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In compliance with the provisions of the *Water Act* 1928, the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission submits the following Report and Statement for the Financial Year 1934-35, and Estimates for the ensuing year.

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Since the last Report there has been one change in the membership of the Commission. In January last Mr. Commissioner Alfred Stephen Kenyon, M.I.E. Aust., retired, the vacancy being filled by the appointment of Mr. Lewis Ronald East, M.C.E., Assoc.M.Inst.C.E.

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FOR

YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1935.

WORKS CARRIED ON OR COMPLETED DURING THE YEAR.

The main works carried out during the year in the various Districts controlled by the Commission and the chief items of interest in each District are set out in the following pages.

COLIBAN SYSTEM.

The Coliban System, which was initiated by the Government between 1865 and 1873, now comprises two main storage reservoirs on the Coliban River, the Upper Coliban with a capacity of 25,700 acre feet and Malmsbury with a capacity of 12,300 acre feet, together with 29 subsidiary reservoirs, with a total capacity of 6,970 acre feet, also main and distributary channels of a total length of 389 miles, and about 300 miles of urban pipe reticulation.

The scheme provides a supply of water for the City of Bendigo, the important towns of Castlemaine, Eaglehawk, and Maldon, and eighteen other townships, and, in addition to providing water for irrigating orchards, market gardens, permanent pastures, and other crops, of which the area watered annually is about 9,200 acres, supplies the demands of the mining industry throughout the District.

During the year the work of remodelling and concrete lining main and branch channels and replacing inefficient sections with reinforced concrete ground flume has been satisfactorily advanced. This important work is being carried out to minimize the heavy losses of water from the channels which traverse country generally of a porous nature, and also to facilitate the distribution of the increasing requirements throughout the area served.

The embankment of the Crocodile Reservoir at Fryerstown, which was partially breached by flood waters in October last, has been repaired, and an additional by-wash provided at the west end of the embankment.

To improve the supply of water to the township of Harcourt, the pipe head basin, from which the supply is drawn, has been lined with concrete, and the old 2-inch diameter main has been replaced by a new 4-inch diameter pipe main. The supply is now satisfactory.

The results obtained by the construction last year of an additional catch-water drain on the western side of Crusoe Reservoir, and the installation of a floating arm to enable water to be drawn off at a uniform depth nearer the surface, have been very satisfactory. The quality of the water supplied from this reservoir last Summer showed a marked improvement.

Several renewals and extensions of pipe reticulations at Bendigo, Eaglehawk, and Castlemaine, amounting in all to 64 chains, have been carried out, and many of the mains have been cleaned.

In connexion with the Commission's general scheme for the improvement of the reticulation systems of Bendigo, Eaglehawk, and Castlemaine, the Government has made funds available for the laying of a new main from Specimen Hill Service Basin to Eaglehawk. It is expected that this work will be completed before next Summer.

The completion of a new channel, 5 miles in length, from Ashbourne to Milking Yard Creek, capable of carrying up to 30 cubic feet a second, has enabled portion of the headwaters of the Campaspe River to be diverted into the storages on the Coliban River. Water was turned into the channel during the month of May, and by the end of the year approximately 1,000 acre feet were diverted into the Coliban storages.

Full supplies of water for sluicing purposes were made available from December to March, when, owing to the unfavorable condition of the storages, supplies for this purpose were discontinued until June.

IRRIGATION AND WATER SUPPLY DISTRICTS.

GOULBURN DIVISION.

RODNEY DISTRICT.

In this District there are 639 miles of channels for the supply of water for irrigation and 43 miles of channels for drainage purposes.

There has been an increase in the area under irrigated culture in this District over the preceding year. Increases included the area of fodder crops and extensions of the areas under lucerne and pastures. Ample supplies of water were made available to meet all demands.

In addition to the carrying out of urgent repair and maintenance works, the district irrigation system was improved by the remodelling of portions of the Cussen and Bray Main Channels and distributaries, by the renewal of several regulators, checks, and bridges, and by the provision of outlet facilities and escape works. On the Dhurringile Channel a section in high embankment was cored with precast reinforced concrete slabs suitably jointed to prevent leakage caused by "yabbies". Other channels have been treated in a similar manner with satisfactory results. Across the Yambuna Creek in the north-west of Wyuna, a dam 300 feet in length was constructed for the diversion, to an outfall into the Goulburn River, of increasing storm inflows. Any water requirements along the Creek downstream from the dam are to be met by a low level subway combined with a tower regulator. District drainage works are being carried out with Unemployment Relief Funds, and good progress is being maintained. Eleven miles of new main and sub-main drains with auxiliary works have been completed, making the total length of main drains in operation in the District 43 miles.

Work is proceeding on the Rodney Main Outfall Drain which, when completed, will enable connexions to be made for the service of lands at Undera and Ardmona and to the south of Tatura, a total area of 150 square miles.

SHEPPARTON CENTRE.

Districts controlled from this centre are Shepparton, North Shepparton, South Shepparton, and Katandra, in which there are 490 miles of channels, 305 miles for irrigation purposes, and 185 miles for drainage.

The East Goulburn Main Channel has been extended in Dunbulbalane for a further distance of 4 miles to provide an outfall into the Nine Mile Creek, thus doing away with the "dead end" to this channel. This extension will also serve some thousands of acres of first class irrigation land. Remodelling of the northern portion of the Shepparton Fruit Area drainage system has been commenced with Unemployment Relief Work Grants, and the work already completed has greatly improved conditions in this portion of the District. This work is still in progress; and as operations proceed a further area will be relieved of drainage difficulties.

TONGALA CENTRE.

From this centre the Tongala, Stanhope, and Deakin Districts, and portion of the Echuca North District, are controlled. Irrigation channels in these Districts total 366 miles in length and drainage channels 266 miles.

The demand of 46,000 acre feet of irrigation water for the past season shows an increase on that of 40,000 acre feet for the year 1933-34, but still falls far short of the peak demand of 66,000 acre feet in 1929-30. The development of sown pastures in these districts has been most marked during the past 5 years. In 1930-31 the area under pastures totalled approximately 2,000 acres, and has gradually increased until in the past year a total of 8,000 acres was reached. There has, however, been a corresponding marked decrease in the area under lucerne. The visitation of swarms of grasshoppers in December, 1934, caused heavy losses of fodder crops. The losses, however, would have been greater but for the use of poisoned bran baits which proved very effective.

The drainage system in the Tongala District was further extended by the construction of 28 miles of new drains. This work included the completion of the Coram Drain and the diversion of the No. 2 Main Drain to higher ground in order to minimize the flooding of low lying land in the Koyuga area. Remodelling of 60 chains of the No. 1A Main Drain was carried out by means of a dragline excavator. This machine was also employed taking out 5 miles of the Tongala Main subsoil drain, which is now completed.

In the construction of bridges and syphons, the pneumatic core method of manufacture of pipes in situ was used, a total of 1,250 feet being completed in this way, the sizes varying from 15 to 30 inches in diameter.

In Stanhope District a preliminary survey has been carried out in connexion with the drainage proposals to serve a further area of 2,500 acres of land and so complete the drainage of this District. A cross-sectional survey was made of 10 miles of the Wyuna Main Channel with the object of obtaining information for the proposed remodelling of this channel.

In Deakin District, temporary repairs were effected to the old Wanalta Creek Weir. Silt and weed growth has been removed from 26 miles of the old Wanalta Drainage Channel, and similar work is now in progress on 43 miles of the domestic and stock supply channels of the system in Moora, Burramboot, and Corop. Silt is also being removed from $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles of the Corop Seepage Drain.

ROCHESTER CENTRE.

In the Rochester and Campaspe Districts and that portion of the Echuca North District controlled from this Centre, there are 396 miles of irrigation channels and 91 miles of channels for drainage purposes.

During the past year irrigation throughout the Rochester District was extensive, the quantity of water delivered under water rights being 46,588 acre feet, or 85 per cent. of the total rights; in addition, sales of water amounted to 7,480 acre feet, and 1,259 acre feet were supplied for domestic and stock purposes, bringing the total quantity of water supplied to 55,327 acre feet.

The main works carried out in this District were in connexion with the provision of a comprehensive drainage scheme. During the year, 33 miles of drains were remodelled and deepened, and 30 miles of new drains were constructed. This work is still in progress.

In the Campaspe District, supplies were available for irrigation and domestic and stock purposes until early Autumn. The extended run of the river during the Summer maintained the supply and materially assisted farmers to grow summer fodder crops.

LODDON DIVISION.

LODDON CENTRE.

The Districts administered from this Centre are Tragowel Plains, Dingee, and Calivil Irrigation Districts, Loddon United Waterworks Trust District, and Pyramid Hill, Mitiamo, and Dingee Urban Districts. The total length of irrigation channels in these Districts is 602 miles. The amount of irrigation water supplied for the year was 42,800 acre feet, as compared with 35,600 acre feet for the previous year. Better and more scientific methods of irrigation are being adopted by landholders in these districts, and the acreage under lucerne and seeded pastures is increasing.

In the Calivil District $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles of new channel were constructed, and in the Loddon United Trust Area 9 miles of supply channel were remodelled. The banks of the Pyramid Hill Urban Storage have been remodelled, and, with the installation of an electric pumping unit now in progress, conditions of supply to the township should be considerably improved.

BOORT DISTRICT.

For the supply of water for the irrigation of lands in this District there are 140 miles of channels. During the year there was a keen demand for irrigation water, 12,300 acre feet being delivered. This compares well with the year 1933-34, when 6,765 acre feet only were sold. In this District the gradual increase of areas under lucerne, sown pastures, and annual fodder crops is noticeable, and shows that irrigators generally are realizing the benefits to be derived from efficient irrigation methods.

In conjunction with the Kerang Shire Council, certain flood relief works in the vicinity of Lake Meering were completed and should enable future floods to be more satisfactorily controlled.

COHUNA CENTRE.

Controlled from this centre are Cohuna, Gannawarra, and Leitchville Irrigation Districts, and Cohuna and Leitchville Urban Divisions.

Throughout these Districts there are 232 miles of irrigation channels and 92 miles of drainage channels.

The old timber flume on the Right Branch Channel across the Barr Creek has been replaced with a 6-foot diameter concrete syphon constructed under Unemployment Relief conditions. This is now in full working order, and has resulted in a considerable saving of water and an improved supply to the area concerned.

KERANG CENTRE.

Throughout the Kerang, Koondrook, and Third Lake Districts controlled from this Centre there are 427 miles of irrigation channels and 61 miles of drainage channels.

Extensive drainage works under Unemployment Relief conditions are in progress. The Kerang East Drainage scheme is well advanced, and the Barr Creek, which acts as an outfall to this scheme, has been enlarged and deepened over a length of 9 miles. Considerable improvement to lands served by these drains is already apparent, and, when the scheme is

completed in its entirety, lasting benefits are anticipated. Steps are being taken for the constitution of a "Drainage District" with a view to the making of a drainage rate on lands benefited to meet the cost of maintaining these works in effective condition.

TRESCO CENTRE.

From this Centre, the Mystic Park, Tresco, Fish Point, and Kerang North-West Lakes Districts are controlled. Irrigation channels in these districts total 128 miles in length and drainage channels 37 miles.

The strengthening of the levee banks along the full length of the Little Murray River has been completed, and protection is now afforded to the whole of the Fish Point and portion of the Swan Hill Districts. Under Unemployment Relief conditions, a channel from Lake Boga was constructed to give private diverters from Long Lake an improved supply. The Contour Channel from Lake Kangaroo around Lake Tutchewop, to enable the water level of Lake Tutchewop to be lowered while sending supplies direct to Fish Point and Swan Hill Districts, was completed, and will be in operation during the coming season.

SWAN HILL CENTRE.

The Districts controlled from this Centre are the Swan Hill and Nyah Irrigation Districts, and the Nyah, Nyah West, and Lake Boga Urban Districts. Throughout these districts there are 140 miles of irrigation supply channels and 51 miles of drainage channels.

Considerable extension has taken place in the development of pastures on the Swan Hill Flats, which have proved suitable for this type of culture.

The dried fruits crops were adversely affected this year by the severe Spring frosts, and the yield from this centre amounted to only 2,761 tons, as against 5,800 tons for 1933-34.

Concrete lined channels have been repaired during the year, and drainage works were carried out under Unemployment Relief conditions.

RED CLIFFS AND MERBEIN DISTRICTS.

In the Red Cliffs District, in which there are 124 miles of irrigation channels and 3 miles of drainage channels, five general waterings and one special supplementary watering were provided during the year, full supplies being available to meet all requirements.

In the Merbein District there are 54 miles of channels for irrigation purposes and 5 miles of drainage channels. In this District, six general waterings and one special irrigation were given, and all demands for water were met.

During the year, the Government made further grants from Unemployment Relief Funds towards the cost of main outlet works for sub-surface drainage of horticultural lands in the Red Cliffs, Merbein, and First Mildura Trust Districts. In the Red Cliffs District, schemes to drain 1,509 acres of irrigable land at Cardross and 936 acres in the South-West area have been completed and are functioning satisfactorily where growers have linked up their internal drains with the systems, while in the South-East area a scheme to drain 2,098 acres is nearing completion. In Merbein District, schemes to drain 2,361 acres of land in the North-West and West areas are practically completed, and a commencement will shortly be made with the drainage works for the East area. The completed works at Red Cliffs and Merbein now serve approximately one-third of the total area of the Districts. In the First Mildura Trust District, the Irymple Valley system has been put in hand, and the work on the main outlet drain is well advanced. This work is being carried out for the Trust by the Commission. These drainage schemes comprise complete systems of underground pipe drains, providing an outlet at suitable depths to all holdings within the areas served. The pipes, which have sealed joints, are of stoneware and reinforced concrete, ranging in size from 4 inches up to 36 inches in diameter. In order to eliminate risk of blockage and to reduce maintenance costs, irrigators are required to construct silt pits on their holdings, into which the internal drainage from individual blocks must be discharged before being taken into the Commission's system. All work put in hand has been at the request of the growers concerned, who are required to contribute at the rate of £5 per irrigable acre of their holdings towards the cost of the works.

Maintenance of irrigation channels in both Red Cliffs and Merbein Districts was carried out during the year, and special work of concrete lining the channels was undertaken from Unemployment Relief Funds.

The dried fruits crops for the season amounted to 12,500 tons in the Red Cliffs District and 11,620 tons in the Merbein District, as against respective totals of 16,000 tons and 10,000 tons last year, the reduction at Red Cliffs being due to damage by frost and hail.

In the townships of Red Cliffs and Merbein important extensions and enlargement of the water reticulation systems were effected.

BACCHUS MARSH AND WERRIBEE DISTRICTS.

For the supply of water for irrigation to lands in the Bacchus Marsh District there are 47 miles of channels. In order to cope with the increased demand for irrigation supplies to various parts of this District, 164 chains of channels were remodelled and concrete lined during the year. A new 24-inch diameter pipe syphon was constructed at the Maddingley Quarry to ensure supplies to the Main Parwan Channel, and the Lerderderg East Channel was remodelled, a distance of 28 chains being replaced by a new concrete box section. In addition the sides of the Lerderderg West Channel were raised 9 inches for a distance of 20 chains.

To improve the reticulation to the Police Paddock at Maddingley, 7 chains of 2-inch diameter pipes have been replaced by a 3-inch diameter main.

On a section of the Lerderderg River the stone groynes and gabions constructed last year have been successful in protecting the river banks from further erosion.

In the Werribee District, there are 47 miles of irrigation channels and 25 miles of drainage channels, as well as 24 miles of channels to provide domestic and stock supplies.

The work of concrete lining irrigation channels in this District, to prevent seepage and to give increased efficiency in delivery, was continued during the year, an additional length of 6 miles 25 chains being completed. The value of this work may be illustrated by stating the effect observed on Spur Channel No. 14, where, prior to lining, a head of 6 cusecs was employed for 7 days, irrigating holdings served by this channel. After lining, a head of 4 cusecs gave the same service in 4 days. In other words 32 acre feet of water now does the work for which formerly 84 acre feet of water was required.

All drainage channels functioned effectively during the year, and the run off after the torrential downpours of December and April was carried away without damage. A further length of 6 miles 6 chains of drainage channels was cleaned out during the year.

The usual service of domestic and stock supply was given to the Waterworks District, and a further length of 9 miles 14 chains of channels in this District was re-graded during the year, resulting in the expedition of water deliveries.

MAFFRA-SALE DISTRICT.

In this District, there are 192 miles of irrigation channels and 81 miles for drainage purposes.

Unseasonable weather conditions, with phenomenal falls of rain during the greater part of the irrigation season, not only reduced the quantity of water used for irrigation, but placed a considerable strain on the drainage systems of the district. Drainage channels which had dealt successfully with the run off during previous seasons were found to be inadequate under the abnormal conditions. Investigations are being made with the object of overcoming this difficulty by the provision of additional outfalls where possible. Great damage was done to the irrigation supply channels by the floodings which followed the rains of December, February, and April, and special grants were obtained to enable repairs to be effected.

During the year, 2 miles of new channel and 71 chains of concrete box section channel were constructed. Four new spillways have been provided for the more efficient control of the distributary system, and a check and measuring weir has been constructed in the Main Sale channel.

With funds provided for Unemployment Relief purposes, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles of channels were remodelled, and the drainage system has been extended by the construction of 23 miles of new drains and the enlargement and remodelling of $8\frac{1}{2}$ miles of existing drainage channels.

The water supply to the township of Stratford has been further augmented and improved by the remodelling and lining of the minor basin, which is now being used as a service basin, the main basin acting as a settling and storage basin. The total capacity of these basins is now 6,000,000 gallons. The main pipe line crossing the Avon River was damaged by the floods, repairs and replacements being necessary.

The channel supplying water to Heyfield township was also seriously damaged by floods from the hillside, necessitating the immediate carrying out of repair works.

INVESTIGATIONS OF NEW IRRIGATION AND WATER SUPPLY PROPOSALS.

PROPOSED MURRAY VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT.

In connexion with the projected supply of water from the Hume Reservoir by means of a diversion weir on the River Murray at Yarrawonga to lands within the proposed Murray Valley District, contour surveys have now been completed over the greater portion of the area to be irrigated, and the design of the channel system is well advanced. Detail investigation surveys at the site of the diversion weir have been completed, and the main canal therefrom has been located for the first four miles and is now under construction. This channel is being constructed in the first instance with a bed width of 61 feet to carry some 1,000 cusecs, and provision is being made for its later enlargement to 84 feet when its capacity will be 1,350 cusecs.

PROPOSED WESTERN DISTRICT TOWNS SUPPLY.

Negotiations have been continued with the Warrnambool City Council and the Hampden Shire Council in connexion with the proposed scheme to supply water from the Otway Ranges to the City of Warrnambool and the townships of Camperdown and Terang in the Western District, and it is expected that work will be put in hand at an early date.

The headworks of the scheme will be on Arkins Creek near Wyelangta, where an average annual rainfall of some 80 inches will provide an assured and adequate supply of good quality water. Water will be diverted from the creek by a low concrete weir at an elevation of 1,100 feet above sea level, and conducted by main and branch pipe lines to local storage reservoirs in the vicinity of Camperdown, Terang, and Warrnambool of ample capacity to meet the requirements of these centres.

The scheme, which is estimated to cost £310,000, includes the installation of complete pipe reticulations for Camperdown and Terang, and the supply of water in bulk to Warrnambool, which already has its own reticulation system.

PROPOSED NORMANVILLE WATERWORKS DISTRICT.

For the supply of water by gravitation for domestic and stock purposes to about 130 square miles of land near Quambatook, Gredgwin, and Normanville, a scheme has been formulated by the Commission, and it is expected that work will be commenced early in the forthcoming year.

IRRIGATION DISTRICTS DRAINAGE PROPOSALS.

In Merbein and Red Cliffs, surveys have been further extended in respect of comprehensive drainage schemes for lands within these districts, and drainage reserves at outfalls of the respective schemes have been defined.

Surveys in connexion with drainage schemes in North Shepparton, Rodney, Tongala, Rochester, and Kerang East Districts have been further extended.

WATERWORKS DISTRICTS.

