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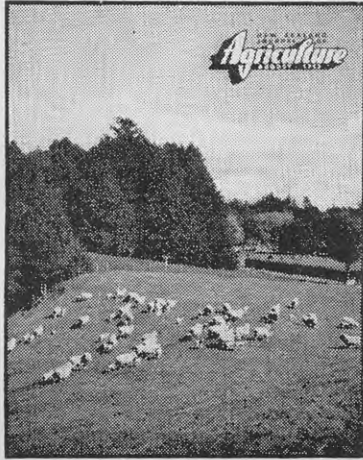
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A feature of farming in New Zealand in the last 30 years has been the great increase in the production of fat lambs. In that period the total slaughtered per season has more than doubled and about 11½ million lamb carcasses a year are now exported, principally to Britain. Many of these lambs are fattened on grass alone, this being one of the benefits resulting from the availability of persistent, high-producing strains of pasture plants developed by New Zealand grassland research workers. Fat lamb production may be the main activity on a farm or a small flock may be run in conjunction with a dairy herd, as is commonly done in high-rainfall lowland areas of the North Island. This month's cover, which has been reproduced from a colour photograph by National Publicity Studios, shows ewes and lambs on an Inglewood farm.

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