



BASKETBALL

Last Wednesday night saw a large crowd turn up at the Welfare Hall to watch a combined night of basket ball.

At 7.p.m. the curtain raised, two dormitory teams came out on to the court. These girls, looked very smart in their uniforms of yellow (Waratah Team) and blue and white (Jubilee). Waratahs were far too good for their opponents and won with a wide margin.

Following this came the next set, the dormitory girls (Shamrocks) in green versus the settlement girls (Swifts) in white. The audience was most impressed with a display of sizzling passes and accurate goal throwing. Swifts beat Shamrocks with a comfortable margin.

After a swift change of goal posts the men came on. First of all Thunderbirds (in black initialled shorts) played Rainbows (white initialled singlets). In the short time these men have been playing they have improved out of sight, and we were treated to a good display of passing and dribble work. Rainbows won this match with a fairly wide margin.

Bluebirds and Grey Clouds fought it out next, and even though these two teams consist mainly of novices they managed to put on a good show, Greyclouds winning by a very narrow margin.

During the evening two shields were displayed for all to see. These shields have been donated by Mr. R.H. Bartlam for a basketball fixture season, both men and women, so we shall see some good play as all teams strive to win.

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#### FUNGUS CAN BE FRIEND

When you see a mushroom-like fungus growing in your garden don't pull it out for it has a useful purpose.

Fungi, say horticulture experts, play a big part in soil fertility. Without fungi, forests would become an impenetrable mass of dead wood.

And some seeds, especially in the orchid family, will not even germinate unless there are certain forms of fungi present.

It's believed the fungus supplies certain sugars for the germ seeds to feed on.