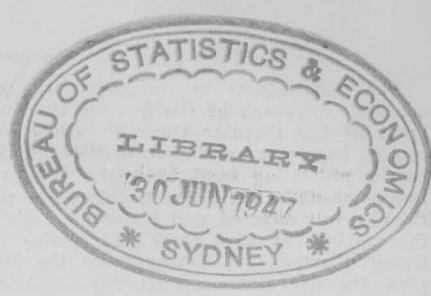


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NEW SOUTH WALES.

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF
NEW SOUTH WALES
FOR 1946.

Ordered to be printed, 27 March, 1947.

The Honourable J. M. Baddeley, M.L.A.,
Colonial Secretary,
Sydney.

Sir,

Pursuant to the requirements of section 19 (2) of the Fire Brigades Act, 1909-1944, the Board of Fire Commissioners of New South Wales submits its report of the operations of the department under its control for the year 1946, being the thirty-seventh annual report.

BOARD.

The terms of office of the elective members of the Board expired by effluxion of time in February. The triennial elections held in that month resulted in the election of Alderman Leslie Edye Duff by the Councils in the Municipalities and Shires mentioned in Part I of Schedule One of the Fire Brigades Act, and the re-election of Alderman Hector Kenneth West Mackenzie by the Councils of the Municipalities and Shires mentioned in Part II of the said Schedule. Mr. John Franklin Beswick was re-elected by the members of the Volunteer Fire Brigades, and Mr. Sydney Henry Alexander Jordan, unopposed, by the Permanent Firemen. Mr. Walter Leslie Currey and Mr. Leslie Ivan Skelton were elected, and Mr. Francis Westlake Walton re-elected by the insurance companies. By resolution the Board placed on record appreciation of the valuable services rendered by the retiring members, the Hon. T. D. Mutch and Messrs. E. N. Haythorpe and T. S. Douglas, during their respective terms of office.

ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE.

In respect of the various fire districts throughout the State the estimates of expenditure amounted to £688,712 as shown in Appendix II. Of this, the estimate of the Sydney Fire District was £549,036 and those of the one hundred and thirty-two other fire districts £139,676. For 1947 the estimates amount to £740,192, that for Sydney Fire District being £588,936, and the one hundred and thirty-six other fire districts collectively £151,256.

Fifty-five municipal and shire councils contributed in the Sydney Fire District and the percentage of their total contributions for 1946 to that of the assessed annual value of all ratable property therein returned by them in 1945 was 7s. 1½d. For 1947 the contributions by the councils will be equivalent to 7s. 5½d. per £100 of the assessment. The returns of the value in question furnished in 1946 amounted to £39,518,039, an increase of £880,896 compared with the previous year. The area of the Sydney Fire District is now 302.26 square miles.

One hundred and twenty-seven insurance companies and forty-five firms contributed to the Board during the year. The contributions in the Sydney Fire District represented 20.16 per cent. of the amount of the premiums in respect of that district.

FIRE DISTRICTS—ADDITIONS AND ALTERATIONS.

By proclamations published in *Government Gazette* of the 26th July, the provisions of the Fire Brigades Act were applied to the towns of Berrigan, Finley and Tocumwal in Berrigan Shire, and each constituted a separate fire district. New fire districts were also created at Coolah, Dunedoo, Gloucester and Raymond Terrace when the Act was applied by proclamation to the town of Coolah in Coolah Shire (*Government Gazette* 4th October); the town of Dunedoo in Cobbora Shire (*Government Gazette* 18th October); the Gloucester Urban Area in Gloucester Shire (*Government Gazette* 1st November); and the town of Raymond Terrace in Port Stephens Shire (*Government Gazette* 20th September). The boundaries of the Blue Mountains, North Illawarra and Sutherland Fire Districts were extended to embrace additional areas (vide *Government Gazette*s of 13th September, 19th July and 8th November).

The Act was applied to an additional part of the Town of Leura, Blue Mountains Shire (*Government Gazette* 13th September) and grouped with the Municipality of Katoomba to reconstitute the Katoomba Fire District. The Act was also applied to an additional part of Tweed Shire (*Government Gazette* 21st June) and such was grouped with the Municipality of Murwillumbah to reconstitute the Murwillumbah Fire District. The application of the Act to additional parts of the Municipality of St. Marys and Blacktown Shire, embracing the St. Marys factory area, was notified in *Government Gazette* of 25th October and such were grouped with the existing part of the Municipality of St. Marys to reconstitute the St. Marys Fire District.

By notification in the *Government Gazette* of 15th November, the Bulli, North Illawarra, Port Kembla and Wollongong Fire Districts were dissolved and the areas concerned, being the Municipality of Wollongong, the parts of the Municipality of North Illawarra and the parts of the Shires of Bulli and Central Illawarra, were grouped to form the Illawarra Fire District as on and from the 1st January, 1947.

Under the provisions of the Local Government Act the name of the Willimbong Shire was altered to Leeton Shire.

By reason of the foregoing, the number of fire districts will be increased to one hundred and thirty-seven.

INCREASE OF STATUTORY LIMIT.

For the satisfactory maintenance of the fire services at Broken Hill and West Wallsend and the establishment of new brigades at Berrigan, Coolah, Dunedoo, Finley, Gloucester, Raymond Terrace and Tocumwal, the consent of the Minister was obtained in pursuance of section 34 of the Act to the statutory limit of one-fourth of a penny in the pound on the unimproved capital value of all ratable land in the respective fire districts being exceeded at the special request of the councils concerned.

FIRE STATIONS AND SITES.

The negotiations in respect of the site adjacent to the southern approach of the Sydney Harbour Bridge in replacement of the Circular Quay Fire Station, mentioned in last report, have not yet been finalised. Building operations due to the prevailing conditions have been restricted but certain improvement in the accommodation for permanent officers and firemen was effected and alterations are being carried out to fire stations at Five Dock and Bexley to convert them into living quarters. Resulting from the Board's reorganisation plan the fire station properties at Adamstown, Alexandria, Harbord and Newcastle East are in process of being alienated in favour of other public bodies.

LEASES.

The leases of the Avalon, Northmead, Rhodes, Scone, Toronto and Warren fire stations were renewed for five years, and that of Cabramatta for six months, while that in respect of Lorn Fire Station was terminated. The agreement in respect of the site at Morpeth was renewed for one year.

FIRES.

Six thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine alarms of fire were recorded in the Sydney Fire District, being an increase of 939 compared with the previous year. This total consists of 1,766 false alarms, 141 chimney fires and 4,982 other fires. Of the false alarms mentioned, 673 were malicious, 251 needless, and 842 accidental. Thirty-two fires were classified as suspicious in origin, as compared with thirty-six in 1945.

The most notable fires were:—

- 21st August; William Henry street, Pyrmont; New Zealand Loan & Mercantile Agency Co. Ltd. and others; wool and hide store.
- 30th August; 30 Buckland-street, Chippendale; Bruce Small Pty. Ltd.; bicycle manufacturers.
- 7th September; Hexham House, 106 Goulburn-street, City; Paramount Leather Industries and others; leather goods manufacturers.
- 24th September; Campbell-street, St. Peters; Ralph Symonds Pty. Ltd.; panel and veneer manufacturers.
- 2nd December; McCauley-street, Matraville; Australian Paper Manufacturers Ltd.; paper mills.

The year was again marked by the loss of a number of lives in association with outbreaks of fire, burning fatalities occurring at Cabramatta, Corramal, Haberfield, Islington, Katoomba, Lakemba, Manly, Mascot, Newcastle, St. Peters, Ryde. In no case were the activities of the brigade called in question.

In the country fire districts the number of fire calls totalled 2,911, being an increase of 543 by comparison with the previous year. The most notable fire was:—

- 19th April; off Francis-street, Cessnock; No. 2 Cessnock Colliery Ltd.; coal mine.

ELECTRICAL—FIRE ALARMS.

Nine additional street fire alarms were installed at Concord (1), Gladesville (2), Hurstville (3), Kogarah (1), Matraville (1), and Rockdale (1)—making a total in Sydney and suburbs of 759, while there are also in addition 94 special alarms. Connected to the various fire stations are 799 sprinkler installations of various types, 151 thermostatic alarms and 230 private alarms.

In the country fire districts five additional telephone fire alarms were provided at Newcastle (1), Port Kembla (1), Wallsend (1), Waratah (1) and Wollongong (1).

The total of telephone alarms is now 252, mechanical alarms 168, and 29 special alarms. Twenty-three sprinkler installations are connected to the fire stations at Newcastle, three at Bathurst, two at Broken Hill, four at Goulburn, two at Tamworth, two at West Maitland, four at Liverpool, two at Wagga Wagga, and one at Albury; three thermostatic fire alarms at Broken Hill, nine at Newcastle, and one at West Maitland; while 188 private fire alarms are in communication with various country stations.

