

PETROLEUM (PRODUCTION) ACT, 1934.

The Minister of Fuel and Power hereby gives notice that in accordance with the provisions of that Act and the Petroleum (Production) Regulations, 1935, he has granted a prospecting licence to the D'Arcy Exploration Company Ltd., Britannic House, Finsbury Circus, E.C.2, covering 174 square miles in the counties of Southampton and Sussex.

A description of the area was published in the issue of the London Gazette of 8th August, 1947. Maps showing the boundaries of the area may be inspected on application to the Ministry of Fuel and Power, Petroleum Division, 7, Millbank, S.W.1.

5th November, 1952.

Civil Service Commission, 11th November, 1952.

The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice that the following regulations are published with the approval of the Lords Commissioners of H.M. Treasury, viz. :—

RECRUITMENT OF DRIVING AND TRAFFIC EXAMINERS IN THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT.**1. Age.**

Candidates must have been born on or before 1st January, 1923. The Commissioners have not specified an upper age limit for this Competition. In general, however, Government Departments require a reasonable period of service from persons newly appointed to the Civil Service; and accordingly the Commissioners reserve the right to give weight to this factor in considering candidates for these posts who are over 50 years of age.

2. Sex and Marriage.

(i) Both men and women may compete under these Regulations.

(ii) Married women who have formerly been established civil servants and have drawn marriage gratuity (other than those who resigned compulsorily on marriage and whose resignation took effect before 15th October, 1946, or who are widows or divorced, or who are separated from their husbands, or whose husbands suffer without hope of recovery from total physical or mental incapacity) will not be eligible unless they undertake to refund on appointment the marriage gratuity paid.

3. 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 Her 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 naturalised British subjects they must have resided in Her 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 Her 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.

4. Qualifications.

Candidates must have had a wide experience of driving including driving motor cycles and including some recent experience; certain motoring offences will lead to disqualification. Candidates must know the Highway Code in detail and have a general knowledge of Road Transport law as it affects the operation of passenger and goods vehicles. Experience in driving tuition, driving testing, conducting interviews or writing concise and accurate reports, will be an additional advantage.

5. Health and Character.

Successful candidates must satisfy the Commissioners as to their health and character.

6. Competition.

Candidates who appear from their application forms to have the best qualifications and experience will be given a driving test. Those who pass the test will be called before a Selection Board which will recommend to the Commissioners for appointment the candidates who appear most suitable. The

decision of the Commissioners will be final. The Selection Board will frame their recommendation on the candidate's record of education and experience, any recommendations that they may receive from persons named by the candidates as having direct knowledge of their work in the past, and the personal qualities of the candidate as shown at the interview.

7. Candidates trained as Teachers.

Persons upon whose training for the occupation of teacher 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.

Candidates selected for appointment will be required to pay a fee of £1 10s. before the issue of a certificate of qualification for appointment.

9. Canvassing.

Any attempt on the part of the 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. The Selection Board will disregard recommendations from persons who are not personally acquainted with the candidate's work.

Civil Service Commission, 11th November, 1952.

The Civil Service Commissioners hereby give notice that the following Regulations are published with the approval of the Lords Commissioners of H.M. Treasury, viz. :—

RECRUITMENT TO THE STATISTICIAN CLASS OF THE HOME CIVIL SERVICE.

1. No candidate may compete more than twice.

2. Age.

Candidates must be at least 20½ years and under 24 years of age on the 1st August of the year in which the examination is held. But a candidate who has served or is serving in H.M. Forces may deduct the period of such service from his actual age.

3. Sex.

Both men and women may compete under these Regulations.

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 Her 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 naturalised British subjects, they must have resided in Her 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 Her 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 Commissioners as to their health and character.

6. Subjects of Examination.

(i) The examination consists of the following:—

(A) A written examination in

(a) five compulsory subjects for which a maximum of 700 marks is allotted;

(b) a selection from the optional subjects set out in the Appendix. Subject to the provisions in the Appendix, candidates may take optional subjects up to a total of 300 marks.

(B) Interview, comprising

(a) a preliminary interview by a single interviewer, who will supply a report for the information of the Final Interview Board;