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CONSTITUTION OF COMMISSION

IN ACCORDANCE with the provisions of Part I of the First Schedule to the House of Commons (Redistribution of Seats) Act, 1949, the Commission is constituted as follows:

Ex-officio Members

- THE RIGHT HONOURABLE W. S. MORRISON, M.C., Q.C., LL.D., M.P., Speaker of the House of Commons, Chairman.
- EDMUND A. HOGAN, ESQ., C.B.E., Registrar General of Births, Deaths and Marriages in Scotland.
- MAJOR-GENERAL J. C. T. WILLIS, C.B.E., Director General of Ordnance Survey.

And two other Members appointed by the Secretary of State the Hon. Lord Mackintosh, M.C., Ll.D.

SIR ROBERT NIMMO.

Lord Mackintosh is Deputy Chairman.

The Secretary of State appointed Mr J. S. Gibson, Scottish Home Department, as Secretary and Mr J. Tupman, General Registry Office of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Scotland) as Assistant Secretary of the Commission.

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Report

on First Periodical Review of Parliamentary Constituencies to the Right Hon. James Stuart, M.V.O., M.C., M.P., Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Scotland

Sir,

- 1. We, the Boundary Commission for Scotland, constituted in accordance with the House of Commons (Redistribution of Seats) Act, 1949, beg to submit in terms of section 2 of that Act our first periodical report on parliamentary constituency boundaries in Scotland.
- 2. Present constituency boundaries in Scotland were established by the Representation of the People Act, 1948, in implementation of recommendations in the Commission's initial report of 1947 (Cmd. 7270). Since then the statutory provisions regulating the Commission's work have been incorporated in the House of Commons (Redistribution of Seats) Act, 1949. By that Act the Commission is charged with the task of keeping the representation of Scotland in the House of Commons under review. It is required to submit to the Secretary of State for Scotland not less than three years or more than seven years from the passing of the Representation of the People Act, 1948, and thereafter at intervals of not less than three or more than seven years, a report with respect to the whole of Scotland detailing the alterations, if any, to constituency boundaries recommended by the Commission. In addition, the Commission may submit recommendations regarding the boundaries of any particular Scottish constituency from time to time between these periodical reviews. In formulating recommendations for alteration to or maintenance of existing constituency boundaries the Commission are directed by the said Act of 1949 to have regard to the rules set out in its Second Schedule. These rules are reproduced in Appendix A.
- 3. Our present task is to submit the first periodical report since the passing of the Representation of the People Act, 1948. We gave notice in the "Edinburgh Gazette" on 31st July, 1953, that we were about to conduct this review of constituency boundaries and since then we have held 11 meetings. The procedure we followed was, firstly, to formulate for each constituency provisional recommendations based on information submitted by the Registrar General's Department as to the distribution of the electorate. At this preliminary stage we did not invite suggestions from any quarter but where any such suggestions were volunteered we took them into account. Our next step was to publish our provisional recommendations in newspapers circulating in the areas affected, inviting any persons who wished to do so to make representations to us about our proposals. We then reviewed our proposals in the light of such representations as were received and, where necessary, received deputations of objectors or their representatives.
- 4. We gave considerably wider publicity to our proposals than the minimum required by the provisions of the Act of 1949. These proposals were mostly advertised in either "The Scotsman" or "The Glasgow Herald" and all were widely advertised in local newspapers circulating in the areas concerned. Notices for incorporation in the news columns of the press were also circulated on our behalf along with the advertisement of our major proposals. Where they involved changes in the areas of constituencies copies of our proposals along with explanatory maps were made open to inspection by the public at a local authority office or a public library within each constituency affected. A list of the offices where such inspection could be made was given in the advertisement. We are grateful to local authorities and to their officers for their co-operation in this matter.
- 5. It is provided in Rule 1 of the Second Schedule to the Act of 1949 that the number of constituencies in Scotland shall be not less than 71. While we were thus not precluded by the rules from proposing that the number of constituencies in Scotland should be increased beyond 71 we took the view that no such increase was necessary nor could it be reasonably justified looking to the electorate of Scotland as a whole. With its 71 constituencies the average electorate for Scotland on the date on which we began this review was 48,011 which is considerably below the average electorate for the whole of Great Britain.
- 6. We first selected those constituencies where increases or decreases in total electorate since 1946 were not so considerable as to make necessary any alteration to their boundaries. We decided that

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we would be justified in recommending that there should be no change to the boundaries of 44 of the 71 constituencies. A list of these 44 constituencies is given in Appendix B. Provisional recommendations were published accordingly. We should mention here that we gave special consideration to the constituencies of *East Dunbartonshire* and *West Dunbartonshire* where the electorates have been respectively rising and falling since the time of our last review with the result that there is now a considerable disparity between them. Furthermore, *East Dunbartonshire* has now an electorate of 61,297 which we consider to be on the high side for a Scottish county constituency. We came to the conclusion, however, that in all the circumstances this problem could properly be deferred until the next periodical review. No objection was taken to our "no change" recommendations for these two constituencies, which we took care to advertise very extensively.

