

Approval of Testing Officers under the Motor-drivers' Regulations, 1931.

IN terms of Regulation 5 of the Motor-drivers' Regulations, 1931, I, Robert Semple, Minister of Transport, do hereby approve until further notice of the persons named in Column 2 of the Schedule hereunder being Testing Officers under the said regulations for the local authorities specified in Column 1 of the said Schedule.

SCHEDULE.

Column 1.	Column 2.
Dunedin City Council ..	T. H. V. Dickel, Traffic Inspector, Dunedin.
Southland County Council ..	L. Collett, Mechanic, Mataura. J. Collie, Storekeeper, Tokanui. J. Croad, Traffic Inspector, Gore. W. Duguid, County Officer, Invercargill. E. M. Fraser, County Officer, Invercargill. G. L. Leith, Blacksmith, Waikaka. D. McEwan, Mechanic, Edendale. B. Noble, County Officer, Invercargill. C. R. Somers-Edgar, Mechanic, Balfour. J. B. Steans, Storekeeper, Waianiwa. W. H. Thompson, Town Clerk, Lumsden. P. C. Watson, Traffic Inspector, Invercargill. R. R. Young, County Officer, Invercargill.
Auckland City Council ..	Edward John Champion Finny, City Council Employee, Auckland. Albert John Fleet, City Council Employee, Auckland. Richard Hall, City Council Employee, Auckland. Ernest Keith Light, City Council Employee, Auckland. Donald MacNaughton, City Council Employee, Auckland. Louis Midgley, City Council Employee, Auckland. William James Orr, City Council Employee, Auckland. Anthony Theodore Reiman, City Council Employee, Auckland. Stanley Bertram Russell Rutledge, City Council Employee, Auckland.
Mosgiel Borough Council ..	G. W. Stevenson, Garage-proprietor, Mosgiel.

Dated at Wellington, this 7th day of February, 1936.

R. SEMPLE, Minister of Transport.

(TT. 9/4/3.)

Prohibition of Issue of Money-orders and Transmission of Postal Correspondence.

THE Postmaster-General of the Dominion of New Zealand having reasonable grounds for supposing that the person whose name and address are shown in the Schedule hereunder is engaged in promoting or carrying out a lottery or scheme of chance, it is hereby ordered, under section 32 of the Post and Telegraph Act, 1928, that no money-order in favour of the said person shall be issued, and that no postal packet addressed to the said person (either by his own or any assumed or fictitious name), or addressed to the address in the Schedule hereunder without a name, shall be either registered or forwarded by the post-office of New Zealand.

SCHEDULE.

A. T. Prentice, Box 2068x, G.P.O., Brisbane.

Dated at Wellington, this 7th day of February, 1936.

F. JONES, Postmaster-General.

Notice under the Shops and Offices Act, 1921-22, and its Amendment, fixing the Closing-hours of Grocers' Shops within the Borough of Pahiatua.

WHEREAS a requisition in writing, signed by a majority of the occupiers of all the grocers' shops within the Borough of Pahiatua, has been forwarded to me desiring that all such shops within the said borough be closed in the evening of working-days as follows: On Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays at 5.30 p.m., and on Saturdays at 9 p.m.; excepting during the period from 1st April to 30th September in each year, both dates inclusive, when the closing-hour on Saturdays shall be 8.30 p.m.:

And whereas I, Hubert Thomas Armstrong, Minister of Labour, am satisfied that the signatures to such requisition represent a majority of the occupiers of all the said shops within the said borough:

Now, therefore, in pursuance of section 32 of the Shops and Offices Act, 1921-22, I do hereby direct that on and after the 24th day of February, 1936, all the grocers' shops within the Borough of Pahiatua shall be closed accordingly:

The notice gazetted on the 28th day of June, 1928, fixing the closing-hours of grocers' shops in the Borough of Pahiatua is hereby cancelled as from the date of the coming into operation of this notice.

Dated at Wellington, this 10th day of February, 1936.

H. T. ARMSTRONG, Minister of Labour.

Authorizing the Laying-off of Roads of less Width than 66 ft.

WHEREAS in the opinion of the Minister of Lands it is inexpedient, by reason of the fact that the land shown upon the plan of Town of Hanmer Extension No. 12, affecting part Section 10, Hanmer Plains Reserve, Block I, Lyndon Survey District, is intended to be used wholly for residential purposes, that Dorset and Devon Streets shown therein should be of the width of 66 ft.:

Now, therefore, I, Frank Langstone, Minister of Lands, do hereby, in pursuance of the power conferred upon me by section 17, subsection (1), of the Land Act, 1924, and of every power me thereunto enabling, authorize the laying-off of such roads of a width of not less than 40 ft.: Provided always that it shall not be lawful for any person to erect or cause to be erected any building at a less distance than 33 ft. from the middle of such road.

Given under my hand, this 6th day of February, 1936.

FRANK LANGSTONE, Minister of Lands.

(L. and S. 9/796.)

Wheat, Oats, and Barley.—Estimated Yields.

Census and Statistics Office,
Wellington, 13th February, 1936.

THE following estimated average yields per acre of wheat, oats, and barley for the season 1935-36 have been compiled from reports furnished by Stock Inspectors of the Department of Agriculture throughout the Dominion, and are now published for general information.

District.	Wheat. Bushels per Acre.	Oats. Bushels per Acre.	Barley. Bushels per Acre.
North Island ..	29	38	44
Nelson ..	20	29	30
Marlborough ..	36	48	45
Canterbury ..	35	43	32
Otago ..	33	37	39
Southland ..	39	49	50
Average (estimated) for the Dominion ..	35	43	38

The above estimates may be compared with last season's actual average yields, which were: Wheat, 26.32 bushels; oats, 35.99 bushels; and barley, 26.28 bushels.

In accordance with the above estimates, the total yield of wheat for the season 1935-36 should be approximately 8,400,000 bushels, as against an actual yield of 5,933,245 bushels for the season 1934-35.

The area from which oats were threshed for the five seasons ending with 1934-35 averaged 21 per cent. of the total area under that crop. Assuming that a similar proportion is threshed this year, the total yield of grain should be approximately 3,160,000 bushels, as against an actual yield of 1,890,145 bushels for the season 1934-35.

On a similar assumption in regard to barley, the total yield of grain should be approximately 700,000 bushels, as against an actual yield of 484,689 bushels for the season 1934-35.

J. W. BUTCHER,
Government Statistician.