

CITY OF PORT ADELAIDE

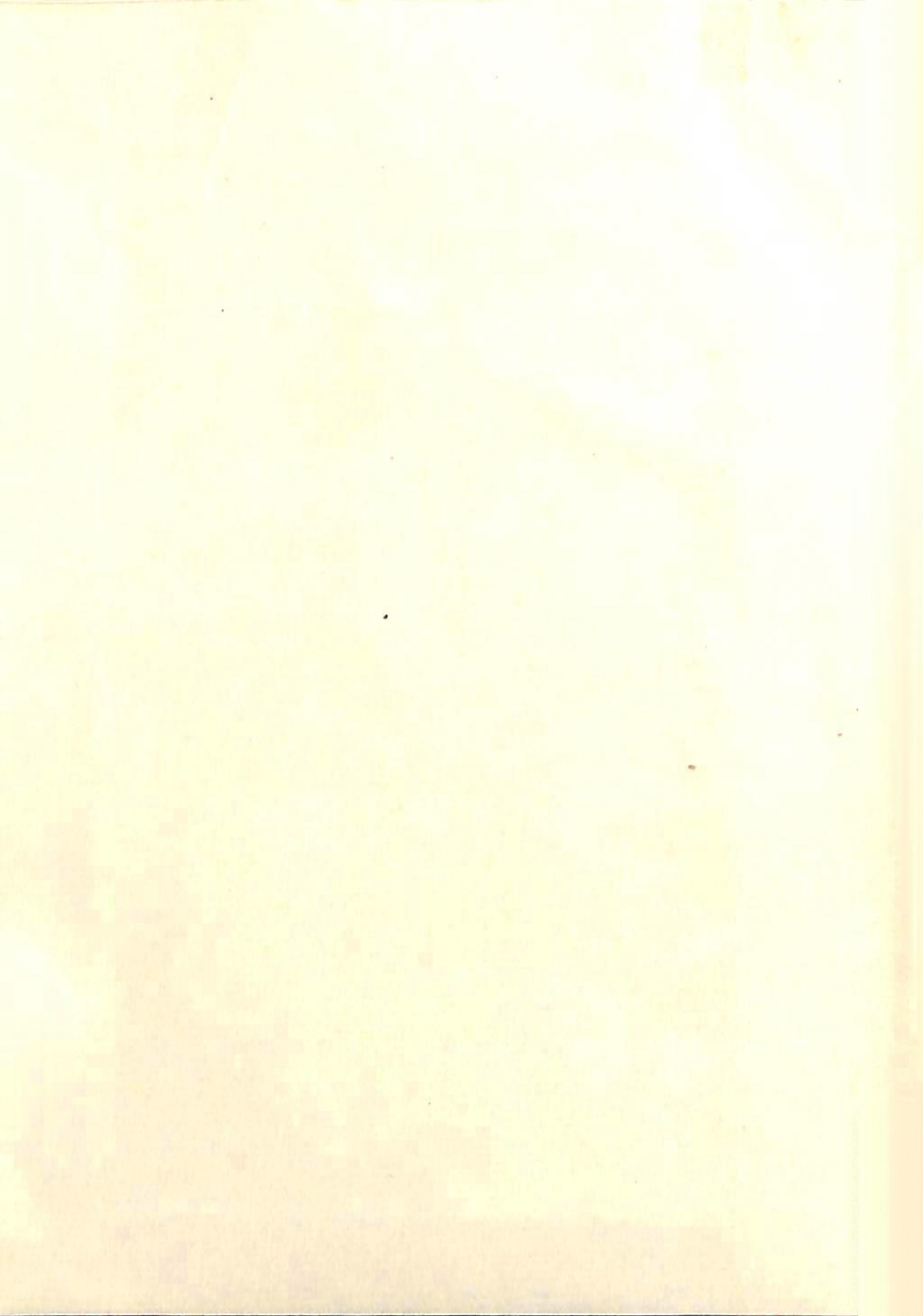
H. W. BRAY, Mayor



MAYOR'S REPORT

1935-36

Eightieth Year



HARRY WILLIAM BRAY.

Eightieth Year.

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PORT ADELAIDE

1936

LIST OF MAYORS.

SINCE THE INCORPORATION OF PORT ADELAIDE

| | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Captain French | Dec., 1856, to Nov., 1858 |
| Edwin Harris | Dec., 1858, to Nov., 1859 |
| Jacob William Smith | Dec., 1859, to Nov., 1863 |
| Francis Reynolds | Dec., 1863, to Nov., 1864 |
| Jacob William Smith | Dec., 1864, to Nov., 1866 |
| John Mitchell Sinclair | Dec., 1866, to Nov., 1869 |
| John Formby | Dec., 1869, to Nov., 1873 |
| John Mitchell Sinclair | Dec., 1873, to Nov., 1876 |
| David Bower | Dec., 1876, to Nov., 1878 |
| Theodore Hack | Dec., 1878, to Nov., 1880 |
| Henry William Thompson | Dec., 1880, to Nov., 1882 |
| George Bollen | Dec., 1882, to Nov., 1883 |
| Thomas John King | Dec., 1883, to Nov., 1885 |
| Sidney Malin | Dec., 1885, to Nov., 1887 |
| John Cleave | Dec., 1887, to Nov., 1889 |
| Ralph Wheatly Ogers Kestel | Dec., 1889, to Nov., 1890 |
| Charles Tucker | Dec., 1890, to Nov., 1893 |
| Bernard Sigrist | Dec., 1893, to Nov., 1894 |
| Charles Richard Morris | Dec., 1894, to Nov., 1898 |
| Thomas Grose | Dec., 1898, to Nov., 1899 |
| John William Caire | Dec., 1899, to Nov., 1901 |
| Johann Carl George Jurs | Dec., 1901, to Nov., 1903 |
| John William Caire | Dec., 1903, to Nov., 1905 |
| John Sweeney | Dec., 1905, to Nov., 1907 |
| Arthur William Brown | Dec., 1907, to Nov., 1909 |
| William Taylor Rofe | Dec., 1909, to Nov., 1911 |
| Joseph Harvey Clouston | Dec., 1911, to Nov., 1915 |
| John Sweeney | Dec., 1915, to Nov., 1917 |
| Richard Hettle Smith | Dec., 1917, to Nov., 1920 |
| Joseph Anderson | Dec., 1920, to Nov., 1921 |
| Henry Slade | Dec., 1921, to Nov., 1924 |
| Arthur Oscar Reynolds Tapp | Dec., 1924, to Nov., 1927 |
| Francis John Brown | Dec., 1927, to Nov., 1929 |
| Arthur Johnson William Lewis | Dec., 1929, to Nov., 1932 |
| John Gilbert Gibb | Dec., 1932, to Nov., 1933 |
| Joseph Murrell Lambert (4 weeks), 4th | Dec., 1933, to 4th Jan., 1934 |
| Harry William Bray | 27th Jan., 1934, to June, 1936 |

ROLL OF COUNCIL 1935/36.**MAYOR:**

THE RIGHT WORSHIPFUL THE MAYOR, HARRY WIL-
LIAM BRAY, ESQ., J.P.

ALDERMEN:

Mr. JOSEPH HERVEY CLOUSTON.
Mr. CHARLES HERBERT DICKER.
Mr. RALPH WRIGHT.
Mr. THOMAS CHARLES DAVEY.

COUNCILLORS:

Mr. ALEXANDER ROY CLARE.
Mr. THOMAS JAMES CUNNINGHAM.
Mr. EDWARD JOHN THOMAS FISHER POLLARD GRYST.
Mr. HERBERT GUTHRIE.
Mr. ARTHUR JOHNSON WILLIAM LEWIS.
Mr. HARRY MUNN
Mr. GEORGE JAMES HENRY PUDNEY.
Mr. ROBERT CARNEGIE SMITH.
Mr. ERIC ERSKINE SUTTON.
Mr. ARTHUR OSCAR REYNOLDS TAPP.

TOWN CLERK:

Mr. EDWARD BRADWELL.

AUDITOR:

Mr. BERTRAM DANGERFIELD MASON.

TIME OF ELECTION AND DURATION OF OFFICE.

MAYOR:

THE RIGHT WORSHIPFUL THE MAYOR, HARRY WILLIAM BRAY, Esq., J.P. Elected 6th July, 1935; retired first Saturday in July, 1936.

ALDERMEN:

ALDERMAN JOSEPH HERVEY CLOUSTON. Elected 4th December, 1933; retires first Saturday in July, 1936.

ALDERMAN THOMAS CHARLES DAVEY. Elected 27th April, 1935; retires first Saturday in July, 1936.

ALDERMAN CHARLES HERBERT DICKER. Elected 6th July, 1935, retires first Saturday in July, 1937.

ALDERMAN RALPH WRIGHT. Elected 6th July, 1935; retires first Saturday in July, 1936.

COUNCILLORS:

NORTH WARD—COUNCILLOR ALEXANDER ROY CLARE. Elected 4th December, 1933; retires first Saturday in July, 1936.
COUNCILLOR HERBERT GUTHRIE. Elected 6th July, 1935; retires first Saturday in July, 1937.

SOUTH WARD—COUNCILLOR GEORGE JAMES HENRY PUDNEY. Elected 4th December, 1933; retires first Saturday in July, 1936. COUNCILLOR ROBERT CARNEGIE SMITH. Elected 6th July, 1935; retires first Saturday in July, 1937.

EAST WARD—COUNCILLOR THOMAS JAMES CUNNINGHAM. Elected 4th December, 1933; retires first Saturday in July, 1936. COUNCILLOR ERIC ERSKINE SUTTON. Elected 6th July, 1935; retires first Saturday in July, 1937.

WEST WARD—COUNCILLOR HARRY MUNN. Elected 4th December, 1933; retires first Saturday in July, 1936. COUNCILLOR EDWARD JOHN THOMAS FISHER POLLARD GRYST. Elected 6th July, 1935; retires first Saturday in July, 1937.

CENTRE WARD—COUNCILLOR ARTHUR OSCAR REYNOLDS TAPP. Elected 4th December, 1933; retires first Saturday in July, 1936; COUNCILLOR ARTHUR JOHNSON WILLIAM LEWIS. Elected 6th July, 1935; retires first Saturday in July, 1937.

AUDITOR:

Mr. BERTRAM DANGERFIELD MASON. Retires on the 31st day of August, 1936.

PERMANENT COMMITTEES AND DELEGATES:

Finance, Town Hall, Oval and Health Committees:

The Right Worshipful the Mayor (Harry W. Bray, J.P.), Aldermen Clouston, Dicker, Davey, and Wright, Councillors Clare, Gryst, Smith, Sutton, Tapp.

Public Works, Reserves, Cemetery, Lighting, Ferries, and Beach Committees:

The Right Worshipful the Mayor (Harry W. Bray, Esq., J.P.), Aldermen Clouston, Dicker, Davey, and Wright: Councillors Cunningham, Guthrie, Lewis, Munn, and Pudney.

Assessment Revision Committee:

All Members of the Council.

Band Committee:

The Mayor, Alderman Wright, Councillor Davey.