Four additional fire alarm pillars were provided in the Sydney Fire District and three in the country districts, making the total pillars now installed 549 and 185 respectively.

THEFTS AND DAMAGE.

The grave menace to the safety of life and property in case of fire continued in the interference by theft and damage to street fire alarms. The districts concerned were the City of Sydney, Auburn, Balmain, Bankstown, Bondi, Burwood, Circular Quay, Concord, Crows Nest, Darlinghurst, Fairfield, Guildford, Hamilton, Hornsby, Hurstville, Kogarah, Leichhardt, Lidcombe, Newtown, Paddington, Putney, Randwick, Redfern, Rockdale, Stockton, Ultimo and Waterloo.

OFFENCES AND CONVICTIONS.

For having maliciously set fire to buildings at Braidwood a man was convicted, while two men were sentenced to imprisonment for two years upon a similar charge at Bowral. A man was convicted on a charge of setting fire to a dwelling at Eastwood and bound over to keep the peace for four years, and another fined for lighting and leaving a fire unattended at Lismore.

BRIGADE.

Following upon the retirement of Mr. B. L. Barber, Deputy Chief Officer, Third Officer E. J. Griffiths was appointed to that position, and Fourth Officer R. Curren to that of Third Officer, while Fifth Officer E. H. Parks was promoted to Fourth Officer, Sixth Officer J. E. Johns to Fifth Officer and Inspector J. Goodwin to the rank of Sixth Officer. The promotion of other senior officers related to positions associated with building inspections and bush fires organisation.

The authorised strength of the Brigade in the Sydney Fire District is 160 officers, 772 permanent, 268 volunteer and 539 reserve firemen; in the Greater Newcastle Fire District 12 officers, 39 permanent, 110 volunteer and 66 reserve firemen; in Broken Hill 2 officers, 9 permanent, 16 volunteer and 14 reserve firemen, and in other districts 42 officers, 3 permanent firemen, 1,514 volunteer and 1,067 reserve firemen. The total authorised strength of the Brigade is thus 216 officers and 823 permanent firemen, 1,908 volunteers and 1,686 reserve firemen. It is worthy of note that since the application of the Fire Brigades (Amendment) Act, 1944, to the service by which the hours of officers and firemen were reduced, the authorised strength of the Brigade has increased by 40 officers and 154 permanent firemen.

The new brigades established in the Lower Hunter and St. Marys Fire Districts operated under the Act as from the 1st January, and new brigades were formed at Berrigan, Coolah, Dunedoo, Finley, Gloucester, Raymond Terrace, St. Marys factory area and Tocumwal, pending the provision of full services on the 1st January, 1947.

Similarly as in the case of the Sydney Fire District, in 1945 the Board effected a reorganisation of the fire service in the Greater Newcastle and Maitland Fire Districts, and pursuant thereto the fire stations at Adamstown, Lambton, Lorn and Newcastle East were closed and the personnel transferred to neighbouring brigades.

DEATHS.

With regret the Board records the deaths of District Officer A. J. Lennon and Senior Fireman G. H. Oehlman of the permanent brigade, and Captains W. F. Twogood (Forbes) and C. McIlwaine (Rhodes), and of Volunteer Firemen M. G. Crew (Berry), D. E. Griffiths (Kurri Kurri), B. King (Leeton), T. Bulbert (Randwick) and J. Johnson (Stockton).

SUPERANNUATION AND RETIREMENTS.

One thousand one hundred and fourteen (1,114) employees contributed under the provisions of the Superannuation Act.

The following members retired on pension:—B. L. Barber, Deputy Chief Officer, J. W. Barnaby, Board's Inspectional Officer, J. J. Neville, Officer-in-Charge of Auxiliaries, Inspector F. C. Eastlake, Station Officers W. W. Caller, F. Creeke and D. MacLeod, Senior Firemen J. Golden, J. McCormac and W. G. Warner and First Class Fireman W. J. Baxter.

LONG SERVICE MEDALS AND BARS.

Long Service Medals for fifteen years' good service on the permanent staff were awarded to Senior Firemen C. Armstrong, M. C. Davis, E. G. Howard, J. W. G. Joyce, A. E. W. Morris, J. S. Morrissey, A. W. J. Prentice, J. H. Purdy, F. H. Ruwald, C. H. Shaw, H. A. Shepherd and T. W. Troy; and bars to that medal for an additional fifteen years' service to Motor Inspector A. H. Campbell, District Officer W. E. Dever, Station Officers W. W. Caller, W. Dryden, J. F. A. Elwood, T. W. Millwood, W. Muir, A. H. Webber and H. J. Young, and Senior Fireman V. C. Grunsell.

VOLUNTEER LONG SERVICE MEDALS AND BARS.

Volunteer Long Service Medals were granted to Volunteer Firemen C. E. Heath (Bathurst), A. F. Lovegrove (Blacktown), A. S. Kingham (Blayney), J. A. Mott (Bourke), K. L. Cherry (Broken Hill South), Captain A. B. Sinclair (Camden), J. I. Rule (Cabramatta), B. C. Windsor (Coraki), W. H. Bryant (Cowra), R. M. Caisley and F. E. Wright (Dorrigo), C. Chapman (Guildford), R. G. Dunn (Gundagai), R. S. Clayton (Gunnedah), C. W. Beehag (Hurstville), T. J. Hasling and O. H. Snell (Lane Cove), Captain E. J. Attwood (Leeton), Volunteer Firemen L. W. Saillard and F. Rosa (Manly), A. H. Shanks (Parkes), G. A. J. Buxton (West Maitland), A. R. Tunks (West Wyalong), Captain V. H. Parker and Volunteer Firemen J. H. Parker and W. P. Kent (Warren).

Bars to that medal for an additional fifteen years' service were awarded to Volunteer Firemen J. Teasdale (Adamstown), M. J. Manning (Bourke), W. J. Whitfield (Braidwood), J. Andrew (Campsie), C. R. Smyth (Cessnock), G. H. Firth (Coonamble), J. T. Woodberry (Corowa), S. J. Lowe (Cowra), J. F. Perrin (Deniliquin), C. H. Price (East Maitland), J. W. Girdham (Forbes), F. Funnell and F. E. Godfrey (Goulburn), H. J. Elkerton (Grafton), Captain W. A. Edwards (Junee), G. Faux (Lidcombe), B. Deadman (Liverpool), H. Ihnen (Merewether), Captain W. B. Collins (Mittagong), W. C. Longford (Narrandera), J. Baker (New Lambton), Captain R. N. McLennan (Penrith), A. Harber (Rockdale), J. Johnson (Stockton), G. A. J. Buxton (West Maitland), P. H. Jewell (Wellington).

FIRE APPLIANCES.

Two motor fire engine chassis, having a pumping capacity of 350 gallons per minute, were received and are in process of completion. One foam crash tender, having a capacity of 1,000 gallons, was placed in service in Sydney Fire District.

Changes in appliances were effected at Ballina, Bulli, Canowindra, Coonabarabran, Coonamble, Coraki, Corowa, Corrimal, Dapto, Deniliquin, Gulgong, Kiama, Stockton, Sutherland, Swansea, Tweed Heads and Wallsend.

Appliances of 250-gallon pumping capacity were installed at Berrigan, Dunedoo, Coolah, Finley, Gloucester, Raymond Terrace and Tucumwal.

A new salvage appliance was constructed and installed at Headquarters. Four Dennis 630-gallon capacity motors fitted with foam generators were installed at Balmain, Crow's Nest, George-street West and Newcastle.

HOSE.

The Commonwealth and State authorities conjointly approved the Board retaining for its ordinary requirements 198,900 feet of 2½-inch unlined hose of English manufacture which had been placed in its hands for use during the war emergency.

Ten thousand feet of 1-inch unlined hose was imported from the United Kingdom.

RADIO COMMUNICATION.

The Board in the light of recent developments in radio transmission gave serious consideration to the application of wireless communication to fire service operations generally and in contemplation of the early possibility of securing suitable equipment provided an amount on its estimates for the ensuing year and the preliminary negotiations are proceeding.

CLOTHING AND BOOT FACTORIES.

The manufacturing operations of the uniform clothing and boot-making departments of the Board continued to be satisfactory.

BUILDING INSPECTIONS, ETC.

Inspectional visits were made by officers of the fire service to theatres and public halls registered under the Theatres and Public Halls Act, to premises under the Factories and Shops Act and the Height of Buildings Act, as well as to hospitals, Government institutions, business premises and factories.

BUSH FIRES.

The provision of the Bush and Rural Fire Prevention Order (No. 2) of 1944 were re-applied during periods of prevailing high temperature. Close co-operation was maintained with the Bush Fires Advisory Committee and local government authorities by a senior officer of the service. Assistance was also rendered by the Board in the establishment of Bush Fire Brigades by the councils on the Blue Mountains.

