

Student teachers undergoing their course. To overcome many of the difficulties of the present system Mr. Eltham said that he had drawn up regulations for the ~~evening~~ ^{training} of Technical Teachers. Under this scheme it was proposed to draw Diploma Students from Senior Technical schools and appoint them Student Teachers on probation. They would enter on an intensive course of training at the Chelbourne Technical College and if found satisfactory at the end of the probationary period they would then be appointed to a permanent position on the ~~Secondary~~ ^{Secondary} Roll. Mr. Eltham said that this intensive training could only be given at a central Technical school like the Chelbourne Technical College and he could hold out no possibility of a reversion to the previous system of training Manual Art Students. He hoped in the near future to obtain a Technical Teachers Roll ^{through} an alteration of the Public Service Act by Parliament. Mr. Tederman said that Mr. Eltham had come along to help us and the Council was deeply appreciative of his visit and his efforts for the improvement of technical education generally. State School evening studentships. Mr. Eltham said that grave exception had been taken by the Department to the awarding of evening studentships to State Primary School children. He would prefer to see day training for these children with ability and he would like the School Council to give serious consideration to this matter. He could assure the Council that the present system would meet with strong

opposition throughout the whole of the teaching service. Mr. H. H. Smith, Art Principal, said that it had been the practice to award these evening studentships at this school for the past forty odd years and he had never heard any objection to it. In fact many of the leading Art Teachers in the Department had commenced as holders of Studentships under this system.

Mr. Eltham said that he had mentioned this subject because he knew that a report had gone on to the Director and he (Mr. Eltham) felt that the Council should fully explore the possibilities of giving day instruction to these children.

The President said that the Council appreciated Mr. Eltham's visit very much and he desired to thank him very heartily for coming along to the meeting.

This concluded the business and the meeting closed.

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