

Mr. J. D. Milne has joined the staff as Cadet Inspector.

Mr. L. G. Smith, Technical Officer, will visit South Australia during January and February to assist C.S.I.R.O. officers in tagging operations at Ceduna and Port Lincoln.

It is expected that the Supervising Inspector, Mr. J. E. Bramley, will enter the Repatriation General Hospital, Hollywood, early in January for further treatment for a disability arising out of war service.

The Minister for Fisheries (Mr. Kelly) and the Superintendent will leave Perth on January 18 for a visit to the eastern States. The purpose of the visit is to inspect at first hand the fish marketing systems in operation in New South Wales and Queensland, and to make contact with officials and others for discussions on the matter generally. Mr. Kelly will return to Perth early in February, but Mr. Fraser will proceed to Melbourne to attend an interstate fauna conference which will be held about February 8. He expects to return to Perth via Adelaide on February 17.

Cadet Inspector D. Wright will proceed to Pemberton early in January for three months' training in trout hatchery practice.

Messrs. Fraser, Saville and J. S. Simpson attended a meeting of the Trout Acclimatisation Council of W.A. held at Harvey on December 12.

#### ROTTNEST BIOLOGICAL STATION

In a previous issue of the Bulletin it was stated that certain disused naval buildings at Rottneet Island had been taken over by the Department as a biological station which would be used conjointly by the Department, the Division of Fisheries, C.S.I.R.O., and the Zoology Department of the University of W.A. Most of the formalities have now been completed and the furnishing of the station is proceeding. The Minister for Fisheries has appointed the following as a committee to control the activities of the

station - Mr. A. J. Fraser, Superintendent of Fisheries (Chairman), Professor H. Waring, University of W.A., Dr. K. Sheard, Division of Fisheries, C.S.I.R.O., and Hon. L. F. Kelly, M.L.A., representing Rottneest Island Board of Control.

Mr. B. K. Bowen, B.Sc., of Head Office, has been appointed secretary to the committee.