MORNINGTON PENINSULA DISTRICT.

During the year, the capacity of the Mornington Reservoir was increased to 71,000,000 gallons.

Owing to the very heavy run-off from the catchment of the Lysterfield Reservoir during the unprecedented rainfall of December last, flood waters in this reservoir reached a level which was considered to be inconsistent with the safety of the structure, and, although no damage was done to the embankment, it has been considered advisable to raise the bank crest by six feet to prevent any possibility of over-topping. This work has been commenced, and is being carried out from Unemployment Relief Funds.

The only serious interference with the works of this District caused by the December flood was the washing away of portion of the newly laid Longwarry supply main owing to the partial destruction by flood waters of the Bunyip River road bridge to which the pipe line was attached. Supply to the township was reinstated within four days by laying a temporary pipe across the river, utilizing the railway bridge nearby. When the road bridge was reconstructed six months later, a new main was installed, and the temporary pipe removed.

Other reticulation works suffered only minor damage from this abnormal flood.

Extensive reticulation works, consisting of 12-inch, 8-inch, and 6-inch diameter mains were carried out in the Keysborough and Dingley areas, south of Springvale. Ample water from the Lysterfield Reservoir via the Hallam-Chelsea pipe line is now available to the market gardeners and poultry farmers in these districts. A supply for residents of Wells-road, Carrum Downs, was also provided from this pipe line.

Reticulation of the Ranelagh Estate in the South Frankston Urban District has now been commenced. A small pipe which has been delivering water in bulk will be replaced by a 6-inch diameter main and a general reticulation system. This will result in greatly improved service. Extensions were also made to existing reticulation works in the City of Chelsea and the townships of Frankston, Mornington, and Berwick.

During the Christmas and New Year holiday period, the Centenary Jamboree of the Boy Scouts Association of Victoria was held at Frankston. A special water supply to this camp was made available from the Frankston supply main, and an extensive temporary reticulation system to serve a population of over 10,000 was installed at the expense of the Boy Scouts Association.

WONTHAGGI DISTRICT.

The main storage at Lance Creek proved adequate for requirements, but difficulty was again experienced in maintaining the supply to the service basin at Wonthaggi during peak demands. To overcome this, a second pumping unit has been installed on the main, and a low level basin is being constructed at the pump site to provide a reserve storage near the town.

BELLARINE PENINSULA DISTRICT.

During the year full supplies of water were maintained for all demands in the above district, the main reservoir of 10,000 acre feet at Wurdee Boluc being full at the commencement of the season. On the inlet and outlet channel systems, which now total 92 miles, operations were confined chiefly to maintenance and minor improvements.

The most important works completed were the pipe reticulation systems of the townships of Torquay and Anglesea, and the supply channels to their service basins. These services were completed early last Summer and are now in successful operation.

A number of extensions to mains was also made in the existing urban districts throughout the scheme, which now supplies Queenscliff and Point Lonsdale, Barwon Heads and Ocean Grove, Drysdale, Portarlington, Torquay, and Anglesea, and, in addition, provides supplementary supplies for the City of Geelong.

In the rural district, advantage of the water supply is being taken to a greater extent by landholders who, in some cases, have laid their own services for considerable distances from the Commission's main pipe lines to obtain water supplies for domestic and stock use as well as for agricultural purposes.

From this scheme, 433,000,000 gallons of water were supplied to the Geelong Waterworks and Sewerage Trust during the year, from the Commission's Bellarine Main.

MAP OF SOUTH-CENTRAL PORTION OF STATE.

A map, showing the Commission's operations in the South-Central portion of the State, is inserted in this Report. The general schemes for the supply of water to the townships and lands within the Bellarine Peninsula and Mornington Peninsula Districts are set out; the Pykes Creek and Melton Reservoirs which supply the Bacchus Marsh and Werribee Irrigation Districts are shown; and the location of the important Coliban Storages is given. In addition, the Kooweerup and Cardinia flood protection works are outlined, as well as those of the Carrum Trust District.

WIMMERA DIVISION.

WIMMERA-MALLEE WATER SUPPLY.

Owing to light Winter and Spring rains in 1934, considerable trouble was experienced from sand drift in the Mallee Districts and many miles of channels, particularly those adjacent to fallowed land, were completely filled with sand. This question of sand drift is dealt with more fully in a separate section of this Report.

Notwithstanding these conditions, the annual distribution of domestic and stock supplies throughout the 6,197 miles of Commission's channels in the system, was carried out without delay. The area supplied is 11,000 square miles and, in addition to supplying farmers tanks and numerous public storages, full supplies of water were given to five towns controlled by Waterworks Trusts and the following 38 Urban Districts which have pipe reticulation systems operated by the Commission :—

Antwerp	Dimboola	Marnoo	Quambatook	Waitchie
Berriwillock	Dooen	Minyip	Rainbow	Walpeup
Beulah	Hopetoun	Nandaly	Rupanyup	Watchem
Birchip	Jeparit	Natimuk	Sea Lake	Woomelang
Brim	Jung Jung	Nullawil	Speed	Woorinen
Chillingollah	Lalbert	Nyah West	Tempy	Wycheproof
Chinkapook	Lascelles	Ouyen	Ultima	Yaapeet
Culgoa	Manangatang	Patchewollock		

At the end of the year, all the headworks reservoirs of the system contained ample reserves of water for the requirements of the present season's run. The inlet channel to Moora Reservoir from the Glenelg River was completed and operated successfully during the year enabling some 11,326 acre feet to be diverted into the Wimmera-Mallee storages from that river.

WESTERN WIMMERA, UPPER WESTERN WIMMERA, WIMMERA UNITED, UPPER WIMMERA UNITED, KARKAROOC, AND HINDMARSH DISTRICTS.

The Drung Drung channel, 6 miles in length, was constructed to supply an area, to the east of Taylors Lake Reservoir, which hitherto depended on surface catchments for its water.

Improvements to urban reticulation systems comprised the installation of a new 6-inch diameter main in Rupanyup and extensions at Dimboola, Natimuk, and Jung Jung. Complete remodelling of the pipe reticulation of the township of Jeparit has been approved and will be carried out during the coming year.

The new low level weir in the Wimmera River at Longerenong, enabled surplus flows to be diverted along the Yarriambiack Creek to Lake Corrong at Hopetoun.

Arrangements have been completed for the construction of a further 7 miles of distributary channel in the parishes of Nurrabiel and Darragan, and a new channel 4 miles in length is under construction in the parish of Jeffcott, east of Donald.

BIRCHIP, WYCHEPROOF, SEA LAKE, DERING, EUREKA, BARING, WALPEUP CENTRAL, KIA,
TYRRELL, LONG LAKE, AND TYNTYNDER DISTRICTS.

On account of sand drift in the northern portions of these Districts, more than normal expenditure was involved in preparing the channels for the annual run. No new channels were constructed excepting short extensions totalling $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles in length in the Tyntynder and Wycheproof Districts.

The Walpeup Township reticulation was completed during the year and is now in operation.

In Urban Districts extensions of mains were carried out at Manangatang, Woorinen, and Lalbert, and the existing reticulation in Sea Lake was improved.

In Baring District, eleven ironclad catchments for water supply of farm allotments not commanded by channel were completed, and settlers concerned have been thereby relieved of carting their supplies long distances from public tanks; fifteen of these catchments are now functioning in this area.

Owing to a cyclonic storm which traversed the area, the urban supply windmills at Woomelang were blown down, and severe damage occurred at other centres. Repairs where necessary were carried out.

WALPEUP WEST DISTRICT.

In this District, 109 public bores equipped with windmills and elevated tanks provide water supply for farmers without private bores, as well as for public purposes.

Extensive repairs were necessary to many of these plants owing to damage caused by a cyclonic storm. Apart from this, these plants have been maintained in good working order throughout the year.

COREENA DISTRICT.

The annual watering of the 100 miles of channels in this District was carried out effectively from the pumping plant adjacent to the River Murray at Coreena Bend from which water supplies are drawn.

CARWARP AND CARWARP CENTRAL DISTRICTS.

The water for the supply of these Districts is pumped at the main Red Cliffs plant on the River Murray. Owing to channel improvements the time hitherto taken to run water in the 154 miles of channels comprising the system was reduced.

YELTA DISTRICT.

During the year all tanks on occupied allotments were filled through the 50 miles of channels in the District. Owing to the number of abandoned allotments in this area, costs of maintenance per tank supplied are increasing, and consideration must be given to the curtailment of this system in the near future.

MILLEWA AND MILLEWA CENTRAL DISTRICTS.

Full supplies of water were given to all occupied allotments through the 687 miles of channels which comprise the system. Water is pumped from the River Murray near Lock 9 to a height of 145 feet for the Millewa District and a further 135 feet for the supply of the Central District. The time taken to complete the watering was 174 days and represented a reduction on the previous year with consequent diminution in working expenses.

In the south-eastern portion of the District some 30 miles of channels were not watered as practically all the holdings in this locality have been vacated.

The improvements to the Meringur Urban pipe reticulated water supply system were completed and short extensions to mains in the Werrimull Urban District were also made.

SAND DRIFT.

The problem of Sand Drift in Mallee Districts is viewed by the Commission with grave concern. After two seasons during which moderate rains fell in the Winter and calm conditions prevailed in Spring and Summer, the sand drift trouble was again accentuated last Summer, although not to the same extent as in some previous bad years. Photographs in this Report give some idea of the seriousness of the position as it affects water supply. These are not of isolated cases, there being numerous places where sand drift is as bad and even worse than those illustrated. As each dry period passes, it becomes more evident that the menace is becoming progressively worse, and the Commission desires to stress that, without some definite action being taken, the time is not far distant when it will be impossible to keep some channels open, and certain areas will thereby be deprived of water, eventually involving their abandonment for agricultural purposes.

Contrary to the general idea, the country most affected at present is the central Mallee belt where, as a result of settlement and cultivation, all vegetation has been gradually killed. Year by year this condition is spreading further north towards the newer areas where rainfall is less and the soils are more sandy, but are at present held to some extent by the incomplete destruction of the original vegetal cover. Unfortunately, during seasons when rainfall is above the average, the sand drift is forgotten, and during these years the gradual killing of the natural vegetation still goes on.

There have been many suggestions as to how the trouble can be coped with, and the two most frequently advocated ideas are (1) the planting of shelter belts, and (2) the substitution of a pipe system in lieu of the channel system for domestic and stock water supply.

The first suggestion of course merits consideration, but, when it is considered that to protect channels only, some 2,500 miles of shelter belts would ultimately have to be planted, and the cost of planting of these belts would be several times greater than that of the channel system itself, it will be seen that this is hardly practicable and could not give immediate relief.

The second proposal divides itself into two subdivisions, (a) pumping through small pipes and delivering water under pressure, and (b) undergrounding of the channel system into large concrete pipes, not under pressure. Under scheme (a) many pumping stations would be necessary and therefore many sub-reservoirs at various points in the system. Pumping costs alone would double the present cost of water supply, while the smallest sub-main pipe would cost £700 a mile as compared with £100 for the channel system. Interest and depreciation charges would be proportionately higher. Under scheme (b) it is sufficient to say that the smallest concrete pipe that could be used would cost thirty times as much as a similar length of channel in earth. Seeing that the cost of the channel systems at present in the Mallee is approximately £2,000,000, it will readily be seen that the capital cost of the concrete pipe system would exceed £60,000,000. Such an expenditure can hardly be considered.

The piping of particularly bad sections of channels through cuttings is, however, practicable, and this has already been done in some cases, and other places will be similarly treated from time to time. It must, however, be pointed out that these cuttings are, on the average, only some few chains in length, and the drift they contain is inconsiderable compared with the long stretches of normal sized channels which become completely drifted up in one paddock when fallowed.

It would therefore appear that, if the channel system is to function, some protection must be given against the thoughtless intense cultivation which is carried on right up to the works, and that immediate action is desirable to preserve timber belts in all areas where the natural growth or Mallee root is not yet killed. Sand drift legislation introduced in Western Australia and South Australia in 1890 and 1924 respectively, has been found to operate beneficially, smoothly, and efficiently. In those States, however, they have no channel systems, the legislation being for the protection of other public works such as railways and roads.

In Victoria, with its extensive channel systems, statutory powers to deal with sand drift are even more urgently required and the Commission strongly recommends the introduction of legislation on the lines urged by the Sand Drift Committee in its report of 1933, in order to maintain the water supply to the Mallee.

SAND DRIFT.



Water Channel, Tyrrell West.—Drift caught by channel banks. Channel which was originally 3 ft. bed width and 1 ft. 6 in. deep has had to be abandoned.



Tyrrell West Main Water Channel, near Sea Lake, completely blocked. 7,000 persons depend on this channel for their water supply.



Water Channel, Piangil.—Sand drift from fallow shown encroaching on a running channel. No drift has occurred on opposite side where land is covered with vegetation.

DRAINAGE AND FLOOD PROTECTION SCHEMES.

LOCH GARRY.

During the past year, the Loch Garry works were subjected to severe tests. A sharp flood to 34·2 feet on the Goulburn River at Shepparton gauge in November, 1934, was successfully held by the works, which effectively protected the area included in the district. Early in December a flood of extraordinary size was experienced, reaching 37·4 feet on the Shepparton gauge, almost as high as in 1916, and, for the first time since the construction of the works, all the bars were removed from the spillway. This flood tested the works severely, but, with the exception of a break in the levee bank between the spillway and the river, the works held well and prevented more serious flooding within the district. The flow through the break was compensated for by replacing some bars in the spillway.

Repairs have been carried out to the levee bank where necessary, and the scour at the spillway was protected by a concrete apron and some stone beaching.

KANYAPELLA.

A breach occurred in the levee bank across the Warrigal Creek during the flood in the Goulburn River in December, 1934. The basin was flooded to a depth of approximately 3 feet, but little or no damage was done to property or crops. The breach has been repaired, and the embankment reinforced by a concrete corewall and brought to its original height. Weak places in the remaining portion of the banks were strengthened and repairs were also effected to the channel between the Yambuna and Warrigal Creeks.

ECHUCA.

The levee bank has been maintained in good condition. The December floods did not cause any difficulties in this District.

CARRUM.

Owing to the unusual sequence of heavy storms, several severe floods took place during the year. A flood of over 5,000 cusecs occurred in the Dandenong Creek in October, 1934, followed at the end of November by a phenomenal flood of over 17,000 cusecs, which caused extensive flooding throughout the District and serious damage to private property, as well as to the works in the District. Extensive repairs have been necessary and these have been carried out with funds provided from Unemployment Relief Grants.

KOOWEERUP AND CARDINIA.

In these Districts, which together embrace some 90,000 acres of reclaimed swamp lands, there are 415 miles of drainage channels controlled by the Commission.

The year has been one of unusually heavy flooding, the rainfall for the latter half of the year being more than double the average. A flood of over 5,000 cusecs occurred in the Bunyip River in October, 1934, and some flooding of lands took place, but this was eclipsed when towards the end of November there occurred a rainstorm of unprecedented intensity and duration, which caused the flow of the Bunyip River to rise on 1st December, 1934, to 40,000 cusecs, nearly four times the previous maximum recorded in 1924. This extraordinary flow, which represented a discharge of 154 cusecs per square mile of the catchment area, resulted in serious and widespread flooding, inundating practically the whole district, including the township of Kooweerup, and causing considerable destruction and loss in the district, and much damage to various parts of the drainage works, as well as to municipal roads and bridges and to railway permanent way. Over 28,000 cubic yards of earthwork were required to repair breaches in the drain banks. Heavy rains were again experienced in the early months of 1935 and another severe flood of over 10,000 cusecs occurred in April.

The occurrence of this sequence of floods has indicated the necessity for additional protective works, and, following upon the allocation by the Government of substantial provision for the improvement of the drainage works of the Kooweerup and Cardinia Districts, the Commission has made a thorough investigation of conditions in these Districts to ensure that the funds available might be expended to the best advantage.

This investigation has now been completed and plans for a substantial portion of the proposed works have been prepared. For many years, owing largely to increasing run-off resulting from the clearing and development of the surrounding highlands, the low-lying lands along the McDonald's or Western Boundary Drain, McGregor's Drain and the Toomuc-Cardinia Outfall, have suffered severely from flooding, even at times of only moderately heavy rainfall, and it has become evident that these drains, which have very little fall, cannot deal effectively with the flood waters which they are now called upon to carry.

It is proposed, therefore, in the first instance, to relieve this area by excluding the Deep Creek water from McDonald's Drain altogether, taking it to a separate outlet by a new independent drain in the direction of the natural fall of the country towards the Toomuc System, and thence parallel to that system to Westernport Bay. The new drain will be $9\frac{1}{2}$ miles long and will have a carrying capacity of 2,000 cusecs.

On the opposite side of the present Toomuc-Cardinia Outfall, another large drain of even greater capacity and $3\frac{3}{4}$ miles in length will be constructed to carry the discharge of the Cardinia Creek independently to the Bay.

This arrangement will leave the existing drains free to take the flows of the Toomuc and Gum Scrub Creeks only, and will provide a total capacity more than three times that of the present drains.

In addition to these two main drains, new catch-drains, 6 miles and 3 miles long respectively, will be provided on the east and west sides of the outlet system to carry off seepage and local drainage.

The proposed new Deep Creek Drain will, incidentally, intercept the run-off from the Pakenham District, and will, by relieving both Hagelthorn's and McGregor's Drains of external water, provide improved facilities for internal drainage of low lands in this area, particularly between McGregor's and McDonald's Drains.

The new main drains will be excavated to depths of from 7 to 8 feet, and their banks will be constructed so that flood waters can be carried safely at a height of 4 feet above the natural surface.

The works will involve nearly $1\frac{1}{4}$ million cubic yards of excavation; and will mean the resumption of some 400 acres of land, the erection of nearly 2,000 feet of road and railway bridges, and the provision of more than 20 miles of fencing.

The Commission points out that, although complete immunity from flooding cannot be obtained, the proposed works will provide for the lands in the Cardinia District and for a large area in the Kooweerup District a very substantial measure of protection from all but phenomenal floods such as that of December last, when the total discharge of flood waters on to the Swamp lands was four times as great as the previous record. Even with such a phenomenal discharge, the increased waterway thus provided would very considerably lessen the extent and duration of flooding over the Swamp lands.

Minor works carried out during the year included the erection of two occupation bridges and one road bridge, and eleven concrete chutes. Twenty-six chutes and pipe outlets and seven bridges were reconditioned.

Maintenance work, much of which was carried out from special funds, comprised the cleaning and in places regrading of drains for a total length of 242 miles, the treatment of noxious weeds and vermin along some 50 miles of drainage reserves, and general repairs to bridges and structures.

Privately owned plants, operating under an arrangement with the Commission, have removed 12,000 tons of clean sand from the Kooweerup Main Canal during the year for commercial purposes. The total output of sand to date is 297,000 tons.

A graph showing the highest recorded flood flows of the Bunyip River, at Bunyip, for each year from 1907 to 1935 is attached. This graph clearly indicates the phenomenal nature of the flood of December, 1934.

RIVERS AND STREAMS DIVISION.

RIVER IMPROVEMENT.

During the year many applications were received from land owners for permission to carry out works for the protection of their properties from erosion or flooding, and, where investigations showed that proposals were justifiable, permission was granted under the provisions of the *Water Act 1928* for the works to be carried out at the cost of applicants.

Further useful work was done on various streams of the State with assistance from the Rivers and Streams Fund, from which grants are made to assist in works of stream improvement, comprising the removal of obstructions from watercourses and the prevention of erosion of banks. During the year 44 grants towards the cost of works of this nature were recommended, after investigation, to the Honorable the Commissioner of Public Works, and subsequently approved by him, bringing the total number approved since the creation of the Fund in 1930 to 163. These grants are made on a contributory basis only; where expenditure is for protection of public works such as roads or bridges, grants have been made up to two-thirds of the total cost, but where private lands only are benefited, contributions are required from the landowners concerned, the subsidy from the Fund being limited to not more than one half the total cost of works. The grants made from the Rivers and Streams Fund for the year totalled £6,808, bringing the total from the commencement of the Fund to £23,458.

