

Registrars of Births, Deaths, and Marriages appointed.

Office of Public Service Commissioner, Wellington, 13th January, 1914.

THE Public Service Commissioner has made the following appointments in the Public Service.

A. J. H. BENGÉ,
Secretary.

Name.	District.	Position.	Date of Appointment.
McGregor, Ivan Innes ..	Richmond	Registrar of Births, Deaths, and Marriages	31st Dec., 1913.
Russell, Herbert James ..	Tirau	" " "	30th " "
Trownson, Charles Owen ..	Wairau	" " "	2nd Jan., 1914.

Appointments, Promotions, Transfers, and Resignations of Officers of the New Zealand Staff Corps and Territorial Force.

Department of Defence,
Wellington, 20th December, 1913.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve of the appointments, promotions, transfers, and resignations of the undermentioned New Zealand Staff Corps and Territorial Force Officers:—

New Zealand Staff Corps.

Captain Rayner Barrington Smythe, to be seconded, whilst undergoing a course of instruction at the Staff College, Camberley. Dated 19th October, 1913.
 Captain Charles William Melvill, to be seconded, whilst undergoing a course of instruction at the Staff College, Camberley. Dated 31st October, 1913.
 Captain William Livingstone Hatchwell Burgess, to be seconded, whilst serving on exchange with the Commonwealth Military Forces. Dated 6th November, 1913.

1st Mounted Rifles (Canterbury Yeomanry Cavalry).

Captain Arthur Roberts Fear resigns his commission. Dated 10th November, 1913.

4th (Waikato) Mounted Rifles.

Lieutenant Charles Francis Eyles Barton is transferred to the Unattached List (a). Dated 12th December, 1913.

New Zealand Field Artillery.

Lieutenant Robert Stirrat McQuarrie to be Captain, *vice* J. G. Rose, deceased. Dated 19th August, 1913.

The undermentioned to be 2nd Lieutenants (on probation). Dated 29th November, 1913:—

Sergeant Frederick William Reed.
Sergeant Gordon Harris Forsyth.

Corps of New Zealand Engineers.

(New Zealand Railway Battalions.)

Captain (on probation) James. Charles McCarthy to be Adjutant (North Island Battalion). Dated 7th July, 1913.

2nd (South Canterbury) Regiment.

2nd Lieutenant Alfred James Jones to be Lieutenant, *vice* R. H. Davis, resigned. Dated 28th September, 1913.

The undermentioned supernumerary 2nd Lieutenants are absorbed into the establishment. Dated 4th December, 1913:—

Percy Arthur Seymour Stephens.
Newton Calvert Jones.

4th (Otago) Regiment.

The undermentioned 2nd Lieutenants to be Lieutenants. Dated 25th May, 1913:—

Percy James Schuler.
Lindsay Mackie Scott.
Ralph Howison Nicholson.

Lieutenant Cyril Henry Croker resigns his commission. Dated 14th October, 1913.

6th (Hauraki) Regiment.

2nd Lieutenant (on probation) Roy Waldo Fry Wood is confirmed in his rank.

8th (Southland) Regiment.

The commission granted 2nd Lieutenant Ezra Augustus Dobbie is cancelled, under the provisions of section 5 (a) of the Defence Act, 1909, for absence from the Dominion without leave. Dated 17th November, 1913.

14th (South Otago) Regiment.

Lieutenant (on probation) Stanley Rice is confirmed in his rank.

New Zealand Medical Corps.

The undermentioned officers resign their commissions:—

Captain William Sutherland. Dated 4th November, 1913.

Lieutenant Philip Timothy Putnam, M.D. Dated 2nd December, 1913.

Unattached List (a).

Lieutenant Charles Francis Eyles Barton, from the 4th (Waikato) Mounted Rifles, to be Lieutenant. Dated 12th December, 1913.

New Zealand Forces Motor Reserve of Officers. (Otago Section).

Robert Valpy Fulton, M.D. (Otago Section), to be Major. Dated 10th October, 1913.

Alexander Crow McGregor to be Lieutenant. Dated 10th October, 1913.

J. ALLEN,
Minister of Defence.

Disbandment of a Defence Rifle Club.

Department of Defence,
Wellington, 20th December, 1913.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve, under section 43 (1) and (2) of the Defence Act, 1909, of the disbandment of the

Marlborough Mounted Rifles Reserve Defence Rifle Club, with headquarters at Blenheim, Canterbury Military District. Date of disbandment, 20th December, 1913.

J. ALLEN,
Minister of Defence.

Letters of Naturalization issued.

Department of Internal Affairs,
Wellington, 23rd December, 1913.

HIS Excellency the Governor has been pleased to issue Letters of Naturalization, under the Aliens Act, 1908, in favour of the undermentioned persons:—

Name.	Occupation.	Residence.
Bakaric, Toni ..	Gum-digger ..	Wharekawa.
Berkhout, Peter John ..	Motorman ..	Ponsonby.
Schicker, Albert ..	Farmer ..	Pungarehu.
Sivertsen, Johanna ..	Domestic servant ..	Karori.
Tasovac, Nikola ..	Gum-digger ..	Wharekawa.

H. D. BELL,
Minister of Internal Affairs.

Notice respecting Proposed Town District, Tuakau, County of Franklin.

Department of Internal Affairs,
Wellington, 24th December, 1913.

IT is hereby notified that a petition has been presented to His Excellency the Governor, under the Town Boards Act, 1908, praying that the area described in the Schedule hereto may be constituted a town district under the said Act,