

## YOUNG FARMERS' CLUBS

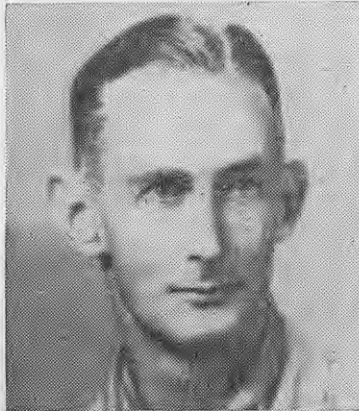
### Granted Special Overseas Bursary

C. B. ("BILL") ANDERSON, a member of the Bulls Y.F.C., whose letters have been an interesting feature of these pages, has been granted a special Overseas Bursary by the Rehabilitation Department. The bursary, tenable in the United Kingdom, will enable him to investigate pure-bred livestock in some of the world-famed studs.

One of the original members of the Bulls Young Farmers' Club, formed in April, 1937, Bill Anderson has performed valuable work for the Y.F.C. movement. He has been secretary and chairman at different times in his own club, and prior to going overseas he was chairman of the Wanganui District Committee for a time. A member also of the Wellington Y.F.C. Council, he served on the Dominion Executive of the Y.F.C. Federation. Always keenly interested in stock-judging, he has been prominent in this sphere, not only in his own district, but also in other parts of the Dominion. He has shown the most success with Southdown sheep and some years before the war he started his own small pure-bred Southdown stud.

#### Southdown Breeder

He will be aided by Mr. Arthur Fawkes, of Headcorn, Kent, in his investigations. Mr. Fawkes is a well-known Southdown breeder, and some of his stock have been imported to New Zealand and included in the "Killeymoon" stud at Bulls, the district in which "Bill" Anderson is farming. It is felt that not only will the latter profit considerably by his experience, but that in due course he will be able to apply his greater knowledge to the benefit of stud stock in his district. Close study of animals, such as will be made by "Bill" Anderson, must ultimately lead to improvement of particular breeds in this country.



C. B. ("Bill") Anderson, of the Bulls Y.F.C., who has been granted an Overseas Bursary. This photograph was taken in Rome in October, 1944.

The granting of this bursary brings credit not only to "Bill" Anderson, but also to the Y.F.C. movement. One of the aims of the movement is to bring forward young men fitted for leadership, who will, by their initiative and self-reliance, provide an example for others. "Bill" Anderson, who is one of these young men, will carry with him overseas the best wishes of all fellow Y.F.C. members in New Zealand.

## Fat Lambs

### Manawatu Competition

AMONG the large crowd at the Manawatu and West Coast A. and P. Association's fat lamb competitions at Longburn Freezing Works on December 6 were many young farmers, who took a keen interest in the judging. There were five sections for competition among Y.F.C. members, one between individual clubs, and four among individual club groups.

High appreciation of the standard of fat lambs which came forward for judging "on the hoof" was expressed by the judge, Mr. R. Mitchell, of Wanganui. He stated that he had seen numbers of pens of fat lambs this season at various shows and in similar competitions, but he considered these entries the best. This opinion was supported by the associate judge, Mr. P. Isaac, of Wanganui. Associated with the senior steward, Mr. L. B. Wall, were Messrs. J. F. Knight, S. R. Thomson, and G. M. Moffitt.

Following are the results of the judging "on the hoof" in the Y.F.C. classes:—

C.W.S. Shield, valued at £10 10s. (Group of lambs from any Young Farmers' Club in the Manawatu and Oroua districts not to average more than 36lb. freezing weight): Pohangina Y.F.C. 1, Rongotea Y.F.C. 2, Kairanga Y.F.C. 3, Whakarongo Y.F.C. v.h.c., Feilding Y.F.C. h.c. Five entries in the class.

Individual Y.F.C. groups (three woolly, long-wool, or short-wool crossbred, for export, under 36lb): Kairanga Y.F.C.: B. H. Voss 1, A. A. Nielsen 2, Zurcher Bros. 3 (10 entries). Rongotea Y.F.C.: R. O. Gloyd 1 and 3, N. Zajonkowski 2. (9 entries). Whakarongo Y.F.C.: D. J. Lynch 1, J. Oxenham 2 and 3. (6 entries). Feilding Y.F.C.: D. J. Griffin 1 and 3, E. Beazer 2. (6 entries). Pohangina Y.F.C.: P. A. MacDonald 1 and 2, C. Gavin 3. (9 entries).

In the classes not restricted to Y.F.C. members, the following awards were made:—

N.Z. Meat Producers' Board's district competition (three woolly lambs, not over 36lb. freezing weight, quality first consideration): H. A. Stewart (Mt. Stewart) 1, P. A. MacDonald (Pohangina) 2 and 4, Estate of T. O'Neill (Halcombe) 3, K. J. Henson (Sansons) 5, W. S. Fell (Longburn) 6. (73 entries).

## Wairoa Fat Lamb Competition

THE Wairoa Young Farmers' Club's second annual fat lamb competition was held at Messrs. Swifts (N.Z.) Ltd. Freezing Works, Wairoa, on November 22. Entries, which this year were open to land girls, showed an increase of nine pens over last year, 31 pens of lambs, including four from the land girls, being yarded. The whole entry was favourably commented on by the judges, who considered that the lambs generally were of a very high standard taking into account the weather.

The judges were as follows:—

"On the hoof," Mr. Robinson. "On the hooks," Mr. J. Barr (Government Supervising Grader) and Mr. Jackson, of Gisborne.

Results were:—

"On the hoof": H. Gray 1, E. Brownlie 2, R. Watson 3. Special prize for land girls, Miss P. Horne.

"On the hooks": R. Watson 1, G. Chapman 2, H. Gray 3. Special prize for land girls, Miss P. Horne.

The prize money was donated by Messrs. M. B. Delatour, E. Brownlie, Torbett, C. O. McKay, H. Bayley, M. Andrew, J. De Gruchy, T. G. Glenny, F. Mardon, N. Walker, F. L. Joblin, J. S. Patterson, and D. Vickers.

Messrs. Swifts provided lunch and afternoon tea and the day closed with the presentation of prizes.

—A. P. RICHMOND, Hon. Secretary, Wairoa Y.F.C.



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