Further surveys have been made of rivers requiring works of improvement. The Yarra River has been surveyed from Wesburn to Yering, the Yackandandah River from Yackandandah to the Kiewa River, and the Cann River for a distance of 10 miles above the Princes Highway. Surveys of the Goulburn River from Eildon Weir to Molesworth and of the King River from Oxley to Cheshunt are now in hand.

Following the disastrous and unseasonable floods that affected such a large portion of the State, the Government, at the request of the Commission, made available an amount of £20,000 from Unemployment Relief Funds for the purpose of clearing obstructions from streams throughout the State, thus facilitating the removal of flood waters. This amount is being expended, with the co-operation of the municipal councils concerned, on the Avoca, Broken, Fitzroy, Goulburn, King, Kiewa, Latrobe, Loddon, Macalister, Mitchell, Ovens, Powlett, Rubicon, Tambo, Tarra, Tarwin, Thomson, and Yarra Rivers, and much useful work is being effected.

MURRAY LEVEES.

Applications received during the year for permission to carry out works to protect lands from the effects of floods in the River Murray were dealt with, after investigation, by the Interstate Committee appointed for the purpose. A proposal by Victoria to erect a levee to protect 2,400 acres of lands near Echuca was approved.

RIVER GAUGING.

As provided by section 32 of the *Water Act* 1928, the work of gauging and recording the flows of the principal rivers and streams of the State was continued. Weekly returns showing the volumes of water stored in reservoirs were made available for publication.

Abnormal rainfall in Gippsland during the period October to April resulted in a remarkable series of floods. The greatest of these occurred at the beginning of December when phenomenal flooding was experienced in all streams from the Yarra to the Thomson catchments. In each of the streams for which records are available the flood discharge was greatly in excess of the previous record, while in the Bunyip and Latrobe Rivers the discharge was computed to be approximately four times the previous maximum.

Severe flooding was also recorded in the River Murray at Jingellic, the Mitta River at Tallandoon and Tallangatta during October, the Goulburn River at Murchison and Shepparton in December, and in the Macalister River at Glenmaggie Weir in April.

With the completion of the Hume Storage to R.L. 606, the gaugings of the Mitta River at Tallangatta will, under certain conditions, be impaired by the backwater from the storage. A new station has therefore been established on this stream at Tallandoon. It is proposed, however, to continue the recording of river heights at Tallangatta for a few years and automatic recording instruments have been installed at both these stations.

The number of gauging stations now in operation is 38.

DIVERSION OF WATER.

In the exercise of the right of the State to the use and flow and to the control of water in rivers, creeks, streams and watercourses, lakes, lagoons, swamps and marshes, supervision has been maintained over all such sources of supply.

Owing to the exceptionally wet season, irrigation by private diverters has not been so extensive as in former years, which circumstance, together with the adverse financial position of many former diverters, has resulted in the demand for authority to divert water being somewhat lower than in normal years, although a slight increase on the demand last year.

Authorized diversions in force are :—

Yearly permits	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,361
Flood permit	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Licences	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
Total	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,366

WATER DISTRIBUTION.

The demand for water in irrigation districts during the year under review commenced earlier than usual, especially in the Southern Districts where water deliveries started late in August instead of early in October. However, heavy rainfalls, considerably above the average, which fell during the months of October and November generally interrupted the delivery of water, and, as a result, only about 75 per cent. of the Water Rights apportioned throughout the gravitation systems was used.

The total quantity of water supplied from the Commission's channels to landholders in all irrigation districts was 460,480 acre-feet. The inflow to Waranga Reservoir, the main storage of the Goulburn System, was maintained throughout the year, and, at the close of the season, the volume in the storage amounted to 200,000 acre-feet, practically two-thirds of the total capacity of 333,400 acre-feet. The supply to this system is supplemented from the Eildon Reservoir, having a capacity of 306,000 acre-feet. At the close of the season 178,000 acre-feet of water was available in the latter storage.

In addition, the water supply to the northern sections of the Wimmera-Mallee Domestic and Stock Supply System, west of the Avoca River, was augmented by the delivery of 31,950 acre-feet from the Goulburn and Loddon Systems.

GOULBURN HEADWORKS AND MAIN CHANNELS.

These works comprise the Goulburn Weir; the Goulburn-Waranga Channel, extending from the Weir to Waranga Reservoir, a distance of $23\frac{1}{2}$ miles; the Waranga Reservoir; the Waranga-Rodney Channel, a distance of $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles; the Main Channel, extending westerly from the Waranga Reservoir to the Loddon River, a distance of 98 miles; the Waranga Western Main Channel Extension, extending north-westerly from the Loddon River, a distance of 36 miles (for irrigation) and a further distance of 94 miles to Kurdgweechee to supplement the supply from the headworks of the Wimmera-Mallee Gravitation System for domestic and stock purposes, making a total distance of 130 miles from the Loddon River, or 228 miles from the Waranga Reservoir; the Leaghur-Normanville Main Channel, extending from a point 36 miles on the Waranga Western Main Channel Extension northerly for a distance of 6 miles; the Tandarra-Calivil Main Channel, extending from 64 miles 69 chains on the Waranga Western Main Channel north-westerly to Tragowel Plains No. 1 Main Channel, a distance of 26 miles. On the eastern side the Main Eastern Channel now extends from the Goulburn Weir to the Nine Mile Creek, a distance of 61 miles. The total length of main channels is therefore 349 miles. The Irrigation Districts supplied are South Shepparton, Shepparton, North Shepparton, Katandra, Rodney, Deakin, Tongala, Stanhope, Rochester, Echuca North, Dingee, Calivil, Tragowel Plains, and Boort.

The violent storms during December, 1934, caused considerable damage to the stone face pitching of the embankment at the Waranga Reservoir. The whole of the damage was made good by stone filling grouted with cement concrete. During the coming year it is proposed to reconstruct the tram line along the top of the embankment, and to resurface and fill up settlements along the outside face of the bank.

The Goulburn-Waranga Channel was drained out to enable a complete inspection to be made of the channel bed. Apart from several silt bars the channel is in good order. It is proposed to remove these silt bars as soon as possible. A start was made with the reconditioning of the No. 4 flume. This work will be finished in time to complete the filling of the reservoir before the commencement of the 1935-36 irrigation season. The draining of the channel resulted in reed growth being killed by frosts and will materially assist in improving the carrying capacity of the channel. Repairs and extensions were effected to the beaching at the reservoir end of the channel.

General maintenance work has been carried out along the Waranga Western Main Channel.

NEW STORAGES.

EILDON RESERVOIR.

The work recommended by the Inquiry Board, to which reference has been made in previous Reports, was continued. The bank was kept to its designed section by adding rockfill where necessary. The observations made from time to time of the corewall and the bank indicate that the embankment is in a reasonably satisfactory condition.

The main outlet works were completed with the exception of the painting of the outlet pipes and the strengthening of the main outlet tower. These latter operations are in hand and good progress has been made.

The control valves were operated at regular intervals under varying heads up to 100 feet.

The installation of the six flood control gates in the spillway gap at R.L. 808 was completed, and the gates have been in successful operation for the past nine months.

The drainage system in the downstream section of the bank acted satisfactorily during the year and regular observations have shown consistently satisfactory results. During October, 1934, the reservoir was filled to its original full supply level R.L. 823, giving a storage of 306,000 acre-feet.

RIVER MURRAY WATERS AGREEMENT WORKS.

GENERAL OUTLINE.

The scheme of works provided in the River Murray Waters Acts, passed by the Governments of the Commonwealth and of the States of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia, comprises storages on the Upper River Murray and at Lake Victoria, locks and weirs in the course of the River Murray from its mouth to Echuca, and also locks and weirs on the lower part of the River Murrumbidgee. The Acts also provide that, for purposes of construction, the Minister of Public Works of New South Wales shall be the Constructing Authority for that State; that for South Australia, the Commissioner of Public Works shall be the Constructing Authority; and that the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission shall be the Constructing Authority for Victoria.

Following a report by the River Murray Commission regarding the proposed construction of further works, the Right Honorable the Prime Minister of Australia and the Honorables the Premiers of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia entered into an Agreement, for the further variation of the River Murray Agreement, to provide for the construction in accordance with the general provisions of the original Agreement of (a) The Upper Murray Storage (Hume Reservoir) to a capacity of approximately 1,250,000 acre feet of water only, (b) A roadway over the Hume Dam, (c) A diversion weir at Yarrawonga, (d) Two weirs on the River Murrumbidgee, and (e) Barrages across the five channels in the vicinity of the mouth of the River Murray. This further amending Agreement also provides for (1) The extension of the construction of the Upper Murray Storage to a capacity of not more than approximately 2,000,000 acre feet of water, if and when so desired by the States of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia, (2) The release of the Commonwealth Government from liability to contribute towards the cost of the maintenance, operation, and control of completed works and gauging stations, such cost to be borne in equal shares by the three State Contracting Governments, and (3) The deletion from the Agreement of the thirteen weirs and locks on the River Murray, and the nine weirs and locks on the River Murrumbidgee, the construction of which has not been commenced. The necessary legislation for the ratification of this further amending Agreement was passed by the four Parliaments concerned, and immediate steps were taken by the three Constructing Authorities to carry out the various works provided for therein.

To date, the South Australian Constructing Authority has completed the Lake Victoria Storage and the nine weirs and locks between Lake Alexandrina and Wentworth, and has commenced construction on the five barrages in the vicinity of the Murray mouth.

The New South Wales Constructing Authority has completed Weir and Lock No. 10 at Wentworth, and has made good progress on the construction of Weir and Lock No. 15, Euston, and on the preliminary work for the construction of one of the weirs on the River Murrumbidgee near Redbank.

The State Rivers and Water Supply Commission, the Constructing Authority for Victoria, has completed the weirs and locks at Torrumbarry and Mildura, and has commenced the construction of the diversion weir at Yarrawonga.

HUME RESERVOIR.

During the year the construction of Hume Reservoir was proceeded with by the New South Wales and Victorian Constructing Authorities in accordance with the recent amended Agreement. The New South Wales Constructing Authority completed the concreting of the bridge over the spillway, and the construction of the earthen embankment which will form the approach roadway to this bridge was proceeded with.

In Victoria the main embankment was brought up to its full height R.L. 642 or 132 feet above the river flats. During the year 41,067 cubic yards of earthwork, 2,272 concrete drainage slabs, 2,800 cubic yards of gravel, and 684 concrete pipes were placed in their several positions in the main embankment, and 13,400 feet of fencing was erected around the works.

The roadway from the Bonegilla-road to and across the dam to the bridge over the spillway was formed and gravelled, and the erection of the drains and fencing of the roadway across the crest of the dam was commenced.

It is expected that all construction at the dam will be completed by both Constructing Authorities by December of this year.

Several buildings and a considerable quantity of plant and materials were transferred to Yarrawonga Weir.

All road deviations along the Murray and Mitta arms of the reservoir have been completed.

YARRAWONGA WEIR.

The necessary legislation for the amendment of the River Murray Agreement having been passed by the contracting Governments concerned, a commencement was made early in the financial year to collect the required plant and erect the necessary buildings. Two railway sidings, one on each side of the river, were constructed.

A part of the site has been cleared and grubbed and the construction of the first coffer dam has been commenced, 309 piles having been driven and 78 feet of the rock foundations in the river prepared.

In the camp area, nineteen houses, five sets of barracks, a recreation hall, mess room, and necessary outbuildings were erected, as also were single staff quarters, office, store sheds, and workshops in the works area.

The principal items of plant forwarded to the works were—a 10-ton cableway, a derrick boat, four barge barges, three steam pile hammers, four air compressors, three cranes, workshop machinery, several boilers, winches and pumps, and 811 tons of steel sheet piling.

WEIRS AND LOCKS, TORRUMBARRY AND MILDURA.

Both these works, which were constructed by the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission, operated satisfactorily during the year, and again proved beneficial in connexion with the water supply to the important Irrigation Districts along the River Murray.

WORKS CONTROLLED BY OTHER AUTHORITIES.

(Under General Supervision of the Commission.)

SEWERAGE IN COUNTRY DISTRICTS.

The Ballarat and Bendigo Sewerage Authorities continued to extend their reticulation sewers to serve the outer areas.

The Warrnambool Sewerage Authority completed the main scheme, and carried out several extensions of its sewers to serve outlying sections of its district.

The Horsham Sewerage Authority is nearing the completion of its works, and a start is being made with the connexion of houses.

The Wangaratta sewerage scheme is well advanced, and houses are now being connected to the sewers.

The Kerang Sewerage Authority completed its plans and specifications for works, and called tenders for their construction.

The Bairnsdale and Benalla Sewerage Authorities are carrying out the detail surveys of their districts.

Sewerage Authorities were constituted at Dandenong, Shepparton, Hamilton, and Castlemaine, and the detail surveys are being carried out in these towns.

Applications for the constitution of Sewerage Authorities at Warragul and Ararat were examined and the schemes generally approved.

COUNTRY WATER SUPPLIES.

Many important works were carried out by Waterworks Trusts and local governing bodies, of which there are now 114 and 17 respectively.

The Bealiba Waterworks Trust was constituted to take over the works for the town water supply from the Bet Bet Shire Waterworks Trust.

The Benalla Waterworks Trust constructed an elevated concrete tank to be filled for the present by the existing pumping plant on the Broken River, and is investigating the possibility of obtaining future supplies by gravitation.

The Coleraine and Casterton Waterworks Trust is enlarging the pipe main between the Casterton service basin and the town to ensure a supply to the high levels.

The Kooweerup Trust following the supply of power to the town by the Electricity Commission substituted electric motors for its crude oil pumping engines.

The Korumburra Waterworks Trust constructed a concrete service tank and laid new mains to ensure an adequate supply to consumers during periods of peak demand.

The Leongatha Waterworks Trust enlarged its main pipe to augment the supply to the town.

The Lorne Waterworks Trust completed the construction of a new service basin and pipe mains to serve the high levels of the town.

The Moe and Myrtleford Waterworks Trusts, recently constituted, completed the construction of works for the supply of water to the respective townships.

The Mooroopna and Rochester Waterworks Trusts installed rapid sand filter plants to purify the river water before supplying it to consumers.

The Morwell Waterworks Trust commenced the construction of an additional service basin to safeguard the town supply.

The Orbost Trust constructed a new service basin to provide a carry over storage to meet peak demands.

The St. Arnaud Borough Waterworks Trust carried out extensive remodelling and cleaning of the reticulation.

Pipe extensions and other works were carried out at Bairnsdale, Bealiba, Colac, Donald, Gisborne, Horsham, Kerang, Kilmore, Kyabram, Macedon, Maryborough, Murtoa, Romsey, Seymour, Tatura, Tongala, Traralgon, Warragul, Warrnambool, and Wedderburn.

Investigations were made into proposals for town water supplies at Cowes, Drouin, and Irymple, and for improvements to works at Beechworth.

LANDS UNDER IRRIGATED CULTURE.

The two Statements hereunder show the extent of Areas Irrigated—(A) during last year in detail, and (B) during the last five years totalled for purposes of comparison.

(A) STATEMENT OF THE EXTENT OF IRRIGATION AND OF AREAS OF DIFFERENT KINDS OF CROPS WATERED—YEAR 1934-35.

Name of District.	Area Irrigated (Acres).						
	Cereals.	Lucerne grown for Pasture and Hay.	Sorghum and other Annual Fodder Crops.	Pastures, Native and Sown.	Vineyards, Orchards, and Gardens.	Ballow.	Miscellaneous.
<i>Supplied from Goulburn State Works.</i>							
Katandra .. .. .	..	2,576	46	1,382	77	120	..
North Shepparton	405	2,887	126	2,479	79	23	20
Shepparton	414	1,009	248	3,989	6,557	..	153
South Shepparton	120	1,511	223	1,450	120	52	20
Rodney	7,174	23,967	2,942	25,357	7,658	735	449
Stanhope	892	7,561	454	3,856	354	59	2
Tongala	1,493	9,097	646	7,246	1,222	175	39
Rochester	7,420	15,362	711	24,741	1,750	324	839
Echuca North	529	1,768	114	3,217	..	36	213
Dingee	274	299	97	2,952	28	20	16
Calivil	1,465	2,392	275	3,018	52	416	10
Tragowel Plains	9,962	2,019	5,949	32,337	41	320	1,153
Deakin	1,953	1,635	297	1,156	1	21	..
Boort	3,565	459	1,546	7,710	5	400	..
Totals	35,666	72,542	13,674	120,890	17,944	2,701	2,914
<i>Supplied from River Murray State Works.</i>							
<i>(a) Torrumbarry Weir.</i>							
Leitchville	754	1,306	195	4,486	21	61	..
Cohuna	1,781	3,010	421	14,551	75	202	3,045
Gannawarra	3,377	1,045	996	8,345	87	705	6,635
Koondrook	4,292	1,378	1,412	11,656	770	102	240
Swan Hill	4,675	5,071	828	6,118	3,161	717	23
Third Lake	409	147	198	2,467	13	..	..
Mystic Park	1,093	173	288	1,388	..	28	..
Tresco	7	33	4	17	891	..	2
Fish Point	464	156	157	2,379	..	..	..
Kerang	4,429	725	2,043	23,871	27	344	..
Dry Lake	150	..	..	165	2	..	..
Kerang North-West Lakes	744	95	161	999	430	77	..
Lands supplied direct (outside Districts)	361	869	151	3,490	33	93	63
Totals	22,536	14,008	6,854	79,932	5,510	2,329	10,008
<i>(b) Direct from River.</i>							
Nyah	99	190	..	2	2,731	..	6
Red Cliffs .. .. .	..	250	150	..	11,133	..	112
Merbein .. .. .	..	33	..	..	7,590	..	74
Totals	99	473	150	2	21,454	..	192
Totals (River Murray State Works)	22,635	14,481	7,004	79,934	26,964	2,329	10,200
<i>Supplied from Loddon and Other Northern State Works.</i>							
Boort	1,782	229	772	3,824	..	200	..
Coliban	133	534	408	2,152	5,206	505	260
Campaspe	338	231	..	510	..	..	..
Western Wimmera .. .. .	..	114	468	..	1,162	..	16
Totals	2,253	1,108	1,648	6,486	6,368	705	276
<i>Supplied from Southern State Works.</i>							
Bacchus Marsh	4	1,354	154	1,731	186	52	..
Werribee	433	1,382	270	4,018	325	666	1,351
Narre Warren .. .. .	..	..	..	..	171	..	..
Maffra-Sale	49	827	188	4,760	..	279	94
Totals	486	3,563	612	10,509	682	997	1,445
<i>Supplied from other Works.</i>							
First Mildura District .. .. .	..	475	127	..	11,002	..	184
Private Diversions—Kerang (outside Districts)	185	33	40	664	..	..	..
Other Private Diversions throughout the State	2,000	3,500	2,500	2,000	4,000	..	500
Totals	2,185	4,008	2,667	2,664	15,002	..	684
Grand Totals 1934-35	63,225	95,702	25,605	220,483	66,960	6,732	15,519
Grand Totals 1933-34	33,543	99,948	23,557	199,929	64,669	5,096	8,582

(B) COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF THE EXTENT OF IRRIGATION, 1930-31 TO 1934-35

Source of Supply.	Area under Irrigation (Acres).				
	1930-31.	1931-32.	1932-33.	1933-34.	1934-35.
Goulburn State Works	242,435	212,284	243,378	217,105	266,331
River Murray State Works	156,169	136,254	158,223	151,714	163,547
Loddon and other Northern State Works	12,067	11,120	11,621	14,496	18,844
Southern State Works	22,662	28,094	31,042	23,687	18,294
Mildura and Private Diversions	29,765	30,663	30,452	28,322	27,210
Totals	463,098	418,415	474,716	435,324	494,226

PROGRESS IN IRRIGATION DISTRICTS.

The Victorian production of canned apricots, peaches and pears for the 1935 season amounted to approximately 2,463,000 dozen cans or 64 per cent. of the total Australian output. This figure, although somewhat below the record pack of 1933 (2,960,000 dozen cans), represented a gratifying increase of 28 per cent. over that of 1934. Adverse weather conditions and depredations by insect pests in the Goulburn Valley, where the great bulk of the Victorian canning crop is grown, were responsible for the loss of considerable quantities of fruit which would otherwise have found a ready market at satisfactory prices.

