Macfarlane Downs, at Clydevale, 5,073 acres. Acquired, July, 1948. Objective: Four sheep-farms for allotment, 1949. Development programme: Regrass 400 acres, erect one dwelling and one barn-implement shed, and repair 100 chains fencing. Progress: 115 acres regrassed. Arrangements made for lease of adjoining Wharetoa Schoolhouse pending the erection of new dwelling. One ex-serviceman is employed with the promise of a section.

Matau, at Inch Clutha, 202 acres. Acquired, June, 1947. Objective: Two dairy-farms for allotment, 1949. Development programme: Regrass 170 acres; erect 80 chains barbed-wire fencing and repair 40 chains; erect one dwelling, two cow-byres, and one barn-implement shed; repair flood damage by regrassing a further 105 acres; and extend water-supply. Progress: 170 acres regrassed, including area damaged by flood, 80 chains fencing erected and 20 chains repaired, and new dwelling commenced. Difficulty being experienced in obtaining a satisfactory tender for erection of cow-sheds, and possible that allotment will have to be held over until 1950. The manager is an ex-serviceman, with the promise of a section.

Moa Flat, at Heriot, 15,036 acres. Acquired, March, 1947. Objective: Three sheep-farms for allotment, 1950. Development programme: Regrass 504 acres, erect 300 chains and repair 200 chains fencing, erect three new dwellings and three barn-implement sheds, repair existing buildings and sheep and cattle yards, and install water pumps. Progress: 251 acres regrassed, 260 chains fences repaired, sheep and cattle yards repaired, existing buildings repaired, new dwellings commenced, and pumps installed. This property has actually been subdivided into four sheep-farms, but one is reserved for a member of the family from which it was acquired. It is anticipated that the three sections for ex-servicemen settlement will be allotted on fixed charges in May, 1950. Three ex-servicemen on the property, with promises of sections.

Moeraki, at Moeraki, 4,634 acres. Acquired, March, 1947. Objective: Twelve sheep-farms for allotment—ten in 1951 and two in 1952. Development programme: Erect 8 new dwellings, one wool-shed, and nine barn-implement sheds; remove one dwelling and resite, extend, and renovate; renovate 2 existing dwellings; erect sheep yards and dip; extend water-supply (major operation); form and metal 200 chains of road; erect 850 chains and repair 200 chains fences; and regrass 1,666 acres.

Progress: 501 acres regrassed; 50 chains fences repaired; and erection of five dwellings, four barn-implement sheds, and one wool-shed substantially completed. Development is delayed because there is insufficient accommodation for staff. When the new dwellings are completed it will be possible to engage a further five ex-servicemen, with promises of sections. At present three ex-servicemen are employed, with promises of sections.

Moyola, at Heriot, 973 acres. Acquired, May, 1946. Objective: Two sheep-farms for allotment, 1949. Development programme: Regrass 265 acres, erect 70 chains and repair 60 chains fencing, convert large homestead into two separate dwellings, erect one barn-implement shed, and renovate and repair men's quarters. Progress: Development completed, and the two sections will be allotted on fixed charges in June, 1949. One ex-serviceman is employed, with the promise of a section.

Papanui, at Cape Saunders, 1,092 acres. Acquired, March, 1934. Development completed and property allotted to two ex-servicemen and to two civilians, who had promises of sections. Balance area, 199 acres, to be subdivided between these men.

Rippleburn at Balclutha, 733 acres. Acquired, July, 1945. Objective: Two sheep-farms for allotment, 1949. Development programme: Regrass 266 acres, erect 80 chains fencing, erect one new dwelling and one barn-implement shed, and metal 20 chains access track. Progress: New buildings completed, 183 acres regrassed, and 20 chains access track metalled. Development has reached such a stage that the two sections can be alloted on fixed charges in June, 1949.