

The passing of social security legislation and the introduction of its benefits has necessitated the employment of the staff shown. The former Pensions Department was wholly incorporated in the new Department, as well as a large number of the staff of the Employment Division of the Labour Department.

(b) *Development Services.*

Department.	As at 1st April, 1930.			As at 1st April, 1939. (Provisional.)		
	Permanent.	Temporary.*	Total.	Permanent.	Temporary.*	Total.
Agriculture .. .. .	558	175	733	635	364	999
Industries and Commerce, Tourist and Publicity	113	31	147	191	214	405
Iron and Steel .. .. .	..	..	..	4	13	17
Lands and Survey .. .. .	627	92	719	588	208	796
Mines .. .. .	53	11	64	63	15	78
Primary Products Marketing .. .. .	..	..	..	46	102	148
Public Works .. .. .	758	617	1,375	1,006	1,587	2,593
Scientific and Industrial Research .. .. .	53	43	96	172	159	331
State Forest .. .. .	123	35	158	143	76	219
Totals .. .. .	2,285	1,007	3,292	2,848	2,738	5,586

\* Excluding workmen.

The above figures indicate the extent in the growth of the development services during late years.

Increased demands from the farming community for additional instruction and inspection staff, the growth of research and veterinary services, and special problems such as facial eczema resulted in the expansion indicated in the Agriculture Department.

The activities of the Industries and Commerce, Tourist and Publicity Department have extended in all directions. Additional work has resulted from the formation of the Bureau of Industry, industrial, commercial, and price investigations, and expansion of publicity activities *e.g.*, at film studio, &c. The near approach of the Centennial Exhibition has also necessitated additional staff.

The Primary Products Marketing Department was set up under the provisions of the Primary Products Marketing Act, 1936. The Internal Marketing Branch has been added to this Department. The introduction and the extension of marketing control over various commodities have resulted in ever-increasing staff for this particular branch of the Department.

In the Public Works Department the increase in staff is not as great as would be indicated by the figures shown. Since 1930 various groups of employees (such as hydro-electric staff, foremen, &c.), previously regarded as workmen, have been brought directly under the control of the Commissioner, and are, of course, shown in the 1939 figures. Nevertheless, the resumption of development work after the depression years and various other engineering undertakings on a more elaborate scale than ever before has occasioned large staff increases. The passing of the Southland Electric-power Supply Act, 1936, and the consequent transfer of the employees of the Southland Power Board to the status of public servants are also reflected in the figures quoted.

Improved conditions and the demands of industry generally have necessitated additional staff in the Scientific and Industrial Research Department. A number of these research workers is remunerated either wholly or in part from contributions from the industries benefiting as a result of their activities. The development of air services has required the appointment of additional staff to the Meteorological Branch of this Department.

Increased activities and the adoption of the forty-hour week have made demands on the State Forest Service that could be met only by increased staff.