

absence shall be furnished to the Permanent Head. The Permanent Head may, however, in his discretion, require that the medical certificate shall be furnished forthwith.

Officers unable to resume duty on account of sickness must report to their controlling officer the state of their health every Saturday morning.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR MILITARY PURPOSES.

52. The Permanent Head shall grant to officers who are members of the Defence Force leave of absence for the purpose of attending camps and courses of military instruction. Leave of absence granted in pursuance of this regulation shall not be deducted from the officer's annual leave.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO TEMPORARY EMPLOYEES.

53. Temporary employees shall be treated in the same manner as permanent officers as regards public holidays and leave of absence for the purpose of attending camps and courses of military instruction.

LEAVE FOR OFFICERS ATTENDING UNIVERSITY LECTURES.

54. Officers who are students at any college of the New Zealand University may be granted leave, not exceeding five hours weekly during the session of the college, for the purpose of attending lectures which are given in official working-hours. Such leave may be granted by the Permanent Head of the Department in which the officer is employed, and shall not be granted if doing so will materially interfere with the working of the office. Any leave so granted must be made up by the officer at such hours as the Permanent Head shall direct.

55. The Commissioner may allow special leave in addition to the above where the circumstances appear to him to warrant it. In every case where leave is granted for the above purpose the Permanent Head shall satisfy himself that the officer duly attended the said lectures.

LEAVE TO ATTEND EXAMINATIONS.

56. No deduction shall be made from annual leave in respect of leave granted for the purpose of attending examinations referred to in these regulations.

SICK-LEAVE FOR TEMPORARY EMPLOYEES.

57. The Permanent Head may, on satisfactory evidence that the leave is necessary on account of sickness or ill health, grant to any person temporarily employed leave of absence on full pay for a period not exceeding one week.

PENALTY FOR IMPOSITION.

58. Any person practising imposition under the plea of sickness shall be subject to instant dismissal, disratment in rank, or reduction in salary, as the Commissioner may determine.

ILL HEALTH RESULTING FROM MISCONDUCT.

59. No leave on account of illness shall be granted with pay if the sickness or ill health has been caused by the misconduct of the officer. In order to satisfy himself on that point the Permanent Head may send a medical practitioner to attend on and examine such officer at his residence. A fee not exceeding £1 1s. shall be paid to the medical practitioner for his attendance and report; and if such report is, in the opinion of the Permanent Head, not favourable to the officer concerned, the amount of the fee so paid shall be deducted from any money which is or becomes payable to the said officer by the Government. The same practice may be followed where an officer is suspected of absenting himself from duty without sufficient cause.

INEFFICIENCY THROUGH ILLNESS.

60. If in the opinion of the Permanent Head any member of the staff is inefficient through repeated illness, such inefficiency shall be reported to the Commissioner, who may take steps to have such person examined under the provisions of the Public Service Superannuation Act, with a view to his retirement from the Public Service as being medically unfit for further duty.