The provision of hose boxes equipped with standpipe, branch and several lengths of hose in bush fire areas has been considerably extended during the year and reserve firemen were appointed to operate in respect of each hose box.

The Board was enabled to acquire from the Disposals Commission several units of equipment especially adaptable for bush fire fighting, viz., motorised water tankers, jeeps and tank trailers.

CROWN EMPLOYEES APPEAL BOARD.

As employer's representative on the Crown Employees Appeal Board the Board nominated Mr. F. W. Walton as member and Mr. L. E. Duff alternate member.

CARELESS USE OF FIRE ACT, 1912-1946.

This Act was amended by the Economic Stability and War-time Provisions Act, 1946, by the addition of section 4B, which confers on the Minister, as from 1st January, 1947, power to give directions from time to time to control the lighting of fires in the open air to minimise the risk of bush fires.

The Minister may delegate his power to the council of the city, municipality or shire to which the Act applies.

INFLAMMABLE LIQUID (AMENDMENT) ACT.

An Act entitled the Inflammable Liquid (Amendment) Act, 1946, to make further provision in relation to the keeping, conveyance and sale of inflammable liquid and/or dangerous goods, to amend the Inflammable Liquid Act, 1915-1931, and for purposes connected therewith, was assented to on 17th April.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION ACT.

One hundred and forty-seven claims were lodged under the provisions of the Workers' Compensation Act with the Government Insurance Office of New South Wales, with which the Board again covered its liability.

INDUSTRIAL ARBITRATION ACT—RE BASIS OF RATES OF WAGES FOR EMPLOYEES.

Due to variations in the weighted average of the Retail Price Index Numbers for the five towns in this State on which the Needs Basic Wage for Government employees is calculated, together with the 7s. increase on 13th December, the Needs Basic Wage at the end of the year was £5 1s. (an increase of 9s. during year), with which is payable the fixed loading of 5s. applicable to such employees, making a total of £5 6s.

As a result of such variations the salaries and wages payable under the Fire Brigade Officers (State) Award, the Fire Brigade Employees (State) Award and the Industrial Agreement with the Federated Clerks' Union were increased accordingly.

The Needs Basic Wage (based on the Index Numbers for Sydney) for other employees of the Board subject to general State and Federal awards, other than the Clothing Trades Award, was increased by 1s. from the commencement of the first pay periods in August and November, respectively, and, together with the 7s. in December above referred to, thus became £5 2s. at the end of the year. In addition the fixed loading of 6s. was payable throughout the year.

The wages payable under the Clothing Trades Award (Federal) based on the Index Numbers for the six capital cities of Australia were increased by 1s. from the commencement of the pay periods in May and November respectively, and also by the 7s. increase in December. The rates for females under this award were fixed by the National Security (Female Minimum Rates) Regulations at 75 per cent. of the male rates.

FIRE BRIGADE EMPLOYEES (STATE) AWARD.

Prior to the minutes of this award referred to in the last report being finally settled the Fire Brigades' Association made application for a further increase in wages on the ground that the closing of stations had in some respects increased the duties and responsibilities of individual firemen. On the 5th March the Industrial Commission delivered its judgment to the effect that it found some alteration in rates had become necessary and varied the rates previously ordered, granting further increases to the extent of 10s. per week for each rank of fireman, to operate from the commencement of the first pay period in January.

WAR LOADING.

In its judgment of 27th February the Industrial Commission deleted, as from 4th January, the war loading previously paid to officers. Similarly in its judgment of 5th March the Commission deleted as from the first pay period after 1st March, the war loading previously paid to firemen.

FIRE BRIGADE OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION—APPLICATION FOR NEW AWARD, 1945.

On the 27th February the Industrial Commission delivered its judgment in the application by the New South Wales Fire Brigade Officers' Association for an award. The award then made was expressed to be for a term of three years from the 4th January, except as to rates of pay, which may be reviewed within that period if restrictions imposed by National Security Regulations are removed. On 18th April, however, the Association lodged another application for hearing by the Industrial Commission claiming an increase of a further 10s. per week on the rates of pay previously determined by the Court.

This application did not come on for hearing until 8th October when the Association submitted that the increase of 10s. granted to firemen on 5th March (retrospective to January as above referred to), prima facie, disturbed the margin which up to that date had been fixed by the Commission between rates of firemen and officers and therefore that the Commission should certify that an anomaly existed which needed to be corrected by the court granting a similar increase to officers. On behalf of the Board it was submitted that the Commission had already considered all relevant factors before delivering its judgment on 27th February and therefore no prima facie case for removal of an anomaly had been established. The

Commission reserved its judgment on this preliminary application and subsequently on 18th October stated that the increase to firemen provided the prima facie evidence that a further alteration in the rates of officers was necessary to remove an anomaly. It further stated that subject to the approval of the Chief Judge of the Commonwealth Arbitration Court the Commission would hold an inquiry to determine what margin should exist between the rates of firemen and officers, having regard to the differences in the qualifications and responsibilities of these two classes of employee. On the 19th December the Industrial Commission announced that the necessary approval had been given to the matter proceeding and after hearing counsel for the Board and the Association, but without holding the inquiry mentioned in its judgment of 18th October, announced that the rates of pay of all officers subject to the award should be increased by 7s. per week as from the first pay period in July.

SENIOR EXECUTIVE OFFICERS—INCREASES TO PRESERVE MARGINS.

Following the new award for fire brigade officers the Board decided that new rates of pay should be granted to certain of its senior executive officers, namely, the Third, Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Officers, and in pursuance of the provisions of the National Security (Economic Organisation) Regulations application was made to the Industrial Commission for an order granting leave to the Board to increase their remuneration accordingly. The necessary approval was obtained from the Chief Judge of the Commonwealth Arbitration Court and on 30th April the appropriate order was made by the Industrial Commission. The new rates took effect as from 4th January, the date from which the new rates for other officers had been made payable.

FIRE BRIGADE EMPLOYEES (STATE) CONCILIATION COMMITTEE.

The term of office of Messrs. Thomas Sidney Douglas, Edward Noel Haythorpe and John Franklin Beswick, the Board's representatives on this Conciliation Committee, having expired, the Board nominated Messrs. Walter Leslie Currey and John Franklin Beswick for appointment as members of the Committee and Mr. Leslie Ivan Skelton as an alternate member of the Committee.

INSPECTIONS.

Fire brigade stations in Sydney and suburbs and the country were visited and inspected by the Board as well as prospective new fire districts and the opportunity taken to present Long Service Medals and bars to that decoration to volunteer firemen. Representatives of municipal and shire councils were met concerning fire brigade matters.

LOANS.

One debenture of £2,500 was redeemed in respect of each of the two loans of £50,000 by the A.M.P. Society of 1928 and 1937, and one debenture of £5,000 and £1,000 respectively in connection with the loans of £100,000 and £20,000 of 1941.

AUDIT.

The Board's auditors, Messrs. Robertson, Crane and Gibbons, submitted a satisfactory report upon the accounts of the Board for the year.

CONCLUSION.

The Board, in conclusion, expresses its appreciation of the ready co-operation of the Police Department, the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Board, the Maritime Services Board, the Department of Labour and Industry and Social Welfare, the Explosives Department, Department of Road Transport and Tramways, the Valuer-General's Department, the Sydney County Council and the Postmaster-General's Department.

Attention is invited to the report of the Chief Officer of Fire Brigades and other appendices, which furnish additional information.

We have, etc.,

T. J. SMITH, President.

J. F. BESWICK,
W. L. CURREY,
L. E. DUFF,
S. H. A. JORDAN,
H. K. W. MACKENZIE,
L. I. SKELTON,
F. W. WALTON,

Members of the
Board of Fire
Commissioners of
New South Wales.

APPENDIX I.

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF NEW SOUTH WALES.
STATEMENT of Revenue and Expenditure for Year ended 31st December, 1946.

