

## RETIREMENT

Mr. M. KELLY

After 45 years of public service, 33 of which were with the Bureau of Meteorology, Michael Kelly retired from the Commonwealth Public Service on 12 September, 1957.

Mr. Kelly, who joined the PMG's Department in May 1912, transferred to the Meteorological Branch in August 1924 as Assistant in the Queensland Divisional Office, Brisbane. Apart from six months at Willis Island during the cyclone season of 1928-29 and a short period at Darwin, he served in this position until early 1939 when he was appointed Observer Grade 2 after completing an Observer Training course in the Central Bureau, Melbourne.

About this time he devised an upper winds calculator which was the forerunner of the official upper winds plotting board calculator, and also established an upper wind reporting station at Mt. Hotham Chalet.

After serving for short periods at aviation stations in south-east Australia in 1940, Mr. Kelly was appointed Observer at Brisbane where he worked for most of the period until his retirement.

At a farewell gathering in the Queensland Divisional Office, Mr. B.W. Newman made a presentation to Mr. Kelly on behalf of the Brisbane staff. Colleagues throughout the Bureau join them in wishing 'Mick' a long and happy retirement.