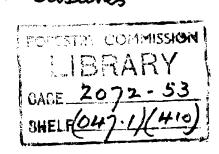


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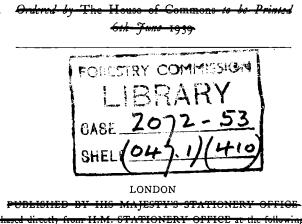
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Year ending September 30th 1941.

The late Sir Hugh Murray.- The Commissioners record with the deepest regret the loss of their colleague Sir Hugh Murray, C.I.E., C.B.E., who died on 9th February, 1941. After a distinguished career in the Indian Forest Service Sir Hugh (then Mr. Hugh Murray) was appointed Assistant Commissioner for England and Wales on the inception of the Department in 1919 and in that capacity he served for four years, after which he was a Commissioner for 10 years until compelled by failing health to give way to a younger man. His record was one of great Toyalty and keenness under successive Chairmen.

Forest Policy.

General. The Headquarters of the Commission remained at Bristol throughout the year.

The Timber Supply work of the Commission was transferred to the Ministry of Supply on 1st February 1941, under an Order in Council which took the form of a new Defence Regulation No. 67a. A full account of the Commissioners' supply work up to the date of transfer is appended to this Report. Seemingly work unter S

Apart from the above there are no events of outstanding importance to report.

The Timber Production Department of the Ministry of Supply continued to work and expand the existing sawmill and mining timber operations in State Forests and standing timber was made available

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Maintenance of plantations (including the thinnings referred to in the last para.) received adequate attention. Protection against fire hazards was a matter of great anxiety in view of enemy action and the vulnerable state of large areas of coniferous plantations in the thicket stage. Methods of protection and firefighting were systematically developed mainly in the directions of breaking up the larger blocks of plantations by cleared strips and of improving accesses by brashing and, as regards fire-fighting, by the provision of small portable pumps and water. As a result the fire losses from enemy action were surprisingly small.

Planting was maintained at a high level (26,867 acres) during the winter of 1940-41 and represented very little falling off from the best accomplished in the immediate pre-war years.

Similarly, nursery stocks were well-maintained although the sowing programme had to be curtailed in some respects owing to lack of seed which normally is secured from the Continent of Burope.

<u>Post-War Policy.</u> The Commissioners continued to give attention to post-war problems with a view to formulating proposals for submission to Government.

The total area of plantable land acquired during the year amounted to 12,450 acres compared with 31,634 acres in 1940, the stocks of transplants in the nurseries have been greatly increased, the area planted in 1941 was 26,867 acres compared with 27,288 acres in 1940, and the number of forest workers' holdings established was 16.

Finance.

The sections dealing with Finance and also the Forestry Fund (p.11 et seq) are confined to the operations of the Forest Management Department of the Forestry Commission, and exclude all payments and receipts relating to the Timber Supply Department, the funds for which were provided by the Ministry of Supply.

The balance in the Forestry Fund at the commencement of the forest year was £363,006. Receipts from Parliamentary Votes (£400,000) and Forestry Operations, etc. (£569,771) amounted to £969,771. Payments amounted to £988,290, so that the balance in the Fund at 30th September, 1941, was £344,487. The progress of payments and receipts is indicated in the table below.

Second decades Pirst decade: Third decadet 1920-29 (102 finan-cial years) 1940 Year ending South September. 1941 1980-89 3 1,018,000 8,423,000 Froposed. 955,200 to 260 986 44 4,502,018 Payment a. 20 068,890 822,217 Actual. Excess (+) Deficit(-) - 496, 907 + 35,090 - 189,785 80 1,751,000 roposed. 461,700 349,000 ŧ ē, 1,821,352 368,198 Receipts. 569,771 851,484 Actual. 85 Deficit(-) + 108,071 ÷ ÷ Total .. 14,198 90,852 ł **8**5 6,692,000 Proposed. 3,892,000 γ. 493,500 665,000 \$r> ļ Net Payments. 5,650,534 - 241,466 10,632,515 6,104,241 - 587,759 459,019 - 205,981 418,519 - 74,981 Actual. ю Defieit (-) (h) ł

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The following statement presents a general view of the properties under the charge of the Commissioners at SOth September, 1941, and a summary of the main silvicultural operations which have been undertakens

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Number of Forests:		England and Walan.	Scotland.	Total Great Britain
At Beginning of year		134	112	346
At end of year	* **	187	114	251
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Forest Lands				
Acquired Flantstions	***	52,000	11,000	65,000 6
Flanted by Forestry Coumission		258,000	151,000	409,000 m
To be planted	***	148,000	148,000	287,000
χ.		455,000	504,000	759,000
Nurseries		800	400	1,200
Agricultural	***	25, 300	19,700	45,000
Forest Workers' Holdings (including outrun)		- 11,100	5,400	14,500
Unplantable and #1scellaneous		152,000	275, 800	407,500
		694,200	602,800	1,227,000
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Ø After adjustments due to fellings and fires.

The total area planted, including replacements was 428,083 acres. (see page 7).

	England and Wales	Scotland	<u>Total</u> Great Britain
Silvicultural Operations during Year (Acres):			
Planted or Sown	17,356	9,511	26,867
Naturally Regenerated	517	-	517
Underplanted	207	35	242
Thinned	3,089	992	4,081
Felled	5,221	496	5,717
Holdings and Estate Management:		~	
Number of Forest Workers' Holdings established:			
During year	15	1	16
At end of year	1,096	390	1,486
Other Tenancies:			
Agricultural Holdings:		~	
Under £20 per annum	835	418	1,253
Over £20 per annum	423	223	646
Foresters' Houses	124	70	194
Cottages	7401	305	686
Residential and Sporting	304	263	567
Easements, Permissions,	1997 - 19		
Minerals, etc	2,095	292	2,387
Site Rents and Feus	-	251	251
	4,162	1,822	5,984
		an Proventing	

It will be observed that during the year the number of forest units has increased by 5 from 246 to 251. Of these new units 3 are in England and Wales and 2 in Scotland.

Including transferred Grown woodlands the total area of land which has been acquired increased by 15,000 acres from 1,212,000 acres to 1,227,000 acres and the plantable area by 13,000 acres from 746,000 acres to 759,000 acres.