REVENUE.				EXPENDITURE.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Contributions—				Balance brought forward as at 1st January, 1946			30,358 8 9
Government	172,178	0	0	Clothing	15,545	18	2
Insurance Companies and Firms	344,356	0	0	Fire Appliances, Minor	1,060	2	7
Municipalities and Shires—				Fire Expenses	109	6	6
Sydney	137,259	0	0	Fuel	365	1	6
Country	34,919	0	0	Furniture, Fittings, etc.	2,352	14	1
			688,712 0 0	Gratuities and Compensation	284	18	0
Sale of materials	603	1	2	Hose	7,857	18	1
Services rendered	17,072	6	0	Insurance, Stations and Plant	4,935	11	6
Life and Accident Assurance—				Lighting	3,649	18	2
Deposit previously written off	1,000	0	0	Medical Fees	923	16	10
Less Expenditure	210	0	0	Miscellaneous	4,756	11	5
			790 0 0	Pay Roll Tax	11,527	11	5
Balance carried forward to 1947			24,040 10 6	Pensions	1,428	13	6
				Petty Expenses	288	16	10
				Printing, Postage, and Stationery	2,441	2	3
				Rates	8,252	13	0
				Rent	7,931	10	6
				Repairs and Replacements	19,715	0	7
				Salaries	445,604	16	10
				Station Repairs	10,575	19	11
				Sundries	1,095	7	9
				Sundry Materials	12,933	9	3
				Superannuation	29,437	9	4
				Telephones and Electric Plant	929	8	1
				Telephone Maintenance	2,932	13	3
				Tools and Utensils	2,095	19	7
				Travelling, Cartage, and Freight	6,065	0	10
				Volunteers, Payments to	32,566	3	2
							637,798 12 11
				Equipment, Charge for	29,891	8	5
				Property, Charge for	6,351	5	8
							36,242 14 1
				Administration			19,903 1 11
				Life and Accident Assurance—			
				Provision for Accrued Premiums			6,920 0 0
			£731,217 17 8				£731,217 17 8

ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNT for Year ended 31st December, 1946.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Audit Fees	210	0	0	By Balance from 1945			5,679 5 11
Board Fees	1,050	0	0	Cost of Administration as per Estimates, 1946—			
Furniture and Equipment	624	0	5	Sydney 2 per cent.	10,765	8	3
Guarantee Premiums	17	17	6	Other Districts, 7 per cent.	9,137	13	8
Exchange and Bank Charges	89	11	4				19,903 1 11
Law Costs	1,209	17	7				
Life Assurance	102	16	0				
Pay Roll Tax	363	2	6				
Pensions	187	10	6				
Printing	900	15	6				
Salaries	13,475	2	9				
Sundries	318	0	3				
Superannuation	663	9	8				
Telephone Maintenance	160	12	5				
Travelling	607	1	9				
			19,879 13 2				
Balance			5,702 9 8				
			£25,582 7 10				£25,582 7 10

BALANCE-SHEET as at 31st December, 1946.

LIABILITIES.				ASSETS, ETC.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Fund Account			31,369 14 6	Land—At Cost			47,945 19 11
Property and Equipment Account			767,637 14 4	Buildings—At Cost			411,906 18 9
Debentures (Secured)—				Fire Appliances—At Cost or at Valuation			
Advances	122,500	0	0	where Units have been Reconditioned			384,703 17 7
Accrued interest to date	1,683	6	8	Stocks on Hand as certified—			
			124,183 6 8	Stores	24,591	2	9
Superannuation Trust Account, as per contra ..			2,503 16 9	Workshops	61,577	19	11
Mobile Canteen Fund, as per contra ..			1,095 0 0	Electrical	6,412	6	7
Commercial Banking Company of Sydney, Ltd.							92,581 9 3
Current Account—Overdraft			27,050 15 0	Petty Cash—Secretary	30	0	0
Administration Account			5,702 9 8	Brigades	229	0	0
Life and Accident Assurance—Provision for							259 0 0
Accrued Premiums			6,920 0 0	Commercial Banking Company of Sydney, Ltd.			
				—Superannuation Trust Account as per contra ..			2,503 16 9
				Government Insurance Office of New South			
				Wales—Bush Fire Fighters Insurance			
				Deposit Account			1,000 0 0
				Mobile Canteen Fund—as per contra ..			
				Commonwealth Stock	1,000	0	0
				Current Account	95	0	0
							1,095 0 0
				Unpaid Contributions			428 4 2
				Revenue and Expenditure Account			24,040 10 6
			£966,462 16 11				£966,462 16 11

AUDITORS' REPORT.

We have examined the above Balance-sheet with the books of account relating thereto and have obtained all the information and explanations we have required. In our opinion the Balance-sheet and accompanying Statement of Revenue and Expenditure are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the affairs of the Board of Fire Commissioners of New South Wales, according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the books.

[ROBERTSON, CRANE AND GIBBONS,
Chartered Accountants (Aust.).

Sydney, 23rd January, 1947.

APPENDIX II.

ESTIMATE OF EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR 1946.

One-fourth payable by the Municipal or Shire Councils interested in the respective Fire Districts, one-fourth by the Government, and one-half by the Insurance Companies insuring property within such Districts.

Fire District.	£	s.	d.	Fire District.	£	s.	d.
1. Albury—The Municipality of Albury.....	2,444	0	0	31. Coff's Harbour—The Town of Coff's Har-			
2. Alstonville—The Town of Alstonville, in				bour, in Dorrigo Shire, including Jetty			
Tintenbar Shire. (The part described in				Town. (The part described in <i>Govern-</i>			
<i>Government Gazette</i> , 12th August, 1927)...	248	0	0	<i>ment Gazette</i> , 15th September, 1939)	384	0	0
3. Armidale—The Municipality of Armidale...	1,964	0	0	32. Condobolin—The Municipality of Condo-			
4. Ballina—The Municipality of Ballina	376	0	0	bolin	608	0	0
5. Balranald—The Municipality of Balranald	376	0	0	33. Coolamon—The Town of Coolamon, in			
6. Barraba—The Municipality of Barraba.....	304	0	0	Coolamon Shire. (The part described in			
7. Bathurst—The Municipality of Bathurst.	2,252	0	0	<i>Government Gazette</i> , 18th November, 1927)	472	0	0
8. Bega—The Municipality of Bega	276	0	0	34. Cooma—The Municipality of Cooma.			
9. Bellingen—The Town of Bellingen, in				(The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> ,			
Bellingen Shire. (The part described in				9th Nov., 1917)	360	0	0
<i>Government Gazette</i> , 22nd August, 1924)...	284	0	0	35. Coonabarabran—The Town of Coonabara-			
10. Belmont — The Townships of Belmont,				bran, in Coonabarabran Shire.—(The			
Blacksmiths, Mark's Point, Pelican Flat,				part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 18th			
South Belmont in Lake Macquarie Shire.				September, 1936)	300	0	0
(The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> ,				36. Coonamble—The Municipality of Coon-			
5th October, 1945.)	576	0	0	amble	372	0	0
11. Berry—The Municipality of Berry.....	240	0	0	37. Cootamundra—The Municipality of Coota-			
12. Blackheath—(1) The Municipality of Black-				mundra	436	0	0
heath. (The part described in <i>Government</i>				38. Coraki—The Town of Coraki, in Wood-			
<i>Gazette</i> , 10th November, 1939.) (2) The				burn Shire. (The part which formerly			
Town of Mount Victoria, in Blue Moun-				comprised the Municipality of Coraki, <i>vide</i>			
tains Shire. (The part described in				<i>Government Gazette</i> , 16th February, 1934)	252	0	0
<i>Government Gazette</i> , 20th October, 1939)...	840	0	0	39. Corowa—The Municipality of Corowa.....	572	0	0
13. Blacktown—The Town of Blacktown, in				40. Cowra—The Municipality of Cowra	564	0	0
Blacktown Shire. (The part described in				41. Cronulla—The Town of Cronulla, with			
<i>Government Gazette</i> , 7th November, 1930)	200	0	0	Burraneer Bay, Caringbah, Gunnamatta			
14. Blayney — The Lyndhurst Shire. (The				Bay, Port Hacking, Taren Point, &c.,			
part proclaimed in <i>Government Gazette</i> ,				in Sutherland Shire. (The part described			
26th June, 1936, as the Blayney Urban				in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 28th September,			
Area, which formerly comprised the Muni-				1945.)	2532	0	0
cipality of Blayney, <i>vide Government</i>				42. Crookwell—The Town of Crookwell, in			
<i>Gazette</i> , 13th December, 1935)	304	0	0	Crookwell Shire. (The part described in			
15. Blue Mountains—The Blue Mountains				<i>Government Gazette</i> , 15th September, 1939)	372	0	0
Shire, part of, embracing Lapstone,				43. Dapto—The town of Dapto, in Central			
Glenbrook, Blaxland, Warrimoo, Valley				Illawarra Shire. (The part described in			
Heights, Springwood, Faulconbridge,				<i>Government Gazette</i> , 27th September, 1935)	332	0	0
Linden, Woodford, Hazelbrook, Lawson,				44. Deniliquin—The Municipality of Denili-			
Bullaburra, Wentworth Falls. (The part				quin	676	0	0
described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 29th				45. Dorrigo—The Town of Dorrigo, in			
October, 1937)	1,616	0	0	Dorrigo Shire. (The part described in			
16. Boolaroo—The Towns of Argenton, Boo-				<i>Government Gazette</i> , 29th October, 1926)...	420	0	0
laroo, Teralba, Warner's Bay, in Lake				46. Dubbo—The Municipality of Dubbo.....	1,932	0	0
Macquarie Shire. (The part described in				47. Dungog—The Municipality of Dungog.....	260	0	0
<i>Government Gazette</i> , 25th October, 1935)...	600	0	0	48. Forbes—The Municipality of Forbes	720	0	0
17. Bourke—The Municipality of Bourke	360	0	0	49. Gilgandra—The Gilgandra Urban Area,			
18. Bowral—The Municipality of Bowral	348	0	0	embracing the Town of Gilgandra in			
19. Braidwood—The Town of Braidwood, in				Gilgandra Shire (as re-constituted, <i>vide</i>			
Tallaganda Shire. (The part which form-				<i>Government Gazette</i> , 9th January, 1942)...	400	0	0
erly comprised the Municipality of Braid-				50. Glen Innes—The Municipality of Glen			
wood, <i>vide Government Gazette</i> , 23rd				Innes	1,920	0	0
October, 1936)	244	0	0	51. Gosford—(1) The Municipality of Gosford,			
20. Broken Hill—The Municipality of Broken				part of; (2) The Shire of Erina, part of;			
Hill	7,632	0	0	being the Town of Gosford with boundar-			
21. Bulli—The Towns of Austinmer, Bulli,				ies as described in <i>Government Gazette</i> ,			
Clifton, Coledale, Scarborough, Thirroul,				15th June, 1934	704	0	0
Wombarra, Woonona, in Bulli Shire.				52. Goulburn—The Municipality of Goulburn.	2,144	0	0
(The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> ,				53. Grafton—The Municipality of Grafton ...	1,988	0	0
13th October, 1939)	1,268	0	0	54. Greater Newcastle—The City of Greater			
22. Cabramatta-Canley Vale—The Municipal-				Newcastle, embracing Adamstown, Broad-			
ity of Cabramatta and Canley Vale	572	0	0	meadow, Carrington, Cook's Hill, Hamil-			
23. Camden—The Municipality of Camden.....	444	0	0	ton, Honeysuckle, Inglewood, Islington,			
24. Campbelltown—The Municipality of Camp-				Lambton, Maryville, Mayfield, Merewether,			
belltown	456	0	0	Newcastle, New Lambton, Plattsburg,			
25. Canowindra—The Canowindra Urban Area				Sandgate, Shortlands, Stockton, Tighe's			
in Boree Shire (<i>vide Government Gazette</i> ,				Hill, Wallsend, Waratah, Wickham	34,800	0	0
19th April, 1929)	368	0	0	55. Grenfell—The Municipality of Grenfell.....	296	0	0
26. Cardiff — The Town of Cardiff, and the				56. Griffith—The Town of Griffith, and addi-			
village of Young Wallsend in Lake Mac-				tional areas in Wade Shire. (The part			
quarie Shire. (The part described in				described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 23rd			
<i>Government Gazette</i> , 12th October, 1945)	436	0	0	October, 1936)	556	0	0
27. Casino—The Municipality of Casino.....	2,064	0	0	57. Gulgong—The Town of Gulgong, in Gulgong			
28. Cessnock—(1) The Municipality of Cess-				Shire, <i>vide Government Gazette</i> , 6th June,			
nock. (2) The Towns of Abernethy, Bell-				1941. (The part described in <i>Government</i>			
bird, Kearsley, Kitchener, in Kearsley				<i>Gazette</i> , 1st November, 1940)	424	0	0
Shire, as re-constituted— <i>Government</i>				58. Gundagai—The Town of Gundagai, in			
<i>Gazette</i> , 6th October, 1944. (Being the				Gundagai Shire. (The part described in			
area described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 5th				<i>Government Gazette</i> , 21st November, 1930)	408	0	0
October, 1923, and the additional parts				59. Gunnedah—The Municipality of Gunnedah	340	0	0
described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 3rd Oct.,				60. Guyra—The Town of Guyra, in Guyra Shire			
1924, and 12th Oct., 1928).....	2,744	0	0	(The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> ,			
29. Charlestown—The Townships of Charles-				31st May, 1929)	280	0	0
town, Dudley, Gateshead, Kahibah, White-				61. Hay—The Municipality of Hay.....	300	0	0
bridge in Lake Macquarie Shire. (The				62. Hillston—The Town of Hillston, in Carra-			
part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> ,				thool Shire, <i>vide Government Gazette</i> , 24th			
12th October, 1945)	312	0	0	December, 1943. (The part described in			
30. Cobar—The Municipality of Cobar.	268	0	0	<i>Government Gazette</i> , 2nd October, 1936)	380	0	0
				63. Inverell—The Municipality of Inverell ...	1,880	0	0

