

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 September 1939, 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.

Report to the Minister of Transport upon the Accidents which occurred on the Railways of Great Britain during 1938. Cmd. 6054. (1s.)

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

EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY.

Employers' Liability Insurance (Limitation of Charges in 1938). Certificate of Auditors of the Accident Offices Association shewing the effect in respect of the year 1938 of the Undertaking given by the Association for the purpose of limiting the Charges to Employers. Cmd. 6075. (1d.)

FRIENDLY SOCIETIES. *See Savings Banks, Etc.*

INDUSTRIAL ASSURANCE.

Industrial Assurance. Statistical Summaries, 1928-38. (2d.)

Shews the number of assurances effected, the sums assured, the number of assurances in force and an analysis of income and expenditure in respect of industrial assurance companies and collecting societies for each year 1928-38.

NATIONAL DEBT.

Return shewing for each of the years 1913-14 to 1919-20 and 1924-25 to 1938-39 (1) the Aggregate Liabilities of the State, the Estimated Assets and the Exchequer Balances at the close of each year, (2) Cash Issues during each year on account of the Interest and Management of the Debt and for Debt Redemption, and Cash Raised by Creation of Debt, (3) Transactions during each year connected with the Capital of the Deadweight Debt; together with relative Appendices. Cmd. 6092. (6d.)

Sinking Funds. Account of the National Debt Commissioners shewing the Amount Issued from the Exchequer and applied in the year ended 31 March 1939 in respect of the Old Sinking Fund and of the New Sinking Fund (1928). H.C. 126/1938-39. (1*d.*)

NATIONAL FINANCE.

Revised Financial Statement, 1939-40:

Copy of Revised Estimates of Revenue and Expenditure for 1939-40. H.C. 177/1938-39. (3*d.*)

Gives a summary of the estimates of revenue and expenditure contained in the Budget for 1939-40 and a re-statement of the Budget position at the outbreak of war as affected by supplementary estimates.

Tables illustrating the Income Tax payable under the proposals of the Chancellor of the Exchequer in the War Budget. Cmd. 6107. (2*d.*)

Finance (No. 2) Bill. H.C. Bill 272/1938-39. (1*s.*)

Finance Accounts of the United Kingdom, for 1938-39. H.C. 131/1938-39. (1*s.* 6*d.*)

See also Statutes.

NATIONAL INSURANCE.

National Health Insurance and Contributory Pensions Insurance. An Outline of the Schemes in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. (6*d.*)

A concise description of the structure and administration of the schemes.

See also Public Health, Statutes, Unemployment Insurance.

NATIONAL SAVINGS CERTIFICATES.

Twenty-third Annual Report of the National Savings Committee, 1939. (4*d.*)

Shews the number of certificates of each denomination issued in each financial year up to 31 March 1939, and the total repayment of principal in each year.

OFFICIAL STATISTICS (GENERAL).

Guide to Current Official Statistics of the United Kingdom. Volume 17, 1938. (1*s.*)

POOR RELIEF.

Return shewing the number of persons in receipt of Poor Relief in England and Wales on the night of 1 January 1939. H.C. 135/1938-39. (*9d.*)

Gives the number of men, women and children in receipt of relief analysed according to type of relief, physical and mental condition, domestic circumstances, etc., with particulars for each administrative county and county borough.

See also Public Health.

PUBLIC HEALTH.

Twentieth Annual Report of the Ministry of Health, 1938-39. Cmd. 6089. (*5s.*)

A general report for England and Wales on the public health services, public assistance, housing, town and country planning, local government organization and finance, national health insurance, contributory pensions and civil defence, with numerous appendices.

SAVINGS BANKS, ETC.

Post Office Savings Bank. Account of all Deposits received and paid during 1938, together with Statement shewing the aggregate amount of the Liabilities of the Government to Depositors on 31 December 1938, and the nature and amount of the Securities held by the National Debt Commissioners to meet those liabilities at that date. (*1d.*)

Savings Banks and Friendly Societies. Accounts of all sums received from and paid to Trustees during the year ended 20 November 1938, together with Statement shewing the aggregate amount of the Liabilities of the Government to Trustees of Savings Banks and of Friendly Societies on 20 November 1938, and the nature and amount of the Securities held by the National Debt Commissioners to meet those liabilities at that date. (*1d.*)

SEAMEN.

Census of Seamen, 15 June 1938. (Vessels registered in the United Kingdom.) (*9d.*)

Shews the numbers, ages, nationalities and distribution, according to occupation and size and type of vessel, of crews employed on vessels registered in the United Kingdom. The tables were compiled from lists of crews and other documents received by the Registrar-General of Shipping and Seamen and relate only to seamen employed on vessels on the specified day.

