

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 June 1947, 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 1946. (2d.)

Report to the Minister of Transport upon the Accidents which occurred on the Railways of Great Britain during the year 1945. (6d.)

Contains detailed statistics of fatal and non-fatal accidents to passengers and railway servants, analysed according to cause of accident, nature of injury, etc.

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 1946; together with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon. H.C. 62/1946-47. (2d.)

See also National Insurance, Old Age Pensions, Pensions.

EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY.

Employers' Liability Insurance (Limitation of Charges in 1945). Certificate of the Auditors of the Accident Offices Association showing the effect in respect of the year 1945 of the Undertaking given by the Association for the purpose of limiting the charges to employers; together with further Amending Directions issued by the Minister of National Insurance. Cmd. 6892. (1d.)

See also Industrial Injuries, Workmen's Compensation.

FRIENDLY SOCIETIES.

See Savings Banks and Friendly Societies.

FAMILY ALLOWANCES.

Family Allowances Act, 1945. Memorandum on the effect of the Family Allowances Act, 1945, on the Workmen's Compensation Acts, 1925-45. (2d.)

See also Statutes.

INCOME TAX.

Eighty-Ninth Report of the Commissioners of His Majesty's Inland Revenue for the year ended 31 March 1946. Cmd. 7067. (1s. 3d.)

Contains detailed statistics as to incomes liable to assessment for income tax, sur-tax, etc.; and the numbers and values of estates becoming liable to death duties during the financial year.

Income Tax Act, 1918, and Finance Acts, 1919-41; 1941 Edition; 4th Supplement. (1s.)

See also National Finance, Statutes.

INDUSTRIAL INJURIES.

Final Report of the Departmental Committee on Alternative Remedies. Cmd. 6860. (1s. 3d.)

The Committee was appointed to consider how far proceedings for the recovery of damages or compensation in respect of injury caused by negligence should affect or be affected by the provision under Workmen's Compensation legislation or under any social insurance scheme, and whether any alteration was desirable in the law governing the liability of employers or third parties to pay damages independently of the Workmen's Compensation Acts, and to consider the question of the recovery of the cost of reconditioning and vocational training.

See also Employers' Liability, Statutes, Workmen's Compensation.

INFANT MORTALITY.

Neo-natal deaths due to infection. The Report of a Sub-Committee of the Scientific Advisory Committee. Department of Health for Scotland. (9d.)

Contains statistics of the incidence of neo-natal mortality in Scotland and recommendations for the prevention of infection.

See also Public Health, Vital Statistics.

NATIONAL DEBT.

Return showing transactions connected with the National Debt, for 1945-46. Cmd. 6924. (2d.)

NATIONAL FINANCE.

Public Income and Expenditure. An Account of the Public Income and Expenditure of the United Kingdom in the year ended 31 March 1947; together with the Balances in the Exchequer on 1 April 1946; the Receipts and Payments (not being Income and Expenditure) in the year ended 31 March 1947; and the Balances in the Exchequer on that day. H.C. 90/1946-47. (2d.)

Local Loans Fund Accounts, 1945-46. Accounts of Receipts and Payments by the National Debt Commissioners in respect of the Capital and Income of the Local Loans Fund for the year ended 31 March 1946; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon. H.C. 55/1946-47. (1d.)

Finance Accounts of the United Kingdom for the year ended 31 March 1946. H.C. 145/1946-47. (1s.)

NATIONAL FINANCE (*continued*).

Financial Statement, 1947-48. Copy of 'Statement of Revenue and Expenditure as laid before the House by the Chancellor of the Exchequer when opening the Budget'. H.C. 81/1946-47. (9*d.*)

National Income and Expenditure of the United Kingdom, 1938-46. Cmd. 7099. (1*s.*)

Estimates of national, private and public authorities' income and expenditure under the various heads, external liabilities, numbers of individuals in different ranges of income, etc.

See also Income Tax, National Debt, Savings Banks and Friendly Societies, 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 1946 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. 37/1946-47. (1*d.*)

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 1945; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon. H.C. 73/1946-47. (6*d.*)

National Health Insurance (Emergency Additional Benefits) Amendment Regulations, 1946. S.R. & O. 2140 of 1946. (1*d.*)

Provides for the extension of additional benefit schemes for not more than five years.

See also National Health Service.

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE.

National Health Service (Scotland) Bill. Summary of the proposed new Service. Cmd. 6946. (4*d.*)

A general description of the service proposed in the Bill.

See also Statutes.

NATIONAL INSURANCE.

