assistance.
 [redacted] AS well as the various stalls we are having a hangi prepared by the boys.
 Other attractions arranged are a dolls show, a noddy train & a pipe band, & dooby dog.

Following an article in the News Advertiser about the cost of painting the Home & that we are holding a fair, a donation of \$400.00 was given for heaters in the upstairs bedrooms.

Two of our children have been tested for placing in the special class at school & another girl is to be tested next week.
Two have to go into special class
Mr. Moley black will open the fair.

REPORT TO HOUSE COMMITTEE? 11th. APRIL. 1973.

ADMISSIONS:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] were transferred back from the Family Home.

DEMISSIONS:

[REDACTED]

Family Unit Numbers: Miss Thomas: 10
Miss Eade: 10
Miss Hore: 17
Miss Armstrong: 10
Family Home: 7
Fostered: 13
67

HEALTH:

[REDACTED] dentist, chipped tooth.
[REDACTED] hospital, broken arm.
[REDACTED] doctor, ~~xxxx~~ scabies
A number of children have had boils.

STAFF: Miss Twort ceased duties on March 31st.

Miss Russ finished today & is going to Martin to work in a Childrens home.
Miss Sanders, a trained school teacher has started as releiver.
We have 5 people doing voluntary work: Mrs. Chinn, Mrs. Smith & Mr. Clarkson who help in the Kindy, & Miss Shrigly & Mr. Pringle who help in the receiving unit on Sunday afternoons.
Miss Russ had time off when she cut her hand on the slicer, requiring 8 stitches, & when she had the 'flu.
Mrs Reid & Miss Armstrong had time off with tonsillitis.

STAFF TRAINING: Miss Thomas has been accepted for the House Mothers course at Kohitere.

Lester & I are attending a course on Eounselling run by the University department of Extension Studies.

EDUCATION: [REDACTED] has been tested for special class & Mrs Clemence visited the home to discuss her behavior.

GIFTS: Harvest festival gifts from 12 churches have been gratefully received. A further \$189 was given by Mrs. Washington for heating.

VISITS: [REDACTED] family had tea with Miss Eade's family.

TALKS: Sister Rona & I spoke to the Ficcarton Coffee Club, & I sooke to the Opawa evening group & a class at Casebrook Intermediate who raised 20 dollars for a treat for the children. We attended & Lester spoke at harvest services at Methven & Ashburton.

MAINTAINANCE: I bought an iron which is being used in Miss Thomas' unit.

OUTINGS: The Home picnic was held at Mr Lee's farm & we all had a very en enjoyable time there.

[REDACTED] had to attend court as a witness, the case was remanded for a month.

Fair - cleaned one 9000

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT 11th April 1973

Admissions and Transfers.

1. [redacted] transferred back to Harewood Rd Home.
2. [redacted] admitted.

Outings.

1. Five of the children were taken to Wainui for the weekend beginning 23rd March. We stayed in Mr. J. Walters bach.
2. The children were taken to see Oliver on Sat. 24th March (charity performance by ChCh Operatic Society)
3. [redacted] were taken out by Mr. Hill (Headmaster Wainoni Primary) on March 31st and by their mother Mrs. Hepburn on Sun. April 8th.
4. [redacted] and [redacted] were taken to Ferrymead by Mrs. Fitzgerald on Sun. 1st April.
5. Other parents visiting as usual.

Health

Fair - usual colds etc.

[redacted] had asthma attack after visiting mother.

Maintenance.

1. Chairs need attention.
2. Two blue bedspreads will need replacing in the near future.

School.

I attended PTA meeting at South and saw [redacted] teacher.

Gifts.

Harvest Festival Gifts from St John's Addington.

Summary of Gifts to date from Harvest Festivals.

Quart preserves	18 jars	40¢	= \$7.20
Jam (Pound jars)	31 jars	20¢	= 6.20
Small tins fruit	3	20¢	.60
Eggs	2½ doz	50¢	1.25
Large Kornies	1	(37c)	
2 lb Creamota	1	(54c)	
Jellies	5	(11c each)	55

The House Committee met at the Barrington St. Home on the 11th April at 1:30pm. Mrs. Blight presided. Took the opening devotions.

Apologies were received from Mrs. Metson & Mrs. Hanson.

Present Madam Blight, Reed, Brown, Garfath, Lenta, Corbett, Shaktouse, Black, Litouito, Metson, Surber & Miss Norrell. A welcome was given to a new member Mrs. Kelly from Bayly, also to Mrs. Litouito from Apurui.

The minutes of the previous Mtg were read & confirmed.

Reports were given by both matrons Mrs. Reed & Mrs. Brown.

Thank you notes to Mrs. Corbett for her work as relieving secretary for twelve weeks, was expressed.

Mrs. R. Hanson has had a car accident & is now recovering. A letter of cheer was decided on. Mrs. Reed is to buy a new electric jug for Mrs. Cade, her old one which has been used by the home, to remain in the home.

A Rotary club is giving a T.V. set in place of Mrs. Cade's which she has been using in the home.

It was decided that Mrs. Reed & Mrs. Brown, house wifes, compile a list of necessary equipment for each home & home unit.

It was decided a sewing machine is necessary for Barrington St. Home & also several chairs are badly in need of recovering. The

Board is to be approached on lease matters.

Reminder to the Board about the renewing of the petitule carpet. This is considered dangerous in its present condition with so many down ways opening off it. Parts of the old carpet are suitable for using elsewhere.

A letter of concern to the Board drawing their attention to the difficulty of recruiting new staff with the present low wages.

Mrs. Garph moved, seconded by Mrs. Linton. That remains under consideration. Should be given to the Board in the updating of wages. It is hard to attract the right kind of staff with such low wages.

Special Thanks to Mrs. Reed - Sister Rena for their help in planning & organizing the Fair held on Sat. 7/2 April, which was so successful & resulted in \$1100 being raised.

Letters of Thanks to go to the Jellards from the Fair Committee.

Mrs. Blight sent a letter of appreciation to the staff members on the clean & tidy condition of the room on Fair Day.

A letter of thanks also to be sent to Mr. Reed & Mr. Fraser for their part in making the fair such a success.

Several quotes from carpet firms have been received for the laying

of carpets in the upstairs bedrooms. Mrs. Linton moved that Mrs. Reed & Sister Rena & the family make have power to select & buy the carpets. seconded by Mrs. Garph. Heating \$589 is in hand towards heaters for bedrooms & halls.

Board is having the wiring fixed for these heaters.

Gifts ^{totaling} \$190.40 for Honeysuckle. \$18.70 for Barrington St. have been received.

The next meeting is to be held on June 13/2 at 1:30pm at Honeysuckle Rd. Refreshments were served by Mrs.

Blight thanked Mrs. Brown for her hospitality. The Benediction brought the meeting to an end.

R. Justice.

Bligh
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The Home Committee met at the Home

on 13th June at 1.30 pm.

Mrs. Blight presided. Took the opening devotion
Apologies were received from Mrs. Linton,
Tomson, & Bent.

Present Mesdames, Blight, Consett, Reed, Brown,
Black, Metcalf, Gifford Kelly, Metcalf, Reed,
Swales & Miss Stowell

The minutes of the previous meeting
were read & confirmed.

Reports were given by both matrons.

The matrons had compiled a
list of equipment necessary & Mrs.
Reed was authorized to buy some
things out of petty cash.

It was agreed that Mrs. Brown buy a
pyrex dish suitable for her needs.
& Mrs. Reed to purchase stainless steel
bowl for Mrs. Brown.

Mrs. Black moved, seconded by Mrs. Gifford
that new pillows for bed Lones be
purchased.

It was suggested that Home Committee
members could help during meetings
by mending or making children's
clothing.

Heaters are installed in the
upstairs halls & are working satis-
factorily.

Gifts of food detailed for Homewood

Home: + \$135.55

and Brompton st. \$4.

Mrs. Reed served afternoon tea. ~~to~~ and
the Benediction brought the mtg. to a close
next meeting - 11th July

B. Swales.

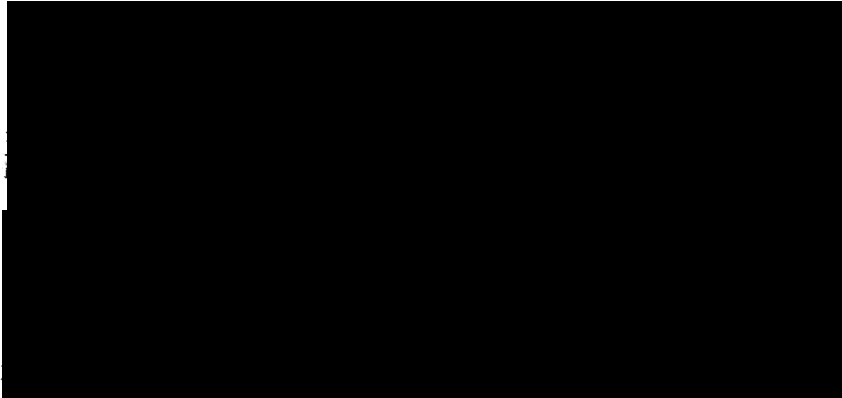
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House Committee Report, 13th. June 1973.

admissions.



Demissions.

Family Unit Numbers.	Miss Thomss:	10
	Miss Sanders:	9
	Miss Hore:	9
	Miss Fraser:	5
	Miss Armstrong:	10
	Family Home:	7
	Fostered:	12
	Extras:	3
	Total:	65

Health. [redacted] hospital, broken arm.
[redacted] hospital, check on arm.
[redacted] Doctor, infected exema.

A number of children have had infected sores but these have healed now.

Staff. Miss Eade left the Home on May 9th.
Miss Sanders has taken the position of family mother in place of Miss Eade.
Miss Jenkin has started as reliever as is coping well.
Miss Mulholland is working in the kitchen as cook.
Mrs. Chamberlain is working in the laundry & helping with weekend relieving.
Mrs. Anderson is off for a month as her daughter is in hospital, & there is the family to be cared for.

[redacted] Family. The situation in the receiving unit has been causing concern for some time. Having two staff members working together has caused

friction between the staff & tension between the children.

This term, on a trial basis only we have divided the children between the two staff. The office meant for Sister Rona's use, which has been used as a sleeping room for Kindy children is now the dining - living room for the smaller family. So far there have been no great difficulties.

