Since our last notes a new Y.M.C.A. in all its pristine glory has risen on the site of the weather beaten tent. Two carpenters, assisted by a bunch of Gunners, have for a week or more been hard at work, hammering for long hours with an occasional break for a welcome cup of tea in Les's "parlour." Temporary accommodation for the "boys" was provided by erecting the ancient tent in the vicinity of the kitchen, so that the evening's supper could be easily carried across the "wide open spaces" to the hungry mob around the piano or playing table-tennis.

We understand that the "boys" are contemplating putting on a Camp Show in the near future. Local talent should be much in demand. So rally round you singers, dancers, burlesque experts, and musicians. Pet monkeys and performing fleas only are strictly barred.

The Library part of the Y.M.C.A. is shortly to be classified and tidied up generally. There will be an extensive "purge" of reading matter over 50 years old, and possibly some additions in the periodical line especially. The Librarian of the Christchurch Public Library has also promised us a supply of books which will be gratefully accepted. We may add that donations of books are always an asset. We prfer them to have a beginning and an ending, the title page and cover at least. If the middle is missing it is just too bad! And as cleanliness is next to godliness clean books are always best. In the past banana skins and insoles have frequently been left inside reading matter as bookmarks, in addition to dead moths, extinct beetles and other decomposed matter, ad lib. Let's take a pride in our Library. Gunners.

The new Y.M.C.A. Hut has been donated a stage and fittings by the people of Rangiora, an action which is much appreciated by the boys. On a recent Sunday during the process of taring of the Hut roof complications resulted. Some of the "Tarzans" mounted on the roof were liberally besmeared from head to foot. A few feathers would have completed the picture.

Recently installed in the Y.M. is a milk-shake machine, a welcome novelty. A wet canteen would probably be a greater novelty still, says a Gunner. O00000

HOW TO WIN A GAL

Meet her on Sunday. Make fun of her on Monday. Slap her on Tuesday. Insult her family on Wednesday. Laugh at her on Thursday. Spank her, deride her, criticise her, accuse her on Friday. Marry her on Saturday.

- "W.A.G. Signal" (Canada).

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