

suitable camp-sites in public ownership, and we are trying to acquire further areas, and appreciate the willingness of various public bodies in fostering the idea. Domain Boards which now provide motor camps have in many cases been obliged to increase camp-sites and attendant facilities to meet the demand, which will increase further now that the petrol situation is easier.

The following new domains have been constituted during the year : —

Ngunguru Domain, area $1\frac{3}{4}$ acres, is on the east coast about 16 miles north-east of Whangarei. It is to be developed for a children's play area and for sports purposes.

Albany Domain, area $9\frac{1}{4}$ acres, is about 10 miles north of Auckland. It was formerly owned by the Albany Fruitgrowers' Association in trust for a show-ground and had been used for that purpose and for general sports gatherings. Further recreational facilities are required at Albany, and the former owners agreed to the vesting of the area in the Crown for a domain so that it could be improved and controlled by a local Domain Board, which has now been appointed.

Karapiro Lake Domain, area 44 acres, is close to the Karapiro Dam about 6 miles south-east of Cambridge. The domain was acquired to provide a lakeside recreation area at this popular spot, and it has already been improved to give facilities for viewing and fostering aquatic sports as well as for a picnic area. The rowing events for the recent Empire Games were controlled from the domain, which was also an excellent vantage point for spectators.

Pahoia Beach Domain, area 2 acres, situated on the Tauranga Harbour about 11 miles north-west of Tauranga, is a seaside picnic area and fronts a popular sandy beach.

Te Rahu Domain, area $4\frac{1}{2}$ acres, about 3 miles from Te Awamutu, is a former school-site and is adjacent to an area already used for recreation and is being developed to provide further sports facilities for the district.

Rangiohia Domain, area $7\frac{1}{4}$ acres, situated 15 miles south of Hamilton, is also a former school-site and has been used by the residents for sports purposes and on it is also built the public hall for the district.

Kopua Domain, area $28\frac{1}{4}$ acres, is situated at Raglan, and was donated many years ago to the local body for a camping-ground. It has been improved for this purpose and is now required for general recreation as well as for a public camping area. The local body has transferred the land to the Crown for a domain, and a local Domain Board has been appointed to control it and is proceeding with an improvement scheme.

Himatangi Beach Domain, area $16\frac{1}{2}$ acres, is at Himatangi, 14 miles south-west of Palmerston North and on the sea-coast. The area has been used for many years as a public parking-place and picnic spot. A local Domain Board has been appointed to control the domain and has already commenced to effect improvements and provide necessary amenities.

Birchfield Domain, area $2\frac{1}{2}$ acres, is 13 miles north-east of Westport, and was purchased by the people of the district and handed over to the Crown for domain purposes. It is used for general recreation and is under the control of a local Domain Board.

Upper Moutere Memorial Domain, area 5 acres, is 22 miles west of Nelson, and was donated by the local residents, who are active in improving it for recreation and have commenced the re-erection of a hall. The domain is under the control of a local Board.