

GISBORNE ROAD DISTRICT.

Hangaroa-Waikaremoana Road (Cook County).—Relief workers were employed on this road during the year, and the work done included widening over a distance of 3 m., together with metalling of the same section.

Waimata-Arakihi Road (Cook County).—On this road 1 m. 26 ch. of metalling was completed, and the road is now practically an all-weather route throughout.

Waimata-Riverside Road (Cook County).—On this road, which junctions with the Waimata-Arakihi Road at the 47 m. peg, 2 m. of metalling was completed.

Kokomuku Road (Matakaoa County).—Relief workers were engaged on this road, and formation over a length of 6 m. 21 ch. was completed. 2 m. 60 ch. of metalling was also carried out.

Potaka Junction to Whangaparaoa Road (Matakaoa County).—Formation of a further 1 m. 25 ch. on this road was completed during the year.

Karakatuwhero Valley Road (Matakaoa County).—Late in the season relief works were commenced on this road, 3 m. 58 ch. of re-forming and metalling being completed.

Tauwhareparae Road (Uawa County).—Relief works put in hand the previous year were continued. 60 ch. of formation was completed, and a length of 2 m. metalled.

Jerusalem-Whareponga Road (Waiapu County).—The work put in hand the previous year with unemployed Native labour was continued, a further length of 1 m. 72 ch. of formation being completed.

Makarika-Horehore Road (Waiapu County).—During the year 57 ch. of track was completed, and 1 m. 53 ch. of dray-road was formed.

Mata River Suspension Bridge (Waiapu County).—The construction of a 495 ft. span suspension bridge at the Mata Crossing on the Makarika Road was completed, and the bridge is now open to traffic.

Matawai-Hangaroa Road (Waikohu County).—70 ch. of bottom-course metalling and 100 ch. of top course were laid during the year. Formation for a further 32 ch. of road was also completed.

NAPIER DISTRICT.

Mangatoro Stream Bridge (Dannevirke County).—Reinforced-concrete bridge having centre span of 50 ft. and landing span 36 ft., and making provision for a 12 ft. roadway between wheel-guards, was erected.

Earthquake Damage, Hawke's Bay (Hawke's Bay County).—Repairs were carried out on the following roads extensively damaged by earthquake: Big Hill Road, Mill Road, Mangatutu Road, Flagrange Road, Whanawhana Road, Glengarry Road, Waipunga Road, Service Road, Dartmoor Road, Springfield Road, Greenmeadows-Apley Road, Waikare Inland Road, Tongioio Settlement Road, Kaiwaka South Road, Arapawanui Road, and Brookfield's Bridge.

Kakariki Block Access (Hawke's Bay County).—2 m. 74 ch. road formation was completed by relief workers.

Tutaekuri Bridge (Meanee), (Hawke's Bay County).—A bridge completely damaged by earthquake was replaced with new hardwood structure with rolled-steel joists consisting of four 40 ft. and one 20 ft. spans, four hardwood piles per pier, 10 ft. 6 in. wide deck.

Tutira-Pohokura (Hawke's Bay County).—The clearing of extensive slips, the aftermath of earthquake, over distance of 23 m. was completed.

Ngamahanga Block (Wairoa County).—Formation of this road, 12 ft. wide, 5 m. 53 ch. long, was completed, except for culverts. One small bridge consisting of one 30 ft. and one 50 ft. rolled-steel-joist span with pile abutment one end and concrete abutment the other was erected.

Waikaremoana-Lake House to Hopuruahine (Wairoa County).—28 m. 28 ch. was maintained throughout the year, and relief workers were engaged widening narrow places to 16 ft.

Waikaremoana to Hangaroa (Wairoa County).—1 m. 70 ch. formation, including placing 1,284 lin. ft. of culverts, was completed by relief workers.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

Aohanga Road (Akitio County).—The metalling of a length of 3 m. on this road was completed during the year.

Soldiers Settlement Road (Akitio County).—Metalling of a section of 2 m. 36 ch. of road was completed during the year.

Towai Road (Akitio County).—During the year metal was laid over a length of 2 m. 12 ch.

Waiohanga Stream Bridge (Horowhenua County).—A suspension bridge of 225 ft. span and 8 ft. between wheel-guards was erected over the Waiohanga Stream, and is now open to traffic.

Heights Road (Horowhenua County).—2 m. 40 ch. of metalling was completed.

Korokoro Road (Hutt County).—Widening and metalling of 56 ch. on the old Korokoro Road was completed, and 6 ch. new road formed. On Singer's and Mungareke Roads 90 ch. was metalled.

Wainuiomata Road (Hutt County).—Relief workers were employed on this road during the year. Corners were cut back, and road improved over a length of 10 m.

Mangaparuparu Road (Masterton County).—The metalling of a length of 3 m. 60 ch. was completed during the period.

Kaitiwa Bridge (Pahiatua County).—The erection of this bridge, comprising two 100 ft. steel-truss spans on concrete piers and abutments, and having a concrete deck providing for 12 ft. roadway, is now complete and bridge is open to traffic.