The School of Forestry
Canterbury College, Christchurch, New Zealand

The Canterbury College School of Forestry is the Dominion centre of forestry instruction, recognised as a professional school in the statutes of the University of New Zealand.

WORK OF SCHOOL: The work of the School consists of:

1. The giving of instruction in technical forestry, and
2. The carrying on of research into problems relating to forestry in New Zealand.

COURSES OF INSTRUCTION: The School provides three courses of instruction:

1. The Degree Course.
2. The Associate Course.
3. The Ranger Course.

The Degree Course is that prescribed for the Degree of Bachelor of Forestry Science in the University of New Zealand, and covers four years' work, a first year in pure science and thereafter three years in professional forestry subjects, as follows:

First Year: (For Forestry Intermediate Examination)—Biology, Physics, Inorganic and Organic Chemistry.

Second Year: (For First Professional Examination)—Elements of Forestry, Forest Mensuration, Surveying and Drawing, Forest Botany, Forest Geology, Accountancy and Business Organisation.

Third Year: (For Second Professional Examination)—Wood Technology and Properties of Materials, Dendrology, Forest Zoology, Forest Exploitation and Utilisation, Silviculture I, Forest Management I.

Fourth Year: (For Third Professional Examination)—Silviculture II, Forest Management II, Forest Protection, Forest Law, Policy and Administration, Economics, History and Development of Forestry, a Specialised Subject.

The Associate Course is a three-year course of theoretical and practical forestry leading to the Certificate of Associate of the School of Forestry, Canterbury College, a certificate issued by Canterbury College alone, and carrying with it no status in the University of New Zealand. It is intended for students who, with a limited time at their disposal, wish to fit themselves for executive positions in forestry organisations. The professional work covered in this course is almost identical with that of the Degree course, but the preliminary year of study in pure science is omitted and the standard of work required is lower.

This course was instituted for the benefit of persons older than the average University student who had since matriculation spent some years in practical forestry work, and then, as opportunity for forestry training was provided, desired a training in practical and theoretical work in a minimum of time. The course has now fulfilled its function, and will probably be discontinued shortly. Students are not now being encouraged to take this course.

The Ranger Course comprises a series of lectures, laboratory and field work in forestry, covering two or three years according to the time and finances of the individual student. In scope the course is intensely practical, stress being laid on the field application of the work.

Special instruction is given in lecture, laboratory, and field work in all elementary forestry subjects, attention being centred upon competence to perform all branches of practical forestry work in the field. Special examinations are given in these subjects, and certificates are granted by Canterbury College to students successfully completing subjects of study in this course. Matriculation is not required, the ranger course being open to all men who wish to profit by it.