OBJECTIVE

In making this survey, the writer hopes not only to familiarise himself with the technique of agricultural surveying, but to provide some more information about the area, and to offer a few suggestions as to how experimentation and development should proceed, with a view to evolving a permanent system of agriculture for the steeply sloping lands of the Northern Range.

METHODS

Three hill areas were surveyed during the session 1951-1952.

(1) Floradale hill area - peasant agriculture.

(2) Mt. St. Benedict hill area - peasant and small estate agriculture.

(3) Maracas and Tierra Nueva estates - estate agriculture.

Previous reports on surveys of peasant agriculture, especially on hill areas, were studied.

The three surveyors covered all three areas during the first term to gain background information, then each surveyor concentrated on one area to acquire more detailed information by observation and conversation with the cultivators and owners of the lands.