

sales are made privately and consignments sent to the Marketing Department. Garden work provides an interesting and instructive occupation for inmates with leanings towards that line. All kitchen vegetables are grown, also a goodly area of tomatoes, and a balanced vegetable diet is available for the institution throughout the year. In the garden section, tobacco-growing is also carried out and quite a good-quality leaf is produced. A fair amount of knowledge is required in the growing, harvesting, and curing of the tobacco-leaf. The leaf is grown, dried in the heated kilns, baled and sent to Auckland Prison for manufacture. The leaf produced here goes a long way in the providing of tobacco for inmates confined in the prisons throughout New Zealand.

An apiary of some 60 hives of bees is maintained and quite satisfactory results are produced from this side line.

Maintained on the staff here is an experienced tradesman carpenter, and any inmates who are so inclined have an opportunity to learn this trade. With the large numbers of buildings, residences, and farm buildings, maintenance is continuous and good experience can be obtained. Plumbing is another trade which can be learned. A qualified plumber is on the staff, and, as with other trades, varied and good training can be given to any inmate who is keen to do so.

Ration issues have been maintained at a high level throughout the year, with all meat, vegetables, milk, &c., being provided from the farm and other sections. The bakehouse has continued to function well and has met all needs with a product of good quality.

The standard of clothing worn has been subject to some limitations of supply, but in the main the shortages which were apparent throughout the year are being overcome and supplies are now practically normal again. The sewing, mending, and washing of inmates' clothing has been carried out satisfactorily.

The successful running of the institution and its activities is dependent on the loyal assistance and co-operation of every member of the staff. I accordingly wish to record my appreciation of the help and assistance given me.

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