

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 February 1944, 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 His Majesty's Stationery Office.

ACCIDENTS.

Provisional Statement of the Number of Deaths by Accidents at Mines and Quarries in Great Britain, together with the Isle of Man, during 1942. (1*d.*)

Gives the number of persons killed, according to the cause or place of the accident, in each geographical region.

COMPENSATION (WAR INJURIES).

Report from the Select Committee on Equal Compensation. H.C. 53/1942-43. (3*d.*)

The Committee was appointed to examine the effect of the proposal that civilian women should be compensated equally with civilian men for war injuries. Statistics of claims from civilians of each sex are included in the Report.

CONTRIBUTORY PENSIONS.

Accounts of the Treasury Pensions Account, the Pensions Account and the Pensions (Scotland) Account, and of the Treasury Special Pensions Account, the Special Pensions Account and the Special Pensions (Scotland) Account, showing the Receipts and Payments during the year ended 31 March 1942; together with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon. H.C. 70/1942-43. (2*d.*)

See also Public Health.

EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY.

Employers' Liability Insurance (Limitation of Charges in 1942). Certificate of the Auditors of the Accident Offices Association showing the effect in respect of 1942 of the Undertaking given by the Association for the purpose of limiting the charges to employers; together with further amending Directions issued by the Secretary of State. Cmd. 6478. (2*d.*)

FRIENDLY SOCIETIES. *See Savings Banks.*

INCOME TAX.

The Income Tax Act 1918 and Finance Acts 1919-1941; 1941 Edition, Supplement No. 1. (1*s.*)

Contains the necessary material for bringing up to date the compendium of the law relating to income tax published in 1942. (See *J.I.A.* Vol. LXXI, p. 421.)

See also National Finance.

INFANT MORTALITY.

Infant Mortality in Scotland. The Report of a Sub-Committee of the Scientific Advisory Committee. (1s. 3d.)

The Report contains statistics of the incidence of infant mortality and still-births in Scotland and examines the causes associated therewith. Comparisons with the experience in other countries are also given.

NATIONAL DEBT.

Return showing transactions connected with the National Debt, for 1942-43. Cmd. 6470. (2d.)

NATIONAL FINANCE.

Financial Statement, 1943-44. Copy of 'Statement of Revenue and Expenditure as laid before the House by the Chancellor of the Exchequer when opening the Budget'. H.C. 74/1942-43. (6d.)

An Account of the Public Income and Expenditure of the United Kingdom in the year ended 31 March 1943; together with the Balances in the Exchequer on 1 April 1942; the Receipts and Payments (not being Income and Expenditure) in the year ended 31 March 1943; and the Balances in the Exchequer on that day. H.C. 82/1942-43. (1d.)

Finance Accounts of the United Kingdom for the year ended 31 March 1943. H.C. 94/1942-43. (1s.)

An Analysis of the Sources of War Finance and an Estimate of the National Income and Expenditure in 1938, 1940, 1941 and 1942. Cmd. 6438. (6d.)

Sinking Funds 1942. Account of the National Debt Commissioners, showing the amount issued from the Exchequer and applied in the year ended 31 March 1943, in respect of the Old Sinking Fund and of the New Sinking Fund (1928). H.C. 92/1942-43. (1d.)

See also Income Tax, National Debt, Savings Banks, Statutes.

NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE.

National Health Insurance Funds. Account showing the Nature and Amount of the Securities held by the National Debt Commissioners at 31 December 1942 as Investments for moneys, forming part of (a) the National Health Insurance Funds for England, Wales and Scotland respectively, (b) the 'Central Fund', and (c) the Unemployment Arrears Fund. H.C. 62/1942-43. (1d.)

National Health Insurance Fund Accounts. Accounts of the National Health Insurance Fund (England), the Welsh National Health Insurance Fund and the Scottish National Health Insurance Fund and of the Funds under the control of the Joint Committee for the year ended 31 December 1941; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon. H.C. 43/1942-43. (4d.)

NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE (*continued*).

Fifth Valuation of the assets and liabilities of Approved Societies. Summary Report by the Government Actuary with a Supplement on Additional Benefit Schemes. Cmd. 6455. (*2d.*)

A summary of the results of the fifth valuation with comparisons with the fourth. For the first time a supplement is added analysing the additional benefit schemes resulting from the valuations. The Appendix giving the valuation results of individual units is omitted on this occasion.

National Health Insurance (Deposit Contributors) Amendment Regulations (No. 2), 1942. S.R. & O. 818 of 1942. (*2d.*)

Medical benefit for Deposit Contributors is to be financed by a deduction from each contribution from 5 January 1942, instead of by a levy on individual accounts. In consequence a Deposit Contributor is now entitled to medical benefit as long as he remains an insured person.

National Health Insurance (Emergency Additional Benefits) Regulations, 1942. S.R. & O. 2280 of 1942. (*1d.*)

As valuations have been suspended during the war, this provides that the Minister, on the recommendation of the Government Actuary, may authorize extension of additional benefit schemes for a period of not more than two years.

National Health Insurance (Emergency Duration of Insurance), No. 2 Regulations, 1942. S.R. & O. 2658 of 1942. (*1d.*)

Following on the introduction of the yearly contribution card, this provides that free insurance periods shall end at one date in the year, viz. 30 June, instead of two as heretofore. The average free period is slightly increased by the change.