- 7. Only two objections were received to all these "no change" proposals. The first came from the Lanark Constituency Labour Party who proposed that East Kilbride electoral division should be transferred from Lanark constituency to Rutherglen constituency and that in compensation the greater part of Dalserf electoral division of Hamilton constituency should be transferred to Lanark constituency. On consideration we decided to maintain unaltered our "no change" recommendation for Lanark constituency in this present review since its electorate is near to the Scottish average and since the growth of East Kilbride new town has only now begun to be reflected in the constituency's electorate. We appreciate that the boundaries of Lanark constituency may have to be revised on the occasion of a subsequent periodical review, by which time East Kilbride new town may have developed considerably. The second objection was a representation by Rutherglen Constituency Labour Party that the village of Caldervale should be transferred from Hamilton constituency to Rutherglen constituency. We were unable to accede to this representation since its acceptance would have involved making the constituency boundary at this point cease to conform to an electoral division boundary of the county. We think it of importance that parliamentary and local government boundaries should so far as possible be in conformity.
- 8. The terms of Rule 4 (1) (b) of the Second Schedule to the said Act of 1949 and the principle that local government and constituency boundaries should wherever possible conform, led us to recommend a number of constituency boundary alterations of a minor and uncontroversial nature similar to the recommendations in our Report of 1952 under section 2 (3) of the Act of 1949 regarding the effect of certain burghal extensions on constituency boundaries. These were the adjustment of the boundaries of West Aberdeenshire constituency and the constituencies of Aberdeen North and Aberdeen South to accord with the city's extended boundaries; the adjustment of the boundaries of Edinburgh East constituency and the existing Midlothian and Peebles constituency to accord with the extension of Musselburgh's burghal boundaries; the adjustment of the boundaries of Stirling & Falkirk Burghs constituency and West Stirlingshire constituency to accord with the extension of Stirling's burghal boundaries; and lastly the adjustment of the boundaries of Bute and North Ayrshire constituency and Central Ayrshire constituency to accord with alterations to district council boundaries of the county. All these alterations to local government boundaries had taken place since the above-mentioned Report of 1952. No objections were submitted to these proposals, which were advertised in the press and made available for local inspection in the usual way. Details of these proposals are given in Appendix C.
- 9. We come now to our recommendations which propose substantial alterations to constituency boundaries. Details of these recommendations are likewise given in Appendix C and we desire to make the following observations on them.
- A. WEST ABERDEENSHIRE CONSTITUENCY, EAST ABERDEENSHIRE CONSTITUENCY
 It was represented to us by Mr Spence, M.P., that Huntly Burgh and that part of Huntly district
 within the constituency of East Aberdeenshire should be transferred from East Aberdeenshire constituency to West Aberdeenshire constituency since this part of the county would be grouped more
 appropriately with the area of West Aberdeenshire constituency. This alteration would also remove
 the present disparity in electorate between these two constituencies. On consideration we agreed
 with this proposal and made it the subject of a provisional recommendation. No objections were
 lodged with us against this provisional recommendation, which we have duly adopted.
- B. MIDLOTHIAN AND PEEBLES CONSTITUENCY, ROXBURGH AND SELKIRK CONSTITUENCY In the review of constituencies in 1947, the Commission, in recommending the formation of the constituency of *Midlothian and Peebles* with an electorate of 61,740, recognised that alteration to its boundaries would be necessary at some future date if its electorate were found to be substantially increased. Since 1947 the trend of electorate in this constituency has been steadily upwards. At 1st December, 1952, it totalled 64,866. At 1st December, 1953, it totalled 65,319 even after the 922 electors in the area of Musselburgh's burghal extension, which as aforesaid is to be transferred to *Edinburgh East* constituency, had been deducted. We are advised that this upward trend in the electorate of *Midlothian and Peebles* constituency is likely to continue, that by 1960 its electorate may well be around 68,000 and that a yet further increase may take place in the following decade.

We are of opinion that an electorate of the order of 68,000 or more is much too large for a Scottish county constituency. Only one other county constituency—East Dunbartonshire—has an electorate greater (but not much greater) than 60,000. For these reasons we decided that we must propose in this present review a considerable reduction in the electorate of the existing Midlothian and Peebles constituency.

We gave most careful consideration to all possible solutions of this problem and came to the decision that the transfer of Peeblesshire to the neighbouring Roxburgh and Selkirk constituency was the best. Our provisional recommendation was accordingly

- (i) that a constituency of Midlothian consisting of Midlothian County less the burgh of Musselburgh, with an electorate of 55,188, should be formed;
- (ii) that Peeblesshire should form with Roxburghshire and Selkirkshire a constituency of Roxburgh, Selkirk and Peebles with an electorate of 57,146.

Objections were made to these proposals by the Scottish Council of the Labour Party, the Midlothian and Peebles Constituency Labour Party, the Roxburgh and Selkirk Constituency Labour Party, and the Roxburgh and Selkirk Liberal Council. In correspondence and at subsequent meetings in Edinburgh representatives of these associations made us fully aware of the precise nature of their objections to our proposals. The Labour Party deputation had no alternative solution to offer, but took the view that we should at this survey simply recommend that the Midlothian and Peebles situation should be left as it is and that no change should be made. We felt, however, that the electorate of this constituency was already too high and that we ought not to leave it unaltered at this present juncture. The Liberal Party deputation did not suggest that we should leave the Midlothian and Peebles constituency alone but proposed two solutions (alternative to that contained in our published proposal) for reducing the size of the present constituency. Neither of these alternatives seemed to us to be feasible or in any way as reasonable as what we were proposing to do. We therefore decided to abide by our provisional recommendation. After we had heard the Labour Party Associations they requested that a local enquiry should be held into our proposals. We did not see our way to accede to this request because we were convinced that our examination of this problem in all its aspects and our meetings with representatives of the objectors had elicited all the facts necessary to enable us to make up our minds.