See also Statutes.

STATUTES.

Chronological Table and Index of the Statutes covering the Legislation to 31 December 1938. Fifty-fourth Edition. Volume I. Chronological Table of all the Statutes; Volume II. Index to the Statutes in Force. (3os. the two volumes.)

Public General Acts, 2 & 3, Geo. 6:

Ch. 29. Unemployment Insurance Act, 1939. (3*d.*)

The effect of this legislation was outlined in the note on the corresponding Bill given in *J.I.A.*, Vol. LXX, p. 224.

Ch. 41. Finance Act, 1939. (1s. 3*d.*)

Ch. 49. House of Commons Members Fund Act, 1939. (2*d.*)

Gives effect to the proposals of the Departmental Committee on Pensions for Members of the House of Commons. See *J.I.A.* Vol. LXIX, p. 91.

Ch. 82. Personal Injuries (Emergency Provisions) Act, 1939. (2*d.*)

Empowers the Minister of Pensions to make a scheme for the payment of pensions and grants in respect of war injuries to persons engaged or normally engaged in trades, professions, etc., and to civil defence volunteers.

Ch. 83. Pensions (Navy, Army, Air Force and Mercantile Marine) Act, 1939. (2*d.*)

Transfers to the Minister of Pensions the powers of the Service Departments in respect to the grant of pensions to men of the forces and their dependants, and empowers the Minister to make a scheme for the award of pensions, etc., to members of the mercantile marine in respect of war injuries and detention.

Ch. 84. National Health Insurance and Contributory Pensions (Emergency Provisions) Act, 1939. (4*d.*)

This Act provides for the continuance in insurance of insured persons engaged in war occupations and for the insurance of persons employed under the Crown under conditions of service similar to those applicable to men of the forces. Under provisions in the Act with regard to insured persons in receipt of disablement pensions for war injuries, no health insurance benefit will be payable in respect of the first twenty-six weeks following the date of the injury; thereafter the aggregate receipt from the two sources must not exceed the amount of a pension appropriate to the highest degree of disablement together with one-half of the sickness benefit that would otherwise be payable. Provision is also made against the payment of double pensions to certain persons in receipt of dependants' war pensions, and for limiting the amount of the contributory old age pensions for which they may qualify.

STATUTES (*continued*).

Public General Acts, 2 & 3 Geo. 6 (*continued*):

- Ch. 94. Local Government Staffs (War Service) Act, 1939. (*Id.*)
- Ch. 95. Teachers' Superannuation (War Service) Act, 1939. (*2d.*)
- Ch. 96. Education (Scotland) (War Service Superannuation) Act, 1939. (*2d.*)
- Ch. 103. Police and Firemen (War Service) Act, 1939. (*3d.*)

The four Acts above include provisions under which war service will be reckoned for superannuation.

TRUSTEE STOCKS.

Colonial Stock Acts, 1877-1934. Copy of Treasury List of Stocks in respect of which the provisions of the Colonial Stock Act, 1900, are for the time being complied with. H.C. 172/1938-39. (*Id.*)

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE.

Ministry of Labour. Report for the year 1938. Cmd. 6016. (*2s.*)

Contains an account of the administration of the Unemployment Insurance Scheme in 1938, and gives statistics for each industry showing the number of persons of each sex insured against unemployment in July, with percentages unemployed at quarterly dates during the year.

WAR PENSIONS.

Royal Warrant for the Retired Pay and Pensions, etc., of members of the Military Forces Disabled, and of the Widows, Children and Dependants of such members Deceased in consequence of the Present War. Cmd. 6105. (*9d.*)

Order by His Majesty for Retired Pay, Pensions, Allowances and Gratuities for members of the Air Force and of the Nursing and Auxiliary Services thereof Disabled and for the Widows, Children and Dependants of such members Deceased in consequence of the Present War. H.C. 176/1938-39. (*9d.*)

Navy and Marines. Pay, Pensions, etc. Order in Council dated 21 September 1939, sanctioning Retired Pay, Pensions, Allowances and Gratuities for members of the Naval Forces and the Nursing and Auxiliary Services thereof Disabled, and the Widows, Children and Dependants of such members Deceased in consequence of the Present War. S.R.O. 1221/1939. (*1s. 1d.*)

The War Pensions and Detention Allowances (Mercantile Marine, etc.) Scheme, dated 22 September 1939. S.R.O. 1252/1939. (*8d.*)

The Personal Injuries (Civilian) Scheme, dated 14 September 1939. S.R.O. 1143/1939. (*1d.*)

The publications above show the rates of pension payable and the conditions governing awards.

See also Statutes.