Compared with the previous year the changes in silvicultural operations are planting and sowing 26,867 acres against 27,288 acres, area thinned 4,081 acres against 4,834 acres, and area felled 5,717 acres against 5,793 acres.

Land Acquisition.

Acquisitions during the year amounted to 15,700 acres net, of which 12,450 acres were classified as plantable.

V	By Lease	By		Total.	
Year ending Soth September.	or Feu.	Furchase.	Actual.	Acland Froposals.	Excess (+) Deficit(-)
First decade:	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
1920-29	156,759	153,471	310,230	402,000	- 91,770
Second decade:					
1980-39	60,057	284,700	344,757	345,000	+ 1,757
Third decade:					
1940	24, 396	7,258	51,634	34,300	- 2,666
1941	2,526	9,924	12,450	84, 800	- 21,850
Total	243,738	455,333	699,071	813,600	- 114,529

Acquisition of Plantable Land.

Planting Programme.

State Porests.

The area planted during the year was 26,867 acres.

Area Planted.

	Year ending	Proposed	Act	ually Plant	ed.	Excess (+) Deficit(-)
	30th September.	to be Flanted.	New Flanting.	Replace- ments.	Total.	on Decade or Annual Programme.
	First decade:	ACTES	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
	1920-29: Conifers Hardwooda Second decads:	150,000 unspecified	126,444 6,365	4,316 1,146	130,760 7,511 138,271	- 19,240
	1930-39 Third decade:		218,064	12,545	230, 607	1 - je 1
<u>. </u>	1 940 1941		26,411 35,650 15,644	877 1,306 1,223	27, 288 26, 8 18 26, 8 67	
	Total		402,039	20,108	423,0353	

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The area proposed to be planted was 25,000 acres per annum for 1930 and 1931, and a minimum of 20,000 acres per annum for 1932 to 1936. From 1937 onwards the proposals embraced the Special Areas programme. The general object in view was to increase the rate of planting as quickly as possible to 30,000 acres per annum.

The total area planted by the Commission to 30th September, 1941, was 423,033 acres, of which 390,617 acres consisted of conifers and 32,416 acres of hardwoods. New planting accounted for 402,928 acres and replacements, which included 8,789 acres replanted after damage by fire, for 20,105 acres. Details are given below.

		Conifers	Hardwoods	Total.
		acres	acres	acres
New planting		374,519	28,409	402,928
Replacements		16,098	4,007	20,105
·····				
Total	÷ • •	390,617	32,416	423,033

Assistance to Local Authorities and Private Owners.

The Commissioners have continued to assist planting by local authorities and private owners by means of grants and a proceeds-sharing scheme. The total area planted amounts to 134,607 acres, of which 4,427 acres were planted during the year. Particulars of the grants are given on page 23,

			Acres.
First decade: 1920-29	• • •	- #**	72,856
Second decade: 1930-39	. ● ● ●	•••	53,008
Third decade:	- · · ·	1 y 2 ,	
1940			4,318
1941	***	• • •	4,427
	81 - t	- 7	194 800

Total ... 134,607

Utilisation of Home Grown Timber.

The war demands have been firstly, for softwoods, such as pine and spruce on an overwhelming scale and, secondly, for good class hardwoods in particular oak and beech. The poor cak timber, of which there is relatively so much, has so far contributed very little to the country's pressing needs.

The Commissioners' stock of standing timber has been heavily depleted and out-turn of mining timber has reached new heights. So far as has been possible the Commissioners have adhered to a policy of not felling middle-aged or immature plantations because they constitute the sole reserve for providing mature timber within the next two or three generations.

Amenity.

The Joint Informal Committee of the Commissioners and the Council for the Preservation of Kural England met once during the year under review, further attention being given to Eskdale, Breckland, and Dertmoor. The post-war rehabilitation of woodlands also received the Committee's consideration, in particular reference being made to the small woods which play such an important part in the amenities of the countryside and to the great scarcity of softwoods which will entail an extension of conifer planting after the war. The Commissioners have been criticised from time to time for their action in planting so great a proportion of softwoods which are said to be less beautiful than hardwood trees. The war has justified their policy and there is no real reason why amenity and utility should conflict.

New Forest.

Mention was made in the last Report of the strong recommendations which the Commissioners had made to the various Planning Authorities that all development schemes should be carefully reviewed and that no claims should be established which were not in harmony with the Report of the Committee of Planning Officers.^R This action was rendered necessary because the war had unfortunately interrupted normal progress in completing planning schemes which are required to implement the recommendations contained in the Report of the Committee.

The war has led to abnormal demands for timber, and woodlands in and around the New Forest are being heavily depleted. No fears are felt with regard to those woods which are in the Commissioners' charge because these will be regenerated or replanted and maintained as woods, but many owners are selling land together with the timber on which it stands, and in such cases there is a real danger when the timber is cleared that the woodland sites will be lost to forestry. The importance of maintaining the rural character of the Forest is a matter on which the Commissioners have always laid much stress, and it is proposed to hold a further conference of representatives of the Planning Authorities concerned together with representatives of the New Forest Verderers, the New Forest Advisory Committee, and the Ministry of Health in order that measures for the protection of the Forest may be reviewed in the light of recent events.

Private Forestry.

At the end of the war there will be at least 1 million acres of woodland which will require regeneration either by replanting or by self-seeding. It is not yet possible to foresee the full extent of war fellings, but it is certain that one of the major issues which will arise will be the necessity for rehabilitating the existing woodlands and thereafter maintaining them in a state of productivity.

National Forest Parks.

The following table shows the extent, date of opening, and expenditure on Parks so far constituted:

	<u>Extent</u> <u>Acres</u>	Date of Opening	Expenditure incurred.
Argyll National Forest Park	54,000	1937	25,100
Dean National Forest Park	23,000	1939	£1,660
Snowdonia National Forest Park	20,000	1940	£2,670

"Protection of the New Forest". Report of the Committee of Planning Officers 1938-39. (H.M. Stationery Office). The procedure with regard to the formation of National Forest Parks is now well established and the purpose is to provide the public with camping and recreational facilities in those forests to which they can safely be admitted. In the Commissioners' opinion the scheme is one which is worthy of fuller development, and since they already hold several other suitable areas the importance of this aspect of the Commissioners' activities will be in the forefront of any post-war planning.