C. THE CENTRAL, NORTH, PENTLANDS AND WEST CONSTITUENCIES OF EDINBURGH Apart from the proposed extension of the boundary of Edinburgh East constituency to accord with the extension of Musselburgh's burghal boundaries which we have already mentioned, we propose alterations to the Central, North, Pentlands and West constituencies of Edinburgh. Very considerable housing development is in progress which will in a few years time substantially alter the distribution of electorate in the city. The changes we propose are designed to prevent over-wide disparities in the electorates of the city's constituencies arising before the occasion of the next periodical review at which more comprehensive alteration to constituency boundaries in the city may be necessary. These proposals were advertised as provisional recommendations in the usual way. No objections were submitted to them from any quarter.

D. THE BRIDGETON, CAMLACHIE, CENTRAL, GORBALS, GOVAN, HILLHEAD, KELVINGROVE, POLLOK, SCOTSTOUN, SPRINGBURN, TRADESTON AND WOODSIDE CONSTITUENCIES OF GLASGOW

Since the Commission's review of constituency boundaries in 1947, there have been large movements of population within Glasgow from older central districts to areas of new housing development. The result is that there has been a considerable loss of electorate from most wards and constituencies in the middle of the city and a sharp increase in the electorate of some of those that lie further out. Extensive rehousing is still in progress and a considerable movement of population from one part of the city to another is still continuing and is likely to do so in the years immediately ahead. All our recommendations are related directly to these movements of population. They allow for the expansion of electorate in constituencies where considerable housing development is expected and for the further decline in electorate of the constituencies comprising the older central districts.

Our proposals for constituency re-distribution in Glasgow have secured general acceptance. The only representation lodged with us against these proposed boundary alterations came from the Woodside Constituency Labour Party which proposed an alternative arrangement of the boundaries of the present *Woodside*, *Central*, *Kelvingrove* and *Hillhead* constituencies. We gave this proposal of the Woodside Constituency Labour Party careful consideration but decided that it ought not to be preferred to the proposals of our published recommendations. For one thing it envisaged less conformity of constituency boundaries to ward boundaries than the proposals of our published recommendations.

In addition to alterations to constituency boundaries we also published proposals for alteration to the names of certain Glasgow constituencies. We proposed that Camlachie constituency as altered should be re-named Provan, and that Hillhead constituency as altered should be re-named Kelvinside. We also proposed that Tradeston should cease to be a constituency name and that the name of the proposed constituency consisting of the northern part of Fairfield ward, Govan ward, Kinning Park ward and the western part of Kingston ward should be Govan, and that the name of the constituency consisting of the western part of Pollokshields ward, Craigton ward and the southern part of Fairfield ward should be Craigton. Two objections were lodged with us against these proposals. The first was submitted by Mr Rankin, M.P., who suggested to us that the proposed constituency consisting of the northern part of Fairfield ward, Govan ward, Kinning Park ward and the western part of Kingston ward should be named Tradeston rather than Govan. We decided that this representation should not be accepted since the whole of Govan ward lies within this constituency and Govan has historic associations and a name well-known in Glasgow and neighbourhood since the middle ages.

The second, which came from the Western Divisional Council of the Scottish Unionist Association, represented that the substitution of the name *Kelvinside* for *Hillhead* would lead to much confusion because of its similarity to the name *Kelvingrove*. We accepted this representation and announced our intention to recommend that the constituency name of *Hillhead* should be retained.

We now recommend the proposed alterations to constituency boundaries and names in Glasgow as detailed in Appendix C.

10. This concludes the report of our first periodical review of constituency boundaries. In terms of the Act of 1949 our next periodical report must be submitted not less than three years or more than seven years from the date of the submission of this report. Before the date of the next periodical report we may find it necessary to make recommendations to you under Section 2 (3) of the said Act consequent upon alterations of local government boundaries in particular constituencies. Our present report, except as aftermentioned, takes account of all such alterations up to 30th July, 1954. Two small extensions of the boundaries of Edinburgh were effected by the Edinburgh Corporation Order Confirmation Act, 1954, which received the Royal Assent on 5th July, 1954, but we have made no recommendations regarding these two extensions in this present review, since we are informed that they are to be followed by a transfer to the County of Midlothian of a small area at present within the city boundaries. We have thought it desirable to await the completion of the adjustments between city and county before making any recommendation regarding them.

11. We wish to record our appreciation of the valuable help which we have received at all times from our Secretary, Mr J. S. Gibson, who has been of the greatest assistance to us in our deliberations.

We also wish to express our appreciation of the help given by our Assistant Secretary, Mr J. Tupman.

We have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servants,

W. S. MORRISON (Chairman)

CHARLES MACKINTOSH
(Deputy Chairman)

E. A. HOGAN
ROBERT NIMMO
J. C. T. WILLIS

JOHN S. GIBSON Secretary

JAS. TUPMAN
Assistant Secretary

23rd August, 1954

APPENDIX A

Rules for Redistribution of Seats

1. The number of constituencies in the several parts of the United Kingdom set out in the first column of the following table shall be as stated respectively in the second column of that table—

Part of the United Kingdom

Number of Constituencies

Great Britain

Not substantially greater or less than 613.

