

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 1st day of *February*, 1926.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS there was this day read at the Board a Memorial from the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, dated the 31st day of December, 1925 (N. 470/25), in the words following, viz. :—

“ Whereas by Section 3 of the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, it is enacted, *inter alia*, that all pay, pensions or other allowances in the nature thereof payable in respect of services in Your Majesty's Naval or Marine Force to a person being or having been an Officer, Seaman or Marine therein shall be paid in such manner and subject to such restrictions, conditions and provisions as are from time to time directed by Order in Council :

“ And whereas certain of the duties formerly performed by Your Majesty's Coastguard under the Board of Admiralty, have, since the first day of April, 1923, been carried out by employees of the Board of Trade and Board of Customs :

“ And whereas it was provided by Your Majesty's Order in Council, bearing date the 26th day of May, 1925, that the Force performing at Admiralty Shore Signal Stations certain of the duties formerly carried out by the Coastguard, New Force, should in future be designated the Royal Naval Shore Signal Service, and that the titles of the various ranks and ratings of the Royal Naval Shore Signal Service should be as follows, viz. :—Senior Chief Officers, Chief Officers, Petty Officers and Signalmen :

“ And whereas it is desirable to alter the designation of and to specify the conditions of service of the Officers and men of the Royal Navy employed under the Admiralty at Shore Wireless Telegraphy and Direction Finding Stations in the United Kingdom on certain other of the duties formerly carried out by Your Majesty's Coastguard :

“ And whereas the full pay and retiring allowances of Officers of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines are subject to revision periodically, and we are of opinion that the full pay and retiring allowances of Officers serving at

the above Stations should be subject to revision in the same manner and at the same dates :

“ We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased by Your Order in Council to direct that the Force consisting of Officers and men of the Royal Navy (other than those formerly belonging to the Coastguard, New Force) employed under the Admiralty at Shore Wireless Telegraphy and Direction Finding Stations in the United Kingdom shall, as from the 20th day of June, 1924, be designated the Royal Naval Shore Wireless Service, and that the titles of the various ranks and ratings of the Royal Naval Shore Wireless Service shall, as from that date, be as follows, viz. :—Senior Chief Officers, Chief Officers, Petty Officer Telegraphists, Leading Telegraphists and Telegraphists, in lieu of the titles formerly used in Your Majesty's Coastguard, viz. :—Divisional Chief Officers, Chief Officers, Petty Officers, Leading Boatmen and Boatmen respectively.

“ We beg leave further to recommend that the Officers and men of the Royal Naval Shore Wireless Service shall serve, as from that date, from time to time with the rates of pay set forth in the Schedule hereto, and under the conditions set forth in the Coastguard Instructions, 1911, as amended to the date of this Memorial, except in so far as these conditions may be inconsistent with the provisions of the Schedule hereto, in which case the provisions of the said Schedule shall prevail.

“ We beg leave further to recommend that the Officers and men formerly belonging to the Coastguard, New Force, and employed under the Admiralty at Shore Wireless Telegraphy and Direction Finding Stations in the United Kingdom shall, as from the twenty-sixth day of May, 1925, be transferred to the Royal Naval Shore Signal Service with the titles and rates of pay, and under the conditions of service, laid down for the various ranks and ratings of the said Service in Your Majesty's Order in Council of that date, notwithstanding that they may continue to be employed at Shore Wireless Telegraphy and Direction Finding Stations as aforesaid.

“ The Lords Commissioners of Your Majesty's Treasury have signified their concurrence in these proposals.

“ SCHEDULE.

“ The rates of pay and allowances of Officers and men of the Royal Naval Shore Wireless Service, as from the 20th June, 1924, to be as follows, the standard rates of pay and retiring allowances of Senior Chief Officers and Chief Officers being subject to further revision on the 1st July, 1927, and triennially thereafter :

|  | Men entered in the R.N. on or before the 4th October, 1925. | Per Diem.<br>Men entered in the Royal Navy after the 4th October, 1925. |
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|  | s. d.   | s. d.   |
| Telegraphist (S.W.S.)  | 4 6   | 3 7   |
| Leading Telegraphist (S.W.S.)  | 5 5   | 4 6   |
| Petty Officer Telegraphist (S.W.S.) on promotion                     | 6 9   | 5 9   |
| Petty Officer Telegraphist (S.W.S.) after four years in the rating.* | 7 0   | 6 0   |

\* Service in the Coastguard (W/T) Force under the Admiralty to reckon for increase of pay in the equivalent rank or rating in the Shore Wireless Service.

Payment to be made for Good Conduct Badges at the rates and under the conditions applicable to men of the R.N.

The W/T and Gunnery Allowances formerly payable to be absorbed in the above substantive rates.