Upper right. In the immediate postwar period, Ford V8 chassis were comparatively cheap and readily available. Using its own standard "Steelbilt" design, NZMB bodied many for a variety of operators. CTB No. 268 was one of 20 purchased by the operator in 1946. Derek Pringle

Middle right. Seen here preserved by the Auckland Chevrolet Club, NZRRS No. 1493, was one of 60 Chevrolet MS's bodied for the operator by NZMB 1944-1947. All were normal-control vehicles of a similar length, but roof heights, luggage storage arrangements and seating capacities varied according to the type of work envisaged. Clive Otway collection.

Lower right. NZRRS No. 1723, a 1949 NZMB-bodied Mack EHIS. Although the E-series was a normal-control truck chassis, their ready availability during and after the war made them popular as psv's. Indeed NZRRS purchased 139 E-series aisle-loading Mack psv's. Bodied by NZMB 1942-1942, they were delivered in a variety of heights, lengths and configurations according to the operator's requirements. Some chassis, including No. 1723's, were converted to forward control before bodying as urban buses. Forbes Neil





