

Financial assistance is also required by each of the University colleges for the erection of new buildings in the case of Auckland University College, and of additions to buildings at the remaining three colleges. A very large capital expenditure is involved in connection with the proposed works, the necessity for a large part of which is, however, unquestionable.

FINANCES OF THE AFFILIATED INSTITUTIONS IN 1918.

Table M 4 gives a summary of the receipts and payments of the University colleges, excluding special trust accounts and the accounts of non-university institutions under the control of a College Council, such as, for instance, the museum, public library, or school of art connected with Canterbury College, or the museum controlled by the Otago University. The total receipts were £124,522, and the total payments £104,082. The payments on account of administration amounted to £7,478, on salaries £54,680, and on buildings and equipment £27,216. The expenditure on buildings was chiefly in connection with Auckland University College, where a new science building was erected, and Canterbury College, where hostels for men and women students are being provided.

SCHOLARSHIPS, BURSARIES, ETC.

(Table M 3.)

Scholarships.

University scholarships may be divided into three broad classes: (1) Entrance scholarships, (2) scholarships awarded during the degree course, (3) post-graduate scholarships.

(1.) University entrance scholarships are awarded annually on the results of the University Junior Scholarship Examination, and are as follow: University Junior, University National, and Taranaki Scholarships (open only to candidates resident in Taranaki), in addition to some thirty or forty local and privately endowed scholarships awarded on the results of the same examination. Of the candidates for the Entrance Scholarship Examination in 1918, eleven gained Junior Scholarships, twenty-two gained National Scholarships, five gained a Taranaki Scholarship, fifty-eight passed "with credit," and thirty-seven qualified for Matriculation. The value of a Junior Scholarship or a University National Scholarship is £20 per annum in addition to tuition fees; students obliged to live away from home receive also a boarding-allowance of £30 per annum. The expenditure by the University on scholarships was £1,818, and by the Education Department on University National Scholarships £3,167. In addition to the scholarships, and partly in connection therewith, a scheme of bursaries entitling students to free tuition is also in operation, as set out in detail below.

(2.) Scholarships awarded during the degree course are: Senior University Scholarships tenable by candidates for Honours, and awarded on the papers set for repeated subjects in the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science Examinations; John Tinlin Scholarship, awarded on the papers in English of the Senior Scholarship Examination; a number of privately endowed scholarships open to students of the various colleges. Ten senior University scholarships were held during 1918.

(3.) The chief scholarships awarded at the end of the University course are the Rhodes Scholarship, the 1851 Exhibition Scholarship, the Medical Travelling Scholarship, and the National Research Scholarships (one of which is offered to each University college). The first three are all travelling scholarships—that is, they are tenable abroad. The Research Scholarships are each of the value of £100 per annum, with laboratory fees and expenses.

A statute made in 1918 provides for a Post-graduate Scholarship in Arts, to be offered every year, of the annual value of £150 and tenable for two years. The scholarship is intended to enable students who have passed through a college curriculum to continue their advanced studies in some other university. The final award was made in 1919.

So far fifteen Rhodes Scholarships have been granted, of which five have been gained by students of Auckland University College, four by students of Otago University, four by students of Victoria University College, and two by students of Canterbury College. The war has interfered increasingly with the operation of the Rhodes Scholarship system, and in their statement for 1916–17 the Trustees announced their decision to postpone for the present all further election to scholarships.