Scotland

Not less than 71.

Wales

Not less than 35.

Northern Ireland

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- 2. Every constituency shall return a single member.
- 3. There shall continue to be a constituency which shall include the whole of the City of London and the name of which shall refer to the City of London.
- 4. (1) So far as is practicable having regard to the foregoing rules—
 - (a) in England and Wales,—
 - (i) no county or any part thereof shall be included in a constituency which includes the whole or part of any other county or the whole or part of a county borough or metropolitan borough;
 - (ii) no county borough or any part thereof shall be included in a constituency which includes the whole or part of any other county borough or the whole or part of a metropolitan borough;
 - (iii) no metropolitan borough or any part thereof shall be included in a constituency which includes the whole or part of any other metropolitan borough;
 - (iv) no county district shall be included partly in one constituency and partly in another;
 - (b) in Scotland, no burgh other than a county of a city shall be included partly in one constituency and partly in another;
 - (c) in Northern Ireland, no county district shall be included partly in one constituency and partly in another.
 - (2) In paragraph (1) of this rule the following expressions have the following meanings, that is to say:—
 "county" means an administrative county other than the county of London;
 - "county*borough" has the same meaning as in the Local Government Act, 1933;
 - "county district" has, in sub-paragraph (a), the same meaning as in the Local Government Act, 1933, and, in sub-paragraph (c), the same meaning as in the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898.
- 5. The electorate of any constituency shall be as near the electoral quota as is practicable having regard to the foregoing rules; and a Boundary Commission may depart from the strict application of the last foregoing rule if it appears to them that a departure is desirable to avoid an excessive disparity between the electorate of any constituency and the electoral quota, or between the electorate thereof and that of neighbouring constituencies in the part of the United Kingdom with which they are concerned.
- 6. A Boundary Commission may depart from the strict application of the last two foregoing rules if special geographical considerations, including in particular the size, shape and accessibility of a constituency, appear to them to render a departure desirable.
- 7. For the purpose of these rules—
 - (a) the expression "electoral quota" means—
 - (i) in the application of these rules to a constituency in Great Britain, a number obtained by dividing the electorate for Great Britain by the number of constituencies in Great Britain existing on the enumeration date;
 - (ii) in the application of these rules to a constituency in Northern Ireland, a number obtained by dividing the electorate for Northern Ireland by the number of constituencies in Northern Ireland existing on the enumeration date;
 - (b) the expression "electorate" means—
 - (i) in relation to a constituency, the number of persons whose names appear on the register of parliamentary electors in force on the enumeration date under the Representation of the People Acts for the constituency;
 - (ii) in relation to Great Britain or Northern Ireland, the aggregate electorate as hereinbefore defined of all the constituencies therein;
 - (c) the expression "enumeration date" means, in relation to any report of a Boundary Commission under this Act, the date on which the notice with respect to that report is published in accordance with section two of this Act.

APPENDIX B

Parliamentary Constituencies for which no alteration is proposed to boundaries

(Electorates as in the March, 1954 Electoral Register)

1. ANGUS AND KINCARDINE

County Constituency of North Angus and Mearns

Electorate: 37,462.

(1) The County of Kincardine inclusive of all the burghs situated therein. Contents:

(2) The Burghs of Brechin and Montrose.

The Districts of Brechin and Montrose.

County Constituency of South Angus

Electorate: 45,143.

(1) The Burghs of Arbroath, Carnoustie, Forfar, Kirriemuir and Monifieth. Contents:

(2) The Districts of Carnoustie, Forfar, Kirriemuir and Monifieth.

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County Constituency of Argyll

Electorate: 42,543.

Contents: The County of Argyll inclusive of all the burghs situated therein.

AYRSHIRE AND BUTE

County Constituency of Ayr

Electorate: 44,041.

Contents: (1) The Burghs of Ayr and Prestwick.

(2) The District of Ayr except in so far as included in the Central Ayrshire constituency. (3) for a " - Dalmelligton is. pr o balmangoli ce Es formedy part of ty No

County Constituency of Kilmarnock

Electorate: 47,354.

(1) The Burghs of Kilmarnock, Darvel, Galston, and Newmilns & Greenholm.

(2) The District of Newmilns and the District of Kilmarnock except in so far as included in the Central Ayrshire constituency.

County Constituency of South Ayrshire

Electorate: 46,200.

(1) The Burghs of Cumnock & Holmhead, Girvan and Maybole. Contents:

(2) The Districts of Cumnock, Dalmellington, Girvan and Maybole.

4. BANFFSHIRE

County Constituency of Banff

Electorate: 37,946.

Contents: The County of Banff inclusive of all the burghs situated therein.

BERWICKSHIRE AND EAST LOTHIAN

County Constituency of Berwick and East Lothian

Electorate: 51,221.

Contents: The Counties of Berwick and East Lothian inclusive of all the burghs situated therein.

CAITHNESS AND SUTHERLAND

County Constituency of Caithness and Sutherland

Electorate: 27,925.

Contents: The Counties of Caithness and Sutherland inclusive of all the burghs situated therein.

7. DUMFRIESSHIRE

County Constituency of Dumfries

Electorate: 54,880.

