

The Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury hereby announce that They have made an Order under Section 20 of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1940, entitled The Purchase Tax (Alteration of Rates) (No. 4) Order, 1945, directing that as from the 29th day of October 1945 Purchase Tax on hand-made knotted carpets, rugs and mats shall be reduced from 100 per cent. to 33½ per cent.

The Order has been published as Statutory Rules and Orders, No. 1272, and may be purchased (price 1d. net) direct from His Majesty's Stationery Office, York House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2; 13A Castle Street, Edinburgh, 2; 39-41 King Street, Manchester, 2; 1 St. Andrew's Crescent, Cardiff; 80 Chichester Street, Belfast; or through any bookseller.

The Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty hereby give notice that they have made an Order entitled: Control of His Majesty's Coast Guard, Order made by the Admiralty under Sub-section 2 of Section 2 of the Coast Guard Act, 1925 (S.R. & O., No. 1239/45).

Admiralty, London, S.W.1,
11th October 1945.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SCOTLAND) ACTS.

ORDER BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

Whereas the number of County Councillors for the County of Lanark (in this Order called the County) and the apportionment of these County Councillors between the landward area of the County and the Burghs entitled to be represented on the County Council were determined by an Order dated the 25th October 1929 made by the Secretary of State under Section 8 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1929, and by Orders dated the 20th September 1935 and the 11th July 1938 made by him under Section 51 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889;

And whereas the Town Council of Rutherglen have represented to the Secretary of State that it is desirable that the number of County Councillors to be elected by them should be increased to 5;

And whereas the Secretary of State is of opinion that it is expedient to give effect to the representation of the Town Council:

Now therefore the Secretary of State, in virtue of the powers conferred on him by Section 51 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, as read with the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1929, hereby orders as follows:—

1. The number of County Councillors for the County shall be increased from 93 to 94.

2. The number of County Councillors to be elected by the Town Council of Rutherglen shall be increased from 4 to 5.

Given under the seal of the Secretary of State
this 12th day of October nineteen hundred
and forty-five.

(L.S.) (Sgd.) DAVID MILNE, Secretary.

Scottish Home Department,
St. Andrew's House,
Edinburgh, 1.

EMERGENCY POWERS (DEFENCE).

The Minister of Fuel and Power hereby gives notice that, in pursuance of Article 1 of the Control of Fuel (No. 3) Order, he has made a Direction entitled the Control of Fuel (No. 3) Order, 1942, General Direction (Glasshouse Heating) No. 3.

The Direction will shortly be published as S.R. & O., No. 1291, and copies may be purchased (price 1d. net) through any bookseller or direct from H.M. Stationery Office at the following addresses:—York House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2; 13A Castle Street, Edinburgh; 39-41 King Street, Manchester, 2; 1 St. Andrew's Crescent, Cardiff; and 80 Chichester Street, Belfast.

Ministry of Fuel and Power,
7 Millbank, London, S.W.1,
16th October 1945.

Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.

DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS, 1894 to 1937.

Notice is hereby given, in pursuance of Section 49 (3) of the Diseases of Animals Act, 1894, that the Minister of

Agriculture and Fisheries has made an Order dated eleventh day of October 1945 relating to the detention of dogs in quarantine.

Copies of the above-mentioned Order may be obtained from The Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, Animal Health Division, 99 Gresham Street, London, E.C.2.

Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.

DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACTS, 1894 to 1937.

Notice is hereby given, in pursuance of Section 49 (3) of the Diseases of Animals Act, 1894, that the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries has made an Order dated twelfth day of October 1945 relating to the detention of imported dogs in quarantine.

Copies of the above-mentioned Order may be obtained from The Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, Animal Health Division, 99 Gresham Street, London, E.C.2.

In Parliament,
Session 1945-46.

BANK OF ENGLAND.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Bill (hereinafter referred to as "the Bill") has been introduced into Parliament in the present Session for an Act under the above name or short title, the title of the Bill being "A Bill to bring the capital stock of the Bank of England into public ownership and bring the Bank under public control, to make provision with respect to the relations between the Treasury, the Bank of England and other banks and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid."

A notice containing a concise summary of the purposes of the Bill has been or will be published in full in the "Times" newspaper on the 13th and 20th days of October instant.

On and after the 13th day of October 1945 prints of the Bill may be inspected at the Offices of the undersigned or at His Majesty's Stationery Office, York House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2; 13A Castle Street, Edinburgh, 2; or 80 Chichester Street, Belfast, and may be purchased at the price of twopence each at His Majesty's Stationery Office at the stated addresses.

Dated this 18th day of October 1945.

T. J. BARNES, The Solicitor for the Affairs of
His Majesty's Treasury, Storey's Gate,
S.W.1.

C. E. C. BROWNE, 15 Great College Street,
Westminster, S.W.1, Parliamentary Agent.

STATEMENT showing the QUANTITIES SOLD and AVERAGE PRICES of BRITISH CORN per Hundredweight of 112 Imperial Pounds,* as received by the MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES in the week ended 13th October 1945, pursuant to the Corn Returns Act, 1882, the Corn Sales Act, 1921, and the Agricultural (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1943:—

British Corn.	Quantities Sold.	Average Price per Cwt.	
		s.	d.
		Cwt.	
WHEAT	457,378	13	8
BABLEY	590,795	24	6
OATS	81,587	15	1

* Section 8 of the Corn Returns Act, 1882, as amended by Section 2 of the Corn Sales Act, 1921, provides that, in the weekly summary of quantities and prices, each sort of British corn shall be computed with reference to the hundredweight of one hundred and twelve imperial standard pounds.

NOTE.—The prices in the statement above are based on returns received during the week ended 13th October 1945, and represent on the whole the average prices ruling in the week ended 6th October 1945.

H. N. WHITE.

Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries,
Hotel Majestic, St. Annes,
Lytham St. Annes, Lancashire.