Staff Training. Miss Thomas found her course interesting & helpful. She is going to talk to the staff about what she learned there, next week. I, too learned a lot from the course in Dunedin & will be talking to the staff on thursday morning.
Mr. Andrew Hornblow will be giving 4 lectures to the staff during July.

Education. [redacted] attended the Child Health Clinic, no treatment.

Gifts. Papanui Rotary Club gave us a new T.V. which is in Miss Sanders unit. Christchurch Jaycees gave us a quantity of sports equipment. An anonymous donation of £ 32 given for the children will be used to equip a workshop. We have been given many other gifts of foodstuffs & new & used clothing. A carpet was given for Miss Sanders playroom. A T.V brought from gift money for Miss Hores unit

Carpet. Mr Moore is to get samples from Marlin for us, We are unable to ~~Heater~~ buy carpet direct from the factory.

Heaters. The heaters have been installed by [redacted], an old boy of the Home for the cost of materials, he has also fitted clocks so the heaters switch on & off automatically.

Visits. The [redacted] family visited two families for tea.

Holidays. All children were placed for Easter & May holidays - Some went home for Queens Birthday.

BARRINGTON STREET HOME REPORT

OUTINGS:

The [redacted] children visit their mothers twice a month and the [redacted] children visit their father twice a month as arranged. All the children were placed for the Easter and May holidays but stayed home over Queen's Birthday.

Miss MacDonald Welfare Officer for the [redacted] children called Wednesday 8th June and again Tuesday 12th June
Miss Greenwood Welfare Officer for the [redacted] boys rang after their case was remanded for a further fortnight.

Health.

[redacted] was taken to Dr. Carson to remove stitches from a gash in her knee received at Easter. Doctor was consulted about bedwetting. Tests made and [redacted] is now undergoing treatment.
[redacted] was taken to the Hospital Dental Dept. on 25th May and is to go again on 15th June for examination to see about orthodontic treatment.
[redacted] were taken to Dr. Carson on 24th May. Boils confirmed. These were treated and have now gone.
Two of the children had a stomach bug the first week after the holidays.

MAINTENANCE

two bedspreads were replaced.
Approval was given at the last meeting for chairs to be recovered.

GIFTS

4 cases of small apples from Mrs. Holt.
1 carton of clothes from Reefton Church.

School

Attended some of the PTA meetings.
Saw Headmaster Somerfield - Joe Meynell making progress.
Saw Mrs. Nurse Psychological Dept.

[redacted] went on school trip to Westcoast 6-8th June

Equipment supplied.

Hard furniture including bed and chest of drawers for Master and Matrons bedroom. Linen and blankets.
Kitchen equipment including - Freezer, Fridge, Dishmaster, Stove and Food mixer.
Laundry - Washing machine, iron, roller iron and dryer.
Shed - hose & connections, fork shovel spade, edge clippers, edge cutters, window washer.
Outside swings.

Equipment needed.

Kitchen - Fyrex casserole or similar dish suitable for puddings.
Medium sized mixing bowls preferably stainless steel
Tea towels.
Laundry - Ironing board.

Other - TV?
Small radio.
Sewing Machine.

pillows

The House Committee met at the Home

on 11th July at 1.30pm.

Mrs. Blight presided, took the opening devotions.

Apologies were received from Mr. Watson & Mr. Sturkhouse.

Present: Mesdames, Blight, Reed, Green, Black, Hewton, Gorfel, Hitchcock, Nelson, Thomas, Kelly, Read, Corbett, Squires & Miss Howell.

The meeting minutes of the previous meeting were read & confirmed.

Reports were given by both nations.

The Board has ~~recommended~~ ^{agreed} the recovering of chairs and Mrs. Reed will get suitable quotes for his work & go ahead with it. The ladies inspected all the chairs in the Home and felt that many were not fit to be recovered, or that some would not be worth the expense of recovering. Advice will be sought so that chairs will need replacing rather than recovering. Mr. Squires moved seconded by Mr. Gorfel, that this advice be obtained at the same time as quotes for recovering suitable chairs, and at a later date he will seek approval from the Board as to replacing the old chairs with new suitable ones.

Mrs. J. Reed has been organizing suitable equipment for horse makers, obtained from Central Mission supplies.

The Board has agreed to quotes being called for recovering of suitable carpet. Mr. Nelson moved, seconded by Mr. Black to do this.

Gifts of food totalled \$31.91 for the Home.

Afternoon tea & the Benediction closed the meeting.

next week 8th Aug.

By Squires. With Blight.

House Committee Report, 11th. July 1973.

Admissions.

Demissions.

Family Unit Numbers.	Miss Thomas.	10
	Miss Sanders.	9
	Miss Hore.	10
	Miss Fraser.	7
	Miss Armstrong.	10
	Family Home.	7
	Total . Fostered.	<u>12</u>
	Total in Care.	65

Health. [redacted] doctor, mumps.
[redacted] doctor, & specialist, ear infection.
[redacted] doctor, ear infection.
[redacted] hospital, twisted knee.
[redacted] orthoptic clinic.

Staff. Mrs. Anderson is back at work in the laundry.
Miss Jenkin sprained her ankle in a fall, is still working.
Mrs Toni Feid has been off with an ear infection.
Mrs Smith has been working in the kindy this week.

Staff Training. Miss Thomas & myself have talked to the staff about our course.
Mr. Andrew Hornblow has started a series of four lectures on child development.
School Reports have come home with varying degrees of ability & achievement.

Outings. For the mid-term break we all had a picnic at Coes Ford.

Visitors. Six girls from Girls High & three girls from Fangi Furu came to see the Home.
Six pupils from Cottesmore College came & cleaned the kindy room.
Mr Hassledine came to discuss wages.

Maintenance. We have our new rubber chip pillows at a cost of £ 45.00
I purchased stainless steel bowls for the Family Home.
Multi-striped carpet has been ordered for the bedrooms, the board is paying the extra \$ 1000. subject to them getting the proceeds of our next fair.

BARRINGTON STREET HOME REPORT JULY 1973.

OUTINGS.

Children all going out on the first Saturday of the month. [redacted] visiting on a Sunday. Children also going out on the last Sunday in the month for lunch and tea. Taken out by families from St Mark's Church.
Children joined in an outing to Coe's Ford with the children from Harewood Rd on the Monday of Mid term Break.

[redacted] stayed with their Grandparents during mid-term break.

Health.

[redacted] had examination with the Hospital Dentist. Treatment costing \$100 recommended
Recommendation has been given to the Welfare Dept who will probably approve it.
[redacted] still undergoing treatment for bedwetting.

MAINTENANCE

Bowls received and Pyrex Casserole bought.
Pillows replaced in childrens rooms.
Some sports equipment supplied from Harewood Rd.

GIFTS.

Transistor Radio has been promised for the home.

SCHOOL

Mid-year reports received and visits to the teachers have been arranged.

VISITS

Mr. McKeggs visited the Home early in July and had a look at the Garden.

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT? 8th. AUGUST 1973.

Admissions. [REDACTED]

Demissions. [REDACTED]

Family Unit Numbers.

Miss Thomas.	10
Miss Sanders.	10
Miss Hore,	10
Miss Jenkin.	7
Miss Armstrong.	10
Family Home.	7
Fostered.	17
Total in care.	71

Health. [REDACTED] hospital, 3 stitches in head.
[REDACTED] specialist, ear infection.
[REDACTED] outpatients, hearing test.

Staff. Mrs Reid left after two years in the kindy.
Miss Fraser left also after two years, for health reasons.

Staff Training. Miss Sanders, Miss Armstrong, Miss Jenkin are attending a course on Child Development at the Technical Training Institute, during there off duty hours this week.

Visits. A group of C.C.D. children visited the home with small gifts.
The Upper Riccarton Coffee Club visited with gifts of clothing, biscuits & oven cloths.

Talks. Sister Fona spoke to the Beckenham M.W.F. & the Halswell evening M.W.F. group.

Outings. [REDACTED] familys went to Porters Pass.

Gifts. We have received gifts of some furniture & household equipment from Sister May Barnett who worked in the Home many years ago.
Other gifts include 3 cases of grapefruit, clothing, cushions, dollsies books & toys.

Maintainance. The carpet has been laid in the bedrooms.
The cost of recovering armchairs is approx. £ 25.00 each, new arm-chairs cost £30.00 each.
Nearly all the downstairs ceilings have been washed for s ring cleaning

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT BARRINGTON ST.

OUTINGS: As usual

HEALTH: [REDACTED] broke his right arm on July 20th. Treated at Casualty.

MAINTENANCE: Some crockery will need replacement in the near future.
A new measuring jug is needed.
The vacuum cleaner is being checked. This may be more economical to replace.

GIFFTS: 2 crates of grapefruit from the North Is. Rotary Clubs.
2 cartons of clothes from Reefton MWF
5 doz. plain glasses from Crown Crystal Glass .

[REDACTED] came with me to accept this gift and we were shown around part of the factory)

SCHOOL: WE visited the teachers at Somerfield early in July. The children have made some progress but all are behind the class average.

L. M. Brown.

Minutes of House Committee Meeting, 8th. August 1973.

Opening was taken by Mrs. Garfath who read some extracts from Patience Strong & H.L.G. & also lead the meeting in prayer.

Present were Mesdames Blight, Watson, Metson, Garfath, Black, Nihonino, Thomson, Brown & Feed.

Apologies were received from Mesdames Reid, Surttees, Newton, Corbet, Stackhouse, Kelly & Miss Horrell.

Both Matrons read their reports which are attached, the minutes of the previous meeting were not read because of the absence of the secretary.

Business. The quote for the replacement of the front hall carpet with a different felt was £320.

Mrs. Watson moved, Mrs Black seconded a motion that Mrs. Feed & one other buy enough new chairs for one unit.

Kitchen china at the family home is to be replaced from stock at Harewood road as necessary.

Members threaded up bags for the childrens homes appeal during the meeting & inspected the carpet in the upstairs hall & bedrooms before closing the meeting & having afternoon tea.

E. Blight.
12.9.73

House Committee Report, 12th. Sept. 1973.