Contents: The County of Dumfries inclusive of all the burghs situated therein.

DUNBARTONSHIRE

County Constituency of East Dunbartonshire

Electorate: 61,297.

(1) The Burghs of Clydebank, Kirkintilloch and Milngavie.

(2) The Districts of Cumbernauld, Kirkintilloch and New Kilpatrick.

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County Constituency of West Dunbartonshire

Electorate: 48,982.

Contents: (1) The Burghs of Dumbarton, Cove & Kilcreggan and Helensburgh.

(2) The Districts of Helensburgh, Old Kilpatrick and Vale of Leven.

9. THE COUNTY OF THE CITY OF DUNDEE

Burgh Constituency of Dundee East

Electorate: 56,686.

Contents: The Barnhill, Broughty Ferry, Craigie, Harbour, Hilltown, and Linlathen Wards.

Burgh Constituency of Dundee West

Electorate: 62,814.

Contents: The Balgay, Blackness, Downfield, Dudhope, Lochee and Riverside Wards.

10. THE COUNTY OF THE CITY OF EDINBURGH

Burgh Constituency of Edinburgh, Leith

Electorate: 43,537.

Contents: The Central Leith, South Leith and West Leith Wards.

Burgh Constituency of Edinburgh South

Electorate: 47,004.

Contents: The Liberton*, Morningside and Newington Wards.

11. FIFE

County Constituency of East Fife

Electorate: 51,156.

Contents: (1) The Burghs of Auchtermuchty, Crail, Cupar, Elie & Earlsferry, Falkland, Kilrenny & Anstruther, Ladybank, Leven, Newburgh, Newport, Pittenweem, St Andrews, St Monance and Tayport.

(2) The Districts of Anstruther, Cupar and St Andrews.

(3) The Electoral Division of Kennoway and Scoonie in the District of Wemyss.

County Constituency of West Fife

Electorate: 53,491.

Contents: (1) The Burghs of Culross, Leslie and Markinch. (2) The Districts of Dunfermline, Kirkcaldy and Lochgelly.

(2) The Districts of Dunfermline, Kirkcaldy and Lochgelly.

(2) The Districts of Dunfermine, Kirkcaidy and Locingeny.

(3) The District of Wemyss in so far as not included in the East Fife constituency.

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Burgh Constituency of Dunfermline Burghs

Electorate: 47,192.

Contents: The Burghs of Dunfermline, Cowdenbeath, Inverkeithing and Lochgelly.

Burgh Constituency of Kirkcaldy Burghs

Electorate: 53,347.

Contents: The Burghs of Kirkcaldy, Buckhaven & Methil, Burntisland and Kinghorn.

12. THE COUNTY OF THE CITY OF GLASGOW

Burgh Constituency of Glasgow, Cathcart

Electorate: 45,889.

Contents: The Cathcart and Langside Wards and that part of Govanhill Ward south and east of a line along the centre of Calder Street and Polmadie Road.

Burgh Constituency of Glasgow, Maryhill

Electorate: 48,999.

Contents: The Maryhill and Ruchill Wards.

Burgh Constituency of Glasgow, Shettleston

Electorate: 53,579.

Contents: The Parkhead and Shettleston & Tollcross Wards and that part of Mile-End Ward east of a line along the centre of Fielden Street, Gallowgate between Fielden Street and Millerston Street, and Millerston Street.

^{*} The area of Liberton Ward does not include the area added by the Edinburgh Corporation Order Confirmation Act, 1954.

13. INVERNESS-SHIRE AND ROSS AND CROMARTY

County Constituency of Inverness

Electorate: 50,755.

Contents: The County of Inverness inclusive of all the burghs situated therein except in so far as contained within the Western Isles constituency.

County Constituency of Ross and Cromarty

Electorate: 25,899.

Contents: The County of Ross and Cromarty inclusive of all the burghs situated therein except in so far as contained within the Western Isles constituency.

County Constituency of Western Isles

Electorate: 25,311.

Contents: (1) The Burgh of Stornoway.

(2) The Districts of Barra, Harris, North Uist and South Uist in the County of Inverness and the District of Lewis in the County of Ross and Cromarty.

14. KIRKCUDBRIGHTSHIRE AND WIGTOWNSHIRE

County Constituency of Galloway

Electorate: 34,093.

Contents: The Counties of Kirkcudbright and Wigtown inclusive of all the burghs situated therein.

15. LANARKSHIRE

County Constituency of Bothwell

Electorate: 55,147.

ontents: (1) The Sixth District of the County of Lanark.

(2) The Electoral Divisions of Baillieston, Mount Vernon & Carmyle, Springboig and Garrowhill in the Ninth District of the County of Lanark, and that part of the Electoral Division of Old Monkland in the said Ninth District which is bounded on the north by the City of Glasgow and the Burgh of Coatbridge, on the west by the Electoral Division of Baillieston and on the south and east by the Electoral Divisions of Tannochside, Bothwellpark and Bellshill North.

County Constituency of Hamilton

Electorate: 51,233.

Contents: (1) The Burgh of Hamilton.

(2) The Electoral Divisions of Hamilton, Larkhall East, Larkhall West and Dalserf in the Fourth District of the County of Lanark and the Electoral Divisions of Stonefield, Blantyre and High Blantyre in the Fifth District of the County of Lanark.

