

born of parents each of whom is or was at death a British subject or a citizen of the Irish Republic and has or had been one or the other at all times since birth:

Provided that, notwithstanding that the aforesaid conditions are not satisfied, he may, by special permission of the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, be admitted to appointment if—

(i) he has at all times since his birth been either a British subject or a citizen of the Irish Republic, and

(ii) his father is or was at death a British subject or a citizen of the Irish Republic and has or had been one or the other at all times from birth, and

(iii) he satisfies the Secretary of State 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. Education.

(i) Candidates (except those taking Scottish or Northern Ireland examinations) must have obtained, in not more than two examinations for the General Certificate of Education, passes in English Language and in *four* other distinct subjects accepted by the Commissioners, two of these must be at the Advanced level and obtained in the same examination. Candidates who wish to be considered for a Foreign Service post must have a pass at Advanced level in a language (classical or modern) other than English.

(ii) Candidates taking Scottish examinations must have obtained, in not more than two examinations for the Scottish Leaving Certificate or Scottish Universities Preliminary Examination, passes in English on the higher grade and in *four* other subjects accepted by the Commissioners, including two on the higher grade. Candidates who wish to be considered for a Foreign Service post must have a pass on the higher grade in a language (classical or modern) other than English.

(iii) Candidates educated in Northern Ireland may offer appropriate passes obtained in not more than two examinations for the Grammar School Senior Certificate of the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland.

(iv) The subjects that will be accepted are those included under the following headings: English, classical and modern languages, history, politics, economics, geography, religious knowledge, mathematics, science, and engineering; the same subject may not be counted at both Ordinary and Advanced level.

(v) Certificates issued by examining bodies other than those mentioned below can in no circumstances be accepted.

5. Selection.

The Commissioners will invite to interview before a Selection Board those candidates who appear, on the basis of their academic records as amplified by confidential reports from their schools, to be best qualified.

In placing candidates in order of merit and deciding which of them are successful in the competition, the Board will be guided by the standard of each candidate's performance in examinations for the General Certificate of Education (including Scholarship papers, where these have been taken), and by the Headmaster's or Headmistress's report. The candidate's standard of attainment in subjects other than those by which he qualifies under Regulation 4 will also be taken into account, and regard will be paid, where relevant, to the policy of his school on the taking of subjects in the General Certificate of Education examination. These factors will be considered in conjunction with the candidate's performance before the interview Board.

Of those successful candidates who have expressed a preference for the Foreign Service, the Commissioners will select a number of those highest in order of merit for a further competitive interview for appointment to a Foreign Service post. Candidates who, at this second interview, are not recommended for a Foreign Service post will remain successful for the Home Civil Service.

Even if there are unfilled vacancies, no candidate will be declared successful for either the Home Civil Service or the Foreign Service who does not reach a standard satisfactory to the Commissioners.

6. Health and Character.

Successful candidates must satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners on health and character.

7. Candidates Trained as Teachers.

Candidates who have been trained as teachers in Northern Ireland or in the Irish Republic, and upon whose training public money has been spent, cannot be appointed until the consent of the appropriate education authority has been notified to the Commissioners.

8. Canvassing.

Any attempt on the part of candidates to enlist support for their applications through Members of Parliament or other influential persons, except as referees to be named by them in their application forms, will disqualify them for appointment.

9. Fee.

A successful candidate must pay a fee of 15s. before the issue of a Certificate of Qualification for appointment.

10. Assignment.

The Commissioners will decide to which Service or Department each successful candidate is to be assigned.

The wishes expressed by successful candidates at interview, or on the preference form which they will be asked to fill up, will so far as possible be taken into account; but assignments must be made so as to fill the vacancies notified to the Commissioners in accordance with the needs of the public service. A candidate who declines to accept the post offered will have no claim to be assigned to another, and will be regarded as having declined appointment.

11. The Commissioners' decision will be final in all matters concerning this competition.

The Civil Service Commissioners further give notice that an Open Competition will be held during 1958 under the above Regulations.

Applications on the prescribed form for admission to the Competition should be received by the Secretary of the Civil Service Commission on or before 12th September, 1958. Application forms may be obtained from the Secretary at once.

WATER ACT, 1945

COUNTY OF LANCASTER.

1. Notice is hereby given that the Minister of Housing and Local Government, in pursuance of his powers under section 14 of the Water Act, 1945, is about to make an order defining an area consisting of:—

In the administrative county of Lancaster—

the urban districts of Fulwood and Kirkham; the rural district of Garstang except the parishes of Bleasdale, Hambleton and Stalmine-with-Staynall;

within the rural district of Fylde the parishes of Elswick, Freckleton, Greenhalgh-with-Thistleton, Little Eccleston-with-Larbreck, Medlar-with-Wesham, Newton-with-Clifton and Treales, Roseacre and Wharles;

within the rural district of Lancaster the parishes of Cockerham and Thurnham;

within the rural district of Preston the parishes of Barton, Broughton, Grimsargh, Haighton, Lea, Whittingham and Woodplumpton.

The county borough of Preston,

as an area to which the provisions of the said section 14 shall apply.

2. Copies of the draft order and of a map showing the area may be inspected at the Ministry of Housing and Local Government, Whitehall, S.W.1, the Head Office of the Fylde Water Board, Sefton Street, Blackpool, the Municipal Building, Preston, and the District Council Offices at Fulwood, Kirkham, Garstang, Lancaster and Preston.

3. A notice explaining the effect of the order is published in the issues of the Lancashire Evening Post, West Lancashire Evening Gazette, Preston Guardian, Blackpool Gazette and Herald, and Preston Herald, during the week beginning the 7th April, 1958, and the following week.

Dated this 15th day of April, 1958.

Ministry of Housing and Local Government,
Whitehall, S.W.1.