Increases in Old Age, Widows' and Blind Persons' Pensions. Cmd. 6878. (2*d.*)

Describes the increases in pensions brought into operation in October 1946, by the Regulations quoted below. The increases were designed to bring the rates and conditions as far as practicable into conformity with the retirement pensions provisions of the National Insurance Act, 1946. The contributions also were increased.

National Insurance (Non-Contributory Old Age Pensions) Regulations, 1946. S.R. & O. 1400 of 1946. (1*d.*)

NATIONAL INSURANCE (*continued*).

National Insurance (Increase of Contributory Pensions) Regulations, 1946.
S.R. & O. 1508 of 1946. (4*d.*)

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

OFFICIAL STATISTICS (GENERAL).

Monthly Digest of Statistics. (2*s.* 6*d.*)

Includes statistics of population, births and marriages, and the principal industrial, commercial and financial statistics for the United Kingdom. The Digest is prepared by the Central Statistical Office in collaboration with the various Government Departments, and is issued monthly.

Definitions of Items and Units in the Monthly Digest of Statistics. Revised January 1947. (6*d.*)

OLD AGE PENSIONS.

Thirty-seventh Report of the Commissioners of His Majesty's Customs and Excise for the year ended 31 March 1946. Cmd. 6951. (2*s.* 6*d.*)

Contains a statement of the number of claims made during the year for old age pensions subject to conditions as to means and the number of such pensions payable in England, Wales and Scotland at the end of the year and of previous years. The number of over-70 pensions payable under the Contributory Pensions Acts regardless of means is also stated.

See also National Insurance, Pensions.

PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS.

General Alphabetical Index to the Bills, Reports, Estimates, Accounts and Papers printed by Order of the House of Commons and to the Papers presented by Command, 1929 to 1943-4. H.C. 1/1946-47. (7*s.* 6*d.*)

PENSIONS.

Report from the Select Committee on the House of Commons Members' Fund, together with the Proceedings of the Committee, Minutes of Evidence and Index. H.C. 110/1946-47. (2*s.*)

Describes the benefits and contributions of the Fund, summarizes the income and expenditure for each year since its inception and recommends extensions of the benefits and reduction of the contributions.

Allocation of Pension. Explanatory Memorandum. Rules under Section 2 of the Superannuation Act, 1935. Tables prepared by the Government Actuary.

For Male Retiring Officers (Booklet A.P. (M.)). (4*d.*)

For Female Retiring Officers (Booklet A.P. (F.)). (4*d.*)

These tables relate to the surrender of part of a pension to a civil servant in return for a pension to a wife, husband or dependant under the Superannuation Act, 1935.

See also Contributory Pensions, National Insurance, Old Age Pensions, Statutes.

PUBLIC HEALTH.

Report of the Ministry of Health for the year ended 31 March 1946, including the Report of the Chief Medical Officer on the State of the Public Health for the year ended 31 December 1945. Cmd. 7119. (3s. 6d.)

A survey of public health in England and Wales and an account of the work of the Ministry in various fields, with statistics of population, births, deaths, infant mortality, housing and local government finance.

On the State of the Public Health during Six Years of War. Report of the Chief Medical Officer of the Ministry of Health, 1939-45. (5s.)

A report on the work of the medical department of the Ministry, including an account of the incidence of disease and of the operation of the various emergency services, with general statistics. A summary of the principal vital statistics is given for each year 1939 to 1944.

See also Infant Mortality, National Health Service.

RAILWAY STAFFS.

Railway (Staff) Return. Staff employed by the Railway Companies of Great Britain and Railway staff employed by the London Passenger Transport Board during the week ended 9 March 1946 compared with the week ended 10 March 1945. (A) Number of Persons employed. (B) Average weekly earnings. (C) Total salaries and wages paid in each of the calendar years 1944 and 1945. (1d.)

SAVINGS BANKS AND FRIENDLY SOCIETIES.

Post Office Savings Banks. Account of all Deposits received and paid during the year ended 31 December 1945, together with Statement showing the aggregate amount of the Liabilities of the Government to Depositors on 31 December 1945, 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 1946, 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 1946, and the nature and amount of the Securities held by the National Debt Commissioners to meet those Liabilities at that date. (1d.)

STATUTES.

Public General Acts, 9 & 10 Geo. 6:

Ch. 60. Superannuation Act, 1946. (3d.)

Ch. 62. National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) Act, 1946. (1s. 3d.)

Notes on the Bills relating to the two above Acts were given in *J.I.A.* Vol. LXXII, pp. 534 and 532 respectively.