County Constituency of Lanark

Electorate: 48,688.

Contents: (1) The Burghs of Biggar and Lanark.

(2) The First, Second and Third Districts of the County of Lanark and, so far as not included in the Hamilton constituency, the Fourth and Fifth Districts of the County of Lanark.

County Constituency of Motherwell

Electorate: 48,578.

Contents: (1) The Burgh of Motherwell and Wishaw.

(2) The Electoral Division of Dalziel-Overtown in the Seventh District of the County of Lanark.

County Constituency of North Lanarkshire

Electorate: 43,951.

Contents: (1) The Ninth District of the County of Lanark so far as not included in the Bothwell constituency.

(2) The Seventh District of the County of Lanark so far as not included in the Motherwell constituency.

County Constituency of Rutherglen

Electorate: 43,486.

Contents: (1) The Burgh of Rutherglen.

(2) The Eighth District of the County of Lanark.

Burgh Constituency of Coatbridge and Airdrie

Electorate: 50,370.

Contents: The Burghs of Coatbridge and Airdrie.

16. MORAY AND NAIRNSHIRE

County Constituency of Moray and Nairn

Electorate: 35,806.

Contents: The Counties of Moray and Nairn inclusive of all the burghs situated therein.

17. ORKNEY AND ZETLAND

County Constituency of Orkney and Zetland

Electorate: 28,413.

Contents: The Counties of Orkney and Zetland inclusive of all the burghs situated therein.

18. PERTHSHIRE AND KINROSS-SHIRE

County Constituency of Kinross and West Perthshire

Electorate: 34,633.

Contents: (1) The County of Kinross inclusive of the Burgh of Kinross.

(2) The Burghs of Aberfeldy, Auchterarder, Callander, Crieff, Doune, Dunblane and Pitlochry.

(3) The Central, Highland, and Western Districts of the County of Perth.

County Constituency of Perth and East Perthshire

Electorate: 55,538.

Contents: (1) The Burghs of Perth, Abernethy, Alyth, Blairgowrie & Rattray, and Coupar Angus.

(2) The Eastern and Perth Districts of the County of Perth.

19. RENFREWSHIRE

County Constituency of East Renfrewshire

Electorate: 58,356.

Contents: (1) The Burghs of Barrhead and Renfrew.

(2) The First and Second Districts of the County of Renfrew.

County Constituency of West Renfrewshire

Electorate: 47,255.

Contents: (1) The Burghs of Port Glasgow, Gourock and Johnstone.

(2) The Third, Fourth and Fifth Districts of the County of Renfrew.

Burgh Constituency of Greenock

Electorate: 49,102.

Contents: The Burgh of Greenock.

Burgh Constituency of Paisley

Electorate: 62,568.

Contents: The Burgh of Paisley.

20. STIRLINGSHIRE AND CLACKMANNANSHIRE

County Constituency of Clackmannan and East Stirlingshire

Electorate: 50,512.

Contents: (1) The County of Clackmannan inclusive of all the burghs situated therein.

(2) The Eastern No. 1, Eastern No. 2 and Eastern No. 3 Districts of the County of Stirling.

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21. WEST LOTHIAN

County Constituency of West Lothian

Electorate: 57,426.

Contents: The County of West Lothian inclusive of all the burghs situated therein.

APPENDIX C

Parliamentary Constituencies in respect of which boundary alterations are recommended

(Electorates as in the March, 1954 Electoral Register)

(The Electorates and Contents are of Constituencies after effect has been given to the Commission's recommendations)

ABERDEENSHIRE

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County Constituency of East Aberdeenshire

Electorate: 45,962.

Contents: (1) The Burghs of Ellon, Fraserburgh, Peterhead, Rosehearty and Turriff.

The Districts of Deer, Ellon and Turriff.

County Constituency of West Aberdeenshire

Electorate: 47,388.

Contents: (1) The Burghs of Ballater, Huntly, Inverurie, Kintore and Oldmeldrum.

(2) The Districts of Aberdeen, Alford, Deeside, Garioch and Huntly.

2. THE COUNTY OF THE CITY OF ABERDEEN

Burgh Constituency of Aberdeen North

Electorate: 66,500.

Contents: The Cairnery, St Andrew's, St Clement's, St Machar, St Nicholas and Woodside Wards.

Burgh Constituency of Aberdeen South

Electorate: 58,733.

Contents: The Ferryhill, Holburn, Rosemount, Rubislaw, Ruthrieston and Torry Wards.

Details of proposed alterations to the present areas of the Aberdeenshire and County of the City of Aberdeen constituencies:-

- (i) The Burgh of Huntly and that part of the Huntly District which at present lies within East Aberdeenshire constituency (i.e. the whole of Huntly District with the exception of the Parishes of Clatt and Kennethmont) to be transferred from East Aberdeenshire to West Aberdeenshire.
- (ii) That part of the extension of the City of Aberdeen of 1952 which lies in the Rosemount Ward to be transferred from West Aberdeenshire to Aberdeen South and that part of the same extension which lies in Cairnery Ward to be transferred from West Aberdeenshire to Aberdeen North.

3. AYRSHIRE AND BUTE

County Constituency of Bute and North Ayrshire

Electorate: 44,655.

Contents: (1) The County of Bute inclusive of all the burghs situated therein.

(2) The Burghs of Ardrossan, Largs, Saltcoats and Stevenston.

