

Officers for this branch will be recruited from members of the civilian teaching profession and will be granted short-service commissions of five years, on completion of which they will return to their civilian profession unless they volunteer, and are selected, for a further term.

3. During the year 55 officers have been recruited for permanent service, and the categories are shown in the following table.

|                                                 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|-------------------------------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Direct entry—                                   |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| Cadets                                          | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 5  |
| Short service (five years)                      | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 1  |
| Promotions from lower deck to—                  |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| Commissioned rank                               | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 2  |
| Warrant rank                                    | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 5  |
| Transfers of Reserve and temporary officers to— |    |    |    |    |    |    |
| Permanent commissions                           | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 30 |
| Short-service commissions                       | .. | .. | .. | .. | .. | 12 |
|                                                 |    |    |    |    |    | —  |
|                                                 |    |    |    |    |    | 55 |

#### TEMPORARY OFFICERS

4. Of the 32 temporary Royal New Zealand Navy officers serving on the 1st April, 1946, 3 have been transferred to permanent commissioned rank and 7 to permanent warrant rank. Nine temporary officers are still serving, and of these, 3 have agreed to serve in their temporary rank for restricted periods.

5. The following table shows the numbers of officers in the different categories, both permanent and temporary, serving on 31st March, 1947. In this table officers dispersed but still in receipt of naval pay at the time of the report have not been included.

| Officers.                                    |    |    |    | At 31st March,<br>1946. | At 31st March,<br>1947. |
|----------------------------------------------|----|----|----|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Permanent R.N.Z.N. (including short service) | .. | .. | .. | 38                      | 92                      |
| Temporary R.N.Z.N.                           | .. | .. | .. | 32                      | 9                       |
| Permanent R.N.Z.N.R.                         | .. | .. | .. | 6                       | 2                       |
| Temporary R.N.Z.N.R.                         | .. | .. | .. | 15                      | 1                       |
| Serving under T. 124 X Agreements            | .. | .. | .. | 9                       | 2                       |
| Permanent R.N.Z.N.V.R.                       | .. | .. | .. | 45                      | 3                       |
| Temporary R.N.Z.N.V.R.                       | .. | .. | .. | 464                     | 18                      |
| Totals                                       |    |    |    | 609                     | 127                     |
| Plus Royal Navy (loan officers)              |    |    |    | 53                      | 33                      |
|                                              |    |    |    | 662                     | 160                     |

#### SECTION IX.—PERSONNEL : GENERAL

Following the cessation of hostilities it became possible to take inaugural steps to set up conditions of pay and service for the Royal New Zealand Navy, which designation, it may be recalled, was approved by His Majesty the King in 1941. At that time it was not possible to take such steps owing to the prosecution of the war. In 1946 a Naval Manning Committee was set up for the purpose of carrying out a thorough and comprehensive inquiry into the conditions of service of personnel, in particular of those on the lower deck. Some two hundred and sixty submissions from the men were examined, and a large proportion of these have been approved by the