<u>Argyll.</u> During the year certain of the public camping grounds remained closed under Defence of the Realm Regulations, but nevertheless the number of persons accommodated was greater than ever, the total being 32,080 as compared with the previous highest total of 30,870 persons in the 12 months immediately preceding the advent of the war.

<u>Dean.</u> There was a comparatively small number of visitors for whem temporary camping sites were provided on account of the fact that the Pavilion and regular camping ground had been taken over for war purposes.

<u>Snowdonia.</u> The newly-established Snowdonia Park was sampled by members of the Camping Club of Great Britain and although the total number of visitors was limited on account of the war the Commissioners received much commendation on the way the general facilities had been organised.

Imperial Forestry Institute.

The Commissioners continued to finance the research work commenced last year to enable valuable data to be collected from the many woods which are being clear-felled to meet war demands, data which would otherwise be irretrievably lost. The project aims primarily at correlation of growth and timber defects with site factors and the investigation includes details as to ecology, soil science, and pathology. Although the number of sites examined during the year was less than in the previous 12 months, largely on account of transport difficulties, it is believed that the better selection of sites should compensate for this.

Further arrangements were made for students of the Institute to visit Forestry Commission areas in place of the customary tours to the Continent.

The Weather.

The weather during the year again calls for special comment. During January and February there were very heavy falls of snow which severely hampered normal forestry operations, particularly in Scotland and in the North of England. This was followed by a prolonged drought in the Spring and early Summer, which led to inevitable losses in many newlyformed plantations, and there were periods of acute fire danger.

Operations - Forest Year 1940-1941.

The Forestry Fund.

The position of the Forestry Fund at 30th September, 1941, and at the same date in previous years is shown in Table I.

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Year ending 30th September.	Balance from preceding Year	Parlia- mentary Votes	Receipts. From Forestry Opera- tions, etc. (Table II Head Z).	Total	Payments (Table II, Heads A. to L).	Balance in Forestry Fund 30th September.
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Time Jeenie	£	£	£	£	£	£
First decade: 1920-29	-	4,000,000	851,484	4,851,484	4,502,018	-
Second decade: 1930-39		6,126,800	1,621,852	7,948,652	7,926,093	-
Third decade: 1940 1941	372,025 363,006	450,000 400,000	363,198 569,771	813,198 969,771		363,006 344,487
Grand Total	-	10, 9 76 , 8 00	3,606,305	14,583,105	14,238,613	

Table I .- Forestry Fund Account.

Balances remaining in the Fund at 30th September include provision for the succeeding six months of the financial year.

An analysis of payments and receipts by Heads of Account is given in Table II. Compared with the previous year, total payments rose from £822,217 to £988,290, an increase of £166,073, mainly under the head of Forestry Operations. Receipts were greater by £206,573, and net payments were therefore £40,500 less than in 1940. It may be noted that Heads of Account differ in some respects from those under which estimates are presented to Parliament.

Table II is limited to sums actually expended or received, recorded by the heads of account under which they occurred. In subsequent tables, which are based on commercial practice, outstanding receipts and payments are brought to account, salaries and overhead charges (Heads A to D) are allocated to appropriate objects of expenditure, and adjustments are made between various heads of account in respect of produce used for forest purposes and transfers of land and buildings between the forests and forest workers' heldings.

Expenditure and income adjusted on the basis stated above are shown in Table IIa.

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418,519	569,771	966, 890	16,792	174	•	7,819	4, 361	10,250	844,949	14,978	7 5,996	5,997	16,984	1941
459,019	365,198	832,217	27,872	762	52	9,433	5,657	9,000	681,491	15,565	696	6, 397	2	1940
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8 6,104, 841	1,821,852	860,986,7	468,306	13,681	57	84,916	78,536	123,595	6,282,917	005 49, 485 107, 251	19,485	53,00	714.545	1980-0861
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Table II. - Fayments and Receipts by Reads of Account.

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10, 390, 2 2	4,009,251	113,038	613 237,600	3,758,613	14, 389, 537	1,017,820	106, 554	112,828	947, 194	20,539	421,629	12,278,975	1,680,602	Grand Total.
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6,125,6	1,945,643	4 675	168,856		8, 070, 155 1,770,014	565,871	P. 694		10,45	998 , 	154, 555	7,056,582		1930-55
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Table IIs. - Expenditure and Income.

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Subheads A to D - General Organisation.

Expenditure, £82,117.

The apparent decrease in expenditure compared with 1940 is due to the receipt of £18,340 (credited to Subhead A) on account of the pension liability of staff loaned to the Ministry of Supply. Gross expenditure on Subheads A - D was £100,457, an increase of £9,554 due to war bonus, issues of balance of civil pay to staff serving with the Forces and normal increments.

The technical staff employed and not seconded to the Ministry of Supply comprised 16 Divisional Officers and 47 District Officers.

Subhead E - Forestry Operations.

Expenditure, £922,624; Income, £555,129.

Details of expenditure and income are given in Table E. Expenditure was 2141,432 more than in 1940.

Cultural operations rose by £101,574, due to rises in wages and the employment of a larger number of workpeople necessitated by the calling up of experienced men; miscellaneous expenses by £28,842, due to issues of balance of civil pay to men serving with the Forces; and local supervision by £12,980 due to war-time allowances to foresters and increased pay for foremen. Income from forestry operations rose by £3,767.

Overhead Charges, £29,595; Superior Supervision, £75,753, and Local Supervision. Overhead charges are in respect of salaries, allowances and other expenses in the offices of the Commissioners and Assistant Commissioners. Superior supervision represents similar expenditure in respect of the Deputy Surveyors, Divisional Officers and District Officers; and local supervision includes the salaries, housing allowances and miscellaneous expenses of Foresters and Foremen. During the year the number of Foresters and Foremen employed in forestry operations was increased by 27. The numbers at 30th September, 1941, were:- Foresters 205 (Head, 5; Grade I, 49; Grade II, 151), Foremen 146.

