

**Papakajo.**—Sound films on agricultural subjects exhibited by Messrs. S. H. Saxby and T. Sellwood, Department of Agriculture.

**Tokarahi.**—Sound films on agricultural subjects exhibited by Messrs. S. H. Saxby and T. A. Sellwood, Department of Agriculture. At the previous meeting Mr. B. Blackmore showed and described lantern slides illustrating livestock in America and Great Britain; and at an earlier meeting a debate was held, the subject being "Which is the most suitable type of Farming for the District, Agricultural or Pastoral?" The supporters of the Agricultural farming were declared the winners. A discussion on "Recruiting" was held, and the majority of the members decided to join up with the local Territorial unit.

**Waitaki-Hilderthorpe.**—Sound films on agricultural subjects exhibited by Messrs. S. H. Saxby and T. A. Sellwood, Department of Agriculture. At the previous meeting lantern slides illustrating livestock in America and Great Britain were shown and described by Mr. B. Blackmore.

**South Canterbury.**

**Arno.**—Address by Mr. B. L. Elphick on "The Winter Feeding of Breeding Ewes."

**Cannington-Cave.**—Debating team selected. Report on meeting with Southburn and Maungati Clubs to arrange debating contest for Howell Cup, etc. Lecture by Mr. J. P. Wraight on "Lime and Fertilisers."

**Fairlie.**—Team selected for district debating contest. Lantern lecture by Mr. J. P. Wraight on "Fertilisers and Soil-testing for Lime-Deficiency."

**Geraldine.**—Club debate: "Should New Zealand Concentrate on Primary Production?" Speakers, N. Stonyer, A. Morris, M. Brenton, and C. Burrows (affirmative); D. Chisnall, J. Thatcher, C. Kelam, K. Hibbs (negative). The negative team was awarded the decision. The judge, Mr. J. J. McGuigan, gave some excellent advice on debating.

**Hunter.**—Arrangements for club ball. Address by Mr. D. Blair, M.R.C.V.S., Department of Agriculture, on "The Meat Grading Regulations and Disease Affecting Stock for Export."

**Maungati.**—Report on debate meeting. Address by Mr. B. E. Evans on "Timaru Harbour." At the previous meeting prepared speeches were delivered by members.

**Milford.**—Report on the inter-club debate. Discussion re district dance. Mr. A. Johnson (advisory president) gave a demonstration on "Rope Splicing and Knotting"; he also showed how to make fishing and similar nets by hand. At the previous meeting two debates were held. (1) "That Farming Today is more Difficult than it was Fifty Years Ago"; speakers, A. Cathress, G. Bolderston, G. Crossman (affirmative), and J. Dale, T. Crossman, J. Woodhead (negative); won by the negative side by a narrow margin. (2) "That New Zealand should Concentrate on Primary Production"; speakers, N. Palmer, R. Dale, L. Livesay (affirmative), and G. Lyall, W. McCormick, L. Trumper (negative); won by the negative side. Mr. G. Mulligan acted as judge and after the debate he and Mr. A. Johnson selected the following team to compete in the Inter-club Contest: G. Lyall, N. Palmer, and A. Cathress.

**Pleasant Point.**—Report on hare drive and also on inter-club debate won by Pleasant Point. Lantern lecture by Mr. C. C. Leitch, Department of Agriculture, on "Potatoes." At the previous meeting a debate was held with the Women's Division, the subject being "That Women should not Encroach upon the Spheres of Activity usually held by Men." Speakers: Mrs. Roberts, Miss D. Talbot, and Miss Olive (negative); N. Wilson, A. D. Talbot, and O. C. Chapman (affirmative); won by the Club (affirmative) team. A club debate was also held: "That Farming Today is more Difficult than it was Fifty Years Ago." At an earlier meeting Mr. Dunn, of the St. John's Ambulance, gave an address on "First Aid."

**Waihaorunga.**—Debate to be held with Arno Club. A lecture entitled "Practical Experience in Topdressing" was given by Mr. G.

Cleland, an advisory member. At the previous meeting a talk on "The Management of the Ewe Flock" was given by Mr. Grant, the talk being illustrated by lantern slides. A successful field day was held at Pentland Hills Station, demonstrations including horses and cattle (Mr. F. Brown) and Corriedale sheep (Messrs. A. Grant and C. H. S. Johnson); there was an attendance of 47 members, 15 of them being visitors from the Arno and Hunter clubs.

**Mid-Canterbury.**

**Ashburton.**—Mr. M. J. Scott, Supervisor of the Pig Industry, Department of Agriculture, lectured on "Pigs," illustrating his subject with films.

**Hinds.**—Lecture on "Veterinary Science and the Farmer of the Future" by Mr. T. K. Ewer. Impromptu speeches by members.

**Methven.**—Discussion on Territorial recruiting campaign. Inter-club debate between Hinds and Methven clubs: "That the Major Problems of this Country could be solved by Immigration." Speakers: Messrs. Rhodes, Simmons, and Watson (Hinds Y.F.C.); Bush, Wightman, and Poff (Methven Y.F.C.). The debate was won by Hinds. Mr. A. S. Kennedy acted as judge.

**Christchurch.**

**Darfield.**—Presentation to Mr. C. O. Redfern, advisory president, on the occasion of his recent marriage, in recognition of his valuable assistance rendered to the club. Arrangements for ball. Debate to be held with West Melton Club. At previous unreported meetings Mr. A. J. Holsten gave a lecture on "Match Ploughing," and Lieut.-Colonel G. F. Hulton gave a lecture on "Home Defence."

**Ellesmere.**—£1 ls. donated to A. and P. Association as a special prize. Arrangements for a field day at irrigation works, Mayfield. Radio talk to be prepared. Decided that at each meeting two members should give five-minute talks. Address by Mr. E. P. Wills on "Various Aspects of Farm Law."

**Springton.**—Report on district committee meeting. Arrangements for debate. Sound film on land clearing exhibited by Messrs Gough, Gough, and Hamer.

**Teddington.**—Arrangements for field day. Impromptu speeches by all members present; the speeches were summed up and commented on by Mr. J. W. Calder, of Lincoln College.


**North Canterbury.**

**Amerley.**—Report on annual meeting of Federation at Wellington by D. F. Coleman, a delegate to the conference; Mr. Coleman is chairman of the Canterbury Council and vice-president of the Federation. Arrangements made for members to attend field day and stock-judging at Lincoln. Discussion of Centennial tree-planting scheme.

**Amuri.**—Representatives to compete in stock-judging at Lincoln. Arrangements for a debate, the subject to be "That Territorial Training should be Compulsory." Report and balance-sheet of annual dance. Arrangements for field day. Address by Mr. E. D. R. Smith on "The Legal and Financial Side of Farming."

**Cheviot.**—Arrangements for dance. Football match with Scargill-Omihl Club to be held. Short talks given by members. At the previous meeting a lecture was given by Mr. McLean, of Lincoln College, on "Diseases of the Breeding Ewe."

**Hawarden.**—Address by Dr. Hullett on "Wheat Research"; members of the Farmers'



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