Ch. 64. Finance Act, 1946. (1s. 3d.)

Includes a provision that relief from income tax may be claimed on contributions paid under the National Insurance Act, and that family allowances and benefits under the National Insurance Act, with the exception of maternity and death grants, shall be chargeable as earned income.

STATUTES (*continued*).

Ch. 67. National Insurance Act, 1946. (2s.)

Ch. 81. National Health Service Act, 1946. (1s. 6d.)

Notes on the Bills relating to the two above Acts were given in *J.I.A.* Vol. LXXII, pp. 532 and 531 respectively.

Public General Acts, 10 & 11 Geo. 6:

Ch. 3. Unemployment and Family Allowances (Northern Ireland Agreement) Act, 1946. (1d.)

Gives effect to the agreement with a view to assimilating the burdens on the Exchequer of the United Kingdom and the Exchequer of Northern Ireland in respect of social insurance and allied services.

Ch. 7. Pensions (Increase) Act, 1947. (2d.)

Authorizes further increases and otherwise amends the Acts of 1920 and 1944 relating to pensions payable in respect of public service.

Ch. 27. National Health Service (Scotland) Act, 1947. (1s. 6d.)

Corresponds with the legislation for England and Wales, noted above.

Chronological Table and Index of the Statutes covering the Legislation to 31 December 1944. Fifty-seventh Edition: Vol. I. Chronological Table of all the Statutes; Vol. II. Index to the Statutes in force. (63s. for the two volumes; not sold separately.)

Public General Acts and the Church Assembly Measures, 1946, being those which received the Royal Assent in the 9th, 10th and 11th years of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Sixth in the 1st and part of the 2nd Session of the 38th 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. (25s.)

SUPERANNUATION.

See Pensions, Statutes.

UNEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE.

Report of the Assistance Board for the year ended 31 December 1945. Cmd. 6883. (9d.)

Deals with the administration of unemployment assistance, supplementary pensions and the scheme for prevention and relief of war-time distress, etc. Includes statistics of the average weekly number of unemployment assistance payments made and of supplementary pensions in payment in each month of 1945.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE.

Accounts of the Unemployment Fund, showing the Receipts and Payments for the year ended 31 March 1946; together with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon. H.C. 67/1946-47. (2d.)

Reports of the Unemployment Insurance Statutory Committee on the Financial Condition of the Unemployment Fund on 31 December 1946. H.C. 66/1946-47. (2d.)

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (*continued*).

Tables relating to Employment and Unemployment in Great Britain, 1939, 1945 and 1946. Regional and Industrial Analysis of Persons Insured against Unemployment. (2s.)

Statistics are given for each administrative region showing the number of persons of each sex in employment and the number registered as unemployed in July 1939, 1945 and 1946.

See also Statutes.

VITAL STATISTICS.

The Registrar-General's Statistical Review of England and Wales :

Tables. Part I. Medical: for 1942. (5s.)

Contains statistics of deaths and death-rates by sex, cause, age and locality with comparative statistics for earlier years. Comparative mortality indexes based on the year 1938 are given for each sex and for certain causes of death. The numbers of deaths are shown at each year of age by sex and marital condition.

Tables. Part II. Civil: for 1942. (1s. 6d.)

Contains statistics of population, births, deaths and marriages by administrative areas, further analyses of marriages by age and civil condition, and tables relating to the fertility of women.

Text: for 1938 and 1939. (4s. 6d.)

A study of vital statistics for the years under review, with special reference to the trend of mortality from the main causes. Included in the new material in this volume is a commentary on the data regarding fertility obtained as a result of the provisions of the Population Statistics Act which came into operation in July 1938.

The Registrar-General's Decennial Supplement, England and Wales, 1931.

Part IV. Multiple or Secondary causes of death. (12s. 6d.)

Provides statistics, based on samples of the deaths in 1921 to 1930, of the frequency with which two or more causes occur in association, and of the total frequency of occurrence of each separate cause, either as a primary cause or as a subsidiary or secondary cause.

Ninetieth Annual Report of the Registrar-General for Scotland, 1944. (4s. 6d.)

Contains statistics of births, marriages, deaths, infant mortality, etc., with summaries for administrative areas. Deaths at each age are shown by sex and marital condition.

See also Infant Mortality, Public Health.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION.

Memorandum on the Workmen's Compensation Acts, 1925-45. (4d.)

Sets out briefly and in plain language the main provisions of the Acts.

See also Family Allowances, Industrial Injuries.