The District of Saltcoats.

County Constituency of Central Ayrshire

Electorate: 47,283.

Contents: (1) The Burghs of Irvine, Kilwinning, Stewarton and Troon.

(2) The Districts of Kilbirnie and Irvine.

The Electoral Division of Dundonald in the District of Ayr and the Electoral Division of Dunlop and Stewarton in the District of Kilmarnock.

Details of proposed alterations to the present areas of the Bute and North Ayrshire and Central Ayrshire constituencies :-

The boundary between the constituencies of Bute and North Ayrshire and Central Ayrshire to be altered to coincide with the revised boundaries of the Districts of Saltcoats and Irvine, as specified in the County of Ayr District Council (Amendment) Scheme 1954 (which transfers the landward area of the Parish of Stevenston from Saltcoats District to Irvine District).

THE COUNTY OF THE CITY OF EDINBURGH

Burgh Constituency of Edinburgh Central

Electorate: 48,346.

Contents: The George Square, Holyrood and St Giles Wards and that part of Gorgie-Dalry Ward lying generally east of a line along the centre of Harrison Road, Ardmillan Terrace, Dalry Road between Ardmillan Terrace and the Granton Branch Railway and the said railway between Dalry Road and the main railway line from Waverley Station.

Burgh Constituency of Edinburgh, Pentlands

Electorate: 51,812.

Contents: The Colinton, Merchiston and Sighthill* Wards, and Gorgie-Dalry Ward except in so far as included in the Edinburgh Central constituency.

Details of proposed alterations to the present areas of the Edinburgh Central and Edinburgh, Pentlands constituencies:-

The most easterly polling district of Gorgie-Dalry Ward to be transferred from Edinburgh, Pentlands constituency to Edinburgh Central constituency.

Burgh Constituency of Edinburgh North

Electorate: 47,234.

Contents: The Calton, Broughton and St Andrews Wards, and that part of St Bernard's Ward lying east of the centre line of East Fettes Avenue, Comely Bank Avenue, Learmonth Terrace, Queensferry Road and Dean Bridge.

Burgh Constituency of Edinburgh West

Electorate: 50,488.

Contents: The Corstorphine*, Murrayfield-Cramond and Pilton Wards, and St Bernard's Ward except in so far as included in the Edinburgh North constituency.

Details of proposed alterations to the present areas of the Edinburgh North and Edinburgh West constituencies:—

The two eastern polling districts of St Bernard's Ward to be transferred from Edinburgh West constituency to Edinburgh North constituency.

Burgh Constituency of Edinburgh East

Electorate: 54,425.

Contents: (1) The Burgh of Musselburgh.

(2) The Craigentinny, Craigmillar and Portobello Wards.

Details of proposed alterations to the present area of the Edinburgh East constituency:—

The area of the burghal extension of Musselburgh in 1952 to be transferred from the present Midlothian and Peebles constituency to Edinburgh East constituency.

5. THE COUNTY OF THE CITY OF GLASGOW

Burgh Constituency of Glasgow, Bridgeton

1555 V Electorate: 54,962.

Contents: The Calton and Dalmarnock Wards and that part of Mile-End Ward west of a line along the centre of Fielden Street, Gallowgate between Fielden Street and Millerston Street, and Millerston Street.

Burgh Constituency of Glasgow, Provan

Electorate: 38,442.

Contents: The Dennistoun and Provan Wards.

Details of proposed alterations to the present areas of the Bridgeton and Camlachie constituencies:-

The four western polling districts of Mile-End Ward to be transferred from the present Camlachie constituency to Bridgeton constituency and the remainder of Camlachie constituency to be renamed Provan.

Burgh Constituency of Glasgow, Springburn

Electorate: 41,177.

Contents: The Springburn and Cowlairs Wards.

Burgh Constituency of Glasgow Central

Electorate: 43,007.

Contents: The Cowcaddens and Townhead Wards and that part of Exchange Ward east of a line along the centre of Buchanan Street, the west side of St Enoch Square and the centre of Dixon Street, and the prolongation of the said line southwards to the ward boundary.

Burgh Constituency of Glasgow, Kelvingrove

Electorate: 41,294.

Contents: The Anderston and Park Wards, and Exchange Ward except in so far as included in the Central constituency.

Details of proposed alterations to the present areas of the Springburn, Central and Kelvingrove constituencies:—

Cowcaddens Ward to be transferred from Springburn constituency to Central constituency. The two western polling districts of Exchange Ward to be transferred from Central constituency to Kelvingrove constituency.

^{*} Areas of the Craigmillar, Corstorphine and Sighthill Wards do not include the areas added by the Edinburgh Corporation Order Confirmation Act, 1954.

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Burgh Constituency of Glasgow, Scotstoun

Electorate: 41,426.

Contents: The Knightswood and Yoker Wards, and Whiteinch Ward except in so far as included in the Hillhead constituency.

Burgh Constituency of Glasgow, Hillhead

Electorate: 41,882.

Contents: The Kelvinside and Partick West Wards and that part of Whiteinch Ward east of a line along the centre of the branch railway from Jordanhill Station to Whiteinch Station, the prolongation of the said line to the centre of Scotstoun Street, the centre line of Scotstoun Street, and its prolongation southwards to the ward boundary.

Burgh Constituency of Glasgow, Woodside

Electorate: 50,366.