Plant Committee:

The Mayor, Aldermen Clouston, Dicker, Wright, Councillor Lewis.

By-laws and Parliamentary:

The Mayor, Alderman Clouston, Councillor Tapp.

Delegates, Municipal Association:

The Mayor, Alderman Davey.

Delegates, Suburban Municipal and District Councils Association:

Alderman Dicker, Councillor Lewis.

Delegates, Ovals Association:

Councillors Sutton and Tapp.

Representatives on Municipal Tramways Trust:

Aldermen J. L. Leal and J. E. Lawton.

Delegates, Metropolitan County Board:

The Mayor, Alderman Clouston.

Representative on Central Board of Health:

Alderman H. S. Hatwell.

Representative on Metropolitan Infectious Diseases Hospital:

Alderman J. H. Clouston.

Representative on Fire Brigades Board:

Councillor A. J. W. Lewis.

ATTENDANCE RETURN FOR YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1936.

| Meetings held— The R.W. the Mayor (Harry W. Bray Esq.) | City Council | Committee of Whole Council | Local Board of Health | Finance | Town Hall | Oval | Health | Public-Works | Reserves | Lighting | Cemetery | Beach | Ferries | Assessment & Revision | Meetings Attended | Total Meetings Held |
|---|--------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|---------|-----------|------|--------|--------------|----------|----------|----------|-------|---------|--------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Mr. Ald. Clouston .. | 28 | 22 | 25 | 26 | 19 | 12 | 18 | 21 | 17 | 10 | 6 | 13 | 1 | 3 | 221 | 259 |
| Mr. Ald. Dicker .. | 24 | 20 | 21 | 3 | — | — | — | 18 | 15 | 10 | 5 | 12 | 2 | 2 | 132 | 254 |
| Mr. Ald. Wright .. | 25 | 21 | 23 | 26 | 19 | 12 | 15 | 7 | 7 | 4 | 3 | 4 | — | 3 | 154 | 250 |
| Mr. Ald. Davey .. | 24 | 18 | 23 | — | — | — | 15 | 5 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 2 | — | 3 | 160 | 255 |
| Mr. Cr. Tapp | 24 | 19 | 22 | 26 | 18 | 12 | 15 | 23 | 21 | 16 | 7 | 13 | 3 | 2 | 150 | 250 |
| Mr. Cr. Gryst | 26 | 20 | 23 | 24 | 20 | 13 | 18 | 1 | — | — | — | 1 | — | 2 | 148 | 158 |
| Mr. Cr. Sutton | 27 | 21 | 24 | 25 | 20 | 13 | 17 | — | — | — | — | — | — | 2 | 149 | 155 |
| Mr. Cr. Clare | 21 | 15 | 18 | 19 | 13 | 9 | 13 | — | — | — | — | — | — | 1 | 109 | 155 |
| Mr. Cr. Smith | 27 | 22 | 25 | 26 | 20 | 13 | 18 | — | — | — | 2 | — | — | 3 | 156 | 157 |
| Mr. Cr. Lewis | 17 | 13 | 16 | — | — | — | — | 13 | 13 | 11 | 6 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 98 | 173 |
| Mr. Cr. Munn | 28 | 22 | 25 | — | — | — | — | 28 | 24 | 17 | 10 | 17 | 3 | 2 | 176 | 177 |
| Mr. Cr. Cunningham | 26 | 22 | 25 | — | — | — | — | 26 | 24 | 17 | 10 | 15 | 3 | 3 | 171 | 173 |
| Mr. Cr. Guthrie | 26 | 21 | 24 | — | — | — | — | 26 | 23 | 16 | 10 | 17 | 3 | 3 | 169 | 170 |
| Mr. Cr. Pudney | 21 | 17 | 20 | — | — | — | — | 21 | 19 | 13 | 7 | 11 | 3 | 2 | 134 | 172 |

NOTE.—Owing to the Public Works and Finance Committees sitting simultaneously, in most cases, it is impossible for the Mayor, Aldermen, and Chairman of Committees to be present at all the meetings of the Committees. This will explain, to a great extent, the apparent absences from the various meetings.

E. BRADWELL, Town Clerk.

Town Clerk's Office, Town Hall, Port Adelaide, 7th September, 1936.

MAYOR'S ANNUAL REPORT.

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TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

Gentlemen,

It is my privilege and pleasure to present a resume of the main activities of the Council for the year ending 30th June, 1936, together with the statistical reports of the various departments.

Those who take pride in their city must realise the improvement during the past few years, and credit is due to the diligence and services rendered by members of the Council.

HIS MAJESTY THE KING.

It is with profound regret that I refer to the death of His Most Gracious Majesty, King George V, on the 21st January, 1936, after a glorious reign. On behalf of the citizens, expressions of profound grief were conveyed to the Royal Family through His Excellency the Governor, Sir Winston Dugan. We also expressed devotion and loyalty to the throne and person of His Majesty, King Edward VIII, and sincerely trust that he will have a long and successful reign.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

News of the appointment of Lord Gowrie, who as Sir Alexander Hore-Ruthven was a former Governor of this State, to the high office of Governor-General of the Commonwealth was received with pleasure by all those who were associated with him in South Australia. The Council's congratulations were duly conveyed to Lord Gowrie.

FINANCIAL POSITION.

Excluding the loan of £1,000 to North Ward, and payments of £2,200 on behalf of the Government for a Relief Work, the revenue for the year totalled £55,041/1/7, and a strange coincidence is the fact that the expenditure was the same amount. The overdraft on 30th June, 1936, was £13,015/12/4. It is pleasing to note that during this financial year the Government assisted the Council by reducing the Police moiety 50 per cent. from from £4,964 to £2,482—a portion of which was passed on to the ratepayers by a reduction in rates of 1/8 in the £.

TRAM AND BUS SERVICE.

The electric trams ceased running in this municipality on the 27th July, 1935. The Trust decided on this action so as to provide a better and more economical service between the City and Semaphore. We have the assurance of Sir William Goodman that the present buses are only temporary and that up-to-date trolley bus services will be instituted in early 1937. The inauguration of the bus service gave thought to the question of the maintenance of the roads, for as soon as the rails were removed the Trust's responsibility ceased. After several conferences with the Chief Engineer and General Manager of the Municipal Tramways Trust, Sir William Goodman, Commissioner of Highways, Mr. D. V. Fleming, Chairman of Works, Alderman Clouston, and other representatives of the Council, the Government undertook the reconditioning of the bus roads. The lines were removed in St. Vincent Street, Military Road, Woolnough Road, and Jetty Road, and the roadways paved with bituminous concrete. The maintenance of these roads has been taken over by the Highways Department. Next year, Hart Street, Military Road, Junction Road, and Commercial Road will be treated similarly. The Council has expressed its appreciation of the Government's action in taking over the maintenance of these roads.

It is interesting to note that the tram service commenced on April 3rd, 1917,

ALLOCATION SYSTEM.

This year the Council altered its system of allocation, and in addition to allocating the Public Works expenditure, a system of allocation was introduced to provide for expenditure on Public Works, Lighting, Health, and Reserves, on the basis of rate revenue in each ward. Owing to the disabilities of North Ward, resulting from the application of the old allocation system, over a number of years, the Council granted the ward an additional expenditure of £1,000. This was borrowed from the Cemetery Fund. The application of the new allocation system is illustrated in the statement attached to the Balance Sheet.

EQUAL REPRESENTATION.

Following on the rejection by the Government of the petition from a number of residents of Le Fevre's Peninsula to secede from Port Adelaide, a further petition was circulated, for signature of ratepayers, for the creation of a third ward on Le Fevre's Peninsula, the object being to give two extra representatives on that side of the river. The Council decided to investigate the question of representation in the Council and appointed a sub-committee to make enquiries and report. The Committee recommended the Council to petition the Government to alter the number of members of the Council by absolving Centre Ward, and annexing parts of it to South and East Wards. However, the Committee's recommendations were rejected, and the Council decided to forward a petition from the Council for the creation of three wards on Le Fevre's Peninsula. Owing to the difference of opinion between members, the question was the subject matter of discussion at many meetings of the Council, and it was eventually decided that in addition to the petition to forward a minority report for the deletion of Centre Ward. Circumstances precluded the forwarding of either a petition or the report, and the whole matter subsequently lapsed.

SUPERANNUATION.

As from 1st July, 1935, the Council inaugurated a subsidized superannuation scheme for all its employees.

With the exception of the older employees, all policies mature when the employees reach the age of 65. A board of Trustees was appointed to administer the fund, constituting of the Mayor, the Chairman of Works, the Chairman of Finance, the Town Clerk, ex officio, and two representatives to be appointed by the employees, one by the office and one by the outside staff.

PLANT.

Owing to the difficulty in financing the purchase of plant, the Council has opened a separate banking account and to credit it with £500 per annum. Figures show that the average cost of Plant renewals and replacements was approximately £500 per annum. All future plant purchases will be debited to this account, and by resolution such purchases must not exceed the amount to the credit of the account.

GAS AND ELECTRIC LIGHT LINES.

Following various conferences between Councils and the Adelaide Electric Supply Company, the company has agreed to pay the Council an ex gratia payment of £350 per annum, in respect to street mains. The Council also took the matter up with the Gas Company, but the Gas Company have refused to make any contribution. An effort to amend the Act was not successful, as the Government contended that if this were done it would be in direct opposition to the principles of land values.

ALBERTON CEMETERY.

The neglected condition of the old cemetery at Alberton has been the cause of many complaints, and as a Centenary Gesture, the Council decided to look after the burial place of Port Adelaide's pioneers. The Church of England Trustees agreed to pay the Council £100 and to give us a Real Property Act title to the land. Also, they have indemnified the Council against any liability in respect to leased grounds. In 1837, this land was granted for a burial place to the people of Port Adelaide, and as there was no incorporated body in those days, it was entrusted to the Church of England.

CHELTENHAM CEMETERY.

As the old portion of the Cemetery is rapidly filling up, the Council decided to open the new portion, and the land has been fenced in readiness for burials. Up-to-date conveniences connected with the sewers have been erected in the cemetery, and the mortuary shelter turned into a shelter for the public. During the year, the Government introduced a Metropolitan Cemeteries Bill, the object being to provide a trust to create and control cemeteries in the metropolitan area, but owing to the opposition received to the Bill by metropolitan councils, the measure was defeated by Parliament.

BATHING POOL.

A syndicate approached the Council for the rights to construct a bathing pool on the Semaphore beach. After lengthy negotiations, the Council agreed to grant the company the right to construct a pool on the sea side of the bathing pavilion. It agreed to cancel the lease of the existing bathing pavilion and embody the whole in one lease, and lease it to the company for 21 years, at £2/10/- per week in the first five years, rising 10/- per week in periods of five years. The terms did not appeal to the company, who asked for a 50 years lease with no rental at all. Consequently the whole matter was dropped.

SEMAPHORE SIGNAL STATION.

