

necessary or desirable on medical grounds, be prescribed by the Head of his Department.

(3) If any candidate, at the time when he is appointed to a permanent situation in any of His Majesty's Civil Establishments, is serving the State in an unestablished capacity, his continuous service in such a capacity immediately before his being so appointed shall, as to one-half of the period of such service, be reckoned for the purpose of these Regulations as service after appointment to a permanent situation:

Provided that the period of probation shall not, by reason of the reckoning of such service, be reduced to less than one year.

(4) During the period of probation the conduct and capacity of the candidate shall be subjected to such tests as may be determined by the Head of his Department, and he shall not be finally appointed to a permanent situation in any of His Majesty's Civil Establishments unless his probation shall have furnished to the Head of his Department satisfactory proof of his fitness.

2. (1) The Regulations dated the 27th day of September 1945, made by the Treasury under Article 6 of the said Order in Council dated the 22nd day of July 1920, are hereby revoked.

(2) These Regulations shall come into force forthwith.

Dated this 5th day of October 1948.

WM. HANNAN,
JOSEPH HENDERSON,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of
His Majesty's Treasury.

WAGES COUNCILS ACT, 1945.

HAIRDRESSING UNDERTAKINGS WAGES COUNCIL (GREAT BRITAIN).

The Hairdressing Undertakings Wages Council (Great Britain) hereby gives notice of its intention to submit to the Minister of Labour and National Service proposals (1) for fixing statutory minimum remuneration, and (2) for allowing holidays to and fixing holiday remuneration for the workers in relation to whom the Wages Council operates.

Particulars of the proposals may be obtained on application to the Secretary of the Wages Council at the address given below or to any local office of the Ministry of Labour and National Service.

The Wages Council will consider any written representations with respect to the above-mentioned proposals which may be sent to it within thirty-two days from 12th October 1948. Any such representation should be signed by the person making the same (adding his or her address) and sent to the Secretary, the Hairdressing Undertakings Wages Council (Great Britain), Queen Anne's Chambers, 28 Broadway, London, S.W.1. It is desirable that persons making objections should state the precise grounds of their objections.

Z. T. CLARO, Secretary.

11th October 1948.

Civil Service Commission,

8th October 1948.

The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice that an Open Competitive Examination will be held on 4th and 5th January 1949 for the entry of Engineering Apprentices into the following Ministry of Supply Establishments: Atomic Energy Research Establishment, Harwell; National Gas Turbine Establishment, Whetstone, Leicestershire; Royal Aircraft Establishment, Farnborough, Hampshire; Royal Ordnance Factories (Engineering) in various parts of England, Wales, and Scotland; Signals Research and Development Establishment, Christchurch; Telecommunications Research Establishment and Radar Research and Development Establishment, Malvern, Worcs.

The written part of the examination may be held at the following centres:—Aberdeen, Ashford (Kent), Barnsley,

Bedford, Belfast, Birmingham, Blackburn, Blackpool, Bolton, Bournemouth, Brighton, Bristol, Cambridge, Cardiff, Carlisle, Chatham, Chester, Colwyn Bay, Darlington, Dundee, Dunfermline, Edinburgh, Exeter, Glasgow, Gloucester, Grimby, Hull, Inverness, Ipswich, Leeds, Leicester, Lincoln, Liverpool, London, Londonderry, Manchester, 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. Supplementary centres where practicable and justified by the number of candidates, may be added after the receipt of applications.

No person will be admitted to compete from whom the Secretary of the Civil Service Commission has not received, on or before the 1st November 1948, an application, in the handwriting of the candidate, on a prescribed form, which may be obtained from the Secretary at once.

The Minister of Transport, on the 2nd October 1948, made the Railway and Canal Securities (Conversion Date) (No. 11) Order, 1948 (Statutory Instrument No. 2226), under paragraph 1 of Part II. of the Fifth Schedule to the Transport Act, 1947.

Copies of the Order are obtainable from H.M. Stationery Office at York House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2; 13A Castle Street, Edinburgh, 2; 39-41 King Street, Manchester, 2; 1 St. Andrew's Crescent, Cardiff; Tower Lane, Bristol, 1; 80 Chichester Street, Belfast; or through any bookseller. (Price 1d. net.)

The Minister of Transport, under powers conferred by Section 30 of the Road Traffic Act, 1930, and Section 6 of the Road Traffic Act, 1934, on the 7th October 1948, made the Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations, 1948 (Statutory Instrument 1948, No. 2251), to amend further, with effect from 1st December 1948, the Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) Regulations, 1947 (Statutory Rules and Orders, 1947, No. 925).

Copies of the Regulations are obtainable from H.M. Stationery Office at York House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2; 13A Castle Street, Edinburgh, 2; 39-41 King Street, Manchester, 2; 1 St. Andrew's Crescent, Cardiff; Tower Lane, Bristol, 1; 80 Chichester Street, Belfast; or through any bookseller. (Price 1d. net.)

GAS ACT, 1948.

The Minister of Fuel and Power hereby gives notice that he has made Regulations entitled the Gas (Notices) Regulations, 1948—S.I. 1948, No. 2242.

Copies may be purchased from H.M. Stationery Office, York House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2; 13A Castle Street, Edinburgh, 2; 39-41 King Street, Manchester, 2; 1 St. Andrew's Crescent, Cardiff; Tower Lane, Bristol, 1; 80 Chichester Street, Belfast; or through any bookseller.

Ministry of Fuel and Power,

7 Millbank, London, S.W.1,

8th October 1948.

MINISTRY OF SUPPLY.

PRICES OF MANGANESE ORE.

Notice is hereby given that the cost to the British Iron and Steel Corporation (Ore) Ltd. of Manganese Ore for the manufacture of Blast Furnace Manganese has increased to 28d. per unit as from 1st October 1948.