APPENDIX II—continued.

Fire District.	£	s.	d.	Fire District.	£	s.	d.
64. Jerilderie—The Town of Jerilderie in Jerilderie Shire. (The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 20th October, 1944) ...	420	0	0	99. Peak Hill—The Town of Peak Hill, in the Municipality of Peak Hill. (The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 1st November, 1929)	208	0	0
65. Junee—The Municipality of Junee	500	0	0	100. Penrith—The Municipality of Penrith.....	508	0	0
66. Katoomba—(1) The Municipality of Katoomba; (2) the Town of Leura, in Blue Mountains Shire. (The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 17th August, 1934).....	2,896	0	0	101. Port Kembla—The Town of Port Kembla, in Central Illawarra Shire. (The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 11th October, 1940)	1,200	0	0
67. Kempsey—The Municipality of Kempsey....	516	0	0	102. Queanbeyan—The Municipality of Queanbeyan	440	0	0
68. Kiama—The Municipality of Kiama.....	356	0	0	103. Quirindi—The Municipality of Quirindi ...	408	0	0
69. Kurri Kurri—The Kearsley Shire, (as reconstituted: <i>Government Gazette</i> , 6th Oct., 1944), part of, embracing the Towns of Abermain, Heddon Greta, Kurri Kurri, Neath and Weston; also the Towns of Hebburn, Pelaw Main, Stanford-Merthyr, Spion Kop and Weston, formerly in Tarro Shire. (The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 19th January 1945)	1,520	0	0	104. Scone—The Municipality of Scone	452	0	0
70. Kyogle—The Kyogle Urban Area, in Kyogle Shire	444	0	0	105. Singleton—(1) The Municipality of Singleton, (2) The Patrick Plains Shire, part of, embracing Combo, Dunolly, Kelso and Redbournberry. (The parts described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 24th September, 1937)	376	0	0
71. Leeton—The Town of Leeton, in Willimong Shire. (The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 1st September, 1939) ..	856	0	0	106. South Grafton—The Municipality of South Grafton	340	0	0
72. Lismore—The Municipality of Lismore ...	2,140	0	0	107. St. Marys—The Town of St. Marys in the Municipality of St. Marys. (The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 12th October 1945.)	400	0	0
73. Lithgow—The Municipality of Lithgow.....	2,096	0	0	108. Sutherland—The Town of Sutherland, with Como, Gympie Bay, Janalli, Miranda, Woronora, &c., in Sutherland Shire. (The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 28th September, 1945.) ..	508	0	0
74. Liverpool—The Municipality of Liverpool ..	1,928	0	0	109. Swansea—The Township of Swansea, in Lake Macquarie Shire. (The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 6th Nov., 1936) ...	360	0	0
75. Lockhart—The Lockhart Urban Area, in Lockhart Shire. (As proclaimed in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 28th February, 1930) ..	456	0	0	110. Sydney—The Municipality of (1) City of Sydney, (2) Alexandria, (3) Annandale, (4) Ashfield, (5) Auburn, (6) Balmain, (7) Bankstown, (8) Bexley, (9) Botany, (10) Burwood, (11) Canterbury, (12) Concord, (13) Darlington, (14) Drummoyne, (15) Dundas, (16) Eastwood, (17) Enfield, (18) Ermington and Rydalmere, (19) Erskineville, (20) Fairfield (the part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 2nd May, 1930), (21) The Glebe, (22) Granville, (23) Holroyd, (24) Homebush, (25) Hunter's Hill, (26) Hurstville, (27) Kogarah, (28) Ku-ring-gai, (29) Lane Cove, (30) Leichhardt, (31) Lidcombe, (32) Manly, (33) Marrickville, (34) Mascot, (35) Mosman, (36) Newtown, (37) North Sydney, (38) Paddington, (39) Parramatta, (40) Petersham, (41) Randwick (as reconstituted, <i>vide Government Gazette</i> , 6th October, 1944), (42) Redfern, (43) Rockdale, (44) Ryde, (45) St. Peters, (46) Strathfield, (47) Vaucluse, (48) Waterloo, (49) Waverley (as reconstituted, <i>vide Government Gazette</i> , 6th October, 1944), (50) Willoughby, (51) Woollahra, (52) Baulkham Hills Shire (the part embracing Baulkham Hills, Castle Hill, Pennant Hills and Northmead described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 20th July, 1945), (53) Blacktown Shire (the part embracing Toongabbie and Westmead, described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 31st July, 1925), (54) Hornsby Shire (the part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 31st July, 1936), (55) Warringah Shire (the part of the Shire from Harbord to Mona Vale and Church Point described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 8th November, 1940)	549,036	0	0
76. Lower Hunter—The Townships of Beresfield, Hexham, Tarro, Thornton in Lower Hunter Shire. (The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> 21st September 1945.) ..	132	0	0	111. Tamworth—The Municipality of Tamworth	2,212	0	0
77. Maclean—The Municipality of Maclean. (The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 29th October, 1926).....	360	0	0	112. Taree—The Municipality of Taree.....	400	0	0
78. Maitland—(1) The Municipality of Maitland embracing East Maitland, Homeville, Lorn, Morpeth, Rutherford and Tenambit; (2) The Township of Kensington, in Lower Hunter Shire. (The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 6th October, 1944). (3) The Township of East Greta, in Kearsley Shire, as reconstituted: <i>Government Gazette</i> , 6th October, 1944. (The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 6th October, 1944)	4,568	0	0	113. Temora—The Municipality of Temora.....	412	0	0
79. Manilla—The Municipality of Manilla.....	356	0	0	114. Tenterfield—The Municipality of Tenterfield	372	0	0
80. Mittagong—The Town of Mittagong and additional areas in Nattai Shire. (The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 13th October, 1939)	460	0	0	115. Toronto—The Town of Toronto, in Lake Macquarie Shire. (The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 22nd August, 1930). .	596	0	0
81. Molong—The Municipality of Molong	340	0	0	116. Tumut—The Town of Tumut, in Tumut Shire. (The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 29th June, 1928)	248	0	0
82. Moree—The Municipality of Moree	448	0	0	117. Tweed Heads—The Tweed Heads Urban Area in Tweed Shire. (<i>Vide Government Gazette</i> , 4th August, 1933)	236	0	0
83. Moss Vale—The Town of Moss Vale, in Wingecarribee Shire. (The part which formerly comprised the Municipality of Moss Vale, <i>vide Government Gazette</i> , 9th June, 1933)	348	0	0	118. Wagga Wagga—The Municipality of Wagga Wagga.....	2,284	0	0
84. Mudgee—The Municipality of Mudgee	360	0	0	119. Walgett—The Town of Walgett, in Walgett Shire.....	220	0	0
85. Mullumbimby—The Municipality of Mullumbimby	352	0	0	120. Warren—The Town of Warren, in the Municipality of Warren. (The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 17th April, 1930).....	264	0	0
86. Murrumburrah—The Municipality of Murrumburrah	408	0	0				
87. Murrurundi—The Municipality of Murrurundi.....	308	0	0				
88. Murwillumbah—The Municipality of Murwillumbah	352	0	0				
89. Muswellbrook—The Municipality of Muswellbrook.....	344	0	0				
90. Narrabri (1) The Municipality of Narrabri. (2) The Town of West Narrabri, in Namoi Shire. (The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 1st November, 1940). ..	532	0	0				
91. Narrandera—The Municipality of Narrandera	448	0	0				
92. Narromine—The Municipality of Narromine.....	408	0	0				
93. North Illawarra—The Townships of Balgownie, Corrimal, and Fairy Meadow, in the Municipality of North Illawarra. (The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 30th October, 1931)	580	0	0				
94. Nowra—The Municipality of Nowra.....	300	0	0				
95. Nyngan—The Municipality of Nyngan.....	312	0	0				
96. Orange—The Municipality of Orange	2,156	0	0				
97. Parkes—The Municipality of Parkes	544	0	0				
98. Paxton—The Townships of Crawford, Millfield and Paxton, in Kearsley Shire as reconstituted: <i>Government Gazette</i> , 6th October, 1944. (The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 12th October 1945.) ..	52	0	0				

