Taieri River: Protection work near the railway bridge at Riverside has been completed. Flood-damage repairs and minor works have been carried out to Lee Creek channel, at Otokia, Henley, and Berwick Lock. Survey is in hand for the flood protection scheme.

Clutha River: Twenty-four chains of drain has been cut to improve and extend the area draining into Matau main drain. Waitepeka Creek has been cleaned and improved for a length of 170 chains. Damage caused by the major flood of February, 1945, has been restored. On the Puerua Stream a stop-bank 220 chains in length to protect Barker's property is nearing completion. Survey of Lower Clutha is in hand.

Oreti River: The Survey for control of 25 miles of river has been completed.

Pyramid Block: The survey of nearly 9 miles of drainage channels has been completed.

STAFF

The Council again wishes to place on record its appreciation of the services rendered during the year by its staff of four officers. Arrangements are being made for the appointment of soil conservators, hydrology staff, projectionists, and a forestry liaison officer.

Signed on behalf of the Soil Conservation and Rivers Control Council.

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