

## OFFICIAL PUBLICATIONS

*[The appearance of a publication in the following list does not imply that a formal review will not appear in the JOURNAL.]*

ANNOTATED LIST of recent official publications issued to the end of May 1956, containing statistics or other information likely to be of interest to the actuarial profession. All the volumes referred to may be obtained through any bookseller or directly from the Sale Offices of Her Majesty's Stationery Office.

## ASSURANCE COMPANIES

Assurance Companies Acts, 1909-1946. Summary of Statements of Assurance Business deposited with the Board of Trade during the year ended 31 December 1955. (7s. 6d.)

The summaries cover new ordinary life assurances effected during 1954, ordinary life assurances and annuities in force at the last valuation, revenue accounts for each type of business, profit and loss accounts, balance sheets, for each company, with totals for previous years; etc.

## CENSUS OF POPULATION

Census 1951, Scotland. Volume IV. Occupations and Industries (with some particulars of (a) the extent to which people live in one area but work in another, and (b) occupations in relation to school-leaving age). (120s.)

Occupations are analysed by sex, age, conjugal condition, industrial status, area, etc., and industries by sex, industrial status, area; the principal industry groups are analysed by functional and status divisions, sex, age, principal occupations.

## MORBIDITY STATISTICS

Studies on medical and population subjects, No. 9. General Practitioners' Records. An analysis of the clinical records of some general practices during the period April 1952 to March 1954. (6s. 6d.)

Gives results from the latter part of an enquiry designed to determine the extent to which general practitioners' records could be used as a source of general morbidity statistics. A full explanation of the enquiry and preliminary results were given in Study No. 7, referred to in *J.I.A.* 80, 123.

*See also National Insurance.*

## NATIONAL FINANCE

Economic Survey 1956. Cmd. 9728. (1s. 9d.)

Surveys the economic position of the country in 1955.

Preliminary estimates of national income and expenditure, 1950 to 1955. Cmd. 9729. (9d.)

Estimates of national, personal, corporate and local authorities' income and expenditure, etc.

Financial Statement, 1956-57. Copy of 'Statement of Revenue and Expenditure as laid before the House by the Chancellor of the Exchequer when opening the Budget'. H.C. 246/1955-56. (1s. 3d.)

An Account of the Public Income and Expenditure of the United Kingdom in the year ended 31 March 1956; together with the balances in the Exchequer on 1 April 1955; the receipts and payments (not being income and expenditure) in the year ended 31 March 1956; and the balances in the Exchequer on that day. H.C. 270/1955-56. (6d.)

#### NATIONAL INSURANCE

Accounts of the National Insurance Fund, the National Insurance (Reserve) Fund, the Industrial Injuries Fund and the National Insurance (Existing Pensioners) Fund, for the year ended 31 March 1955; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon. H.C. 230/1955-56. (1s.)

National Insurance Act, 1946. Fifth Interim Report by the Government Actuary for the year ended 31 March 1955 [together with a Report on the sickness experience of insured persons in the years 1949 to 1952]. H.C. 274/1955-56. (1s. 6d.)

The interim report provides a survey of the insured population, the progress of the Funds and the various benefits. An analysis of the rates of contribution payable under the National Insurance Act, 1954 is also given. The report on the sickness experience includes a note on the sampling procedure and the exposed to risk. The aspects of the experience covered by the report include the distribution of spells by duration.

Report of the National Insurance Advisory Committee on the question of earnings limits for benefits. Cmd. 9752. (2s.)

Includes tables showing the estimated numbers of pensions and allowances adjusted for earnings at a date in early December 1955.

#### OFFICIAL STATISTICS (GENERAL)

Digest of Scottish Statistics. No. 7, April 1956. (4s.)

Published twice a year.

#### PUBLIC HEALTH

Reports of the Department of Health for Scotland and the Scottish Health Services Council, 1955. Cmd. 9742. (5s.)

Provides a survey of the health services in Scotland; etc.

STATUTES

Public General Acts, 4 & 5 Eliz. 2: Ch. 39. Pensions (Increase) Act, 1956. (1s.)

Provides for further increases of certain pensions granted in respect of public service and extends the Acts to certain classes of pension at present excluded.

SUPERANNUATION

Pensioner's Guide to the Pensions (Increase) Acts. (3d.)

Describes the main features of the Acts and explains how pensioners benefit.

The Police Pensions Regulations, 1956. S.I. 1956 No. 385. (6d.)

The Police Pensions (Scotland) Regulations, 1956. S.I. 1956 No. 434 (S. 21). (6d.)

These two sets of Regulations introduce a new scheme for widows' ordinary pensions, with increased contributions, etc.

Local Government Superannuation (Scotland). Principal statutes and regulations as in force on 1 September 1955. (8s. 6d.)

*See also Statutes.*

VITAL STATISTICS

The Registrar General's Statistical Review of England and Wales for 1954: Tables, Part II, Civil. (6s.)

Deals mainly with population, births, marriages and the fertility of women.

*See also Census of Population.*