Given under the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance this 26th day of October, in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two.

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G. C. Duggan,

Assistant Secretary to the Ministry of Finance.

Old Age Pensions.

REGULATIONS, DATED 16th JUNE, 1932, MADE BY THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE JOINT COMMITTEE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE UNDER THE WIDOWS', ORPHANS' AND OLD AGE CONTRIBUTORY PENSIONS ACTS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1925 TO 1931.

1932. No. 70.

The National Health Insurance Joint Committee in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sub-section (4) and the proviso to sub-section (5) of Section 14 and paragraph (b) of sub-section (7) of Section 15 of the Widows', Orphans' and Old Age Contributory Pensions Act (Northern Ireland), 1925, and by the Contributory Pension (Joint Committee) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1925 to 1930, and of all other powers enabling them, and in conjunction with the Ministry of Finance so far as regards Regulations which are required to be so made, hereby make the following Regulations:—

- 1. These Regulations may be cited as the Contributory Pensions (Modification of Old Age Pensions) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1932.
- 2.—(1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires—
 - "The Pensions Act" means the Widows', Orphans' and Old Age Contributory Pensions Act (Northern Ireland), 1925, as amended by any subsequent enactment;
 - "The Insurance Act" means the National Health Insurance Act, 1924, as amended by any subsequent enactment;
 - "Exempt Person" means an exempt person within the meaning of the Insurance Act ;
 - "Insurance" means insurance for the purposes of an old age pension under the Pensions Act, and "insured" has a corresponding meaning.

- (2) The Interpretation Act, 1921, applies to the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.
- 3.—(1) Where an exempt person by whom a certificate of exemption is surrendered is, at the date of the surrender, of the age of forty-five or upwards, then, if he subsequently becomes entitled to an old age pension under the Pensions Act, such pension shall be payable at the weekly rate appropriate to his age at the date of his first entry into insurance subsequent to the date of the surrender of his certificate, as set out in the Table contained in the Schedule to these Regulations.
- (2) Where a person who by virtue of sub-section (5) of Section 14 of the Pensions Act becomes a voluntary contributor under the Insurance Act is at the date of so becoming a voluntary contributor of the age of 45 or upwards, then, if he subsequently becomes entitled to an old age pension under the Pensions Act, the pension shall be payable at the weekly rate appropriate to his age at the date of his entry into insurance as a voluntary contributor as aforesaid, as set out in the Table contained in the Schedule to these Regulations.
- 4. Where a person to whom paragraph (b) of sub-section (7) of Section 15 of the Pensions Act applies is or becomes insured, he shall, subject to the provisions of the said Act, be entitled to an old age pension under the Act—
 - (a) at the rate of ten shillings a week in any of the following cases:—
 - (i) if at the date of his entry into insurance he had not attained the age of forty-five years, or
 - (ii) if he had been continuously insured under the Insurance Act since the 7th day of August, 1925, or
 - (iii) if he became a voluntary contributor by virtue of sub-section (1) of Section 13 of the Pensions Act as from the 4th day of January, 1926, and had been continuously insured since that date, or
 - (iv) if at the date when contributions at the rate mentioned in Part IV of the First Schedule to the Pensions Act became payable in respect of him he had for 10 years or since the commencement of the Pensions Act (whichever is the shorter period) been continuously insured by virtue of his employment and had continued to be insured since that date:

- (b) in any other case, if at the date of his entry into insurance he had not attained the age of sixty years, at the weekly rate appropriate to his age at such date, as set out in the Table contained in the Schedule to these Regulations.
- 5.—(1) Notwithstanding anything in Articles 3 and 4 of these Regulations, in the case of a person the date of whose entry into insurance was not later than the 4th day of January, 1926, his age at the date of entry into insurance shall for the purposes of paragraph (2) of Article 3 and paragraphs (a) (i) and (b) of Article 4 of these Regulations be deemed to have been the age which he had attained at the earliest date (being a date prior to his entry into insurance) on which he would have been entitled to become a voluntary contributor if Sections 14 and 15 of the Pensions Act and sub-section (3) (a) of Section 1 of the Insurance Act had been in force since the 15th day of July, 1914:

Provided that if as respects any period before the 30th day of June, 1919, any question arises as to the earliest date on which a person would have been entitled to become a voluntary contributor as aforesaid by reason of the rate of his remuneration having exceeded the limit specified in paragraph (k) of Part II of the First Schedule to the Insurance Act, that question shall be determined as if in the said paragraph (k) the words "one hundred and sixty pounds" were substituted for the words "two hundred and fifty pounds" wherever those words occur.

- (2) This Article shall be deemed to have had effect as from the 2nd day of January, 1928.
- 6. Where the wife of a person to whom the provisions of Article 3 or Article 4 of these Regulations applies is by virtue of his insurance entitled to an old age pension under the Pensions Act such pension shall be payable at the same rate as that to which her husband is or has been entitled.
- 7. The provisions of the Pensions Act relating to old age pensions payable to persons who have attained the age of seventy shall apply to a person and to the wife of such a person to whom the provisions of paragraph (b) of sub-section (7) of Section 15 of the said Act apply, so, however, that any such pension shall be payable at the same rate as that to which such person is entitled at the date on which such person attains the age of seventy.
- 8. The Contributory Pensions (Modification of Old Age Pensions) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1926 (S.R. & O. of N.I., 1926, No. 98) are hereby repealed but without prejudice to anything done or suffered, or to any right, privilege, obligation or liability acquired, accrued or incurred, thereunder.

SCHEDULE.

Table showing modified Weekly Rate of Old Age Pension in certain cases.

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Given under the Official Seal of the National Health Insurance Joint Committee this 16th day of June, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-two.

(L.S.) V. H. Coleman,
Acting Secretary to the National Health
Insurance Joint Committee.

Given under the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance this 16th day of June, One thousand nine hundred and thirty-two.

(L.S.)

G. C. Duggan,

Assistant Secretary to the

Ministry of Finance.

Oversea Voluntary Contributors.

REGULATIONS DATED 16th JUNE, 1932, MADE BY THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE JOINT COMMITTEE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE FOR NORTHERN IRELAND UNDER SUB-SECTIONS (3) AND (6) OF SECTION 3 OF THE WIDOWS', ORPHANS', AND OLD AGE CONTRIBUTORY PENSIONS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1929.

1932. No. 65.

The National Health Insurance Joint Committee in conjunction with the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sub-sections (3) and (6) of Section 3 of the Widows', Orphans', and Old Age Contributory Pensions