

Report on the SEED POTATO ADVISORY
COMMITTEE Meeting held at 9 Manor
Place, Edinburgh on Friday, 7th
February, 1986

The meeting opened with Mr. G.H. Galloway being elected Chairman and Mrs. B.A. Gordon Vice Chairman for the coming year.

Mr. Galloway asked if there had been any further enquiries made regarding facilities at Dundee for the export of potatoes. Mr. Bethel had explored the situation and did not seem to be too enthusiastic. After further discussion it was decided to have another look at the situation and report back at a later date.

The Committee then went on to discuss the proposed increase in the rate of levy and the maximum penalty for excess area under the Potato Marketing Scheme. Mr. Sprigge gave a full explanation of the Board's proposals and it was unanimously decided to give the Board full backing.

Year numbering of Elite Seed and a small tolerance for V.N. in Elite Class was next on the agenda, both of the proposals were fully debated with strong arguments from both "sides of the fence". Eventually it was decided that the Committee were in favour of accepting a tolerance on V.N. but very much against year numbering of Elite. Mrs. Gordon was instructed to put these views to the next Department meeting.

There being no further business the meeting ended.

P. Moffat.