

# C. S. O.

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(Formerly)

SUBJECT :

SEWAGE DISPOSAL IN THE CAMP

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CONNECTED FILES.

NUMBER AND YEAR.

92/42  
26/44

Sewage Disposal  
" " (General)

EXTRACT FROM HON. S.M. O'S Report on North Camp Tour of 13.5.47.

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1). SEWAGE. This sounds medical, but the feature I wish to stress is agricultural. I did not pull a plug from the time I left hospital till I got home; medically this is poor, but what distresses me is that the buckets are emptied into the sea or a creek, never into compost pits. We are often told that the only worth while industry in this colony is the turning of very poor grass into good wool (Cameron et alia, personal communication) May I submit, for consideration of the future Agricultural Adviser, that the use of compost pits and septic tank latrines is capable of vastly improving both vegetable gardens and the cattle carrying capacity of settlement paddocks, and urge that such work should be considered by Govt. as "spending money in an approved manner for the benefit of the land!"

*Of course - has been employed with great success in Kamo.*

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*(sgd) Miles Blifford.*

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Inst. Minute Paper.

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H.S.M.O.

Unless you wish to add anything to p. 1 at this stage, I propose to B.C. for Ag. Office.

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H.C.S. agree H.S.M.O.

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R. keep in view when you make your report on Camp conditions.

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H.C.S.

Noted will bear in mind whilst on Tour in the Camp. J.P.O. 9/10/48.

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After touring the Camp I am of the opinion that in general the sanitary arrangements are superior to those obtaining in much of Rural England!

The population is much sparser, worms in children seem to be unknown & the climate is cool.

The only danger seem to lie in the earth closets, especially if the pig population were suddenly to increase so I recommend that such closets should be converted to either pan or water flushed W.C.s.

All Managers appreciate this & are actively implementing schemes as at Goose Green & Teal Inlet to increase amenities by improving sewage disposal.

That is so.

P.T.O.

6 m Weddell closets are situated over running water near to the sea  
 and at Port Stevens Fox Bay Charter Hill Cove Pebble & Bay Cove San Carlos  
 Darwin & Freyroy flush lavatories are installed in Managers Houses  
 Compost pits will not come into use in the Islands at present  
 for 2 reasons.

1. There is no labour to operate this unpleasant job
2. Much animal manure & animal flesh is at present wasted  
 which could so much more easily & superiorly be used to  
 improve land.

J.P.O. 22/9/48  
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H.S.M.O.

You will be interested to see.

HOS

Yes, my interest is indeed  
 All 22/9/48.

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Put by - might soil (if available in sufficient quantity)  
 does nevertheless make a highly valuable compost.

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