National Health Insurance and Contributory Pensions (Married Women Emergency Provisions) Regulations, 1942. S.R. & O. 2388 of 1942. (*1d.*)

Suspends Sections 126 and 127 (1) of the National Health Insurance Act 1936 in respect of women ceasing employment on or after 1 January 1942, shortly before or within a year after marriage (i.e. the Class K provisions).

See also Public Health.

OFFICIAL STATISTICS (GENERAL).

Statistical Abstract for British India with statistics where available relating to certain Indian States, from 1930-31 to 1939-40. Seventy-second Number. Cmd. 6441. (13s.)

Contains a wide range of vital, social and economic statistics.

POPULATION (CENSUS).

East India (Census 1941). Abstract of Tables giving the main statistics of the Census of the Indian Empire of 1941, with a brief introductory note. Cmd. 6435. (*3d.*)

Gives the population of each sex in 1941 by State and community and in relation to literacy, with comparisons with the result of previous censuses.

PUBLIC HEALTH.

Summary Report of the Ministry of Health for the year ended 31 March 1943. Cmd. 6468. (1s.)

An account of the state of the nation's health, with notes on the incidence of disease and the measures taken to improve the health services and a brief description of the work of the Ministry in other fields. An appendix includes the principal vital statistics and tables relating to the incidence of and deaths from the principal infectious diseases. Statistics relating to the National Health Insurance and Contributory Pensions Schemes are also given.

Summary Report by the Department of Health for Scotland for the year ended 30 June 1943. Cmd. 6462. (4d.)

A review of the interests and activities of the Department, with statistics relating to maternity and child health, specific infectious diseases and public assistance.

A National Health Service. Cmd. 6502. (1s.)

Describes the Government proposals for a comprehensive health service in England, Wales and Scotland, with estimates of the probable expenditure involved.

A National Health Service. The White Paper Proposals in Brief. (3d.)

Medical Research Council. Special Report Series No. 246. Report of the Committee on Tuberculosis in War-time. (9d.)

A review of the factors which may be responsible for the war-time increase in tuberculosis mortality and of the measures for preventing further deterioration. Contains statistics of deaths in England and Wales and in Scotland in comparison with the experience in the last war.

Medical Research Council. Special Report Series No. 247. The Epidemiology of Diphtheria during the last Forty Years. (1s.)

Deals statistically with the incidence and mortality in Great Britain and includes a study of the results of protective inoculation of children with particular reference to the experience in the United States and Canada.

SAVINGS BANKS.

Post Office Savings Banks. Account of all Deposits Received and Paid during the year ended 31 December 1942, together with Statement showing the aggregate amount of the Liabilities of the Government to Depositors on 31 December 1942, and the nature and amount of the Securities held by the National Debt Commissioners to meet those liabilities at that date. (1d.)

Trustee Savings Banks and Friendly Societies. Accounts of all sums Received from and Paid to Trustees during the year ended 20 November 1942, together with Statement showing the aggregate amount of the Liabilities of the Government to Trustees of Savings Banks and of Friendly Societies on 20 November 1942 and the nature and amount of the Securities held by the National Debt Commissioners to meet those liabilities at that date. (1d.)

SOCIAL INSURANCE AND ALLIED SERVICES.

Report by Sir William Beveridge. Cmd. 6404. (2s.)

Memoranda from Organizations. Appendix G to the Report. Cmd. 6405. (2s.)

The Beveridge Report in Brief. (3d.)

Reference is made to the 'Verbatim Report of the Discussion of Sir William Beveridge's Proposals at Staple Inn Hall on 29th January, 5th February and 12th February 1943' published by the Institute.

See also Contributory Pensions, National Health Insurance, Public Health, Unemployment Insurance.

STATUTES.

Public General Acts, 6 and 7 Geo. 6:

Ch. 6. Workmen's Compensation Acts, 1943. (2d.)

Extends the scheme of compensation on the ground of fibrosis of the lungs to workmen suffering from 'pneumoconiosis', a wider group of diseases due to dust. The Act also provides that if after an accident the rate of remuneration for the work in which the workman was employed is increased, compensation is based on the increased rates.

Ch. 28. Finance Act, 1943. (6d.)

Ch. 49. Workmen's Compensation (Temporary Increases) Act, 1943. (1d.)

In cases of total incapacity the Act provides for increases in supplementary allowances, for allowances in respect of a wife if married to the workman at the date of the accident, and for increases in children's allowances.

Public General Acts and the Church Assembly Measures, 1943, being those which received the Royal Assent in the 6th, 7th and 8th years of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Sixth in the 8th and part of the 9th Session of the 37th Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, with Tables of the Short Titles and of the Effect of Legislation and an Index. (10s.)

Chronological Table and Index of the Statutes covering the Legislation to 31 December 1942. Fifty-sixth Edition: Vol. I, Chronological Table of all the Statutes. Vol. II, Index to the Statutes in Force. (50s. the two volumes.)

See also Income Tax.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE.

Accounts of the Unemployment Fund, showing the Receipts and Payments for the year ended 31 March 1942; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General thereon. H.C. 33/1942-43. (2d.)

Unemployment Fund Investment Account, showing the Nature and Amount of the Securities held by the National Debt Commissioners at 31 March 1943 as Investments for moneys, forming part of the Unemployment Fund, paid over to them by the Ministry of Labour and National Service. H.C. 112/1942-43. (1d.)

Reports of the Unemployment Insurance Statutory Committee on the Financial Condition of the Unemployment Fund on 31 December 1942. H.C. 72/1942-43. (2d.)

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION. *See Statutes.*