

(j) *Maori Land Court Proceedings*

Preparing data for housing subdivisions and assisting the Court in the preparation of housing schemes. Arranging and prosecuting applications for succession, partition, adoption, and trusteeship of Maori children.

(k) *Moral Welfare*

Supervision of moral welfare is necessary mainly in the cities and seaports where the opportunities for delinquency are present. Occasionally Welfare Officers, in co-operation with the police, visit ships in the harbours and houses of doubtful reputation. Often girls are picked up by the police and are referred to Welfare Officers, who either send them home or escort them back to their homes and parents.

(l) *Police and Court Proceedings*

Welfare Officers keep in close touch with the police and officers of the Magistrate's Court in regard to Maori offenders or those who appear to have no visible means of support. Welfare Officers appear in Court or arrange for counsel to appear in appropriate cases, and they also work in close co-operation with Probation Officers. Arrangements have been made with prison authorities to advise Welfare Officers of Maoris being released, so that they can be contacted and assisted as may be necessary.

(m) *Rehabilitation*

Close contact is maintained with the Rehabilitation Department and ex-servicemen in regard to housing accommodation, trade training, bursaries, and farming and business loans.

(n) *Social and Recreation*

Activities under this heading embrace the organization of Maori social and recreational clubs, sports clubs, and other activities which cater for the leisure-hours of the people, and particularly the youth of the race. Welfare Officers encourage membership of these clubs and participation by the young people in healthy forms of sport and recreation. With competent instructors, Maori arts and crafts could be revived through social clubs or any type of organization where the young people get together for social or recreational enjoyment.

(o) *Social Security*

Assisting the Social Security Department in the investigation of cases where there is any complaint as to the proper application of benefit-moneys.

(p) *Staff Visits*

The Maori worker, whether male or female, prefers to work in pairs or groups. Thus Maori pairs or groups are frequently found employed in domestic service, factories, freezing-works, public works, and motor-engineering concerns. Visits are made periodically by Welfare Officers to meet the Maori workers and their employers and discuss their difficulties and problems.

(q) *Vocational Guidance*

This aspect of a Welfare Officer's duties is becoming increasingly important. The Welfare Officer must see that the case of every boy and girl of school leaving age is brought under the notice of the Vocational Guidance Officer for placement, and of the National Employment Service for employment.