

CITY AND GUILDS OF LONDON EXAMINATIONS

There was increased interest in these examinations in 1948, 16 separate subjects or sections being taken (9 in 1947). The following table shows the number of candidates and of passes :—

Electrical engineering practice						
Preliminary—					Sat.	Passed.
D.C.	..	..	..	..	57	39
A.C.	..	..	..	..	23	17
Intermediate—						
D.C.	..	..	..	..	18	7
A.C.	..	..	..	..	18	7
Final—						
Part I	..	..	..	..	2	2
Part IIb	..	..	..	..	1	1
Part IIc	..	..	..	..	2	2
Part IIe	..	..	..	..	1	1
Telecommunications—						
Practice elementary	..	..	..	..	2	2
Principles	..	..	..	..	2	1
Telephone exchange systems	..	..	..	..	1	1
Hand embroidery : Intermediate	..	..	..	..	2	2
Radio : Grade I	..	..	..	..	2	2
Milk processing and control : Final section, A and B	..	..	..	..	1	1
Machine design : Intermediate	..	..	..	..	1	..
Principles and practice of metallurgical operations :	..	..	..	..		
Sections B, C, D	..	..	..	..	1	..
Number of candidates 95 (75)					134 (98)	85 (39)

Figures for 1947 are given in brackets.

NEW ZEALAND TRADES CERTIFICATION BOARD

Following the report of the Consultative Committee referred to in the last annual report, the Trades Certification Act, 1948, was passed providing for the setting-up of a Board, the functions of which are—

- (a) To make provision for the examination of persons practising or intending to practise any trade who desire from time to time to present themselves for examination :
- (b) To grant or issue, either independently or in conjunction with any other examining body, diplomas or certificates to any such person in recognition of his proficiency in any trade, or in any art, science, or matter relating to any trade.

In December, 1948, Mr. E. Caradus was appointed Chairman of the Board. After nominations had been called from the organizations mentioned in the Act, additional appointments were made, broadly representing trade, industry, and technical education, and including the Commissioner of Apprenticeship.

The development of the work of this Board will be of great importance to technical education and will be watched with interest.