Acquisition of Land, Buildings and Standing Timber.-Expenditure amounted to £65,990, of which £32,812 was in respect of purchases of land including standing timber and buildings, and £33,178 in respect of land held on long lease or feu. (This expenditure is not directly applicable to the areas acquired during the year, particulars of which follow.)

The total area of land acquired during the forest year 1940-41 amounted to 16,030 acres, of which 12,782 acres were classified as plantable. On the other hand disposals and adjustments amounted to 260 acres (332 acres plantable). The average rent or feu duty for land acquired for forestry operations during the year by lease or feu was approximately 1s.10d. per acre and the average price for such land purchased, approximately fl. 0. 1. per acre. If the whole outlay in respect of land, buildings, timber, etc., were charged against plantable land the figures would be 2s. 9d. and fl.15s. 1d. respectively. Land and buildings for forest workers' holdings are excluded.

The net total area in Great Britain in respect of which the legal formalities of acquisition by the Department had been completed by 30th September, 1941, was 1,104,133 acres, the corresponding figures in the previous two Annual Reports being 1,038,359 and 1,002,327 acres. In addition to these completed acquisitions, entry had been secured to other property. Details are given in the table below, which also shows the area of "plantable" land and "other" land, i.e. land which is either too poor to plant or is required for other purposes.

	By Les	se and H	eu.	By	Purchase	t e	
s jacaja e a	Plant- able (includ- ing planted)	Other Land.	Total	Plant- able (includ- ing planted)	Other Land.	Total	Total Acquired
England & Wales.	Acres	Acres	Aores	Acres	Acres	Aores	Acres
Finally com- ploted.	140,354	31,362	171,716	263,753	78,441	342,194	513,910
Entry secured.	2.632	107	2,739	222	_	222	2,961
Total	142,986	31,469	174,455	263,975	78,441	342,416	516,871
Sootland.							
Finally com- pleted.	100,323	113,317	213,640	191,358	185,225	376,583	590,223
Entry secured.	429	64	493				493
Total	100,752	113,381	214,133	191,358	185,225	376,583	590,716
Great Britain	243,738	144,850	388 ,588	455,333	263,666	718,999	1,107,587

Land acquired by Lease, Feu and Purchase from 29th November, 1919, to 30th September, 1941.

Of the net total area acquired by lease, feu and purchase in Great Britain to 30th September, 1941, 699,071 acres were classified at the time of acquisition as plantable and of this area 406,961 acres (58 per cent.) were in England and Wales and 292,110 acres (42 per cent.) in Scotland.

In addition to the above-mentioned areas, Grown Woodlands extending to about 120,000 acres (of which some 60,000 acres are plantable) have been transferred to the Forestry Commissioners.

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			1×1	Nxpendi ture	(Table I	IIa, Column	mn 2).				Income	(Table II	8.	Column 10).
Year anding Sound	overkend Obergan	Superior Supervision	Local Supervision	Acquisition of Land, etc.	Cultural Operations	Proparation and sale of Produce	Roads and Buildings	Stores and Miscellaneous	Total	Sales of Land and Buildings.	Rents and Royalties	Forest Produce.	Other	10 tal
	E	(2)	(5)	(4)	(5)	(@)	(7)	(8)	(e)		(H)	(22)	(13)	(14)
First decade:						ţo	हर	to	8	(the	80	63	Þ	6
1920-29	192,99	201,122	174,150	787,509	1,510,801	118,853	115,488	411.677	3,512,577	78,784	274,091	406,594	122,639	882,108
Second decade:			1114. j. 1744. j.				,		-					
1950-39	332,060	352,049	493,661	1554,471	5071,019	362, 395	246,855	664,072	7,056,580	76,484	791.032	699,094	205,404	205,404 1,770,014
Third de cade i														
1940	ිට ු සිරිම	22.0 5	62, TM 5	70,857	431,753	21,482	25,487	98,012	781,192	1,634	92,728	432.065	24,935	551, 862
	29 ∳ 8382		75,758	066 *990	533, 527	33, 765	292 ⁶ 93	126,854	.922 ₉ 624	a dan	95,193	428, 374	29,081	555 ₉ 129
^O read Total.	592,915	619,814	415 °908	758,887	5,546, 900	556,495	411,090	1,500,615	12,272,973	159,385	1,253,044	1,905,127	380,059	380,059 3,758,613
Percentage.	4. 8	ол Н	0 0	20.0	45. N	4.5	3.4	10.6	100	4.3	33.3	58. 8	10.1	100

Table B. - Forestry Uperations.

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The total area of land in the Commissioners' control is thus approximately 1,227,000 acres. In round figures the utilisation as at 50th September, 1941, was as shown in the table on page 5.

Forestry Commission Units.

England and Wales.

- 1. Chopwell, Durham.*
- 2. Delamere, Cheshire."
- 3. Hafod Fawr, Merioneth*
- 4. Dean Forest, Gloucester Hereford & Monmouth.
- 5. Tintern, Monmouth."
- 6. Dymock, Gloucester and Hereford.[#]
- 7. Salcey, Buoks and Northampton.*
- 8. Hazelborough, Bucks and Northampton.#
- 9. Alice Holt, Hants."
- 10. Woolmer, Hants."
- 11. Bere, Hants.^X
- 12. New Forest, Hants."
- 13. Parkhurst, Isle of Wight."
- 14. Bedgebury, Kent and Sussex.^H
- 15. Rothbury, Northumberland.
- 16. Thornthwaite, Cumberland.
- 17. Allerston, Yorks.
- 18. Selby, Yorks.
- 19. Gwydyr, Caernarvon and Denbigh.
- 20. Coed-y-Brenin, Merioneth.
- 21. Cannock Chase, Stafford.

- 22. Rockingham, Northampton.
- 23. Swaffham, Norfolk.
- 24. Thetford Chase, Norfolk and Suffolk.
- 25. Rendlesham, Suffolk.
- 26. Ampthill, Bedford.
- 27. Mortimer, Hereford, Radno and Salop.
- 28. Walcot, Salop.
- 29. Kerry, Montgomery and Salop.
- 30. Rheola, Glamorgan.
- 31. Margam, Glamorgan.
- 32. Llantrisant, Glamorgan.
- 33. Llanover, Monmouth.
- 34. Chepstow, Monmouth.
- 35. Bodmin, Cornwall.
- 36. Halwill, Devon.
- 37. Haldon, Devon.
- 38. Eggesford, Devon.
- 39. Brendon, Somerset.
- 40. Quantocks, Scmerset.
- 41. Wareham, Dorset.
- 42. Bramshill, Berks and Hents.
- 43. Chiddingfold, Surrey and Sussex.