As indicating the rapid increase in the export trade with the United Kingdom in canned apricots, peaches and pears, it may be mentioned that shipments from Australia to that market during 1934 amounted to 2,423,000 dozen cans, or 84 per cent. more than those of the previous record year when 1,317,000 dozen cans were shipped. It is gratifying to report also that for the first nine months of 1935 sales in London aggregated more than 2,000,000 dozen cans, and that a ready outlet was available for further substantial quantities had they been available.

Information supplied by the Imperial Economic Committee, London, shows that of the total imports of canned apricots, peaches and pears into the United Kingdom during 1934, Australia supplied 26·2 per cent., other Empire sources contributed 6·76 per cent., whilst foreign countries supplied 67·04 per cent.

The prospects for the absorption of the whole of the coming season's canning fruit crop are satisfactory, as stocks in canners' hands are light.

Owing to adverse seasonal conditions, the Victorian output of dried vine fruits, viz., currants, sultanas and lexias, in 1935 was the smallest which has been harvested for the past three years and amounted to only 37,600 tons as compared with the record of 50,000 tons which was established two years previously. The damage was particularly severe in the Nyah and Woorinen Districts, where the crop was less than half of that for 1934 season. Nevertheless, Victorian irrigation settlements maintained their position as the principal producers of dried vine fruits and contributed 58 per cent. of the total Australian pack of 64,500 tons.

Satisfactory clearances of the 1934 and 1935 seasons' harvests have been effected in the United Kingdom and only small quantities remain to be sold before the coming season's pack is harvested. It is noteworthy that during 1934 Australian sultanas and lexias comprised 41 per cent. of the total imports of these fruits into the United Kingdom whilst currants represented 17·6 per cent. The aggregate imports of both these fruits in 1934 comprised 29·4 per cent. of the British trade.

As indicating the substantial and increasing share of the Canadian dried fruits trade which has been secured by Australian producers in recent years, it may be mentioned that for the period 1928 to 1930, Australia's share of the total Canadian imports averaged only 17·7 per cent., whilst for the three years 1933 to 1935 this proportion had been increased to no less than 69 per cent. As Australian exports to Canada are approximately 14,000 tons per annum, this market provides a valuable outlet for substantial quantities of fruit during periods of high production.

The Commonwealth Citrus Investigation Committee, on which the Commission has representation, has completed the compilation of much of the statistical information required regarding the citrus industry and is directing its attention mainly to the control of marketing conditions. This appears to be a step designed to assist considerably in the development of citrus export—an activity which is faced with considerable difficulties.

During the year, an inter-departmental Committee, consisting of representatives of the Commission, the Department of Agriculture, and the Closer Settlement Commission, investigated the condition of citrus groves in the Bamawm area which were showing indications of unsatisfactory growth. The Committee has concluded its investigation and issued a report giving definite recommendations as to the remedial action necessary to restore the blocks to full productivity.

On account of the bountiful rainfall experienced in many portions of the State during the dairying season, the advantages of irrigation as an aid to increased butter fat yields were not as fully demonstrated during 1934-35 as in a normal year. Nevertheless, in the Standard Dairy Herd Test conducted by the Department of Agriculture herds from irrigated pastures secured seven out of the first eleven leading positions in Section 1 of the Test, whilst prominent positions in other Sections were also gained by herds from irrigation districts.

It is gratifying to report that a considerable improvement has recently taken place in the price of butter fat. The average price paid throughout the State during 1934-35 might be stated as 10½d. per pound and this has advanced during the first quarter of 1935-36 to approximately 1s. 2½d. with indications of further increases. The position in London remains firm on account of stocks being substantially below normal.

ADMINISTRATION.

EXTENSIONS AND EXCISIONS.

The Tragowel Plains Irrigation District was extended to include some 2,050 acres which had not previously been included in any constituted District.

The North Shepparton Irrigation District was extended by the addition of 23,570 acres, of which 8,920 acres and 14,650 acres were formerly within the Shires of Numurkah and Tungamah Waterworks Trusts Districts respectively, the areas of the Trust Districts being diminished accordingly.

The Maffra and Sale Irrigation Districts were united to form one District known as the Maffra-Sale Irrigation District. Minor alterations were made to the boundaries of the two Districts before they were united.

The Deakin Irrigation District was diminished by the excision therefrom of some 4,630 acres of lands which were too high to be supplied from the Waranga Western Main Channel.

The boundaries of the Bacchus Marsh Urban Division within the Bacchus Marsh Irrigation District were amended to include an additional area of 10 acres.

The Tyrrell Waterworks District was extended by the inclusion of 20,700 acres excised from the Walpeup West Waterworks District. The latter District was extended to include 4,020 acres which had not previously been included in any constituted District.

The Waterworks District of the Loddon United Waterworks Trust was extended to include 320 acres.

The boundaries of the Dimboola and Jung Jung Urban Districts within the Western Wimmera Waterworks District were amended to include additional areas of 20 acres and 3 acres respectively.

NEW AND PROPOSED DISTRICTS.

Reticulation works have been completed for the supply of the Townships of Anglesea, Drysdale, Portarlington, and Torquay within the Bellarine Peninsula Waterworks District, and the Township of Walpeup within the Walpeup Central Waterworks District. These townships have been proclaimed Urban Districts.

STAFF.

The Commission desires to place on record its appreciation of the excellent work of the members of the staff during the year, in which a very large number of unemployment relief works have been supervised in addition to the normal operations in the irrigation, waterworks, and flood protection districts.

The scheme of re-organization of the Commission's staff, which came into operation last year, was revised during the year.

Following the appointment of Mr. L. R. East, M.C.E., as a Commissioner, Mr. H. G. Strom, B.C.E., District Engineer, Shepparton Centre, was transferred to Head Office as Divisional Engineer, Rivers and Reclamation Division, and, following the retirement of Mr. J. M. Southern, C.E., Mr. E. P. Kendall, B.C.E., was transferred to the position of Divisional Engineer, Goulburn Division, and Mr. F. Rogerson, C.E., was promoted to the position of Divisional Engineer, Loddon Division.

Mr. W. A. Robertson, M.C.E., formerly Divisional Engineer, Investigations and Designs Division, was appointed to the position of Chief Designing Engineer.

Many transfers of District Officers were made. Mr. H. H. C. Williams, B.M.E., District Engineer and Secretary, Pyramid Hill Centre, was transferred to Mildura to take charge, as Executive Engineer, of the drainage works being carried out by the Commission for the First Mildura Irrigation Trust. To fill the vacancy thus caused, Mr. J. W. Moore, C.E., was transferred from the Kerang Centre. On the retirement of Mr. J. M. Skene, B.C.E., District Engineer, Mr. H. F. Byham, C.E., was transferred from Boort Centre to the position of District Engineer and Secretary at Swan Hill, and Mr. L. J. Scott from the Maffra Centre was appointed to the position of District Officer and Secretary at Boort.

Mr. R. G. Knight, M.C.E., who has been Executive Engineer at Eildon Reservoir for a number of years was appointed as Executive Engineer for the Yarrawonga Weir, River Murray.

To fill the position of Accountant rendered vacant by the retirement of Mr. A. D. Webster, Mr. W. Lambert, B.Com., D.P.A., A.F.I.A., of the Head Office Staff was appointed, with Mr. P. J. Describes as Assistant Accountant.

Mr. N. S. Chalk, District Secretary and Collector, Birchip, was, on the retirement of Mr. M. H. O'Grady, transferred to the position of Chief Collector at Bendigo, and Mr. H. H. Stanlake from Head Office was appointed District Secretary, Rochester Centre, vice Mr. W. A. Edwards, retired. To fill the vacancies caused by the transfers of Mr. J. R. Moore and Mr. E. S. Stevens to Red Cliffs, Mr. W. Murphy and Mr. R. W. Briggs were appointed to the positions of District Secretaries at Kerang and Ouyen Centres respectively.

The following officers have retired since the publication of the last Report:—District Secretaries and Collectors, W. A. Edwards and M. H. O'Grady; Executive Engineer, A. W. Johnson, B.C.E.; Estates Officer, A. W. Roberts; District Engineer and Secretary, J. M. Skene, B.C.E.; Divisional Engineer, J. M. Southern, C.E.; Acting Accountant, A. D. Webster; and Water Bailiffs, J. McA. H. Kearney, J. Lyons, J. McClelland, J. McQuinn, F. J. Stock, and W. J. Thomas. The Commission desires to record its appreciation of the long and loyal services of these officers.

FIRE INSURANCE.

The Commission has continued its policy of carrying the fire risk on its own buildings. The premiums thus saved now amount to £12,624.

VALUATIONS, RATES, FLOOD PROTECTION CHARGES, AND COMPULSORY IRRIGATION CHARGES.

The statements which follow set forth the whole of the Districts supplied by the Commission with water for domestic and ordinary use and for watering cattle or other stock, together with the annual value of the lands and tenements in such Districts, and the rates, flood protection charges, and compulsory irrigation charges made in all Districts. An estimate of the number of persons dwelling in such Districts is also appended.

During the year rates were, for the first time, made in the Tresco Irrigation and Water Supply District and in the Urban Waterworks Districts of Drysdale, Longwarry, and Portarlinton, also for a half-year, and for three months in the Urban Districts of Torquay and Anglesea respectively.

The Maffra and Sale Irrigation and Water Supply Districts were amalgamated to form one District.

In 39 Districts the lands were, for the purpose of making and levying rates, arranged in divisions (not more than three in number), in accordance with the relative benefits derived by such lands from the works. The Lower Kooweerup, Cardinia, and Kanyapella Flood Protection Districts, where the charging is on an acreage basis, were similarly divided into divisions. As heretofore in the Urban portion of the Coliban system, a minimum and tapering rate has been made, while the Carrum Waterworks Trust District has, as in past years, been arranged in five rating divisions in accordance with the relative benefits derived by such lands from the works.

Under the powers conferred by Section 62 of the *Water Act* 1928, a minimum annual rate on the basis of £10 13s. 4d. per 640 acres was fixed by the Commission on the first division lands of the Birchip, Carwarp, Karkaroc, Long Lake, Sea Lake, Tyntynder, Tyrrell, Upper Western Wimmera, Upper Wimmera United, Wimmera United, Wycheproof, and Yelta Waterworks Districts, while in the Baring, Carwarp Central, and Kia Districts the minimum was fixed at £16 per 640 acres, in the Coreena, Dering, Eureka, Hindmarsh, Millewa, Millewa Central, and Walpeup Central Districts at £18 13s. 4d. per 640 acres, and in the Walpeup West Bore District at £5 6s. 8d. per 640 acres.

In 23 Districts the Commission made and levied compulsory irrigation charges, in five Flood Protection Districts a rate or charge was made, and in three Waterworks Trusts Districts taken over by the Commission rates were also made. Details of all rates and charges made are set out hereunder :—

A.—VALUATIONS, RATES, AND FLOOD PROTECTION CHARGES.

Districts Supplied with Water for Domestic and Ordinary Use and for Watering Cattle or other Stock.	Annual Value of Lands and Tenements.	Rate in the £1 made during Year ended 30th June, 1935.	Period of Rate.	Estimated Number of Persons dwelling in District.
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IRRIGATION AND WATER SUPPLY DISTRICTS.

		Valuation by Commission.	Divisions.				
			1st.	2nd.	3rd.		
		£	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.		
1. BACCHUS MARSH ..		15,929	1 0	..	..	1st July, 1934, to 30th June, 1935	618
2. BOORT ..		14,687	2 0	1 0	..	" " "	571
3. CALIVIL ..		14,498	1 0	..	..	" " "	500
4. CAMPASPE ..		8,193	2 0	1 0	0 6	" " "	576
5. COHUNA ..		19,917	2 0	1 0	0 6	" " "	990
6. DEAKIN ..		45,238	1 8	0 10	0 5	" " "	1,570
7. DINGEE ..		3,070	1 0	..	..	" " "	200
8. DRY LAKE ..		250	(No rate made)			" " "	14
9. ECHUCA NORTH ..		5,171	1 0	0 6	..	1st July, 1934, to 30th June, 1935	568
10. FISH POINT ..		1,364	1 0	..	..	" " "	132
11. GANNAWARRA ..		17,741	2 0	1 0	0 6	" " "	631
12. KATANDRA ..		8,070	1 0	..	..	" " "	475
13. KERANG ..		16,041	2 4	1 2	0 7	" " "	1,170
14. KOONDROOK ..		17,753	2 0	1 0	..	" " "	1,120
15. LEITCHVILLE ..		7,718	2 0	1 0	..	" " "	248
16. MAFFRA-SALE ..		48,613	1 0	0 6	..	" " "	1,979
17. MERBEIN ..		31,044	1 0	..	..	" " "	3,000
18. MYSTIC PARK ..		3,197	1 0	..	..	" " "	112
19. NORTH SHEPPARTON ..		44,500	1 0	0 6	..	" " "	1,340

A.—VALUATIONS, RATES, AND FLOOD PROTECTION CHARGES—*continued.*

Districts Supplied with Water for Domestic and Ordinary Use and for Watering Cattle or other Stock.	Annual Value of Lands and Tenements.	Rate in the £1 made during year ended 30th June, 1935.	Period of Rate.	Estimated Number of Persons dwelling in District.
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IRRIGATION AND WATER SUPPLY DISTRICTS—*continued.*

	Valuation by Commission.	Divisions.				
		1st.	2nd.	3rd.		
		s. d.	s. d.	s. d.		
20. NYAH	£ 7,221	1 0	..	..	1st July, 1934, to 30th June, 1935	1,000
21. RED CLIFFS ..	23,749	1 0	..	..	" " "	2,750
22. ROCHESTER ..	59,809	1 0	0 6	0 3	" " "	4,190
23. RODNEY	132,847	1 0	0 6	0 3	" " "	5,365
24. SHEPPARTON ..	34,707	1 0	..	..	" " "	2,450
25. SOUTH SHEPPARTON ..	14,681	1 0	0 6	..	" " "	470
26. STANHOPE	15,902	1 0	..	..	" " "	800
27. SWAN HILL	22,136	1 0	..	..	" " "	1,879
28. THIRD LAKE ..	2,184	2 0	..	..	" " "	160
29. TONGALA	27,484	1 0	..	..	" " "	2,050
30. TRAGOWEL PLAINS ..	40,315	1 0	0 6	0 3	" " "	1,630
31. TRESCO	1,797	2 6	..	..	" " "	243
32. WERRIBEE	18,879	1 0	..	..	" " "	1,308

WATERWORKS DISTRICTS.

33. AXE CREEK	1,659	2 0	..	..	1st July, 1934, to 30th June, 1935	260
34. BARING	2,139	5 0	2 6	1 3	" " "	110
35. BIRCHIP	38,000	2 4	1 2	0 7	" " "	2,676
36. CARWARP	8,767	3 10	1 11	0 11½	" " "	670
37. CARWARP CENTRAL ..	1,100	5 0	2 6	..	" " "	200
38. COREENA	9,688	5 0	2 6	1 3	" " "	300
39. DERING	2,361	6 0	3 0	1 6	" " "	225
40. EUREKA	1,706	4 0	2 0	1 0	" " "	120
41. HARCOURT	8,657	1 6	..	..	" " "	600
42. HINDMARSH	8,485	3 6	1 9	0 10½	" " "	236
43. KARKAROOC	126,815	2 2	1 1	0 6½	" " "	3,850
44. KERANG N.W. LAKES	7,597	0 6	..	..	" " "	580
45. KIA	6,422	5 0	2 6	1 3	" " "	240
46. LONG LAKE	67,418	2 10	1 5	0 8½	" " "	2,300
47. MILLEWA	28,599	5 0	2 6	1 3	" " "	2,100
48. MILLEWA CENTRAL ..	13,382	7 6	3 9	1 10½	" " "	1,050
49. NARRE WARREN ..	2,744	1 0	..	..	" " "	140
50. SEA LAKE	61,208	2 8	1 4	0 8	" " "	2,437
51. TYNTYNDER	51,878	3 4	1 8	0 10	" " "	3,000
52. TYRRELL	98,404	3 4	1 8	0 10	" " "	5,640
53. UPPER WEST'N WIMMERA	61,882	1 6	0 9	0 4½	" " "	1,699
54. UPPER WIMMERA UNITED	100,073	1 6	0 9	0 4½	" " "	2,750
55. WALPEUP CENTRAL ..	8,243	5 6	2 9	1 4½	" " "	300
56. WALPEUP WEST	55,655	0 9	0 4½	..	" " "	2,220
57. WERRIBEE	8,156	2 0	..	..	" " "	150
58. WESTERN WIMMERA	265,361	1 2	0 7	0 3½	" " "	8,828
59. WIMMERA UNITED ..	302,063	1 2	0 7	0 3½	" " "	7,800
60. WYCHEPROOF	72,537	2 4	1 2	0 7	" " "	2,964
61. YELTA	3,033	3 4	..	..	" " "	400

WATERWORKS TRUSTS.

