



UNDER LABOUR, *BETTER* **Education** *IS A RIGHT...* **NOT A PRIVILEGE**

Back in 1935, the Labour Party made a promise. They promised, if elected, to re-organise the whole education system, to introduce the most modern educational methods and "to make the school life of the individual child more profitable, happier and healthier." Inheriting a bankrupt education system, they set to work. Those of you with children know how different school life is to-day . . . how much greater the opportunities for a full and liberal education. Now Labour plans even more facilities for kindergarten, school and university education . . . facilities from which no one will be excluded!

LABOUR BRINGS— SECURITY TO PARENTHOOD



More children are being born to-day for the very simple reason that more people can afford to get married and have children. Up till now, 200,000 mothers have been provided with free maternity benefits—maternity doesn't mean financial handicap now. The greatest family allowance scheme in the world gives 10/- a week to every mother for every child—irrespective of the bread-winner's income. That lightens the load for every family. Sickness brings no money worries under Social Security — and even where the breadwinner is ill there's still an income for the family through Sickness Benefits. Free dental treatment at school age lifts still another burden from the family budget. Free school text books will increasingly provide a further saving. And, perhaps best of all, there's **income security** under a Labour Government, with the fear of unemployment banished for good. Let's keep it that way—let's keep New Zealand the world's best place to live in! Let's keep Labour on the job!

KINDERGARTENS received no assistance in pre-Labour days. Now they receive grants of £17,000 per year, and Labour plans to extend this help and train more kindergarten teachers.

SCHOOL AGES for primary school-children have been lowered from six to five for entrance and raised from 14 to 15 for leaving.

SCHOOL CLASSES will be reduced to 30 children per teacher as soon as accommodation and supply of teachers allow.

SCHOOL TEACHERS are being trained at three times the rate existing when Labour came to power. In training colleges, 1935: 428; 1946: 1,448.

SCHOOL BUILDINGS have improved tremendously as a result of the £6,000,000 spent on accommodation by Labour. Vigorous measures are being taken to overcome wartime building arrears.

FREE TEXT BOOK distribution will be extended until it is general throughout primary and secondary schools.

FREE DENTAL TREATMENT will be extended to secondary schools as soon as possible.

FREE APPLES AND MILK will be continued as a worthwhile health measure.

COUNTRY CHILDREN will continue to receive increased facilities so that their educational opportunities equal those of town children. Further agricultural high schools are planned.

LABOUR will provide all the facilities necessary to produce men and women educated in the fullest sense of the word—mentally, culturally, physically—and those facilities will be available for all.

Vote LABOUR
FOR BETTER EDUCATION