

were paraded for a short time so that competitors could make comparisons.

At the expiration of the time limit the cards were collected and Mr. G. F. D. Watson, who judged the dairy heifer class, announced his placings, and gave a short demonstration; he was followed by Mr. G. P. Spratt, judge of the sheep class, and Mr. Norman Carter, judge of the pig class. Interest then centred on the announcing of the place-winners in the three chief classes. The club whose members secured the high-

est aggregate of points was to hold the Gulliver Cup for the year; this cup was presented by Mr. J. A. V. Gulliver, and was awarded on this year's performance to the Paengaroa club.

Ensilage Competition for Doidge Cup

OWING to prevailing conditions it was not possible to judge all the

entries received; on this account at the last meeting of the Western Bay of Plenty District Committee it was resolved that the Doidge Cup competition be deferred this year. A trophy is to be presented to the winner of those judged.

Results: Bruce Gordon (last year's winner), Pukehina, 89 points; P. Nichol, Te Puke, 85 points; P. Voltz, Paengaroa, 82 points; M. D. Steel, Paengaroa, 77 points; J. Gulliver, Paengaroa, 75 points; S. McDowell, Paengaroa, 69 points.

Reports on Club Activities

SOUTH OTAGO.

Warepa.—Applications for Lincoln College Old Boys' Scholarship discussed. Tentative arrangements made for a butchering demonstration. Lecture by Mr. Hayhurst, Veterinarian, on "The Castration of Horses"; after questions put by members, a discussion followed on "Ailments of Farm Animals, and the Treatment Usually Applied." There were nine members in attendance.

CHRISTCHURCH.

Ellesmere.—General business. Address by the Rev. L. McMaster on "Aspects of Life as it Affects the Young Man of Today." Nine members present.

NORTH CANTERBURY.

Scargill-Omihi.—Arrangements for next meeting. Decided that club send Christmas greetings by cable to members overseas. Lecture by Mr. J. W. Earl on "Farm Pastures, and the Harvesting of White Clover for Seed."

NELSON.

Murchison.—The club held a practice dog-trial on November 21; this activity was such a great success that it has been decided to hold a trial on a proper scale after Christmas.

WAIRARAPA.

Carterton.—Arrangements made for several club members to give talks on topics of their own choosing at the December meeting. Lecture by Mr. N. Lamont, Department of Agriculture, on "Serpentine Super" and "Vegetable Culture." Nineteen members present out of a membership of twenty-two.

MANAWATU.

Bunnythorpe.—The secretary reported that the entries in the potato competition totalled twelve, nine entries being from club members. It was decided to donate a points prize in the root-crop section at the forthcoming local Women's Institute Show. Informative address by Mr. Sparrow, of the Bunnythorpe Sub-Station, on "The General Construction and Establishment of the Hydro-Electric Power Schemes of New Zealand." At the previous meeting arrangements were made for club members to visit the Seed Testing Station in Palmerston North. The rules and conditions for the proposed potato competition were laid down, being as follows: Minimum area to be $\frac{1}{4}$ acre, and entries to be invited not only from club members but from farmers in the local Primary Production District area. The idea of extending the competition was so that the observations of the results of growing potatoes by the various methods employed by farmers would cover as many plots as possible. A talk was given by Mr. L. Williamson on "Seeds." At both of these meetings there was an attendance of eleven members out of a total membership of fourteen.

Rongotea.—Letter to be sent to Mr. W. Croucher thanking him for his most interesting series of broadcast talks in the Y.F.C. Session at 22A, entitled "Farming Through the Years." An invitation to the W.D.F.U. Birthday meeting was accepted with thanks. Decided that the club would go into temporary recess during the busy season and meet again in February. Mr. J. Gloyn gave a very interesting lecture entitled "The Circulation of the Blood." The speaker demonstrated by means of the blackboard and coloured chalks the action of the heart and the circulatory system of the blood stream. The meeting decided to recommend Mr. Gloyn to kindred clubs as a speaker on this particular subject. There were twelve members present out of a club membership of twenty.

BAY OF PLENTY.

Paengaroa.—Club dance to be held during December. Lantern lecture by Mr. J. R. Murray, Department of Agriculture, on "The Develop-

ment of Pumice Lands. Attendance of twenty-five members out of a total of thirty-five. Four new members were enrolled. The Western Bay of Plenty District Committee held a successful meeting at which forty-two members and delegates were present.

Te Puna.—General business. One new member enrolled. An effort to be made to collect rubber and raise club funds.

WARKWORTH.

Kaukapakapa.—Two new members enrolled, bringing the club membership up to forty-one. Interesting and informative lantern lecture by Mr. J. M. Smith, Fields Superintendent, Department of Agriculture, entitled "Life in the Chatham Islands." The speaker, who had visited the Chatham Islands some years ago, gave members some very interesting facts about farming in the island and transport to the mainland. Thirty-two members were present.

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