During the year the Harbours Board decided to demolish the old signal station at the Semaphore and erect a new one at the Outer Harbour. The signal station is one of Semaphore's oldest land marks. As a matter of fact, the Semaphore obtained its name from the station. The Council made representations to the Harbours Board for the signal station to be left in its present position, as it felt that this link with the early history of South Australia should be preserved for all time.

PORT ADELAIDE HOSPITAL.

Further efforts have been made for the erection of an up-to-date general hospital at Port Adelaide. The Chief Secretary informed a deputation that waited on him that the Government was unable at present to accede to the request, but that improvements would be made to the accommodation at the Casualty Hospital at Port Adelaide. The Council was supported by the Port Adelaide Memorial Committee, which was formed in 1925 with the object of obtaining a Memorial Hospital at Port Adelaide. The Committee at the time raised £300, which, with accumulated interest, now amounts to £500.

MEMORIAL TO CAPTAIN BARKER.

To commemorate the part played in Port Adelaide's discovery by Captain Collet Barker, the Council commissioned Mr. Emil Boy to build a model of the Ship "Isabella," the first ship to navigate the Port River. The model has been built to specification supplied by the Admiralty, and is housed in the Council Chambers. The inscription on it reads: "This model commemorates the work of Captain Collet Barker, who explored this coast in His Majesty's colonial schooner, 'Isabella.' He discovered the Port Adelaide River from Mount Lofty on April 19th, 1831. He met his death at the mouth of the Murray, on April 30th, 1831."

ST. JOHN'S AMBULANCE BRIGADE.

It is my privilege to welcome to Port Adelaide Colonel J. L. Sleeman, Chief Overseas Commissioner of the Brigade. He inspected the local division at work on the 17th of April. I wish to congratulate the Brigade on its efficiency and on the humanitarian work it is performing, which is worthy of greater support from the public generally.

WATERLOO BRIDGE SOUVENIRS.

We have received from the London County Council a lamp standard from the old Waterloo Bridge, which was recently demolished. It is the intention of the Council to have this standard erected on the new Birkenhead Bridge,

STREET LIGHTING.

The new type of street lights called "Osira," a mercury vapour light, have been installed in a portion of St. Vincent Street and Commercial Road, and were lit for the first time on April 1st, 1936. This is decidedly an improved method of street lighting, and Port Adelaide is to be complimented on being the first municipality in South Australia to permanently install the system in its streets.

TREE PLANTERS' ASSOCIATION.

I am pleased to record that following a meeting convened by the Lord Mayor, a Tree Planters' Association has been formed in South Australia to act, amongst other duties, as an advisory body in regard to street and reserve treeplanting. The Mayor of Norwood, Col. W. S. Hanson, and myself were appointed delegates of local governing bodies.

BIRKENHEAD BRIDGE.

The most pleasing item for me to record is that the Parliamentary Public Works Committee has recommended the construction of a bridge across the Port River, thus connecting Port Adelaide with Birkenhead. Although the Council were urging the construction of this bridge at Commercial Road end, it has subsequently transpired that difficulties were in the way of this site, and the Government had since passed an Act authorising the construction of the bridge from the end of Nelson Street. The thanks of the Council are due to Alderman Clouston for his untiring efforts on behalf of this corporation and the citizens, for the vast amount of work he has done in connection with the bridge, and the Council has recorded in the minutes its appreciation of his work, as in the opinion of the Council, the data and facts prepared by the Chairman of Works and submitted as evidence to the Public Works Parliamentary Committee were mainly responsible for the Committee's favourable recommendation.

INSPECTION OF THE MUNICIPALITY.

The first annual inspection of the municipality for approximately 20 years was held on the 27th August, 1935, and was greatly facilitated by the use of a bus, generously lent by the Municipal Tramways Trust. A comprehensive program of necessary work was listed and inspected. The diminished revenue, owing to the reduction of assessment during the past few years, resulted in our roads and footways becoming so impoverished that a considerable sum was required to carry out repairs. The members of the Council obtained a knowledge of the requirements of the city generally by the inspection, and I feel sure it would be advantageous to hold an inspection annually.

LADY GOWRIE DRIVE.

As a centenary project, the Government authorised the construction of the Esplanade from Largs Bay to the Outer Harbour, and this work was commenced on the 19th July, 1935. We are deeply appreciative of the action of the Government in constructing this highway, as it has done much to open up this part of the municipality and provides a very fine approach from the Outer Harbour to the City. Four hundred Norfolk Island pine trees have been planted along the drive, and in years to come it will be one of the most beautiful drives in the State. The roadway has been named the Lady Gowrie Drive to commemorate the good work done by His Excellency, and it was officially opened by Her Ladyship on the 16th September, 1936.

STATE CENTENARY.

With the object of adequately ensuring Port Adelaide's participation in the centenary celebrations of the State, a public meeting was called in the Town Hall, and from it committees were formed. Councillor H. Guthrie was subsequently appointed organiser and secretary. The sub-committees have met regularly, and the executive is representative of all sections. The personnel of the various committees represents practically every branch of interest, activity and sport in the City, and the

enthusiasm generally is most marked, which assures that the promise of success will be fulfilled. Port Adelaide's main attraction will, of course, be the Nautical Pageant, which is set down for the 30th December, 1936.

PORT ROAD BEAUTIFICATIONS.

I have received many expressions of appreciation and congratulation at the Council's action in beautifying the Port Road Reserve, between Portland Place and Webber Street. The lawns, gardens and shrubs planted here have made this Reserve a scene of attraction, and in keeping with the modern highway. Other Councils along the Port Road have also beautified the Reserve, and I visualise in the near future a boulevard approaching in splendour that of the St. Kilda Road in Victoria.

BEACH PICNICS.

The popularity of our beach picnics with our country friends is evinced by the large number of picnics that visited Semaphore and Largs last summer. A picnic of 800 Rail Employees came from Murray Bridge and Tailem Bend; from Salisbury, 400; from Wasleys, 600; from Kilburn, 250; from Northfield, 200; from Waterville, 400; from Smithfield, 600; from Burra, 700; from the Midlands (Saddleworth, Riverton, Tarlee, and Hamley), 800; Paracombe, 200. Waterside Workers and Old Barrierites also held their picnics on the beach. The "Advertiser" sand castle contests were a huge success. Three thousand people witnessed the children at Semaphore on 8th January, and 1,000 at Largs on the 11th January.

OLD FOLKS RE-UNION.

The annual re-union of old folks was held in the Town Hall on 20th March, 1936. I feel honoured in being privileged to entertain the old pioneers, who have done so much to build up our City. A very enjoyable afternoon was spent by the interchange of reminiscences.

MAYOR'S RELIEF FUND.

Although the number of men in receipt of rations has decreased during the past year, the demand upon the

Mayor's Relief Fund has been as great as ever. The amount received from the Lord Mayor's Central Fund during the year was £910/5/3, and if it were not for the generous assistance received from the Lord Mayor, I do not know how we could have met the demands made upon the fund. Eulogistic tributes to Mr. Cain's (Lord Mayor of Adelaide) generosity, organizing ability and efficiency, and his foresight and consideration in assisting the poor and distressed by distributing his fund throughout the Metropolitan Area were made at a Complimentary Dinner tendered to His Lordship on the 19th June, 1936.

During the year, clothing to the value of £1,026 was issued to rationees in return for their labor. This was the Government's annual winter clothing grant. I also wish to thank the Chairman of the Unemployment Relief Council (Mr. A. C. H. Richardson) for the amount of boots and clothing that he has sent to me for distribution, in addition to the amount usually allocated to this district.

OBITUARY.

It is with regret that I record the passing of the following citizens:—Mr. George Walker, Mr. W. Sloane, Mrs. Haynes, Mrs. John Hanrahan, Mrs. Arthur Slade, Mr. George Davies, Mr. P. Thompson, Mr. G. Tanner, Mr. J. Woollat, Mrs. J. McColl, Ex-Councillor E. Oldfield, Ex-Councillor J. C. Neill, Lady Mayoress of Adelaide (Mrs. J. R. Cain), Mr. T. Gifford, Mrs. Catherine Fowler, Mr. B. Edwards, Mrs. M. McMahan, Mr. A. Monte, Ex-Alderman Branford (who was Mayor of Semaphore at the time of its amalgamation with Port Adelaide), Mr. J. G. Low, Mr. A. C. Evans, Mr. Arthur Searcy, Mr. R. B. Stone, Mr. S. J. Prideaux, Mr. H. Chester, Mr. F. O. Winckell (Employee of this Corporation), Mr. W. A. Rollinson, Mr. A. E. Clarkson, Mr. M. B. Crouch, Ex-Councillor A. Schneemilch, Mr. D. W. Brock.

THANKS.

To the members of the Council I desire to express my appreciation for their valuable assistance during the year. I tender my appreciation to the Chairman of Works, Alderman Clouston, and the Chairman of Finance, Councillor A. O. R. Tapp, for the diligent manner in which they have attended to their respective duties. To the officers of the Council I tender my sincere thanks for their unfailing courtesy and support, and to the outside staff my thanks for their loyalty.

Yours faithfully,

HARRY W. BRAY,

Mayor.

“God Save the King.”

ALLOCATION STATEMENT FOR 12 MONTHS ENDED 30th JUNE, 1936.

Allocations are based on proportion of General Current Rates collected for same period, which are:

| | | |
|---------------------|-------|--------|
| East Ward | 19% | £5,926 |
| Centre Ward | 12.5% | £3,900 |
| South Ward | 16.5% | £5,145 |
| West Ward | 30.5% | £9,510 |
| North Ward | 21.5% | £6,702 |

To South Ward's allocation has been added £500 loan for removal of Spoil from St. Vincent Street;
to North Ward, £1,000 disability grant and £250 for Stirling Street.

| Ward | Allocation | Public Works | Reserves | Lighting | Health | Total |
|--------------|------------|--------------|----------|----------|--------|---------|
| East | £5,926 | £3,785 | £443 | £612 | £828 | £5,668 |
| Centre | 3,900 | 1,709 | 5 | 646 | 10 | 3,857 |
| South | 5,645 | 3,330 | 12 | 909 | 4 | 6,116 |
| West | 9,510 | 5,344 | 9 | 1,464 | 8 | 9,261 |
| North | 7,952 | 6,450 | 0 | 544 | 15 | 8,029 |
| | £32,933 | £20,620 | 14 | £4,177 | 19 | £32,933 |

BALANCES TO BE ADJUSTED IN 1936/7 ALLOCATION.

| | | |
|---------------------|------|----------------|
| East Ward | £257 | Under expended |
| Centre Ward | £43 | Under expended |
| West Ward | £249 | Under expended |
| South Ward | £472 | Over expended |
| North Ward | £77 | Over expended |

Town Clerk's Office, 10th July, 1936.