62. LODDON UNITED ..	68,993	0 8	0 4	0 2	1st January, 1935, to 31st December, 1935	3,300
	Municipal Valuation.					
	£			s. d.		
63. CARRUM	22,790	1st Division		3 8	" " "	1,500
		2nd Division		1 10		
		3rd Division		1 0		
		4th Division		0 10		
		5th Division		0 3		
64. MITIAMO	915	4 0	" " "	190

A.—VALUATIONS, RATES, AND FLOOD PROTECTION CHARGES—*continued.*

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URBAN DIVISIONS AND DISTRICTS.				
	Municipal Valuation. £	s. d.		
65. ANGLESEA	2,509 0 7½	1st April, 1935, to 30th June, 1935	250
66. ANTWERP	216	.. .. 5 0	1st July, 1934, to 30th June, 1935	78
67. BACCHUS MARSH ..	15,300	.. .. 1 6	.. .. ..	1,768
68. BARWON HEADS AND OCEAN GROVE	9,910	.. .. 2 6	.. .. ..	1,148
69. BERRIWILLOCK ..	1,361	.. .. 3 6	.. .. ..	150
70. BERWICK	5,786	.. .. 2 1	.. .. ..	900
71. BEULAH	2,887	.. .. 3 0	.. .. ..	500
72. BIRCHIP	5,926	.. .. 1 8	.. .. ..	1,021
73. BITTERN	656	.. .. 3 1	.. .. ..	90
74. BRIM	1,009	.. .. 4 6	.. .. ..	180
75. BUNYIP	2,961	.. .. 2 4	.. .. ..	420
76. CARRUM	75,060	.. .. 1 5	.. .. ..	6,355
77. CARWARP	207	.. .. 5 0	.. .. ..	45
78. CHILLINGOLLAH ..	430	.. .. 5 0	.. .. ..	110
79. CHINKAPOOK	557	.. .. 5 0	.. .. ..	120
80. COHUNA	8,389	.. .. 2 0	.. .. ..	900
81. COROP	189	.. .. 2 0	.. .. ..	85
82. CRANBOURNE	3,231	.. .. 2 0	.. .. ..	250
83. CRIB POINT	3,064	.. .. 3 1	.. .. ..	545
84. CULGOA	1,298	.. .. 3 6	.. .. ..	150
85. DANDENONG	59,362	.. .. 1 3	.. .. ..	4,500
86. DIMBOOLA	13,496	.. .. 1 11	.. .. ..	1,678
87. DINGEE	463	.. .. 4 0	.. .. ..	90
88. DOON	169	.. .. 2 0	.. .. ..	30
89. DRYSDALE	1,965	.. .. 2 6	.. .. ..	336
90. FRANKSTON	53,959	.. .. 1 4	.. .. ..	5,360
91. GARFIELD	2,649	.. .. 2 4	.. .. ..	300
92. HASTINGS	1,942	.. .. 3 0	.. .. ..	460
93. HEYFIELD	4,582	.. .. 2 6	.. .. ..	519
94. HICKSBOROUGH ..	471	.. .. 3 9	.. .. ..	100
95. HOPETOUN	5,057	.. .. 3 0	.. .. ..	700
96. JEPARIT	7,589	.. .. 2 2	.. .. ..	875
97. JUNG JUNG	898	.. .. 3 0	.. .. ..	171
98. KOONDRICK	3,212	.. .. 2 9	.. .. ..	490
99. LAKE BOGA	2,144	.. .. 3 0	.. .. ..	380
100. LALBERT	846	.. .. 5 0	.. .. ..	143
101. LASCELLES	678	.. .. 5 0	.. .. ..	130
102. LEITCHVILLE ..	1,974	.. .. 3 2	.. .. ..	165
103. LOCKINGTON	1,802	.. .. 3 3	.. .. ..	240
104. LONGWARRY	1,594	.. .. 2 9	.. .. ..	210
105. MANANGATANG ..	2,000	.. .. 3 6	.. .. ..	300
106. MARNOO	1,134	.. .. 5 0	.. .. ..	250
107. MARONG	898	.. .. 3 0	.. .. ..	300
108. MERBEIN	9,424	.. .. 2 9	.. .. ..	1,050
109. MERINGUR	357	.. .. 5 0	.. .. ..	100
110. MINYIP	6,163	.. .. 2 10	.. .. ..	750
111. MORNINGTON	33,989	.. .. 1 6	.. .. ..	2,250
112. MOUNT MARTHA ..	6,069	.. .. 2 1	.. .. ..	200
113. MURRABIT	231	.. .. 5 0	.. .. ..	35
114. NANDALY	340	.. .. 5 0	.. .. ..	114
115. NATIMUK	3,244	.. .. 1 6	.. .. ..	581
116. NEWSTEAD	2,904	.. .. 3 0	.. .. ..	400
117. NORTH WONTHAGGI ..	3,817	.. .. 2 0	.. .. ..	1,000
118. NULLAWIL	787	.. .. 5 0	.. .. ..	115
119. NYAH	650	.. .. 2 6	.. .. ..	170
120. NYAH WEST	3,804	.. .. 2 9	.. .. ..	340
121. OUYEN	9,175	.. .. 3 0	.. .. ..	1,050
122. PAKENHAM	5,241	.. .. 2 1	.. .. ..	700
123. PATCHEWOLLOCK ..	434	.. .. 5 0	.. .. ..	156
124. PIANGIL	1,380	.. .. 3 6	.. .. ..	260
125. PORTARLINGTON ..	3,147	.. .. 2 6	.. .. ..	550
126. PYRAMID HILL ..	3,504	.. .. 3 0	.. .. ..	500
127. QUAMBATOOK	3,232	.. .. 2 10	.. .. ..	385
128. QUEENSLIFF AND POINT LONSDALE ..	21,587	.. .. 2 7	.. .. ..	3,100
129. RAINBOW	7,906	.. .. 2 2	.. .. ..	989
130. RED CLIFFS	12,413	.. .. 2 3	.. .. ..	850
131. RUPANYUP	5,668	.. .. 2 10	.. .. ..	650

A.—VALUATIONS, RATES, AND FLOOD PROTECTION CHARGES—*continued.*

Districts Supplied with Water for Domestic and Ordinary Use and for Watering Cattle or other Stock.	Annual Value of Lands and Tenements.	Rate in the £1 made during year ended 30th June, 1935.	Period of Rate.	Estimated Number of Persons dwelling in District.
URBAN DIVISIONS AND DISTRICTS— <i>continued.</i>				
	Municipal Valuation. £	s. d.		
132. SEA LAKE ..	6,916	.. .. 2 0	1st July, 1934, to 30th June, 1935	600
133. SOMERVILLE ..	1,833	.. .. 2 6	" " "	250
134. SOUTH FRANKSTON ..	10,694	.. .. 2 6	" " "	720
135. SPEED ..	321	.. .. 5 0	" " "	90
136. SPRING VALE ..	25,884	.. .. 1 6	" " "	2,820
137. STANHOPE ..	1,075	.. .. 4 0	" " "	300
138. TEMPY ..	280	.. .. 5 0	" " "	100
139. TORQUAY ..	5,708	.. .. 1 3	1st Jan., 1935, to 30th June, 1935	820
140. ULTIMA ..	2,554	.. .. 3 0	1st July, 1934, to 30th June, 1935	350
141. WAITCHIE ..	345	.. .. 5 0	" " "	110
142. WATCHEM ..	1,733	.. .. 3 3	" " "	220
143. WERRIMULL ..	780	.. .. 5 0	" " "	135
144. WONTHAGGI ..	32,625	.. .. 1 6	" " "	8,000
145. WOOMELANG ..	1,766	.. .. 3 6	" " "	420
146. WOORINEN ..	377	.. .. 4 0	" " "	81
147. WYCHEPROOF ..	7,520	.. .. 2 0	" " "	810
148. YAAPEET ..	241	.. .. 5 0	" " "	104

COLIBAN SYSTEM.

149. COLIBAN ..	£ 361,755	s. d.	1st July, 1934, to 30th June, 1935	60,000
	On Valuations up to £300 ..	1 6		
	(Minimum 20s.)			
	From £301 up to £700 ..	1 3		
	From £701 on..	1 0		
	Vacant lands ..	1 6		

FLOOD PROTECTION DISTRICTS.

	Valuation by Commission. £	s. d.		
150. ECHUCA (HIGH-ST.) ..	1,466	.. .. 1 0	1st July, 1934, to 30th June, 1935	80
151. CARDINIA ..	36,206	1st Div. (p. ac.) 3 0	" " "	800
		2nd Div. (p. ac.) 1 6		
		3rd Div. (p. ac.) 0 9		
152. LOWER KOOWEERUP ..	54,834	1st Div. (p. ac.) 2 0	" " "	2,200
		2nd Div. (p. ac.) 1 0		
		3rd Div. (p. ac.) 0 6		
153. KANYAPELLA ..	14,494	1st Div. (p. ac.) 0 7	" " "	50
		2nd Div. (p. ac.) 0 3½		
154. LOCH GARRY ..	40,886	Per acre .. 0 6	" " "	200

B.—COMPULSORY IRRIGATION CHARGES.

Irrigation and Water Supply District.	Area of District in Acres.	Area at present Irrigable in Acres.	Water Rights Apportioned (including Extra Rights) in Acre-feet.	Compulsory Charge per Acre-foot of Water Right.	Period of Charge.
1. BACCHUS MARSH ..	6,684	3,359	3,359	22s. 6d.	1st October, 1934, to 30th April, 1935
2. COHUNA ..	36,516	22,684	22,814	6s.	1st September, 1934, to 30th April, 1935
3. DINGEE ..	8,866	4,494	4,494	7s.	" " " "
4. ECHUCA NORTH ..	13,793	5,432	5,441	7s. 6d.	" " " "
5. FISH POINT ..	6,379	3,834	1,884	8s.	" " " "
6. GANNAWARRA ..	54,453	19,595	19,669	6s.	" " " "
7. KOONDROOK ..	62,162	18,788	18,788	6s.	" " " "
8. LEITCHVILLE ..	13,832	11,980	4,181	7s.	" " " "
9. MAFFRA-SALE ..	41,865	20,216	20,164	10s.	" " " "
10. MERBEIN ..	8,496	7,698	19,244	24s. 8d. Min. 61s. 9d. p. ac.	1st August, 1934, to 30th April, 1935
11. MYSTIC PARK ..	20,249	9,024	3,056	6s.	1st September, 1934, to 30th April, 1935
12. NYAH ..	3,760	3,107	7,709	20s. Min. 50s. per acre	1st August, 1934, to 30th April, 1935
13. RED CLIFFS ..	30,978	11,134	27,835	28s. Min. 70s. per acre	" " " "
14. ROCHESTER ..	172,150	54,542	54,874	6s.	1st September, 1934, to 30th April, 1935
15. RODNEY ..	267,938	191,721	61,569	6s.	" " " "
16. SHEPPARTON ..	24,587	21,722	21,722	6s.	" " " "
17. SOUTH SHEPPARTON ..	33,752	18,278	4,521	8s.	" " " "
18. STANHOPE ..	25,992	18,693	18,215	6s.	" " " "
19. SWAN HILL ..	36,431	22,016	22,016	6s.	" " " "
20. THIRD LAKE ..	11,488	4,057	2,706	7s.	" " " "
21. TONGALA ..	45,474	28,572	28,521	6s.	" " " "
22. TRAGOWEL PLAINS ..	214,833	147,743	31,189	7s.	" " " "
23. WERRIBEE ..	9,960	8,082	8,105	12s.	1st October, 1934, to 30th April, 1935

FINANCIAL.

RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND ESTIMATES.

The total receipts for the financial year 1934-35 amounted to £472,239. This is some £11,173 less than the amount collected in 1933-34. In addition to this total, a sum of £81,764 was paid to the Treasury by Waterworks Trusts and Local Water Authorities as interest on loans made for water supply purposes. The collections for the year 1934-35 from arrears and current charges are equivalent to 90 per cent. of the year's rates and charges, and the amount outstanding at 30th June, exclusive of interest, was £724,000. It must be explained, however, that of this no less than £500,000 is owing by Closer Settlers and Crown Lessees, the greater part of the latter class of arrears being due in the newer and far north Mallee Districts. It has been previously explained that the financial position of the Crown Lessees in the Mallee gives no justification for the expectation of payment of such arrears.

The expenditure from the Annual Votes amounted to £301,734 against £237,642 in 1933-34. The increase over that for 1933-34 (£64,092) is due very largely to the great expense which had to be incurred in dealing with sand drift in the Mallee and to increased costs in running water under unfavourable seasonal conditions. In addition to this, the economies which had been practised for some years past had caused some accumulation of maintenance expenditure which could be no longer deferred and had to be undertaken within the financial year under review. The Loan expenditure on the Commission's works for the year was £251,620 as against £311,862 in the previous year, while a sum of £384,221 was expended from Unemployment Relief Funds for carrying out valuable improvements in connexion with water supply works throughout the State. Full details in respect to the expenditure under these headings are furnished in other portions of this Report.

The collections in the Irrigation Districts amounted to £228,347 as against £226,208 received in 1933-34. Although the amount is slightly in advance of the receipts for 1933-34, the collections are still unsatisfactory and this is to be attributed to the low prices which have mostly prevailed during the year for butter-fat, wool, wheat, and other farm and orchard produce.

After debiting the districts with working expenses and interest chargeable, the deficit for the year was £111,677 as against £84,685 in the previous year. The financial position of each district is set out in detail in other portions of this Report.

In the Coliban District the collections amounted to £45,701 and the loss for the past year was £33,688. With regard to the capital debit to this district, it must be explained that a large proportion is not represented by any tangible assets and, as previously pointed out, the rate in the district is specially limited by the provisions of the Water Act.

The collections from the Waterworks Districts other than Coliban were £183,031 as against £193,526 received in 1933-34. This division includes a great number of urban districts in which the collections, with very few exceptions, were quite satisfactory. In the rural areas, however, owing to the presence of so many Crown Lessees, the financial position is very unsatisfactory, and in many cases gives no indication of any improvement. After debiting the districts with working expenses and interest charges the deficit for the year was £144,801 as against £70,537 in 1933-34.

There are 117 Waterworks Districts, inclusive of town supplies, and the financial position of each district is set out in detail in other portions of this Report.

In the five Flood Protection Districts controlled by the Commission under the provisions of the Water Act the receipts were £2,763 as against £5,008 in the previous year. The lower collections were mainly due to the disastrous floods which affected practically all ratepayers in these Districts. After providing for interest, maintenance, and management, the loss for the year amounted to £4,644 as against the loss of £2,339 for 1933-34.

The disbursements from Annual Votes for the next financial year are estimated at £276,167 as against a total expenditure of £301,734 for 1934-35. The receipts are estimated at £500,000.

The Loan Liability of the State for Works of Water Supply at the close of the year was £25,479,680. Of this total £1,266,085 is for Free Headworks declared free by Parliament some 30 years ago; £1,290,615 was written off by Parliament some 36 years ago; £147,046 was advanced to some early-formed Local Authorities and also written off by Parliament; £2,570,129 is represented by River Murray Works; and £6,251,210 by Uncompleted or Unallotted Works, which are not yet revenue producing, details of which are set out separately in the Statement of Loan Liability in the Report. The balance, £13,954,595, is the sum in respect of which those benefited by the various works are this year liable for payment of interest.

The present interest charges on Loan amount to £1,038,520, and to this is to be added a sum of £99,809 on account of exchange on London, giving a total of £1,138,329. Of this amount £120,796 is not chargeable to any district, being debitable against Free Headworks and Amounts Written Off, and £114,822 is debitable against River Murray Works, while £279,281 is not at present debitable, being interest on cost of Uncompleted or Unallotted Works which are not yet revenue producing, leaving £623,430 as chargeable against the Commission and other Authorities. The amount available last year from the revenue of the Commission and other Authorities to meet such interest (after providing a sum of £23,803 for non-revenue producing works and services not chargeable to any district) was £251,769, as set out in the Statement on page 41.

FINANCIAL POSITION.

The Statement of Loan Liability on page 41 of this Report sets out the present aggregate financial position in connexion with Works both for Irrigation and Domestic and Stock Supply as well as for Flood Protection and Drainage Services.

That Statement shows in detail the extent of the State's liability, although a large portion represents Amounts Written Off and other amounts which cannot be charged to water users, such as Free Headworks.

Taking the figures in the Report, the position in regard to Non-Revenue and Revenue Producing Works is :—

	£	£
Gross deficit on all Country Water Supply expenditure	786,751	
To which certain Amounts are debited for Pensions by Treasury	10,466	
Exchange debited by Treasury on Interest commitments in London	99,809	
Making a total of		897,026
Included in this is interest and exchange on— £		
CAPITAL WRITTEN OFF 36 years ago (1,290,615)		
FREE HEADWORKS declared 30 years ago (1,413,131)		
RIVER MURRAY AGREEMENT WORKS (2,570,129)		
Totalling	235,618	
LOSS ON COLIBAN DISTRICT where Rate is limited by Water Act in lieu of general Writing Off	33,688	
GENERAL SERVICES rendered by Water Commission chargeable to whole State (see page 31 of Report)	23,803	
		293,109
Deducting the above there remains to be accounted for a further sum of		603,917
At present there are numerous large works with capacities above present requirements from which it is impracticable to obtain a full revenue return until districts connected with them are in a position to carry further allocations of capital. These comprise amongst others—Eildon and Waranga Reservoirs; Maffra-Sale Irrigation District; new Goulburn Districts; Kooweerup and Cardinia Flood Protection Districts; and Millewa and other Domestic and Stock Schemes. The Interest and Exchange on these would amount to		279,281
Leaving still to be accounted for a sum of		324,636
The Interest chargeable to Districts controlled by the Commission is fixed by the Water Act at 4 per cent. on nearly all capital, which until recently was sufficient. The percentage now charged the Commission by the Treasury inclusive of exchange is £4 9s. 4d., and this represents approximately a sum of		65,121
Leaving after excluding Interest and Exchange on Free Headworks, Amounts Written Off, River Murray Works, and other items mentioned		259,515

The Commission again points out that much of the interest charged cannot be debited to water users. This applies to the amount of £1,290,615, representing Capital Written Off 36 years ago; to the expenditure of £1,413,131 on Free Headworks, which were declared free some 30 years ago; and to the expenditure of £2,570,129 on River Murray Agreement Works.

The reason for the exclusion of interest debited to the Commission in respect to Capital Written Off and Free Headworks is obvious and requires no further elaboration by the Commission.

With respect to the River Murray Agreement Works it must be again pointed out that these undertakings were agreed upon by the Federal Government and the States of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia in order to adjust the difficulties arising in respect to riparian rights and other conflicting claims of the States named. The River Murray Works were thus primarily decided upon in relation to the riparian rights question, and were also laid down so as to provide water for navigation and the generation of electric and other power, as well as for irrigation. In regard to these great national works, the Water Commission is acting as the Constructing Authority for the State of Victoria and is discharging a responsibility which might have been delegated by the Victorian Government to some other Department or Government instrumentality.

The Commission wishes again to point out that many large and expensive works have been constructed on a scale to provide for future developments. This is particularly the case in regard to the Glenmaggie Reservoir at Maffra as well as to a number of other storages and main supply works, and until there have been further extensions to the irrigation systems it is not practicable to allot the portion of the liabilities which is fairly debitable to future development.

Attention is also directed to the recurring loss on the Coliban District. In this case the liability includes capital moneys expended some 50 to 60 years ago which are not represented by any tangible assets, and, as already pointed out, the Commission's rating powers in this District are specially limited by the provisions of the Water Act.

Heavy expenditure was incurred during the year in respect to exchange for remitting to London interest on moneys borrowed for water supply purposes. Although the amount (£99,809) shows a reduction on last year's figures, it is still an important factor in creating an unfavourable position in regard to water supply finance.

For the incoming year the estimated collections of the Commission are £500,000, while the payments of interest by Waterworks Trusts and Local Bodies are estimated at £84,000. The Commission's Vote expenditure for the year 1935-36 is estimated at £276,167 as against a total of £301,734 expended in 1934-35.

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

STATEMENT of Moneys received and disbursed during the year ended 30th June, 1935.

Works.	Receipts.	DISBURSEMENTS, exclusive of Interest, Redemption, and Depreciation Charges.			Excess.	
		From Annual Votes and Special Appropriation.	Deduct Capital and Other Disbursements not Chargeable to Districts.	Net Disbursements on Maintenance and Management.	Receipts over Net Disbursements.	Disbursements over Receipts.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Coliban	45,701	13,457	..	13,457	32,244	..
Other State Works—						
Broken River .. .. .	..	55	..	55	..	55
Goulburn	451	2,045	..	2,045	..	1,594
Kow Swamp	453	631	..	631	..	178
Lake Lonsdale	720	571	..	571	149	..
Loddon River .. .. .	..	87	..	87	..	87
North-West Lakes	623	154	..	154	469	..
Irrigation Districts	228,347	120,644	..	120,644	107,703	..
Waterworks Districts	109,472	118,078	..	118,078	..	8,606
Urban Districts and Divisions	73,559	21,625	..	21,625	51,934	..
Flood Protection Districts	2,763	954	..	954	1,809	..
Other Districts not yet classified Licences, Diversions, Miscellaneous }	10,150	12,694	..	12,694	..	2,544
	472,239	290,995	..	290,995	194,308	13,064
Not Revenue Producing—						
River Gauging, Surveys and Re- ports, New Projects .. .. .	..	2,766	..	2,766	..	2,766
Waterworks Trusts .. .. .	..	1,814	..	1,814	..	1,814
Loan and Unemployment Relief Works .. .. .	..	6,159	..	6,159	..	6,159
Totals	472,239	301,734	..	301,734	194,308	23,803

Amount available to meet Depreciation £500
Amount available to meet Interest, as per page 41 of Report £170,005

COLIBAN SYSTEM.

STATEMENT of Moneys received and disbursed during the year ended 30th June, 1935; and of Interest charged at the rates of 4 and 4½ per cent. on Capital Debts.

District.	Capital Debit at 30th June, 1935.	Receipts.	Disbursements and Interest Charged.			Excess.	
			Disbursements.	Interest.	Total.	Receipts over Disbursements and Interest.	Disbursements and Interest over Receipts.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Coliban	1,631,166	43,460	11,933	65,322	77,255	..	33,795
Axe Creek	1,750	369	370	70	440	..	71
Harcourt	11,040	1,701	1,103	442	1,545	156	..
Marong	2,100	171	65	84	149	22	..
Totals	1,646,056	45,701	13,471	65,918	79,389	178	33,866

FLOOD PROTECTION DISTRICTS.

STATEMENT of Moneys received and disbursed from 1st July, 1920, to 30th June, 1935; and of Interest charged at the rates of 4 and 4½ per cent. on Capital Debts, and also of Depreciation and Redemption charged as at 30th June, 1935.

RECEIPTS.

