

Examination requirements, including the subject of mathematics.

There is a normal recruitment by the Lands and Survey Department of approximately two draughting cadets per annum, the appointees being generally under the age of eighteen years. However, a limited number of temporary and casual employees are engaged from year to year, and such employees are not restricted by an age-limit, nor do they require to produce the same evidence of educational qualifications. Included in this category are temporary draughtsmen, draughting assistants, and map-mounters. This avenue of appointment gives an opportunity of limited advancement to appointees who have not passed the Public Service Entrance Examination and who are not required to have the intensified and advanced training of a permanent officer.

Moreover, although not part of the office staff, casual employees are attached to survey parties in the field in the capacity of chainmen and linesmen. These

employees are on daily rates of pay and in many instances are continuously employed. They require to be physically fit and mentally alert.

The part that these varied occupations will play in the rehabilitation of soldiers is at present under discussion between the Department and the Rehabilitation Board. It is important to note in regard to rehabilitation that there are approximately seventy draughting cadets and draughtsmen serving with the overseas Forces who will be returning to the Department.

Salaries vary according to scale: £80 per annum for the cadet starting with Public Service Entrance, or £95 per annum if he has the University Entrance Examination; and the average adult may earn from about £155 per annum to an eventual salary of £300 to £350 per annum, although there are a few higher-paid positions than this. These figures are subject to an additional amount of about £26 per annum cost-of-living bonus.



FROM WAY DOWN SOUTH

Someday this hill will wake from tropic night
And show the sun to palms and native huts,
And trees alive with birds, and sparkling stream
But I will see the sun
From way down south.

Someday the natives singing at their work
The song that I hear now, with slash of knives
And laughing now and then, in harmony;
Will not be heard by me
From way down south.

Someday the moonshine, softly through the trees,
Will fall on native girl in scarlet skirt,
Her eyes a-dancing bright and fuzzy hair,
And I will dream of this
From way down south.

—Dvr. C. F. Milne