* Former Crown Woods.

44.	Ennerdale, Cumberland.	72.
45.	Clipstone, Derby and Nottingham.	73.
46.		74.
	Beddgelert, Caernarvon.	75.
47.	Cynwyd, Merioneth.	76.
48.	Dovey, Merioneth and Montgomery.	77.
49.	Radnor, Radnor.	78.
50.	Lyminge, Kent.	79.
51.	Kielder, Northumberland.	80.
52.	Haugh, Hereford.	81.
53.	Wyre, Worcester.	82.
54.	Brecon, Brecknock.	83.
55.	Brechfa, Carmarthen.	84.
56.	Ringwood, Dorset and Hants.	85.
57.	Bourne, Lincoln and Rutland.	86.
58.	Hamsterley, Durham.	87.
59.	Hope, Derby.	88.
	Laughton, Lincoln.	89.
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61.		90.
62.	Micheldever, Hants.	91.
63.	Ferndown, Dorset.	92.
64.	Wilsey Down, Cornwall.	93.
65.	Glasfynydd, Brecknock.	90 .
66.	Rosedale, Yorks,	94.
67.	Ampleforth, Yorks.	95.
68.	Cwmeinion, Cardigan.	96.
69.	Tarenig, Cardigan and Montgomery.	97.
70.	Mathrafal, Montgomery.	98.
		99.
71.	Pembrey, Carmarthen.	

- 72. Westbury, Hants.
- 73. Buriton, Hants & Susser.
- 74. Bewtry, Nottingham.
- 75. Sherwood, Nottingham.
- 76. Swanton, Norfolk.
- 77. Dunwich, Suffolk.
- 78. Brynmawr, Cardigan.
- 79. Bruton, Somerset & Wilts.
- 30. Myherin, Cardigan.
- 81. Harwood, Northumberland.
- 82. Kershope, Cumberland.
- 83. Combley, Isle of Wight.
- 84. Brighstone, Isle of Wight.
- 85. Slaley, Northumberland.
- 86. Clocaenog, Denbigh and Merioneth.
- 87. Dyfnant, Montgomery.
- 88. Crychan, Breeknock and Carmarthen.
- 89. Caio, Carmarthen.
- 90. Dartmoor, Devon.
- 91. Yardley Chase, Bedford and Northempton.
- 92. Arkengarthdale, Yorks.
- 93. Mynydd Ddu, Brecknock and Monmouth.
- 94. Herodsfoot, Cornwall.
- 95. West Woods, Wilts.
- 96. Bardney, Lincoln.
- 97. Redesdale, Northumberland.
- 98. Challock, Kent.
- 99. Vinehall, Susser.

- 100. Goodwood, Sussex.
- 101. Lydford, Devon.
- 102. Hardknott, Cumberland.
- 105. Langdale, Yorks.
- 104. The King's Forest, Suffolk.
- 105. Itton, Monmouth.
- 106. Grizedale, Lancashire."
- 107. Hafren, Montgomery.
- 108. Collingbourne, Wilts.
- 109. Gravetye, Sussex.
- 110. Sedbury, Gloudester.⁰
- 111. Warke, Northumberland.
- 112. Greystoke, Cumberland.
- 113. Wigsley, Lincoln and Nottingham.
- 114. Hay, Hereford.
- 115. St. Gwynno, Glamorgan.
- 116. Mendip, Somerset.
- 117. Hartland, Devon.
- 118. Marden, Sussex.
- 119. Willingham, Lincoln.
- 120. Gardiner, Wilts.
- 121. Usk, Brecknock.
- 122. Giedd, Brecknock.
- 123. Coed-y-Rhaiads, Brecknock.
- 124. Michaelston, Glamorgan.
- 125. Cwmogwr, Glamorgan.
- 126. Scardale, Yorks.
- 127. Coed Sarnau, Radnor.
- 128. Wendover, Bucks.
- E Previously known as Hawkshead.
- 6 Previously included under Chepstow.

129. Savernake, Wilts.

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- 130. Osborne, Isle of Wight.
- 131. Chequers, Bucks.
- 132. Monmouth, Mon.
- 133. Arundel, Susser.
- 134. Newborough, Anglesey.
- 135. Orlestone, Kent.
- 136. Hevingham, Norfolk.
- 137. Wentwood, Mon.

Scotland.

	Scotland	<u>.</u>	·
1.	Inverliever, Argyll."	51.	Benmore, Argyll.
2.	Borgie, Sutherland.	32.	The Bin, Aberdeen.
3.	Slattadale, Ross.	33.	Craig Phadrig, Inverness.
4.	Achnashellach, Ross.	34.	Ordiequish, Moray.
5.	Ratagan, Inverness and Ross.	35.	Salen, Argyll.
6.	Inchnacardoch, Inverness.	36.	North Strome, Ross.
7.	South Laggan, Inverness.	37.	South Strome, Ross.
8.	Port Clair, Inverness.	38.	Glenshiel, Ross.
9.	Culbin, Moray and Nairn.	39.	Glenfinert, Argyll.
10.	Monaughty, Moray.	4 0.	Findon, Ross.
11.	Kirkhill, Aberdeen.	41.	Kessock, Ross.
12.	Montreathmont, Angus.	42.	Drumtochty, Kincardine.
13.	Glen Righ, Inverness.	43.	Midmar, Aberdeen.
14.	Glenduror, Argyll.	44.	Kennay, Aberdeen.
15.	Glenbranter, Argyll.	45.	Glengarry, Inverness.
16.	Tentsmuir, Fife.	46.	Blairadam, Fife and Kimross.
17.	Edensmuir, Fife.	47.	Forest of Deer, Aberdeen.
18.	Glentress, Peebles.	48.	· · · · ·
19.	Dalbeattie, Kirkcudbright.	49. 50.	•
20.	Newcestleton, Roxburgh.	51.	Rågarhope, Berwick.
21.	Teindland, Moray.	52.	
22.	Glenurquhert, Inverness.	53.	,
23.	Glenhurich, Argyll.	54.	
24.	Drummond Hill, Perth.	55.	•
25.	The Queen's Forest, Inverness.	56.	-
26.	Culleden, Inverness.	57.	•
27.	Nevis, Inverness.	58.	Clunes, Inverness.
	Craig-nan-Eun, Inverness.	59.	Devilla, Fife.
	Ardgartan, Argyll.	60.	Balbleir, Sutherland.
30.	Barcaldine, Argyll.	61.	Lasl, Ross.
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Former Grown Wood.

