

- (vii) By omitting from Class 4 the classification of leading tradesmen and tradesmen in the Road Services Branch and substituting in lieu thereof the following :—

	Minimum.		Maximum.		Annual Increments.
	Per Hour.		Per Hour.		
	s.	d.	s.	d.	Per Hour.
Leading tradesmen .. .. .	2	11 $\frac{3}{4}$	3	0 $\frac{1}{2}$	One of $\frac{3}{4}$ d.
Tradesmen—					
Motor mechanics, carpenters, painters, and tradesmen not otherwise specified .. .. .			2	9	..

- (viii) By omitting from the schedule of allowances payable to employees in the Second Division the following allowance, namely :—

Per Hour

Employees engaged on train lighting battery work taking  
batteries in and out of cars .. .. . 1d.

and substituting in lieu thereof the following :—

Per Hour.

Employees in train lighting depots engaged on the duties of  
washing out batteries and in taking out and replacing  
batteries : .. .. . 1d.

(Provided that this allowance shall not be payable to  
employees taking specific gravity readings nor to  
employees engaged on battery work in workshops.)

2. By amending the Second Schedule to the said regulations in the manner following, that is to say :—

- (i) By omitting from regulation 2 the words " Cadets shall " and substituting the words " Cadets other than those whose annual rates of remuneration are determined in accordance with the Public Service Remuneration Order 1938, shall "

(This amendment shall be deemed to have taken effect on the first day of September, 1938.)

- (ii) By revoking subparagraph (c) of regulation 6 and substituting in lieu thereof the following :—

- (c) No member in Grade 7 shall be eligible for advancement to a higher grade until he has passed such examination as may be prescribed by the General Manager in subjects relating to the work of the Department: Provided that the provisions of this subparagraph shall not apply to any member whose period of service with the Department on the first day of June, 1926, amounted to twelve years or more; nor to any member whose position or occupation is such that in the opinion of the General Manager no such examination is necessary.

- (iii) By adding the following regulations :—

13. Notwithstanding anything contained in the First Schedule or in any other regulation :—

- (1) Any tradesman or any electroplater, enameller, galvanizer, rope splicer, saw doctor, steel melter, or welder, who, in the opinion of the General Manager is not sufficiently competent to earn the rate of 2s. 9d. per hour prescribed by the said Schedule shall be paid at the rate of 2s. 8d. per hour.

- (2) Any person who—

- (a) Having been employed as an apprentice in the Locomotive, Maintenance, or Road Services Branches has failed to obtain 65 per cent. of the maximum marks at three of the annual examinations prescribed for such apprentices; or

- (b) If employed as an apprentice in the Road Services Branch has failed to fulfil to the satisfaction of the General Manager any requirement (in lieu of the annual examinations referred to in subparagraph (a) hereof), which may have been prescribed in his case; and

- (c) On completion of his period of apprenticeship is permitted to continue in the employment of the Department as a casual tradesman—

shall, during the first year of service following the completion of such apprenticeship, be paid at the rate of 2s. 8d. per hour.

14. No employee shall be classified as an electrician unless and until he is registered as an electrical wireman under the provisions of the Electrical Wiremen's Registration Act, 1925.

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