

Waimangaroa-Birchfield Deviation: This 79 ch. deviation, to eliminate two level crossings, is in hand. Formation, principally across a swamp, has been carried out over the full length, and base-course metalling partly completed.

Improvements 21 m. 18 ch.-23 m. 48 ch.: This work involves realignment, regrading, and widening of a narrow and dangerous length of highway, and is well in hand.

Orowaiti River Bridge: The erection of this bridge, of twelve 40 ft. concrete spans, is in progress, eight spans being completed.

0 m. to 1 m. 36 ch.: Two-coat sealing has been applied on this length.

*Westport-Greymouth Coast Highway:—*

Charleston-Punakaiki: 29 ch. of widening has been completed at White Horse, and 73 ch. north of the Punakaiki River. Further lengths are in hand.

Barrytown Sea Erosion: The stone protection work along the beach was extended to a total length of 44 ch.

Coal Creek - Runanga: The whole of this section, exclusive of the approaches to Camp Creek Overbridge, has been regraded, widened on improved alignment, and prepared for sealing. The length is 3 m. 54 ch.

Camp Crossing Overbridge: This bridge, of four 50 ft. and two 30 ft. concrete spans, is in progress, three spans being completed. Formation of the approaches, 21 ch. in length, is well advanced.

Cobden Bluff Crossing: An overbridge, of four 40 ft. concrete spans, has been constructed on a deviation, and the narrow length round the bluff widened. The overbridge approaches are in progress.

*Lake Kanieri Highway.*—Preparation for sealing is in hand, formation being completed over 38 ch.

*Reefton-Maruia.*—Improvement works have been continued, a total length of 2 m. 65 ch. of formation and widening and 2 m. 14 ch. of base-course metalling being completed. The approaches to the Right Hand Branch Bridge were completed, two large concrete box-culverts constructed, and two others commenced.

*Mokihinui Bridge - Seddonville.*—Chasm Creek Bridge: This bridge, of one 35 ft. concrete span, is in progress, and the approaches are practically completed.

*Picton-Christchurch (No. 13 District).*—Motunau-Domett: The reconstruction of 2½ m. is in progress, deviations and improvement of the worst bends and grades being in hand over 1 m.

*Waipara-Kaikoura via Culverden:—*

Pahau River Bridge: 15 ch. of a new approach to this bridge was completed.

Conway River Bridge: This bridge, consisting of eight 48 ft. concrete spans, was completed, and the approaches formed.

Weka Pass: 3 m. 6 ch. of one-coat sealing was applied.

Weka Pass Deviation: Earthwork over the whole deviation of 1 m. 4 ch. was nearly completed, and a concrete crib-wall erected.

*Mina - Gore Bay.*—Further shore-protection work has been undertaken. A length of 2 m. 5 ch. was prepared for sealing.

*Picton-Christchurch (No. 14 District):—*

Ashley River Bridge: This bridge, comprising fifteen 52 ft. and ten 41 ft. continuous concrete spans, with 22 ft. roadway, has been completed.

Kaiapoi Borough - Ashley River: Plant-mix surfacing was applied to 6 m. 52 ch. of shoulders.

*Christchurch - Kumara Junction (No. 14 District):—*

Church Corner - Russley Road: A bituminous smoothing-coat was applied over 2 m. 3 ch.

Sandy Knolls - Darfield: Plant-mix surfacing was applied over 2 m. 26 ch., and one-coat seal followed by plant-mix over 2 m. 54 ch.

Porter's Pass: Widening was carried out over 4 m. 4 ch.

Craigieburn Deviation: 70 ch. of formation was completed.

Bruce Creek Bridge: This bridge, of six 44 ft. spans, was erected.

Cass River Bridge: This bridge, of four 44 ft. spans, was completed.

*Christchurch - Timaru (No. 14 District).*—Templeton-Rolleston: A contract has been let for sealing the shoulders on this section.

*Christchurch-Akaroa:—*

Birdling's Bridge: This bridge, 22 ft. long, was completed.

Tai Tapu - Motukarara: Two-coat sealing was applied over 4 m. 44 ch.

Wairewa County Section, Widening: Improvements at Ataahua have replaced the winding road, extending over 1 m. 10 ch., with new alignment of less curvature, having a total length of 70 ch.

Near Lake Forsyth, 45 ch. of widening has been completed.

*Christchurch-Motukarara:—*

Sumner-Evans Pass: 78 ch. of deviation and widening were completed.

Evans Pass - Lyttelton: Widening was carried out over 1 m. 44 ch. and retaining-walls built where required.

Lyttelton - Governor's Bay: Improvements to width, grade, and alignment were undertaken over 2 m. 30 ch.

*Kaiapoi-Waddington.*—Rangiora-Southbrook: Two-coat sealing was applied over 56 ch.