

October 8, 1924

The United States Civil Service Commission announced an open competitive examination for immigration patrol inspector on October 8, 1924, at San Juan, Porto Rico, and at any of the places listed hereon in the following States at which examination is requested in applications received in time to mail examination papers:

Alabama	Idaho	Mississippi	North Dakota
Arizona	Louisiana	Montana	Texas
California	Maine	New Hampshire	Vermont
Florida	Michigan	New Mexico	Washington
Georgia	Minnesota	New York	Wisconsin

SALARY: Vacancies in the Immigration Service, Department of Labor, at \$1,680 a year, and in positions requiring similar qualifications, AT THIS OR HIGHER OR LOWER SALARIES, will be filled from this examination, unless it is found in the interest of the Service to fill any vacancy by reinstatement, transfer, or promotion.

CITIZENSHIP AND SEX: All citizens of the United States who meet the requirements, both men and women, may enter this examination; appointing officers, however, have the legal right to specify the sex desired in requesting certification of eligibles.

PLACES OF EMPLOYMENT: Divisional headquarters for this service will probably be maintained in the following places: Newport, Vt., Buffalo, N. Y., Detroit, Mich., Sault Sainte Marie, Mich., Grand Forks, N. Dak., Spokane, Wash., and Seattle, Wash., on the Canadian border; San Antonio, Tex., El Paso, Tex., and Los Angeles, Calif., on the Mexican border. Suboffices will possibly be maintained at smaller intermediate points in those States bordering on Canada, Mexico, and the Gulf of Mexico. Appointees will be required to serve, however, at points more or less removed from the centers of civilization both along the border and in the interior of that district to which they may be attached. Appointees must be ready and willing to move about freely as ordered within their respective districts. For this purpose appropriate facilities will be furnished whenever the work to be performed requires transportation.

DUTIES: Appointees to this position will be required to perform guard duty along the two international boundary lines and at other assigned places for the purpose of detecting and preventing the illegal entry of aliens into the United States. The conditions under which this work is carried on are closely comparable in nature and requirements to the duties of a soldier under actual field conditions. Applicants for this position should be capable and willing to perform the arduous and frequently dangerous work incident to what is known as "line riding" in the Canadian border region and in the rough and mountainous country along the Mexican border. In this Service, which is essentially a mobile police organization, appointees will be called upon to spend much of their time in the open. Assignments of duty may at times involve contact with smugglers and other criminal characters. The work may for this reason be attended by some risk and personal danger.

SUBJECTS AND WEIGHTS: Competitors will be rated on the following subjects which will have the relative weights indicated:

<u>Subjects:</u>	<u>Weights:</u>
1. Mental tests.....	50
2. Training and experience.....	50
Total.....	100

EXPERIENCE REQUIRED: Applicants must show that they have had (1) at least two years of recent and active experience as a Federal, State, county, or municipal law enforcement officer, such as sheriff, deputy sheriff, constable, marshal, policeman, city detective, etc.; or (2) at least six months' experience in competent branches of the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps of the United States.

or of the Allied Nations, performing duty in the field or at sea; or (3) at least six months recent experience in a State, territorial, or foreign police organization comparable in rank to such forces as the Texas Rangers, Pennsylvania State Constabulary, New York State Constabulary, Royal Northwest Mounted Police, etc.

Statements as to training and experience are accepted subject to verification.

REGISTERS OF ELIGIBLES: For the purposes of certification of eligibles for appointment to the position of Immigration Patrol Inspector six districts will be established according to the places of examination of the eligibles. The name of the eligible will be placed on the register for the district in which he is examined. Districts will be established as follows:

1. NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT---This district includes the States situated on the Canadian Border east of the Mississippi River.
2. NORTHWESTERN DISTRICT--This district includes the States situated on the Canadian border west of the Mississippi River.
3. SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT(a)--This district includes California and Arizona.
4. SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT(b)--This district includes Texas and New Mexico.
5. SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT--This district includes Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Florida and Georgia.
6. PORTO RICAN DISTRICT --- This district includes the Island or Porto Rico.

This examination will not be held at any place other than as indicated above.

LANGUAGE(requirement for Mexican Border duty).--Only those persons will be considered eligible for examination in the Southwestern Districts (a) and (b) who are able to speak and understand the Spanish language sufficiently well to satisfy the practical requirements of the service along the Mexican border. No educational tests in Spanish will be given, but the rating will be based upon the statements of the persons whose names and addresses the applicant furnishes on Form 1141, and who can read and speak the Spanish language.

In all cases credit will be given under the subject of training and experience for ability to speak any foreign language.

PHYSICAL ABILITY.--Applicants must measure at least 5 feet 7 inches in height without boots or shoes and will not be eligible for appointment unless they weigh within ten pounds of the normal weight standard for their height. Applicants must be in sound physical condition and free from physical defects which in the opinion of the Commission would render them unfit to perform the duties of the position. THE MEDICAL CERTIFICATE IN THE APPLICATION FORM MUST BE EXECUTED.

CHARACTER. Applicants must be of good moral character, honesty, courage and firmness. The Commission will communicate with the persons named by the applicant as references and will make such other inquiry as the circumstances warrant, and will reject the applications of persons who in its opinion are not qualified for the position by reason of personal characteristics as indicated by the evidence at hand. Persons who use intoxicants habitually or to excess will not be eligible for the examination.

AGE: Applicants must have reached their twenty-third but not their forty-fifth birthday on the date of examination. These age limits do not apply to persons entitled to preference because of military or naval service, but such applicants must not have reached the retirement age.

RETIREMENT: Classified employees who have reached the retirement age and have served fifteen years are entitled to retirement with an annuity. The retirement age for railway postal clerks is 62 years, for mechanics and post office clerks and carriers 65 years, and for others 70 years. A deduction of 2-1/2 per cent is made from the monthly salary to provide for this annuity, which will be returned to persons leaving the service before retirement with 4 per cent interest compounded annually.

PHOTOGRAPHS: Applicants must submit to the examiner on the day of the examination their photographs, taken within two years, with their names written thereon, and securely pasted in the space provided on the admission cards sent them after their applications are filed. Proofs or group photographs will not be accepted. Photographs will not be returned to applicants.

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION OF APPOINTEES: In view of the benefits granted under employees' compensation and retirement legislation, persons appointed may be given a special examination by a physician in the Federal Service before entering on duty.

APPLICATIONS: Applicants should at once apply for Forms 1312 and 1141, stating the title of the examination desired, to the Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.\*\*\*or to the Secretary, 11th Civil Service District, 207 P. O. Bldg., Seattle, Wash.\*\*\*. Applications should be properly executed, INCLUDING THE MEDICAL CERTIFICATE, but excluding the county officer's certificate, and must be filed with the Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C., in time to arrange for the examination of the applicant. THE EXACT TITLE OF THE EXAMINATION AS GIVEN AT THE HEAD OF THIS ANNOUNCEMENT SHOULD BE STATED IN THE APPLICATION FORM.

PREFERENCE: Applicants entitled to preference because of military or naval service should ATTACH TO THEIR APPLICATIONS their original discharge or a photostat or certified copy thereof, or official record of their service. If, because of disability, the applicant is entitled to a pension under authorization of the Pension Bureau, or to compensation or training under the Veterans' Bureau, he should also submit his pension certificate, or a certified copy thereof, or a certificate from the Veterans' Bureau showing he is entitled to compensation or training by that bureau. Such papers will be returned to the applicant.

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