

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AND PUBLIC RESERVE DEPARTMENT, SOUTH AFRICA

VISITATION OF INSTITUTIONS With Children Under Seven Years of
 REPORT OF INSPECTOR ON SALVATION ARMY BOYS' HOME, MOUNT BARKER.

No. of Children under 7. 1 Over 7. 44.

Maximum Accommodation provided for ... 45 DATE

SLEEPING ACCOMMODATION

These details apply to children under seven only
 Type of Accommodation ... Single beds and dormitories
 Whether suitable ... Yes.
 Night supervision or attendance ... Passive... Matron.
 Cots ... Nil.
 Beds ... Wooden.
 Mattresses ... Buttoned flock.
 Bed Clothing ... Suitable.
 Lockers, etc. ... Nil.
 Floor Coverings ... Polished lin and boards

COOKING, MENU AND MEAL FACILITIES

Type and suitability of stove ... Wood stove.
 Who prepares meals ... Cook... Matron assists.
 Menu adequate, varied and suitable ... Yes.
 Is grace said ... Yes.
 Dining room facilities - room, furniture, table amenities ...
 Tables to seat four and some six... Individual chairs. Lin floor.
 Kitchen suitable ... Yes, but very old.

BATHING AND SANITARY CONVENIENCES

Suitable and sufficient ... Showers, hand basins and foot baths.
 Laundry suitable and adequate ... Yes.
 Is warm water permanently provided ... No... Furnace only lighted.
 How often are children bathed? approximately three times a week.
 Wash daily. Several showers a week.

RECREATION AND PLAY FACILITIES

Outside ... Swings, see-saws and sports ground.
 Inside ... Two large bare rooms.
 How organised staff ...
 Piano provided ... Yes, in the dining room.
 Wireless provided ... No - broken.

CLOTHING (According to Season)

Adequate and suitable ... Yes.
 How housed ... In large cupboards.

EDUCATION

Kindergarten, pre-school, school, other organised type Primary
 School on the premises... One man teacher assisted by a woman two
 or three days a week.

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION

How often ... Daily and three times on Sunday.
 By whom ... Major in Charge.
 Are prayers encouraged ... Yes.

GENERAL APPEARANCE

Institution - outside and inside ... Very old but clean.
 Surroundings ... Reasonably well tended.
 Furniture ... Suitable for institution.
 Children ... Boys appear happy. Most of them were at recreation when
 I called. Children have various cutings - Scouts and Cubs. Have
 their own birds, animals etc.

OTHER MATTERS

Sufficient staff ... Yes.
 Comments by Inspector ... Nothing has yet been done to improve the
 bathing facilities, in this home, but additions and renovations
 have been made including a new Spin-Dryer for the laundry.
 Recommendations by Inspector (if any) for office consideration

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INSPECTOR.

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