

"The 1936 Olympiad"; "Java and Singapore"; "The Great War"; "Outline of Music"; "The English Sergeant-Major"; "Rain and Rivers"; "Refrigeration"; "Means of Communication"; "Music", illustrated by gramophone records; "Printing and Process Blocks"; "The Gallipoli Campaign"; "Ancient and Modern Buildings"; "Modern Machinery"; "The Springboks"; "Self-control"; "The Castle of Colchester"; "Heroes of the Maori Wars"; "Modern Factory"; "Steel and Concrete Construction"; "Voice-production"; "A Trip to the Coronation"; "Sport"; "Sino-Japanese War"; "Famous Athletes"; "Experiences as an Entertainer with the Diggers during the Great War"; "Egypt"; "The Eastern Situation"; "Lost Horizon"; "Anzac"; "Fruit-growing in South Australia"; "Christmas Lore and Ritual"; "Christmas Carols."

We are indebted to Toc H for many of the addresses itemized above. The branch visit the institution regularly. Talks on trips abroad are given by actual travellers, and so are usually made more realistic.

The Invercargill Rotary Club sends members along once weekly to visit the association class, which for the time being is the Kiwi Club. Impromptu discussions are often held. One evening moving-pictures of mountain-climbing at Queenstown were shown. During the year addresses on the following subjects were given: "Count von Luckner"; "Cheese-manufacturing in New Zealand"; "The History of Recreation"; "Description of the Coronation Ceremony"; "Fishing by Zane Grey in New Zealand," and moving-pictures: "A Trip on the Amazon River"; "A Trip to England and America"; "Aeroplane Accidents and Flying Blind"; "Timber and its Products"; "Deep Sea Monsters and Diving for Turtles"; "The Italian Road Race"; "Trip to Australia"; "Football and Experiences as a Referee"; "Nansen, the Arctic Explorer"; "Spies during the Great War"; "Trip to the Southern Lakes and Mountains"; "Diesel Engines"; "Five Years in India"; "Moving-pictures of Native Life at Rotorua, the Southern Lakes, and Oreti Beach, Southland"; "Pigs, Pork, and Bacon"; "Aeroplanes and Flying Methods"; "Trip to Europe and South Africa"; "The 'Queen Mary'"; "Experiences in the Great War"; "Malay"; "The Salvaging of Ships"; "Artillery and Methods used in the War"; and "Parachute Jumping."

On one occasion a one-act play called "Larry O'More" was presented by a party from St. Mary's Basilica. This was well received. An interesting diversion was a debate between members of the Marist Old Boys' Debating Club and a team from the institution. The subject chosen was one to which prominence is being given at the present time—namely, "That Physical Culture should be made compulsory to the Youth of New Zealand." The Borstal side took the affirmative. A member of the Invercargill Borstal Society acted as chairman and time-keeper and a City Councillor as judge. It was a spirited debate on both sides, but the verdict went to the Marist team, which had no doubt an educational advantage. At the conclusion some helpful criticism was given by the judge, and entertaining sketches by others.

It can be claimed that this department can be a very practical means for bringing about reformation. With this object in view, much attention is given to promoting bodily health conjoined with a sane mental outlook.

Tennis has gone ahead by leaps and bounds, but there is only one court available. Some of the boys are quite adept at this game. Various matches are played with visiting teams. A member of a local sports depot has been of great help in giving instruction in the art of restringing racquets. The fives court is used by those boys not interested in or able to participate in other games.

It seems that Rugby takes pride of place as being the most popular game at the institution. During the season two teams took part in the competition under the union, but, contrary to expectations, did not arrive at the top. As we have a floating population it will be appreciated that it is difficult to keep up to a certain standard. The weather interfered on occasion, but, all things considered, it was a good season; and if something was done to achieve the object mentioned above it will be granted that that is more to be desired than winning competitions. House matches always sustain the interest—they are usually played on Saturdays as curtain-raisers to the competition matches.

Cricket is, of course very popular. The Institution still holds from last season the *Times* Cup for Junior B Grade. It has been retained for three years now. A good effort is being put up to keep it this season as well. The 1937-38 cricket season was opened with the fixture Staff *v.* Boys. This function has developed into a social affair. His Worship the Mayor attended and bowled the first ball. Members of the Southland Cricket Association were also present, while music was supplied by the Highland Pipe Band. Afternoon tea was served in a marquee to the visitors. The boys won the game. If social contact is helpful, then this type of function should assist in that direction.

Swimming and life-saving was under the direction of the Oreti Surf Life-saving Club, members of which have for several years past freely given their time and ability towards instructing the inmates. Many of the boys showed remarkable improvement. In April of 1937 the class of 18 was taken to the town tepid baths for final examination. These results were: bronze medallion, 2; intermediate certificates, 4; proficiency certificates, 2; resuscitation passes, 6; and second-class instructional, 1.

A first-aid class under the instruction of the St. John's Ambulance Brigade was commenced early in April, and carried on for a term. No examination was held, but it is understood that satisfactory progress was made by those who attended the class.

Physical drill is part of the routine of the institution. Most of the lads are required to take part. The instructor is from the Southland Boy's High School.

Before closing this section it is necessary to record thanks for assistance given by way of cash donations, sports material, personal instruction, &c., by the following: Southland Rugby Union,