F. BRADWELL, Town Clerk.

CITY OF PORT ADELAIDE.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of the Corporation of the City of Port Adelaide for the 12 months ended 30th June, 1936.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

| | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. |
|--|--------|----|----|---------------|----|----|
| To Cash in hand, 1st July, 1935 | | | | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| General Rate— | | | | | | |
| East Ward, £5,362/19/-; Centre Ward, £3,592/13/6; South Ward, £4,752/16/6; West Ward, £8,686/1/6; North Ward, £6,117/2/- | 28,511 | 12 | 6 | | | |
| Police Rate | 2,375 | 19 | 4½ | | | |
| Fire Brigades Rate | 2,375 | 19 | 4½ | | | |
| Arrears of Rate | 5,463 | 1 | 10 | | | |
| Fines on Arrears of Rates | 22 | 14 | 9 | | | |
| Excess Rates | 29 | 0 | 9 | | | |
| | | | | <u>38,778</u> | 8 | 7 |
| Licences— | | | | | | |
| Dog Registration | 621 | 1 | 3 | | | |
| Motor Vehicles | 43 | 17 | 6 | | | |
| Drays | 17 | 0 | 0 | | | |
| Drivers | 2 | 2 | 6 | | | |
| Pie Cart Stand | 45 | 0 | 0 | | | |
| Maternity Homes | 6 | 0 | 0 | | | |
| Fireworks | 8 | 5 | 0 | | | |
| Vendors | 15 | 5 | 0 | | | |
| Weighbridges | 75 | 12 | 0 | | | |
| Petrol Pumps | 57 | 9 | 6 | | | |
| Weights and Measures | 26 | 7 | 6 | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| Public Works | | | | 918 | 0 | 3 |
| Health | | | | 213 | 15 | 10 |
| Reserves | | | | 63 | 15 | 0 |
| Lighting | | | | 88 | 11 | 6 |
| Town Hall | | | | 20 | 0 | 0 |
| Semaphore Hall | | | | 138 | 8 | 6 |
| Rosewater Hall | | | | 1,333 | 7 | 4 |
| Soldiers' Memorial Hall | | | | 9 | 8 | 6 |
| Cemetery | | | | 118 | 0 | 0 |
| Oval | | | | 1,838 | 16 | 6 |
| Beach Fees | | | | 1,087 | 3 | 7 |
| Private Subscriptions | | | | 736 | 17 | 0 |
| | | | | <u>633</u> | 15 | 6 |

| | | | |
|--|----------------|-----------|-----------|
| Pound Fees | 8 | 15 | 0 |
| Workmen's Compensation | 74 | 6 | 8 |
| Contract Deposits | 35 | 0 | 0 |
| Rent | 85 | 10 | 0 |
| Building Fees | 376 | 3 | 3 |
| Fines and Fees | 163 | 8 | 4 |
| Grant-in-Aid | 1,356 | 0 | 0 |
| Interest on Bonds | 3,095 | 6 | 0 |
| North Parade Rents | 1,820 | 0 | 0 |
| Fire Brigades Board Refund | 345 | 11 | 7 |
| Unemployment Relief | 2,210 | 0 | 0 |
| Loan from Cemetery Fund for North Ward | 1,000 | 0 | 0 |
| Dr. Balance, Commercial Bank, 30th June, 1936 | 7,675 | 5 | 11 |
| | <u>£64,233</u> | <u>14</u> | <u>10</u> |

EXPENDITURE.

| | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. |
|--|-----|----|----|--------------|----------|----------|
| By Dr. Balance at Commercial Bank, 1st July, 1935 | | | | 7,497 | 8 | 10 |
| Public Works | | | | 20,620 | 16 | 1 |
| Suspense | | | | 670 | 0 | 9 |
| Reserves | | | | 3,325 | 14 | 9 |
| Health | | | | 4,808 | 19 | 4 |
| Infectious Diseases Hospital | | | | 959 | 9 | 6 |
| Lighting | | | | 4,177 | 13 | 2 |
| Town Hall and Offices | 747 | 13 | 1 | | | |
| Town Hall, Ladies' Conveniences | 398 | 7 | 8 | | | |
| | | | | <u>1,146</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>9</u> |
| Semaphore Hall | | | | 104 | 4 | 1 |
| Rosewater Hall | | | | 29 | 7 | 11 |
| Soldiers' Memorial Hall | | | | 114 | 7 | 6 |
| Cemetery | | | | 1,247 | 1 | 3 |
| Oval | | | | 1,183 | 2 | 6 |
| Beach | | | | 1,055 | 9 | 7 |
| Private Subscriptions | | | | 226 | 4 | 0 |
| Charges | | | | 691 | 13 | 4 |
| Advertising, Printing, Stationery, and Stamps | | | | 506 | 19 | 4 |
| Pound Fees | | | | 25 | 0 | 5 |
| Ranger's Salary | | | | 96 | 0 | 0 |
| Election and Legal Expenses | | | | 394 | 9 | 4 |
| Insurance | | | | 256 | 17 | 9 |
| Workmen's Compensation | | | | 74 | 6 | 8 |
| Holidays | | | | 484 | 10 | 1 |
| Contract Deposits | | | | 50 | 0 | 0 |
| Land Tax | | | | 83 | 1 | 1 |
| Subscriptions | | | | 120 | 14 | 2 |
| Fire Brigades Board | | | | 2,190 | 11 | 10 |
| Police Moiety | | | | 2,482 | 0 | 0 |
| Main Roads | | | | 785 | 0 | 0 |
| Unemployment Relief | | | | 2,210 | 0 | 0 |

| | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|-------|-----|----|----------------------|
| Mayor's Allowance | | 400 | 0 | 0 |
| Salaries | 4,202 | 19 | 8 | |
| Less Dr. to Health and Cemetery | 1,100 | 4 | 8 | |
| | | | | <u>3,102 15 0</u> |
| Superannuation | | 371 | 0 | 6 |
| Plant Account | | 500 | 0 | 0 |
| Interest on Overdraft | | 279 | 16 | 0 |
| Interest on Bonded Debt | | 544 | 0 | 7 |
| Audit Fee | | 65 | 0 | 0 |
| Dog Registration | | 16 | 19 | 1 |
| Weighbridge Licences | | 57 | 0 | 0 |
| Petrol Pump Licences | | 39 | 0 | 0 |
| Refund of Rates | | 1 | 17 | 6 |
| Harbors Board Drains | | 250 | 0 | 0 |
| Library | | 1 | 15 | 0 |
| Repayment of Loans— | | | | |
| Semaphore Hall | 369 | 7 | 2 | |
| Soldiers' Memorial Hall | 300 | 0 | 0 | |
| Tennis Courts | 40 | 0 | 0 | |
| Beach Conveniences | 68 | 0 | 0 | |
| Concrete Kerbs | 100 | 0 | 0 | |
| Unemployment Relief | 100 | 0 | 0 | |
| | | | | <u>977 7 2</u> |
| Cash in Hand, 30th June, 1936 | | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| | | | | <u>£64,233 14 10</u> |

WARD EXPENDITURE.**Included in Above.**

| Ward | Public Works | Reserves | Lighting | Health |
|--------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| East | 3,785 3 3 | 443 7 0 | 612 3 5 | 828 1 0 |
| Centre | 1,709 13 6 | 656 5 7 | 646 16 7 | 844 10 2 |
| South | 3,330 17 2 | 569 12 4 | 909 3 2 | 1,307 4 8 |
| West | 5,344 11 11 | 1,106 9 3 | 1,464 13 10 | 1,345 8 3 |
| North | 6,450 10 3 | 550 0 7 | 544 16 2 | 483 15 3 |
| | <u>£20,620 16 1</u> | <u>£3,325 14 9</u> | <u>£4,177 13 2</u> | <u>£4,808 19 4</u> |

FERRIES ACCOUNT.**RECEIPTS.**

| | | | |
|--|-------|----|--------------------|
| To Rent of Central Ferry | £ | s. | d. |
| Dr. Balance at bank, 30th June, 1936 | 142 | 14 | 0 |
| | 3,393 | 4 | 2 |
| | | | <u>£3,535 18 2</u> |

EXPENDITURE.

| | | | | | | |
|--|-----|----|----|-------|----|--------------------|
| By Dr. Balance at Bank, 30th May, 1935 | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. |
| Repayment of Loan | 100 | 0 | 0 | 3,194 | 1 | 6 |
| Interest on Loan | 24 | 0 | 0 | | | |
| Rent of Landings | 158 | 0 | 0 | | | |
| Deepening Elder Road End | 59 | 16 | 8 | | | |
| | | | | | | <u>341 16 8</u> |
| | | | | | | <u>£3,535 18 2</u> |

GOVERNMENT GRANTS ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

| | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---------------|----|----|
| To Balance of Special Grant for District Roads | 48 | 0 | 2 |
| Government Grant for Main Roads | 1,164 | 0 | 0 |
| From General Revenue | 450 | 0 | 0 |
| | <u>£1,662</u> | 0 | 2 |

EXPENDITURE.

| | £ | s. | d. |
|--|---------------|----|----|
| By Dr. Balance Commercial Bank, 30th June, 1935 | 10 | 2 | 2 |
| Maintenance of District Roads | 48 | 0 | 2 |
| Maintenance of Main Roads | 1,603 | 4 | 4 |
| Cr. Balance Commercial Bank, 30th June, 1936 | 0 | 13 | 6 |
| | <u>£1,662</u> | 0 | 2 |

PRIVATE ROADS ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

| | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---------------|----|----|
| To Payment on Account of Road Construction | 25 | 5 | 0 |
| Dr. Balance, Commercial Bank, 30th June, 1936 | 2,210 | 12 | 3 |
| | <u>£2,235</u> | 17 | 3 |

EXPENDITURE.

| | £ | s. | d. |
|--|---------------|----|----|
| By Dr. Balance Commercial Bank, 30th June, 1935 | 2,235 | 17 | 3 |
| | <u>£2,235</u> | 17 | 3 |

PLANT ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

| | £ | s. | d. |
|---|-------------|----|----|
| To Amount Transferred from General Revenue | 500 | 0 | 0 |
| | <u>£500</u> | 0 | 0 |

EXPENDITURE.

| | £ | s. | d. |
|--|-------------|----|----|
| By Purchase of Plant | 237 | 3 | 6 |
| Cr. Balance, Commercial Bank, 30th June, 1936 | 262 | 16 | 6 |
| | <u>£500</u> | 0 | 0 |

FIXED DEPOSITS.

RECEIPTS.

| | £ | s. d. | £ | s. d. |
|---------------------------------------|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| To Cemetery Fund on Fixed Deposits on | | | | |
| 30th June, 1935 | 7,747 | 8 5 | | |
| Repayment of Loans | 508 | 0 0 | | |
| Interest on Loans | 61 | 9 0 | | |
| Interest on Fixed Deposits | 370 | 13 8 | | |
| | | | 8,687 | 11 1 |
| Less Loan to North Ward | | | 1,000 | 0 0 |
| | | | 7,687 | 11 1 |
| Osborne Grave Trust Fund | | | 200 | 0 0 |
| | | | £7,887 | 11 1 |

EXPENDITURE.

| | £ | s. d. |
|---|--------|-------|
| By Amount on Fixed Deposits, Commercial Bank, | | |
| 30th June, 1936 | 7,887 | 11 1 |
| | £7,887 | 11 1 |

BALANCE SHEET.

