

(c.) In the Reserve, from the date of posting thereto until the 1st June of the year in which they attain the age of thirty years.

258. All persons, other than boys attending secondary schools which furnish a Cadet unit, on becoming liable for military training, must within seven days thereof register themselves on the prescribed form in the area in which they reside.

259. Boys attending a secondary school which furnishes a Cadet unit will be registered by the school unit.

260. Persons liable for military training who have been temporarily absent from New Zealand must register, or, if previously registered, must report in writing to the nearest Defence Office, within thirty days of their return to New Zealand.

261. Immigrants who are liable for military training must register within six months of their arrival in New Zealand.

262. The registration form, which is obtainable at any Defence Office, post-office, or police-station, must be filled in and posted or delivered to the nearest Defence Office.

263. Persons registering who are obviously unfit to undergo military training owing to permanent physical or mental defects should attach to their registration form a certificate to that effect, signed by a Justice of the Peace or an officer of the Defence Forces. Such cases will be referred to the Staff Officer i/c Regimental District, who will, if he is satisfied, issue a certificate of exemption from training. If in doubt, he will refer the case to the Assistant Director of Medical Services of the command for advice.

264. There will be no medical examination of those registered for service in the Cadets.

Any person liable to undergo training who claims exemption on the ground of medical unfitness will be required to produce at his own expense a certificate signed by a registered medical practitioner (an officer of the New Zealand Medical Corps where possible). This certificate must specify the nature and probable duration of the disability from which the Cadet or Territorial is suffering, and contain an expression of the opinion of the medical practitioner as to the fitness or otherwise of the trainee to undergo military training in the Cadets or Territorial Force, as the case may be. The certificate will be forwarded by the Area Officer or Adjutant, through the Staff Officer i/c Regimental District, to the Assistant Director of Medical Services of the command, who, if the case is a clear one, will make his recommendation thereon. The Staff Officer i/c Regimental District will then issue the certificate of exemption, if so recommended by the Assistant Director of Medical Services. If there is a doubt as to whether the case is one for exemption, the Assistant Director of Medical Services will refer it to the Director of Medical Services, who will, if he considers it necessary, arrange for the applicant to be examined by a Medical Board.

In all cases where partial or total exemption is granted under this regulation the cost of the medical certificate furnished by the applicant, but not exceeding 10s. 6d., will be refunded by the Department.

265. A member of the Military Forces desirous of obtaining exemption from personal service on the grounds of religious belief (section 65, Defence Amendment Act, 1912), or on the grounds that undue hardship is caused by the requirements of such service (section 33 (n), Defence Amendment Act, 1912), will first give fourteen days' notice to the officer commanding his unit, and at the expiration of that period the applicant will make written application to the nearest Magistrate's Court.

The officer commanding the unit will inquire into the merits of each case, and within the fourteen days will notify the Clerk of the Magistrate's Court whether he recommends or intends to oppose the application, and the application shall be heard and determined by a Magistrate.

266. Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters of the Boy Scouts Association may be exempted from military training, provided a certificate is furnished to the Staff Officer i/c Regimental District concerned by the Chief Commissioner to the effect that such trainee is rendering efficient service as a Scoutmaster or Assistant Scoutmaster. Total exemption will be granted only on the condition that trainees serve for three years as Scoutmasters or Assistant Scoutmasters. Should they not complete three years' efficient service as such they may be required to carry out the whole of their military training in such a manner as may be ordered. Staff Officers i/c Regimental Districts will issue certificates of exemption to trainees who are by this regulation exempt from training.

267. All persons registering for training in the Territorial Force, and all Cadets on becoming liable for transfer to the Territorial Force, will, unless residing beyond the prescribed distance from a drill centre, be medically examined.

268. The medical examinations will be conducted in accordance with instructions contained in Appendix I (III).

269. The sub-area sergeant-major, after obtaining the result of the medical examination and noting on the registration form the unit to which it is recommended the trainee should be posted, will forward the registration form and medical-history sheet to the Area Officer concerned.

270. To each individual registered the Area Officer will allot a registration number, which the trainee will retain throughout his

service in the Cadets and Territorial Force, thus—7A/1456, "7A" being the number of the area, and "1456" the serial number allotted to the trainee.

