
New Dominion President

That it be a recommendation to clubs to keep a roll of all members, similar to a school roll, together with a record of attendances. (Auckland.)

That clubs be urged to arrange club and inter-club debates for members under the age of 19 years. (Auckland.)

That it be recommended to district committees and clubs that all clubs shall at their next meeting and at all subsequent annual meetings appoint "road organisers" to be responsible for the attendance at all meetings of the members along their road, and to arrange transport facilities, such "road organisers" to be responsible also for contacting all young men eligible for enrolment as club members. (Wellington.)

That cyclostyled forms be made available by headquarters to clubs for notifying members of their subscriptions due. (Wellington.)

That a Roll of Honour be published in the Y.F.C. section of the "Journal of Agriculture," giving the names of members killed or wounded, as well as those who have been decorated. (Otago-Southland.)

Remits from Auckland, Wellington, and Otago-Southland Councils dealing with the much-debated question of "girl members" were discussed together, and the following resolution was carried:—"That the principle of having some form of Women's Auxiliary be approved by the Y.F.C. Movement."

A remit from the Otago-Southland Council was passed, dealing with Y.F.C. representation on senior rural organisations and bodies such as the National, Provincial, and District Coun-

MR. D. S. ROSS, Te Puke, Bay of Plenty, who has been elected Dominion President, has been associated with the Young Farmers' Clubs movement since its inception in the Bay of Plenty district. He is Chairman of the Auckland Y.F.C. Council, Immediate Past Chairman of the Western Bay of Plenty District Y.F.C. Executive Committee, and Advisory President of the Te Puke Young Farmers' Club.

Mr. Ross is also a member of the Northern District Council of the Royal Agricultural Society of New Zealand, a Past President of the Te Puke Agricultural and Pastoral Association, and a member of the Executive.

He is President of the Te Puke Boys' and Girls' Agricultural Clubs, and has taken an interest in that movement since its inception. He is a member of the Executive Committee of the National Pig Industry Council, and President of the Bay of Plenty Pig Council, and also Chairman of the Tauranga Primary Production Council.



Mr. D. S. Ross, who has been elected Dominion President of the New Zealand Federation of Young Farmers' Clubs.

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cils of Primary Production, the N.Z. Farmers' Union, N.Z. Sheepowners' Federation, the Royal Agricultural Society, the Metropolitan and District A. and P. Societies, the Provincial Pig Councils, etc.

A motion was also passed recommending councils to appoint a mem-

ber to act as publicity officer, to collect material for the "Journal" and to co-ordinate radio talks. A motion of sympathy to the relatives of all Y.F.C. members who had been killed overseas was also carried, and it was arranged that a message of greeting be sent to members overseas.

Y.F.C. Visit to Ruakura Animal Research Station

ONE of the high-lights of the annual general meeting and conference of the Federation at Hamilton was the entertainment provided by the Auckland Council for the visiting delegates on Thursday, August 31, the day following the meeting. The party left Hamilton by bus at 9 a.m. for the Ruakura Animal Research Station, where they were met by the Superintendent, Mr. P. W. Smallfield, who extended a welcome to the visitors.

The laboratories were first inspected, and then the quarters where young farmers' attending short courses are accommodated. The visitors were shown a flock of Southdown sheep on which trial work is being conducted on hereditary tendencies towards facial eczema. The piggeries were then

visited, where Mr. J. Hitchcock conducted the party over the area, and described the various experiments that had been completed and those which were still under way. Mr. J. P. James described the work being carried out in connection with artificial insemination, and also gave an actual demonstration of the work.

Mr. Smallfield then conducted the visitors to the grass-drier and explained the various points of the machine. He pointed out that the drier had been installed in order that certain important experimental work in connection with facial eczema might be carried out. Mr. Smallfield and the members of his staff were thanked for the trouble they had taken and for the information they had given.

The party returned to Hamilton for lunch, and then proceeded to the New

Zealand Co-operative Dairy Co.'s factory at Frankton. After extending a welcome, Mr. Cague conducted the visitors over the butter factory, the box factory, and the factory where the tins and containers for dried milk are made.

A short tour was then made through some of the dairying country of the Waikato, a stop being made at Cambridge for afternoon tea. At several points along the route the bus was stopped and Mr. J. F. Shepherd, Fields Instructor of the Department of Agriculture, pointed out items of interest regarding the topography, soil types, farming, etc., of the different areas. The party returned to Hamilton at about 5.15 p.m. after having spent a most interesting and instructive day.