LIABILITIES.

| | £ | s. d. | £ | s. d. |
|--|-------|-------|----------|-------|
| Town Estate Fund | | | 154,727 | 18 2 |
| Contract Deposits | | | 90 | 3 4 |
| Cemetery Current Account | | | 34 | 16 6 |
| Captain Barker's Memorial | | | 5 | 2 6 |
| Bonded Debt— | | | | |
| Loans from Cemetery Fund— | | | | |
| South Ward | £500 | 0 0 | | |
| North Ward | 1,000 | 0 0 | | |
| Town Hall | 400 | 0 0 | | |
| Concrete Kerbs | 450 | 0 0 | | |
| Semaphore Hall | 1,500 | 0 0 | | |
| | | | 3,850 | 0 0 |
| Loans from Savings Bank— | | | | |
| Ferry | | 500 | 0 0 | |
| Loan from T. & G. Society— | | | | |
| Semaphore and Soldiers' Memorial Halls | 9,434 | 7 8 | | |
| Loan from H.M. Government— | | | | |
| Unemployment Relief | | 500 | 0 0 | |
| | | | 14,284 | 7 8 |
| Commercial Bank— | | | | |
| General Account | 7,675 | 5 11 | | |
| Ferries Account | 3,393 | 4 2 | | |
| Private Roads Account | 2,210 | 12 3 | | |
| | | | 13,279 | 2 4 |
| | | | £182,421 | 10 6 |

ASSETS.

| | | | |
|--|--------|----------|-------|
| Government Bonds (Unredeemable) | 77,382 | 10 | 0 |
| Town Estate | 53,509 | 0 | 0 |
| Sundry Debtors— | | | |
| Rates | 18,681 | 6 | 5 |
| Sundries | 1,448 | 13 | 7 |
| Private Roads | 2,210 | 12 | 3 |
| | | 22,340 | 12 0 |
| Plant | | 6,119 | 19 9 |
| Stock in Hand | | 2,332 | 15 11 |
| Furniture and Fittings | | 2,213 | 12 0 |
| Library | | 121 | 5 11 |
| | £ | s. | d. |
| Cemetery Fund— | | | |
| Fixed Deposits | 7,687 | 11 | 1 |
| Loan to Current Account | 3,850 | 0 | 0 |
| | | 11,537 | 11 1 |
| Osborne Grave Trust Fund | | 200 | 0 0 |
| Beach Account (Excess Expenditure) | | 6,390 | 13 10 |
| Commercial Bank— | | | |
| Plant Account | 262 | 16 | 6 |
| Government Grants Account | 0 | 13 | 6 |
| | | 263 | 10 0 |
| Cash in Hand | | 10 | 0 0 |
| | | £182,421 | 10 6 |

We, the mayor and town clerk of the corporation of the City of Port Adelaide, do hereby certify that the foregoing statements and balance-sheet are correct in every particular.

HARRY W. BRAY, Mayor.

E. BRADWELL, Town Clerk.

I, the undersigned auditor of the City of Port Adelaide Corporation, have examined the books, accounts and vouchers of the corporation for the twelve months ended 30th June, 1936, and certify that in my opinion the foregoing statements and balance-sheet are correct.

B. D. MASON,

Chartered Accountant (Aust.) and Local Government Auditor.

Port Adelaide, 10th September, 1936.

CITY ENGINEER'S REPORT.

:o:

City Engineer's Office, Town Hall,
Port Adelaide, 30th June, 1936.

The Right Worshipful the Mayor,
H. W. Bray, Esq.

Sir,

I have the honor to submit the following report of works carried out by the Department under my control during the year ending 30th June, 1936.

The quantity of metal received is as follows:—

| | T. C. Q. | T. C. Q. |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Linwood Quarries—2½ in. Metal | 1,021 15 0 | |
| Linwood Quarries—Screenings | 6,204 16 0 | |
| Linwood Quarries—Sand | 520 4 0 | |
| Linwood Quarries—Ballast | 47 14 0 | |
| Linwood Quarries—1½ in. metal | 160 10 0 | |
| Linwood Quarries—Edging Stone | 63 17 0 | |
| | | 8,008 16 0 |

Where used:—

| | | |
|--|------------|------------|
| East Ward | 1,080 12 2 | |
| Centre Ward | 358 6 2 | |
| South Ward | 1,061 9 1 | |
| West Ward | 1,948 19 3 | |
| North Ward | 2,184 11 0 | |
| General | 388 14 0 | |
| | | 7,022 13 0 |
| Military Road—Govt. Grants A/c | 231 3 0 | |
| St. Vincent Street—Govt. Grants A/c | 27 0 0 | |
| Woolnough Road—Govt. Grants A/c | 14 0 0 | |
| Barlow Street—Govt. Grants A/c | 20 0 0 | |
| Elder Road—Govt. Grants A/c | 26 0 0 | |
| Junction Road—Govt. Grants A/c | 103 10 0 | |
| Outer Harbor Road—Govt. Grants A/c | 212 13 0 | |
| Hart Street—Govt. Grants A/c | 35 0 0 | |
| Semaphore Road—Govt. Grants A/c | 128 0 0 | |
| Ocean Steamers Road—Govt. Grants A/c | 50 0 0 | |
| | | 847 6 0 |
| Beach Fees | 20 0 0 | |
| Private Subs. | 65 0 0 | |
| Reserves—General | 53 17 0 | |
| | | 138 17 0 |
| | | 8,008 16 0 |

The quantity of tar and bitumen received from the following sources was as hereunder:—

TAR.

| | Gallons |
|-------------------|---------|
| S.A. Gas Co. | 27,888 |

BITUMEN.

| | Casks. |
|------------------------------|--------|
| Shell Co. of Aust. Ltd. | 1,685 |
| Vacuum Oil Co. | 368 |

COLFIX.

| | Gallons |
|-----------------|---------|
| W. B. Carr | 5,940 |

COLAS.

| | Gallons |
|------------------------------|---------|
| Shell Co. of Aust. Ltd. | 1,980 |

Used as follows:—

TAR.

| | Gallons |
|--------------------------|---------|
| East Ward | 4,343 |
| Centre Ward | 1,116 |
| South Ward | 5,887 |
| West Ward | 5,182 |
| North Ward | 8,671 |
| Government Grants A/c— | |
| Junction Road | 451 |
| Semaphore Road | 1,092 |
| Ocean Steamers Road | 107 |
| St. Vincent Street | 248 |
| Commercial Road | 38 |
| Woolnough Road | 22 |
| Military Road | 420 |
| Harbor Road | 84 |
| Barlow Street | 17 |
| Stock | 210 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 27,888 |

BITUMEN.

| | Casks |
|------------------------|-------|
| East Ward | 108 |
| South Ward | 226 |
| West Ward | 377 |
| North Ward | 303 |
| Government Grants A/c— | |
| Outer Harbor Road | 100 |
| Military Road | 60 |
| Semaphore Road | 13 |
| Elder Road | 18 |

| | |
|---------------------------|-------|
| Ocean Steamers Road | 15 |
| Barlow Street | 17 |
| Torrens Road | 14 |
| Stock | 802 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 2,053 |

COLFIX.

| | |
|--|---------|
| | Gallons |
| East Ward | 2,309 |
| Centre Ward | 779 |
| South Ward | 191 |
| West Ward | 471 |
| North Ward | 110 |
| Beach Fees | 616 |
| St. Vincent Street (Government Grants A/c) | 1,464 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 5,940 |

COLAS.

| | |
|---|---------|
| | Gallons |
| Centre Ward | 352 |
| South Ward | 283 |
| North Ward | 1,100 |
| Hart Street (Government Grants A/c) | 245 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 1,980 |

Street Lighting.—The lights installed to date are as follows:—

| | | | | |
|--------|-------------|-----------|--------------|-------------------------------|
| 514-60 | c.p. lights | half hour | after sunset | to midnight. |
| 92-200 | c.p. lights | half hour | after sunset | to midnight. |
| 64-300 | c.p. lights | half hour | after sunset | to midnight. |
| 13-500 | c.p. lights | half hour | after sunset | to midnight. |
| 7-100 | c.p. lights | half hour | after sunset | to midnight. |
| 12-400 | c.p. lights | half hour | after sunset | to midnight. |
| 75-300 | c.p. lights | half hour | after sunset | to half hour before sunrise. |
| 22-60 | c.p. lights | half hour | after sunset | to half hour before sunrise. |
| 15-200 | c.p. lights | half hour | after sunset | to half hour before sunrise. |
| 8-400 | c.p. lights | half hour | after sunset | to half hour before sunrise. |
| 4-40 | c.p. lights | half hour | after sunset | to half hour before sunrise. |
| 1-100 | c.p. lights | half hour | after sunset | to half hour before sunrise. |
| 32-200 | c.p. lights | half hour | after sunset | to half hour after 12.30 a.m. |
| 18-300 | c.p. lights | half hour | after sunset | to half hour after 12.30 a.m. |
| 2-60 | c.p. lights | half hour | after sunset | to half hour after 12.30 a.m. |

4-500 c.p. lights half hour after sunset to midnight.
23-200 c.p. lights half hour after sunset to midnight.

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The following is a list of the reserves, showing their area and for what purpose used:—

| | A. | R. | P. |
|---|-----|----|----|
| Hart Street Reserve, used for the purpose of sports | 19 | 3 | 31 |
| Phillips Reserve, used for the purpose of park and sports | 1 | 33 | 29 |
| Todd's Reserve, used for the purpose of park and lawns | 0 | 3 | 17 |
| Largs Reserve, used for the purpose of sport | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| Port Recreation Reserve, used for the purpose of park | 110 | 0 | 0 |
| Rosewater Reserve, used for the purpose of sport, also lawns and gardens | 5 | 2 | 0 |
| Port Oval, used for the purpose of sport | 12 | 1 | 5 |
| Company's Reserve, used for the purpose of park, sport, gardens and lawns | 2 | 3 | 0 |
| St. Patrick's Reserve, used for the purpose of sport, gardens and lawns | 4 | 1 | 6 |
| Alexandra Reserve, used for the purpose of sport, gardens and lawns | 3 | 2 | 21 |
| Birkenhead Reserve, used for the purpose of park, sport and lawns | 2 | 2 | 28 |
| Montpelier Reserve, used for the purpose of park | 0 | 3 | 24 |
| Peterhead Reserve, used for the purpose of sport | 5 | 3 | 10 |
| Town Hall Reserve, used for the purpose of garden | 3 | 0 | 24 |
| Port Road Reserve, used for the purpose of garden | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Port Road Reserve, used for the purpose of gardens | 13 | 0 | 0 |
| Esplanade, Largs, used for the purpose of lawns and gardens. | | | |
| Esplanade, Semaphore, used for the purpose of gardens | 13 | 0 | 0 |

Schedule of Roads.—The following is a schedule of the different classes of roadways and footpaths throughout the City.

| Ward | Tar or Bitumen Dressed | Macadam | Stone Setts | Wood Blocked | Cement Concrete | Ashes | Conc. Formed | Tarred Gravel | Bituminous Concrete |
|----------------|------------------------|---------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|-------|--------------|---------------|---------------------|
| East | 535 | 779 | 4 | 92 | — | 24 | 39 | — | — |
| Centre | 401 | 218 | 5 | 219 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 18 |
| South | 458 | 522 | 23 | 84 | — | 46 | 10 | 22 | 73 |
| West | 1,274 | 641 | 11 | 2 | 1 | 100 | 67 | — | 45 |
| North | 763 | 750 | — | 34 | — | 18 | 110 | 1 | 48 |
| Total Chains | 3,431 | 2,910 | 43 | 431 | 6 | 190 | 228 | 25 | 184 |

Total: 7,448 chains, or 93 miles 8 chains.

