

***Protection of Bank Offices.**

ORDER, DATED 6TH NOVEMBER, 1940, MADE BY THE MINISTER OF PUBLIC SECURITY UNDER SUB-SECTION 2 OF SECTION 1 OF THE MINISTRIES ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1940.

1940. No. 151.

*By reason of a declaration under Article 3 of the Schedule to the Rules Publication Act, Northern Ireland, 1925, this Order is not printed at length.

Securing of Horses.

1940. No. 139.

WHEREAS it is provided by sub-section (2) of Section 1 of the Ministries Act (Northern Ireland), 1940, that the Ministry of Public Security for Northern Ireland (hereinafter referred to as "the Ministry") shall have power to issue such Orders as the Minister of Public Security for Northern Ireland may consider necessary for public security, civil defence, the preservation of the peace and the maintenance of order, the co-ordination of the civil defence services and the protection of persons and property from injury and damage in the present emergency :

AND WHEREAS the said Minister considers it necessary, in the interests of public security and the protection of persons and property from injury or damage, to make an Order for the provision of means for securing horses in the event of hostile attack from the air :

NOW, THEREFORE, the Ministry, in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by the Ministries Act (Northern Ireland), 1940, hereby orders, as follows :—

1.—No person shall cause or permit any horse to be on a road in the County Boroughs of Belfast and Londonderry, unless the horse is wearing a halter with a rope or two ropes attached thereto and the halter and the rope or ropes comply with the following provisions :—

- (a) the halter shall be made of webbing, rope or leather ;
- (b) the halter shall be so adjusted and shall be of such strength and the rope or ropes shall be so attached thereto, and shall be of such length and strength that the horse can be securely tethered thereby ;
- (c) except when the horse is being led, or is tethered, by the rope or ropes, the rope or ropes shall be bestowed on the horse in such a manner that the whole length thereof can immediately be made available for tethering the horse.

2.—(1) Any person who, at any time during a period during which a hostile attack from the air is in progress in the vicinity, is in charge of a horse in any place in Northern Ireland to which the public have access :—

- (a) shall comply with any directions which may be given to him by a constable as respects the manner or place in which the horse is to be secured until the attack has ceased, and as respects the place in which any vehicle drawn by the horse is to be left while the horse is so secured ; or
- (b) if no such directions are given, shall use the best available means to ensure that the horse is unyoked from any vehicle to which it may have been yoked, and is secured until the attack has ceased, and that the horse and any vehicle drawn thereby, if left on a highway, are left in such a position as to cause as little obstruction as possible.

(2) For the purpose of this Article any period between the giving of an air raid warning and the giving of the raiders passed signal shall be deemed to be a period during which a hostile attack from the air is in progress, whether or not any such attack takes place.

3.—Nothing in this order shall apply to a horse or vehicle which is for the time being in the charge of a member of His Majesty's forces or constable in the course of his duty as such.

4.—In this order the following expressions have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them :—

“ air raid warning ” means any public signal indicating that an air raid by the enemy is expected or is in progress ;

“ raiders passed signal ” means any public signal indicating that such an air raid is no longer expected or has ceased ;

“ halter ” includes a head collar or a neck collar ;

“ horse ” includes a mare, gelding, pony, foal, colt, filly and stallion, and any reference to a horse shall be construed as including a reference to a mule, jennet and ass.

5.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Public Security (Securing of Horses) Order (Northern Ireland), 1940.

(2) This Order shall come into operation on the fourth day of November, 1940.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Public Security this 21st day of October, Nineteen Hundred and Forty, in the presence of

J. C. MacDermott,
Minister of Public Security for
Northern Ireland.

(L.S.)