

summary offence against these regulations, and where a person embarks at a port in contravention of this regulation the master of the vessel on which he embarks shall, unless he proves to the contrary, be deemed to have aided and abetted the offence."

3. Regulation 37 shall be amended by the insertion therein after the word "coast" of the words "or in controlling or directing the movements of merchant shipping."

4. After Regulation 43A the following regulation shall be inserted:—

"43B. If any person procures or persuades a soldier to absent himself without leave, or knowingly aids or assists a soldier to absent himself without leave, or knowingly conceals an absentee without leave or aids or assists him in concealing himself, or aids or assists in his rescue, that person shall be guilty of a summary offence against these regulations and for the purpose of this provision shall be deemed to have had knowledge unless he proves that he had not knowledge:

"Provided that this regulation shall not apply in any area in which Regulation 42AA applies."

Almeric FitzRoy.

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 4th day of *June*, 1918.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by Sub-section 3 of Section 12 of the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, it is provided that where by any Enactment passed after the passing of that Act any amendments are made in the Army Act the corresponding amendments shall be made in the Air Force Act subject to such modifications and exceptions as His Majesty in Council may declare to be necessary for adapting the same to the Air Force:

And whereas by the Army (Annual) Act, 1918, certain amendments in the Army Act have been made:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, is pleased to declare and order, and it is hereby declared and ordered, as follows:—

1. The modifications set forth in Part 1 of the Schedule to this Order are necessary for adapting to the Air Force the amendments in the Army Act made by the Army (Annual) Act, 1918, and accordingly the amendments set forth in Part 2 of the Schedule to this Order shall be made in the Air Force Act.

2. The said amendments to the Air Force Act shall take effect, and shall be deemed to have taken effect:—

(a) in the United Kingdom, Channel Islands and the Isle of Man as from the 30th day of April, 1918; and

(b) elsewhere whether within or without His Majesty's Dominions as from the 31st day of July, 1918:

Provided that the amendments to Sections 133 and 163 of the Air Force Act shall take effect, and shall be deemed to have taken effect, as from the said 30th day of April, 1918, both within the British Islands and elsewhere.

3. This Order may be cited as the Air Force Act (Statutory Amendments) Order, 1918.

Almeric FitzRoy.

SCHEDULE.

PART I.

Wherever in the amendments to the Army Act pursuant to Sections 4 to 13 of the Army (Annual) Act, 1918, any of the terms occur which are set forth in the first column of the following Table then in the amendments to the Air Force Act pursuant to Section 12 of the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, the terms set forth in the second column of that Table shall be substituted therefor respectively.

TABLE.

<i>Terms in amendments to the Army Act.</i>	<i>Substituted terms in amendments to the Air Force Act.</i>
"Army Council."	"Air Council."
"Air Council."	"Army Council."
"soldiers."	"airmen."
"soldier."	"airman."
"Air Force Act."	"Army Act."
"Air-force."	"Military."
"the Air Force."	"a Military Force."
"Military."	"Air-force."
"regular Forces."	"regular Air Force."
"any troops."	"any body of the Air Force."
"those troops."	"that body."

PART II.

1. The following Sub-section shall be added at the end of Section 108A:—

"(7) The provisions of this Act as to billeting shall, whilst any Order of His Majesty under this Section is in force, apply to women who are enrolled for employment by the Air Council as they apply to airmen; and for the purpose of those provisions as so applied Officers of any body of the Air Force with whom the women to be billeted are employed, and the Officer commanding that body, shall be deemed in relation to such women to be their Officers and Commanding Officer; and if any such woman is guilty of an offence in relation to billeting mentioned in Section 30 of this Act she shall be punishable on summary conviction in manner provided by Sub-section (2) of Section 111 of this Act."

2. In Sub-section (5) of Section 24 the words "or other animal" shall be inserted after the word "horse."

3. In Sub-section (1) of Section 52 the following words shall be inserted after the words "and you do further swear that" where those words first occur:—

"except so far as may be permitted by instructions of the Air Council for the purpose of communicating the sentence to the accused."

4. At the end of Sub-section (1) of Section 133 the following words shall be inserted:—

"and every building or part of a building set apart under the Army Act as a Military prison or detention barrack, shall, unless the Secretary of State otherwise directs, be deemed to be an Air-force prison or detention barrack within the meaning of this Section."

5. Section 140 shall be amended as follows:—

"In Sub-section (2) the following shall be substituted for the words from 'So, however, that' to the end of the Sub-section:—

"So, however, that—

"(a) no person shall be treated as absent, imprisoned, or detained, for the purposes aforesaid, unless the absence, imprisonment,