Admissions. [REDACTED]

Demissions. [REDACTED]

Family Unit Members.	Miss Thomas.	10
	Miss Sanders.	8
	Miss Hore.	10
	Miss Knudson.	7
	Miss Armstrong.	11
	Family Home.	7
	Postered.	12
	Total in care.	65

Health. Four children have had chicken pox.

Staff. Miss Knudson commenced duties on Saturday in the smaller unit.

Holidays. All children were placed for the two weeks school holidays.

Visitors. A group of ladies from St Johns & St. Stephens visited the home & did some marking for us.
Mrs. Mangles came to morning tea & saw over the home.
Dr. Snort of the Health Department inspected the home.

Visits. Sister Rona, Lester & myself attended a day consultation at the Central Mission.
Charmaine & I attended a meeting of Food Services, the subject being kitchen safety.

Gifts. These have included new & used clothing, 26 dozen home made biscuits & a £ 10.00 donation.

Maintenance. Four chairs from the family home were recovered at a cost of £ 36.00.

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Mr. Fraser & Lester attended the funeral of Mrs. Palmer, whose husband was for many years a member of our Board.

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT 2 BARRINGTON ST.

Outings and Holidays.

Outings as usual.

All the children were placed for the August holidays.

Health.

[REDACTED] was taken to the Dr. following a report of defective hearing from the school Nurse. He had his ears syringed and was given a course of antibiotics.

[REDACTED] was taken to the psychiatrist at the Child Health Clinic by the Welfare Officer. Result - no serious mental disturbance evident, but has emotional problems.

Maintenance.

- The vacuum cleaner has been repaired and is satisfactory.
- The four lounge chairs have been recovered - many thanks to Mrs. Reid and her mother
- A measuring jug has been given.

Gifts.

- A globe sewing machine has been donated to the Home by the District MWF from the proceeds of the Choir and drama festival.
- Three bicycles for the [REDACTED] children have been supplied by the Welfare Dept.
- A carton of clothes from the District MWF.
- 2 Records from the Phonogram Recording Company.

The House Committee met at the Home
on 12th Sept. at 1:30pm.

Mrs. Blight presided & took the
Opening devotions.

Apologies - Mrs. Watson.

Present - Mrs. Blight, Black, Hester,
Watson, Reed, Brown, Graft, Stackhouse,
Reid, Hanson, Swales, Kelly, Linton
& Miss Howell.

The minutes of the previous two
meetings were read & confirmed.
Reports were given by Mrs. Watson.

Queries for recovering old chairs
were found to be approx. Re some
as buying new chairs \$25-30, so
it was decided to buy new ones for
one hour at a time.

Barrington St. have a new script
letter given by District M.W.F. & a
letter of thanks was agreed upon.
Also a letter of thanks to Mrs. Jones
who recovered 4 chairs for the
Home.

The Board asked for nominations
for the Board for next year.

Mrs. Graft & Mrs. Swales have
been forwarded the rest of
the committee will stay the same
excepting Mrs. Black & Mrs. Hester.
Do have said they will ~~stop~~
~~down~~ as from the end of the year.
References to the benediction closed
the meeting.

The next mtg. will be held on 14th Nov.

B. Swales

B. Blight
14.11.73

The House Committee met at Re Home
on 14th Nov. at 1.30pm.

Mrs. Blight presided; took Re
opening donations.

Apologies: Mesdames Thomson, & Kelly
Present: Mesdames Blight, Black, Herbert,
Gaffer, Litchfield, Brass, Reed, Corbett,
Read, Shackhouse, Surtees & Miss Norrill
& Mrs. Nelson later.

The minutes of Re previous meeting
were read & confirmed.

Reports were given by both matrons.

A letter of thanks was decided
on for Mr. Jones 14 Roswick St. Knapton
for his help in purchasing two
lounge suites.

Four The Home will be 60 years
old in April 1974 & it was
decided to hold a fair on
Saturday 6th April 1974. The committee
to be organized by Mrs. Reed & Sister Rosa.

Mrs. Moore leaves in December
& Re head is to send a cheque
for chairs to be purchased
for Re Board room.

The ladies inspected Re new
lounge suites & Mrs. had a very
happy time in Re matrons
flat, where they enjoyed a sumptuous
American tea & presented Mrs. Herbert

Mrs. Black who have served Re
Home so lovingly & faithfully as
members of Re House Committee for
many years. Mrs. Gaffer presented
them with flowers & a small token of
our appreciation. Sister Rosa joined us.
Mrs. Blight closed Re mtg with Re benediction
13.2.74

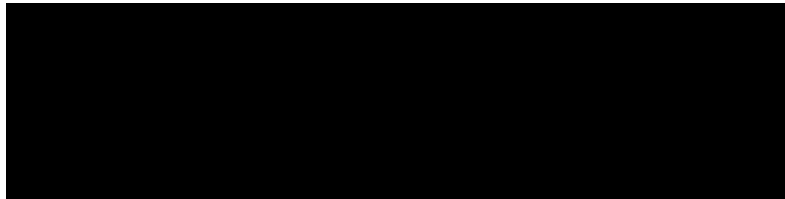
The next meeting will be 13th Feb. 1974.
B. Surtees.

B. Blight
13.2.74.

L. Reed

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT. 14th. Nov. 1973.

Admissions.



Demissions.



children have been admitted again as mother has had to return to hospital.

Family Unit Numbers.	Miss Thomas.	10
	Miss Sanders.	10
	Miss Gore.	10
	Miss Knudson.	7
	Miss Armstrong.	11
	Family Home.	7
	Postered.	12
	Extras.	1
	Total.	68

Health. Eight children have had chickenpox.
Two children had the 'flu.

fell off the swing and ~~knocked~~ knocked out a tooth which has been replaced. We are hoping it will be satisfactory and that he will not need a plate.

Staff. Miss Jenkin has left to do a Midwifery course.
Miss Pauline Bell has started as reliever.
Four staff members had the 'flu.
Miss Armstrong was off work for 3 weeks with a broken ankle.

Holidays. All children were placed for Labour weekend & most were placed for Show weekend.

Visitors. The Youth Group from Papanui Church attended our Firework display.
Sister S. Taylor & Mr. McLean stayed at the home during Conference.
an old boy visited us.

talks. I spoke to the Horrelville Fellowship about the work of the Home.

Gifts. These have included a sewing machine from the Miss Horrells,
85 dozen eggs & 50 dozen cakes, also *knitting machine*.

Maintenance. I bought a new Electrolux cleaner for Miss Sanders unit from money given us to buy something for the home.
The two new suites are in Miss Thomas' sitting room & look very nice.

Sister Rona & Lester attended the funeral of Mrs. Clarke who was on the staff as cook some years ago.

For Discussion. Fair,

Committee, M^{rs} Reed & Sister Rona with power to accept.

Date, 6.4.74.

Notices.

Gifts Total \$106.10^c

House Committee Report - Nov. 1973 - Bavington St Home.

Holidays; All children placed for Labour Weekend.

Four children placed for Show Weekend.

Health; [REDACTED] taken to the Doctor in October. Ears checked and further antibiotics prescribed. Hearing retested at Christchurch Hospital Oct 29th.

[REDACTED] caught knee in a cattle stop while on a Guide Hike on Sept 22nd. Treated at Christchurch Hospital.

[REDACTED] treated for an eye infection Oct. 9th.

Maintenance.

Some crockery replaced from Harewood Rd. supplies.

Gifts;

Richmond Fellowship - toys clothes and two rugs.

Anon. Cricket Set and carpet bowls.

Visits;

September - annual check by Welfare Dept.

October - St. Mark's MWF held meeting at the Home and helped springclean and mend.

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT, FEB. 13th. 1974.

Admissions.

Demissions.

Family Unit Numbers.	Miss Thomas.	10
	Miss Sanders.	10
	Miss Bell.	10
	Miss Knudsen.	8
	Miss Armstrong.	10
	Family Home.	0
	Posterad.	12
	Total in Care.	60

Health. Pre schoolers attended Waimairi School dental clinic.
[redacted] fell on glass & required 8 sts. in her hand.
[redacted] had a polyp on her gum cauterized.
[redacted] attended the orthoptic clinic.
[redacted] had a tooth capped after it was broken by being hit with a bat.
[redacted] had her atm orthodontic brace checked.

Staff. Miss Hore retired at Christmas and is now fostering [redacted]
Miss Bell is family mother in Miss Hores unit.
Miss Cooper has started as reliever.
Mrs. Brown had a baby son on Feb. 2nd.

Holidays. All children were placed for the Christmas holidays, many of them spending the first part at home or with relatives.

Outings. Three scouts attended a camp.
The children visited the Rangitara for a Christmas party.
[redacted] & Sister Rona attended a Sunday School camp.
Children had their various club end of year functions.
The Home Christmas Party was held, the Widdup family, & Mrs. Newton, Mrs. Black was unable to come. This was followed by a farwell party for Miss Hore.

Visits. Papanui M.W.F. for mending.
Four St. Margarets girls on community service helped in Kindy & the Laundry.

Visits. cont. Leeston M.W.F. held their meeting here.
Mr. Alcorn & the surveyor came to look at the property & its boundaries.
The Health Dept. & Child Welfare looked at the area required for the Monday = Friday unit..
Mrs. Davies did two weeks voluntary help in the laundry.
The Policy making committee held a meeting here.
The Home was visited by 3 professors & six students from Japan.
Some of the Fijian athletes at the Games were shown through the Home.
We had a number of people here during the Games, including 160 young people from Games Christian Outreach. This brought in £ 1839.
Womans Weekly interviewed us with the possibility of an article with reference to the Reunion.
Miss Branch came to look at the Kindy, to review the work we are doing and the possibility of establishing a Day Care Centre on the property. The Board are looking at this.

New Unit. The Monday to Friday unit was started at the beginning of this year with five children and appears to be working well.

Fair. A Fair & Reunion Committee has been formed.
Notices: Have been sent to Fellowships as last year.
Reunion notices have been sent to many of the 14 old girls & boys.
The suggested programme is: Fair starting at 1.30pm., opened by Mr. King, Minister of Social Welfare. Mrs. King will also be present.
Smorgesbord tea at 8pm. with some music.
All invited to the morning service at Papanui
Service in the grounds at 1.30pm. followed by the planting of a tree and afternoon tea.

Afternoon tea = Fair.

Front Hall Carpet.

