



# Water project to start soon

Construction on the first stage of the \$600,000 Hawera borough water supply extension project could start this week.

Borough stormwater system had been completed. Sufficient funds were now available for the majority of construction work to proceed, but it was possible a further joint loan could be required to complete the project.

The project, involving a major increase in the borough's Kapuni treatment station facilities and a third supply main to Okaiawa, will be undertaken jointly by the Hawera Borough and Hawera County Councils.

The extensions will make available a new mains water supply for the Normanby township.

The county engineer, Mr B. C. Mischewski, said yester-

The project was delayed earlier this year when both local authorities experienced stringing difficulties in attracting investment in loans being raised to finance the development.

In addition to providing a new supply for Normanby, the project is expected to substantially increase the supply of water available to Hawera and associated outlets.

The cost of the Okaiawa-Normanby main will be borne

The best street and garden in Hawera were chosen last week with titles going to Reid Avenue (left) and the garden of Mr and Mrs R. Edgecombe, 41 Cameron St (right).

The competition, sponsored by the Hawera Round Table group, was judged by a former television gardening personality, Mr J. Stirling, and a Wanganui parks and reserves superintendent, Mr B. Crichton.

Fifteen streets were in the running for the title and runner-up was Climie Cr, with Pacey Ave taking third place.

Mr and Mrs Edgecombe's garden, which won the title last year, features rockeries, a shady summer house and pieces of driftwood and stoneware. About 50 gardens were selected for preliminary judging, and second place went to 3 Climie Cr, and 5 Maire St was placed third.

# Nine debts at Maori ball

A traditional Maori welcome for the official party set the scene for the Aotearoa Pa debutante committee's presentation ball at the Hawera Community Centre on Saturday night.

The Mayor and Mayoress of Hawera, Mr and Mrs G. A. Taylor, chairman of the marae committee, Mr C. Lalson, and Mrs Lalson, Senior Sergeant L. F. Miles and Mrs Miles, and the Mr V. S. Young, MP for Egmont, and Mrs Young, were heralded to the hall by the elders of the marae, and the challenge was given by Mr Bryce Rangiwana.

Decorations carried on the Maori theme, with the stage flanked by the carved prow and sternpost of a canoe, a

Aulis Angela Volk, third daughter of Mrs M. Broughton, Patea, wore a crimplene frock cut on flowing Princess lines. The neckline was edged with seed pearls.

Hazeline Farmer, second daughter of Mr and Mrs N. Farmer, Hawera, wore embroidered organza over crepe backed satin. Her frock had a panelled high-line bodice with lowered neckline and short flounced sleeves of chiffon.

Shirley Maruera, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs S. Maruera, Patea, wore a crimplene A-line frock with plunge neckline outlined with pearl braid. The full length sleeves were finished with pearl braid.

Matuakore Riddle, second daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Riddell, Hawera, wore a Princess line frock of polyester suede satin with aquipure lace balero.

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