

Annual General Meeting:

Annual General Meeting of the members of the Society held at Imperial Hotel, Cork, on Saturday, January 26, 1957. Major W.B. Bell presided; also present Mrs. B. Twomey, Mrs. T. Quill, Mrs. K.K. Hosford, Mrs. C.E. Hosford, Mrs. M. Desmond, Mrs. T. Good, Mrs. H. Wood, Mrs. J.B. Barber, Mrs. M. Ryan, Mrs. N.J. Cahill, Mrs. J.S. Henderson, Mrs. T. O'Leary, Mrs. V.F. Bowen, ; Misses M. Quill, E.H. Moore, P. Hodder, V.M. Good; Messrs H.D. Hosford, R. Good, D. O'Leary, J.W.F. Roberts, J.J. Hanrahan, G.V. Good, N. Gorkery, N.J. Cahill, T. O'Connor, J. W. Young, R.W. Young, L. Dobbins, H. McNeillagh, T.N. Desmond, B.L., J. Dely, M.R.C.V.S., J. Murphy, P. O'Brien, T. Quill, T.J. Young, T. O'Leary, L. Cashman, C. O'Leary, C. Donovan, T.R. Nicholson, J. A. Wood, P. Murphy, A.E. Jeffery, T. Sweetnam, R. Jackson, R. Jackson, Stephen Murphy, T.J. Murphy, D. Cronin, V.F. Bowen, D. Buckley, F.J. O'Connell, H.G. O'Sullivan, E. Wall, P. Murphy, H. Twomey, J.C. Fevenagh, J. C. Murphy, M. Ryan, D. O'Driscoll, J. Pyne, J.T. Bowen, J.S. Henderson, E. E. Hosford, W. Nagle, W.H. Good, J. Desmond, W.W. Nicholson, T.H. Bird, E.L. Bird, J.H. Ellisy, J. Spillane, D. Hurley, J.F.D. Good, W.R. Good, M. Desmond, J. Brennan, H. Wood, W. Fitzgersaid.

The Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting, having been read, were approved and signed.

President's Report:

Major W.B. Bell (President), in his report to the Meeting, referred to the Statement of Accounts, and said the General Receipts amounted to £1,938, against £2,754 in 1955, due to a decrease in revenue from storage.

General Expenditure - £6,735, against £6,197 - due to increased maintenance expenses, etc. at the Show Grounds. The Spring Show & Sale of Tulls left a profit of £281, against £486, due to a decrease in auction fees.

Summer Show Receipts - £8,012, against £7,869; expenses - £3,856, against £3,627, leaving a profit of £4,155, compared with £4,241.

Gate Receipts - £2,966, against £3,365; entry fees and trade stands - £4,275, against £3,864.

Autumn Show Receipts £53; expenses - £168; leaving a loss of £114.

Loss for the year - £473.

The President added that their total expenditure came to about £11,000, while the subscriptions of members only totalled £558. He, therefore, urged those present to try to get more members in order to help the Society.

Adoption of Report:

Mr. T.W. Desmond, B.I., moving the adoption of the Report, said it should be realised that the rents received for storage were down by £700, and were likely to continue in that direction, as Grain Merchants in the City were providing their own storage. Taking the Balance Sheet, as a whole, however, Mr. Desmond continued, the position was reasonably satisfactory, and the fact that the General Expenses had only increased by £600 was almost phenomenal, considering increasing wages and costs of repairs, etc. Referring to the Autumn Show, Mr. Desmond said, although it showed a loss, the Society should continue with it, as it was an integral part of the functions they were supposed to perform. The Summer Show had been a great success and, considering the adverse circumstances which prevailed, they should be very well satisfied with the year's working.

Mr. J.F. Bowen, seconding, supported Mr. Desmond's plea for the continuation of the Autumn Show. The financial position, as a whole, he said was not as bad