

University Bursaries.

University bursaries are awarded under the University Amendment Act, 1914, on the credit pass in the University Junior Scholarship Examination or on a higher leaving - certificate qualification, and entitle the holders to exemption from the payment of tuition and examination fees (not exceeding £20 per annum) during a three (or possibly four) years' course at a University college or school of agriculture recognized by the University. The number of University bursars in 1922 was 598, and the amount expended on their tuition and examination fees was £10,218, the cost per head being £17 1s. 9d.

Educational Bursaries.

Educational bursaries may be awarded to persons complying with certain conditions who, having matriculated, are trained teachers, or teachers holding a class C certificate, or ex-pupil teachers, or ex-probationers. Bursars are bound to serve as teachers for a specified term of years. The bursaries provide free tuition up to an annual value of £20 for three years, with possibly two yearly extensions, at a University college or recognized school of agriculture. The classes taken must be such as to form part of the course in arts, science, or agriculture, and proof of satisfactory progress must be given. The number of educational bursars in 1922 was sixty-four. The amount expended on tuition and examination fees being £705, or £11 0s. 4d. per head.

Domestic-science Bursaries.

Domestic-science bursaries tenable at the Otago University may be awarded to persons who have—

- (1.) Passed the Matriculation Examination or some other examination approved for the purpose; or
- (2.) Obtained at least a partial pass in the examination for the Class D teachers' certificate; or
- (3.) Gained a higher leaving certificate or, in the case of pupil-teachers or probationers, a lower leaving certificate.

The term of a bursary is two (or possibly three) years, and bursars are required, on completion of their course, to engage in teaching for not less than three years. The bursar receives £20 per annum, together with the fees for the course for the degree or the diploma in home science and domestic arts, and if obliged to live away from home an allowance of £30 per annum. A large hostel is provided at which the great majority of the students reside. Bursaries of this kind were awarded to ten students in 1922, making in all thirty-six bursars in attendance at classes. The cost to the Education Department in the year 1922-23 was £2,692.

Agricultural Bursaries.

Agricultural bursaries may be granted by the Education Department to qualified candidates in order to enable them to obtain the necessary practical training for positions as teachers or agricultural instructors, after the completion of their training the bursars being under a legal obligation to serve for a term of three years in one or other of these capacities. The qualification for a bursary is Matriculation or a higher or lower leaving certificate, and candidates are preferred who have received agricultural instruction during their secondary-school course. In addition, ex-students of teachers' training colleges who desire to specialize in the teaching of agriculture may obtain the bursaries. They are tenable at an experimental farm, an agricultural college, or other approved institution for two years, with a possible extension to a third year. Bursars receive an allowance of £20 per annum with free tuition, and if obliged to live away from home a lodging-allowance of £30 per annum.

During 1922 seven agricultural bursars were attending Lincoln Agricultural College, and three a University college. In nearly every case partial success towards the B.Ag. degree was recorded. The expenditure by the Department on agricultural bursaries for the year 1922 was £632.