Line - Centre Block - upstairs

Line - kitchen hall.

Carpet Square - Reeds Flat

Gifts totalled \$16.45

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT BARRINGTON ST HOME

FEB. 1974.

ADMISSIONS ETC.

[REDACTED] were discharged in Nov.
after this court had granted the mother custody.
A new girl has been admitted to Harewood Rd Home
and will be transferred as soon as the other children return.

MAINTENANCE.

Mr Brown has painted the childrens bedrooms, kitchen
halls & back hall in the holidays. The neighbour Mr Newman
& Mr Brown have tidied up the driveway and widened the gateway.
A new sink unit has been fitted in the laundry.

SCHOOL.

Children completed the year at school. Reports below average
[REDACTED] had a psychological test in Dec and is to
be retested in 6 months to see if he needs to go to Sydenham
Special class

[REDACTED] attend South Intermediate this
year while the remainder continue at Somerfield

LEAVE

I expect to be on leave until March. The baby (boy)
was premature and I have had a longer stay in hospital
than I expected.

P.T.O.

HEALTH

Children are in good health.

██████████ continues orthodontic treatment for teeth.

GIFTS.

Several gifts of clothes were received in early December. The children received many generous gifts for Christmas from friends, relatives, and church folk.

A food parcel from Christchurch South Rotary contained the following.

- 1 tin Bartlett pears 1603
- 1 tin fruit salad "
- 1 tin pineapple "
- 1 bottle Kaban cordial 785 ml
- 1 tin Corned beef 7 1/2 oz
- 1 tin salmon 7 1/2 oz
- 1 pkt bell tea * 1/2 lb

L. M. Brown (Mason)

The House Committee met at the Home
on 13th Feb 1974.

Mrs. Blight presided - took the opening
devotions.

Apologies Mrs. Reed, Bessie - Mitoko
Present: Madeline Blight, Reed, Corbett,
Gorfer, Sharkhouse, Kelly, Metson, Jensen
Watson, Suter & Miss Hannell

The minutes of the previous mtg
were read & confirmed.

Reports from both Matrons were
read by Mrs. Reed.

Mrs. Bessie has recently had a son
& a letter of congratulations was decided
on.

Mrs. Corbett moved, seconded by
Mrs. Gorfer that the Ladies Home
Committee organise the afternoon tea
as was done last year.

Mrs. Jensen moved, seconded by
Mrs. Metson that we increase the price
from 20⁰⁰ ^{last year} to 25⁰⁰ for afternoon tea -
a cup of tea & 3 pieces.

All members to bring a loaf made
into sandwiches, plus a hot sauce
picklelet or fruit loaf.

Flour covering $\frac{2}{3}$ of the line in
the upstairs hall & in Sister Bessie's
kitchen needs replacing

Also the line in the hall out-
side the kitchen.

Mrs. Blight closed the meeting
with the Benediction - Mrs. Reed
served afternoon tea. Gift - \$16.45^c

The next meeting will be held on
Wednesday 13th March '74. Subj: 3.74

B. Suter.

House Committee Report. 13th. March 1974.

Admissions. [redacted]

Demissions. [redacted]

Family unit Numbers.	Miss Thomas.	11
	Miss Sanders.	10
	Miss Bell.	10
	Miss Knudsen.	9
	Miss Armstrong.	11
	Family Home.	3
	Fostered.	11
	Total in Care.	52

Health. [redacted] have had continued dental care.
[redacted] had treatment for infected sores.
[redacted] was seen by the Child Health Clinic.

Staff. Mrs Brown resumes duties on Friday after school.

Staff Training. Mr Peed has applied with the Boards consent to attend a course at Levin for two separate months later in the year.
Miss Armstrong has applied to do a similar course as the one attended last year by Miss Thomas.

Visitors. Miss Branch from Education Dept visited to talk about establishing a separate day-care centre for pre-schoolers, toddlers & babies.
Mr. P. McKenzie came to lay with the children one afternoon.
A sub-committee of the Board met here to discuss the day-care centre.
A group of Ranger Guides helped in the laundry one Friday evening.
Pelks. Lester spoke at Methven & Ashburton Harvest Days.

Fair, Reunion. Replies to the Reunion are coming in fairly slowly but steadily, and it looks like we will be holding the evening function at Papanui High School Hall.
Everything seems to be well in hand.

Floor Coverings. Mr. Hassledine has asked for quotes of replacement floorcoverings and wants them listed in order of priority.
We are not aware of the amount of money he has to spend.
We are getting quotes for:
Front hall carpet.
Kitchen passage lino.
Center block upstairs passage, carpet.
West block hall and porch lino.

Gifts. District M.W.F. gave £ 83.00 for a carpet square for the kindy.
Generous Harvest Festival gifts have been received.

The House Committee met at The Home on 13th March 1974.

Mrs Blight presided. Mrs. Starkhouse took the opening devotions.
Apologies: Mr. Read, Watson & Watson.
Present: Mesdames Blight, Reed, Kitchin, Gough, Corbett, Starkhouse, Kelly, Suter & Mrs. Hornill.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read & confirmed.
The report from Howard Reed was read by Mrs. Reed.

Floor Coverings were to be listed in order of priority given to the Board.

1. Front hall, carpet.
2. Kitchen passage, lino.
3. Center block upstairs passage, carpet.
4. West block hall porch, lino.

Fair arrangements progressing satisfactorily.

A letter of congratulations to be sent to Sister Reed on receiving the Order of Merit for her work with the Reun movement.

Mrs. Blight closed the meeting with the benediction. Mrs. Reed served afternoon tea.

The next mtg will be held on 22nd May.
R/Suter

SMBlight
2/5/74

House Committee Report, May 8th. 1974.

Admissions.

missions.

Family Unit Numbers.	Miss Thomas.	11
	Miss Sanders.	8
	Miss Bell.	10
	Miss Knudson.	7
	Miss Armstrong.	9
	Family Home.	6
	Fostered.	<u>15</u>
	Total in Care.	<u>66</u>

Health. Lester had one week in bed with a slipped disc. Miss Armstrong is attending physiotherapy for a pulled muscle in her back, done while on duty. [redacted] seen by doctor and specialist and attending hospital for treatment for Bells Palsy. Several children were seen by the doctor for treatment of impetigo. One child had measles. [redacted] had three fingers jammed in a door requiring about 6 stitches. Dr. Zelas, Child Health Clinic, visited the Home and talked to staff about [redacted].

Staff Training. I am attending a course on human factors in staff management, during the first week of the holidays. Lester is attending a course being run by the Mission on management. Visits. Mr. Walls, Social Welfare to look through the Home. Meetings. The Piccarton Working Mens Club gave the children an afternoon of entertainment. Holidays. All children were placed for Easter and many went out with parents for Anzac day. Voluntary workers. Mrs. Quirk, Kindergarton Association helped Mrs. Smith with equipment placement in Kindy and worked with Mrs. Smith for one morning. Two girls from Burnside High are doing voluntary work towards an award for the school. Air and Peunion. Accounts haven't been finalized but we are sure we had a successful Fair and Peunion. Final figure will be about \$ 1000.00. Gifts. North Canterbury Lions gave us 2 lounge suites, 2 record players, 2 steam irons, 3 ironing boards. Mr. Flesher donated 2 trampolines. Further harvest gifts came in.

Maintenance. Telephones have been installed and are working. Floor covering quotes were received and Mr. Hassledine said to go ahead with them all. The carpet for our flat is the only one finished.

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT - BARRINGTON ST HOME - APRIL 1974

ADMISSIONS. [redacted] was transferred from Harewood Rd to Barrington St Home in mid March.

GENERAL. I resumed duties as Matron on 15th March. Three of the children were placed in homes for Easter.

Gifts. Harvest festival produce was received from
St Johns Addington
St James Cashmere
Templeton
St Marks Somerfield
Several boxes of clothes have been received.

Gifts

- 16 quart preserves = 6.40
 - 27 Pound jam 30^c = 8.10
 - 3 doz eggs 63^c = 1.89
 - 1 1, 1b doz tin peaches 35
 - 2 20 oz tins pineapple 30 = 60
 - 1 16 oz tin crushed pineapple 25
 - 1 16 oz tin vege soup = 25^c
 - 2 tins highlander milk - 28^c = 56
 - 3 cake mixes - 35 = 1.05
 - 1 pkt vital wheat = 25
 - 1 pkt wine biscuits = 22
 - 2 2 lb 14oz creamota 50 = 1.00
 - 1 instant pudding 10 = 10
 - 4 30, 02 tins peaches 35 = 1.40
 - 1 16oz custard powder 40
 - 2 1/2 lb pkts tea 35 = .70
 - 1 15 1/2 oz tin beetroots 20
 - 4 1b jars tomato sauce 25 = 1.00
 - 1 1b butter = 30
 - 3 7 1/2 oz tins peas 15 = .45
- = \$25.47

The House Committee met at the Barrington St. Home on Sat May 1974.
Mrs. Blight presided & took the opening devotion.

Apologies: Mrs. Stackhouse, Jk Corbett, Mrs Kelly, Liborita Watson.
Present: Mrs. Blight, Brown, A. Reed, J. Read, Thomson, Gaylor, Metson, Dunbar & Mrs. Hannell.

The minutes of the previous mtg were read & confirmed.

The reports for the Home were read by the matron.

Floor covering has been ordered & will be laid in the next few weeks.
The approx figures are between \$900 - \$1000.

The Pension held at the same weekend, as the Fair was a great success.

Barrington St. needs 2 chairs to be recovered, with a further 2 chairs to be recovered at a later date. A carpet sweeper & an ironing board are necessary also for Barrington St.

Harvest produce came to \$280 for Harewood Road during April.
Good Gifts of Food: Harewood Road: \$39.52
Barrington St: \$25.47

Meetings: Mrs. Brown moved that we meet 2 monthly as arranged till end of year, as it was felt there is too little business to hold the mtgs each month.

The next mtg. will be at Harewood Rd on July 1st.

Mrs. Blight closed the mtg. Mrs. Brown served afternoon tea. Dunbar. Blight.

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT. 10 - 7 - 73

Admissions.

Demissions.

Family Unit Numbers.

Miss Thomas.	10
Miss Sanders.	10
Miss Bell.	8
Miss Knudsen.	11
Miss Armstrong.	16
Family Home.	18
Fostered.	73
Total in Care.	