APPENDIX II—continued.

Fire District.	£	s.	d.	Fire District.	£	s.	d.
121. Warringah—The Warringah Shire, part of, embracing Avalon, Bilgola, Clareville, Newport, Palm Beach, Taylor's Point, and Whale Beach. (The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 8th November, 1940)	860	0	0	128. Wingham—The Municipality of Wingham...	440	0	0
122. Wellington—The Municipality of Wellington	380	0	0	129. Wollongong—(1) The Municipality of Wollongong, (2) the Townships of Coniston and Mt. St. Thomas, in Central Illawarra Shire. (The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 27th July, 1945). The Township of Mt. Keira, part of, in Central Illawarra Shire. (3) The Township of Mt. Keira, part of, in the Municipality of North Illawarra. Being the Township of Mt. Keira, with boundaries as described in <i>Government Gazettes</i> , 8th November and 15th November, 1940	2,624	0	0
123. Wentworth—The Town of Wentworth, in the Municipality of Wentworth. (The part which formerly comprised the Municipality, <i>vide Government Gazette</i> , 3rd October, 1941)	288	0	0	130. Woy Woy—The Town of Woy Woy, with Blackwall, Booker Bay, Ettalong, Orange Grove, Ocean Beach, Pearl Beach, etc., in Woy Woy Shire. (The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 21st September, 1934)	952	0	0
124. Werris Creek—The Town of Werris Creek, in Peel Shire. (The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 25th August, 1933)...	368	0	0	131. Wyong—The Town of Wyong, in Erina Shire. (The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 11th September, 1936).....	332	0	0
125. West Wallsend—The Townships of (1) Estellville, (2) Holmesville, (3) West Wallsend, in Lake Macquarie Shire. (The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 8th July, 1932)	312	0	0	132. Yass—The Municipality of Yass.....	452	0	0
126. West Wyalong—The Town Improvement Areas of Wyalong and West Wyalong, in Bland Shire (<i>vide Government Gazette</i> , 25th September, 1936)	608	0	0	133. Young—The Municipality of Young	720	0	0
127. Windsor—The Municipalities of (1) Windsor; (2) Richmond; (3) The Townships of Riverstone and Schofields in Blacktown Shire. (The part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 25th November, 1927, and the additional part described in <i>Government Gazette</i> , 6th November, 1936)	1,200	0	0	Total	£688,712	0	0

APPENDIX III.

CONTRIBUTIONS by Municipal and Shire Councils, 1946.

Council.	Contribution.			Council.	Contribution.		
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
1. Albury	611	0	0	35. Campbelltown	114	0	0
2. Alexandria	1,469	6	7	36. Canterbury	5,599	17	4
3. Annandale	754	19	10	37. Carrathool Shire, on account of the town of Hillston	95	0	0
4. Armidale	491	0	0	38. Casino	516	0	0
5. Ashfield	3,517	7	3	39. Central Illawarra Shire, on account of the town of Port Kembla	300	0	0
6. Auburn	1,265	12	11	40. Central Illawarra Shire, on account of the townships of Coniston, Mt. Keira and Mount St. Thomas.....	27	13	9
7. Ballina	94	0	0	41. Central Illawarra Shire, on account of the town of Dapto	83	0	0
8. Balmain	1,680	17	3	42. Cessnock.....	511	4	7
9. Balranald	94	0	0	43. Cobar	67	0	0
10. Bankstown.....	1,814	3	2	44. Concord	2,513	10	3
11. Barraba	76	0	0	45. Condobolin.....	152	0	0
12. Bathurst.....	563	0	0	46. Coolamon Shire, on account of the town of Coolamon	118	0	0
13. Baulkham Hills Shire, portion gazetted 20th July, 1945	116	4	10	47. Cooma, portion gazetted 9th November, 1917	90	0	0
14. Bega	69	0	0	48. Coonabarabran Shire, on account of the town of Coonabarabran	75	0	0
15. Bellingen Shire, on account of the town of Bellingen.....	71	0	0	49. Coonamble	93	0	0
16. Berry	60	0	0	50. Cootamundra.....	109	0	0
17. Bexley	1,536	15	2	51. Corowa	143	0	0
18. Blackheath, portion gazetted 10th November, 1939	189	5	0	52. Cowra	141	0	0
19. Bland Shire, on account of the town improvement areas of Wyalong and West Wyalong	152	0	0	53. Crookwell Shire, on account of the town of Crookwell	93	0	0
20. Blacktown Shire, on account of the township of Blacktown	50	0	0	54. Darlington	194	10	7
21. Blacktown Shire, on account of Sydney Fire District.....	268	17	7	55. Deniliquin	169	0	0
22. Blacktown Shire, on account of the townships of Riverstone and Schofields	69	8	9	56. Dorriggo Shire, on account of the town of Dorriggo	105	0	0
23. Blue Mountains Shire, portion gazetted 17th August, 1934, Katoomba	61	17	0	57. Dorriggo Shire, on account of the town of Coff's Harbour	96	0	0
24. Blue Mountains Shire, portion gazetted 29th October, 1937	404	0	0	58. Drummoyne	2,587	16	2
25. Blue Mountains Shire, on account of the town of Mount Victoria	20	15	0	59. Dubbo	483	0	0
26. Boree Shire, on account of the Canowindra Urban Area.....	92	0	0	60. Dundas	542	1	1
27. Botany	767	9	6	61. Dungog	65	0	0
28. Bourke	90	0	0	62. Eastwood	272	18	4
29. Bowral	87	0	0	63. Enfield	951	19	11
30. Broken Hill	1,908	0	0	64. Erina Shire, on account of the town of Gosford	2	2	3
31. Bulli Shire, on account of the townships of Bulli, Woonona, Austinmer, Thirroul, Coledale, Clifton, Scarborough and Wombarra	317	0	0	65. Erina Shire, on account of the town of Wyong	83	0	0
32. Burwood	2,029	10	3	66. Ermington and Rydalmere	154	14	1
33. Cabramatta—Canley Vale, portion gazetted 1st November, 1940	143	0	0	67. Erskineville	309	16	11
34. Camden	111	0	0	68. Fairfield, portion gazetted 2nd May, 1930	476	11	7
				69. Forbes	180	0	0
				70. Gilgandra Shire, on account of the Gilgandra Urban Area	100	0	0

APPENDIX III—CONTRIBUTIONS by Municipal and Shire Councils—continued.

