

vice under the National Service Acts, may deduct the period of such service from his actual age, up to a maximum of two years;

c candidates who have served in any established post to which they were admitted with the Certificate of the Civil Service Commissioners may deduct from their actual age any time not exceeding two years which they have spent in such service before 1st September 1949.

3 *Sex and Marriage.* Men only are eligible.

4 *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 naturalized 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 dominions either by ancestry, upbringing or residence, or by reason of national service, that an exception may properly be made in their favour

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

6 *Examination.* The subjects of examination will be as follows:—

	Maximum Marks.
(1) English	300
(2) Elementary Mathematics	200
(3) General Intelligence	100
(4) Science	200
(5) } Any two of the following:—	
6 } a Further Mathematics	200 each
b French or German or Spanish or Latin	
c History	
d) Geography	
e Economics and Elementary Politics	
7) Interview	400

The Interview, Subject 7, will be held at a later date than the examination in the remaining subjects. Of the candidates who obtain the highest aggregate marks in Subjects 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, a certain number to be determined by the Civil Service Commissioners will be summoned to the Interview. The final list of candidates eligible for appointment will be made up by uniting the results of the two parts of the examination. Candidates must obtain such an aggregate of marks in the examination as a whole as to satisfy the Civil Service Commissioners.

7 *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.

8 *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 above Regulations commencing on the 13th December 1949 to fill approximately 200 vacancies.

The written examination will be held at various centres. The provisional list of centres is:—Aberdeen, Ashford (Kent), Belfast, Birmingham, Bournemouth, Bristol, Cardiff, Carlisle, Colwyn Bay, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Hull, Inverness, Leeds, Liverpool, London, Manchester, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Norwich, Nottingham, Plymouth, Portsmouth, Preston, Shrewsbury, and Swansea, 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 29th September 1949, an application, in the candidate's own handwriting, on a prescribed form, which may be obtained from the Secretary at once.

THE NATIONAL INSURANCE ACT, 1946.

The Minister of National Insurance has made the under-mentioned Regulations:—

The National Insurance (Death Grant) Regulations, 1949, dated 27th June 1949 (S.I. 1949, No. 1204)

Ministry of National Insurance,

6 Carlton House Terrace, London, S.W.1.

THE NATIONAL INSURANCE ACT, 1946.

The Minister of National Insurance has made the under-mentioned Regulations:—

The National Insurance (Pensions, Existing Contributors) (Transitional) Amendment Regulations, 1949, dated 21st June 1949 (S.I. 1949, No. 1150).

The National Insurance (Pensions, Existing Beneficiaries and Other Persons) (Transitional) Amendment Regulations, 1949, dated 21st June 1949 (S.I. 1949, No. 1151).

The National Insurance (Contributions) Amendment Regulations, 1949, dated 23rd June 1949 (S.I. 1949, No. 1171).

The National Insurance (Unemployment Benefit) (Transitional) Amendment Regulations, 1949, dated 1st July 1949 (S.I. 1949, No. 1247).

Ministry of National Insurance,

6 Carlton House Terrace, London, S.W.1.

STATEMENTS ISSUED PURSUANT TO THE CORN RETURNS ACT, 1882, THE CORN SALES ACT, 1921, AND THE AGRICULTURE (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT, 1943.

STATEMENT showing the QUANTITIES SOLD and AVERAGE PRICES of BRITISH CORN per cwt. of 112 Imperial lb.,* computed from returns received by the MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES in the week ended 9th July 1949.

British Corn.	Quantities Sold.	Average Price per Cwt.	
	Cwt.	s.	d.
WHEAT	120,384	24	2
BARLEY	17,811	24	11
OATS	9,418	20	7

STATEMENT showing the QUANTITIES SOLD and AVERAGE PRICES of BRITISH CORN per cwt. of 112 Imperial lb.,* for the QUARTER ended MIDSUMMER 1949, with comparative figures for the three earlier years.

Quarter ended Midsummer	Quantities Sold.		
	Wheat.	Barley.	Oats.
	Cwt.	Cwt.	Cwt.
1946	3,105,575	1,581,121	591,839
1947	2,981,448	2,223,461	419,610
1948	919,205	460,701	110,294
1949	2,857,589	1,317,166	239,381

Quarter ended Midsummer	Average Price per Cwt.		
	Wheat.	Barley.	Oats.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1946	15 3	24 5	16 3
1947	15 7	22 9	17 3
1948	20 3	26 3	20 1
1949	24 0	25 1	21 0

* Section 8 of the Corn Returns Act, 1882, as amended by Section 2 of the Corn Sales Act, 1921, provides that, in the weekly summary of quantities and prices each sort of British Corn shall be computed with reference to the cwt. of 112 Imperial Standard lb.

NOTE: The above statements are based on returns received from 108 prescribed towns in England and Wales. The prices represent the average for all sales at these towns, which include transactions between growers and merchants, and some transactions between merchants.

The statement of weekly quantities and prices is based on sales during the week ended 2nd July 1949.

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