

examinations in general knowledge, English history, and geography (taken at one sitting), and are under twenty-five years of age and unmarried. The rule contained in paragraph 2 of Articles 318 and 319 of King's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions that Writer and Supply ratings must have seven years' service before taking the examination for warrant rank will be waived, but only for candidates who are specially recommended for commissioned rank and who have passed the Higher Educational Test in the subjects mentioned above (first-class certificate).

3. The names of candidates who have passed the examination for warrant rank under the conditions set out in the preceding clause will be noted in Navy Office. The Naval Board will appoint a Selection Committee in October or November each year to interview all candidates who are still specially recommended.

4. On receipt of the report of the Selection Committee the Naval Board may promote a candidate, or candidates, to the rank of Acting Warrant Writer or Acting Warrant Supply Officer. All candidates promoted to warrant rank will be appointed to H.M.S. "Philomel" for general duties under the Accountant Officer for not less than six months.

5. Acting Warrant Writers or Acting Warrant Supply Officers promoted under this scheme will remain in the acting rank until they are promoted to the rank of Paymaster Sub-Lieutenant—*i.e.*, they will not be confirmed as warrant officers after a year's service in that rank. After serving a year in the rank of acting warrant officer, and provided the candidate is still recommended for commissioned rank, an application may be forwarded to take the examination for the rank of Paymaster Sub-Lieutenant, which will be as laid down in King's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions, Appendix XII, Part 9, Section 1, except papers (g) and (h). Paper (a) will not be taken by Writer candidates; paper (d) will not be taken by Supply candidates.

6. Should any acting warrant officer promoted under this scheme fail to sit for the examinations provided for in paragraph 5, or should he fail twice in these examinations, he will be placed on the retired list of the New Zealand Division after three years' service in that rank.

7. Candidates who are successful in passing the examinations provided for in paragraph 5 will be promoted to the rank of Paymaster Sub-Lieutenant as from the date of taking the examination.

8. Officers promoted to the rank of Paymaster Sub-Lieutenant under this scheme will be eligible for promotion to Paymaster Lieutenant after six months' service as Paymaster Sub-Lieutenant, provided they are recommended by their commanding officers.

9. Paymaster Lieutenants promoted under this scheme will be eligible to sit for the professional examination for Paymaster Lieutenant Commander under King's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions, Appendix XII, Part 9, Section II, and, if successful, will be eligible for promotion to that rank after six years' service as Paymaster Lieutenants.

10. Subsequent promotion to higher ranks will be governed by the rules in force in the Royal Navy.

Article 136: Cancelled.

Article 198: Cancel, and substitute:—

198. Pensions, &c., payable to Officers and Men lent from Royal Navy.—The following rates of pensions contribution are payable to the Admiralty as from 1st April, 1937, for all officers and men lent for service in the New Zealand Division of the Royal Navy:—

	Per Annum.
	£
Officers—	
Executive	205
Engineer	205
Medical	180
Dental	160
Accountant	185
Instructor	195
Chaplain	190
Royal Marine	175
Warrant Officers and commissioned officers from warrant rank	100
Men—	
All active service ratings and Royal Marines—	
Pre-1930 pension scale	28
Post-1930 pension scale	24

The above rates cover not only the contribution towards service retired pay or pension, but also full liability under Royal Naval Regulations for disability retired pay, pension or gratuity, and widows', children's, or other dependants'