Council.	Contribution.			Council.	Contribution.		
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
71. Glebe	1,351	15	2	136. Nattai Shire, on account of the town of Mittagong	115	0	0
72. Glen Innes	480	0	0	137. Narrabri	114	19	2
73. Gosford	173	17	9	138. Narrandera	112	0	0
74. Goulburn	536	0	0	139. Narromine	102	0	0
75. Grafton	497	0	0	140. Newtown	1,648	9	11
76. Grafton, South	85	0	0	141. North Illawarra, on account of the townships of Corrimal, Balgownie and Fairy Meadow	145	0	0
77. Granville	1,322	6	0	142. North Illawarra, on account of the township of Mt. Keira	8	6	7
78. Greater Newcastle.....	8,700	0	0	143. North Sydney	5,400	7	0
79. Grenfell	74	0	0	144. Nowra.....	75	0	0
80. Gulgong Shire, on account of the town of Gulgong	106	0	0	145. Nyngan	78	0	0
81. Gundagai Shire, on account of the town of Gundagai	102	0	0	146. Orange	539	0	0
82. Gunnedah	85	0	0	147. Paddington	1,461	13	9
83. Guyra Shire, on account of the town of Guyra	70	0	0	148. Parkes	136	0	0
84. Hay.....	75	0	0	149. Parramatta	1,315	2	1
85. Holroyd Municipality	993	8	2	150. Patrick Plains Shire, on account of Combo, Dunolly, Kelso and Redbournberry	6	13	8
86. Homebush	326	6	3	151. Peak Hill, on account of the town of Peak Hill.....	52	0	0
87. Hornsby Shire, portion gazetted 31st July, 1936	1,288	1	6	152. Peel Shire, on account of the town of Werris Creek	92	0	0
88. Hunter's Hill	675	1	10	153. Penrith	127	0	0
89. Hurstville	2,000	8	9	154. Petersham	2,052	8	9
90. Inverell	470	0	0	155. Queanbeyan	110	0	0
91. Jerilderie Shire, portion gazetted 20th October, 1944.....	105	0	0	156. Quirindi	102	0	0
92. Junee	125	0	0	157. Randwick	8,121	1	1
93. Katoomba	662	3	0	158. Redfern	1,348	11	3
94. Kearsley Shire, on account of the townships of Abernethy, Kearsley, Bellbird, and Kitchener	174	15	5	159. Richmond	103	16	1
95. Kearsley Shire, on account of the townships of Kurri Kurri, Weston, Abermain, Heddon Greta, Neath, etc.	380	0	0	160. Rockdale	3,103	5	7
96. Kearsley Shire, on account of the township of East Greta	13	3	10	161. Ryde	2,294	0	6
97. Kearsley Shire, on account of the townships of Paxton, Crawford and Millfield.....	13	0	0	162. Scone	113	0	0
98. Kempsey	129	0	0	163. Singleton	87	6	4
99. Kiama	89	0	0	164. St. Mary's, on account of the town of St. Mary's	100	0	0
100. Kogarah	2,617	13	10	165. St. Peters	746	6	4
101. Ku-ring-gai	4,557	7	2	166. Strathfield	1,381	2	5
102. Kyogle Shire, on account of the Kyogle Urban Area.....	111	0	0	167. Sutherland Shire, on account of the town of Cronulla, Burraneer Bay, Caringbah, Gunnamatta Bay, Port Hacking, &c.....	633	0	0
103. Lake Macquarie Shire, on account of the townships of Belmont, South Belmont, Marks Point, etc.	144	0	0	168. Sutherland Shire, on account of the town of Sutherland, Gymea Bay, Janalli, Miranda, etc.	127	0	0
104. Lake Macquarie Shire, on account of the townships of Boolaroo, Argenton, Teralba and Warner's Bay	150	0	0	169. Sydney	28,005	2	6
105. Lake Macquarie Shire, on account of the town of Cardiff, etc.	109	0	0	170. Tallaganda Shire, on account of the town of Braidwood	61	0	0
106. Lake Macquarie Shire, on account of the townships of Charlestown, Kahibah, etc.	78	0	0	171. Tamworth	553	0	0
107. Lake Macquarie Shire, on account of the township of Swansea	90	0	0	172. Taree	100	0	0
108. Lake Macquarie Shire, on account of the townships of Estellville, Holmesville, and West Wallsend	78	0	0	173. Temora	103	0	0
109. Lake Macquarie Shire, on account of the township of Toronto	149	0	0	174. Tenterfield	93	0	0
110. Lane Cove	1,557	7	5	175. Tintenbar Shire, on account of the township of Alstonville	62	0	0
111. Leichhardt	1,689	0	11	176. Tumut Shire, on account of the town of Tumut	62	0	0
112. Lidcombe	1,301	6	7	177. Tweed Shire, on account of Tweed Heads Urban Area.....	59	0	0
113. Lismore	535	0	0	178. Vacluse.....	1,215	11	7
114. Lithgow	524	0	0	179. Wade Shire, on account of the town of Griffith.....	139	0	0
115. Liverpool	482	0	0	180. Wagga Wagga	571	0	0
116. Lockhart Shire, on account of the Urban Area of Lockhart	114	0	0	181. Walgett Shire, on account of the town of Walgett	55	0	0
117. Lower Hunter Shire, on account of the township of Kensington	49	3	5	182. Warren, on account of the town of Warren	66	0	0
118. Lower Hunter Shire, portion gazetted 21st September 1945	33	0	0	183. Warringah Shire, portions gazetted 8th November, 1940.....	1,439	17	2
119. Lyndhurst Shire, on account of the Blayney Urban Area	76	0	0	184. Warringah Shire, on account of Avalon, Bilgola, Clareville, Newport, Palm Beach, Taylor's Point and Whale Beach	215	0	0
120. Maclean	90	0	0	185. Waterloo	1,483	0	6
121. Maitland, on account of East Maitland, West Maitland, Homeville, Lorn, Morpeth, Rutherford and Tenambit	1,079	12	9	186. Waverley	6,359	19	1
122. Manilla	89	0	0	187. Wellington	95	0	0
123. Manly	3,200	16	3	188. Wentworth, on account of the town of Wentworth.....	72	0	0
124. Marrickville	3,422	6	5	189. Willimbong Shire, on account of the town of Leeton	214	0	0
125. Mascot	1,153	17	4	190. Willoughby	4,399	2	1
126. Molong	85	0	0	191. Windsor	126	15	2
127. Moree	112	0	0	192. Wingecarribee Shire, on account of the town of Moss Vale	87	0	0
128. Mosman	2,938	2	1	193. Wingham	110	0	0
129. Mudgee	90	0	0	194. Woollahra	6,263	12	2
130. Mullumbimby	88	0	0	195. Wollongong	619	19	8
131. Murrumburrah	102	0	0	196. Woodburn Shire, on account of the town of Coraki.....	63	0	0
132. Murrurundi	77	0	0	197. Woy Woy Shire, portion gazetted 21st September, 1934	238	0	0
133. Murwillumbah	163	0	0	198. Yass	113	0	0
134. Muswellbrook	86	0	0	199. Young.....	180	0	0
135. Namoi Shire, on account of the town of West Narrabri.....	18	0	10				
				Total	£172,178	0	0

APPENDIX IV.

CONTRIBUTORY INSURANCE COMPANIES AND FIRMS.

Insurance Companies.