- 62. Clashindarroch, Aberdeen.
- 63. Roseisle, Moray.
- 64. Inglismaldie, Kincerdine.
- 65. Blackcraig, Perth.
- 66. Achaglachgach, Argyll.
- 67. Strathyre, Perth.
- 68. Knapdale, Argyl1.
- 69. Flunary, Argyll.
- 70. Carden, Fife.
- 71. Glenloy, Inverness.
- 72. Auchenroddan, Dumfries.
- 73. Kirroughtree, Kirkeudbright.
- 74. Newtyle, Moray.
- 75. Durris, Aberdeen and Kincardine.
- 76. Longart, Ross.
- 77. Garadhban, Stirling.
- 78. Inverinan, Argyll.
- 79. Glenbrittle, Isle of Skye.
- 80. Alltoailleach, Aberdeen.
- 81. Fleet, Kirkoudbright.
- 82. Kinfauna, Porth.
- 83. Kilsture, Wigtown.
- 84. Whitehaugh, Aberdeen.
- 85. Guisachan, Inverness.
- 86. Changue, Ayr.
- 87. Asknish, Argyll.
- 88. Dundeugh, Kirkeudbright.
- 89. Carron Valley, Stirling.
- 90. Tinnisburn, Roxburgh and Dumfries.
- z z includes Bennaa.
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- 91. Glen Devon, Perth.
- 92. Ardross, Ross.
- 93. Lossie, Moray.
- 94. Millbuie, Ross.
- 95. Inshriach, Inverness.
- 96. Graigvinean, Perth.
- 97. Tilliefoure, Aberdeen.
- 98. Corriedoo, Kirkeudbright.
- 99. Keillour, Perth.
- 100. Cairn Edward, Kirkoudbright.[#]
- 101. Minard, Argyll.
- 102. Gererogo, Kirkoudbright.
- 103. Carradale, Argyll.
- 104. Twigless, Dumfries.
- 105. Laurieston, Kirkoudbright.
- 106. Saddell, Argyll.
- 107. Assich, Mairn.
- 108. Gastle O'er, Dumfries.
- 109. Wauchope, Roxburgh.
- 110. Kilmichael, Argyll.
- 111. Glentrool, Kirkoudbright.
- 112. Morangia, Ross.
- 113. Blackhall, Kincardine.
- 114. Rosarie, Banff.

	Plant	ations.			Nurseries	Grand Total.
Year ending 30th September.	P repar- atory work and Planting	Establish ment and Mainten- ance.		Total		٠
-	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	- (.5)	(6)
First decade:	£	£	£ **	£	£	£
1920-29.	638,503	295,201	95,824	1,029,528	481,273	1,510,801
Second decade: 1930-39.	1,053,327	916,427	377,133	2,346,887	724,132	3,071,019
Third decade: 1940. 1941.	139,854 149,570	128,221 159,020	63,079 89,341	331 ,154 397,931	100,599 135,396	431,753 533,327
Grand Total	1,981,254	1,498,869	625,377	4,105,500	1,441,400	5,546,900
Percentage	35.7	27.0	11.3	74.0	26.0	100

Table E.5. - Cultural Operations (Table E. Column 5).

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Cultural Operations.- Expenditure amounted to 2535,327 details of which are given in Table E.5. Plantations accounted for 2597,931 and aurgeries 2135,396.

Plantations.- The total area planted or sown during the year was 26,867 acres, of which 24,382 acres were placed under conifers and 2,485 acres under broadloaved species. Included in the above are 1,464 acres re-afforested in former Grown woods and 1,217 acres replanted after damage by fire. Details by forests are given in the Appendix, pages 32 et seq.

The total addition to the woodland area of Great Britain as a result of the Commission's operations was 19,627 acres. In forming plantations and beating-up previous years' plantations 64 million trees were used, of which 50 per cent. were Norway and Sitka spraces; 24 per cent. Scots and Corsican pines; 10 per cent. Suropean and Japanese larches; 1 per cent. Douglas fir, and 14 per cent. broadleaved species.

An area of 242 acres of existing woods was underplanted, necessitating the use of 213,000 plants.

The quantities of work done by Divisions during the year are shown in the table below.

ngland and Wales		ated.	planted.	Thinned.	Felled.
	Acres	Acres	Acres	Acres	Acres
N.B.	4,687	-	-	245	173
N.W.	1,185	++	17	157	22
E.	2,456	176	-	391	471
S.E	1,298	_	2	318	1,338
S.W.	850	12	-	54	70
New	924	329	50.	181	744
Dean	1,005		47	1,218	2,064
N.(Wales)	1,842	-	91	468	246
S. (Weles)	3,109	-	-	57	93
Total	17,356	517	207	3,089	5,221
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North	1,655	_	11	251	148
South	1,709	-	3	121	100
Zast	2,658	-	14	226	160
West	3,489	-	7	394	88
Total	9,511		35	992	496
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otal, Great Britain	26,867	517	242	4,081	5,717

Silvicultural Operations.

Cost of Planting.- The outlay on labour and material on the areas planted between 1919 and 1941 was £10. 5. 6. per acre.

This figure covers the cost of preparation of ground, drainage, fencing, plants, planting, replacement of failures and weeding, but does not include expenditure on forest protection, supervision and overhead charges.

