Treasury, the following situation under the Prison Commission, Home Office, has been added to the Schedule appended to the Order in Council of the 22nd July, 1920, namely:-

Physical Training Teacher at the Borstal Institution for girls.

> Civil Service Commission, October 6, 1931.

The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice that the following Regulations are published with the approval of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, viz. :--

REGULATIONS FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF CHEMISTS IN THE GOVERNMENT LABORATORY.

N.B.—These Regulations are liable to alteration from time to time. Competitions do not take place at fixed intervals, but are held as occasion arises on the occurrence of vacancies.

1. Candidates must have attained the age of 23 and must not have attained the age of 28 on a date to be fixed in respect of the competition in which they are to take part. Candidates born on the governing date would be admitted on the day they attained the age of 23, but not on the day on which they attained the age of 28. A candidate who has served or is serving in the Army, Navy or Air Force may deduct from his actual age any time during which he has so served.

2. Every candidate must be a natural-born British subject, the child of a person who is or was at the time of death a British subject; provided that exception may be made—

(a) In the case of candidates serving in a civil situation to which they were admitted with the certificate of the Civil Service Commissioners.

(b) In the case of natural-born British subjects who served in His Majesty's Armed Forces in the Great War between 4th August, 1914, and 11th November, 1918.

(c) In the case of natural-born British subjects who have satisfactorily completed a period of not less than five years' service on full pay in His Majesty's Regular Forces.

Provided also that if the Civil Service Commissioners are satisfied in the case of any candidate who is a British subject, but does not fulfil all the requirements of the rule as to nationality and descent, that the candidate is so closely connected by ancestry and upbringing with His Majesty's dominions that an exception may properly be made to that rule, they may accept such candidate as eligible provided that this discretion shall not be exercisable unless (a) the father or the paternal grandfather of the candidate was a naturaloorn British subject, and (b) neither the father nor the paternal grandfather had acquired any other nationality by naturalization or by any other voluntary and formal act.

3. Persons holding situations in the Civil Service must obtain the permission of the authorities of their Department to apply for appointment.

No person actually serving in the Army, Navy or Air Force will be eligible for consideration unless he produces, when called upon to do so, the permission of his Commanding Officer to apply for appointment, dated before his appearance before the Selection Board, and given in accordance with such orders as may from time to time be issued.

Persons upon whose training for the occupation of teacher public money has been spent cannot be appointed until the consent of the appropriate education authority has been notified to the Civil Service Commissioners.

4. The candidates must possess a university degree with first or second class honours in chemistry or the Associateship of the Institute of Chemistry and must have had not less than one year's post-graduate experience in chemical work. They should have a working knowledge of technical French and German.

5. The Government Chemist will take such steps as he may think most appropriate to make known the existence of any vacancy or vacancies which he desires to fill on any one occasion, and the Civil Service Commissioners will satisfy themselves that the steps taken have been such as to secure all desirable publicity.

6. Application shall be addressed in the first instance to the Government Chemist, and he will examine the candidates' credentials and will submit the names of such candidates as appear to have the requisite qualifications and to be best fitted for appointment to the Civil Service Commissioners, who, if dissatisfied with the number or quality of candidates for any vacancy, may require further search to be made for qualified candidates.

7. Candidates who are recommended by the Government Chemist and are accepted by the Civil Service Commissioners will be admitted to (a) an interview before a Selection Board, and (b) a written examination in English. A Selection Board shall be nominated by the Commissioners in consultation with the authorities of the Department, who shall be represented upon it, and, if practicable, one of the Commissioners shall be the Chairman. The Selection Board will take into consideration the candidates' record of experience and education, any recommendations that they may receive from persons named by the candidates as having direct knowledge of their work in the past, and the candidates' scientific knowledge and their personal qualities as shown at the interview; and on their estimation of all the above evidence the Board will frame their decisions, which will be final. The Selection Board will arrange the candidates in order of merit, and the vacancies will be filled by the appointment of the candidates in order from the list, subject to their passing the examination in English and satisfying the Commissioners that they are eligible in all respects.

8. The appointment of selected candidates will be subject to their satisfying the Civil Service Commissioners of their eligibility in respect of age, nationality, health and character, and will not be confirmed unless and until they have passed the prescribed period of probation to the satisfaction of the Government Chemist. Female candidates must be unmarried or widows, and will be required to resign their appointments on marriage.

9. Any attempt on the part of candidates to enlist support for their applications through Members of Parliament or other influential persons will disqualify them for appointment.