

West Coast and the Alps and western Southland and persisted during the 12th and 13th. Some rain also affected the remainder of the South Island apart from the Canterbury plains and coast, the Kaikoura coast and central Marlborough. During the next two days the trough moved on over the North Island, where another depression developed, with general rain there, heavy in places; while the weather cleared in the south. However, on the 16th Fiordland and South Westland were affected by another trough of low pressure. The depression now lay to the east of the North Island, and some rain was still reported from Auckland through Waikato and Bay of Plenty to Gisborne and Hawke's Bay.

A welcome spell of settled weather was associated with the passage of an anticyclone over New Zealand and to the south-east past the Chatham Islands from the 17th to the 20th. A shallow depression developed over the Tasman Sea during this period and became almost stationary west of Cook Strait. From the 21st to the 23rd the depression moved away to the northwest while a trough of low pressure originally associated with it moved south-eastward across the country. This trough was accompanied by scattered patches of rain, mainly light.

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On the 24th the depression over the north-west Tasman moved towards New Zealand once again, while the trough was stationary over the country. Rain now became fairly general. On Christmas Day and Boxing Day the weather was mainly settled, under the influence of a weak ridge of high pressure. However, some rain was reported in Taranaki and Gisborne. The shallow depression over the North Tasman Sea finally moved slowly across the North Island from the 27th to the 29th. Rain was fairly general over the North Island and at first it also extended as far south as Timaru and Haast. This was a particularly thundery period, and some heavy downpours were reported, especially in some southern and eastern districts of the North Island on the 28th. The depression moved away eastward on the 30th, and the weather cleared in most districts.

On the last day of the year a depression was passing close to Southland. As the associated trough of low pressure approached the South Island, rain was reported on the West Coast and in the Alps, the southern lakes district, the Canterbury high country, and Nelson; with scattered falls also in the North Island high country.

*Apiaries Registration Districts Amendment Order 1968 (Notice No. Ag. 10192)*

PURSUANT to regulation 3 of the Apiaries Registration Regulations 1953, the Director-General of Agriculture hereby amends the notice appointing apiaries registration districts and offices dated the 24th day of January 1961\* and hereby appoints the apiary registration districts contained in the Schedule hereto, having the name set out in the first column of the Schedule hereto and comprising the counties referred to in the second column of the said Schedule opposite the name of the registration district together with all boroughs and town districts enclosed by or contiguous to any county included in any registration district, and hereby appoints the office of the Department of Agriculture in the borough or city named in the third column of the said Schedule opposite the name of the registration district as the registration district for each office and hereby allots the code letter set out in the fourth column of the said Schedule opposite the name of the registration district as the code letter for each registration district.

SCHEDULE

Name of District	Description	Name of Registration Office	Code Letter
Tauranga ..	The counties of Coromandel, Thames, Ohinemuri, Tauranga, Rotorua, Whakatane, and Opotiki.	Tauranga ..	D
Hastings ..	The counties of Waipatu, Waikohu, Cook, Wairoa, Hawke's Bay, Waipawa, Waipukurau, Patangata, Dannevirke.	Hastings ..	E
Palmerston North	The counties of Woodville, Pahiatua, Akitio, Eketahuna, Masterton, Wairarapa South, Featherston, Hutt, Horowhenua, Kairanga, Manawatu, Oroua, KIWITEA, and Rangitikei.	Palmerston North	J
Hawera ..	The counties of Clifton, Taranaki, Inglewood, Egmont, Stratford, Eltham, Waimate West, Hawera, Patea, Waitotara, Waimarino, and Wanganui.	Hawera ..	H

Dated at Wellington this 29th day of January 1968.

G. J. ANDERSON, for Director-General of Agriculture.

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*New Zealand Post Office—Schedule of Building Contracts of \$20,000 or More in Value*

Name of Work	Successful Tenderer	Amount of Tender Accepted \$
Ngongotaha telephone exchange .. .. .	L. Owen Ltd. .. .. .	34,494.20

G. SEARLE, Director-General.

*New Zealand Government Railways—Schedule of Civil Engineering and Building Contracts of \$20,000 or More in Value*

Name of Work	Successful Contractor	Amount of Tender Accepted \$
Construct new station building and refreshment rooms and demolition of old refreshment rooms at Hawera	Madder and Bourne, P.O. Box 32, Wanganui ..	84,193.00

I. THOMAS, General Manager.

*Notice Under the Regulations Act 1936*

PURSUANT to the Regulations Act 1936, notice is hereby given of the making of regulations as under:

Authority for Enactment	Short Title or Subject-matter	Serial Number	Date of Enactment	Price (Postage Free)
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