

Addresses given during the year were:

"Some Impressions of an Australian Tour" by Mr. D. D. Dun.

"The Southern Pines" by Mr. D. S. Jackson.

"Some Thoughts on the Vegetation of Taupo Country" by Mr. J. E. Henry.

"Some Aspects of Tawa Management in Central North Island Forest" by Mr. P. J. McKelvey.

"Recent Advances in North American Logging Equipment" by Mr. M. H. D. McKee.

On 22nd October the members were entertained by Mr. J. R. Faulkner, Forester in Charge of the plantations of Pinelands (N.Z.) Ltd., on Matakana Island. Thirty-eight members and seven visitors greatly enjoyed the launch trip to the island from Tauranga in perfect weather, and on arrival at the island, Messrs. Bunn Bros' sawmill was inspected. Many interesting features attracted attention, from the modern band-saw to the grading of the final product. In the afternoon the party split up to inspect the plantation, logging methods in use, and regeneration of *Pinus radiata* obtained after clear-felling. The launch returned to Tauranga at 4.20 p.m. and Mr. Faulkner was warmly thanked by all members for his hospitality during a most enjoyable day.

Year by year the Section meetings have proved their value for the various forestry interests in the district to meet and exchange ideas. Emphasis during the past year has also been placed on the desirability for visitors from other fields to attend meetings of interest to them. As a result several visitors have attended meetings during the year, and have contributed their viewpoints to the discussions which followed.

INAUGURAL MEMBERS

The words "Inaugural Member" are occasionally used with reference to some of our older members. It is probable that many younger members do not know who they were.

Inaugural Members were appointed as charter members of the Institute at the original meeting held in Wellington on the 28th and 29th April 1927, convened by Mr. F. W. Foster.

The Inaugural Members were:

R. D. Campbell then Conservator of Forests at Auckland. He resigned from the Forest Service in 1947 and the Institute in 1954, and still lives at Remuera, Auckland.

H. H. Corbin then in charge of the Auckland University College School of Forestry, and later consultant to a number of afforestation companies. He resigned from the Institute in 1931 and lived in Auckland until his death in 1951.

S. A. C. Darby then Conservator of Forests at Invercargill. He later became Conservator at Palmerston North from which position he retired in 1954. He lives in Palmerston North and is still a member of the Institute.

L. M. Ellis then Director of Forestry. He was the first Chairman and President of the Institute, resigning this office on his leaving for Australia in 1928. He died in Sydney in 1941.

F. W. Foster then Forest Assistant, Auckland, later Conservator at Nelson and Hokitika, and Silvicultural Officer at the head office of N.Z.F.S. He has been successively Secretary, Vice-president, President, and Councillor of the Institute, and was elected an Honorary Member on his retirement in 1951. He lives at Lower Hutt.

C. E. Foweraker then in charge of the Canterbury University College School of Forestry. Upon the closing of the school in 1935 he continued as Lecturer in Botany. He was President of the Institute in 1930-32, and has served several terms as Councillor. He now lives in retirement at Cashmere Hills, Christchurch.

H. A. Goudie then Administrator of N.Z. Redwoods Ltd. He had been Conservator at Rotorua, and later ran a tree nursery specialising in eucalypts. He served two terms as Councillor and was prominent in the formation of the Rotorua Section. He died in 1953.

A. Hansson then Chief Inspector of the Forest Service and later Silviculturist at Waipoua Forest. He was President 1928-30, but left the Institute on his transfer to the position of Forest Officer, N.Z. Railways, in 1933. He lives in retirement in Wellington.

F. E. Hutchinson then Lecturer at the Canterbury University College School of Forestry. He went to Australia in 1935 and worked with the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research, the N.S.W. Forestry Commission, and the Masonite Corporation. In 1953 he returned to the position of Forestry Administrator with N.Z. Forest Products Ltd. at Tokoroa. He has served various terms as Councillor, Secretary, Vice-President, and is now President.

D. Macpherson then Conservator of Forests at Palmerston North. He resigned from the Institute on his retirement in 1938 and died in Palmerston North in 1954.

W. G. Morrison then Conservator of Forests at Christchurch. He resigned from the Institute on his retirement in 1940 and lived in Christchurch until his death in 1955.

W. T. Morrison then Conservator of Forests at Rotorua. He served two terms as Councillor, but resigned from the Institute in 1933. On his retirement from the position of Conservator, Rotorua, in 1944 he lived in Auckland where he died in 1955.

A. D. McGavock then Conservator of Forests at Hokitika. He was later appointed Assistant Director in 1930 and Director of Forestry from 1931 to 1939. During his retirement he served for short periods as Conservator at Nelson and at Palmerston North. He served three terms as Councillor, is still a Member, and lives in Christchurch.

Owen Jones then Administrator of N.Z. Perpetual Forests Ltd. which later changed its name to N.Z. Forest Products Ltd. Except for his service in the 1940-45 war he was with this company until his retirement in 1952. He served ten terms in office as Councillor, Vice-President, and President, was elected an Honorary Member in 1952, and died in Rotorua in 1955.

C. M. Smith then Conservator of Forests at Nelson. He later held the position of Chief Inspector of the Forest Service until his transfer to the Botany Division of D.S.I.R. in 1948. He has served six terms as Councillor, one as Vice-President, and two as President. He is still a Member and is in charge of the Botany Division and lives in Christchurch.

R. B. Steele then Forest Assistant in Wellington. He resigned from the Institute in 1931 on his transfer to a position with the Tasmanian Dept. of Agriculture.

Miss Mary Sutherland then Forest Assistant at Rotorua. She transferred to the Dominion Museum at Wellington in 1934, and was appointed Farm Forestry Officer to the Dept. of Agriculture in 1947. She has served as Councillor and Vice-President, and was an active member of the Institute until her death in 1955.