NEW ZEALAND INSTITUTE OF FORESTERS (Inc.)
OFFICERS, 1954-56

President: F. E. Hutchinson.
Vice-President: A. D. McKinnon.
Secretary: J. F. Lysaght.
Treasurer: A. C. Forbes.

Annual Meeting:
The twenty-seventh Annual Meeting was held in Hokitika on May 1st, 1954, and was followed by field excursions on the next two days. The meeting was opened at 10 a.m. by the Mayor of Hokitika, Mr. Heenan, who was introduced by the Conservator of Forests, Mr. D. Kennedy. There was an attendance of 34 members and 5 visitors, the latter including Mr. N. H. Taylor, Director, Soil Bureau, D.S.I.R.; Mr. A. Davidson from Hokitika Conservancy Office; and Messrs. P. J. Hambleton, D. Hardie, and G. Jack of the West Coast Sawmillers Association. The President, Mr. G. H. Hocking, was in the chair.

Death of Mr. W. S. Anderson:
The President announced with regret the recent death of a former Associate member of the Institute, Mr. W. S. Anderson and called on Mr. Harrison-Smith of Whakatane Board Mills to say a few words. The meeting paid respect to Mr. Anderson's memory by standing in silence.

Formal Business:
The principal matters dealt with were:

Soil Conservation Committee
The President reported that he had received Mr. F. W. Foster's statement on "The Relation of Forestry to Soil and Water Conservation." Following discussion it was resolved that the statement be cyclostyled and circulated to all members.

Terminology Committee
Mr. Thomson reported that the Committee had met recently and were studying the draft of Parts 2 and 3 of the Empire Terminology. It was resolved that the Committee continue in operation and that when the remainder of the Empire Glossary is printed the complete glossary can be examined. Any omissions of particular interest to New Zealand might then be defined and published by the Institute as a supplement to the N.Z. Journal of Forestry.

Venue of Annual Meeting in 1955:
It was resolved that the meeting be held in Auckland Conservancy on April 30th, May 1st and 2nd, 1955, and that the subject of the symposium be "American Southern Pines in New Zealand."

Venue of Annual Meeting in 1956:
It was recommended to the incoming council that the 1956 Annual Meeting be held at Hanmer Springs at a time to be arranged and that the subject of the symposium be "High Country Problems in Forestry."

Amendment to the Constitution:
Arising from a notice of motion, an amendment to the Constitution was carried providing for an increase in membership fees:

Section VIII.—"Finance" to read:
25. The annual fee for Members shall be forty-five shillings.
26. The annual fee for Associate Members shall be thirty two shillings and sixpence.
27. The annual fee for Student Members shall be ten shillings.