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## THE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE DAY AND CONFERENCE OF 1937.

The twenty-sixth College Day and Conference annually organised by the Madras Agricultural Students' Union was held at the Research Institute, Coimbatore on the 22nd and 23rd of this month under the presidency of Diwan Bahadur S. E. Ranganathan Avl., Vice Chancellor of the Madras University. The conference was attended by the Directors of Public instruction, and of Agriculture, Madras, several Deputy and Assistant Directors of Agriculture, District Educational Officer, Coimbatore and by a few members of the Legislative Assembly. Mr. R. C. Broadfoot, the Principal of the Agricultural College and the *exofficio* President of the Union, welcomed the guests in a neat little speech. After the reading of the messages from a number of members and well wishers of the Union, the secretary presented the report of the managing committee for the year 1936—'37. The president after presenting medals and prizes to the winners, delivered an interesting speech in the course of which he dwelt on a few important aspects of 'Rural reconstruction' which formed the subject of the symposium arranged for discussion at the Conference. Twelve papers were presented by actual workers in the field as well as by persons who had bestowed some thoughts on this important topic of the day. An interesting and instructive discussion followed in which many took part. The Conference came to a close at 12-30 P. M. on the 23rd with a vote of thanks proposed by the Director of Agriculture, Madras and the Vice President of the Union.

On the night of the 22nd, the students of the College entertained the visitors by staging four dramas in English, Telugu, Malayalam and Tamil. On the 24th, the College day sports were held and the Union was 'at home' to the members and visitors. Mrs. A. C. Woodhouse kindly gave away the prizes to the winners in the sports. On the morning of the 25th the annual general body meeting of the Union was held with Mr. R. C. Broadfoot in the chair, when two important resolutions relating to the promotion of the interests of the unemployed members of the Union were passed. The accounts of the year and the budget for the next year were also passed. The office bearers for the next year were elected.

A conference of the departmental officers was also held on two days. The heads of sections in the Research Institute and the Principal of the College had kindly arranged for the benefit of the visitors as in last year, a comprehensive exhibition of the important lines of work pursued by them.