Heer		- temen	1941 Se		1940 Se		20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 2	
	Country.		England and Wales. Scotland.	Total.	England and Welcs. Sootland.	Total.	England and Wales. Scotland.	Total.
02	•	Contier-	4,955 5,952	9 88*9	2,808 2,808	6, 106	5,265 2,519	5,782
 Som	(15.)	Broad- leaved.	278, 880 4, 285	285,168	178,845 5,296	184,139	65, 118 2, 895	66,015
		Total.	283,81 5 8 ,237	050*362	162,146 8,099	190,245	66,381 5,414	71,795
	3 3.5	Confrer- aus.	55,933 55,877	91, 310	69,965 37, 365	107, 531	78,573 46,262	194,835
Stock of	Transplants.	Broad- leaved.	10,355 1,008	11,565	9,591 1,290	10,681	8,924 954	3,878
		Total.	66, 288 36, 385	102,673	79, 3 56 38, 656	118,012	97,497 47,816	184,715
Plants at 30th September (thousands).		Contfer- ous.	100, 156 8, 497	183,653	59,785 54,085	113,868	95,815 79,125	172,958
tenber	Seedlings.	Broad- leaved.	20, 776 1, 036	21,812	13,605 713	14,518	15,748 2,318	18,066
		Total.	120,932 84,533	205 • 465	73,390 54,796	128,186	109,561, 81,445	191,004
.l	(Acres)		817 424	1,241	682 410	1,092	6 36 415	1,051

Nurseries. The total area under nurseries at 30th September, 1941, was 1,241 acres stocked with 205 million seedlings and 105 million transplants. Comparative figures for the three years 1939-41 are given in the following table:-

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Details showing by Divisions the utilisation of nursery area are as follows:-

Division.	Seedbeds.	Lines	Fallow and Green Crops	Other	Total.
ingland and Wales	Acres	Acres	Aores	Acres	Acres.
N.E. N.W. E. S.E. S.W. New Dean N.(Wales) S.(Wales) Total	$ \begin{array}{r} 19.1 \\ 7.4 \\ 34.5 \\ 31.6 \\ 5.4 \\ 39.3 \\ 11.3 \\ 13.8 \\ 14.5 \\ 176.9 \\ \end{array} $	59,1 17.6 51.9 32.6 12.3 17.0 12.5 39.6 32.4 275.0	42.9 10.4 40.8 16.7 6.3 36.6 9.6 27.0 45.8 236.1	18.0 4.2 30.6 16.2 8.0 15.5 5.5 14.8 16.2 129.0	139.1 39.6 157.8 97.1 32.0 108.4 38.9 95.2 108.9
cotland					
North South Best West	15.1 21.0 23.1 30.3	34.9 22.6 33.3 51.1	20.6 18.3 27.6 65.6	13.6 9.8 20.0 17.1	84.2 71.7 104.0 164.1
Total	89.5	141.9	132.1	60.5	424.0
otal, Great Britain	. 266.4	416.9	368.2	189.5	1,241.0

Utilisation of Nursery Area.

Seed Supply.- No seed could be obtained from Continental sources and an order for 2,000 lbs of Japanese larch from Japan was not fulfilled. Imports from the United States were satisfactory, 3,000 lbs of Japanese larch and 885 lbs of the European variety being secured, while 75 lbs of the seed of the Lodgepole pine were also obtained from the same source. Canada provided 2,568 lbs of Sitka spruce seed. The total value of these imports amounted to 25,815.

On account of the general uncertainty regarding imports special efforts were made to increase the home-collection of seed. Scots pine was plentiful and sufficient cones were collected to meet all requirements and to allow a carry-over to the ensuing year. In Scotland it was a poor year for European larch both as regards quantity and quality, but in England and Wales sufficient seed of this species was obtained to meet normal sowings. Supplies of hardwood seed were not plentiful, beech once again being exceptionally short. Forest Fires.- During the year 497 fires occurred, the planted area affected being 3,025 acres, and the damage was assessed at £49,400. These figures include 37 fires caused by enemy action involving a loss of £18,000. In the previous year fires due to enemy action numbered 45 with a loss amounting to £21,000.

Fire-fighting technique has continued to show improvement and equipment for the use of water has been provided more freely. A new pump - of a type more suited to hilly districts has been put into use.

Arrangements for military assistance in the event of serious outbreaks have been extended, and towards the close of the year contact was made with the newly unified National Fire Service - a contact which may prove to be of exceptional value.

Comparative figures for the five years 1937 to 1941 are given below.

	1937	1938	1939	1940	1941
Number of fires Area burnt (acres)	438 126	1,144 2.066	355 975	628 1,750	497 3,025
Damage valued at	£2,140		£19,465	£38,145	£49,400

Claims aggregating £12,550 have been lodged by the Commissioners in respect of the damage done during the year.

The following table gives the causes of fires in 1941 and it will be seen that most fires originated in sparks from railway engines, but a large number (61) were caused by the general public mainly as the result of carelessness.

Origin	Number of Percentage of Fires. total Number.
Railways	176 36
General public:	
From public roads, etc.	31 6
Other	30 6
Adjoining land	85 18
Troops, etc	39 8
Enemy action	37 7
Commission's and Ministry of	
Supply's employees	34 7
Road engines	4 1
Other	8 1
Unknown	53 10
Totals	497 100

Subhead F.- Advances for Afforestation Purposes.

Expenditure, £12,673.

Grants to private individuals and local authorities for planting amounted to £9,567, and overhead and supervisory charges to £3,106.

The grants were as follows :-

(1) Conifers. - Up to £2 per acre planted or sown and thereafter maintained as a forest crop.

(2) Hardwoods.- For every acre planted or sown with approved species and thereafter maintained as an area for the production of hardwoods:- up to 24 per acre for oak or ash; 25 per acre for beech, sycamore or chestnut, and 22 per acre for other approved species.

The number of schemes in respect of which grants were paid during the year and the areas dealt with are stated below:-

	England and Wales.	Scotland.	Total.
Number of Schemes	168	111	299
x	Acres	Acres	Acres
Planting conifers	1,589	2,161	3,750
Planting hardwoods	668	9	677

Subhead G .- Education. Expenditure, 25,879.

Details of expenditure are given in Table G.

Apprentices' Schools: Expenditure 22,052.

