

*Appointments in the Public Service.*

Office of the Public Service Commissioner,  
Wellington, 24th March, 1931.

THE Public Service Commissioner has made the following appointments in the Public Service:—

Henry Ronald Mottram

to be Deputy Chief Surveyor for the Southland Land District for the purposes of the Land Act, 1924, as from the 1st day of April, 1931.

George Galloway Chisholm

to be the Returning Officer for the Electoral District of Napier for the purposes of the Electoral Act, 1927, as from the 1st April, 1931.

William Sparks

to be Registrar of Births and Deaths of Maoris at Waikare, as from the 1st day of February, 1931.

Robert Henry Goodson

to be Registrar of Births and Deaths of Maoris at Whakapara, as from the 1st day of February, 1931.

(Mrs.) Julia Somerset

to be Registrar of Births and Deaths of Maoris at Matawaia, as from the 18th day of November, 1930.

Louis Josse Cels

to be Registrar of Births and Deaths of Maoris at Motiti Island, as from the 1st day of February, 1931.

George William Cormack

to be Registrar of Births and Deaths of Maoris at Otukou, as from the 1st day of February, 1931.

(Miss) Mary de Visme Winter Blathwayt

to be Registrar of Births and Deaths of Maoris at Rangiahua, as from the 1st day of February, 1931.

Charles Edward Peek

to be Registrar of Births and Deaths of Maoris at Taharoa, as from the 1st day of February, 1931.

(Miss) Winifred Ethel Miller

to be Registrar of Births and Deaths of Maoris at Takahiwai, as from the 9th day of February, 1931.

Leslie Winton Grieve

to be Registrar of Births and Deaths of Maoris at Te Horo, as from the 1st day of February, 1931.

William Timms

to be Registrar of Births and Deaths of Maoris at Tuparoa, as from the 1st day of February, 1931.

T. MARK, Secretary.

*Appointments, Promotions, Transfers, and Retirements of Officers of the N.Z. Military Forces.*

Department of Defence,  
Wellington, 18th March, 1931.

HIS Excellency the Governor-General has been pleased to approve of the appointments, promotions, transfers, and retirements of the undermentioned officers of the N.Z. Military Forces:—

**STAFF.**

2nd Lieutenant R. C. Queree, N.Z. Staff Corps, having completed his training at the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, and his attachment to the 1st Battalion, The Royal Warwickshire Regiment, returned to New Zealand on the 3rd March, 1931, and is posted to G.H.Q. Training Depot, Trentham.

**N.Z. STAFF CORPS.**

2nd Lieutenant R. C. Queree to be Lieutenant. Dated 29th August, 1929.

**THE NELSON-MARLBOROUGH MOUNTED RIFLES.**

Lieutenant F. W. Horton to be Captain. Dated 10th September, 1930.

**REGIMENT OF N.Z. ARTILLERY.**

The undermentioned 2nd Lieutenants to be Lieutenants. Dated 1st November, 1930:—

A. M. Quennell, 12th Field Battery.  
A. Munro, 14th Medium Battery.

**CORPS OF N.Z. ENGINEERS.**

2nd Lieutenant H. R. Harris, Central Depot, to be Lieutenant. Dated 13th March, 1931.

The appointment of 2nd Lieutenant (*on probation*) G. A. Phear, Southern Depot, is confirmed.

**N.Z. INFANTRY.**

*The Auckland Regiment (Countess of Ranfurly's Own).*

Lieutenant P. Smyth, 4th C Battalion, is transferred to the Waikato Regiment. Dated 9th March, 1931.

*The North Auckland Regiment.*

Sydney Martin to be Honorary Lieutenant and Bandmaster, 3rd C Battalion. Dated 1st March, 1930.

*The Waikato Regiment.*

Lieutenant P. Smyth, from the Auckland Regiment (Countess of Ranfurly's Own), to be Lieutenant, with seniority as from the 26th April, 1917, and is posted to the 2nd C Battalion. Dated 9th March, 1931.

*The Otago Regiment.*

The appointment of 2nd Lieutenant (*on probation*) A. Salmond, 1st C Battalion, lapses. Dated 12th March, 1931.

**N.Z. AIR FORCE.**

Flight-Lieutenant G. L. Stedman to be Squadron-Leader. Dated 16th February, 1931.

Brian Douglas Armstrong to be Pilot Officer, and is posted to No. 2 (Bombing) Squadron. Dated 16th February, 1931.

**RESERVE OF OFFICERS.**

*General List (Class II).*

Colonel R. W. McVilly, M.V.O., retires, with permission to retain his rank and wear the prescribed uniform. Dated 28th February, 1931.

*The Waikato Mounted Rifles.*

The undermentioned officers are posted to the Retired List, with permission to retain their rank and wear the prescribed uniform. Dated 26th February, 1931:—

Captain D. Bruce, M.C.  
Lieutenant W. E. Anderson, with the rank of Captain.  
Lieutenant F. J. Short.  
Lieutenant T. G. Hinton.  
2nd Lieutenant A. A. Delaney.

*The Hauraki Regiment.*

2nd Lieutenant A. E. Martin is posted to the Retired List, with the rank of Lieutenant, and with permission to wear the prescribed uniform. Dated 26th February, 1931.

JOHN G. COBBE, Minister of Defence.

*Result of Poll for Proposed Loan.*

Wellington, 18th March, 1931.

THE following notice, received from the Mayor, Blenheim Borough Council, is published in accordance with the provisions of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1926.

GEO. W. FORBES, Minister of Finance.

(T. 49/221/2.)

**DECLARATION OF RESULT OF POLL.**

*Poll on a Proposal to raise the Sum of £2,000 for the Purpose of Streets Improvement.*

At a poll of ratepayers of the Borough of Blenheim taken on the 10th day of March, 1931, the following votes were recorded, namely:—

For the proposal	..	..	..	154
Against the proposal	..	..	..	68
Informal	..	..	..	Nil

I therefore hereby declare the said proposal to be carried.

M. MCKENZIE, Mayor.

Blenheim, 11th March, 1931.

*Justice of the Peace authorized to exercise Jurisdiction in Children's Court.*

Department of Justice,  
Wellington, 25th March, 1931.

HIS Excellency the Governor-General has been pleased to authorize

Alfred Ernest Bedford, Esquire, J.P.,

to exercise jurisdiction in the Children's Court established at Napier.

JOHN G. COBBE, Minister of Justice.