

At Westport the work has been continued on a small scale. Nevertheless, 77½ acres have been cleared, 14½ acres heavy disk-ploughed, 30½ acres light disk-ploughed, 4 acres harrowed, and 2 acres of swamp have been filled.

The greatest demand and greatest effort has been in Southland, where 2,551½ acres have been stumped and cleared of second growth, 16¾ miles of farm access roads have been formed, and 16¾ miles of channel have been cut to drain swamps.

HOUSING SERVICES CONSTRUCTION

Kaikohe.—Roading, kerbing, and channelling of Buxton's and Dignan's Blocks is complete. Road-formation is complete and sewerage and water reticulation is in hand on the Purdie and Yukich area.

Bayswater.—On the Early Block all roading and services are now complete, 2,830 ft. of 4 in. field tile and scoria drains along all road cuttings having been finished in May.

Takapuna.—On Bull Block the roading and services have been completed.

Mount Roskill.—On College Trust Block "C" construction of roading services has continued to progress, and work has been completed as follows: 450 cubic yards of topsoil to dumps; 16,800 cubic yards of clay and rock excavated; 27,488 cubic yards of scoria filling placed; 14,440 ft. of kerbing and channelling laid; 27,746 ft. of storm-water and sewerage pipes (from 4 in. to 42 in. diameter) laid; 115 manholes constructed; 2,500 ft. of 4 in. and 6 in. field tiles laid and 2,442 cubic yards of scoria back-filling placed; 10,708 ft. of water-pipe (from ½ in. to 4 in. diameter) laid.

Mount Albert.—On Carrie Block the roading and services are now complete. Verge areas amounting to 2,000 square yards have been cultivated and sown and 105 square yards of scoria paths have been laid.

Titahi Bay.—A start has been made with site preparation and services. Some 50 chains of roads have been roughly formed, and laying of a culvert has allowed construction of a 20 ft. high filling, the completion of which provides access to the block.

Johnsonville.—Work has been completed during the year as follows: 20½ chains of roading; 46 chains of kerbing and channelling; 820 ft. of storm-water drains; 927 ft. of sewers; and 8,528 ft. of water reticulation.

Ngaio Gardens.—Work has been completed during the year as follows: 21½ chains of roading; 44 chains of kerbing and channelling; 2,084 ft. of storm-water drains; 2,015 ft. of sewers; and 2,300 ft. of water reticulation.

Wellington City and Johnsonville Blocks.—Sealing has been completed as follows: streets, 11,450 square yards; and footpaths, 11,300 square yards.

Hutt Valley.—Site-preparation has been completed for 600 housing units, mainly in the Epuni and Waddington areas. Three miles of new road (27,000 square yards) have been formed and metalled.

Roads formed in the Taita and Nae Nae areas last year have been sealed. Seven miles (100,000 square yards) have been primed and 5½ miles (77,000 square yards) have been sealed.

Ten miles of kerbing and channelling have been laid.

Up to the time the Housing Division took over construction of storm-water drains and sewers, 2½ miles of storm-water drains and 3½ miles of sewers had been laid during the year.

Four miles of water reticulation have been completed.

At Waddington, a 17-acre recreation reserve has been graded and prepared for grassing.

Nelson.—Access roading and footpaths 19 chains long have been completed and 3,000 ft. of 6 in. sewer mains have been laid.