

address by Brigadier Renshaw (Salvation Army, Australia); "Life in Japan," by Brigadier (Miss) Smythe, M.A.; talk by Mr. Chas. Martin, Mus.Bac., on "A Tour through England and Germany"; "Adrift in an Open Boat"; "Weapons used during the Great War." Frequently at talks, musical items were given and community sings held. The Institution Medical Officer gave quarterly addresses.

*Rotary Club.*—The club arranges for one or more members to visit the association class once a week. This class is composed of about thirty of the best boys, and for Rotary purposes goes under the name of "the Kiwi Club." It keeps records of its meetings. Cigarettes are usually distributed at each meeting. During the year the following entertainments were given: Moving-pictures of Lake Tekapo and Milford Sound; various scenes by moving-picture; film of motor tour of United States of America, with views of testing plant of General Motors Corporation, Detroit; films of bread-making, boat-racing, &c.; pictures of New Zealand scenic resorts; travel talk on London, with special reference to Madame Taussaud's war museum, Tower Bridge, and zoo; talk on mineral oils, with samples; talk on Dutch East Indies and Singapore; film of coronation of King George VI, and of trip to Australia; talk on New Zealand West Coast; film of South Island scenery, also of Charlie Chaplin; talk on "Marie Celeste"—a test was set as to the best solution of the mystery; "Newspapers and their Development"; "Golf," with demonstration; "Federated Malay States"; "Reinforced Concrete, and Braicing and Trussing of Wooden Buildings"; "Submarines"; "Sojourn in England," by a Rhodes Scholar on visit; "Cruise of Raider 'Wolf'"; "Recollections of Great War"; "Trip to England and Europe"; films of Canada and Europe; demonstration of radios and sound-transmitting instruments; "History of Motor-cars"; pictures of travels in Australia and Central Otago; various humorous items. On one occasion a Rotary concert party came from Gore and gave an entertaining concert, at which all inmates were present, the evening included a talk on "A Trip Round the World."

*Toc H.*—A Toc H party attends on the last Sunday in the month, and all inmates available attend. Musical items are given, and there were talks on the following subjects: "Egypt"; "The Manufacture of Mustard"; "British Flags"; "Athletics"; "Trip to Milford Sound"; "Youth Movement in Roumania"; "Great War Experiences."

On other occasions Toc H members met the association class. Two evenings at draughts have been played; and once there was a debate, the subject being "That newspapers and periodicals are published for enlightenment and not for personal gain."

*W.E.A. Class.*—The work of this class has already been mentioned under "Education." Further details of the programme carried out are included here: At the opening meeting the objects and benefits of the class were explained; the European crisis was discussed; there was a talk on the visit of Their Majesties the King and Queen to Canada and the United States of America; a lecture on explosives; a discussion on world affairs; lectures were given by three inmates on "The Electric Film Projector," "Car-painting," and "Holidaying in Australia." Eight inmates took part in a debate that "New Zealand is in a Position to withstand a Foreign Invasion." A further debate, this time with a W.E.A. team, took place later on; and still another debate on the subject "That the Hire-purchase System is a benefit to the Community" was held with the W.E.A. During the session there were three play-readings.

*Band.*—The Salvation Army Band attends on one Sunday afternoon each month and plays selections.

Cricket, football, and tennis are all well catered for and fully taken part in by the boys. The cricket team was successful in regaining possession of the *Times* Cup, which it lost last year after holding it for the previous three years. Besides competition games under the Southland Cricket Association, many friendly matches are played with outside teams. On 14th October, 1939, the official opening of the cricket season was held on the recreation ground, with the usual match—Staff v. Boys. There were present, among others, the President of the Cricket Association; Mr. W. M. C. Denham, M.P. for Invercargill; and Mr. J. Pickard, a City Councillor representing the Mayor. The staff suffered the usual defeat—perhaps owing to increasing age. The Battalion Band was in attendance.

Football is very popular, and many good games have been played. There is a team in the competition under the Southland Rugby Union each year; and the boys play among themselves. Much interest is also shown in the broadcast of any big football match during the season, for which other games are sometimes postponed.

Tennis has a good hold, and two courts are usually available, one hard inside the quadrangle, and one grass in the recreation-ground.

With the tepid baths, swimming can be indulged in all the year round. Swimming and life-saving classes are conducted by the Oreti Surf Life-saving Club, the instructors being Mr. A. J. Kingsland and his assistants Messrs. Mitchell and Cameron. At the examination held, seven inmates gained bronze medals (of the Royal Life-saving Society); one, an Intermediate Certificate; three gained passes in Resuscitation; and two, Awards of Merit.

A class in first aid was again conducted by officers of St. John Ambulance Brigade. Physical drill is part of the usual routine of the institution, classes being held in the gymnasium by an instructor from the Boys' High School.

In July, 1939, a new "Ultimate" radio set was installed for the benefit of the inmates. Seven speakers are attached, whereby the different parts of the institution can be given music, news, &c., the whole being controlled from the Deputy Superintendent's office.

In view of the outbreak of war, necessitating economy, and the fact that camping and cooking equipment was not available this year from the Defence Department, the annual camp was not held as heretofore. In order, however, that the boys would not be deprived of some form of outside entertainment, it was decided to hold one or more picnics.