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REGULATIONS FOR THE INSTRUCTION AND
TRAINING OF PUPIL-TEACHERS, 1905.

PREFATORY MEMORANDUM.

(1.) The following revised Regulations for the instruction and training of Pupil-Teachers will come into operation on the 1st of August, 1905. Notice has already been given in previous Regulations of the most important changes which will take effect on that date. In addition to these, certain other modifications which the experience of the past year has shown to be desirable are now introduced into the Regulations.

(2.) As announced in previous Regulations, no Pupil-Teacher may, after the 1st of August, 1905, be employed at a Public Elementary School during more than 200 meetings in the Pupil-Teacher year (or more than half the total number of meetings of the School in that year if that number is greater than 400). The Pupil-Teacher year in this connection means the year for which Grants are payable on account of the instruction of the Pupil-Teacher, and will in the ordinary course be the year beginning on the 1st of August. This restriction of employment will apply to all Pupil-Teachers at whatever date their engagement may have begun and must be observed in all cases without exception.

(3.) Candidates who are between the ages of 15 and 16 may be admitted for an engagement of three years from the 1st of August, 1905, or from the 1st of January, 1906, in any area which has been shown to the satisfaction of the Board to require exceptional treatment. No candidate under the age of 16 may be admitted in any School in an Urban District from the 1st of August, 1906, or from any later date.

(4.) For the year beginning on the 1st of August, 1905, the Board will require, before approving any arrangements for the instruction of Pupil-Teachers under Article 28, to be satisfied that it is impossible to arrange for the instruction of such Pupil-Teachers in fully constituted Centres satisfying the conditions of Articles 11 to 19. They will, therefore, expect to receive from each Local Authority a statement giving a general survey of the steps which have been taken to provide Pupil-Teacher Centres in its area, and showing the grounds which have prevented the establishment of Pupil-Teacher Centres in any parts of the area in which it is proposed to continue instruction under Article 28 during the year in question. The Board recognise fully the difficulty of organising Centres in country districts, and they do not desire to press unduly those Authorities who can show that they are taking steps to establish an organised scheme of Centre instruction within their area at a reasonably early date. They will, however, be unable to pay Grant under Article 28 in cases where there appears to be no good reason why the Pupil-Teachers in question should not be receiving instruction in a Centre.

(5.) Where arrangements are proposed under Article 28 for the instruction of Pupil-Teachers who cannot be instructed in Centres, such arrangements must in all cases provide for at least 300 hours annually to be spent by the Pupil-Teacher under instruction or in private study.

(6.) The most important change which appears for the first time in this issue of the Regulations is contained in Article 13, which refers to the curriculum of Pupil-Teacher Centres. That Article in its new form shows how the Board think that the curriculum of a Pupil-Teacher Centre should be organised in order to fill its proper place between the course of the Secondary School and the course of the Training College, to which it will normally lead up. The Board recognise that the scholars who are at present admitted into Pupil-Teacher Centres have reached very varying degrees of proficiency, and that considerable difficulties will have to be overcome in organising their instruction during the early years of the

new system. In applying the provisions of the new Article 13 the Board will have full regard to these difficulties, and in particular they realise that it will not at present be possible in all cases to include in the curriculum a language other than English. But the Authorities of Centres, and especially of those Centres which are attached to Secondary Schools, should aim at giving the full course of instruction where possible, at any rate to the ablest of their scholars.

(7.) The Board find that several Local Education Authorities are of opinion that the time spent by the Pupil-Teacher at the Centre or Secondary School can most conveniently be divided between the two years of his engagement if such instruction is given for two terms in one year and for one term in the other year. It has been represented to the Board that Article 24 of last year's Regulations was not sufficiently elastic to admit of this arrangement being conveniently worked, and the Board have accordingly taken somewhat wider powers under Article 24(b) of the present Regulations to approve proposals for distributing the instruction of the Pupil-Teacher between the two years of the engagement.

(8.) As already announced in Circular 522, the Board have decided, in view of representations which have been made to them from many quarters, to change the date of the King's Scholarship Examination from December to Easter. In view of this change of date it will clearly be convenient that the period for which Pupil Teachers are engaged should in future regularly begin on the 1st of August and terminate on the 31st of July. A period beginning and ending on these dates will coincide with what is in most cases the year of instruction of Secondary Schools, as well as with the year of instruction of Training Colleges. The Board hope, therefore, that all Local Education Authorities will make arrangements, as soon as they can conveniently do so, for Pupil-Teachers in their area to commence their engagements on the 1st of August.

(9.) The change of the date of the King's Scholarship Examination from December, 1906, to Easter, 1907,