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## Foreword

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THE papers in this Report fall into two groups : those which have a direct bearing upon the agriculture of Hertfordshire, and those which apply to the agricultural industry as a whole. In the first group are papers by Sir John Russell, R. J. Thompson, J. Hunter-Smith and G. Dallas.

Sir John Russell deals with the present situation of agriculture in Hertfordshire, in which he points out the importance of efficient marketing.

Mr R. J. Thompson reviews the agricultural production of the county, and follows up Sir John Russell's point in respect of suitable marketing, and also standardization of produce.

Mr J. Hunter-Smith, Principal of Oaklands Farm Institute, explains the objects of the Farm Institute, and the way in which it can help the agriculture of Hertfordshire.

The problem of agricultural labour in Hertfordshire is set out by Mr G. Dallas, of the Workers' Union.

In the second group Mr A. W. Street, of the Ministry of Agriculture, explains the Agricultural Produce (Grading and Marking) Act 1928, in relation to eggs.

Mr R. R. Enfield, also of the Ministry, deals with the help the Short-Term Credit Scheme gives to farmers. The disposal of milk, through "pools" and otherwise, is the subject of a paper by Mr F. J. Prewett, of the Agricultural Economics Research Institute, Oxford.

Mr D. Crawford deals with the prominent question of labour-saving machinery on the farm.

In the Appendix is an account of a co-operative society of Hertfordshire farmers formed for the retailing of milk.