

regular short service engagement) in the Royal Navy, Army or Royal Air Force or the corresponding women's Services (W.R.N.S., W.R.A.C., and W.R.A.F.).

(ii) A candidate who is still serving must on the 1st August, 1949, be in the last year of an engagement involving, in the case of men, at least five years' whole-time service, including any previous service under the National Service Acts, or, in the case of women, at least four years' whole-time service, including any service otherwise than on a regular engagement.

(iii) A candidate who is not still serving must on the 1st August, 1949, either (a) have rendered, in the case of men, at least five years' whole-time service including any previous service under the National Service Acts, or, in the case of women, at least four years' whole-time service, including any service otherwise than on a regular engagement, or (b) have entered upon a regular engagement for a period of, in the case of men, at least five years, or, in the case of women, at least four years, and have been invalidated out before completing that term.

(iv) Except as provided in Regulation 6, no candidate will be eligible whose whole-time service ceased more than two years before the 1st August, 1949.

6. In 1949 only, certain candidates born on or after 2nd August, 1903 and on or before 1st August, 1915, will be admitted exceptionally to the competition. These candidates must have completed a regular engagement (including a regular short-service engagement) in the Royal Navy, Army or Royal Air Force before 1st August, 1946, and must either (a) have rendered at least five years' service, including any service under the National Service Acts, or (b) have entered upon a regular engagement involving at least five years' whole-time service and have been invalidated out before completing that term.

7. *Health and Character*—Successful candidates must satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners as to their health and character.

8. *Examination*—The examination consists of the following:—

(a) A qualifying written examination consisting of papers in English and Arithmetic, a General Paper, and a test in General Intelligence.

(b) For candidates who pass the qualifying examination:—

an interview before the Final Selection Board.

The final order of merit will be determined by the mark awarded by the Final Selection Board out of a maximum of 300. This will take into account the candidate's record, his intelligence and personal qualities, and his or her work in the qualifying examination. In the event of a tie between two or more candidates the Commissioners will decide which to declare successful.

The vacancies available will be allotted to candidates in the following six categories in proportion to the number of candidates competing in each category, viz.:—

(1) Candidates whose last period of service was in the Royal Navy (including the Royal Marines) and whose whole-time service amounted to

(a) 12 years or more.

(b) Less than 12 years.

(2) Candidates whose last period of service was in the Army and whose whole-time service amounted to

(a) 12 years or more.

(b) Less than 12 years.

(3) Candidates whose last period of service was in the Royal Air Force and whose whole-time service amounted to

(a) 12 years or more.

(b) Less than 12 years.

9. *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.

10. *Assignment*—The Commissioners will decide to which Department each successful candidate is to be assigned. A candidate who declines to accept the post offered will have no claim to be assigned to another, but will be regarded as having declined

appointment. Assignments will be made in accordance with the needs of the public service, but the wishes of candidates will, where possible, be taken into account.

In order to be eligible for assignment to Branch B of the Foreign Service candidates will be required to satisfy the Foreign Office that they have the ability to learn languages.

11. *Fee*—A fee of 10s. is payable by all candidates. This must be sent with the application form, and is not returnable in any circumstances.

The Civil Service Commissioners further give notice that an Open Competitive Examination will be held under the foregoing Regulations commencing on the 19th July, 1949.

The provisional list of centres at which the Examination may be held is:—Aberdeen, Aberystwyth, Ashford (Kent), Barnsley, Barnstaple, Bedford, Belfast, Birmingham, Blackburn, Blackpool, Bolton, Bournemouth, Brighton, Bristol, Cambridge, Cardiff, Carlisle, Chatham, Chester, Colwyn Bay, Coventry, Darlington, Dundee, Dunfermline, Edinburgh, Exeter, Glasgow, Gloucester, Grimsby, Hull, Inverness, Ipswich, Leeds, Leicester, Lincoln, Liverpool, London, Londonderry, Manchester, Morecambe, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Newport (Mon.), Norwich, Nottingham, Oxford, Pembroke Dock, Peterborough, Plymouth, Portsmouth, Preston, Reading, Salisbury, Sheffield, Shrewsbury, Southampton, Stockton-on-Tees, Stoke-on-Trent, Swansea, Swindon, Taunton, Truro, Worcester, Workington and York, but the final list will not be decided until it is known how many candidates wish to be examined at each centre.

No person will be admitted to the Examination from whom the Secretary of the Civil Service Commission has not received, on or before the 5th May, 1949, an application, in the candidate's own handwriting, on the prescribed form, a copy of which may be obtained from the Secretary at once.

Civil Service Commission.

19th April, 1949.

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.:—

RECRUITMENT UNDER NORMAL REGULATIONS OF MEDICAL OFFICERS (GENERAL SERVICE CLASS) IN GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS.

1. *Age*.—Every candidate must be at least 28 years of age on the 1st March, 1949. The Commissioners have not specified an upper age limit for this competition. In general, however, Government Departments require a reasonable period of service from persons newly appointed to the Civil Service; and accordingly the Commissioners reserve the right to give weight to this factor when considering candidates for these posts who are over 50 years of age.

2. *Sex and Marriage*—

(i) Both men and women may compete under these Regulations.

(ii) Married women who have formerly been established civil servants and have drawn marriage gratuity (other than those who are widows, or divorced or who are separated from their husbands, or whose husbands suffer without hope of recovery from total physical or mental incapacity) will not be eligible unless they undertake to refund on appointment the marriage gratuity paid.

3. *Nationality*.—Candidates must be British subjects. They must also satisfy one of the following conditions:—

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

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

(ii) have resided in His 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 His 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.

(c) If not qualified under (a) or (b) of this paragraph, they must satisfy the Commissioners that they are so closely connected with His Majesty's