Health. Three staff members had the flu.

fell off a bike & broke his arm.

had an audiograph.

had physiotherapy for his face.

was seen by psychological services re bedwetting.

was seen by Mr. Ardagh. is on the

waiting list for an eye operation.

All the pre-schoolers were seen by the dental nurse.

Child Health Clinic: was seen by Mr. Miller.

was seen by Dr. Zelas.

Dr. Zelas came here to talk to staff about

was seen by Dr. Kennedy and given an anti-depressant.

Staff Training. Sister Rona, Miss Sanders, Lester & myself attended a course in child care led by Professor A. Keith Lucas.

Staff. Kim Staite has started as releiver in place of Miss Cooper who left at the end of the last term.

Mrs. Smith, in Kindy has notified us of her intention to leave early next term.

Holidays. All children were placed for the school holidays, & most were able to go with parents for Queens Birthday weekend.

Outings. Monday was the mid-term break and we took all the children to Goos Ford for the day.

Community Service. is doing 48 hours community service during four weekends.

Fair. Final figures were, Fair, income less expences	\$992.08
Jubilee, " " " " "	\$301.45
Total	\$1293.53.

Gifts. These have included clothing, jam, some foodstuffs & household goods.

Maintenance. New carpet has been laid in the front hall and office, lino in the two passageways and carpet in the upstairs hallway. The Board also authorised a new typewriter.

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT BARRINGTONST. HOME, JULY 1974.

Visits; Mr. Morrish Dept. Social Welfare has taken over as Welfare Officer for this area and has visited the Home twice.

Dr. Glennly made the annual visit for the Health Dept.

School; Reports have been received from ChCh South Intermediate and I attended interviews with the class teachers. Somerfield reports and interviews are to come shortly.

I attended the annual Mother and Daughter evening at South with for Health Dept. Sex Education talks and there is to be a similar evening for the boys next week.

Maintenance; We are very grateful for the new ironing board supplied through Harewood Rd and material has been bought by Mrs.Reed to recover the remaining lounge chairs.

Health; had a Ear, Nose and Throat check at Outpatients and has infected Adenoids. He has been placed on a waiting list to have these removed.

Gifts; We have had a very good response through the M.W.F. to our request for handkerchiefs. These have come mainly from the Beckenham and St.Mark's churches

Lecture; My husband and I attended the lecture by Dr.Lucas to folk concerned with Childcare.

C.M.Brown.

The Home Committee met at The Homewood Rd. Home. on 10th July 1974.

Mrs. Blight presided. Took the opening devotion.
Apologies: Mesdames Watson, Tomson, Mrs. Howell.

Present: Mesdames Blight, Reed, Brown, Peters, Corbett, Shacklaine, Kelly, Read, Swales.
The minutes of the previous meeting were read & confirmed.

Reports from both Homes were read by the patrons.

The Home makers had made a list of equipment which they feel is necessary for their units. This list is to be duplicated & sent to Fellowship to see if they can help with any items, none of which need to be new. Financing for the downstairs units continues, was felt to be urgent. This is to be organized immediately.

The containers in the Brompton Rd. Home need dry cleaning. quotes will be obtained for this.

The carpet in the hall & office is laid & looks most attractive.

The committee inspected the carpet laid in the hall way upstairs. The lino in the kitchen passage.

Gifts of food for Homewood Rd: - \$22.50
The next meeting will be held on Sept. 11th at 1.30pm at Homewood Rd.

Benediction & afternoon tea brought the meeting to a close.

B. Swales. *Blight*
11/9/74

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Sympathy. I attended the memorial service for Mrs. Garfath. Lester was able to attend the funeral service for Sister Rona's father. We extend our sympathy to [redacted] at the loss of her mother.

Admissions. [redacted]

Demissions. [redacted]

Family Unit Numbers.	Miss Thomas.	10
	Miss Sanders.	10
	Miss Bell.	10
	Miss Knudsen.	8
	Miss Armstrong.	10
	Family Home.	8
	Fostered.	20
	Total in Care.	76

Health. Miss Thomas, 3 days off work with flu. [redacted] x-ray of sinuses. [redacted] audiograph. [redacted] sleep dry blanket for bed-wetting. [redacted] speech clinic.

Staff Training. Lester is back from the first term of his course. He returns for the last term in October. Miss Armstrong is attending a course for house mothers for one month.

Staff. Miss Curtis is taking Miss Armstrongs place while she is away. She is also at the end of this time going to replace Mrs Smythe in the kindy. Mrs. Smythe is leaving for health reasons.

Holidays. All children were placed for holidays, including some from Sister Rona's families.

Talks. Sister Rona spoke to a small group at Belfast.

Visits. Sisters from the Community of the Sacred Name with their visitors from Fiji looked over the Home. The Board held a meeting here. St. Stevens held a meeting here, also doing sewing. The Widdup family visited three units for tea.

Outings. All the Home and some of the parents went on a trip to the snow. Three scouts attended a camp. [redacted] has earned an after school job, his fare to the scout jamboree at Tokaroa.

Mr. Haaseldine was farewelled at a tea function held at Aldersgate. As Lester was at his course and Sister Rona at the M.S.S.A. conference I attended from the Home.

Maintainance. Crothalls washed the downstairs ceilings during the holidays. They quoted \$ 200.00 and the board were happy to give the job to the lower of two quotes. Concrete has been laid around the swings, slides etc. in the playing areas. A new rotary line was brought to replace some of the broken laundry lines. Calico has been brought at A.J. Whites sale for lining the downstairs windows.

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT - BARRINGTON ST. HOME SEPT. 1974.

Holidays; The children were all placed for the holidays although two had to go to two different families over the time because they could not be placed with one family for the whole period.

Health; The winter term was a bad one for sickness. Mid-term most of the children had stomach flu followed by bad colds. Three of them were seen by the Doctor and given antibiotics. At the same time [redacted] had an ear infection and was given medicine.

In the last week of the term five of the children had 24 hour (vomiting) stomach flu but had recovered by the end of the week. [redacted] had an infection this was seen by the Doctor and ointment given.

Maintenance;

I have measured the curtains for drycleaning but not yet obtained quotes. One of the lampshades from the front hall area was accidentally broken. What is the procedure in replacing this?

Gifts; \$7 anonymous gift was received and used to help pay the childrens fees to the church family camp in mid July. We took all the children to Glentui for this camp.

Other;

I would like to thank the House Committee for their kind letter of sympathy on the death of my mother.

C.M. Brown.

The House Committee met at Honeswood Road Home on Sept. 11th at 1:30pm. Mrs. Blight presided & took the opening devotions.

Apologies Mrs. Hanna & Miss Howell. Present - Mesdames Blight, Reed, Brown, Watson, Read, Starkhouse, Kelly, Metson & Swales.

The minutes of the previous mtg were read & confirmed.

Reports from both matrons were read. Correspondence a letter of thanks was received from Sister Rosa for the Committee for extending their sympathy to her on the death of her father.

A letter of resignation was received from Mrs. Hinton. This was received reluctantly & a letter of thanks will be sent to Mrs. Hinton, for her time of service on the committee.

The secretary reported items of interest from the last Board mtg. Since our last meeting Mrs. Gofal has passed away & members stood in silence as a mark of respect.

Mrs. Blight asked that his tribute be recorded in the minutes.

He placed on record our thanks & appreciation for the service of the late Mrs. Gofal to our children Home House Committee, & latterly the Board, over a period of many years. She showed great devotion & an ever present willingness to accept any task asked of her. She seemed to rarely come to a meeting.

The Home Committee met at Home Wood
Road Home on Sept 11th at 1:30 pm.
Mrs. Blight presided & took the opening
devotions.

Apologies Mrs. Hanson & Miss Howell.
Present - Mesdames Blight, Reed, Brown,
Matson, Read, Hartshouse, Kelly, Matson
& Swales.

The minutes of the previous mtg were
read & confirmed.

Reports from both matrons were read.

Correspondence A letter of thanks was
received from Sister Rosa thanking the
Committee for extending her sympathy
to her on the death of her father.

A letter of resignation was received
from Mrs. Kitoriko. This was received
reluctantly & a letter of thanks will be
sent to Mrs. Kitoriko, for her time
of service on the committee.

The secretary reported items of
interest from the last Board mtg.
Since our last meeting Mrs.
Grafke has passed away & members
stood in silence as a mark of
respect.

Mrs. Blight asked that his tribute
be recorded in the minutes.

The place on record our thanks
& appreciation for the services of the
late Mrs. Grafke to our children
Home House Committee, & latterly
the Board, over a period of many
years. She showed great devotion &
an ever present willingness to accept
any task asked of her. She seemed
to rarely come to a meeting

without gifts of many sorts in the car which she had collected from friends for the benefit of the children. He still miss her friendly disposition & her practical advice & interest.

To fill the gap in the committee Mrs. Eva Reed has accepted the position of deputy chairman & as a member of the board. Some one is to be approached from Shirley district to come out the House Committee.

The next mtg will be 132 Loo. Benediction & afternoon tea brought the mtg to a close.

R/Snakes.

Elizabeth
13/1/74.

House Committee met at Harwood Rd on 132 Loo. at 1:30pm. Mrs. Blight presided - took the opening devotion. Apologies: Madames, Thomas, Peterson, & Miss Howell.

Present: Madame Blight, Corbett, Read, Brown, Reed, & Snakes.

The minutes of the previous mtg were read & confirmed.

Reports from Bob Mathews were read. Correspondence or acknowledgment was received from the family of the late Mrs. Joseph.

Christiane Apud after Mrs. Kelly. Stuart Lorse had organized afternoon tea for the helpers they found the Presbyterian Ladies had also arranged some. It was decided to leave it to Mrs. King to contact us if they want us to help in future.

* Mrs. Brown reported some carpet needs re-stitching, she is going to arrange for that to be done. Mrs. Reed is to confirm with the Board about the lounge suite proposed for replacement on a yearly basis. It was decided to send a suitable Christmas card to the Pastors, Warden, Sister Rosa, staff of the home.

The next mtg. will be held on 20th. The Benediction & afternoon tea brought the mtg to a close.

* It has been decided to wait till the new year before canvassing for new committee members as at the present time there is not a great deal of work to be done.

