

BUILDINGS

The year was one of great activity in building. Many of the more obvious needs of schools which could not be met during the war were dealt with by the provision of Army buildings. Some very good work was done in transforming these for school purposes. It must be admitted, however, that some temporary buildings are far below our standards of comfort and convenience. A very extensive building programme must be faced if reasonable facilities are to be provided for the large numbers of post-primary pupils expected in the next decade.

The following building works were completed during 1948 :—

Auckland district—

Northcote College	..	..	Assembly hall.
Pukekohe High School	..	..	Motor engineering room.
Thames High School	..	..	Assembly hall.
Tauranga College	..	..	Assembly hall.

Central district—

Hawera Technical School	..	..	Gymnasium ; two class-rooms.
Wellington Girls' College	..	..	Remodelling two class-rooms to provide a library.

Steel huts were erected at the following schools :—

Horowhenua College	..	..	For motor engineering.
Hutt Valley High School	..	..	For arts and for crafts.
Palmerston North Boys' High School	..	..	For woodwork.
Palmerston North Technical School	..	..	For motor engineering.
Wanganui Technical School	..	..	For two dormitories.
Wanganui Technical School	..	..	For welding.

Southern District—

Nelson College	..	..	Kitchen replaced after fire.
Rangiora High School	..	..	Hostel for boys.
Christchurch Technical College	..	..	Steel hut for homecrafts.
Timaru Girls' High School	..	..	Hostel additions.
Dunedin Technical College	..	..	Home science block.
Gore High School	..	..	Two steel huts.
Southland Girls' High School	..	..	New school.

Major works at present in progress :—

Auckland District—

Whangarei Boys' High School	..	..	Temporary accommodation for engineering.
Whangarei Girls' High School	..	..	Remodelling old hostel for home science.
Epsom Girls' Grammar School	..	..	Temporary accommodation.
Seddon Memorial Technical College	..	..	Temporary class-rooms ; remodelling science laboratories.
Avondale College	..	..	New pottery room.
Elam School of Art	..	..	Remodelling of Newton West School for temporary quarters.
Otahuhu College	..	..	Provision of further facilities in Engineering block ; extension to hall ; new wing, making provision for two laboratories, geography and commercial rooms, and staff common room.