

New Water Board Secretary

The Hunter District Water Board yesterday appointed Mr. F. K. Duncan Secretary of the board.

The appointment was made because of the retirement of Mr. C. J. Chandler from the post on December 1.

The decision on Mr.



MR. DUNCAN

Chandler's successor was made at this stage so he "could associate himself with Mr. Chandler in the remainder of his service and take up the threads of the various subjects he would be called on to deal with after the Secretary's retirement."

Mr. Duncan, who is 49, entered the board's service in 1918. He is an honours graduate and associate of the Federal Institute of Accountants and of the Chartered Institute of Secretaries.

He obtained honours passes in accountancy in the intermediate examination, and was second in the State and third in Australia in the legal section. In the final accountancy examination he was first in the State in mercantile law and second in taxation.

Wide Experience

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Mr. Duncan was appointed Special Administrative Officer to the board in June, 1950. In the past two years he has gained experience in the branches of the Secretary, Chief Engineer, Accountant and Assessor.

Since the war he has been Secretary of a special committee set up by the Government to report on the use of the Raymond Terrace area for industrial purposes, and Secretary of Newcastle Regional Development Committee.

During the war he was associated with the National Emergency Service. He was for some time Deputy District Operational Controller and later District Operational Controller.