

23 ch. of road-mix bituminous surfacing was laid at the southern boundary of the Oamaru Borough. The Awamoa Creek Bridge, of one 14 ft. span, has been erected, and the Big Kuri Bridge, of five 20 ft. spans, is in hand, both in reinforced concrete.

Timaru-Queenstown (No. 16 District) :—

Vincent County : Four open fords were bridged on the Longslip - Lindis Pass Section, two 25 ft. and two 30 ft. spans being constructed.

Work was commenced on the Lindis Pass Deviation, and 65 ch. of formation was completed. *Pukeuri Junction - Kurow - Omarama.*—Two 9 ft. span flat-top concrete culverts were constructed near

Papakaio, and a third of similar design was installed at Mulvena's Crossing.

Waiaireka-Duntroon.—A length of 1 m. on the Ngapara Hill is being widened.

Palmerston-Queenstown.—Queenstown Borough : Two-coat sealing was carried out over a length of 26 ch.

Clarksville-Springvale (No. 16 District).—Alexandra Borough : 28 ch. was sealed in two coats.

Alexandra-Clyde.—The Clyde Bridge, 383 ft. long, of one 205 ft., two 44 ft., and four 22 ft. steel spans, with 11 ft. 9 in. concrete deck, has been completed.

Waipiata-Styx.—The erection of the Sowburn Creek Bridge, 70 ft. long, in steel and concrete, was commenced.

Picton-Bluff (No. 17 District) :—

Bruce County : The reconstruction of the Taieri Ferry - Milton section has been completed, except for 5½ m. of top-course metalling and the sealing-coat, contracts for which have been let.

The Claredon Deviation, 54 ch. in length, has been completed.

At Waiholo, a 10 ft.-span concrete culvert was constructed, and a bridge of 24 ft. span by 24 ft. width with two 6 ft. footways, was erected at the northern boundary of the Milton Borough.

A contract has been let for improvements at the junction with the Clarksville-Springvale Main Highway.

Clutha County : 20 ch. of two-coat sealing was carried out at the southern boundary of the Balclutha Borough, and 25 ch. of similar work through Clinton.

Improvements consisting of easing two sharp curves and raising 10 ch. of road above flood-level were completed at Waipahi.

The construction of the Balclutha Bridge, together with its approaches, was completed. The bridge, 801 ft. long, consists of six 120 ft. reinforced concrete bowstring truss spans, with a 22 ft. roadway and two 4 ft. footways.

Mosgiel-Middlemarch.—The widening and superelevating of curves of the Maungatua Hill section was completed, a total length of 1 m. being improved. 15 ch. of similar work was carried out on the Lee Creek Hill.

Clarksville-Springvale (No. 17 District).—A sharp corner near Forsythe was widened, and 25 ch. of two-coat sealing was completed at the eastern end of Lawrence Borough.

Balclutha-Papatowai.—40 ch. of two-coat sealing was completed in Owaka Township.

Owaka-Purekireki.—9 ch. of two-coat sealing was applied in Owaka Township.

Picton-Bluff (No. 18 District) :—

A foot-bridge has been completed over Taylor's Creek near Pukerau.

Brydone-Mataura Section : The reconstruction of 3 m. 62 ch. in preparation for sealing is in progress.

Gore-McNab Section : The reconstruction of 2 m. 26 ch. in preparation for sealing is in progress.

At Woodlands Dip, a length of 17 ch. is being regraded.

Invercargill-Bluff Section : A hardwood box culvert on piled foundations was constructed at Greenhills.

Bluff Borough : 36 ch. of two-coat and 10 ch. of second-coat sealing were applied.

Winton-Gore :—

Hedgehope Bridge was replaced by a twin 3 ft. 6 in. concrete culvert.

Willowbank-Matheson's Corner : The Waikaka Stream Bridge, a 20 ft. span in hardwood, has been erected.

Mossburn - Five Rivers.—1 m. 29 ch. of metalling was completed.

Invercargill-Fortrose :—

Sims's Deviation : 58 ch. of top-course gravel was laid, and between this deviation and Mokotua 14 ch. of road was straightened.

The Mokotua Deviation, 1 m. 33 ch. in length, was formed and metalled. This work included a 25 ft. span reinforced-concrete bridge.

Mataura-Wyndham-Letterbox :—

The Kuriwai Stream Bridge, of 20 ft. span in timber, has been completed.

The conversion of the Wyndham Stream Railway Bridge, 133 ft. long, to a traffic bridge, together with the construction of 28 ch. of approaches, was carried out.

Mataura Borough : 60 ch. of two-coat sealing was applied.

Lorne-Hedgehope.—The Gold Creek Bridge, of one 12 ft. span in reinforced concrete, has been completed.

Invercargill-Tuatapere.—Riverton Borough : 58 ch. of two-coat sealing was applied.

Lorne-Castlerock.—Winton Borough : The reconstruction of 52.4 ch. and the sealing, in two coats, of 66 ch. were completed.

Mataura-Waiariki.—Mataura Borough : 76 ch. of two-coat sealing was carried out.

Kennington-Waikawa.—Jordan's Bridge, a 14 ft. span in ironbark, was constructed.

Signed on behalf of the Main Highways Board,

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