

The following summary indicates the extent of the work handled by the Division during the year :—

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Works completed and under construction	2,137,000
Working drawings completed or in hand	1,150,000
Sketch plans were prepared for buildings and ancillary work to the value of	2,500,000
Workshops handled work to the value of	351,100

During the year the following works were carried out :—

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

At Motutapu the stock lairage was completed by the workshops staff. Alterations and additions are proceeding at Flock House, Bulls.

AIR DEPARTMENT

The replanning and fitting up of the Air Movement Building at Whenuapai has been completed, and barracks have been moved from Ardmore and re-erected at Te Rapa for staff accommodation. At Hobsonville existing buildings have been converted to a training-school, while others in Fanshawe Street, Auckland, have been converted for the R.N.Z.A.F. Transport Section. Construction of air-traffic-control towers at Napier, Taieri, and Gisborne is proceeding. To provide more staff accommodation at Wigram a recreation-hall has been converted into flats. At Westport Aerodrome extensions to the Passenger accommodation amounting practically to a new building, and a small housing for the anemometer, have been completed.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

The Pasadena Intermediate School assembly-hall was completed.

Alterations were carried out at the old Newmarket School and at the Titirangi School for the Deaf.

At the King Edward Technical College, Dunedin, a domestic-science block was completed and extensions to the heating installation at the South Otago High School were carried out.

At the Auckland University College additional staff-rooms were added.

To repair earthquake damage and strengthen the structures, contracts have been let for work at the Wellington East Girls' College, the Hawera Technical School, and the Palmerston North Technical School. A laundry at the Burwood Girls' Home is also under construction. At Sumner School for the Deaf the alterations to the kitchen are nearing completion. The erection of the new Southland Technical College is proceeding, but delays are being experienced due to shortages of cement.

A major project has been undertaken at Lincoln College, where construction is proceeding on a large dormitory block and a high-level water-storage tower.

HOSPITALS

At Burnham existing buildings have been converted for the accommodation of pensioners. The large St. Helens Maternity Hospital at Christchurch is still under construction, the structural shell of the main building having been completed.

INTERNAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT

At Government House, Wellington and Auckland, extensive alterations and renovations were completed in preparation for the Royal visit.