District.	1st July, 1920, to 30th June, 1934.	1934-35.			Grand Total at 30th June, 1935.
		Charge.	Interest and Miscellaneous.	Total.	
	£	£	£	£	£
1. Cardinia	19,774	351	5	356	20,130
2. Echuca	1,570	82	9	91	1,661
3. Kanyapella	2,122	339	70	409	2,531
4. Loch Garry	7,871	598	19	617	8,488
5. Lower Kooweerup	45,191	1,218	72	1,290	46,481
Totals	76,528	2,588	175	2,763	79,291

DISBURSEMENTS, AND INTEREST, DEPRECIATION, AND REDEMPTION CHARGED.

District.	DISBURSEMENTS.					INTEREST CHARGED.			(A) DEPRE- CIATION. (B) RE- DEMP- TION.	Grand Total at 30th June, 1935.
	1st July, 1920, to 30th June, 1934.	1934-35.			Total at 30th June, 1935.	1st July, 1920, to 30th June, 1934.	1st July, 1934, to 30th June, 1935.	Total at 30th June, 1935.		
		Repairs and Main- tenance.	Manage- ment.	Total.						
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£		£
1. Cardinia	4,646	176	148	324	4,970	20,128	1,800	21,928	..	26,898
2. Echuca	1,052	5	21	26	1,078	620	47	667	..	1,745
3. Kanyapella	951	52	38	90	1,041	1,324	160	1,484	..	2,525
4. Loch Garry	1,614	59	43	102	1,716	4,286	446	4,732	(B) 1,200	7,648
5. Lower Kooweerup	7,728	223	189	412	8,140	44,968	4,000	48,968	..	57,108
Totals	15,991	515	439	954	16,945	71,326	6,453	77,779	(B) 1,200	95,924

IRRIGATION AND WATER SUPPLY DISTRICTS.

STATEMENT of Moneys received and disbursed from 1st May, 1906, to 30th June, 1935; and of Interest charged at the rates of 4 and $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on Capital Debts; and also of Depreciation and Redemption charged, as at 30th June, 1935. (Free Headworks excluded.)

RECEIPTS.

District.	1st May, 1906, to 30th June, 1934.	1934-35.					Grand Total at 30th June, 1935.
		Rates.	Compulsory Irrigation Charge.	Water Sales.	Interest and Miscel- laneous.	Total.	
1. Bacchus Marsh	£ 111,389	£ 805	£ 3,728	£ 837	£ 49	£ 5,419	£ 116,808
2. Boort	83,699	1,432	..	3,942	28	5,402	89,101
3. Calivil	13,609	658	..	2,058	73	2,789	16,398
4. Campaspe	21,221	566	..	82	5	653	21,874
5. Cohuna	218,589	1,806	6,200	858	263	9,127	227,716
6. Deakin	116,791	2,764	..	712	102	3,578	120,369
7. Dingee	34,483	158	1,098	69	156	1,481	35,964
8. Echuca North	21,867	285	1,812	142	176	2,415	24,282
9. Fish Point	5,755	61	571	96	144	872	6,627
10. Gannawarra	179,127	1,307	4,898	736	312	7,253	186,380
11. Katandra	6,275	170	..	1,203	55	1,428	7,703
12. Kerang	143,400	1,634	..	3,450	81	5,168	148,568
13. Koondrook	145,928	1,016	3,208	382	362	4,968	150,896
14. Leitchville	19,053	856	1,374	637	103	2,970	22,023
15. Maffra-Sale	61,040	2,362	7,164	577	652	10,755	71,795
16. Merbein	420,884	1,534	25,495	364	1,146	28,539	449,423
17. Mystic Park	11,417	110	594	180	71	955	12,372
18. North Shepparton	17,871	1,672	..	1,529	64	3,265	21,136
19. Nyah	130,058	252	5,329	144	511	6,236	136,294
20. Red Cliffs	346,897	1,044	31,255	1,203	574	34,079	380,976
21. Rochester	318,472	2,344	11,902	1,943	839	17,028	335,500
22. Rodney	611,824	6,047	16,396	2,289	613	25,345	637,169
23. Shepparton	146,660	1,475	5,018	280	417	7,190	153,850
24. South Shepparton	20,338	513	1,341	72	146	2,072	22,410
25. Stanhope	67,851	708	1,878	336	307	3,229	71,080
26. Swan Hill	165,384	819	5,247	1,558	270	7,894	173,278
27. Third Lake	8,182	161	711	17	175	1,064	9,246
28. Tongala	138,215	1,199	4,525	490	374	6,588	144,803
29. Tragowel Plains	280,931	1,679	8,589	912	553	11,733	292,664
30. Treseco	24,114	185	500	850	6	1,541	25,655
31. Werribee	105,215	878	4,457	1,361	615	7,311	112,526
Totals	3,996,539	36,500	153,290	20,312	9,245	228,347	4,224,886

DISBURSEMENTS, AND INTEREST, DEPRECIATION, AND REDEMPTION CHARGED.

District.	1st May, 1906, to 30th June, 1934.	DISBURSEMENTS.				INTEREST CHARGED.				(A) DEPRECIATION. (B) REDEMPTION.	Grand Total at 30th June, 1935.
		1934-35.				Total at 30th June, 1935.	1st May, 1906 to 30th June, 1934.	1st July, 1934, to 30th June, 1935.	Total at 30th June, 1935.		
		Repairs and Maintenance.	Distribution of Water.	Manage- ment.	Total.						
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1. Bacchus Marsh ..	25,416	232	824	305	1,361	26,777	98,490	6,029	104,519	..	131,296
2. Boort	40,535	680	933	460	2,073	42,608	43,160	4,002	47,162	(B) 1,400	91,170
3. Calivil	6,197	309	538	79	926	7,123	21,194	5,141	26,335	..	33,458
4. Campaspe	12,704	60	206	64	330	13,034	12,045	493	12,538	..	25,572
5. Cohuna	121,621	1,374	1,435	350	3,159	124,780	99,014	6,249	105,263	(A) 9,010	239,053
6. Deakin	43,844	262	441	160	863	44,707	78,904	3,311	82,215	..	126,922
7. Dingee	17,952	224	675	60	959	18,911	23,198	1,226	24,424	..	43,335
8. Echuca North ..	9,210	76	541	103	720	9,930	15,890	1,638	17,528	..	27,458
9. Fish Point	4,496	130	253	45	428	4,924	4,550	621	5,171	..	10,095
10. Gannawarra ..	91,953	1,188	1,234	300	2,722	94,675	87,238	5,975	93,213	(A) 5,694	193,582
11. Katandra	3,367	243	566	79	888	4,255	20,451	5,456	25,907	..	30,162
12. Kerang	77,598	673	1,629	357	2,659	80,257	67,938	4,745	72,683	(B) 2,700 (A) 450	156,090
13. Koondrook	84,058	755	1,109	164	2,028	86,086	108,745	7,333	116,078	(A) 4,501	206,665
14. Leitchville	7,601	729	761	186	1,676	9,277	11,814	1,684	13,498	..	22,775
15. Maffra-Sale	23,615	2,162	2,458	773	5,393	29,008	39,620	7,950	47,570	..	76,578
16. Merbein	301,874	2,377	13,345	628	16,350	318,224	129,977	8,421	138,398	(A) 20,353	476,975
17. Mystic Park	8,322	211	335	77	623	8,945	6,611	692	7,303	..	16,248
18. North Shepparton ..	5,033	350	1,385	152	1,887	6,920	35,753	8,594	44,347	..	51,267
19. Nyah	98,391	472	4,477	677	5,626	104,017	60,266	4,215	64,481	(A) 5,272	173,770
20. Red Cliffs	200,660	2,586	22,260	900	25,746	226,406	144,508	18,200	162,708	(A) 24,426	413,540
21. Rochester	134,898	1,881	5,593	871	8,345	143,243	230,016	16,191	246,207	..	389,450
22. Rodney	247,491	3,847	7,913	1,180	12,940	260,431	425,598	27,674	453,272	..	713,703
23. Shepparton	52,843	1,006	1,912	754	3,672	56,515	136,100	10,078	146,178	..	202,693
24. South Shepparton ..	4,093	118	270	53	441	4,534	18,127	2,745	20,872	..	25,406
25. Stanhope	32,064	735	1,683	213	2,631	34,695	52,816	5,115	57,931	..	92,626
26. Swan Hill	86,928	1,889	1,474	522	3,885	90,813	84,468	6,730	91,198	(A) 4,768	186,779
27. Third Lake	2,480	181	222	44	447	2,927	8,697	1,004	9,701	..	12,628
28. Tongala	59,203	1,509	1,790	481	3,780	62,983	129,018	8,589	137,607	..	200,590
29. Tragowel Plains ..	109,914	1,408	2,962	672	5,042	114,956	205,225	14,123	219,348	..	334,304
30. Tresco	35,002	313	1,550	138	2,001	37,003	37,913	3,654	41,567	..	78,570
31. Werribee	18,453	256	479	308	1,043	19,496	95,288	9,256	104,544	..	124,040
Totals	1,967,816	28,236	81,253	11,155	120,644	2,088,460	2,532,632	207,134	2,739,766	78,574	4,906,800

WATERWORKS DISTRICTS.

STATEMENT of Moneys received and disbursed from 1st May, 1906, to 30th June, 1935; and of Interest charged at the rates of 4 and 4½ per cent. on Capital Debts; and also of Depreciation and Redemption charged, as at 30th June, 1935. (Free Headworks excluded.)

RECEIPTS.

District.	1st May, 1906, to 30th June, 1934.	1934-35.				Grand Total at 30th June, 1935.
		Rates.	Water Sales.	Interest and Miscel- laneous.	Total.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1. Bellarine Peninsula	6,995	4,017	253	26	4,296	11,291
2. Birchip	535,988	3,984	149	252	4,385	564,475
3. Sea Lake		6,034	94	673	6,801	
4. Tyrrrell		8,213	67	1,498	9,778	
5. Wycheproof		7,106	27	390	7,523	
6. Carwarp	13,092	570	..	140	719	13,811
7. Carwarp Central	1,181	..	..	25	25	1,206
8. Dering	4,382	467	..	48	515	4,897
9. Eureka	1,720	217	..	76	293	2,013
10. Hindmarsh	6,821	1,228	..	71	1,299	8,120
11. Karkarooe	223,486	10,672	..	143	10,815	234,301
12. Kerang North-West Lakes	3,361	218	..	20	238	3,599
13. Kia	2,420	402	..	129	531	2,951
14. Long Lake	177,872	6,213	..	276	6,489	184,361
15. Millewa	13,053	702	195	261	1,158	14,211
16. Millewa Central	7,567	250	..	108	358	7,925
17. Mornington Peninsula	52,133	..	..	57	57	52,190
18. Narre Warren	2,096	82	137	32	251	2,347
19. Tyntynder	99,276	3,296	..	522	3,818	103,094
20. Upper Western Wimmera	83,093	4,441	..	177	4,618	87,711
21. Upper Wimmera United	136,959	7,177	..	188	7,365	144,324
22. Walpeup Central	2,505	784	..	107	891	3,396
23. Walpeup West	29,527	1,169	25	139	1,333	30,860
24. Werribee	10,077	379	..	11	590	10,667
25. Western Wimmera	290,082	12,850	3,826	449	17,125	307,207
26. Wimmera United	327,192	16,296	987	612	17,895	345,087
27. Yelta	5,636	218	63	25	306	5,942
Totals	2,036,514	97,185	5,823	6,464	109,472	2,145,986

DISBURSEMENTS, AND INTEREST, DEPRECIATION, AND REDEMPTION CHARGED.

District.	1st May, 1906, to 30th June, 1934.	1934-35.				Total at 30th June, 1935.	1st May, 1906, to 30th June, 1934.	1st July, 1934, to 30th June, 1935.	Total at 30th June, 1935.	(A) DEPRECIATION, (B) REDEMPTION.		Grand Total at 30th June, 1935.
		Repairs and Maintenance.	Distribution of Water.	Management &c.	Total.							
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1. Bellarine Peninsula	104	509	232	201	942	1,046	6,292	6,371	12,663	..	..	13,709
2. Birchip; 3. Sea Lake; 4. Tyrrrell; 5. Wyche- proof	284,269	27,218	7,826	904	35,948	320,217	373,247	33,761	407,008	..	..	727,225
6. Carwarp	29,230	2,575	3,659	67	6,301	35,531	16,478	1,637	18,115	(A) 586	..	54,232
7. Carwarp Central	1,446	5	100	28	133	1,579	980	94	1,074	(A) 25	..	2,678
8. Dering	2,312	253	75	27	355	2,667	3,652	410	4,062	..	..	6,729
9. Eureka	2,857	323	138	19	480	3,337	1,468	223	1,691	..	..	5,028
10. Hindmarsh	1,998	441	55	30	526	2,524	4,877	841	5,718	(A) 700	..	8,942
11. Karkarooe	88,413	7,937	1,202	399	9,538	97,951	159,211	11,322	170,533	..	..	268,484
12. Kerang N.W. Lakes	2,164	60	102	28	190	2,354	1,645	82	1,727	..	..	4,081
13. Kia	2,625	69	154	25	248	2,873	1,812	581	2,393	..	..	5,266
14. Long Lake	104,483	3,041	1,935	195	5,171	109,654	87,348	4,874	92,222	(A) 8,305	..	210,181
15. Millewa	37,943	5,100	10,515	380	15,995	53,938	16,110	5,450	21,560	..	..	75,498
16. Millewa Central	9,077	1,516	6,954	167	8,637	17,714	12,000	4,000	16,000	..	..	33,714
17. Mornington Peninsula	7,267	510	210	119	839	8,106	42,710	2,720	45,430	..	..	53,536
18. Narre Warren	290	14	7	10	31	321	2,779	412	3,191	..	..	3,512
19. Tyntynder	69,993	7,697	1,637	256	9,590	79,583	96,151	11,779	107,930	..	..	187,513
20. Upper Western Wimmera	30,407	1,433	841	104	2,378	32,785	46,182	3,863	50,045	(A) 606 (B) 1,500	..	84,936
21. Upper Wimmera United	41,465	1,769	634	148	2,551	44,016	92,268	5,797	98,065	(B) 2,390	..	144,471
22. Walpeup Central	1,670	168	820	39	1,027	2,697	3,471	1,288	4,759	..	..	7,456
23. Walpeup West	21,260	796	..	83	879	22,139	16,575	1,461	18,036	(A) 1,200	..	41,375
24. Werribee	2,965	103	114	43	260	3,225	8,965	598	9,563	..	..	12,788
25. Western Wimmera	122,196	5,782	3,373	415	9,570	131,766	153,530	15,450	168,980	(A) 2,422 (B) 5,400	..	308,568
26. Wimmera United	102,010	4,114	1,474	345	5,933	107,943	209,291	13,613	222,904	(B) 5,310	..	336,157
27. Yelta	4,923	217	294	45	556	5,479	3,035	247	3,282	..	..	8,761
Totals	971,367	71,650	42,351	4,077	118,078	1,089,445	1,360,077	126,874	1,486,951	28,444	..	2,604,840

DISTRICTS HELD IN TRUST BY THE COMMISSION.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1934.

RECEIPTS.

Name of Trust.	Bank Balance, at 31st December, 1933.	1934.				Grand Total for Year 1934.
		Rates.	Water Sales.	Interest and Miscellaneous.	Total.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Carrum	Dr. 613	1,572	..	286	1,858	1,245
Loddon United	Dr. 1,070	2,234	10	84	2,328	1,258
Loddon United (Mitiamo, Urban)	Dr. 112	221	273	7	501	389
Totals	Dr. 1,795	4,027	283	377	4,687	2,892

DISBURSEMENTS.

Name of Trust.	Capital Debt 31st December, 1934.	1934.					Grand Total for Year 1934.	Bank Balance carried forward 1st January, 1935.
		Maintenance and Water Distribution.	Manage- ment.	Total.	Interest.	(A) Depreciation (B) Redemption.		
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Carrum	25,400	667	160	827	1,098	(B) 298	2,223	Dr. 978
Loddon United	4,161	1,064	251	1,315	432	(B) 545	2,292	Dr. 1,034
Loddon United (Mitiamo, Urban)	4,907	90	17	107	317	(A) 28 (B) 32	484	Dr. 95
Totals	34,468	1,821	428	2,249	1,847	903	4,999	2,107

URBAN DISTRICTS

STATEMENT of Moneys received and disbursed from 1st May, 1906, to 30th June, and also of Depreciation and Redemption charged, RECEIPTS.

District or Division.	1st May, 1906, to 30th June, 1934.	1934-35.				Grand Total at 30th June, 1935.
		Rates	Water Sales.	Interest and Miscellaneous.	Total.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1. Anglesea	45	..	20	65	65
2. Antwerp	60	7	9	76	421
3. Bacchus Marsh	33,692	1,212	13	1,708	35,400
4. Barwon Heads and Ocean Grove	1,840	1,478	114	1,619	3,459
5. Berriwillock	4,353	244	12	286	4,639
6. Berwick	6,337	688	113	845	7,182
7. Beulah	11,237	398	121	37	11,793
8. Birchip	23,382	503	330	80	24,295
9. Bittern	1,435	101	50	3	1,589
10. Brim	2,958	242	17	23	3,240
11. Bunyip	1,236	296	15	9	1,556
12. Carrum	73,688	6,060	532	551	80,831
13. Carwarp	270	22	..	..	292
14. Chillingollah	1,123	66	45	13	1,247
15. Chinkapook	1,276	169	..	5	1,450
16. Cohuna	15,336	870	94	67	16,367
17. Corop	718	21	..	1	740
18. Cranbourne	6,895	302	78	9	7,284
19. Crib Point	1,910	524	30	15	2,479
20. Culgoa	4,704	227	123	16	5,070
21. Dandenong	58,742	4,016	559	289	63,606
22. Dimboola	41,842	1,239	592	127	43,800
23. Dingee	798	74	..	9	881
24. Dooen	155	27	11	..	193
25. Drysdale	288	..	22	310
26. Frankston	46,830	3,939	1,020	120	51,909
27. Garfield	946	325	4	15	1,290
28. Hastings	2,403	359	17	9	2,788
29. Heyfield	1,632	565	..	7	2,204
30. Hicksborough	331	82	..	6	419
31. Hopetoun	14,437	766	157	61	15,421
32. Jeparit	16,427	814	154	40	17,435
33. Jung Jung	2,377	135	24	8	2,544
34. Koondrook	8,551	396	20	10	8,977
35. Lake Boga	7,391	406	32	43	7,872
36. Lalbert	3,317	244	83	6	3,650
37. Lascelles	2,883	294	22	25	3,224
38. Leitchville	3,417	256	23	17	3,713
39. Lockington	2,637	261	5	21	2,924
40. Longwarry	174	355	10	539
41. Manangatang	5,238	488	91	30	5,847
42. Marnoo	2,984	282	61	3	3,346
43. Merbein	16,110	1,328	171	110	17,719
44. Meringur	802	179	2	7	990
45. Minyip	17,039	840	79	75	18,033
46. Mornington	32,795	2,738	473	209	36,215
47. Mount Martha	3,829	671	57	18	4,575
48. Murrabit	315	45	..	1	361
49. Nandaly	1,180	106	..	9	1,295
50. Natimuk	12,188	251	155	62	12,656
51. Newstead	298	499	24	25	846
52. North Wonthaggi	2,773	372	..	13	3,158
53. Nullawil	1,737	189	16	21	1,963
54. Nyah	1,467	86	3	2	1,558
55. Nyah West	7,033	569	43	10	7,655
56. Ouyen	25,446	1,359	604	147	27,556
57. Pakenham	6,561	557	411	11	7,540
58. Patchewollock	1,003	197	38	30	1,268
59. Piangil	4,765	308	158	10	5,241
60. Portarlington	470	..	44	514
61. Pyramid Hill	4,757	602	49	17	5,425
62. Quambatook	192	606	2	42	842
63. Queenscliff and Point Lonsdale	5,134	2,959	317	62	8,472
64. Rainbow	21,135	942	185	89	22,351
65. Red Cliffs	14,473	1,618	261	114	16,466
66. Rupanyup	14,883	850	51	50	15,834
67. Sea Lake	17,863	767	171	108	18,909
68. Somerville	2,998	234	84	4	3,320
69. South Frankston	15,053	1,271	297	16	16,637
70. Speed	1,173	147	15	25	1,360
71. Spring Vale	19,855	2,277	363	108	22,603
72. Stanhope	1,809	239	..	4	2,052
73. Tempy	950	156	29	22	1,157
74. Torquay	328	..	36	364
75. Ultima	8,516	442	35	29	9,022
76. Waitchie	673	36	5	18	732
77. Watchem	6,309	316	52	57	6,734
78. Werrimull	2,188	352	15	23	2,578
79. Wonthaggi	91,383	2,324	2,141	54	95,902
80. Woomelang	14,706	369	222	51	15,348
81. Woorinen	963	145	..	3	1,111
82. Wycheproof	17,643	840	194	107	18,784
83. Yaapeet	576	173	7	28	784
Totals	814,646	57,715	12,123	3,721	888,205

AND DIVISIONS

1935; and of Interest charged, at the rates of 4 and $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on Capital Debts; as at 30th June, 1935. (Free Headworks excluded).

