

CONFERENCES.

The following conferences were held during the year :

Department.	Branch.	Subject.
Agriculture	Horticulture Division ..	To discuss general matters in connection with fruit industry.
	Live-stock Division ..	To discuss veterinary matters generally.
	Fields Division	Three conferences to discuss field matters generally.
	Dairy Division	To discuss general matters pertaining to dairy industry.
Army	District Accountants ..	To discuss rates of pay of territorials and new regulations <i>re</i> finance.
Education	Departmental Inspectors ..	To discuss general matters.
	Executive Officers ..	To discuss with representatives of New Zealand Institute matters relating to grading of teachers, school text-books, and salaries.
	Executive Officers and Inspectors of Schools	To discuss with Education Board Secretaries Teachers' Salaries Regulations.
	Executive Officers ..	To discuss with representatives of secondary teachers the question of salaries.
Health	Medical Officers of Health in North Island	To discuss Maori hygiene.
Industries and Commerce, Tourist and Publicity	District Managers ..	To discuss general matters in regard to tours.
Internal Affairs	Field Officers	To discuss question of deer-destruction.
Mines	Inspectors and Public Works Department's Inspectors	To discuss use of explosives.
National Commercial Broadcasting Service	Station Directors	Four conferences to discuss policy and staff matters.
	Chief Engineer and Station Engineers	Two conferences to discuss technical matters.
	Station Accountants ..	To discuss general accounting matters.
Public Trust	District Public Trustees ..	To discuss delegation of duties.
State Advances Corporation of New Zealand	District Farm Appraisers ..	To discuss general policy matters.
Transport	District Vehicle Inspectors ..	To discuss general matters in respect of machinery.
	Traffic Inspectors	To discuss general matters regarding traffic inspection.

OFFENCES BY OFFICERS.

Offences and irregularities are dealt with in accordance with the provisions of sections 11 and 12 of the Public Service Amendment Act, 1927.

The decisions arrived at of the principal classes of cases dealt with during the year are as follow :—

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| (a) Misappropriations (2) | .. | Dismissed (1) ;
Appointment annulled (1). |
| (b) Unsatisfactory work (20) | .. | Appointments annulled (7) ;
Fined (7) ;
Salary reduced and transferred (5) ;
Salary reduced and reprimanded (1). |
| (c) Unsatisfactory conduct (33) | .. | Permitted to resign (4) ;
Dismissed (6) ;
Appointments annulled (6) ;
Fined and reprimanded (10) ;
Salary reduced and transferred (6) ;
Exonerated (1). |