R/Snakes. Elizabeth
12.2.75.

Admissions.



Dismissions.



Family Unit Numbers.

Miss Thomas.	10
Miss Sanders.	10
Miss Bell.	10
Miss Knudsen.	28
Miss Armstrong.	20
Family Home.	8
Fostered.	26
Total in Care.	82

Health.

- : 3 stitches in finger.
- hospital, eye correction surgery.
- : septic finger.
- : fainting.
- dry skin.
- : asthma.
- ear infection.
- : ear infection.

Staff Training.

Lester has completed his course.
Dr Selas, Child Health Clinic, gave three talks to the staff.

Holidays.

All children were placed for Labour weekend.
This weekend all unplaced children are going on a camp.

Visitors.

Mr. Mitchell, liason between Government and non-statutory childrens homes. Two Fellowship Groups - marking & mending.

Outings.

Hays Procession.
Ross, two scout camps.

Gifts.

About 1000 yds of green flannelette from Lichfield.
\$90 from West girls High School from a "Kivokan".

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT BARRINGTON ST. HOME NOV. 1974.

Holidays; Some children went home for Labour Weekend and all have been placed for Show Weekend.

Health; [redacted] has had new glasses made by Rose & Connor Hereford St on Dr. Carsons recommendation. Shee broke the last pair.

[redacted] had an eye infection and a chest infection both were treated by Dr. Carson.

Maintenance; I have obtained quotes for drycleaning the curtains from Taylors and Cloustone. Both quoted a basic price of ~~30-40~~ but Taylors were prepared to give a cut of 25 per cent on that as against 10 for Cloustone. This gave a final quote of \$ 23-50 for Taylors and 29-70 for Cloustone.

Other;

The children attended the Harewood Rd concert and put on an item.
The M.W.F. from St. Mark's Church came on Mon. 11th Nov. and helped with Spring Cleaning in the home.

Visits

Welfare Department made their annual visit Mon. 11th Nov.

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Holidays; The children were all placed for the Christmas Holidays.

Admissions etc. [redacted] has been admitted in place of [redacted] who left at the end of the year to go home.

Gifts. \$7 anonymous gift was received before Christmas. We hope to put this towards a Battery clock for the Home. The children received a number of gifts from friends relatives and Welfare Dept.

Maintenance;

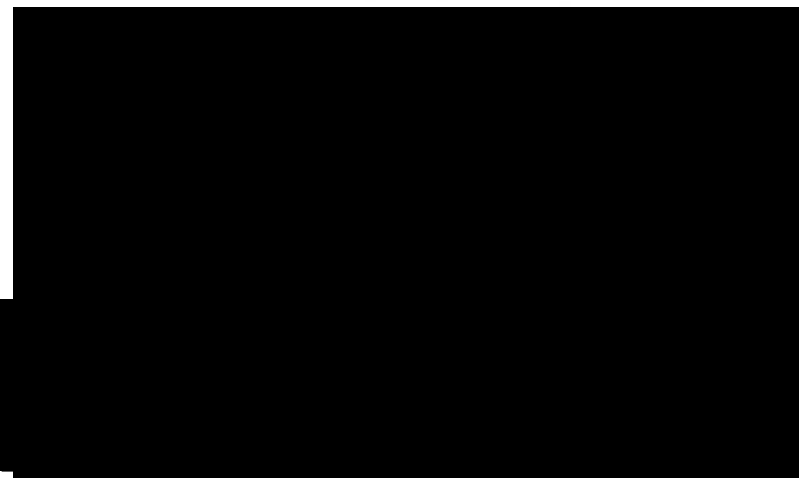
Since this meeting is at the Barrington St. Home I would like to take the opportunity to mention several items that need repair or replacement in the near future.

1. The curtains have been drycleaned and as expected many of the linings have torn and need replacing. I would like to recommend that detachable linings be made and attached to the curtains with rufflette lining tape and plastic hooks. These linings could then be used again for other curtains as required.
2. The living room curtains have torn along the edge and either need mending or replacing and the main bedroom curtains are very thin and will need replacing in the near future.
3. The electrolux needs another overhaul Or possible replacement.
4. The Kenwood Mixer needs an overhaul - the spring which holds down the Head no longer works and the Mixer has to be held down to mix.
5. The Backs of the Dining room chairs are going where they have rubbed on the table. I do not know the best solution to this. *(to be looked at again to see how much more repair work)*
6. One of the dining room light shades broke while they were being cleaned. These light shades are very difficult to replace and the fittings are such that they cannot be readily used with other shades. It may be worth altering the fittings and buying a cheaper type of light shade. This would be a job for an electrician.
7. The Dishmaster is wearing inside and the enamelwork showing rust in some places. Should this be unusable it will need to be replaced or some other sterilising agent installed to conform with Health Dept. standards.

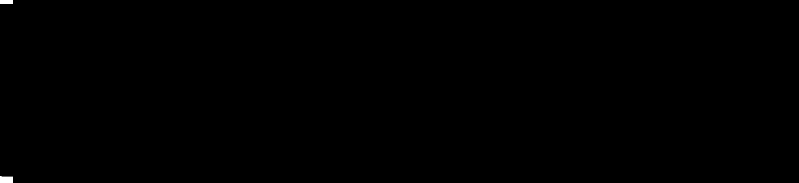
8. The Mattress on [redacted] bed has worn through on the cover and the rubber is breaking up. She still bedwets sometimes but not as frequently as in the past. Hopefully this will stop in the near future and the mattress should be replaced or perhaps another cover made for it in the meantime.
10. I would like the House Committee to recommend to the Board that they begin to redo the Interior Redecoration -wallpapering, varnishing and painting. Some has already been done but the flat plastic paint used has marked easily. The living room and laundry are perhaps the most urgent problems at the moment.
9. Other needs - We need another toilet brush and container for the back door toilet and the bath cleaners need replacing.

C.M.Brown.

Admissions



Dismissions



<u>Family Unit Numbers.</u>		
Miss Thomas		10
Miss Sanders		10
Miss Bell		9
Miss Knudsen		8
Miss Armstrong		10
Family Home		8
Fostered		21
Total		76

Health. All pre-schoolers had a dental check.
 - hosp. for bruised arm
 - Dr. for discharging ears.

Staff Remains the same this year.

Holidays A total of 47 children were placed in holiday homes

Inspections. The Fire Board had an annual inspection
 The Health Department had an annual inspection.

Outings Most children attended the Rangitira party.
 The camp held at Show weekend was a success.
 spent two days at Elephant on a school trip.

Maintenance. The new lounge suites for Miss Bells unit were ordered
 and have arrived.

Gifts Numerous gifts of presents for the children were received,
 also a generous donation of eggs from Horneville.
 A tvman came was donated by T. Construction.

House Committee met at Barrington. A
 on 12 Feb 1975 at 1:30pm. Mrs Blight
 presided - took the opening devotion.
Apologies Madame Lombas, Reed, Kel
 & Miss Hamell.

Present: Madame Blight, Brown, Reed,
 Lambert, Watson, Metson & Dunbar.

The minutes of the previous mtg were
 read - confirmed.

A letter to Miss Hamell is to be sent
 with our love & concern for her ill side
Reports were read by her matrons
Maintenance for Barrington A. In Mrs.
 Brown's report she has noted several
 things that need attention urgently.
 others that will need to be looked
 at in the very near future.

1. The curtains that have been cleared
 need new linings & repairs. This work
 is to be undertaken by asking some
 women's fellowship for help who have
 offered sewing help in the past.
2. The electrical & Kenwood meter, etc.
 to have quotes for overhauling. If
 more expensive work is needed for
 them, or replacement advised, then
 the matrons will ask the Board for
 replacement of these items.
3. The dining room chairs are showing
 signs of wear, quotes to be got for
 replacing vinyl will be sought & after
 this job is urgent yet, I will need
 seeing to in the near future.
4. Light fitting that was broken - to clean
 or disassemble & replace end of petty
 cash if necessary.

5. Mrs. Reed will supply a cover & mattress for these necessary for Harwood Road Home.

6. The Barrington St Home is over 7 years old now, we feel the interior etc is much of the home needs redecoration with a view to starting the work soon so as to spread the load over a period of time.

It was suggested that full glass panes be used wherever possible for a ease of cleaning, in the living areas vinyl paper would be the most long lasting, economical in the long term the board to be notified.

The Committee have sorry to hear that the mother - mother of Barrington St. Lane handed in their resignation to the board as from the end of the term.

Mrs. Brown served afternoon tea. The next mtg. will be held at Harwood Road on 9th April.

B. Surtees

Emuslight
9/4/75

Home Committee met at the Harwood Road Home on 9th April 1975. Mrs. Blight presided.

• Took the opening devotion.
Apologies: Mrs. Jones, Miss. Howell, Present: Madeline Blight, Conbet, Brown, Peter, Watson, Starkhouse, Kelly, Reed, Reed. Surtees.

Correspondence 2 letters for Mrs. Howell have been received about her sister's ill health - subsequent death. Minutes of the previous mtg read & confirmed. Reports read by both patrons.

Business & Maintenance:

Replacement of the vacuum cleaner is first priority. Make - price are to be examined to see which is most suitable.

The kitchen, laundry are to be repainted. The dining, living room are to be repapered & painted.

The Home Committee selected several suitable papers, the choice to be decided on by Mrs. Brown & Mrs. Reed will be advised of the paper to be used.

The Board has asked for an indication of the likely maintenance programme for Barrington St in 1976.

1. Bedroom curtains to be replaced.
2. Bedrooms repainted & papered.
3. Washing machine, dishwasher - probably the Kenwood mixer to be replaced.
4. Dining room chairs to be recovered in vinyl or replaced.

Mrs. Starkhouse has agreed to be a representative from the board to be

House Committee Report April 1975.

Health: [redacted] had an abscess on her thigh which was lanced and treated by Dr. Carson.

[redacted] has been referred to Mr. Helliwell's Dental Practice in Lincoln Rd because he would not allow the School Dental Nurse to proceed with regular treatment.

Holidays: Most of the children were placed for Easter. Two remained at home during this period.

Gifts: Harvest Gifts were received this year from

- Clarence St Church
- Templeton Church
- St. John's, Addington
- St. James' Cashmere
- St. Mark's Somerfield

The anonymous gift mentioned in the last Report was used to replace some of the children's lunch boxes and not a clock as intended.

