

Home-made documentary for the screen

A film which has made a bit of history in Jamaica, will be shown in the Lecture Hall of the Institute of Jamaica, tomorrow morning. It is "Farmer Brown Learns Good Dairying"—a documentary made in Jamaica by Jamaicans.

This film was made by the Jamaican film production unit which was established by the Government last October and attached to the Education Department. It is part of the Central Film Organisation which is housed in the Education Department building at 5 South Race Course.

"Farmer Brown Learns Good Dairying" was produced in collaboration with the Agricultural Department. It aims at improving milk production by the proper care and management of the dairy cow. It is the first film made by the Film Unit on its own.

Since October, the unit has been in active production. A film dealing with the proper control of Leaf Spot disease is now being filmed, and another on Infant Education is being scripted. Other subjects on the production list include Soil Erosion, Coffee, Venereal Disease, Jippa Jappa industry.

Establishment of the Jamaica Film Unit grew out of the West Indian Film Training School organised by the Colonial Film Unit for year ended last March. Six West Indians including three Jamaicans were trained in the technique of photography and motion picture work.