

addressed the meeting. Mr. Hill drew attention to the fine points of driving in his talk "Rules of the Road"; a discussion followed. At other previously unreported meetings Mr. Reid (Department of Agriculture) spoke on "Strangles in Horses" and "Red Water in Cattle," and Mr. S. Mosley, of Clydevale, spoke on "Sheep," and demonstrated on a Border Leicester ram belonging to Mr. L. Christie.

CENTRAL OTAGO.

Upper Clutha.—Talk by Mr. W. A. Scaife on "Minerals and Their Importance in Animal Nutrition." At the previous meeting impromptu speeches were given by members.

DUNEDIN.

Palmerston.—Election of new chairman. Mr. S. H. Saxby, Department of Agriculture, explained the Y.F.C. experimental scheme.

South Taieri.—Arrangements for future lectures as follows:—"Drains and Draining," "Stock Ailments at Breeding Time," and "Oil Boring in New Zealand." Mr. S. H. Saxby, Department of Agriculture, explained the Y.F.C. experimental scheme. Club members undertook to lay down 14 trials.

NORTH OTAGO.

Enfield.—Talk by Rev. J. Fordyce on "Printing." The speaker illustrated his talk with a display of printing materials, which were closely examined by members.

SOUTH CANTERBURY.

Arno.—Debate to be held with Waihaorunga Club. Address by Mr. C. C. Leitch, Department of Agriculture, on the Y.F.C. experimental scheme. At the previous meeting a lecture on "Stud Sheep of N.Z." was given by Mr. Alan Grant, Waimate.

Geraldine.—Presentation of stock judging cup by Mr. Crotty, advisory president, to G. Speed. The cup is open for competition among clubs in the Geraldine County. Arrangements for debate with Cannington-Cave Y.F.C. Club debate held. "That the Tendency towards Mechanised Farming tends to affect adversely the position of the Farm Labourer."

Milford.—Inter-club debate with Geraldine Y.F.C. Subject: "That Grassland Farming Pays Better than Ploughing and Cropping." Speakers: Geraldine (negative), J. Thatcher, C. Kedman, H. Hibbs; Milford (affirmative), N. Palmer, G. Dale, R. Palmer. The judge, Mr. C. Deeming, of Temuka, gave the decision to Geraldine, with 245 points, as against Milford, with 220 points, and named C. Kelman (Geraldine) as the best speaker. The judge gave some very helpful criticism of each speaker, and stated that he considered the subject to be rather ambiguous, placing the affirmative side at a disadvantage. The debate was well attended, 32 being present.

Pleasant Point.—Parcels to be sent to members serving overseas. Talk on "Russia" by Mr. D. W. Osenam, B.A.

MID-CANTERBURY.

Ashburton.—Debate with Catholic Club team, the subject being "That the Irrigation of Mid-Canterbury is in the best interests of the Farmer." Speakers: Catholic Club (affirmative), M. Brennan, J. McDonnell, L. Fox; Ashburton Y.F.C. (negative), S. Watson, E. McLelland, A. Davidson. The judge, Mr. Werry, gave the decision to the Ashburton team. A talk on "River Control" was given by J. Cairns.

Hinds.—Discussion on Y.F.C. experimental scheme; three members decided to undertake trials. Address by Mr. C. H. Signal on "Farm Dairy Construction."

Methven.—Discussion on Y.F.C. experimental scheme. Talk by Mr. D. Moore, Ashburton, on "The Wheat Industry."

CHRISTCHURCH.

Darfield.—Arrangements for annual ball. Meeting to be called for co-operation with agricultural clubs.

Ellesmere.—Donation of £1 is to A. and P. Association. Lecture by Prof. McMeekin, Lincoln College, on "Farming Overseas," illustrated by movie films.

Springton.—Lecture on "Fertilisers," by Dr. Burns, of Lincoln College.

NORTH CANTERBURY.

Amuri.—Arrangements for annual ball. Short talks by club members.

Cheviot.—Report on annual ball. Arrangements for future lectures. Two club debates held: (1) "That the present-day Farmer has

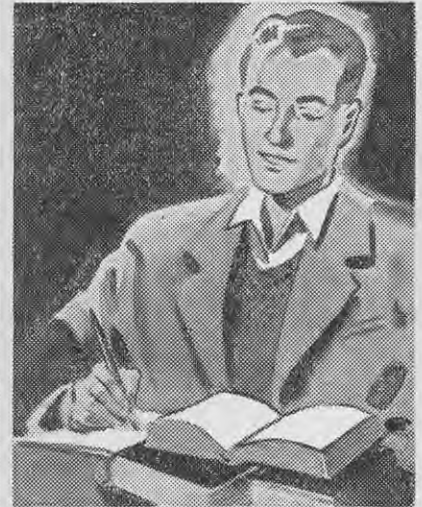
greater opportunities than his Grandfather," and (2) "Tractors v. Horses."

Cust.—Proceeds from hare shoot £6 10s donated to Red Cross Fund. Films exhibited by Massey Harris Co. Members of Farmers' Union and Women's Divisions were present by invitation.

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