

- (b) by a direction or refusal under paragraph (1) of Article 7 of this Order, or
- (c) by any such termination of employment as is mentioned in the proviso to paragraph (1) of Article 4 of this Order

that person may within seven days after the decision, direction or refusal is notified to him, or within seven days after the termination of the employment (as the case may be), by notice in writing require the National Service Officer to submit the matter to a Court of Referees.

(2) When, in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this Article, an aggrieved person requires a National Service Officer to submit a matter to a Court of Referees, the matter shall forthwith be submitted to and decided by that Court.

(3) For the purposes of paragraph (1) (b) of this Article a person shall not be deemed to be aggrieved by reason only of a reduction in earnings unaccompanied by other considerations.

12.—Any proceedings for an offence consisting of a contravention of, or non-compliance with, any provision of this Order may be instituted by the Ministry of Agriculture.

13.—This Order shall not apply to any male agricultural worker under the age of sixteen years, or to any female agricultural worker.

14.—The provisions of this Order shall be without prejudice to the operation of any directions given by the Ministry of Labour under Regulation 58A of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, for requiring persons to perform services.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland this 18th day of February, 1942, in the presence of

R. R. Bowman,

(L.S.)

Permanent Secretary.

ORDER, DATED 16TH JUNE, 1942, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR UNDER REGULATIONS 58A AND 98 OF THE DEFENCE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1939.

1942. No. 87.

The Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Regulations 58A and 98 of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, hereby makes the following Order :—

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Control of Employment (Agriculture) (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order, 1942, and shall

come into force on the date hereof and this Order and the Control of Employment (Agriculture) (Northern Ireland) Order, 1942, may be cited together as the Control of Employment (Agriculture) (Northern Ireland) Orders, 1942.

(2) In this Order the expression "principal Order" means the Control of Employment (Agriculture) (Northern Ireland) Order, 1942.

2.—The following Article shall be substituted for Article 4 of the principal Order :—

(1) " Subject to paragraph (2) of this Article, a farmer shall not dismiss any insured agricultural worker from his employment nor shall any insured agricultural worker leave his employment on work in agriculture unless seven clear days' notice in writing of intention to terminate the employment has been given to the agricultural worker or farmer (as the case may be) or payment of a sum equivalent to a week's wages at the appropriate rate prescribed under the Agricultural Wages (Regulation) Act (Northern Ireland), 1939, has been made in advance in lieu of such notice by the worker or farmer (as the case may be) :

Provided that

(a) Where an insured agricultural worker is absent from his work for more than two days in any calendar week without the consent of the farmer by whom he is employed, the farmer may dismiss him after three days' notice in writing given on the day on which the worker resumes employment, or, immediately on such resumption, by paying the worker a sum equivalent to three days' wages in advance at the appropriate rate prescribed under the Agricultural Wages (Regulation) Act (Northern Ireland), 1939.

(b) Where an insured agricultural worker employed by a farmer is guilty of misconduct, or a farmer has been guilty of misconduct towards an insured agricultural worker employed by him nothing in the foregoing provisions of this Article shall be construed as preventing such employer or worker from terminating the employment summarily and without notice.

(2) The foregoing provisions of this Article shall not apply to agricultural workers employed solely at piece rates on work for which it is customary to make payment at piece rates, or to agricultural workers casually employed in threshing work or to agricultural workers when called up for full-time duty as Special Constables or in connection with enlistment in the Royal Ulster Constabulary.

(3) The party giving notice to terminate any employment under paragraph (1) of this Article shall at the same time transmit a notice in writing to the National Service Officer acting for the district, and the party terminating any employment summarily, or by the payment in advance of a sum equivalent to wages, shall, on the day on which the

employment is terminated, transmit a notice in writing of such termination to the National Service Officer acting for the district. Where the employment is terminated summarily or by less than a week's notice, or by payment of a sum equivalent to less than a week's wages in lieu of such notice, the notice to the said National Service Officer shall include a statement of the reasons for terminating the employment.

3.—The following Article shall be substituted for Article 7 of the principal Order :—

“(1) When a National Service Officer

(a) gives to an insured agricultural worker who is in non-agricultural employment a direction to leave that employment ; or

(b) refuses to release under Article 8 of this Order an insured agricultural worker who is unemployed and has applied in writing to the National Service Officer for release ;

such worker shall, if he proves that he is unemployed and is capable of and available for work, be employed by the Ministry of Agriculture from the relevant date to the date on which he may be released under Article 8 of this Order, except during any periods for which he is in receipt of a sum equivalent to wages in lieu of notice or when he is an inmate of any prison or workhouse or other institution supported wholly or partly out of public funds.

Provided that if such worker has lost his employment through his misconduct, or has voluntarily left his employment without just cause or has refused to accept suitable employment, he may be disqualified from being employed by the Ministry of Agriculture for a period of six weeks or such shorter period as may be determined.

(2) For the purpose of paragraph (1) (a) of this Article the relevant date shall be the date specified in the direction when the worker is to leave the employment and for the purpose of paragraph (1) (b) thereof the relevant date shall, in respect of each period of unemployment, be the date of receipt by the National Service Officer of the application for release and such application shall be deemed to be received by the National Service Officer on the date when the worker first signs the Employment Exchange Register as unemployed in that period of unemployment.

(3) The rate of wages to be paid to such worker shall not be less than the rate of benefit appropriate in his case, or the rate of agricultural wages applying to the area where he lives or the rate of agricultural wages applying to the area where he was last employed, whichever is the highest.”

4.—The following Article shall be substituted for Article 9 of the principal Order :—

“ Any books, notices or other documents required by this Order to be transmitted to the National Service Officer for any district, must be delivered or sent by post to the said Officer or delivered or sent by post to the appropriate Employment Exchange for transmission to him.”

5.—Paragraph (1) (c) of Article 11 of the principal Order shall have effect as if the words “ the proviso to ” were omitted therefrom.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland this 16th day of June, 1942, in the presence of

(L.S.)

R. R. Bowman,

Permanent Secretary.

Feeding Stuffs (Rationing) : Dried Liver Meal.

ORDER, DATED OCTOBER 20TH, 1942, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER THE FEEDING STUFFS (RATIONING) (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER, 1941.

1942. No. 169.

WHEREAS by the Feeding Stuffs (Rationing) (Northern Ireland) Order, 1941 (a), it is provided that “ rationed feeding stuff ” means any feeding stuff which the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland (hereinafter referred to as “ the Ministry ”) may by Directions made under that Order specify and that until the Ministry shall otherwise direct shall have the meaning assigned to it by the Schedule to that Order :

NOW, THEREFORE, the said Ministry hereby orders and directs that the Schedule to that Order shall have effect as if dried liver meal were included therein.

This Order may be cited as the Feeding Stuffs (Rationing) (Dried Liver Meal) (Northern Ireland) Order, 1942.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this twentieth day of October, 1942, in the presence of

(L.S.)

(Signed) *J. H. Craig,*

Assistant Secretary.

FERTILISERS : CONTROL.

ORDER, DATED 9TH JANUARY, 1942, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER REGULATION 55 (1) OF THE DEFENCE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1939.

1942. No. 8.

(a) S. R. & O. (U.K.) 1941 No. 32.