The approximate number of square yards tar or bitumen dressed is as follows:—

| | Square Yards |
|-------------------|--------------|
| East Ward | 100,000 |
| Centre Ward | 76,000 |
| South Ward | 94,000 |
| West Ward | 225,000 |
| North Ward | 107,000 |
| | 632,000 |

FOOTWAYS.

| Ward | Tar or Bitumen | Silt, Ashes, or Road Scrappings, No Kerb | With Concrete Kerb | Concrete Slabs | Jarrah Kerb |
|--------------------|----------------|--|--------------------|----------------|-------------|
| East | 1,162 | 437 | 190 | 53 | 3 |
| Centre | 909 | 271 | 26 | 43 | 21 |
| South | 1,016 | 433 | 91 | 164 | 52 |
| West | 1,473 | 880 | 450 | 772 | 7 |
| North | 621 | 691 | 310 | 185 | — |
| Total Chains | 5,181 | 2,702 | 1,067 | 1,217 | 83 |

The number of square yards tar-dressed footpaths is as follows:—

| | Square Yards |
|-------------------|--------------|
| East Ward | 32,300 |
| Centre Ward | 95,900 |
| South Ward | 76,400 |
| West Ward | 45,100 |
| North Ward | 55,200 |
| Total | 345,900 |

The following is a list of plant and stock.

| | | | |
|---|------|---|---|
| Old Steam Roller | £300 | 0 | 0 |
| Fowler Steam Roller | 550 | 0 | 0 |
| Fordson Petrol Roller | 160 | 0 | 0 |
| Horse Roller | 30 | 0 | 0 |
| A.E.C. Motor Lorry | 250 | 0 | 0 |
| Dennis Lorry and Water Attachment | 175 | 0 | 0 |
| Ford Lorry | 50 | 0 | 0 |
| Morris Cowley Car | 40 | 0 | 0 |
| Cletrac Tractor | 175 | 0 | 0 |
| Fordson Tractor | 125 | 0 | 0 |
| A.J.S. Motor Cycle | 40 | 0 | 0 |

| | | | |
|---|--------|----|---|
| Karrier Street Sweeper | 300 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 Road Brooms | 40 | 0 | 0 |
| Steam Tar Mixing Plant | 300 | 0 | 0 |
| Bitumen Sprayer | 150 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 Tarspraying Machine | 70 | 0 | 0 |
| 4 Preheating Tanks | 300 | 0 | 0 |
| 3 Tar Heating Tanks | 130 | 0 | 0 |
| 4 Concrete Mixers | 150 | 0 | 0 |
| Dump Waggon | 15 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 Watercarts | 40 | 0 | 0 |
| Tumbler Cart | 30 | 0 | 0 |
| Dump Transport Waggon | 25 | 0 | 0 |
| Pony | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| Buggy | 20 | 0 | 0 |
| Lawn Mowers | 200 | 0 | 0 |
| Winner Grader | 40 | 0 | 0 |
| Automatic Scoop and Bulldozer | 55 | 0 | 0 |
| Pump, Dale Street end | 150 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 Pumps, Tam O'Shanter Creek | 300 | 0 | 0 |
| 20 1-ton Tip Trucks and Rails | 250 | 0 | 0 |
| Storeroom No. 1 Depot | 100 | 0 | 0 |
| Fittings, Tools, and Equipment Workshop, No. 1 Depot | 800 | 0 | 0 |
| Petrol Bowser | 15 | 0 | 0 |
| Oxywelding Plant | 20 | 0 | 0 |
| 1/10-15 h.p. Single Phase Motor | 40 | 0 | 0 |
| 1/10 h.p. Single Phase Motor | 40 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 Motor Compressor | 25 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 10-h.p. Single Phase Motor | 40 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 Weed Spraying Machines | 35 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 No Volt Control | 9 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 Electric Drill | 8 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 Horse Rake | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| Tar Transport | 15 | 0 | 0 |
| Electric Air Plant | 11 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 Chev. Motor Truck | 340 | 0 | 0 |
| Concrete Mixer | 79 | 16 | 0 |
| 1 Road Plough | 7 | 10 | 0 |
| 1 Electric Forge Blower | 14 | 3 | 6 |
| 4 Ton Trailer | 20 | 10 | 0 |
| Scaffolding | 25 | 0 | 0 |
| | <hr/> | | |
| | £6,119 | 19 | 6 |

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

W. W. TAPP, City Engineer.

Inspector's Office, Town Hall,

Port Adelaide, 10th August, 1936.

BUILDING SURVEYOR'S REPORT.

—:—

Sir,

I have the honour to submit the following report relative to the building applications made under the provision of the Building Acts of 1923 and 1929 for the twelve months ending 30th June, 1936:—

| | |
|--|-------------|
| Total number of plans submitted | 235 |
| Total number of plans not approved | 5 |
| Total number of Building Fees received | £376 3 3 |
| Estimated value of buildings when completed | £49,191 0 0 |

CLASSIFICATION OF APPLICATIONS.

Dwellings, total 31; previous year, 17.

| Rooms | Brick | | | | Wooden Framed | | | | Total |
|------------------|-------|----|---|------|---------------|---|---|---|-------|
| | 3 | 4 | 5 | Over | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | |
| North Ward | — | 3 | 1 | 1 | — | 1 | — | — | 6 |
| South Ward | 1 | — | 1 | — | — | — | — | — | 2 |
| East Ward | — | 8 | — | — | 1 | 1 | 2 | — | 12 |
| West Ward | — | — | 5 | — | — | 1 | 1 | 1 | 8 |
| Centre Ward | 1 | 1 | — | 1 | — | — | — | — | 3 |
| | <hr/> | | | | <hr/> | | | | <hr/> |
| | 2 | 12 | 7 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 31 |

Included in the number of dwellings is a residential Hotel.

Brick structures other than dwellings, Second Schedule of Building Acts:—

| | Wards N. | S. | E. | W. | C. | Total |
|--------------------------------|----------|----|----|----|----|-------|
| Business premises | — | — | 1 | — | 4 | 5 |
| Additions to business premises | 4 | 7 | 4 | 8 | 10 | 33 |
| Additions to dwellings | 3 | 3 | 2 | 10 | 2 | 20 |
| Garages, sheds, etc. | — | 3 | — | 3 | — | 6 |
| | <hr/> | | | | | <hr/> |
| | 7 | 13 | 7 | 21 | 16 | 64 |

Wooden structures other than dwellings, Third Schedule of Building Acts:—

| | Wards N. | S. | E. | W. | C., | Total |
|--------------------------------|----------|----|----|----|-----|-------|
| Business premises | 1 | 1 | — | — | — | 2 |
| Additions to business premises | 3 | 5 | 12 | 3 | 9 | 32 |
| Additions to dwellings | 5 | — | 6 | 10 | — | 21 |
| Garages, Sheds, etc. | 24 | 13 | 14 | 37 | 8 | 96 |
| | 33 | 19 | 32 | 50 | 17 | 151 |

One steel framed building and one show case were approved.

During the year the building trade has made steady progress. The number of new dwellings from 23 for nineteen months to 31 for the year. The most important new structures approved were:—Brick Hotel (Exchange Hotel); Offices for Messrs. Rawlings & Son; and Offices for Messrs. Gunnerson and LeMessurier Ltd. The United Paint Company Ltd. have extended their works by the addition of three brick buildings, and the Log Milling Company Ltd. have established new saw mills. The majority of the timber merchants and saw mills have increased their storage capacity.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

F. WILSON, Building Surveyor.

To the Right Worshipful the Mayor,

Harry W. Bray, Esq., J.P.,

Town Hall,

Port Adelaide.

CITY INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

City Inspector's Office, Town Hall,
Port Adelaide, 30th October, 1936.

To the Right Worshipful the Mayor,
Harry W. Bray, Esq., J.P.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit my report on the activities of my Department for the 12 months period ended 30th June, 1936.

Every effort has been made in the matter of collections of revenue. The following table is a comparison with the previous years:—

| | 1934/5 | | 1935/6 | |
|----------------------------|----------|-------|----------|-------|
| | £ | s. d. | £ | s. d. |
| Dog Registration | 467 | 10 6 | 621 | 1 3 |
| Motor Vehicles | 36 | 0 0 | 43 | 17 6 |
| Drays | 22 | 0 0 | 17 | 0 0 |
| Drivers | 2 | 17 6 | 2 | 2 6 |
| Pie Cart Stand | 60 | 0 0 | 45 | 0 0 |
| Maternity Homes | 6 | 0 0 | 6 | 0 0 |
| Fireworks | 6 | 15 0 | 8 | 5 0 |
| Vendors | 12 | 17 6 | 15 | 5 0 |
| Weighbridge | 59 | 17 0 | 75 | 12 0 |
| Petrol Pumps | 45 | 11 0 | 57 | 9 6 |
| Weights and Measures | 39 | 16 1 | 26 | 7 6 |
| | £759 4 7 | | £918 0 3 | |

The increase in Dog Registration is accounted for mainly by the registration fee for alsatians being increased to £2.

WEIGHBRIDGE AND PETROL PUMPS.

A considerable amount of time is taken up in attending to the licensing of these. Although the fee for a Weighbridge is £3/3/- and a Petrol Pump 9/6, the Council only retains £3 for the former and 1/6 for the latter. It is the duty of the Government Inspector to test and stamp them, but the Council has to see that all of them are licensed, and to take action if an unlicensed weighbridge is used for trade or petrol sold from an unlicensed pump. We also have to test and stamp all glass oil containers.

LICENCES.

A special effort was made to see that fireworks were not sold from unlicensed premises, resulting in an increase in these fees, and attention has also been given to news vendors, and I have seen that all boys selling papers have taken out a licence. Difficulty was experienced in the licensing of Drays and Trollies, as the owners contend that they are not subject to a licence if they do not ply for hire from a gazetted stand.

STRAY CATTLE.

Many bitter complaints have been received in this connection, as some cattle are continually at large, to the annoyance of citizens. The Ranger is, however, active in trying to remedy the nuisance. The greatest difficulty we are confronted with is to prove ownership to succeed in prosecutions.

DOGS AT LARGE.

This is a matter that a deal of attention has been given to. Continual complaints are being received of the danger of dogs at large, to the annoyance of motorists in particular, and an effort has been made to combat this.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

As opportunity offered, visits have been made to warehouses, shops, etc., and a number of scales, weights, and measures have been tested and stamped.

RULE OF THE ROAD.

