

November, 1929, the 18th December, 1930 and the 27th October, 1936 sanction was given to the payment of Marriage Allowance for the legal wives and legitimate children, step-children and statutorily adopted children of married Seamen, Marines and Reservists borne on the books of Your Majesty's Ships and Marines on shore strength and of ratings of the Shore Signal Service and Shore Wireless Service:

"And whereas by Your Order in Council dated the 17th November, 1939 sanction was given to the payment of allowances for the dependants of Seamen, Marines and Reservists serving during the present war:

"And whereas we are of opinion that an additional payment of 3s. 6d. a week should be made to the wives of Naval ratings and Royal Marine ranks in receipt of Marriage Allowance where the wives are resident in the London Postal Area and to unmarried dependants living as wives similarly resident who are in receipt of Dependants' Allowance at Marriage Allowance rates:

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to sanction payment of such allowance with effect from the 7th December, 1939.

"The Lords Commissioners of Your Majesty's Treasury have signified their concurrence in this proposal."

His Majesty, having taken the said Memorial into consideration, was pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to approve of what is therein proposed.

And the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty are to give the necessary directions herein accordingly.

*Rupert B. Howorth.*

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 19th day of *March*, 1940.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS there was this day read at the Board a Memorial from the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, dated the 14th day of March, 1940 (N. 13598/1939), in the words following, viz.:-

"Whereas by Section 3 of the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions Act, 1865, it is enacted, *inter alia*, that all pay, pensions or other allowances in the nature thereof, payable in respect of services in Your Majesty's Naval or Marine Force to a person being or having been an Officer, Seaman or Marine therein, shall be paid in such manner and subject to such restrictions, conditions and provisions as are from time to time directed by Order in Council:

"And whereas by Orders in Council bearing dates the 13th August, 1920, the 26th May, 1925, the 1st February, 1926, the 5th November, 1929, the 18th December, 1930, and the 27th October, 1936, sanction was given to the payment of Marriage Allowance for the legal wives and legitimate children, step-children and statutorily adopted children of married Sea-

men, Marines and Reservists borne on the books of Your Majesty's Ships, and of Marines on shore strength, and of ratings of the Shore Signal Service and Shore Wireless Service:

"And whereas we are of opinion that the basic rate of allowance authorised for wives should with effect from the 28th April, 1938, be increased to 17s. a week, and that an additional allowance, within a maximum of 12s. a week, should with effect from the same date be granted for children who are motherless or whose mothers are ineligible for Marriage Allowance:

"And whereas we are further of opinion that, with effect from the 16th November, 1939, and for the period of the present war, the standard rates for children should be increased by an addition of 1s. a week each for the second and third children and 2s. a week each for succeeding children in a family:

"We beg leave humbly to recommend that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased, by Your Order in Council, to sanction payment of allowances accordingly.

"The Lords Commissioners of Your Majesty's Treasury have signified their concurrence in these proposals."

His Majesty, having taken the said Memorial into consideration, was pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to approve of what is therein proposed.

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"And whereas by Order in Council dated the 17th day of November, 1939, sanction was given, *inter alia*, to the grant in respect of Seamen, Marines and Reservists serving during the present war of special allowances, on the recommendation of the Military Service (Special Allowances) Advisory Committee, in cases of domestic need, such allowances when added to any Marriage Allowance or Dependants' Allowance (but not allotment) not to exceed £2 a week for any one man:

"And whereas we consider that in present circumstances this limit requires to be revised.