At the close of the year Parkend School (Forest of Dean) was re-opened and 22 Forest Apprentices were selected for a 2-year Course of Instruction. The School for more than a year had been utilised for the purpose of special courses of instruction in timber measuring by members of the Women's Land Army.

At Benmore School, Argyll, it was found to be possible to re-introduce the normal 2-year course in substitution for the war-time expedient of 6 months' instruction. A class of twenty apprentices was recruited, a number of whom had already attended the 6 months' course.

Grants to Universities, Colleges, etc.: Expenditure £1,300

Grants were made during the year to Cambridge University, University College of North Wales, Bangor; King's College, Newcastle-on-Tyne; Aberdeen University.

			Expenditure	ure (Table 118,	Column 4)				
Year	Superior		Apprent1 ces	Schools.					
ending 30th September.	Super- vision and Overhead Charges.	Salaries and Expenses of In- Structors.	Furchase and Rent of Land and Buildings.	Allowances to Apprentices.	Stores. Fuel. etc.	Grents to Institu- tions.	Total.	Income.	Net Expen- diture.
lrst decade:				4	4 2	t 4	C-3	લ	୍ୟ
1920-89 econd decedet	13,125	15,401	6,196	21,709	14,192	30 . 691	101, 515	2,427	98,686
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Table G. - Education.

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Imperial Forestry Institute: Expenditure, £1,750.-The annual grant to the Imperial Forestry Institute from the Forestry Fund was continued. Ten students attended for the whole or part of the year, including 2 postgraduate Probationer Assistant Conservators of Forests, Malaya.

Subhead H - Research and Experiment.

Expenditure: Gross, £12,480; Net, £12,045.

Details of expenditure are given in Table H.

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13,699	38,458	20,230	7,263	79,650	1,058	78,592
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Table H - Research and Experiment.

Three new permanent sample plots were established, and one plot was lost owing to wind damage, bringing the total of established plots to 217; of these 118 are in England and Wales and 99 in Scotland. Forty-eight plots were remeasured during the year.

Nursery and Plantation Work.

Nursery investigations have dealt with the study of methods of preparing composts from refuse organic matter, such as bracken, and with the storage of beech seed. Further progress has been made with the raising of trees in nurseries formed on woodland and moorland soils and treated with composts.

On the plantation side the success of earlier experiments on the planting of mixed crops of spruce with various species of pines has led to the laying down of new plots designed to compare different ways of forming the mixture. An investigation has also been carried out on methods of thinning 20-year old pine plantations in East Anglia.

The large-scale method of planting experiment at Hope Forest in Derbyshire was completed.

Entomology and Mycology.

Progress has been made with the study of chafers and a memorandum on practical methods of dealing with these pests has been issued. The prevention of insect outbreaks arising from war fellings is a metter which has received much attention during the year. Control measures have been devised and frequent inspections made.

The usual elm disease survey was carried out during the autumn; there was no material change in the general position.

Botany and Soil.

Work on the mycorrhiza of forest trees was continued and a report by Dr. M.C. Rayner on the progress of the investigation has been published recently in one of the Forestry Journals.

The study of woodlands being felled for war purposes was continued by members of the staffs of various Universities in Great Britain under the guidance of the Imperial Forestry Institute at Oxford and further data were collected on the effect of locality factors upon the health and rate of growth of tree crops.

Botany and Soil.

Further work on the soil survey of Ardgartan Forest in Argyllshire was carried out by Dr. A. Muir of the Macaulay Institute for Soil Research. A meeting was held, at Symonds Yat, near Monmouth, to discuss the work in progress. Experimental plantations in the Forest of Dean, Tintern, and Dymock Forests were visited.

Utilisation.

The investigation on the rate of seasoning of pitprops prepared at different seasons of the year was completed.

Subhead J .- Agency and Advisory Services.

Expenditure: Gross, £777; Net, £607.

The expenditure is an apportionment of overhead and supervisory charges in respect of the time of various officers of the Commission who have been engaged in answering enquiries and advising woodland owners as to the treatment of their woods.

Subhead K.- Special Services. Expenditure, £926.

Details of expenditure are given in Table K.

	Expenditure (Table IIa, Column 7).							
Year ending 30th September.	Superior Super- vision and Overhead Charges.	Consult- ative Com- mittee's Expenses.	Publi- cations.	14° T 1		Total	In- come	Net Expen- diture
	£	2	£	£	£	£	£	£
First decade: 1920-29.	26,585	523	1,995	12,368	19,828	61,299	347	60,952
Second decade: 1930-39.	28,698	145	1,279	12,572	-	42,694	33	42,661
Third decade: 1940 1941	864 777	9	2	760 149	. 	1,635 926		1,6 34 926
Grand Total:	56,924	677	3,276	25,849	19,828	106,554	5 81	106,175
Percentage:	53.4	•8	3.1	24.3	18.6	100		

Table K .- Special Services.

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Subhead L. - Forest Workers' Holdings.

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Expenditure, £24,479; Income, £20,905.

Total expenditure was £13,108 less than in 1940. Details are given in Table L.

During the year 16 holdings were completed and, after allowing for disposals and transfers to other tenancies, the total number of holdings for forest workers amounted to 1486. The average cost of establishing holdings is £497, of which land accounts for £68, and cost of buildings, drainage, water supply, etc., £429.

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Subhead Z - Income. 3576.681.

Total income was £4,215 greater than in 1940. Nents and royalties include \$15,426 from the Forest of Dean mines. "Other" income includes sales of live stock £14,594, and miscellaneous estate, farm and forest receipts £14,067. Details are given in Table Z.

Table 2. - Income.

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Table L. - Porest Workers' Holdings.

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1925		1,980	1925-26		2,960
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1927	* • •	2,735	1927-28		5,495
1928	* * *	2,740	1928-29	- * * *	3,565
1929	• • •	2,640	1929-30	÷	3,835
1930	***	3,130	1930-31	***	8,850
1931	***	2,830	1951-52	***	3,505
1932		2,720	1932-33	* • •	3,985
1933		2,845	1933-34	***	3,735
1934	***	3,015	1934-35		4,020
1955	**	3,280	1935-36	796 (4,155
1936		3,780	1936-37		4,565
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