DISBURSEMENTS, AND INTEREST, DEPRECIATION, AND REDEMPTION CHARGED.

District or Division.	1st May, 1906, to 30th June, 1934.	DISBURSEMENTS.					INTEREST CHARGED.				(a) DEPRECIATION.	(b) REDEMPTION.	Grand Total at 30th June, 1935.
		Repairs and Maintenance.	Distribution of Water.	Management.	Total.	Total at 30th June, 1935.	1st May, 1906, to 30th June, 1934.	1st July, 1934, to 30th June, 1935.	Total at 30th June, 1935.				
										1934-35.			
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	
1. Anglesea ..	..	40	18	17	75	75	..	620	620	(a)	..	695
2. Antwerp ..	123	1	12	7	20	143	175	54	229	(a)	18	390	
3. Bacchus Marsh ..	7,673	36	168	121	325	7,998	25,695	1,525	27,220	(a)	686	35,904	
4. Barwon Heads and Ocean Grove ..	224	174	79	76	329	553	1,700	1,227	2,927	..	..	3,480
5. Berriwillock ..	2,117	36	24	26	86	2,203	2,302	222	2,524	(a)	113	4,840	
6. Berwick ..	874	102	42	24	168	1,042	5,409	665	6,074	..	..	7,116
7. Beulah ..	4,820	31	314	29	374	5,194	6,034	395	6,429	(a)	158	11,781	
8. Birchip ..	10,194	54	278	67	399	10,593	11,944	745	12,689	(a, b)	1,195	24,477	
9. Bittern ..	182	15	7	11	33	215	1,339	150	1,489	..	..	1,704
10. Brim ..	672	39	32	21	92	764	1,895	216	2,111	(a)	224	3,099	
11. Bunyip ..	198	60	25	16	101	299	1,233	364	1,597	..	..	1,896
12. Carrum ..	11,793	1,015	418	378	1,811	13,604	64,240	6,500	70,740	..	..	84,344
13. Carwarp ..	125	4	6	15	25	150	152	25	177	(a)	174	501	
14. Chillingollah ..	487	3	21	16	40	527	1,145	149	1,294	(a)	185	2,006	
15. Chinkapook ..	265	2	60	19	81	346	748	153	901	(a)	318	1,565	
16. Cohuna ..	4,191	75	139	69	283	4,474	10,199	713	10,912	(a, b)	894	16,280	
17. Corop ..	353	2	5	6	13	366	363	14	377	(a)	60	803	
18. Cranbourne ..	959	56	23	65	144	1,103	6,520	224	6,744	..	..	7,847
19. Crib Point ..	313	87	36	24	147	460	1,352	427	1,779	(a)	290	2,529	
20. Culgoa ..	1,793	26	21	26	73	1,866	2,892	269	3,161	(a)	102	5,129	
21. Dandenong ..	9,394	684	280	262	1,226	10,620	49,255	4,650	53,905	(a)	500	65,025	
22. Dimboola ..	23,520	291	282	99	672	24,192	14,831	1,411	16,242	(a, b)	3,026	43,460	
23. Dingee ..	302	40	16	7	63	365	525	63	588	(a)	126	1,079	
24. Doon ..	93	1	12	7	20	113	140	28	168	(a)	15	296	
25. Drysdale ..	..	35	16	18	69	69	..	393	393	..	..	462
26. Frankston ..	6,975	650	267	175	1,092	8,067	39,823	4,250	44,073	..	..	52,140
27. Garfield ..	184	52	22	16	90	274	1,024	359	1,383	..	..	1,657
28. Hastings ..	409	54	23	16	93	502	2,016	277	2,293	..	..	2,795
29. Heyfield ..	638	80	116	34	230	868	1,074	286	1,360	(a)	70	2,298	
30. Hicksborough ..	172	6	16	10	32	204	199	50	249	(a)	50	503	
31. Hopetoun ..	7,776	81	652	29	762	8,538	6,976	664	7,640	(a, b)	252	16,430	
32. Jeparit ..	3,096	56	37	43	136	3,232	12,094	840	12,934	(a, b)	908	17,074	
33. Jung Jung ..	1,408	4	64	12	80	1,488	996	184	1,180	(a)	114	2,782	
34. Koondrook ..	4,556	37	193	36	266	4,822	3,770	212	3,982	(a)	345	9,149	
35. Lake Boga ..	3,746	39	199	45	283	4,029	3,732	269	4,001	(a, b)	355	8,385	
36. Lalbert ..	674	2	10	42	54	728	2,340	233	2,573	(a)	657	3,958	
37. Lascelles ..	1,369	24	12	20	56	1,425	1,638	270	1,908	(a)	194	3,527	
38. Leitchville ..	1,761	37	74	21	132	1,893	1,558	209	1,767	(a)	252	3,912	
39. Lockington ..	552	4	13	25	42	594	1,852	192	2,044	(a)	405	3,043	
40. Longwarry ..	..	37	16	21	74	74	..	440	440	..	..	514
41. Manangatang ..	1,188	6	13	47	66	1,254	3,437	497	3,934	(a)	650	5,838	
42. Marnoo ..	466	5	12	21	38	504	2,041	265	2,306	(a)	567	3,377	
43. Merbein ..	7,464	225	540	121	886	8,350	8,354	849	9,203	(a)	650	18,203	
44. Meringur ..	286	23	6	21	50	336	530	105	635	(a)	150	1,121	
45. Minyip ..	5,060	61	171	58	290	5,350	10,835	695	11,530	(a, b)	1,085	17,965	
46. Mornington ..	4,921	436	179	121	736	5,657	28,413	2,241	30,654	(a)	500	36,811	
47. Mount Martha ..	567	108	44	26	178	745	3,200	600	3,800	..	..	4,545
48. Murrabit ..	145	6	42	10	58	203	184	41	225	..	..	428
49. Nandaly ..	358	20	24	16	60	418	638	109	747	(a)	216	1,381	
50. Natimuk ..	3,049	11	44	45	100	3,149	8,423	395	8,818	(a, b)	799	12,766	
51. Newstead ..	144	88	102	32	222	366	175	315	490	..	..	856
52. North Wonthaggi ..	1,014	27	78	34	139	1,153	1,855	287	2,142	(a)	320	3,615	
53. Nullawil ..	475	10	12	18	40	515	1,258	218	1,476	(a)	97	2,088	
54. Nyah ..	642	8	27	20	55	697	718	59	777	(a)	84	1,558	
55. Nyah West ..	1,782	80	40	53	173	1,955	4,705	425	5,130	(a)	780	7,865	
56. Ouyen ..	9,220	109	488	230	827	10,047	16,093	1,363	17,456	(a)	793	28,296	
57. Pakenham ..	692	96	39	24	159	851	5,610	494	6,104	(a)	794	7,749	
58. Patchewollock ..	251	..	12	20	32	283	706	193	899	(a)	276	1,458	
59. Piangil ..	1,415	59	57	34	150	1,565	2,672	247	2,919	(a)	680	5,164	
60. Portarlington ..	..	56	26	26	108	108	..	818	818	..	..	926
61. Pyramid Hill ..	1,814	98	378	45	521	2,335	2,612	346	2,958	(a)	540	5,833	
62. Quambatook ..	31	49	71	44	164	195	79	397	476	(a)	90	761	
63. Queenscliff and Point Lonsdale ..	359	335	152	140	627	986	4,800	2,568	7,368	..	..	8,354
64. Rainbow ..	3,743	7	36	45	88	3,831	15,471	925	16,396	(a, b)	1,881	22,108	
65. Red Cliffs ..	6,319	129	401	111	641	6,960	6,800	1,113	7,913	(a)	820	15,693	
66. Rupanyup ..	4,535	75	214	27	316	4,851	9,053	719	9,772	(a, b)	1,029	15,652	
67. Sea Lake ..	8,284	52	296	71	419	8,703	7,917	547	8,464	(a)	1,424	18,591	
68. Somerville ..	454	39	16	11	66	520	2,699	280	2,979	..	..	3,499
69. South Frankston ..	2,218	238	98	65	401	2,619	12,843	702	13,545	(a)	500	16,664	
70. Speed ..	291	4	15	18	37	328	616	164	780	(a)	360	1,468	
71. Spring Vale ..	2,866	382	157	126	665	3,531	16,770	2,220	18,990	..	..	22,521
72. Stanhope ..	448	8	50	21	79	527	1,171	145	1,316	(a)	288	2,131	
73. Tempy ..	339	24	18	15	57	396	551	155	706	(a)	312	1,414	
74. Torquay ..	..	87	40	37	164	164	..	1,013	1,013	..	..	1,177
75. Ultima ..	2,815	42	51	37	130	2,945	5,532	360	5,892	(a)	275	9,112	
76. Waitechie ..	375	..	10	12	22	397	742	122	864	(a)	288	1,549	
77. Watchem ..	1,881	70	26	21	117	1,998	4,228	305	4,533	(a)	241	6,772	
78. Werrimull ..	670	60	46	30	136	806	1,463	279	1,742	(a)	365	2,913	
79. Wonthaggi ..	18,335	719	690	237	1,646	19,981	55,639	2,394	58,033	(a, b)	15,000	93,014	
80. Woomelang ..	4,677	236	78	48	362	5,039	9,847	471	10,318	(a, b)	713	16,070	
81. Woorinen ..	325	3	8	16	27	352	716	122	838	(a)	136	1,326	
82. Wycheproof ..	8,469	27	336	67	430	8,899	8,256	724	8,980	(a)	915	18,794	
83. Yaapeet ..	174	22	18	12	52	226	454	111	565	(a)	260	1,051	
Totals ..	222,542	8,212	9,209	4,204	21,625	244,167	557,286	56,335	613,621	..	45,564	903,352	

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE.

STATEMENT of Moneys Expended from Water Supply Loans and Unemployment Relief Funds for the year ended 30th June, 1935.

Works.	Unemployment Relief Funds.	Water Supply Loans Application Acts 4174 and 4256 and Treasurer's Advance.	Total.
<i>Free Handworks.</i>			
1. Kerang North-West Lakes	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
2. Laanecoorie Weir	382 16 1	56 5 0	56 5 0
<i>River Murray Waters Acts—Works.</i>			
3. Storages, Weirs and Locks .. .. .	..	90,855 5 11	90,855 5 11
<i>Reservoirs and Storages.</i>			
4. Goulburn Storages—			
Eildon Reservoir .. .. .	..	19,092 16 5	19,092 16 5
Waranga Reservoir	1,742 6 0	1 14 3	1,744 0 3
5. Pykes Creek and Melton Reservoirs	1,889 3 0	210 0 3	2,099 3 3
<i>Waterworks Districts.</i>			
6. Bellarine Peninsula	4,208 6 1	26,142 1 10	30,350 7 11
7. Birchip, Sea Lake, Tyrrell, and Wycheproof	1,965 18 7	3,955 19 7	5,921 18 2
8. Carwarp .. .. .	..	420 7 1	420 7 1
9. Corcena	24 1 0	..	24 1 0
10. Karkaroc .. .. .	..	602 11 4	602 11 4
11. Long Lake .. .. .	..	698 9 10	698 9 10
12. Millewa .. .. .	..	20 1 6	20 1 6
13. Mornington Peninsula	4,486 17 6	24,786 7 3	29,273 4 9
14. Tyntynder .. .. .	..	2,598 2 5	2,598 2 5
15. Walpeup .. .. .	..	117 11 0	117 11 0
16. Western Wimmera .. .. .	..	8,232 0 7	8,232 0 7
17. Wimmera United .. .. .	..	2,699 8 2	2,699 8 2
18. Wimmera Mallee, Main and Distributary Channels	6,038 14 6	358 12 9	6,397 7 3
<i>Towns.</i>			
19. Bacchus Marsh, Cohuna, Dingee, and Pyramid .. .. .	..	236 17 11	236 17 11
20. Berriwillock, Birchip, Culgoa, Dimboola, and Jeparit .. .. .	..	45 2 0	45 2 0
21. Coliban	39,880 18 5	6,456 2 11	46,337 1 4
22. Lake Boga, Lalbert, Manangatang, and Minyip .. .. .	..	80 17 1	80 17 1
23. Merbein .. .. .	..	4,493 6 0	4,493 6 0
24. Newstead .. .. .	..	266 18 8	266 18 8
25. Nyah West, Ouyen, Patchewollock, and Piangil .. .. .	..	574 19 9	574 19 9
26. Red Cliffs .. .. .	..	1,993 8 3	1,993 8 3
27. Rupanyup, Sea Lake, and Ultima .. .. .	..	385 4 7	385 4 7
28. Walpeup	20 6 11	1,724 8 1	1,744 15 0
29. Watchem, Woorinen, Wycheproof, and Yaapeet .. .. .	..	55 16 11	55 16 11
30. Werrimull and Meringur .. .. .	..	654 2 2	654 2 2
31. Wonthaggi .. .. .	..	1,376 4 5	1,376 4 5
<i>Irrigation and Water Supply Districts.</i>			
32. Bacchus Marsh and Werribee	26,474 16 7	2,492 9 7	28,967 6 2
33. Boort	298 17 7	221 7 2	520 4 9
34. Calivil .. .. .	..	755 18 7	755 18 7
35. Cohuna and Gannawarra	10,687 7 9	2,169 7 9	12,856 15 6
36. Deakin and Dingee	4,094 12 6	92 9 5	4,187 1 11
37. First Mildura Irrigation Trust (drainage works)	15,268 11 3	..	15,268 11 3
38. Katandra .. .. .	..	1,200 18 6	1,200 18 6
39. Kerang	30,697 16 3	2,318 1 11	33,015 18 2
40. Koondrook .. .. .	..	330 5 7	330 5 7
41. Leitchville	294 10 1	369 19 9	664 9 10
42. Maffra-Sale	17,524 12 4	6,438 13 11	23,963 6 3
43. Merbein (including drainage works)	29,623 9 11	1,169 9 9	30,792 19 8
44. Murray Valley Districts (proposed) .. .. .	..	7,658 8 3	7,658 8 3
45. Mystic Park, Third Lake, and Tresco	4,540 13 5	167 6 3	4,707 19 8
46. North Shepparton .. .. .	..	2,159 19 1	2,159 19 1
47. Nyah	205 13 7	15 15 0	221 8 7
48. Red Cliffs (including drainage works)	58,151 5 8	2,372 10 1	60,523 15 9
49. Rochester	32,580 2 5	2,059 17 10	34,640 0 3
50. Rodney	18,600 12 5	2,860 7 11	21,461 0 4
51. Shepparton	7,957 2 1	3,646 5 4	11,603 7 5
52. South Shepparton .. .. .	..	262 3 5	262 3 5
53. Stanhope .. .. .	..	926 11 3	926 11 3
54. Swan Hill	13,946 1 7	810 2 11	14,756 4 6
55. Tongala	19,093 3 0	1,117 3 5	20,210 6 5
56. Tragowel Plains	201 14 8	1,246 18 8	1,448 13 4
57. Goulburn Main Channels	130 1 6	5,337 4 9	5,467 6 3
<i>Flood Protection and Drainage Districts.</i>			
58. Carrum	10,791 6 0	..	10,791 6 0
59. Kooweerup, Cardinia, and Dandenong Creek	11,986 13 7	3,952 16 6	15,939 10 1
60. Snowy River, Orbost	4,653 11 1	..	4,653 11 1
61. Other Districts and Works	4,299 16 7	..	4,299 16 7
<i>Miscellaneous.</i>			
62. Investigations, Storages, and Works	1,479 1 3	276 1 10	1,755 3 1
Totals	384,221 1 2	251,619 18 4	635,840 19 6

CONTRACTS.

STATEMENT OF CONTRACTS ENTERED INTO DURING THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1935.

No.	Name of Contractor.	Work or Supply.	Amount (Loan and Vote).	
			£	s. d.
2852	A. Harman	1 Excavator	2,350	0 0
2853	Hume Pipe Co. (Aust.) Ltd. ..	Concrete Pipes, Merbein	516	16 6
2854	Roca Limited	Concrete Pipes, Red Cliffs	3,225	0 0
2855	W. H. Looney	Firewood, Nyah	130	0 0
2856	W. H. Duffy	Firewood, Nyah	165	0 0
2857	A. J. Belz	Firewood, Nyah	55	0 0
2858	F. E. Draper	Firewood, Nyah	260	0 0
2859	James Hardie and Co. Ltd. ..	Fibrolite Pipes, Bellarine Peninsula	4,834	9 7
2860	James Hardie and Co. Ltd. ..	Fibrolite Pipes, Mornington Peninsula	2,075	3 0
2861	James Hardie and Co. Ltd. ..	Fibrolite Pipes, Red Cliffs	312	9 5
2862	James Hardie and Co. Ltd. ..	Fibrolite Pipes, Merbein	732	13 5
2863	James Hardie and Co. Ltd. ..	Fibrolite Pipes, Harcourt	238	4 5
2864	J. Bottie	Firewood, Millewa	262	19 8
2865	J. H. Russell	Firewood, Millewa	462	9 2
2866	George Webb	Firewood, Millewa	471	1 0
2867	F. Chittleborough	Firewood, Millewa	116	13 4
2868	J. J. Russell	Firewood, Millewa	232	3 6
2869	L. G. Holmes	Firewood, Millewa	787	10 0
2870	F. Sheer	Firewood, Millewa	369	12 6
2871	W. H. Hunter	Firewood, Millewa	112	8 1
2872	Meaphan Ferguson Pty. Ltd. ..	Castings (Gibault Joints), Bellarine Peninsula	820	4 6
2873	Australian Cement Ltd.	2,500 tons Cement	10,791	13 4
2874	D. C. Smylie	Firewood, Millewa	687	10 0
2875	J. Harcoan	Firewood, Millewa	170	6 3
2876	W. Garrigan	Firewood, Millewa	114	11 8
2877	W. E. Smythe	Firewood, Millewa	262	14 6
2878	Martin Stoneware Pty. Ltd. ..	Salt glazed ware Pipes, Red Cliffs	1,968	15 0
2879	T. McGuirk	Firewood, Millewa	116	13 4
2880	C. S. Foster	Firewood, Millewa	350	0 0
2881	G. W. Dannatt	Firewood, Millewa	135	8 4
2882	M. McGuirk	Firewood, Millewa	118	15 0
2883	Hume Pipe Co. (Aust.) Ltd. ..	Concrete Pipes, Red Cliffs	757	9 2
2884	Australian Wood Pipe Co. Ltd. ..	Wood Pipes, Merbein	479	6 0
2885	J. Mortensen	Construction Low Level Basin, Wonthaggi	1,765	15 6
2886	G. D. Guthrie and Co. Pty. Ltd. ..	Salt glazed ware pipes, First Mildura Irrigation Trust District (Drainage)	3,086	9 2
2887	Roca Ltd.	Concrete Pipes, First Mildura Irrigation Trust District (Drainage)	6,325	0 0
2888	Martin Stoneware Pty. Ltd. ..	Salt glazed ware pipes, First Mildura Irrigation Trust District (Drainage)	593	15 0
2889	Concreters (Victoria) Ltd. ..	Concrete Pipes, First Mildura Irrigation Trust District (Drainage)	259	17 6
2890	Cecil R. Spargo	Additions to Office, Red Cliffs	512	6 6
2891	Cornwell's Pottery	Salt glazed ware pipes, Red Cliffs	2,268	15 0
2892	G. D. Guthrie and Co. Pty. Ltd. ..	Salt glazed ware pipes, Red Cliffs	1,160	15 5
2893	Roca Ltd.	Concrete Pipes, Red Cliffs	67	12 0
2894	P. Maffei	Firewood, Merbein	700	0 0
2895	A. Groppi	Firewood, Merbein	237	10 0
2896	M. P. Cairns and Co.	Firewood, Merbein	512	10 0
2897	M. P. Cairns and Co.	Firewood, Merbein	518	15 0
2898	M. P. Cairns and Co.	Firewood, Merbein	506	5 0
2899	I. T. Storer	Firewood, Merbein	156	5 0
2900	D. Dart	Firewood, Merbein	591	13 4
2901	E. Shepherd	Firewood, Long Lake	40	0 0
2902	P. H. A. Bennett	Firewood, Long Lake	110	0 0
2903	W. Gilmore	Firewood, Long Lake	37	10 0
2904	C. J. Johnston	Firewood, Long Lake	56	5 0
2905	W. F. Decker	Firewood, Millewa	252	1 8
2906	J. A. Bettie	Firewood, Millewa	258	6 8
2907	C. T. Busch	Firewood, Merbein	369	15 10
2908	F. Russell	Firewood, Merbein	550	0 0
2909	J. J. O'Halloran	Firewood, Merbein	181	5 0
2910	J. A. Bettie	Firewood, Merbein	176	19 8
2911	N. H. Gillingham	Firewood, Tresco	175	0 0
2912	J. H. Russell	Firewood, Millewa	337	10 0
2913	A. J. Robinson	Firewood, Millewa	479	3 4
2914	T. A. Bland, junior	Firewood, Millewa	600	0 0
2915	Theo Smith	Residence, Red Cliffs	902	2 9
2916	E. Kitchenham	Firewood, Millewa	258	6 8
2917	A. J. Robinson	Firewood, Millewa	500	0 0
2918	P. M. Mannix, junior	Firewood, Nyah	325	0 0
2919	J. W. Jinette	Firewood, Nyah	312	10 0
2920	A. J. Belz	Firewood, Nyah	325	0 0
2921	A. W. Belz	Firewood, Nyah	325	0 0
Small contracts at piece-work rates—				
Loan Funds			2,930	0 0
Unemployment Relief Funds			1,326	0 0
Total			64,574	1 8

DIRECT LABOUR.

