

*Civil Service Commission,
January 1, 1937.*

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 BY COMPETITIVE SELECTION OF LIVE STOCK OFFICERS (MALE) UNDER THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES.

These Regulations are liable to alteration from time to time.

1. Application for appointment shall be made in the first instance to the Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, at such time and in such manner as may be fixed by the Ministry. When a vacancy occurs the Ministry will cause notice to be given by advertisement in the Press, which will include a statement of the last day fixed for the receipt of applications.

2. A candidate must have attained the age of 25 and must not have attained the age of 45 on the last day fixed for the receipt of applications; provided that in reckoning age for this purpose a candidate who served in the Army, Navy or Air Force between the 4th August, 1914, and the 11th November, 1918, may deduct from his actual age any period of service between the 4th August, 1914, and the 31st December, 1919.

3. 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 natural-born 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.

4. Until further notice preference will be given to candidates who served in His Majesty's Forces during the War between the 4th August, 1914, and the 11th November, 1918.

5. 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.

6. A candidate must satisfy the Ministry that he possesses a good general education, and that he has a thorough practical knowledge and experience of farming and of the breeding and the management of pedigree and commercial stock (including dairy cattle). It would be an advantage for a candidate to have had practical experience of milk-recording.

7. The completed application forms will be scrutinised by the Ministry, and selected candidates will be interviewed by a Board consisting of representatives of the Ministry and of the Civil Service Commissioners. The Board will recommend to the Ministry for appointment to the vacancies existing those candidates who appear to them to possess the highest qualifications, provided they find so many suitable.

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. The Selection Board will disregard spontaneous recommendations from persons who are not personally acquainted with the candidate's previous work.

8. The necessary number of candidates will be appointed on probation, subject to their satisfying the Civil Service Commissioners that they are eligible for appointment in respect of age, nationality, health and character, and to the payment of a fee of £4.

9. The retention of a Live Stock Officer will be conditional on the Ministry being satisfied as to his conduct and capacity.

10. Service as Live Stock Officer will be probationary for a period of one year, on the completion of which the officer will be eligible for consideration for appointment to the established staff, if and when a vacancy occurs thereon. Appointment to the established staff is conditional on the issue by the Civil Service Commissioners of a certificate of qualification; a fee of £4, being the balance of the prescribed fee of £8, is payable before the certificate of qualification can be issued.

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES.

River Trent Catchment Board.

West Butterwick Drainage Board.

Notice is hereby given that the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him under Section 4 (3) of the Land Drainage Act, 1930, proposes to make an Order confirming a scheme submitted to him by the River Trent Catchment Board, under Section 4 (1) (b) of the Act, making provision for the extension of the period of