

Opinion in Newspapers, Writing English), Towards World Unity (two bulletins). In addition, a number of single issues covered the following topics: Music, Play Production, Statistics, New Zealand in the World, Scientific Institutions in New Zealand, China, Something About the Pacific, and the Office Worker (Social Studies).

Because they are prepared by experts in their respective fields, these bulletins are an extremely valuable and much appreciated addition to the factual literature available in post-primary schools. Their reliable and up-to-date background material, not readily accessible to the ordinary classroom teacher, is appreciated by teachers and pupils. Overseas teachers have spoken enthusiastically about them and have asked for samples to take home with them.

One of the two technical bulletins dealt with plating, and the other was a composite bulletin on moulding and casting, pattern-making, and a special electrical drive for woodworkers' grinding-stones. Several other bulletins are being prepared, and it is hoped that it may be possible to continue a series of them in the future.

The standard of printing and illustrations has been maintained at the high level established by the School Publications Branch.

THE CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOL

The post-primary division of the Correspondence School continues to meet a need in remote districts and among children with various disabilities. It has also been called upon for assistance in the secondary departments of district high schools when there is a need for a subject which cannot be met by the staff.

The total roll in the post-primary division in 1948 at 31st May was 3,290, of whom 801 were full-time and the remainder part-time. The full-time pupils came under four sections—Academic, Commercial, Country Life, and Home Life. Part-time pupils were in these sections also, but large numbers belonged to special groups, as follows:—

Group.	Number.
Army personnel	91
Maori School assistants	57
Post-Office cadets	333
Public Service (temporary officers)	250
Public Service senior	282
District High School pupils	310
	1,323

The full-time and part-time enrolments in the main courses were as follows:—

Course.	Full-time.	Part-time.
Academic	181	593
Commercial	161	190
Country Life	180	138
Home Life	279	245

The course for full-time pupils includes core subjects in each case, and the following special subjects:—

Academic	Mathematics and/or foreign language.
Commercial	Commercial practice. Book-keeping, shorthand, and typewriting are added later if desired.
Country Life	General agriculture. Dairying, animal husbandry, and horticulture may be added later.
Home Life	Two art or craft subjects.