



Severn Pl best street of 1978

New Plymouth's street of the year for 1978 is Severn Pl, Spotswood, a quiet little cul de sac off South Rd.

The best commercial frontage award has gone to the Livestock Improvement Association, Young St.

A fine display has brought the best home garden award to Mr and Mrs R. J. Gatenby, 40 Manu Cr, winner out of 55 gardens entered in this section.

Details of the contest, which is sponsored by the Taranaki Herald and conducted by the New Plymouth Public Relations Office, were announced today as awards were made.

In reviewing the city streets, the judges commented that there was generally a high standard, though some were spoilt by an empty section or by a few untidy sections.

The winning street was considered to be most attractive and it was difficult

to find any fault with it.

The Livestock Improvement Association premises was chosen because the frontage complemented the landscape, judges said. It showed that careful planning and planting had been carried out and the combination of mature trees and azaleas was most effective.

The Mangaotuku Stream had been left in a natural state and historic interest was provided by old mill stones on the

grass edge.

Judges for the best home garden praised the quality, which made the final decision difficult.

Details are - Best city street Severn Pl, highly commended, Evelyn Pl (Welbourn), Turakina St (Merrilands).

Best commercial frontage: Livestock Improvement Association, highly commended, Cambrian Engineering.

Best garden: Mrs R. J. Gatenby, 40 Manu Cr, highly com-

mended. Mrs G P Cottrell and Miss Giddens, 38 Frank Wilson Tec; Mr and Mrs L M Gray, 116 Carrington St; others considered for final judging were 33 Truby King St, 8 Hursthouse St, 107 Govett Ave, 3 Julian Pl, 6 Julian Pl, 46 Crownhill St, 27 Findlay St.

*Pictures: Above Severn Pl and, below, the Taranaki Livestock Improvement Association's property in Young St.

