the same Post Office Region. Even if there are unfilled vacancies, no candidate will be appointed who does not obtain an aggregate which satisfies the Civil Service Commissioners.

5. Candidates Trained as Teachers.

Candidates who have been trained as teachers and upon whose training public money has been spent, cannot be appointed until the consent of the appropriate central education authority (e.g., the Ministry of Education, the Scottish Education Department, the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland) has been notified to the Commissioners.

6. Fee.

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Civil Service Commission, 9th February 1954.

The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice that the following Regulations are published with the approval of the Lords Commissioners of H.M. Treasury, viz.:-

REGULATIONS FOR OPEN COMPETITIONS FOR SITUATIONS AS MALE POSTAL AND TELEGRAPH OFFICER IN THE POST OFFICE

1. Age.

Candidates must be at least 16 and under 18 years of age on 1st March 1954.

2. Nationality.

Candidates must be British subjects. They must also satisfy one of the following conditions:---

(a) If natural-born British subjects, they must either

(1) have at least one parent who is or was at death a British subject; or

(ii) have resided in Her Majesty's Dominions and/or been employed elsewhere in the service of the Crown for at least five years out of the last eight years preceding the date of their appointment.

(b) If naturalised British subjects, they must have resided in Her Majesty's Dominions and/or been em-ployed elsewhere in the service of the Crown for at least five years out of the last eight years preceding the of their appointment.

(c) If not qualified under (a) or (b) of this paragraph they must satisfy the Commissioners that they are so closely connected with Her Majesty's Dominions either by ancestry, upbringing or residence, or by reason of national service, that an exception may properly be made in their forward. in their favour.

3. Health and Character.

Successful candidates must satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners as to their health and character. They must be at least 5 feet in height.

4 Examination.

The subjects of examination and the marks they will carry are as follows:-

100
25
100
100

Separate competitions will be held for each Head Post Office, and candidates for each town will be arranged in order of merit on their aggregate of marks in the examination as a whole. No candidate may compete for a vacancy in more than one town at the same time, but if after the results of the examination have been published the number of qualified candidates for any town is insufficient to fill the vacancies in that town appointments may be offered, in order of their total marks, to candidates who have been unsuccessful for appointments in other towns in the same Post Office Region. Even if there are unfilled vacancies, no candidate will be appointed who does not obtain an aggregate which satisfies the Civil Service Commissioners.

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NATIONAL INSURANCE ACT, 1946

The National Insurance Joint Authority have made the under-mentioned Regulations :---

The National Insurance (Unemployment and Sickness Benefit) Amendment Regulations, 1954, dated 2nd February 1954 (S.I. 1954, No. 117).

Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance.

10 John Adam Street, London, W.C.2.

MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND CIVIL AVIATION

The Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation, on the 26th January 1954, made the Road Haulage and Hire (Charges) (Revocation) Order, 1954 (S.I. 1954, No. 98). Copies may be obtained from H.M. Stationery Offices or through any bookseller, price 2d.

MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND CIVIL AVIATION

The Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation, on the

The Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation, on the fourth day of February 1954, made The Railway Clearing House Scheme Order, 1954 (S.I. 1954, No. 139). Copies may be obtained from H.M. Stationery Office at York House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2; 423 Oxford Street, London, W.1; Post Office Rox 569, London, S.E.1; 13A Castle Street, Edinburgh, 2; 39 King Street, Manchester, 2; 2 Edmund Street, Birmingham, 3; 1 St. Andrew's Crescent, Cardiff; Tower Lane, Bristol, 1; 80 Chichester Street, Belfast; or through any bookseller, price 4d.

STATEMENT showing the QUANTITIES SOLD and AVERAGE PRICES OF BRITISH CORN per cwt. of 112 Imperial lb. computed from returns received by the MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES in the week ended 6th February 1954, pursuant to the Corn Returns Act, 1882, the Corn Sales Act, 1921, and the Agriculture (Miscel-laneous Provisions) Act, 1943.

British Corn	Quantities Sold	Average Price per Cwt.
Wheat Barley Oats	cwt 324,458 205,381 49,913	s. d. 32 3 28 6 23 1

-The above statement is based on returns received NOTE. from 108 prescribed towns in England and Wales in the week ended 6th February 1954. The prices represent the average for all sales at these towns, which include transactions between growers and merchants, and some transactions between merchants during the week ended 30th January 1954.

P. G. Ellis,

Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries,

3 Whitehall Place,

London, S.W.1.