

FIELD BRANCH

REPORT ON VISIT TO INSTITUTION OR HOME.

NAME OF INSTITUTION OR HOME... *The Salvation Army Boys Home - McLean*

NAME OF SUPERINTENDENT OR PERSON IN CHARGE... *Brigadier Lambie*

PERSON IN CHARGE AT TIME OF VISIT... *Superintendent*

MAXIMUM ACCOMMODATION PROVIDED FOR... *40*... DATE... *13/7/70*

NUMBER OF CHILDREN UNDER 12 YEARS OF AGE... *23*

N.B. Field Officers are requested to use the following headings as a guide when reporting on the Facilities and Care provided.

SLEEPING ACCOMMODATION (Type - suitability - supervision - age groups provided for)

This accommodation is satisfactory. However 15 beds are utilizing temporary accommodation; 9 in one of the recreation rooms in the new wing, 6 sharing 2 rooms in the old building. This arrangement should not continue for too long a period.

KITCHEN & DINING FACILITIES (Cooking - menu - amenities - supervision)

Adequate

ABLUTION, TOILET & LAUNDRY FACILITIES (Special toilets, baths etc. for younger children, Comment on laundry. Query if any done by children and facilities).

Plans are in hand for the erection of a new laundry to replace the present cramped facilities. Toilet, showering, & washing facilities are good in the new wing, although these facilities may be somewhat congested by the number of boys in this wing at present. The old toilet used to be very much at school, are adequate, but get at times of

RECREATION FACILITIES (Indoor - outdoor)

Adequate, but once again required by the temporary conversion of one recreation room into a dormitory. The main recreation hall is cold & sparse, but meets the demands of its use for more boisterous-type activities.

CLOTHING (Adequate, suitable)

Satisfactory.

EDUCATION FACILITIES (Within Institution or Home or attend outside school or kindergarten)

Arrangements have not changed from other years. The school building on the premises is to be re-decorated in the

MEDICAL & DENTAL CARE (How provided?)

Arrangements as in previous year.

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION (By whom provided - Institution or attend outside Church etc.)

Arrangements as in previous years. Superintendent is somewhat unoccupied, & religious training & I would suggest this would be intensively concentrated on the Home.

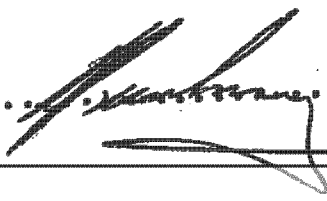
GENERAL APPEARANCE & UPKEEP OF INSTITUTION OR HOME (Inside, outside, Furnishings)

The Home's appearance is characteristic of a large country home on a rural setting. The grounds are tidy & reasonably well kept. Efforts are obviously being made to ensure the furnishings are as comfortable as possible for the boys.

- (1) Number involved with care of children..... 6.....
- (2) Number of Domestic or Handymen etc. (with minimal contact with children).... 3 + 2 P/T.....
- (3) Staff Training (How and where provided).... This matter is to be further considered. Details of Health, Soc. & Development Course have been provided to Exch. Seminars.
- (4) Voluntary Assistants.....
- (5) Visiting Specialists or Consultants.....

COMMENTS BY FIELD OFFICER.

Their age apparent, limitations in the care that the Home can provide. But there are, partly due to the aged Superintendent's inflexibility & "old-fashioned" attitude. It will be retirement at the end of the year, the Home should be able to provide a better standard of care.

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