

*Holme Station* (Locality : Timaru).—Area, 2,605 acres. Acquired, June, 1946. Subdivisions, six sheep and cropping farms. Eighty chains of new fencing was erected and 182 acres of new pasture established. Some 150 acres of wheat were grown with good yields. Three ex-servicemen are at present employed on wages, and the remaining three sections will be offered as soon as work is well under way on the building programme.

*Kenwyn* (Locality : Waimate).—Area, 670 acres. Acquired, 28th March, 1946. Subdivisions, three sheep and cropping farms. This block suffered several heavy floods in the spring. New fencing erected totalled 106 chains, some five miles of overgrown gorse hedges were cut, and 22 acres of new pasture was established. Three ex-servicemen are employed on wages, and it is hoped to allot to them at an early date. Building-operations have not yet commenced.

*Kings* (Locality : Timaru).—Area, 251 acres. Acquired, 18th September, 1946. Subdivision, one sheep and cropping farm. Forty acres of rape and grass have been sown and 70 acres have been limed. An Army hut is being moved here from Pineview Block and will be used by the manager when appointed. There are no other buildings, but it is hoped to let a building contract shortly, and the unit will be offered as soon as buildings are completed.

*Lauriston* (Locality : Lauriston).—Area, 329 acres. Acquired, 2nd September, 1940. Subdivision, one sheep-farm. This property has been managed with a part-time overseer during the year. Development is complete, and allotment on permanent tenure in conjunction with other Crown leases adjoining should be made shortly.

*Levels Valley* (Locality : Timaru).—Area, 674 acres. Acquired, 27th March, 1947. Subdivisions, two sheep and cropping farms. A start has been made ploughing for wheat. A discharged-serviceman manager is employed on wages, and the other section will be offered as soon as a dwelling is available.

*Lowry Hills* (Cheviot).—Area, 6,416 acres. Acquired 18th April, 1945. Subdivided, three sheep-farms. Charges fixed on 1st April, 1946, and sections permanently allotted to the three ex-servicemen who had been on wages since June, 1945.

*Lowland Lees* (Locality : Rangiora).—Area, 670 acres. Acquired, 12th March, 1946. Subdivisions, two sheep and cropping farms. A discharged-serviceman manager is employed on wages. Some 40 chains of new fencing has been erected and 30 chains of old fencing reconditioned. Apart from a further 25 chains of fencing and the erection of buildings for which a contract has been let, little further development is required before the block is settled.

*Lyndon* (Locality : Waiau).—Area, 10,998 acres. Acquired, 27th March, 1947. Subdivisions, seven of various types. A big development programme will be required before settlement. Offering of a limited number of unspecified sections on wages should be made within the next few months.

*Mains* (Locality : Dunsandel).—Area, 487 acres. Acquired, 16th April, 1945 and 10th July, 1945. Subdivisions, two dairy-farms and one sheep and cropping farm. The building programme was completed and the block was allotted to three ex-servicemen (who had been on wages) on fixed charges in September, 1946.

*Middlerigg* (Locality : Dunsandel).—Area, 523 acres. Acquired, 2nd August, 1946. Subdivisions, four dairy-farms. Development involves building three new dwellings, three implement and store sheds, four milking-sheds, and renovations to existing buildings, and when this work is completed the subdivisions will be made available for selection by ex-servicemen.

*Montalto* (Locality : Mayfield).—Area, 2,631 acres. Acquired, March 20th, 1947. Subdivisions, four sheep-farms. A discharged-serviceman manager has been appointed on wages. Two new dwellings are to be erected, and two undefined sections are being offered on wages and one section on permanent tenure.