The construction of the larger works is still being mainly carried out by "Direct Labour," and the Statement hereunder shows the Fund from which this expenditure has been met. The principal payments during the year were:—

Works.	Loan Funds.	Unemployment Relief Funds.
	£	£
River Murray Storages (Hume Reservoir and Yarrawonga Weir)	46,527	..
Wimmera-Mallee System	15,208	5,513
Eildon and Waranga Reservoirs	14,712	1,564
Bellarine Peninsula District	10,372	4,068
Deakin, Rochester, Rodney, Shepparton, Stanhope, and Tongala Districts	9,493	61,637
Mornington Peninsula District	8,642	3,256
Merbein, Millewa, Red Cliffs, Carwarp, and Walpeup Districts	5,653	59,573
Coliban System	3,964	31,555
Maffra-Sale District (Glenmaggie Reservoir)	3,748	13,024
Cohuna, Kerang, Kerang Lakes, Koondrook, Mystic Park, and Tresco Districts	3,738	35,957
Goulburn Main Channels	3,289	111
Kooweerup, Cardinia, and other Flood Protection Districts	2,778	22,576
Boort, Tragowel Plains, Nyah, and Swan Hill Districts	2,259	12,158
Bacchus Marsh and Werribee Districts	1,997	21,439
Other Districts	347	4,051
	132,727	276,482
Grand Total	£409,209	

ESTIMATES.

Anticipated requirements to meet Disbursements by the Commission and Estimate of the moneys available from its Revenues to provide the same for the year ending 30th June, 1936, with Estimate of the total amount available from the Revenues of all Authorities to meet interest payable by the State for the year ending 30th June, 1936.

ESTIMATED DISBURSEMENTS.

A.	
Revenue Producing Works—	
Coliban District	£11,746
Irrigation and Water Supply Districts	120,026
Waterworks Districts	109,443
Drainage and Flood Protection Districts	516
Diversions from Streams	355
General Expenditure and Salaries (proportion) over £250 to be apportioned to above Districts	18,000
	£260,086
B.	
Non-Revenue Producing Works—	
General Services—	
River Gaugings, Surveys, New Projects, General Expenditure and Salaries (proportion) over £250 ..	£6,100
Loan Works and Unemployment Relief Works, Services on Account defrayed from Votes	4,500
Waterworks Trusts Administration	1,900
	£12,500
C.	
Non-Revenue Producing Works—	
Free Headworks—	
Broken River	£200
Goulburn-Waranga	1,592
Kow Swamp	1,026
Lake Lonsdale and Lower Wimmera	338
Loddon River	200
North-West Lakes	225
	£3,581
	£276,167

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS.

Coliban District	£45,000
Irrigation and Water Supply Districts	235,000
Waterworks Districts	199,000
Flood Protection Districts	6,000
Miscellaneous	15,000
	£500,000
Estimated amount available from Revenue Producing Works to meet Interest	
Less expenditure as per “B” and “C” above on Non-Revenue Producing Works	16,081
	£223,833
To which add Estimated Revenues from other Authorities—	
Waterworks Trusts	£60,200
Local Bodies	23,800
	£84,000
Total Estimated amount available from Revenues of all Authorities to meet Interest	
	£307,833

WORKS UNDER CONTROL OF COMMISSION.

The following statement gives a brief description, summary of cost, and other particulars relative to the undermentioned works controlled by the Commission.

A.—FREE HEADWORKS.

DESCRIPTION OF WORKS.	Capital Debit at 30th June, 1935. Exclusive of cost of Loan Flotation.
1. Broken River Works :—Casey's Weir and offtake, with about 59 chains of channel to the Broken Creek; Gowangardie Weir with offtake sluice	£ 14,853
2. Goulburn River Works :—Weir on the Goulburn River, about 9 miles above Murchison; channel therefrom, about 23½ miles, to Waranga Reservoir; and that Reservoir (but exclusive of the work of its enlargement)	739,552
3. Kerang North-West Lakes Works :—Weir on the Loddon River at its confluence with the Pyramid Creek; regulating weirs at the effluence from the Loddon of the Sheepwash and Washpen Creeks; channel from the Washpen Creek regulator to Reedy Lake, Middle Lake, Third Lake, Lake Charm, Racecourse Lake, Cullen's Lake, Kangaroo Lake, and Lake Tutchewop, and to the Little Murray River, with water storage works at these lakes	26,620
4. Kow Swamp Works :—Intake from the Murray River with regulator, at the effluence of the Gunbower Creek; channel thence to the Kow Swamp Reservoir; and that Reservoir; channel along the northern side of the reservoir; channel from the outlet of the reservoir, about 23½ miles, to the left bank of the Loddon River	187,944
5. Lake Lonsdale Reservoir :—Reservoir at Lake Lonsdale, on the Little Wimmera River, near Ledcourt	49,054
6. Loddon River Works :—Laanecoorie Weir, on the Loddon; Bridgewater Weir, on the Loddon; Kinypanial Weir, on the Loddon	167,789
7. Long Lake Pumping Works :—Inlet to Lake Baker, from the Little Murray River; water storage works at Lake Baker and Long Lake, with channel connecting these lakes; pumping plant at Long Lake, with rising main thence about 7 miles to allotment 10M, parish of Kooem; system of main distributary channels, about 85 miles in length	27,346
8. Lower Wimmera Compensation Works :—Drung Drung Weir, on the Wimmera, near allotment 29, parish of Longerenong; Dimboola Weir, on the Wimmera, near Dimboola township; Antwerp Weir, on the Wimmera, at Antwerp Station home- stead; Jeparit Weir, on the Wimmera, near Jeparit township	8,663
Total	1,221,821

B.—MAIN SUPPLY WORKS.

IRRIGATION AND WATER SUPPLY DISTRICTS, WATERWORKS DISTRICTS, AND
FLOOD PROTECTION DISTRICTS.

Costs Apportioned and to be Apportioned to Districts benefited.

Name of Work.	Capital Debit at 30th June, 1935.	Tentative Debits to Districts, 1934–35.	
	£		
Goulburn Main Channels (Free Headworks excluded)—		Rodney £120,000	
1. East Goulburn Main	363,394	Tragowel Plains 100,000	
2. Waranga Reservoir to Campaspe ..	391,799	Rochester 74,000	
3. West of Campaspe	657,674	Tongala 58,000	
4. Goulburn Main Channel Distributaries ..	10,636	Shepparton 57,000	
	1,423,503	Katandra 30,000	
Goulburn Storages—		Deakin 24,000	
5. Eildon Reservoir	1,886,951	North Shepparton 21,000	
6. Waranga Reservoir Enlargement ..	608,029	Boort 20,000	
	2,494,980	Calivil 18,000	
Bacchus Marsh and Werribee Schemes—		Echuca North 17,000	
7. Ballan Tunnel	21,678	Dingee 15,000	
8. Pykes Creek Reservoir	142,149	Stanhope 15,000	
9. Melton Reservoir	85,848	South Shepparton 9,000	
	249,675	£578,000	
10. Bellarine Peninsula	469,222		1,423,503
Maffra-Sale Scheme—			
11. Glenmaggie Reservoir	663,683		
12. Main Channels and Distributary Works ..	585,658		
	1,249,341		2,494,980
Red Cliffs Scheme—			
13. Main and Distributary Channels ..	784,889	Capital allotted £200,899	249,675
Millewa District—		Capital allotted £325,297	469,222
14. Main and Distributary Channels ..	519,281		
Flood Protection Districts—		Capital allotted £205,905	1,249,341
15. Kooweerup and Cardinia	385,485	Capital allotted £483,793	784,889
16. Goulburn Levees	60,496	Capital allotted £246,119	519,281
	445,981	Capital allotted £161,243	445,981
Carried forward			8,858,693

WORKS UNDER CONTROL OF COMMISSION—*continued.*

**Capital Debit
at 30th June,
1935,
Exclusive
of Cost of Loan
Flotation.**

Brought forward

£
8,858,693

C.—IRRIGATION AND WATER SUPPLY DISTRICTS.

Distributary Works within Districts under the control of the Commission.

Name of District. (Including Urban Divisions.)	Total Capital Expenditure.	Capital Written Off by Acts 1625 and 1651.	Redemption Paid to Treasury.	Capital Debit at 30th June, 1935.
	£	£	£	£
1. Bacchus Marsh	115,519	8,906	493	106,120
2. Boort	116,326	35,259	1,794	79,273
3. Calivil	110,446	..	..	110,446
4. Campaspe	65,253	52,685	305	12,263
5. Cohuna and Gannawarra	408,567	82,376	1,386	324,805
6. Deakin	95,906	34,748	2,144	59,014
7. Dingee	17,227	..	..	17,227
8. Dry Lake	1,704	686	299	719
9. Echuca North	23,895	..	..	23,895
10. Fish Point	15,507	..	..	15,507
11. Katandra	106,298	..	..	106,298
12. Kerang	156,059	35,338	2,334	118,387
13. Koondrook	221,440	30,872	1,562	189,006
14. Leitchville	44,597	..	..	44,597
15. Merbein	233,740	..	133	233,607
16. Mystic Park	17,249	..	..	17,249
17. North Shepparton	192,839	..	..	192,839
18. Nyah	111,337	..	..	111,337
19. Rochester	334,236	..	..	334,236
20. Rodney	728,026	149,949	8,967	569,110
21. Shepparton	195,316	..	856	194,460
22. South Shepparton	59,573	..	..	59,573
23. Stanhope	116,124	..	53	116,071
24. Swan Hill	188,119	19,799	371	167,949
25. Third Lake	25,117	..	..	25,117
26. Tongala	155,548	..	..	155,548
27. Tragowel Plains	381,836	124,534	527	256,775
28. Tresco	91,290	..	..	91,290
29. Werribee	125,225	..	10,242	114,983
	4,454,319	575,152	31,466	3,847,701

3,847,701**D.—WATERWORKS DISTRICTS.**

Distributary Works within Districts under the control of the Commission.

Name of District. (Including Urban Districts.)	Total Capital Expenditure.	Capital Written Off by Acts 1625 and 1651.	Redemption Paid to Treasury.	Capital Debit at 30th June, 1935.
	£	£	£	£
1. Birchip	919,145	700	2,473	915,972
2. Sea Lake				
3. Tyrrell				
4. Wycheproof				
5. Carwarp	43,962	..	..	43,962
6. Coliban	1,646,233	..	..	1,646,233
7. Coreena	45,780	..	..	45,780
8. Dandenong	39,927	5,128	1,506	33,293
9. Dering	10,191	..	..	10,191
10. Eureka	4,091	..	..	4,091
11. Hindmarsh	20,884	..	..	20,884
12. Karkaroc	289,579	..	2,893	286,686
13. Kerang North-West Lakes	2,036	..	..	2,036
14. Kia	7,136	..	..	7,136
15. Long Lake	134,309	..	1,081	133,228
16. Mornington Peninsula	927,930	..	..	927,930
17. Newstead	11,869	..	..	11,869
18. Pyramid Hill	6,217	..	1,300	4,917
19. Tyntynder	278,500	..	60	278,440
20. Upper Western Wimmera	115,096	26,567	3,450	85,079
21. Upper Wimmera United	138,360	10,918	4,499	122,943
22. Walpeup Central	25,404	..	..	25,404
23. Walpeup West	36,003	..	..	36,003
24. Werribee	11,636	..	..	11,636
25. Western Wimmera	430,122	106,268	13,198	310,656
26. Wimmera United	293,532	25,474	10,231	257,827
27. Wonthaggi	78,616	..	9,071	69,545
28. Yelta	6,138	..	..	6,138
29. Wimmera Main Channels	122,242	..	..	122,242
30. Wimmera Storages— Fyans Lake Taylor's Lake Pine Lake Lake Whitton	Amounts being debited to Districts benefited 43,685 204,966 178,588 10,336	..	..	43,685 204,966 178,588 10,336
	6,082,513	175,055	49,762	5,857,696

5,857,696**Grand Total****£18,564,090**

STATEMENT OF LOAN LIABILITY.

STATEMENT of the amount provided by the State to meet Interest and Exchange thereon on its Loan Expenditure for Works of Water Supply, both State Works of Water Supply and Works vested in Authorities other than the Commission; and of the sums paid from the revenues of the Commission, and from the moneys received from such other Authorities, to provide such Interest and Exchange for the year ended 30th June, 1935 :—

Loan Liability of State for Works of Water Supply at 30th June, 1935 exclusive of Melbourne Water Supply.						Total Interest of £1,035,520 and Exchange thereon of £99,809 payable to—		Amount received from Revenues of all Authorities to meet Interest.
Total Advances, including Cost of Loan Flotation.		Deduct Redemption Paid.	Net Advances.	(A.) Amounts Written Off— (B.) Free Head-works. (C.) Uncompleted or Unallotted Works.	Balance at Debit of Authorities.	Interest and Exchange thereon payable by State on Net Advances.	(A.) Written Off— (B.) Free Head-works. (C.) Uncompleted or Unallotted Works	
£		£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Completed Works— Commission—	Waterworks Districts	5,280,929	50,796	5,230,133	5,055,078	233,659	(A.) 7,823	225,836
	Irrigation and Water Supply Districts	4,663,969	32,453	4,631,516	4,056,364	206,916	(A.) 25,697	181,219
	Goulburn Channel Works (Free Headworks excluded)	1,443,262	116	1,443,146	591,348	64,480	(C.) 38,058	26,422
	Pykes Creek, Melton, and Distributary Works	237,001	699	236,302	185,418	10,558	(C.) 2,272	8,286
Uncompleted or Unallotted Works— Commission—	Mornington Peninsula	956,193	766	955,427	689,349	42,685	(C.) 11,887	30,798
	Kooweerup, Cardinia, and other Flood Protection Schemes	414,631	15	414,616	166,414	18,522	(C.) 11,088	7,434
	Eildon Reservoir and Waranga Reservoir Enlargement	2,587,914	9,654	2,578,260	..	115,185	(C.) 115,185	..
	Maffra-Sale Irrigation and Water Supply District	1,286,663	903	1,285,760	212,186	57,443	(C.) 47,965	9,478
	Millewa Waterworks Districts	526,654	22	526,632	246,715	23,529	(C.) 12,507	11,022
	Red Cliffs Irrigation and Water Supply District	794,247	..	794,247	484,881	35,483	(C.) 13,820	21,663
	Bellarine Peninsula	471,458	46	471,412	311,364	21,060	(C.) 7,150	13,910
	Campaspe and Loddon Rivers Storages (proposed)	124,486	2,605	121,881	..	5,446	(C.) 5,446	..
	Waterworks Trusts (including First Mildura)	2,169,019	412,887	1,756,132	1,412,208	78,456	(A.) 15,364	63,092
	Local Bodies (Municipalities)	865,616	158,586	707,030	543,270	31,587	(A.) 7,317	24,270
Other Authorities.	River Murray Agreement Works	2,576,072	5,943	2,570,129	..	114,822	(C.) 114,822	..
	Irrigation and Waterworks Trusts Abolished	32,754	30	32,724	..	1,462	(A.) 1,462	..
	Free Headworks	1,266,505	420	1,266,085	..	56,563	(B.) 56,563	..
	Free Grants to Local Authorities	147,046	..	147,046	..	6,570	(B.) 6,570	..
	Surveys, Exploratory, and Preliminary Works, including Purchase of Land reserved for Reservoirs	311,306	104	311,202	..	13,903	(C.) 13,903	..
Totals		26,155,725	676,045	25,479,680	13,954,595	1,138,329	514,899	623,430
								251,769

£170,005 (After providing £23,803 for non-revenue producing works, including Free Head-works)

£81,764

Dated at the office of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission, Treasury Gardens, Melbourne, the 28th day of October, 1935.

RICHD. HORSFIELD, Chairman.

W. TREVEAN, Commissioner.

L. R. EAST, Commissioner.

P. J. O'MALLEY, Secretary.

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STATE RIVERS & WATER SUPPLY COMMISSION

BUNYIP RIVER

DIAGRAM OF MAXIMUM DISCHARGES

AT BUNYIP

1907 to 1935

CATCHMENT AREA 260 SQUARE MILES

Oct.

1907 Dec. Aug. 1908 Aug. 1909 Sept. 1910 June 1911 Sept. 1912 Sept. 1913 Nov. 1914 July. 1915 Oct. 1916 Sept. 1917 Sept. 1918 Sept. 1919 Sept. 1920 Oct. 1921 Sept. 1922 Oct. 1923 Oct. 1924 Aug. 1925 Sept. 1926 Oct. 1927 Oct. 1928 May 1929 May 1930 Dec. 1931 Oct. 1932 Oct. 1933 April 1934 April 1935

VICTORIA
STATE RIVERS AND WATER SUPPLY COMMISSION

MAP SHOWING
COMMISSION'S OPERATIONS IN SOUTH-CENTRAL DISTRICTS

REFERENCE

IRRIGATION DISTRICTS	.....	shown thus	
WATERWORKS DISTRICTS	.....	shown thus	
NATURAL WATER RESOURCES AND DRAINAGE CHANNELS	.....	shown thus	
TOWNS SUPPLIED-			
(a) ADMINISTERED BY COMMISSION	.....	shown thus	
(b) ADMINISTERED BY WATERWORKS TRUSTS	.....	shown thus	
TOWNS WITH SEWERAGE SYSTEMS OR PROPOSALS	.....	shown thus	
WORKS THUS-			
COMMISSION'S RESERVOIRS	.....	shown thus	
WEIRS	.....	shown thus	
SERVICE BASINS	.....	shown thus	
CHANNELS	.....	shown thus	
PIPE LINES	.....	shown thus	

Scale - 6 Miles to 1 inch

