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Building Notes.

AUCKLAND

The foundation stone was laid last month to the chapel for New Orphans Home at Papatōetoe. The new building is to cost £1,200.

It is expected to officially open the new building for the Y.W.C.A. about the middle of this month.

A poll of ratepayers of the borough of Pukekohe on the proposal of the Borough Council to borrow £2,500 in order that a site for a technical high school might be purchased and presented to the Education Department, resulted in the scheme being approved by 98 votes to 15. The Franklin County Council has agreed to accept a half-share of the liability in respect to the annual payment of interest and sinking fund for the loan.

The proposal to abolish the Nelson and Napier Street Schools and to erect a new up-to-date building on another site, was briefly referred to at the meeting of the City Schools Committee. It was stated that Mr. T. G. Price, architect, had accompanied the chairman of the committee on a visit of inspection of the schools and the proposed new site. Mr. Lilly suggested that in order to stimulate public interest in the committee's endeavours to provide up-to-date and healthy schools for children a public meeting be held. Mr. Price might be asked to give an address on school buildings generally and make a particular reference to the schools controlled by the committee. The suggestion was agreed to.

A reduction in building permits issued during the year ended March 1918 was recorded by the City Engineer in his Annual Report. He says the value of buildings for which permits were issued was £154,758, as against £274,097 in the previous year. The difference is accounted for, to some extent by the fact that the previous year's figures included £49,000 for the new market buildings.

Dealing with street maintenance, the report states that the year's allocation for this work was the largest that the city has made. The mileage of the streets to be maintained is now 155, or, exclusive of Grey Lynn, 132½, over 850,000 square yards of roadways and footpaths had been tarred and sanded, representing an aggregate area of 176 acres.

Messrs. Chilwell & Trevithick, A.A.R.L.B.A., called for tenders last month for alterations to premises at Mt. Eden for Messrs. R. & W. Hellaby.

The Auckland Hospital Board called for tenders for additions to Public Hospital, Whangarei, Mr. Farrell architect.

Messrs. Mahoney & Son called for tenders for the erection in brick of a factory at Epsom.

The Education Board are calling for tenders for the erection of a new school at Okarewa.

Messrs. Ed. Mahoney & Son call for tenders for residence in wood at Devonport.

The Defence Dept. are calling for tenders for the erection of three work-shops at Pukerua Hill, Rotorua.

CHRISTCHURCH

The local Fruitgrowers' Association has completed arrangements with the Government for the erection in the city of a co-operative fruit and egg cool store, to have a capacity of about 1,000 cases. A communication from the Director-General of Agriculture states that the Government has now approved of the desired advance of £9,000 towards the erection of the proposed store, the advance being by way of loan under the Fruit Preserving Act. In view of this decision, and of the fact that the response from fruitgrowers to the request to take shares in a co-operative concern with a £10,000 capital has been satisfactory.

We are glad to note that a petition is being signed freely to present to the Attorney General demonstrating the necessity of granting permission to erect a Solar Salt Works at New Brighton. This project being a local industry should be gone on with at once. It would assist to revive interest in building which is much needed at present, and provide salt much cheaper than it can be imported.

It is understood that the authorities in Wellington have approved of the sketch plans of the alterations to be made at the Christchurch Hospital for the housing of the New Zealand Orthopaedic Unit. The sketch plans are now in the hands of the architect, who will prepare the working plans and the specifications. As soon as these are ready the work of effecting the alterations will be pushed on as quickly as possible so that the Chalmers Ward at the hospital may be ready for the Unit which is at present en route to the Dominion, when it arrives.

Work on Bowen House, the building being erected in Rolleston Avenue, near the corner of Gloucester Street, for the accommodation of boarders at Christ's College, is progressing satisfactorily, and it is anticipated that the building will be ready by Christmas. It will have accommodation for sixty boys. The top floor will contain three big dormitories and a small one, sewing and suit rooms, and a linen press. The ground floor will comprise a big common room and changing room, four small studies and the office. The building has been so planned as to permit of its extension in brick to Gloucester Street, to replace the present wooden building which is being used for school boarders.

Messrs. Collins & Harman called for tenders last month for the erection of a hospital at Oxford for the North Canterbury Hospital Board, but when the tenders came in the cost of the lowest was considerably above the estimated amount that the construction of the building has been held over in the meantime.

The same architects called for tenders for the erection of a morgue, and in this case a tender of £2,330, being about £170 below the estimate was accepted. The successful tenderer being Mr. Joseph Taylor.

Messrs. England Bros. invited tenders for a new fever ward for the Ashburton Hospital and Charitable Board last week and Mr. J. S. Guthrie called for tenders for converting S. and L. Theatre into shops and offices.

DUNEDIN

The tender of Messrs. Wood & McCormack for £2,975 was accepted by the Otago Hospital and Charitable Aid Board last month for the erection of shelters for consumptives at Waikari. Other tenderers were: Fletcher Bros., £3,005; Thomas Ferguson £3,086, and O'Sullivan & Bailone, £3,171.

Some six months ago a meeting of rate payers of North-East Harbour was held, when a committee was set up to devise ways and means of erecting a public hall. All arrangements were completed, and it was thought advisable to form a society, having for its object the expenditure of the money accruing from the