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Appleby-Motueka via Tasman.-O'Connor's Creek Bridge: A contract has been let for the erection of this 38 ft. span reinforced concrete bridge, and work commenced.

Richmond-Collingwood:

Waimea County: A contract was let for two sections of two-coat sealing, one of 3 m. 9 ch.

and the other of 2 m. 76 ch. The latter has been completed.

Extensive erosion occurred at the west-bank abutment of the Waimea River Bridge at Appleby, necessitating the extension of the bridge by a 30 ft. shore span. This work has been carried out, and 180 ft. of gabion protective work completed above the bridge.

Motueka Borough: A contract was let for two-coat sealing of a length of 4 m. 3 ch., and the

work is nearing completion.

Takaka Hill Section: The construction of a deviation 1 m. 49 ch. long and the improvement of the remainder of the section have been put in hand.

Collingwood-Bainham.—Collingwood Township: Tenders have been called for 8 ch. of sealing.

Motucka Wharf Highway.—Motucka Borough: The two-coat sealing of 48 ch. is in hand.

Dashwood-Upcot :-

A stone protection wall up to 15 ft. in height has been installed at Limestone Cutting. The centre groyne at Woodman's Bend was strengthened by the addition of 55 stone crates.

20 ch. of formation at Blarich has been widened.

Nelson-Stoke via Jenkin's Hill.—The two-coat sealing of 1 m. 40 ch. was completed.

Westport-Karamea:

Glasseye Creek Bridge: The temporary bridge, constructed after the 1929 earthquake, has been replaced by a timber structure of three 20 ft. spans.

Tidal Creek Bridge No. 4: This bridge, consisting of two 16 ft. timber spans, has been com-

pleted.

Protective Works at Kongahu Beach: Two experimental case groynes, 5 ch. apart, have been built.

Westport-Mokihinui Section: The improvement of a length of 22 ch. between the Orowaiti Bridge and the Cemetery has been completed. The work comprised widening, easing of a sharp bend, and the protection of the embankment against tidal flow.

Inangahua-Westport:-Wall replacing Fern Arch Bridge No. 1: This reinforced concrete retaining-wall 56 ft. long,

with a maximum height of 18 ft., has been completed.

Wall replacing Fern Arch Bridge No. 2: A similar wall 60 ft. long has been built to replace this bridge.

Gold Point Creek Culvert: A 4 ft. by 40 ft. concrete pipe culvert has been constructed to replace an old timber bridge.

Five Mile Creek Culvert: A reinforced concrete culvert, 6 ft. by 6 ft. by 40 ft. is under construction.

Nelson-Inangahua (No. 12 District) :-

Lyell Creek Bridge: The construction of this 120 ft. steel-joist bridge, together with 26 ch. of approaches, has been completed. A weir of gabions and concrete blocks has been built below the bridge to prevent scour.

Flaxbush Creek Bridge: This bridge, consisting of two 35 ft. steel-joist spans, has been com-

pleted.

Little Flaxbush Creek Bridge: This 20-ft.-span timber bridge has been constructed on an improved alignment.

Jackson's Creek Culvert: A small timber bridge has been replaced by a 4 ft. by 40 ft. concrete pipe culvert.

Inangahua-Weheka:

Landing Creek Bridge: A contract was let for the construction of this 105 ft. reinforced concrete bridge.

Deviation near Larry's Creek: This deviation, 36 ch. in length, which will eliminate two railway crossings, is in hand.

Devil's Creek Bridge: The construction of a 40 ft. span reinforced concrete bridge has been commenced.

Mawheraiti River Diversion: A diversion channel, 3 ch. in length, has been cut to prevent flooding of the highway.

Brunner Borough: A length of 3 m. 74 ch. was prepared for sealing.

Boyd's Creek Bridge: This 60 ft. bridge has been widened for two-way traffic.

Greymouth-Omoto: Improvements in alignment and grade are in hand on a 22 ch. length. Greymouth-Paroa: 3 m. 10 ch. was sealed in two coats.

Three Mile Creek Bridge: This bridge, of three 35 ft. steel-joist spans on concrete pile piers and abutments, has been completed.

Shenandoah Creek Bridge: A 12 ft. by 8 ft. by 28 ft. reinforced concrete culvert has been constructed to replace this bridge.

Flood damage: In February floods caused serious damage to the highway between Kumara and Rimu. Three spans of the Hokitika River Bridge at Kanieri were demolished, and traffic has been deviated via the railway bridge at Hokitika, and Arthurstown Road. A temporary structure is being erected at Kanieri.

Arahura-Hokitika: 2 m. 77 ch. has been sealed in two coats.

Hokitika-Kanieri: 1 m. 76 ch. has been sealed in two coats.

Duske Creek Culvert: An 8 ft. by 8 ft. by 36 ft. reinforced concrete culvert has been constructed to replace a timber bridge.