do not take much interest in Rugby, soccer is their game, because, generally, they are not physically a match for the Fijians at knock-em-down Rugby.

The question now stands - Australia and New Zealand ought to explore ways to bring out the great football talents of the South Sea Island races. Why not play other Island footballers? Why knows we might see our own Palm Island footballers playing one of the teams from the South Sea Islands.

FAREWELL TO MR. BEN SMITH

Owing to ill health Mr. Ben Smith resigned from his position as Settlement Overseer. A well liked but shy person Mr. Smith did not like parties and so avoided them. He was a hard man to corner but Mr. Eartlam managed to catch him at the office on Tuesday morning.

Mr. Bartlam said he knew Mr. Smith was hard to corner but the staff wished to show some recognition of his work as Settlement Overseer, with the gift of a travelling rug, which he knew would come in kery handy at this time of the year in Brisbane.

With a very quiet "Thank you", Mr. Smith accepted the gift, but Mr. Bartlam, the Staff and the people of Palm Island knew, this quiet shy man felt very sad and reluctant to leave.

Good luck and better health Mr. Smith. The people of Palm Island presented Mr. Smith with a very nice travelling bag, the presentation was made while on parade .

WELFARE MEETING

The regular weekly meeting of the Welfare Association

was held on Tuesday night.

The results of the Photography competition are as follows - The best picture prize went to Miss Myra Patterson. The best picture of Settlement Activity prize to Mr. Neville Bonner.