Visits:

Thursday 2nd April Fire Drill Practice

Maintenance:

1. Some of the curtains linings have been made and hung. Curtains in two rooms remain to be done.
2. The lounge and dining room curtains have been mended.
3. The electrolux has been checked there is nothing major wrong with it and little can be done to improve its performance. I recommend that a new one be bought and the present machine kept as a spare.
4. The Kenwood Mixer is in to be looked at, (with the agents Welwyn Electrical Coy.) at the moment.
5. No progress has been made in purchasing new dining room lights.

I would like to thank the House Committee for their help and co-operation while I have been at the Barrington St. Family Home.

John Brown (Matron)

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Christchurch, 5

Admissions.

9th April 1975

Dismissions.

Family Unit Numbers		
	Miss Thomas	10
	Miss Sanders	10
	Miss Bell	11
	Miss Knudsen	6
	Miss Armstrong	10
	Family Home	8
	Fostered	22
	Total in Care	78

Health: General health has been good.

[redacted] had treatment for impetigo.

Staff Miss Armstrong has been away since Easter with a broken toe.

Staff Training: Miss Sanders and myself are attending the first Residential Child Care Certificate Course to be held in ChCh.

Outings: All children were placed for Easter, many with their own parent(s). Sister Rose and I attended the opening of the Dr. Bernardo Day Care Centre.

Visits: Child Welfare Officers did an annual inspection.

Two Board Meetings have been held here.

Members of Papanui M.W.F. came and did mending and mending.

Harvest Festival: Lester, I and our children visited Methven, Willowby and Ashburton to pick up Harvest Festival produce. These haven't been as plentiful as in previous years possibly due to the bad fruit season.

Sympathy: We extend our sympathy to the families of Miss Horrell and Mr. Dale. Both these people were good friends of the Home over a long number of years.

5. Mrs. Reed will supply a cover & mattress for these necessary for Harwood Road Home.

6. The Barringtons at Home is over 7 years old now, & we feel the interior etc is much of the home needs redecoration & that a view to starting the work soon so as to spread the load over a period of time.

It was suggested that full glass paint be used wherever possible for a ease of cleaning, & in the living areas vinyl paper would be the most ~~best~~ looking & economical in the long term. The Board to be notified.

The Committee were sorry to hear that the mother-in-law of Barringtons at Home had had a heart operation. To the Board as from the end of the term.

Mrs. Brown served afternoon tea. The next mtg. will be held at Harwood Road on 9th April.

B/Surtees

Ernstlight
9/4/75

Home Committee met at the Harwood Road Home on 9th April 1975. Mrs. Blight preside. Took the opening devotions.

Apologies: Mrs. Hanson, Miss. Howell, Present: Madeline Blight, Corbett, Brown, Petza, Watson, Shackhouse, Kelly, Reed, Durbles.

Correspondence 2 letters from Miss Howell have been received about the sister's ill health. Subsequent death printed of the previous mtg read before. Reports read by Mrs. Watson.

Barringtons at Harwood:

Replacement of the vacuum cleaner a first priority. Mops & pipes are to be examined to see which is most suitable.

The kitchen & laundry are to be repainted. The dining & living room are to be repapered & painted.

The Home Committee selected several suitable papers, the choice to be decided on by Mrs. Brown. Mrs. Reed will be advised of the paper to be used.

The Board has asked for an indication of the likely maintenance programme for Barringtons at Home 1976

1. Bedroom curtains to be replaced
2. Bedrooms repainted & papered.
3. Working machine, dishwasher & probably the Kenwood mixer to be replaced.
4. Dining room chairs to be recovered in vinyl or replaced.

Mrs. Shackhouse has agreed to be a representative from the Board to the

Christchurch Childrens Home
Appeal Trust Board.

Harvest Festival Donations

Woodward Home = \$196.08
Barrington St. Home \$35.17

Mrs. Reed served afternoon tea,
Mrs. Blight closed the mtg with
the Benediction.
The next mtg will be held at
Woodward Road on 11th June

B. Spence. Mrs Blight.
19/6/75.

2 children, moved to Christchurch
from Oamaru, in the May holidays.
The first term of school will
be a very happy one.

Mrs. Reed served afternoon tea,
the benediction brought the mtg to
a close.

B. Spence. Mrs Blight
13/6/75.

The Home Committee met at the Howard
Road Home on 11th June 1975. Mrs. Blight
presided. With the opening devotion.
Apologies: Madam Lambert & Thomas.
Present: Madam Blight, Reed, Christian
Metson, Kelly, Shackleton, Watson, Reed
Judges: Miss Harrell.

* minutes
welcome

Barrington St. Home

The painting & papering in the
living, dining areas, & kitchen &
laundry have been completed.
Looks much improved.

* minutes
read
confirmed

A new bellows vacuum cleaner
has been bought.

Reports for 500 matrons were
read.

* The committee looked at the
temporary day care room which
has been attractively arranged
for the pre-schoolers by Mrs Reed
with the help of some of the big
children.

More members are required for
the committee - Mrs. Metson, Mrs
Reed has been asked to approach
wives from the Beckerton &
Sturley areas.

Miss Harrell gave notice of her
wish not to be re-elected at
the conference in November.

The next mtg will be held in
the Barrington St Home at 1:30pm on
August 15th.

* A warm welcome was given to
our new matron, Mrs. Christian, for
Compton St, she & her husband.

Admissions.

[REDACTED]

Demissions.

[REDACTED]

<u>Family Unit Numbers.</u>	Miss Thomas.	10
	Miss Senders.	10
	Miss Bell.	10
	Miss Krudsen.	8
	Miss Armstrong.	10
	Family Home.	26
	Westered.	24
	Total.	78

Health. Miss Krudsen had 3 weeks leave for depression.
[REDACTED], broken arm.
[REDACTED] off bike, overnight stay in hospital.
Pre-schoolers had a dental check.

Staff. Remains the same.

Staff Training. Miss Curtis & Miss Armstrong are attending the evening course of the Residential Child Care Association.
Mr. Donley of Psych. Services is running a 3 session course on behaviour modification.

Holidays. All children were placed for holidays. 5 Easter, some were placed for Anzac Weekend & Queens Birthday weekend.

Education. [REDACTED] Bell is having remedial reading.
A fire drill was carried out & we evacuated the building twice for false alarms.

Visitors. Princes L. Weimer's School.
Leiston Sunday School.
Penang High School.
Gulfair or Safari Safari.

Trips. I soaked the Clarence St. afternoon group.

Maintenance. The old shed at the back has been converted to the kindy. The kindy room now being used by the Monday-Friday unit.
A new Tellus was bought for the Family Home.

Gifts. New carpet was donated for the Monday-Friday unit.
[REDACTED] and clothing.

House Committee Report

June 1975

My husband and I were pleased to be appointed as Master and Matron of Barrington St. family unit. We and our family moved in during the May holidays. We have been received by both church and schools.

Admission

[REDACTED] joined our family after the May holidays and appears to have settled in well. The five other children have accepted the change well.

Health

All children seem to be in good health at the present time.

Schools

Arrangements for teacher interviews have been made at Christchurch South Intermediate School for later this month. Three children attend this school.

[REDACTED] has started attending speech clinic at Sydenham School on Tuesday mornings for one hour. Mrs Allen (The Ministers wife) is very pleased to provide transport for this.

Visitors

[REDACTED] visited us and was pleased to see the [REDACTED] again and also interested in any changes around the place.

General Maintenance

Drains have been cleaned by Mr Barrett of Hornby. He has had to get a copy of plans for drains from the drainage board.

My husband has made some minor repairs to the electric range and the ironing machine.

He would like a list of any tradesman that the home prefer to employ. We have received the new Tellus vacuum cleaner which replaces the electrolux.

A hole has formed in the plant mix out side the garage doors where painters spilt thinners which cut the tar, this could further deteriorate if left.

We have had our electric clock installed in the lounge. The fitting will remain when we leave.

The childrens lounge and dining room have been papered and varnished the kitchen and laundry have been painted. Also the outside has been completely renovated and looks very nice.

Staff

Mrs Wright and Mrs Doel have continued to work with us.

Louise Christman

\$1 was given to Mrs. Stanklouse to go
 towards tea, sugar & milk etc for Reaffea.
 The next mtg will be held at
 Horewood Road on 12th November '75.
 After tea the benediction brought
 the after meeting to a close.
 B. J. Smees

Gifts - Horewood Rd. \$31.05^c

The Home Committee met at the Barrington
 St. Home on Aug 13th. Mrs. Blight presided
 & took the opening devotions.

Apologies: Mrs. Water

Present: - Mesdames Blight, Christian Reed,
 Stanklouse, Kelly, Nelson, Jamieson, Reed,
 Swales & Miss Horrell.

The minutes were read & confirmed.

Reports by the 600 nations, were read
 Mrs. Nelson has approached a lady
 from Bleekerton as to joining the
 Home Committee. His files do not
 yet to be confirmed.

It was decided to ask the Board
 if we could have 3 more ^{new} members
 to serve on the H/C - to be chosen
 when necessary to replace those
 retiring. The list of present
 H/C members, minus Miss Horrell
 who wishes to retire at the end of
 this year, are to be given to the
 Secretary of the Board, to go forward
 to Conference in Dec.

2. Quotes for blinds have been received
 for upstairs bedrooms at Horewood
 1 more quote is to be obtained.

New kitchen scales are needed at
 Barrington St - these to be purchased
Combined Homes Appeal Mrs. Stanklouse
 & Mrs. Kelly are once again kind enough
 to organize Afternoon Tea for the collection.
 Mrs. Stanklouse has been asked to
 approach one of the other churches to
 take a turn in organizing next year after
 noon tea, as our Methodist ladies have
 been doing this for many years.

12th August 1975

Admission Since the last report [redacted] was with us for three weeks while his mother had a much needed holiday.

We also had [redacted] for a fortnight while their mother had a rest.

Then at the end of July we got 8 year old [redacted] and her five year old sister [redacted]. These two girls are permanent and they bring us to full capacity.

School [redacted] starts at special class in Hydenham School next term.

[redacted] still goes to speech clinic every Tuesday morning. Thanks to Mrs Allen who still provides transport for this.