The non-observance of the rule of the road is a matter which is causing concern. The mixed class of traffic using the roads taxes the skill of many drivers; there are so many different classes of vehicles, from push bikes to lorries with trailers attached, which travel all over the road. It is desirable, in the interests of public safety, that a better observance of the rule of the road should be observed, and drivers compelled to keep to the correct side, as the number of accidents are far too frequent.

VANDALISM.

Many complaints have been received of damage done during the year by thoughtless people. Notices are posted in reserves asking citizens to protect their own property, but there seem to be people about who take a delight in destroying. It is appalling to notice the street nameplates, which were placed for the convenience of the public, wilfully destroyed; flower beds in reserves also suffer. It is very disheartening for Gardeners to nurse plants to flowering stage, and then see them wilfully trodden down and the flowers picked. The Police have been spoken to from time to time, and always express their willingness to help in catching offenders.

During the festive season the arrangement for keeping the City lighted until daylight was a great success, and was greatly appreciated by citizens, which minimises the vandalism.

TAXI CABS.

It is pleasing to note that licensed vehicles plying for hire are well maintained and of a first-class character. The drivers generally give satisfaction to the travelling public.

LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

The following is a list of prosecutions launched by the Council during the year 1st July, 1935, and 30th June, 1936:—

| | |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Health Act | 2 |
| Registration of Dogs Act | 6 |
| By-law 6 (Bathing) | 7 |
| Impounding Act | 2 |
| By-law 25 (Hire Cars) | 3 |

20

of these:—

12 persons were convicted.

6 complaints were withdrawn after satisfactory arrangements had been made with the Council.

1 person has not yet been served.

1 complaint was dismissed.

The twelve persons convicted were ordered by the Court to pay £7/15/- in fines, and £13/4/- in costs and disbursements.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. T. JAMES,

City Inspector and Licensing Officer.

LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH

Officer of Health's Office, Town Hall,
Port Adelaide, 1st August, 1936.

Sir,

I have the honour to present my report on the City's Public Health for the year ending 30th June, 1936.

POPULATION.

The population was estimated by the Government Statist on the 31st December, 1935, as 29,935; the birth and death rates are estimated on these figures.

BIRTHS.

The number of births was 502; average per 1,000 of population—16.1.

Comparison with the previous years is as follows:—

| Year | City of Port Adelaide | South Australia |
|--------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| 1935/6 | 16.1 | Not available |
| 1935 | 15.29 | 14.14 |
| 1934 | 15.83 | 14.5 |
| 1933 | 15.17 | 15.32 |
| 1932 | 11.41 | 14.63 |

The excess of births over deaths was 160.

DEATHS.

The number of deaths was 342; average per 1,000 of population was:—11.42.

Comparison with previous years:—

| Year | City of Port Adelaide | South Australia |
|--------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| 1935/6 | 11.42 | Not available |
| 1935 | 10.44 | 8.83 |
| 1934 | 12.25 | 9.26 |
| 1933 | 8.97 | 8.44 |

INFANTILE MORTALITY.

The number of deaths under one year was 16.

| | | | | | |
|-------------------|------|------|------|------|----------------------|
| Percentage 1935/6 | .... | .... | .... | 3.18 | of total birth rate. |
| " | 1935 | .... | .... | 3.52 | " " " " |
| " | 1934 | .... | .... | 4.01 | " " " " |
| " | 1933 | .... | .... | 2.64 | " " " " |
| " | 1932 | .... | .... | 4.98 | " " " " |

GOVERNMENT STATIST'S QUARTERLY RETURN.

| | Births | Deaths |
|-------------------------------------|----------|--------|
| Quarter ending 30th September, 1935 | 142 | 88 |
| Quarter ending 31st December, 1934 | 107 | 80 |
| Quarter ending 31st March, 1936 | 138 | 81 |
| Quarter ending 30th June, 1936 | 115 | 93 |
| | ----- | ----- |
| | 502 | 342 |

Deaths under one year inclusive—16.

QUARTERLY SUMMARY OF REPORTED CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

| Disease | Quarter ending 30th Sep. | 31st Dec. | 31st Mar. | 30th June | Total |
|-------------------|--------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------|
| Chickenpox | 4 | 15 | 35 | 28 | 82 |
| Diphtheria | 4 | 20 | 10 | 36 | 70 |
| Whooping Cough | 43 | 7 | 1 | — | 51 |
| Scarlet Fever | 5 | 7 | 5 | 2 | 19 |
| Pul. Tuberculosis | 1 | 4 | 5 | 7 | 17 |
| Puerperal Sepsis | — | 4 | 3 | — | 7 |
| Influenza | 6 | — | — | — | 6 |
| Erysipelas | 1 | 2 | 1 | — | 4 |
| Measles | — | 1 | — | 1 | 2 |
| Enteric Fever | 1 | 1 | — | — | 2 |
| Mumps | — | — | 1 | — | 1 |
| | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| | 65 | 61 | 61 | 74 | 201 |

Five of the diphtheria cases were clinical rather than bacteriological; they did not return a positive swab, either before or during their treatment in hospital.

AGES OF REPORTED CASES.

| Years | 0 to 4 | 5 to 8 | 9 to 12 | 13 to 16 | 17 to 20 | 21 to 30 | 31 to 40 | 40 to 50 | Over 50 | Total |
|--------------------|--------|--------|---------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|---------|-------|
| Chickenpox | 12 | 46 | 17 | 3 | 1 | 2 | — | 1 | — | 82 |
| Diphtheria | 18 | 24 | 12 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 70 |
| Whooping Cough | 28 | 16 | 6 | 1 | — | — | — | — | — | 51 |
| Scarlet Fever | 5 | 9 | 1 | 2 | — | 1 | 1 | — | — | 19 |
| Pul. Tuberculosis | — | — | — | — | 3 | 6 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 17 |
| Puerperal Sepsis | — | — | — | — | 1 | 4 | 2 | — | — | 7 |
| Influenza | — | — | — | 2 | 2 | 1 | — | — | 1 | 6 |
| Erysipelas | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | 4 | 4 |
| Measles | 2 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | 2 |
| Enteric Fever | — | — | 1 | — | — | — | — | 1 | — | 2 |
| Mumps | — | — | — | — | 1 | — | — | — | — | 1 |

PULMONARY TUBERCULOSIS.

| Quarter ending | N. | S. | E. | W. | C. | Tot |
|---------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|-----|
| 30th September, 1935 | 1 | — | — | — | — | 1 |
| 31st December, 1935 | — | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 |
| 31st March, 1936 | 1 | 2 | — | 2 | — | 5 |
| 30th June, 1936 | — | 3 | — | 3 | 1 | 7 |
| | 2 | 6 | 1 | 6 | 2 | 17 |

The total number of persons now resident within the City and reported to be suffering from pulmonary tuberculosis is 49. During the year, 8 persons were certified as not now being capable of conveying infection to other persons; there were 21 deaths.

ENTERIC FEVER.

Of the two cases reported, only one was a local case; the other was brought into the district for treatment at a private hospital.

HOSPITAL CASES.

The following cases were removed to hospital:— Diphtheria, 68; Scarlet Fever, 4; Whooping Cough, 7; Puerperal Sepsis, 7; Erysipelas, 2; Chickenpox, 2. The number of tubercular cases is difficult to estimate, as most of the cases receive hospital treatment during the year.

DEATHS FROM NOTIFIABLE DISEASES.

Pulmonary Tuberculosis, 21; Puerperal Causes, 3; Whooping Cough, 2; Influenza, 1; Enteric Fever, 1; Total 28.

BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATIONS.

The total number of throat and nasal swabs taken by Medical Practitioners and Officers of the Local Board of suspicious cases and contacts of reported cases of Diphtheria was 926. Diphtheria Bacilli were detected in 10 swabs. A swab taken of the discharge from an ear of a suspect was "positive."

Twenty-four specimens of sputum were forwarded for examination; tubercle bacilli were detected in three specimens.

The swabs and specimens were examined either at the Adelaide Hospital Laboratory or the Metropolitan Infectious Diseases Hospital, Northfield, at the expense of the Local Board.

NOTIFICATION OF BIRTHS ACT, 1926.

The number of births reported was 325.

The Chief Health Inspector (Mr. F. Wilson) reports as follows:—

- 2,760 inspections have been made.
- 319 notices have been served.
- 270 notices have been complied with.
- 234 building applications have been dealt with.
- 350 inspections have been made in respect of building applications.
- 17 visits were made re cases of Infectious Disease.
- 8 premises were disinfected (14 rooms).
- 47 swabs were taken, one of which was positive.

REPORTS.

Systematic house to house inspection work has been carried out during the year.

The Nurse Inspectress (Sister L. Tait) reported as follows:—

1,711 visits to infectious cases, including 18 visits to schools.
137 rooms and 30 houses were disinfected after cases of infectious disease.
387 swabs were taken.

RAT DESTRUCTION.

The Board's Ratcatcher (Mr. G. Rhodes) reported as follows:—

392 rats caught.
6,301 traps set (daily average 60.6).
9 gross of 1 oz. bottles of rat poison were issued to the public free of charge.

LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

Proceedings were instituted in the Local Court against two persons for having failed to comply with orders of the Local Board. One was convicted, and a fine including costs amounting to £9/3/- was imposed; the other case was withdrawn, the offender having complied with the order prior to the date of hearing.

DEEP DRAINAGE.

The Government has installed sewerage with an ejector plant at North Birkenhead to drain that area. It is hoped that a similar system will be installed in the unsewered area of East Ward.

SURFACE DRAINAGE AND STREET CLEANING.

Lack of funds has materially lessened the desired attention to these important details. The growth of grass and long weeds between the tar-dressed portions of the roads and the footpaths acts as a net to catch manure, papers, and other rubbish. When finances permit, it is hoped that these nuisances will be considerably abated.

SWAMP LANDS.

These unfortunately, are still in existence, and, owing to their extent, it is difficult to do much with them. I still deplore the practice of filling swamp lands with

household refuse, even though it is well-covered, as there is ample evidence of such reclaimed areas being unfit as building sites.

GARBAGE COLLECTION AND DESTRUCTION.

The garbage is collected by contract in covered carts, and this is satisfactory. The method of its disposal by surface burial is being persisted with, and I still look forward to the time when this Board will install an up-to-date garbage incinerator in our midst; to come into line with other municipalities of similar size in this State and in the Commonwealth, and to the benefit of public health generally.

Some years ago I visited Melbourne and Sydney to inspect installations in those cities and their suburbs. I prepared a long report for this Board and made certain recommendations. I drew attention to the fact that the feeding of the furnaces that I had seen was not very satisfactory. The reverberatory furnace recently installed in Hindmarsh has overcome this difficulty. I understand that Woodville and Thebarton will shortly build plants similar to that in Hindmarsh, and I trust that Port Adelaide will soon see its way clear to follow suit. When the new Port Adelaide Bridge is an accomplished fact, perhaps an efficient garbage incinerator of the type indicated could be installed on a suitable site in Birkenhead.

SANITARY CONVENIENCES AND BEACH SITES.

