

SIXTH DAY - 25 January. We left Lincoln at 9am and drove to the Station to check our luggage, then met Mr. Mitchell at the Botanical Gardens and spent the morning strolling through the native section. A beautiful place with everything set out in attractive order, we saw many plants we had not seen before. Back at the bus at eleven thirty we were kept waiting by some of our delinquents who got lost in this big area, but we managed to return to the College not too late for lunch. Some of us spent the afternoon at D. S. I. R. and Dr. Moore showed us through the glasshouses. We returned for dinner and after saying goodbye to the good people at Lincoln College, left at six twenty for the boat train. The 'Maori' left Lyttleton at 8pm and arrived in Wellington after a calm trip at 7am on Sunday.

SEVENTH DAY - 26 January. Had breakfast at the Station in Wellington, then went by bus to the Otari Gardens which were very interesting, and afterwards to the Botanical Gardens where some beautiful Begonias were seen. After lunch we repaired to the Dominion Museum where the Botanist Mr. Hamlin treated us to some educational pictures of plants and animals in South Africa which provided a delightful finish to a glorious trip. We caught the Limited at seven thirty and arrived back in Auckland at eight fifty on Monday morning, feeling very tired but extremely happy.

We are very grateful to Dr. Godley and his staff - Dr. Lucy Moore, Miss Ruth Mason and Miss MacMillan, for their unstinted help on this trip. Without their assistance we should have been under a great handicap. Let us hope we can help them in some small way in return.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING -- 4 March 1964.

The existing administrative section was re-elected with virtually no change. Mr. Lediard and Mr. Butler exchanged places as President and Vice President, and Mr. James took Miss Segars place on the committee. Miss Crookes was made a life member in recognition of her 27 years of service to the Society, and presented with a rather nice silver tray, suitably inscribed, as a memento. Her record is indeed remarkable. Foundation member; Editor for 20 years; three times President - the only lady member to hold that honour.

Three series of slides were shown. Mr. Beevers excellent shots of Yonia australis from the taraire forests at Glorit; a most interesting and picturesque run of scenes in Europe, from Germany to Norway, shown and explained by Mrs. Wood; and finally some colourful Australian wildflowers described by Mrs. Prickett. E. D. H.

NEW PUBLICATIONS - - - May I draw your attention to an excellent little book. Plants of the New Zealand Coast by Lucy B. Moore - splendidly illustrated by Nancy Adams. Pauls Book Arcade 15/-