271. Trainees fit for service whose registration is effected before the 1st April will be provisionally posted to units. Those who register after this date will not be posted until the annual posting in June.

Boys at secondary schools will be posted as soon as they are registered. Those permanently or temporarily unfit will be issued by the Staff Officer i/c Regimental District with a certificate of exemption from training, and those temporarily unfit will be noted by the Area Officer for medical re-examination when it becomes due.

272. The Area Officer will keep a roll of all persons registered in his area, showing (a) registration number, (b) date registered, (c) name in full, (d) unit to which posted, (e) address, and (f) remarks.

273. When a newly registered trainee is posted or provisionally posted to a unit, the unit commander becomes responsible that the trainee takes the oath of allegiance as soon as possible. The oath will be administered by an officer of the N.Z. Military Forces or a Justice of the Peace in such a manner as will impress its solemnity on the trainee. Form N.Z. 24 will be used, and when it is completed will be sent to unit headquarters for attachment to the trainee's personal file.

274. The posting of trainees to Cadet units will be carried out by the Staff Officer i/c of the Regimental District, assisted by the Area Officer concerned.

275. The posting of trainees to Territorial Force units will be carried out during the month of June in each year. A Posting Committee will be set up in each regimental district, and will consist of the Staff Officer i/c Regimental District (who will be president), all Area Officers and Adjutants, and, when possible, an officer from each Territorial Force unit, in the district.

276. In order that the data at the disposal of the Posting Committee may be complete, every Area Officer will, on the 1st day of May in each year, render to the Staff Officer i/c Regimental District an alphabetical roll of all men provisionally posted, and of the Cadets in his area who are eligible for transfer to the Territorial Force. Such roll will show (a) registration number, (b) full name, (c) date of birth, (d) address, (e) medical classification, (f) arm of service preferred, and (g) space for unit to which posted.

277. Officers commanding Cadets at secondary schools will prepare and forward to the nearest Area Officer at the end of each quarter a roll of pupils who have left school during the quarter, showing the registration number, full names of each boy, his date of birth, and intended place of residence.

278. Before the annual posting takes place, the training performed by each trainee during the past year, and his classification, will be entered on his personal file. Personal files of all trainees eligible for posting to the Territorial Force will be sent to the Staff Officer i/c Regimental District for the use of the Posting Committee.

279. In posting men to the Territorial Force due consideration will be given to their place of residence, physique, trade or calling, and the general suitability of individuals for any particular branch of the service. In order to obviate inconvenience to employers by several of their employees being called up for training at the same time, trainees employed in the same business concern should, as far as possible, be distributed amongst the different units. So far as is compatible with these conditions and with the vacancies available in the establishment, men will be posted to the branch of the service in which they prefer to serve.

280. Non-commissioned officers of Cadets who have qualified for their rank by examination, when posted to the Territorial Force, will be posted in the rank of private, &c., but may be promoted at any time without further examination, at the discretion of the officer commanding unit, to any such rank below that of sergeant.

281. A man desirous of serving in a Mounted Rifles regiment will normally be required to provide himself with a suitable horse and the required saddlery and horse equipment for training.

282. Men liable to train in the Territorial Force or Cadets whose place of residence is beyond the radius of an established training-centre prescribed by General Orders will be posted to the Non-effective List.

283. Volunteers having special qualifications, such as bandsmen or chemists, may be enrolled as required, irrespective of age.

284. When the posting is complete the Staff Officer i/c Regimental District will supply unit commanders with a nominal roll and the personal files of all trainees posted to their respective units. Such roll will show (a) registration number, (b) name in full, (c) date of birth, (d) address, and (e) rank held in the Cadets.

The annual Posting Return referred to in Appendix XII will be prepared by Staff Officers i/c Regimental Districts and despatched to command headquarters.

285. On receipt of the roll referred to in para. 284 unit commanders will notify the trainees on Form N.Z. 8 that they have been posted to the unit, and will issue orders as to training, and arrange, as necessary, for the issue of arms, equipment, and clothing. A record of such notification of posting is to be kept as evidence that the trainee has been legally notified of his "posting."