

Ireland's Road (Patangata County).—This is a settlement road on which 55 chains of new metalling was carried out during the period.

Mangatarata Road (Patangata County).—Metalling improvements were carried out over a distance of 1 mile 25 chains to give all-weather access to settlers.

Mangatarata to Long Range Road (Patangata County).—This is a new road which is being formed with the object of giving a more direct access and to provide a convenient stock route. Work was commenced, and a distance of 4 miles 6 chains was formed and culverted.

Wallingford to Hatuma Road (Patangata County).—Metalling was carried out over a distance of 1 mile 10 chains to give access to settlers on large grazing properties.

Blackburn to Springhill Road (Waipawa County).—The County Council arranged to metal 1 mile of this road by public contract, and the work was completed.

Cook's Road (Waipawa County).—New metalling-work received attention over a distance of 80 chains on this settlement road.

Makaretu Block Road (Waipawa County).—There were a number of dangerous corners upon this settlement road, and some of these were widened and the material, mostly rock, used for metalling other sections. The improvements covered a total distance of approximately 30 chains.

Ardkeen Settlement Road (Wairoa County).—This road gives access to settlers who have been upon their properties for many years. All-weather access was urgently needed, and during the period the County Council arranged to metal 1 mile 54 chains with the assistance of a Government subsidy.

Glenbrook and Tangoio to Mohaka Roads (Wairoa County).—These also are settlement roads, and a distance of 1 mile 20 chains of new metalling was carried out by the local body under the public contract system.

Halibarton's Road (Wairoa County).—This road is a backblocks access road and was metalled over a distance of 1 mile 28 chains.

Manguone to Mangapoike Valley (Tangiwai) Road (Wairoa County).—This is an old settlement road giving access to large areas of grazing country. Metalling received attention during the year over a distance of 75 chains.

Mohaka River Bridge (Willow Flat Road), (Wairoa County).—Work was completed during the year on the suspension bridge of one span of 180 ft. 6 in. with a deck width of 8 ft. Some trouble arose as a result of floods, but additional protective measures were taken, and the whole work is now satisfactorily completed.

Mohaka to Putere Road (Wairoa County).—This road gives access to a large number of back-country grazing properties, and new metalling-work received attention over a distance of 3 miles 41 chains.

Otara Stream Bridge, Mossman's Access Road (Wairoa County).—Work upon this bridge was suspended as a result of the disastrous floods of February and April, 1938, but the contract has since been completed and the structure handed over to the County Council for maintenance. It consists of one span of 100 ft. with concrete foundations, hardwood towers, and timber deck on steel stiffening-beams.

Ponui Road (Wairoa County).—New metalling was carried out over a distance of 2 miles 34 chains.

Rotokakarangu Road (Wairoa County).—This is a settlement road upon which new metalling was carried out during the year over a distance of 2 miles 43 chains.

Ruapapa to Waikaretaheke Road (Wairoa County).—Metalling-work has now been completed. The programme for the year consisting of 2 miles 7 chains.

Willow Flat Road (Wairoa County).—This road gives access to large areas of backblocks grazing country, and during the year the County Council attended to the metalling of 3 miles 26 chains under the public contract system. Widening was carried out on the more difficult portions before metalling was commenced.

Oporae to Waihi Road (Weber County).—New metalling-work was carried out over a distance of 1 mile 18 chains on this road to complete the programme commenced during the previous period.

Waimata Road (Weber County).—This road was formed and metalled over a distance of 1 mile 56 chains.

Waipatiki Stream Bridge, Limestone Road (Weber County).—This bridge of rolled-steel-joist construction, and consisting of one span of 25 ft. with a hardwood deck 9 ft. wide between wheel-guards, was erected.

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Cunningham's Bridge (Akitio County).—One reinforced-concrete bridge, consisting of one span of 45 ft. with a roadway 20 ft. wide, was erected during the year.

Huiatiti Road (Akitio County).—New metalling-work received attention over a distance of 1 mile 34 chains.

Spry Road (Akitio County).—The metalling improvements commenced in previous years were continued during the period, and an additional length of 1 mile 70 chains was completed.

Waihoki Road (Akitio County).—Metalling received attention over a distance of 1 mile 60 chains on this settlement road.

Tinui Pakowai Road (Castlepoint County).—This is a new road which has been constructed to give access to grazing properties. Formation was carried out during the year over a distance of 5 miles 60 chains, but bridging has yet to receive attention.

Otahome Road (Castlepoint County).—Work was commenced during the previous period, and in the year under review the remaining length of 2 miles 50 chains was metalled.

Te Mai Road (Castlepoint County).—Metalling was carried out over a distance of 1 mile on this road.