

The following butterfat production chart shows a decided increase on last season :—

Farm No.			Area.	Cows.	Butterfat.	Value.	Average per Cow.	Carrying-capacity.
			Aces.		lb.	£		Cows.
1 ..	..	..	71	33	5,329	219	162	35
2 ..	..	..	60	18	5,392	225	299	25
3 ..	..	..	56	21	5,430	225	259	30
4 ..	..	..	46	20	5,029	204	251	25
5 ..	..	..	47	26	6,332	259	244	30
			280	118	27,512	1,132	233	145

### Onewhero.

*Onewhero Proper.*—This section comprises an area of 720 acres, parts of which are practically level with the Waikato River and are subject to flooding. Development is consequently a somewhat costly process, although much work has already been undertaken on the swamp areas. The successful settlement of this position of Onewhero is also dependent on provision for an adequate water-supply, a matter which is at present being investigated with a view to ascertaining the most efficient system of reticulation.

Housing conditions generally are not good and will receive attention in due course.

*Opuatia.*—Only 8 acres of new pasture were laid down during the year. Sixty chains of new fencing were erected and much repair work undertaken. One new house has been built. Rabbits and noxious weeds have been kept in check. The country is suitable for mixed farming, and it is proposed to supply sheep to some of the units. Generally, this section of Onewhero is poorly watered.

*Mercer.*—One unit is established across the river at Mercer and is making good progress, although the blackberry menace is a continuous problem.

*Mangatangi.*—This section of the scheme suffered during the recent floods, a large area of land being taken away and river erosion destroying fences and road access to the back sections. Five new houses were erected during the year, and the units are now comfortably housed. No new work has been undertaken during the year. General maintenance requires constant attention, particularly in regard to checking the spread of blackberry.

*Koheroa.*—Only one unit is active at Koheroa and, in the face of adverse conditions, is milking 15 cows and maintaining his farm to advantage. The other section at Koheroa is still vacant, and the question of farming the property is under consideration.

Further information in regard to Onewhero, which is a "blanket scheme" divided into five sections and covering a group of twenty-nine units, is supplied in tabulated form :—

Item.	Onewhero Proper.	Opuatia.	Mercer.	Mangatangi and Koheroa.	Waikarakia.	Totals.
Area under development ..	718 acres	1,317 acres	50 acres	462 acres	273 acres	2,820 acres
Area in grass .. ..	385 acres	970 acres	35 acres	320 acres	110 acres	1,820 acres
Number of units .. ..	10	8	1	8	2	29
Number of persons dependent on scheme (adults and minors)	74	57	4	30	8	173
Dairying stock .. ..	224	264	21	120	65	694
Horses .. ..	15	13	1	12	6	47
Butterfat-production for year	33,311 lb.	31,107 lb.	3,004 lb.	20,991 lb.	8,253 lb.	96,666 lb.
Average per cow .. ..	228 lb.	153 lb.	200 lb.	218 lb.	150 lb.	190 lb.

### Waahi.

Of vast importance from a policy point of view, this scheme now comprises four farms occupied by members of the Mahuta family, three being at Waahi, Huntly, and one at Rotowaro.

One farm at Waahi was divided between two of the late Te Rata Mahuta's brothers—Tonga Mahuta and Te Rauangaanga Mahuta. The third Waahi farm, now since his father's death occupied by Kingi Koroki (the present Maori "King"), is managed by a competent man, and shows a marked increase in production. All the units, members of the Mahuta family, are capable farmers, and evince a keen practical interest in the policy of land-development among the Waikato people, justifying the great faith shown by the late Kingi te Rata and his cousin, Te Puea Herangi, in its beneficial results.