

it has done for them. They ask the support of the nation in the task which lies before them; and they are profoundly grateful to Your Majesty, and to Her Majesty the Queen, for the encouragement given to their work by Your Majesties through Your presence here on this the birthday of a national library service.

To which address His Majesty was pleased to return the following Gracious Answer:—

The Queen and I thank you and the Trustees of the National Central Library for your loyal Address.

Two years ago, as your Address recalls, I had the pleasure of granting a Charter of Incorporation to the National Central Library. To-day I am happy to renew my association with a movement designed to meet the needs both of the general public and of students in this country. The striking increase in the number of libraries, and of those who avail themselves of the facilities thus offered, is welcome evidence of a growing recognition that education does not end with school or college. Education is indeed many sided, and must lead to the encouragement of reading for recreation and for the intrinsic pleasure that reading can afford. By your system of loans between libraries you have made provision for study and research which would be scarcely possible in any local library. In this respect these buildings constitute a National University which all may attend and none need ever leave, and it is fitting that they should have as neighbours those other great centres of National culture, the British Museum and the University of London.

I cordially share your feelings of gratitude to the Carnegie Trust for the munificent gift of this building, and to those other benefactors for their several contributions. This country owes much to the late Mr. Carnegie and the generous policy of his Trustees, and especially for their help in developing the Public Library Service, to-day enriched and crowned by the National Central Library.

I now declare these buildings open. In so doing I warmly congratulate the Trustees and the Chief Librarian on their great achievement, and wish them all success in making the National Central Library worthy of its new home and an instrument of still wider benefit to the cause of learning among my people.

*Treasury Chambers, S.W.1.
10th November, 1933.*

The Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice that They have made the following Order:—

The Irish Free State (Special Duties) (No. 3) Order, 1933.

The Order has been published as Statutory Rules and Orders, 1933, No. 1057, and copies may be purchased (price 1d. net) direct from His Majesty's Stationery Office, at the following addresses:—Adastral House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2; 120, George Street, Edinburgh 2; York Street, Manchester 1; 1, St. Andrew's Crescent, Cardiff; 15, Donegall Square West, Belfast; or through any bookseller.

NOTICE.

NATIONAL DEBT (SAVINGS BANKS ANNUITIES AND INSURANCES) REGULATIONS 1933.

Notice is hereby given under the Rules Publication Act 1893, that it is proposed by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, with the consent of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, after the expiration of at least 40 days from this date, in pursuance of the Government Annuities Act 1929, Section 52 (2) to make Regulations for the execution of contracts on behalf of the Commissioners by officers appointed for the purpose by the Postmaster General with the consent of the Commissioners.

Draft copies of the said Regulations may be obtained on application at the National Debt Office, 19, Old Jewry, E.C.2.

Dated this 14th day of November, 1933.

WILD BIRDS PROTECTION ACTS.

The Secretary of State for the Home Department gives notice that on the 8th instant he made an Order under the Wild Birds Protection Acts, 1880 to 1908, in respect of the City of Oxford.

Copies of the Order may be purchased directly from H.M. Stationery Office, at the following addresses:—Adastral House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2; 120, George Street, Edinburgh 2; York Street, Manchester 1; 1, St. Andrew's Crescent, Cardiff; or through any bookseller.

Whitehall,
14th November, 1933.

The Home Secretary gives notice that in pursuance of Section 2 (1) of the Employment of Women, Young Persons and Children Act, 1920, he has made an Order authorising the employment on two day-shifts, of women of 18 and young persons of 16 years of age and over in hosiery knitting in the Knitting Department (1st Floor) at the works of S.B.S. Knitting Co., Bridge Street, Shepshed, Leicestershire, subject to the conditions that a worker shall not be employed in the afternoon shift in consecutive weeks and that suitable accommodation for clothing put off during working hours and washing facilities shall be provided.

Whitehall,
9th November, 1933.

The Home Secretary gives notice that in pursuance of Section 2 (1) of the Employment of Women, Young Persons and Children Act, 1920, he has made an Order authorising the employment on two day-shifts, of women of 18 years of age and over in the flat knitting and interlock circular knitting department at the works of Messrs. Robinson and Pickford (1928) Limited, Watling Street, Leicester, sub-