Contents: The North Kelvin, Partick East and Woodside Wards.

Details of proposed alterations to the present areas of the Scotstoun, Hillhead and Woodside constituencies:—

The three most easterly polling districts of Whiteinch Ward to be transferred from Scotstoun constituency to Hillhead constituency; the three most westerly polling districts of Partick East Ward to be transferred from Hillhead constituency to Woodside constituency.

Burgh Constituency of Glasgow, Pollok

Electorate: 52,255.

Contents: The Camphill and Pollokshaws Wards, and Pollokshields Ward except in so far as included in the Craigton constituency.

Burgh Constituency of Glasgow, Craigton

Electorate: 48,711.

Contents: The Craigton Ward, that part of Fairfield Ward generally south of a line along the centre of Renfrew Road, Hardgate Road between Renfrew Road and Langlands Drive, Langlands Drive, Langlands Drive, Langlands Drive, Langlands Drive, Langlands Drive, Langlands Road between Langlands Road and Balfron Road, Balfron Road, Drumoyne Road between Balfron Road and Nimmo Drive, and Nimmo Drive from its junction with Drumoyne Road to the ward boundary, and that part of Pollokshields Ward south and west of the centre of the White Cart River between Pollokshaws Road and the weir west of the bridge to Pollok House, and a line drawn from the said weir to meet the ward boundary opposite the centre line of Arran Drive.

Burgh Constituency of Glasgow, Govan

Electorate: 57,271.

Contents: The Govan and Kinning Park Wards, Kingston Ward except in so far as included in the Gorbals constituency, and Fairfield Ward except in so far as included in the Craigton constituency.

Burgh Constituency of Glasgow, Gorbals

Electorate: 57,844.

Contents: The Gorbals and Hutchesontown Wards, that part of Govanhill Ward north and west of a line along the centre of Calder Street and Polmadie Road and that part of Kingston Ward east of the centre line of Pollok Street and its prolongation southwards to the ward boundary, north of the centre line of Paisley Road between Pollok Street and Watt Street and east of the centre line of Parkholm Lane and the prolongation thereof northwards to the ward boundary.

Details of proposed alterations to the present areas of the Pollok, Govan, Tradeston and Gorbals constituencies:—

- (i) The six southern and western polling districts of Pollokshields Ward to be transferred from Pollok constituency to the new Craigton constituency.
- (ii) A constituency, to be called *Craigton*, to be formed out of (a) Craigton Ward and the southern polling district of Fairfield Ward (which lie in the present *Govan* constituency) and (b) the six polling districts of Pollokshields Ward transferred from *Pollok* constituency.
- (iii) A constituency to be named Govan to be formed out of (a) the two northern polling districts of Fairfield Ward (which lie in the present Govan constituency), (b) Govan Ward (which lies partly in the present Govan constituency and partly in the present Tradeston constituency) and (c) Kinning Park Ward and the two western polling districts of Kingston Ward (which lie in the present Tradeston constituency).
- (iv) The two eastern polling districts of Kingston Ward to be transferred from the present Tradeston constituency to Gorbals constituency.
 - (v) Tradeston to cease to be a constituency name.

6. MIDLOTHIAN, PEEBLES-SHIRE, ROXBURGHSHIRE, SELKIRKSHIRE

County Constituency of Midlothian .

Electorate: 55,188.

Contents: The County of Midlothian inclusive of all the burghs situated therein except the Burgh of Musselburgh.

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County Constituency of Roxburgh, Selkirk and Peebles

Electorate: 57,146.

Contents: The Counties of Roxburgh, Selkirk and Peebles, inclusive of all the burghs situated therein.

Details of proposed alterations to the present areas of the Midlothian & Peebles and Roxburgh & Selkirk constituencies:—

- (a) Peebles-shire to be transferred from Midlothian and Peebles constituency to Roxburgh and Selkirk constituency, which will be renamed Roxburgh, Selkirk and Peebles.
- (b) Midlothian and Peebles constituency less the County of Peebles and less the area of the Musselburgh extension of 1952, to be renamed Midlothian constituency.

7. STIRLINGSHIRE AND CLACKMANNANSHIRE

County Constituency of West Stirlingshire -

Electorate: 43,444.

Contents: (1) The Burghs of Bridge of Allan, Denny & Dunipace, and Kilsyth.

(2) The Central No. 1, Central No. 2, Western No. 1, Western No. 2 and Western No. 3 Districts of the County of Stirling.

Burgh Constituency of Stirling and Falkirk Burghs

Electorate: 54,204.

Contents: The Burghs of Stirling, Falkirk and Grangemouth.

Details of proposed alterations to the present areas of the constituencies of West Stirlingshire and Stirling & Falkirk Burghs:—

The area of the burghal extension of Stirling, made by Sheriff's Order from the 16th May, 1954, to be transferred from the West Stirlingshire constituency to the Stirling & Falkirk Burghs constituency.

APPENDIX D

Note on Maps

- 1. The following maps are provided with this report:-
 - No. 1, Great Britain, 1/625,000, Sheet 1 (incorporating as an inset the Edinburgh constituencies, 1-inch to 1-mile).

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2. A set of maps of a scale of \(\frac{1}{4}\)-inch to 1-mile covering Scotland has been deposited at the Vote Office, House of Commons, for reference by Members of Parliament.