

COAL INDUSTRY NATIONALISATION ACT,
1946.

COAL INDUSTRY ACT, 1949.

MINERS' WELFARE ACT, 1952.

The Minister of Power hereby gives notice that he has made the Coal Industry Nationalisation (Superannuation) Regulations, 1957—S.I. 1957 No. 319, copies of which may be purchased (price 3d. net) direct from H.M. Stationery Office at any of the addresses shown on the last page of this Gazette.

Ministry of Power,
Thames House South,
Millbank, S.W.1.

1st March, 1957.

Civil Service Commission, 5th March, 1957.

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 RECRUITMENT TO THE NATIONAL
AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY SERVICE UNDER THE
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FOOD.1. *Age.*

Candidates must on 1st August, 1957, be at least 18 years of age for appointment to Grade B, at least 20½ years of age for appointment to Grade IV (a) or Grade IV (b), at least 25 years of age for appointment to Grade III, at least 26 for appointment to Grade A and at least 31 years of age for appointment to Grade II. Provided that a candidate under 25 years of age on 1st August, 1957, may be accepted for appointment to Grade III if he is exceptionally well qualified.

There is no upper age limit specified for this Competition, but in appointing persons in a permanent capacity Departments expect regular and effective service for a reasonable period, and the Commissioners will take this requirement into account.

2. *Sex and Marriage.*

(i) Both men and women, including married 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 resigned compulsorily on marriage and whose resignation took effect before 15th October, 1946, or 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 for appointment under these Regulations to situations which render them eligible for pension and other benefits under the Superannuation Acts, unless they undertake to refund on appointment the marriage gratuity paid. Provided that this undertaking will not be required if the break between the first period of service (including any period of unestablished service immediately following the period in respect of which the gratuity was paid) and the date of re-establishment is more than seven years.

3. *Nationality.*

To be eligible for appointment to a situation (other than a situation in the Cabinet Office, Ministry of Defence, Admiralty, War Office, Air Ministry or Ministry of Supply or a situation in the Foreign Service or other situation under the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs) a candidate must be a British subject, a British protected person or a citizen of the Irish Republic and in addition satisfy one of the following conditions:—

(a) if he was a British subject, a British protected person or a citizen of the Irish Republic at birth—

(i) at least one of his parents must be, or have been at death, a British subject, a British protected person or a citizen of the Irish Republic, or

(ii) the candidate must have resided in a country or territory within the Commonwealth or in the Irish Republic or been employed elsewhere in the service of the Crown or partly have so resided and partly been so employed for at least five years out of the last eight years preceding the date of his appointment;

(b) if he was not a British subject, a British protected person or a citizen of the Irish Republic at birth, he must have resided in a country or territory within the Commonwealth or in the Irish

Republic or been employed elsewhere in the service of the Crown or partly have so resided and partly been so employed for at least five years out of the last eight years preceding the date of his appointment:

(c) if not qualified under sub-paragraph (a) or sub-paragraph (b) of this paragraph, he must satisfy the Commissioners that he is so closely connected with a country or territory within the Commonwealth either by ancestry, upbringing or residence, or by reason of national service, that an exception may properly be made in his favour.

4. *Qualifications.*

(a) Candidates for Grades II, III or IV must have a University degree in agriculture, dairying, horticulture, or the appropriate natural sciences, or engineering, or a National Diploma in appropriate subjects, or a qualification accepted by the Commissioners as of equivalent academic standard. For Grade IV (a) candidates must have obtained a University degree with first or second class honours in the appropriate scientific subject or an equivalent academic qualification. In addition candidates for posts in general agriculture (Section III 1), horticulture (Section III 2) or husbandry (Section III 3) must have had appropriate practical experience. For posts at Experimental Husbandry Farms experience in experimental technique is an advantage.

(b) Candidates for Grade A posts should have a University degree in science (or a scientific qualification of equivalent academic standard). Exceptionally, applications for Grade A posts in the laboratories will be considered from candidates without these qualifications, provided that they have comprehensive laboratory or analytical experience.

(c) Candidates for Grade B must normally possess either a University degree in Science or (1) a Higher School Certificate with mathematics or a science subject as a principal subject or (2) a General Certificate of Education with passes in five subjects at the levels shown in brackets:—

(i) English Language (Ordinary),

(ii) Two mathematical or scientific subjects (Advanced),

(iii) Mathematics (Ordinary) if no mathematical subject is offered in (ii), except in the case of candidates who offer two biological subjects (Advanced) in (ii),

(iv) A scientific subject (Ordinary) if no scientific subject is offered in (ii),

(v) Balance of one or two subjects (Ordinary);

or (3) the Scottish Leaving Certificate with passes in five subjects, one of which must be English. Three of the passes must be on the Higher Grade and two of these must be in mathematical or scientific subjects. (Passes at the Scottish Universities Preliminary Examination will be accepted as equivalent to passes in the Scottish Leaving Certificate.)

or (4) a qualification accepted by the Commissioners as equivalent to or higher than, (1), (2), or (3) for the purpose of this Competition.

Applications for Grade B posts only will be entertained exceptionally from persons without these qualifications, provided that for laboratory posts they have had a fairly comprehensive laboratory or analytical experience; and that for field posts they have taken a course of instruction in agriculture or a cognate subject, or have had experience in experimental techniques.

Candidates with specialised knowledge or experience will be considered for posts for which they appear to be best fitted.

(d) Candidates sitting for their examinations in the summer of 1957 may be admitted to this competition; a candidate will not, however, be appointed unless on the result of the examination he or she satisfies Regulation 4 (a), (b) or (c) above.

(e) Ability to drive a motor car is necessary for almost every post in the Service, and candidates who do not hold a current driving licence are normally expected to obtain one within three months of taking appointment.

5. *Health and Character.*

Successful candidates must satisfy the Commissioners as to their health and character.

6. *Competition.*

Candidates who appear from their applications to have the best qualifications will be summoned to