1. Ajax Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
2. Alliance Assurance Co. (Ltd.)
3. Assurance and Thrift Association (Ltd.)
4. Atlas Assurance Co. (Ltd.)
5. Australasian Catholic Assurance Co. (Ltd.)
6. Australasian Mutual Insurance Society (Ltd.)
7. Australian Alliance Assurance Co.
8. Australian Amicable Assurance Association (Ltd.)
9. Australian General Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
10. Australian Mutual Fire Insurance Society (Ltd.)
11. A.P.A. Assurance Association (Ltd.)
12. Automobile Fire and General Insurance Co. of Australia (Ltd.)
13. Bankers' and Traders' Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
14. Batavia Sea and Fire Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
15. British America Assurance Co.
16. British Crown Assurance Corporation (Ltd.)
17. British Equitable Assurance Co. (Ltd.)
18. British and Foreign Marine Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
19. British General Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
20. British Traders' Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
21. Caledonian Insurance Co.
22. Canton Insurance Office (Ltd.)
23. Catholic Church Prop. Insurance Co. of Aust. (Ltd.)
24. Central Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
25. Century Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
26. Chamber of Manufactures Insurance (Ltd.)
27. Church of England Insurance Co. of Australia (Ltd.)
28. City Mutual Fire Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
29. Colonial Mutual Fire Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
30. Commercial of Australia Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
31. Commercial Union Assurance Co. (Ltd.)
32. Commonwealth Insurance Co.
33. Commonwealth General Assurance Corporation (Ltd.)
34. Consolidated Insurances Pty. (Ltd.)
35. Co-operative Insurance Co. of Australia (Ltd.)
36. Cornhill Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
37. Derwent & Tamar Assurance Co. (Ltd.)
38. Eagle Star Insurance Co. Ltd.
39. Economic Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
40. Edinburgh Assurance Co. (Ltd.)
41. Employers' Liability Assurance Corporation (Ltd.)
42. Farmers & Graziers' Co-op. G. I. & A. Co. (Ltd.)
43. Farmers & Settlers' Co-op. Ins. Co. of Australia (Ltd.)
44. Federal Mutual Insurance Co. of Australia (Ltd.)
45. Federation Insurance (Ltd.)
46. General Accident F. & L. Assurance Corporation (Ltd.)
47. Government Insurance Office of N.S.W.
48. Gresham Fire & Accident Insurance Society (Ltd.)
49. Guardian Assurance Co. (Ltd.)
50. Guildhall Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
51. Halifax Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
52. Hartford Fire Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
53. Home Insurance Co.
54. Indemnity Marine Assurance Co. (Ltd.)
55. Insurance Office of Australia (Ltd.)
56. Invincible Fire & General Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
57. Java Sea & Fire Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
58. Lancashire Insurance Co.
59. Law Union & Rock Insurance Co. (Ltd.) (Gibbs Bright & Co.)
60. Legal Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
61. Licenses & General Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
62. Lift Inspection and Insurance (Ltd.)
63. Liverpool & London & Globe Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
64. London Assurance.
65. London Guarantee & Accident Co. (Ltd.)
66. London & Lancashire Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
67. London & Provincial M. & G. Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
68. London & Scottish Assurance Corporation (Ltd.)
69. Manufacturers' Mutual Insurance (Ltd.)
70. Maritime Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
71. Master Builders' Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
72. Medical and Dental Insurance Ltd.
73. Mercantile Mutual Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
74. Merchants' Marine Insurance Co. (Ltd.) of London.
75. Mine Owners' Insurance Proprietary Ltd.
76. Motor Traders Insurance Co. Pty. Ltd.
77. Mutual Fire & General Insurance Co. of Tasmania (Ltd.)
78. National Employers M.G. Insurance Assn. (Ltd.)
79. National Insurance Co. of New Zealand (Ltd.)
80. National Union Insurance Society.
81. New Zealand Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
82. North British & Mercantile Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
83. Northern Assurance Co. (Ltd.)
84. Northern Maritime Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
85. Norwich Union Fire Insurance Society (Ltd.)
86. Ocean Accident & Guarantee Corporation (Ltd.)
87. Pacific Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
88. Palatine Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
89. Patriotic Assurance Co. (Ltd.)
90. Pearl Assurance Co. (Ltd.)
91. Perpetual General Insurance & Guarantee Co. (Ltd.)
92. Phoenix Assurance Co. (Ltd.)
93. Provincial Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
94. Prudential Assurance Co. (Ltd.)
95. Queensland Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
96. Reliance Marine Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
97. Royal Exchange Assurance Corporation.
98. Royal Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
99. Scottish Insurance Corporation (Ltd.)
100. Scottish Union & National Insurance Co.
101. Sea Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
102. Security & General Insurance Co. Ltd.
103. Southern Cross Marine Insurance Co. Ltd.
104. Southern Pacific Insurance Co. Ltd.
105. Southern Union General Insurance Co. of Australia (Ltd.)
106. South British Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
107. Standard Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
108. State Assurance Co. (Ltd.) (N.S.W. Branch).
109. State Assurance Co. (Ltd.) (Gibbs, Bright & Co.)
110. Sun Insurance Office (Ltd.)
111. Sydney Fire Office (Ltd.)
112. Thames & Mersey Marine Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
113. Transport & General Insurance Co. Ltd.
114. Triton Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
115. Union Assurance Society (Ltd.)
116. Union Insurance Society of Canton (Ltd.)
117. Union Marine and General Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
118. United Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
119. Victoria Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
120. Victorian Auto. Chamber of Commerce Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
121. War Service Homes Commission.
122. Westchester Fire Insurance Co.
123. Western Assurance Co.
124. Western Australian Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
125. World Auxiliary Insurance Corporation (Ltd.)
126. World Marine & General Insurance Co. (Ltd.)
127. Yorkshire Insurance Co. (Ltd.)

Firms.

1. Abel, Lemon & Co. Pty. (Ltd.)
2. Allen & Hanbury's (Asia) Ltd.
3. Amalgamated Dental Co. (Ltd.)
4. Austral Engineering Supplies Pty. Ltd.
5. Beard, Watson & Co. (Ltd.)
6. Bennett & Barkell (Ltd.)
7. Briscoe & Co. (Ltd.)
8. Bristol-Myers Co. Pty. Ltd.
9. British Drug Houses (Aust.) Pty. Ltd.
10. Cable & Wireless Limited.
11. California Asphalt Products Pty. Ltd.
12. Caltex Ltd.
13. Caltex (Queensland) Proprietary Ltd.
14. Central Agency (Aus.) (Ltd.)
15. Clark, T. P. & Co.
16. Columbia Gramophone (Aust.) Pty. Ltd.
17. Commonwealth Oil Refineries (Ltd.)
18. Dreyfus, Louis & Co. (Ltd.)
19. Farleigh, Nettheim Proprietary Ltd.
20. Fassett & Johnson (Ltd.)
21. Foley Bros. Pty. (Ltd.)
22. Fox Film Corporation (Australia) Pty. Ltd.
23. Gestetner, D. (Australia) Pty. Ltd.
24. Goldring, Magnus.
25. Harrison & Attwood Pty. Ltd.
26. Harvey Trinder (N.S.W.) Pty. (Ltd.)
27. Harvey Trinder (Vic.) Pty. Ltd.
28. Hoffnung, S. & Co. (Ltd.)
29. Hordern, A. & Sons (Ltd.)
30. Hudson, G. Pty. Ltd.
31. Lake George Mines (Ltd.)
32. Levy, J. A.
33. Lumley Edward & Sons (N.S.W.) Pty. Ltd.
34. Lumley Edward & Sons (Vic.) Pty. Ltd.
35. McIlwraith, McEachern (Ltd.)
36. Nestle & Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk Co. (Asia) (Ltd.)
37. New Zealand & Australian Land Co. (Ltd.)
38. Phillips Electrical Industries of Aust. Pty. Ltd.
39. Poland, H. G. (Aust.) Proprietary Ltd.
40. Reckitt & Colman (Aust.) (Ltd.)
41. Sheller Bros. (Australia) Pty. (Ltd.)
42. Steeves, Agnew & Co. (Aust.) Pty. (Ltd.) (N.S.W.).
43. Steeves, Agnew & Co. Pty. Ltd. (Vic.).
44. Universal Pictures Pty. Ltd.
45. Wiggins, Teape & Alex. Pirie (Export) (Ltd.)

APPENDIX V.

Attendances at Board Meetings for the year 1946.

	Meetings.	
	Present.	Absent.
The Hon. Thomas Januarius Smith	52	—
* Thomas Sidney Douglas, J.P.	1	7
* Edward Noel Haythorpe, J.P.	8	—
† Francis Westlake Walton	43	9
‡ Walter Leslie Currey	40	4
‡ Leslie Ivan Skelton	44	—
* The Hon. Thomas Davies Mutch	7	1
‡ Alderman Leslie Edye Duff	44	—
† Alderman Hector Kenneth West Mackenzie.....	48	4
† John Franklin Beswick, J.P.	50	2
† Sydney Henry Alexander Jordan	44	8

Total: 52 Ordinary Meetings.

* Term expired in February.

† Re-elected in February.

‡ Elected in February.

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