Russian History (78), may not offer either subject 8 (European History, Period 1 or Period 2) or subject 9 (European History, Period 3).

8. A candidate desiring to offer Experimental Psychology (23), or any of the subjects 38 to 49 must produce evidence satisfactory to the Civil Service Commissioners of laboratory training in an institution of university rank. For Astronomy (37), Engineering (50), Geography (51), and the Physical Anthropology branch of Special Anthropology (53), other equivalent training will be required. There will be no laboratory test as part of the examination.

9. From the marks assigned to candidates in each subject such deduction will be made as the Civil Service Commissioners may deem necessary in order to secure that no credit be allowed for merely superficial knowledge.

10. Moreover, candidates whose handwriting is not easily legible will suffer a further deduction of marks on that account.

II. Application for permission to attend one of these examinations must be made in the writing of the candidate, at such times and in such manner as may be fixed by the Commissioners.

12. A fee of $\pounds 2$ will be required from every applicant for permission to attend an examination; this fee is not returnable in any circumstances. A further fee of $\pounds 6$, being the balance of the prescribed fee of $\pounds 8$, will be required from every candidate attending such examination.

13. Out of the list resulting from each examination will be filled (provided there be candidates duly qualified):—

(a) All the vacancies in the Junior Grade of the Administrative Class which may have been reported to the Civil Service Commissioners up to the date of the announcement of the result of the examination;

(b) Any additional vacancies occurring within six months from the date of the announcement of the result of the examination, which the Head of the Department may desire to have so filled.

The assignment by the Civil Service Commissioners of successful candidates will be made with due regard to the requirements of the situation to be filled. Subject to this condition, candidates will be allowed to choose, according to their place on the list, among the vacancies (a) for which they are duly qualified; or they may elect to wait for the chance of a vacancy (b). When vacancies (b) occur, they will be offered in rotation to the qualified candidates then on the list, who will be free to decline them without forfeiting their claim to subsequent vacancies (b).

The Civil Service Commissioners further give notice that an Open Competitive Examination will be held in London in 1938 under the foregoing Regulations. The viva voce tests will begin towards the end of June; the written examination will begin early in July. No person will be admitted to Examination

No person will be admitted to Examination from whom the Secretary of the Civil Service Commission has not received, on or before the 11th April, 1938, an application, in the candidate's own handwriting, on a prescribed form, which may be obtained from the Secretary at once.

Civil Service Commission,

December 31, 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 RESPECTING COMPETITIVE EXAMI-NATIONS FOR APPOINTMENTS IN THE FOREIGN OFFICE AND DIPLOMATIC SERVICE.

I. Candidates will be required to appear before a Board of Selection which will meet at the Office of the Civil Service Commission on the first Tuesday in May, and will decide which candidates possess suitable qualifications for entry into the Foreign Office or Diplomatic Service in order to enable them to compete at the examination prescribed below. Candidates may appear before this Board of Selection at any time after they have attained the age of nineteen; but a candidate who is not recommended for acceptance by the Board of Selection may not appear before that Board for interview a second time unless he is specifically notified after his first appearance that the Board will be prepared to see him again.

2.—(i) Candidates must have attained the age of 21 and must not have attained the age of 25 on the first day of August in the year in which the examination is held.

(ii) Candidates must be unmarried.

3. Candidates must be natural-born British subjects and born within the United Kingdom or in one of the self-governing Dominions of parents also born within those territories, except when the circumstances are such as to justify a departure from the general rule, in which case they can be allowed to compete by special permission of the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, provided they fulfil the conditions of the rule in respect of nationality prescribed for candidates for admission to His Majesty's Civil Service as a whole, viz.:—

"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 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. No person actually serving in the Army, Navy or Air Force will be eligible for admission to the examination unless he produces to the Civil Service Commissioners, when called upon to do so, the permission of his Commanding Officer to attend the examination, dated before

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