

*Wellington—Auckland, via Taranaki (No. 9 Highway District) :—*

Makara County Section : 7 ch. of two-coat and 26 ch. of first-coat sealing have been carried out.

Hutt County Section : Paekakariki Hill—2 m. 49 ch. of second-coat sealing was completed. Five concrete crib walls and fourteen stone gabion walls have been constructed in repairing flood-damage.

Horowhenua County Section : The Whirokino Deviation, 39 ch. in length, was surfaced with a bituminous penetration course.

Manawatu County Section : The main drain flood-gate between the Manawatu River Bridge and Foxton was widened 25 ft. by the addition of three new gates, thus providing a substantially improved get-away for flood-waters.

*Wellington—Napier, via Wairarapa (No. 9 Highway District).—*Hutt County Section : Akatarawa—Rimutaka Summit—Second-coat sealing was carried out over a length of 62 ch.

Awahuri—Mangaweka, via Kimbolton.—Oroua County Section : Between Feilding and Cheltenham 1 m. of second- and third-coat sealing was carried out, completing the sealing of this section.

Greatford—Woodville (No. 9 Highway District).—Aorangi Bridge at Feilding : The approaches to this bridge, 20 ch. in length, were sealed in three coats.

Himatangi—Ashhurst, via Palmerston North.—Manawatu County Section : An experimental length of 1 m. of two-course bituminous surfacing was carried out. The lower course was mixed in place, while the top course consisted of low-cost plant mix.

Foxton—Shannon.—Shannon Borough : A length of 20 ch. was prepared and sealed in two coats of bitumen.

*Levin—Palmerston North, via Shannon :—*

Shannon Borough : A length of 41 ch. was sealed in two coats.

Kairanga County Section : Kahuterawa Bridge—This 80 ft. reinforced-concrete bridge with 14 ch. of approaches was completed.

Fitzherbert Bridge, Manawatu River, Palmerston North : A contract was let for the erection of this reinforced-concrete bridge, which comprises four 112 ft. bowstring spans and seven 55 ft. beam spans, with a 22 ft. roadway and 5 ft. footway, and the work has been commenced. The formation of 7 ch. of the southern approach has been completed.

Upper Hutt—Waikanae.—Widening at Akatarawa : Widening was carried out over a length of 1 m. 26 ch. Bunnythorpe—Kairanga.—1 m. of second- and third-coat sealing was completed.

Feilding—Hunterville.—Kiwitea County Section : Jamieson's Bridge—A contract was let and work commenced on the construction of this reinforced-concrete bridge, which consists of two 28 ft. and one 38 ft. spans.

Pahautanui—Plimmerton.—40 ch. of this highway was widened.

Porirua—Titahi Bay.—Bituminous sealing was applied over a length of 2 m. 67 ch., and a stone-faced seawall erected over a length of 1 m. 14 ch.

*Wellington—Napier, via Wairarapa (No. 10 Highway District) :—*

Featherston County Section : Rimutaka Summit—Featherston—A concrete crib wall 90 ft. long by 30 ft. high was erected at 6 m. 44 ch. in repairing flood damage.

Wairarapa South County Section : Waiohine Bridge—Protective works are being carried out above the bridge to divert the river from the abutment.

Pahiatua County Section : In the Konini Gorge 40 ch. of widening was carried out, with marked improvement to alignment and visibility.

*Masterton—Weber, via Alfredton :—*

Masterton County Section : 40 ch. of heavy widening has been completed.

Waiohine Stream Bridge : A contract was let and work commenced on the erection of this bridge, comprising one 27 ft. reinforced concrete-beam span.

Masterton—Castlepoint, via Tinui.—Masterton County Section : Devil's Elbow Deviation—The earth-work of this deviation has been almost completed, 40 ch. of formation being carried out during the year.

Masterton—Stronvar, via Weraiti.—Widening was undertaken over a length of 1 m. 40 ch.

Martinborough—Masterton, via Gladstone.—Martinborough Borough : The bituminous sealing of this section was completed by the application of a second coat over a length of 60 ch.

Tupurupuru—Te Wharau.—Jackson's Creek Bridge : An existing ford was eliminated by the erection of this bridge, comprising one 24 ft. and two 16 ft. timber spans.

Greytown—Bidwills Cutting.—Featherston County Section : 2 m. 40 ch. of this highway was sealed with one coat of bitumen.

*Martinborough—Otarua :—*

Martinborough Borough : The bituminous surfacing of this section was completed by the application of a second coat over a length of 60 ch.

Featherston County Section : Perry's Culvert No. 3—This concrete culvert, 5 ft. by 4 ft. and 48 ft. in length, was completed.

Pahiatua Station Highway.—Mangatainoka River Bridge : This concrete bridge, 476 ft. long, with a 20 ft. roadway and two footways, was completed.

Dreyers Rock Highway.—Dreyers Rock Culvert : This concrete culvert, 4 ft. by 4 ft. and 70 ft. in length, replacing an old timber-truss bridge, was completed.

*Westmere Highway :—*

Masterton County Section : Mangatepopo Bridge—The construction of this reinforced-concrete bridge, consisting of one 27 ft. span, was commenced.

Waioterangi Bridge : The erection of this bridge, comprising one 42 ft. concrete span, was almost completed at the end of the year.

*Picton—Bluff (No. 11 Highway District) :—*

Marlborough County Section : Aubrey's Culvert, consisting of twin 3 ft. pipes encased in concrete, has been completed.