These at present are fairly satisfactory. In the City itself I understand there is a pressing need for sanitary conveniences for females, somewhere in the vicinity of the intersection of Commercial Road and St. Vincent Street. When plans for the alteration or addition to the Town Hall are considered I hope that this circumstance will be favorably considered.

STAFF.

Both Inspector Wilson and Sister Tait have done good work, and carried out their (at times unenviable)

duties with tact, fearlessness, and loyalty to the Board.

The district is too large and scattered to do as much house-to-house inspection as may be desirable, and it is hoped that assistance will be provided when finances permit.

In conclusion, I wish to express my appreciation of the uniform courtesy extended to me by yourself and the members of the Board and staff generally.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

PERCIVAL T. S. CHERRY, M.B., B.S.,

Officer of Health.

To the Chairman,

Local Board of Health.

Port Adelaide.

CITY VALUATOR'S REPORT.

City Valuator's Office, Town Hall,
Port Adelaide, December 21st, 1936.

To the R.W. The Mayor,
Harry W. Bray, Esq., J.P.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit the following report for the year ending 30th June, 1936.

On the 15th August, 1935, the assessment for the previous year was adopted with such alterations as appeared necessary.

Three appeals were lodged against the assessment; in two cases the Assessment was reduced, and in the other one the assessment was confirmed.

VALUES.

There continued to be a steady rise in the values of improved properties during the year, but very little demand for vacant land.

If conditions continue to improve as they have during the last two years, it will not be long before a small increase in the assessment will be warranted.

ASSESSED LAND VALUES.

Since the Inception of Land Values Assessment in Port Adelaide.

| Year | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
|-------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-----------|
| | East | Centre | South | West | North | Total |
| 1911 | 263,163 | 182,120 | 239,227 | 264,339 | 190,136 | 1,140,985 |
| 1912 | 264,798 | 182,490 | 238,576 | 257,821 | 193,252 | 1,126,937 |
| 1913 | 280,409 | 185,082 | 239,832 | 262,624 | 237,430 | 1,205,377 |
| 1914 | 314,011 | 193,120 | 253,811 | 273,184 | 263,917 | 1,298,043 |
| 1915 | 314,430 | 193,272 | 253,152 | 269,054 | 269,867 | 1,299,775 |
| 1916 | 384,343 | 204,554 | 255,931 | 304,130 | 289,838 | 1,438,796 |
| 1917 | 384,465 | 202,919 | 280,371 | 304,641 | 288,568 | 1,460,964 |
| 1918 | 386,445 | 202,629 | 304,256 | 307,624 | 304,255 | 1,505,209 |
| 1919 | 387,960 | 202,163 | 304,058 | 306,892 | 312,971 | 1,514,044 |
| 1920 | 400,726 | 202,565 | 303,546 | 317,048 | 323,140 | 1,547,025 |
| 1921 | 409,076 | 221,655 | 322,802 | 349,964 | 332,538 | 1,636,035 |
| 1922 | 409,732 | 222,441 | 322,489 | 349,158 | 338,127 | 1,641,947 |
| 1923 | 435,478 | 226,301 | 332,509 | 357,659 | 344,960 | 1,696,907 |
| 1924 | 434,097 | 229,657 | 331,877 | 365,024 | 355,371 | 1,716,026 |
| 1925 | 433,913 | 229,614 | 332,125 | 364,356 | 360,319 | 1,720,327 |
| 1926 | 437,420 | 241,688 | 337,376 | 429,825 | 430,647 | 1,876,956 |
| 1927 | 460,899 | 254,451 | 354,048 | 511,475 | 480,283 | 2,061,156 |
| 1928 | 462,153 | 258,921 | 369,781 | 518,566 | 485,988 | 2,095,409 |
| 1929 | 461,572 | 259,241 | 369,348 | 517,353 | 494,801 | 2,102,315 |
| 1930 | 460,902 | 259,241 | 369,819 | 517,554 | 496,442 | 2,103,958 |
| 1931 | 395,926 | 223,646 | 321,543 | 455,165 | 449,598 | 1,845,878 |
| 1932 | 357,476 | 193,931 | 287,269 | 400,583 | 400,084 | 1,639,343 |
| 1933 | 357,136 | 191,987 | 283,682 | 397,466 | 397,098 | 1,627,369 |
| 1934 | 356,942 | 190,800 | 281,272 | 396,017 | 396,863 | 1,621,894 |
| 1935 (June) | 356,232 | 191,109 | 280,997 | 395,957 | 395,980 | 1,620,275 |
| 1935/6 | 355,332 | 190,248 | 280,561 | 395,419 | 393,403 | 1,614,963 |

PARTICULARS OF RATES, 1935-36.

| | East Ward | Centre Ward | South Ward | West Ward | North Ward | Total |
|---------------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Rates Declared | £10,364 19 6 | £5,551 1 3 | £8,187 6 11 | £11,554 11 3 | £11,474 13 7 | £47,132 12 6 |
| Loss through Harb. Act | 3,451 9 7 | 940 19 6 | 2,033 15 3 | 377 10 8 | 2,743 16 11 | 9,547 11 11 |
| Due 1935/6 | 6,913 9 11 | 4,610 1 9 | 6,153 11 8 | 11,177 0 7 | 8,730 16 8 | 37,585 0 7 |
| Current Rates Collected | 6,257 3 4 | 4,193 10 5 | 5,549 3 10 | 10,155 13 5 | 7,137 1 0 | 33,292 12 0 |
| Current Rates Outstdg. | 656 6 7 | 416 11 4 | 604 7 10 | 1,021 7 2 | 1,593 15 8 | 4,292 8 7 |
| Fines Added ... | 11 5 10 | 5 14 10 | 4 16 8 | 9 17 4 | 10 8 5 | 42 3 1 |
| Fines Paid | 667 12 5 3 17 1 | 422 6 2 2 3 8 | 609 4 6 3 2 1 | 1,031 4 6 6 17 6 | 1,604 4 1 6 14 5 | 4,334 11 8 22 14 9 |
| Arrears Brought Fwd. | 663 15 4 | 420 2 6 | 606 2 5 | 1,024 7 0 | 1,597 9 8 | 4,311 16 11 |
| Arrears Paid | 3,515 3 2 | 1,479 3 10 | 2,318 15 11 | 4,506 12 1 | 8,027 6 1 | 19,847 1 1 |
| Arrears Brought Fwd. | 4,178 18 6 | 1,899 6 4 | 2,924 18 4 | 5,530 19 1 | 9,624 15 9 | 24,158 18 0 |
| Arrears Paid | 677 6 6 | 714 9 9 | 959 11 7 | 1,815 11 5 | 1,296 2 7 | 5,463 1 10 |
| Written Off | 3,501 12 0 | 1,284 16 7 | 1,965 6 9 | 3,715 7 8 | 8,328 13 2 | 18,695 16 2 |
| Arrears, 30th June, 1936 | 2 3 10 | | 1 6 10 | 7 11 1 | 3 8 0 | 14 9 9 |
| Arrears, 30th June, 1936 | £3,499 8 2 | £1,284 16 7 | £1,963 19 11 | £3,707 16 7 | £8,325 5 2 | £18,681 6 5 |

THE FOLLOWING SETS OUT THE AMOUNTS WRITTEN OFF IN THE VARIOUS WARDS THROUGH THE LIMITATIONS UNDER SECTION 29 OF THE HARBOURS ACT OF 1913.

| Year | East | Centre | South | West | North | Total |
|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| 1917 | £1,427 10 10 | £462 4 10 | £872 5 5 | £95 16 0 | £654 9 11 | £3,512 7 0 |
| 1918 | 1,924 18 2 | 589 4 6 | 1,473 4 6 | 158 4 9 | 1,448 10 4 | 5,594 2 3 |
| 1919 | 2,672 10 10 | 736 19 4 | 1,768 4 1 | 187 9 4 | 2,225 19 8 | 7,591 3 3 |
| 1920 | 3,365 13 7 | 932 1 1 | 2,218 15 6 | 237 19 0 | 2,788 12 0 | 9,543 1 2 |
| 1921 | 3,965 12 4 | 1,076 0 5 | 2,491 19 5 | 269 5 8 | 3,136 15 7 | 10,939 13 5 |
| 1922 | 4,168 18 10 | 1,143 8 5 | 2,651 10 4 | 283 0 6 | 3,296 1 5 | 11,542 19 6 |
| 1923 | 5,022 12 1 | 1,518 0 0 | 3,691 5 7 | 377 13 7 | 4,406 8 5 | 15,615 19 8 |
| 1924 | 5,085 9 9 | 1,547 0 0 | 3,644 6 5 | 416 14 3 | 4,527 2 0 | 15,820 12 5 |
| 1925 | 5,739 6 4 | 1,558 13 3 | 3,608 4 5 | 416 14 3 | 4,546 17 7 | 15,869 11 10 |
| 1926 | 5,777 1 5 | 1,587 12 10 | 3,508 13 7 | 425 15 6 | 4,635 14 8 | 15,934 18 0 |
| 1927 | 5,999 7 9 | 1,618 11 8 | 3,609 17 10 | 432 5 1 | 4,531 10 6 | 16,191 12 10 |
| 1928 | 5,941 19 11 | 1,605 9 8 | 3,587 6 7 | 430 13 11 | 4,592 15 10 | 16,158 6 11 |
| 1929 | 5,897 1 8 | 1,524 9 7 | 3,335 3 4 | 434 7 9 | 4,225 13 4 | 15,416 15 8 |
| 1930 | 6,156 10 3 | 1,568 3 9 | 3,462 7 8 | 453 10 9 | 4,365 1 2 | 16,005 13 7 |
| 1931 | 4,778 0 8 | 1,282 16 8 | 2,789 8 8 | 380 12 8 | 3,844 0 8 | 13,074 19 4 |
| 1932 | 3,529 3 10 | 944 3 5 | 2,088 14 7 | 280 18 2 | 2,865 6 3 | 9,708 6 3 |
| 1933 | 3,485 3 5 | 935 4 2 | 2,095 0 4 | 294 14 3 | 2,836 9 9 | 9,646 11 11 |
| 1934 | 3,487 16 7 | 951 11 5 | 2,076 5 1 | 287 5 3 | 2,843 11 0 | 9,646 9 4 |
| 1935 (June) | 2,094 15 9 | 573 16 7 | 1,253 1 11 | 169 19 3 | 1,697 6 7 | 5,789 0 1 |
| 1935/6 | 3,451 9 7 | 940 19 6 | 2,033 15 3 | 377 10 8 | 2,743 16 11 | 9,547 11 11 |
| | £85,171 3 7 | £23,096 11 1 | £52,259 6 6 | £6,410 10 7 | £66,212 4 7 | £233,149 16 4 |

RATES.

I am pleased to be able to report that during the year more rates were collected than declared for the period.

This was brought about by the payment of £5,463/1/10 off the accumulated arrears of £19,847/1/1.

The amount of current rates uncollected was £4,297/7/2, but in most cases the owners were paying off arrears.

Yours faithfully,

F. C. BAMPTON, F.C.I.V..

City Valuator and Collector of Rates.



