

## Civil Service Baseball League.



MR. R. SIMS, President.



MR. H. E. HAYWARD, Secretary.

*The Civilian* has much pleasure in presenting the portraits of the two principal officers of the new Civil Service Baseball League. The president is Mr. R. Sims of the Census Branch and the secretary, Mr. H. E. Hayward of the Topographical Survey.

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### Correspondence.

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### Co-operation.

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Editors of *The Civilian*,—

Your article in last issue was a trumpet call to the civil service to assert its powers of self-help in the crisis which is upon us. For it is nothing less than a crisis. With the index figure as reported by the Department of Labour climbing higher

every month and now standing at the highest point known in our history, and with salaries either stationary or lagging hopelessly behind, the question of the cost of living becomes an issue almost of life or death.

Until recently there was something humorous about the little economies that had to be practised in order to avoid a reduction in the scale of living. But the thing has now gone beyond the limits of a joke. Some people have to economize on doctors' bills, and when it comes to that the plain English of it is that people's lives, and especially children's lives, are in danger.

And we are all in the same boat. The man with the small salary may have to live in a still smaller house than that to which he has been accustomed, but the man with the large salary finds himself compelled to deny to the growing boy or girl the education necessary to fit that boy or girl for the position in life to which