Clydevale (Locality: Clydevale).—Area, 1,156 acres. Acquired in three portions in September, November, and December, 1947. Subdivision, two sheep-farms. The development in this case consists mainly of pasture renewal, and a considerable portion of this has already been done. An ex-serviceman is employed as manager with the promise of an undefined section.

Cranleigh (Locality: Tuapeka Mouth).—Area, 1,903 acres. Acquired, 28th March, 1947. Subdivision, three sheep-farms. Development consists of pasture renewal and erection of fencing, dwellings, and farm buildings. The bulk of the pasture renewal has been completed, and if buildings can be erected in time this property can be settled on fixed charges this year. Three ex-servicemen are employed with promises of undefined sections.

Goodwood (Locality: Palmerston).—Area, 1,720 acres. Acquired, 18th July, 1946. Subdivision, four sheep-farms. Practically all the pastures required renewal, fences were in very bad condition, as were also all the buildings. Renewal of pasture and fencing has progressed fairly well, two cottages have been repaired, the wool-shed has been moved, re-erected, and extended, the stable repaired, two implements-sheds erected, dip and six dams constructed, and a commencement made with the sheep-yards. Two ex-servicemen are employed with promises of undefined sections, and a further appointment on this basis will shortly be made.

Invermay (Locality: Mosgiel).—Area, 1,262 acres. Acquired, 11th February, 1946. Subdivision, three dairy-farms and one sheep and agriculture unit. The regrassing of the dairy-farms is completed.

Island Cliff (Locality: Ngapara).—Area, 2,504 acres. Acquired, 24th March, 1944. Subdivision, five sheep and agriculture farms. A scheme of water reticulation is in hand, the renewal of pastures has been substantially completed, also the fencing. The development of one unit was completed in September and the section was allotted to an ex-serviceman on fixed charges. Two ex-servicemen have been appointed to commence duties shortly with promises of undefined sections.

Kurirao (Locality: Waipahi).—Area, 453 acres. This area reverted to the Crown in 1941. One sheep unit. Development is substantially complete and it is anticipated that the unit will be allotted on fixed charges this year.

Maryhill (Locality: Berwick).—Area, 1,178 acres. Acquired, 15th August, 1946. Single-unit sheep-farm. Development almost completed and the unit will be offered to the ex-serviceman manager who has a promise of the section at fixed charges on 1st July, 1948.

Matau (Locality: Inchclutha).—Area, 201 acres. Acquired, 23rd June, 1947. Subdivision, two dairy units. Development consisted of pasture renewal, erection of buildings, and fencing. Pasture renewal has been completed and, provided buildings are erected, settlement on fixed charges can be effected this year. Two ex-servicemen are employed with promises of undefined sections.

Moa Flat (Locality: Heriot).—Area, 15,036 acres. Acquired, 17th March, 1947. Subdivision, three sheep-farms, and one farm suitable for fat-lamb production and cropping. Extensive development programme, including pasture renewal, fencing, buildings, repairs to existing buildings, and provision of pumps for water-supply. Fair progress has been made with pasture renewal, fencing, and repairs. Three ex-servicemen are employed with promises of undefined sections.

Moeraki (Locality: Hampden).—Area, 3,451 acres. Acquired, 28th March, 1947. Subdivision, ten to thirteen sheep-farms (tentative). Extensive development required. Good progress has been made with pasture renewal, but fencing is held up owing to lack of materials. One ex-serviceman is employed with the promise of an undefined section and a further appointment on this basis will be made shortly.