[redacted] has been enrolled at Cashmere High School for next year.

My husband and I attended teachers interviews at Cashmere High last night regards [redacted]

General We came through the storm very well, no damage apart from a loose section of fencing which my husband has since fixed.

The motor of the central heating seized a bearing and is being repaired by Wopston Electrical. They have lent us a motor in the meantime.

Health Children remain in good health. [redacted] had an infected elbow for which Dr Carson prescribed penicillin medicine.

[redacted] has a job baby sitting. Mr Morrish, the welfare officer said it would be alright for her to do a job like this.

L. B. Christian

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16th July 1975

Admissions:

[REDACTED]

Demissions:

[REDACTED]

Family Unit Numbers:

Miss Thomas	10
Miss Sanders	10
Miss Bell	10
Miss Knudsen	8
Miss Armstrong	10
Family Home	8
Fostered	28
Sister Rona	<u>2</u>
	<u>86</u>

Health.

[REDACTED] broken tooth being capped.
[REDACTED] braces being fitted to teeth.
Several children had time in bed with flu.

Staff.

Kim Staitte is leaving at end of term.
Staff have had a total of nearly 40 days off this year because of illness. This is causing us concern. Perhaps it will need to be looked at.

Outings

Riccarton Working Mens Club took children out
Ohoka Y.F.C. gave children an afternoon in
the country.
Snow trip to Porters Pass.
Outing in double decker Bus to Radio Avon.

Visits

Mr Cunningham to show films
Baptist Youth Group entertained children
with skits.
Two girls doing Duke of Edinburgh Award.
Mrs Kerr, Highsted Rd Adolescent Home.

Maintenance. The storm demolished an old shed
and blew down seven trees.

Blind quotations have been received from Newton
Dodge + Victoria Furnishings.

To also reward staff members
who manage to work a full year
with no day off apart from a
real need, he decided to present
them with a gift token at the end
of each year beginning from 1970.
A limit of \$7 per person was
decided on, so decrease according
to day off - i.e. \$1 per day.
This was moved & decided.

On 27th November at the home,
the presentation of the Combined
Children's Appeal money will be
distributed to the 4 churches.

The Home Committee will provide
plates of buttered bread & help
prepare a special party afternoon tea
& a small token of our appreciation.
Home Committee members sadly
farewelled our Miss. Horrell who
has served the committee faithfully
for nearly 40 years, the longest term
of duty of any member. Miss. Horrell
made us realize how important her
work has been & is still is, with her
recounting of some of her experience.
We thank her for her loyalty &
wish her well for the future.

The next mtg. will be held at the
home on 2nd Dec 1970.

Sister Rosa closed the meeting
with the benediction.

Times cards for staff of both homes.
S. Sunde

W. Blight
11/2/76

The Home Committee met at Stonewood Rd
on 27th Nov. Mrs. Blight presided & took the
opening devotions.

A warm welcome was given to a new
member, Mrs. Barker from Beckerton.
Sister Rosa was also welcomed to our

~~meeting.~~
Present: Mrs. Cribbet, Mrs. Barker, Miss Hard
Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Kelly, Mrs. Shackleton,
Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Reed, Mrs. Blight, Mrs.
Reed, Mrs. Sunde & Sister Rosa.

Apologies: Mrs. Watson & Mrs. Christian.
Reports by both homes were received
minutes were read & confirmed.

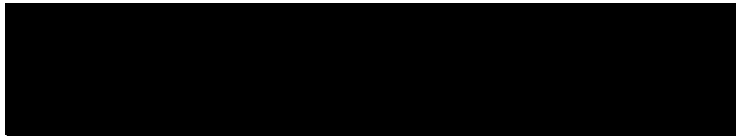
Sister Rosa spoke to us about the new
Day Care Centre plans & asked the
committees help in encouraging staff
workers in preparation of lunch.

It was agreed to send a letter to all
fellows asking for new help
support & Sister Rosa is happy to speak
to any group explaining the need for help.
Sister Rosa also drew to our attention
the plight of needy families in the
community. How a caring, loving family
could greatly benefit these folk. Members
were asked to consider if they could
help in this area, or by asking other
suitable folk to help. This would
in some small way help to ease
the load of our social worker.

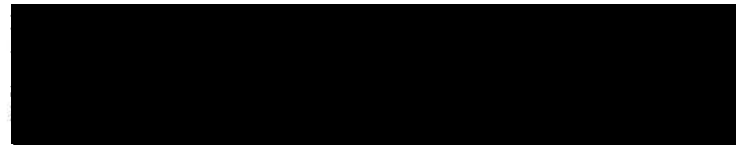
Mission Trip on Dec 12 - The Home
is able to have a variety stall
as part of the fair which will be managed
by the staff. Members were urged
to contribute & to get friends to
do the same.

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT 22-11-75.

Admissions.



Demissions.



Family Unit Numbers:	Miss Thomas	10
	Miss Sanders	10
	Miss Knudsen	8
	Miss Bell	11
	Miss Armstrong	10
	Family Home	8
	Fostered	26
	Total in Care	83

Health. General health has been good.

██████████ had mumps.
██████████ had a broken leg.
██████████ had a broken arm.
██████████ has been fitted with a hearing aid.
██████████ was treated for exema.

Staff. We have been unable to employ a suitable person as Reliever. Duties have been done by Sister Rona & myself. Two therapists from Child Health Clinic talked to the staff about the value of play therapy.

Outings. All children were placed for Labour Weekend. Parents attended the annual concert put on by the children. Sister Rona, Lester & I visited the Training College Day Care. Fellowship groups from Bryndwr & Riccarton came to do marking & mending. Two Student Nurses from the Technical Institute spent an afternoon seeing how we function. Child Welfare had their annual inspection.

Maintenance. Blinds have been fitted to all childrens bedrooms. Two pianos have been tuned.

Gifts. Our thanks for gifts ~~axis~~ of clothing, food & a total of \$449.00 from various donors.

ly Home. Due to family reasons we are losing Mr. & Mrs. Christian from the family home. Our thanks for what they have done & good wishes for the future.

Our thanks to go to Miss Horrell who leaves the Hous. Committee after many years faithfull service. We hope she will still keep contact with the Home and wish her well in the future.

House Committee Report

November 1975

School [redacted] now attends Sydenham School (special class). He went to the class camp at Governor's Bay from 4th to 6th November and seemed to have enjoyed it.

[redacted] continues at speech clinic every Tuesday morning.

Health During September and early October we had alot of minor illness, coughs, colds, tummy upsets. [redacted] and [redacted] were seen by the doctor. All are in good health now.

General The central heating was checked for a fault recently (smell of gas) nothing was really wrong. It was suggested that the ceiling ducts be cleaned to assist air-flow.

The waste master was in need of repair. The quote to repair it was \$127 and this did not include a guarantee so a new one was purchased and installed for very little more \$161.

The electric stove has been overhauled and is now working well.

My husband and five of the children went to the church family camp in October. The weekend was enjoyed by all.

The Welfare and Health Department made their annual inspection in October. ^a

^{of} a gift of \$10 from Mrs Elderton (friend, Mrs Wright's) was used to purchase a coffee table for the childrens lounge and a set of drinking glasses. We have also received gifts of used clothing.

We were invited to attend the Canterbury Society, Magician Show at the James Hay Theatre last Saturday. All enjoyed it very much.

It is with regret that my husband and I find we are unable to continue as Master and Matron. Thank you for your support.

----- L B Christen

The House Committee met at Haversham Rd, on 12 Feb 11th 1974, Mrs Blight presides & took the opening decisions.

A warm welcome was given to the ~~new members of Haversham Rd~~ ^{new members of Haversham Rd} Mrs. Threlkeld ~~result~~ ^{Apologies: Mrs. Threlkeld, Mrs. J. Reed, absent for some weeks.} Mrs. Blight, Keel, Threlkeld, Watson, Watson - Swales.

Minutes were read & confirmed. Reports by all members were received as a result of the letter to Fellowship sent and had received, Sister Rina for 3 invitations to speak.

2 new worship notices will be needed at Haversham Road, before very long.

Some time was spent on discussion as to whether the House Committee is necessary or not. For some time many members have felt that there is insufficient business to warrant the continuation of the House Committee & the past year's task has been a productive & helpful part of the work of the Home, but members are now questioning whether or not the Committee has not lived its usefulness.

At our next mtg, on April 14th, all members will be asked their views and the hope that something concrete will be inevitable.

This is to be mentioned at the next board mtg. Their views sent as to what they see as the role of the H/C. Sister Rina will be invited to our next mtg. Mrs. Blight closed the mtg but the business & Mrs. Reed served refreshments.

B. Swales. Starlight 14/2/76.

The House Committee met at Harwood Rd
on 14th April 1976. Mrs. Blight presided
& took the opening devotion.

Present: Mesdames Blight, Reed, Metson,
Peterson, Kelly, Starkhouse & Sintes ^{with 51 P.O.}
Apologies: Mrs. Consett, Read & Vreugdenhil
Minutes were read & confirmed.

The meeting discussed the role of
the House Committee, & it was decided
that the functions of the H/C had
changed over the years & was no
longer such a necessary part of the
Home.

Mrs. Metson proposed the H/C meet
once a term, seconded by Mrs. Kelly.
It was decided to have the first
term mtg at Harwood Road, the 2nd
term mtg on Wed. 13th July at 10am
at Berrington St; & the last term mtg
again at Harwood Rd.

The new committee will comprise
the 2 lady board members
Mrs. Ina Read - Mrs. Sintes who
will also act as convenor.
Mrs. Starkhouse, Kelly, Metson & Peterson
will bring the committee up to C.
The committee will meet but the
patrons call term - look over the
Home & see what equipment is necessary
to be replaced or supplied. Mrs. Sintes
will report to the Board mtg following
the term meeting.

On Tuesday 30th April 1976 a farewell
reception is to be held at Harwood
Rd. for all the members of the H/C.
This will be specially to say a

grateful thank you to Mrs. Blight
our chair lady & to Mrs. Consett
& Mrs. Thomson who have asked
to resign. Mrs. Metson is going
to spend 10 yrs. at Baker & Mrs. Wall
from Beckenham to say he is
no longer need their help with the H/C.
Doris Lona closed the meeting
with prayer. Mrs. Reed served
afternoon tea.
By Sintes.