

# NEW ZEALAND INSTITUTE OF FORESTERS INCORPORATED.

## OFFICERS 1944-46.

**President:** Courtney Biggs.

**Vice-President:** T. T. C. Birch.

**Secretary:** C. T. Sando.

**Treasurer (1945-46):** A. C. Forbes.

**Council (1945-46):** A. F. Clark, Owen Jones, A. D. McKinnon, A. N. Perham.

### Annual General Meeting.

The Secretary, in his Annual Report for the year ending 31st March, 1945, recorded the election of 5 new Associate Members and the advancement of one Associate Member to Member. Several other applications for membership had been received.

On the proposal of the President, Mr. H. R. Blandford, O.B.E., was asked to accept Honorary Membership of the Institute. Mr. Blandford has since accepted.

Some discussion took place on the qualifications required of non-graduate foresters seeking advancement to full membership. It was pointed out that there was a danger of over emphasising the importance of the thesis, article or report required and that the general experience and status of the applicant was of greater significance. It was agreed also that the thesis, article or report must be original, and not purely descriptive or routine work.

A lengthy debate took place on the question of qualifications of Student Members. Opinions were divided. Some members maintained that general acceptance of all reasonable applicants would be a material encouragement to potential foresters, and the Institute would benefit later in membership and interest, and would not be faced with the danger of the establishment of a rival body.

Others held that there was no particular advantage in the admittance of Student Members and there was a danger of a number joining who would be unsuccessful in the profession later but retain the right of membership till 28 years old, while others would not qualify for Associate Membership at that age and would have to resign until they were able to do so.

No finality was reached at the meeting.

### Wellington Section.

No meetings were held during the year, due to difficulty in getting members together.

### Rotorua Section.

The Section again had an active and highly successful year. At the Annual Meeting held on the 24th May, Mr. Owen Jones was elected Chairman and Mr. J. F. Lysaght was re-elected Secretary.

Addresses given were:—

“Animals in Relation to the Forest.” By Mr. D. N. Colquhoun.

“New Zealand Forestry Company in the Mediterranean.” By Mr. A. P. Thomson.

“Inventions and Gadgets.” By Mr. V. T. Fail.

“Afforestation in Victoria.” By Mr. Owen Jones.

“Silvicultural Aspects of my Recent Tour.” By Mr. N. J. Dolamore.

The second meeting was held during a refresher course for senior officers of the State Forest Service at Rotorua. There was an attendance of thirty-three members and visitors and considerable stimulating discussion took place.

### **Nelson Section.**

This Section which was formed late in 1944, now has a membership of eleven. Dr. D. Miller is Chairman and Mr. S. E. Masters Secretary. Addresses have been given by Dr. Miller and Mr. W. C. Davies, both of the Cawthron Institute.

### **Members Overseas.**

While on active service with the 14th Forestry Company in the Mediterranean theatre Lt. A. N. Sexton was awarded the M.B.E. and Capt. A. P. Thomson mentioned in despatches. Both these members as well as Spr. G. B. Rawlings have now returned to New Zealand after tours of duty in the United States.

Messrs. A. L. Poole and N. Hall are serving with the Allied Control Commission in Germany and Austria respectively.

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## **PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED.**

Receipt of the following publications during 1945 is acknowledged by the New Zealand Institute of Foresters.

*Institute Members are reminded that overseas forestry literature received and acknowledged in this Journal year by year is available on application to the Editor.*

Annals of the Missouri Botanical Gardens. Vol. XXXI, Nos. 3 and 4; Vol. XXXII, Nos. 1 and 2.

Australia, Commonwealth Forestry Bureau.

Leaflet No. 52: Thinning Monterey Pine in the Australian Capital Territory.

Leaflet No. 54: Random Internal Acres.

Leaflet No. 55: Cone Holes in Monterey Pine.

Leaflet No. 56: Rainfall and Increment of Monterey Pine in the Australian Capital Territory.

Leaflet No. 57: Evaporation and Rainfall inside and outside a Forest.

Leaflet No. 58: An Example of the Change of a Forest Site due to Irrigation.

Leaflet No. 59: Pollen Shed of Monterey Pine.

Australia, C.S.I.R., Division of Forest Products.

Reprint No. 86: The Protection of Split-ring Connectors against Corrosion.

Australia, Forestry Commission of N.S.W.

Forestry and the Conservation Imperative in Australian Reconstruction.

Forests and Regionalism in the Clarence River Region of N.S.W.

Forest Service for Lambing Flat.

Personal Philosophy.

The Seven Services of the Bushlands.

Australia, Forests Commission of Victoria. Annual Report 1943-44.

Canadian Lumbermen's Association. Timber, Vol. VI, No. 1.

Canadian Society of Forest Engineers. The Forestry Chronicle, Vol. XXI, Nos. 2 and 3.

Empire Forestry Journal. Vol. 23, No. 2.

Forestry Abstracts. Vol. 6, Nos. 2, 3 and 4.

Imperial Forestry Bureau.

Technical Communication No. 2: Co-operation in Forestry.

Technical Communication No. 3: Forestry Credit.

Technical Communication No. 4: The Application of Meteorology to Forest Fire Protection.

Imperial Forestry Institute. Annual Report, 1943-44.

New York State College of Forestry.

Technical Publication No. 63: The Chemical Softening of Wood for Microtome Sectioning.

Conference Report on New Developments in Wood Products.

Poisonivy and Poisonsumac.

Small, J. Quantitative Evolution. VII. The Diatoms.