

make orders with respect to the government, pay, allowances and pensions of the Royal Air Force and with respect to all other matters and things relating to the Royal Air Force; and that subject to the provisions of any such Order the Air Council may make general or special regulations with regard to any matter with respect to which His Majesty may make Orders under this Section; and

Whereas it is expedient to provide for the manner in which the services and pay of officers appointed to temporary commissions in the Royal Air Force during the present war shall be terminated;

Now, therefore, His Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred on Him by the said Act and of all other powers Him thereunto enabling, is pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered, that any temporary commission in the Royal Air Force granted during the present war shall be terminated at such time as in the opinion of the Air Council shall be expedient, and that any such commission shall terminate and cease to have effect on the specified date to be determined by or under instructions from the Air Council, and that the holder of any such commission shall on or before such specified date be notified thereof in such manner as may be determined by or under instruction from the Air Council. The specified date shall also be the date given to the notification of termination of the commission in the London Gazette.

By His Majesty's Command.

8th January, 1919.

Air Ministry.

ORDER BY HIS MAJESTY.

Whereas it is provided by Section 2 of the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, that, subject to the provisions of that Act, it shall be lawful for His Majesty by order signified under the hand of a Secretary of State to make orders with respect to the government, pay, allowances and pensions of the Royal Air Force and with respect to all other matters and things relating to the Royal Air Force; and that subject to the provisions of any such Order the Air Council may make general or special regulations with regard to any matter with respect to which His Majesty may make Orders under this Section; and

Whereas it is expedient to provide that officers who have been given temporary commissions in the Royal Air Force may be granted the privilege of being released from actual air-force duty in order to return to civil life before the termination of the present war;

Now, therefore, His Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred on Him by the said Act and of all other powers Him thereunto enabling, is pleased to order, and it is hereby ordered, that officers so released shall not from the date on which they cease to perform air-force duties be entitled to Air Force pay and allowances, neither shall any period during which they are so released count towards any gratuity or for non-effective benefits, nor shall they be eligible for promotion during that period.

By His Majesty's Command.

8th January, 1919.

India Office,

24th January, 1919.

RULES PUBLICATION ACT, 1893.

In conformity with the provisions of Section 1 of the Statute 56 and 57 Victoria, ch. 66, notice is hereby given that the Secretary of State for India in Council proposes, with the advice and assistance of the Civil Service Commissioners, at the expiry of forty days from the date of this Gazette, to make Rules as shown below, in pursuance of the powers conferred on him by Section 1 of the Indian Civil Service (Temporary Provisions) Act, 1915 (5 and 6 George V., ch. 87), for the appointment to the Indian Civil Service otherwise than by the annual Open Competition (which will still continue to be held) of British subjects who have during the war served in His Majesty's Navy, Army, or Air Forces.

On account of urgency the Secretary of State in-Council has, under Sec. 2 of the Statute 56 and 57 Victoria, ch. 66, made these Rules to come into operation forthwith as provisional rules to continue in force until rules have been made in accordance with the provisions of Sec. 1 of that Act.

RULES.

"It will rest with the Civil Service Commissioners to determine whether candidates are qualified in respect of nationality, age, character, education, and war service as defined in the following Regulations:—

"1. (a) Every candidate must be either a British subject or a ruler or subject of any State in India in respect of whom the Governor-General in Council has made a declaration under Sec. 96 (a) of the Government of India Act, 1915, as amended by Sec. 3 of the Government of India (Amendment) Act, 1916.

"(b) If the candidate (being a British subject) or his father or his mother was not born within His Majesty's Dominion and allegiance, the father must at the time of the candidate's birth have been a British subject or the subject of a State in India and still be (or have continued to be until his death) a British subject or a subject of such State.

"2. Every candidate for appointment to be made under these Rules must have served in His Majesty's Naval, Military, or Air Forces during the war for at least one year, or, if his service be less than one year, have been retired or discharged on account of wounds or sickness resulting from such service.

"3. Every candidate must have been born on or after the 2nd August, 1891, and on or before the 1st August, 1899.

"4. Every candidate must be of good character in civil and military life.

"5. Every candidate must have received continuous and systematic education of a high type until at least the age of 18, and must produce satisfactory evidence that if he has not received University education, he would have been justified in proceeding from school to a University with a view to taking high honours.

"6. Candidates must submit to the Civil Service Commissioners an application in the form prescribed by them, and pay on application such fee as is appointed by them.

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