# Proceeding of the Statistical and Social Inquiry Society of Ireland

## One Hundreth and Tenth Session 1956-57

#### DUBLIN MEETINGS

#### FIRST MEETING

The Society met at Academy House on 2nd November, 1956, the President, Mr. James Meenan, in the Chair

Dr R. C. Geary read a paper entitled "Variability in Agricultural Statistics on Small and Medium-Sized Farms in an Irish County."

The vote of thanks was proposed by Dr Juan Greene and seconded by Dr Henry Kennedy. The following also took part in the discussion General M J Costello, Messrs. T P Linehan, E Richards-Orpen, P O'Keeffe and Dr R O'Connor

#### SECOND MEETING

The Society met at Academy House on 7th December, 1956, the President, Mr James Meenan in the Chair.
Mr Joseph Charleton read a paper entitled "The Taxation of

Business Profits.'

The vote of thanks was proposed by Senator Arthur Cox and seconded by Mr H W. Robinson The following also took part in the discussion Professor B F Shields, Messrs. P F Smith, Cronin, McElligott, A Marsh and R J. P. Mortished

#### THIRD MEETING

The Society met at Academy House on 1st March, 1957, Dr. R. C. Geary, Vice-President in the Chair

Mr F E. Dixon, BA, FR Met Soc, read a paper entitled "Metero-

logy and the Community".

The vote of thanks was proposed by Mr B McQuillan and seconded by Captain Brendan Flanagan The following also took part in the discussion Messrs. A. Marsh, P M A Bourke, M D McCarthy and the Chairman.

#### FOURTH MEETING

The Society met at Academy House on 26th April, 1957, the President, Mr. James Meenan, in the Chair.

Dr. T. Walsh read a paper entitled "A Half-Century of Lime and Fertiliser Use in Ireland

The vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. H. Kennedy and seconded by Mr J W. Parkes. The following also took part in the discussion General M J Costello, Dr. L Smith, Messrs E R Richards-Orpen, A. J. Keogh, P Callinan and F. E Dixon

#### FIFTH MEETING

The Society met at Academy House, on 17th May, 1957, the Pre-

sident, Mr James Meenan, in the Chair.
Mr N. J Gibson read a paper entitled "An Amended Irish Monetary System'

The vote of thanks was proposed by Mr P Lynch and seconded by Mr. G. Brock Mr W J. Collins and the President also contributed to the discussion

### BELFAST MEETINGS

#### FIRST MEETING

The Society met in the Old Common Room, Queen's University, Belfast, on 2nd November, 1956, Professor C F Carter, Vice-President,

Sir Kenneth Sinclair, D.L., Chairman of the Harbour Commissioners, read a paper on "The Port of Belfast"

The vote of thanks was proposed by Professor K. S Isles, MA and seconded by Professor Naylor A general discussion and questions followed in the course of which contributions were made by Professor Carter, Dr R D. C Black, Mr. D. M. Paulin and others.

#### SECOND MEETING

The Society met in the Old Common Room, Queen's University, Belfast, on 14th December, 1956, Professor C. F. Carter, Vice-President, in the Chair

The meeting took the form of a symposium on "The Present and Future of Inland Transport in Northern Ireland" Papers were contributed by Mr J C Baille, Traffic Manager of the Great Northern Mr. R L Strait, Freight Manager of the Ulster Transport Authority; Mr. Martin Johnston of Thomas Johnston and Sons Ltd, and Dr. W Black, Lecturer in Economics, Queen's University.

A general discussion and questions followed, in the course of which contributions were made by Messrs Gibson, McCoubrey and J V. Stewart.

Mr J. Boyd, Talks Producer of the B B C, Northern Ireland Service, was present and the proceedings were recorded for subsequent broadcast in a shortened form

#### THIRD MEETING

The Society met in the Old Common Room, Queen's University, Belfast, on 25th January, 1957, Professor K S. Isles in the Chair

Mr D. H Alexander, OBE, MSc, WhSch, MI MechE, Principal of the College of Technology, Belfast, read a paper entitled "Technological Training—Education for Industry"

The vote of thanks was proposed by Mr Atholl Blair, CBE, (Messrs Harland and Wolff, Ltd.) and seconded by Mr. David Keith-Lucas (Messrs. Short Bros and Harland, Ltd.) A general discussion followed in which members and guests present took part.