



UNEMPLOYMENT

For the relief of Unemployment in the period 13th May to 31st October, 1940, His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, with the approval of Tynwald, has—

1. Appointed a Registration Officer for duties in connection with the compilation of a register of unemployed men, and to act as Secretary of the Committee referred to in 2 hereof. Address—Drill Hall, Douglas.
2. Appointed the following Committee to advise him on matters connected with the registration of unemployed men, and to decide cases referred to them by the Registration Officer :—
 - Mr. T. B. Cowley, J.P., Ramsey (Chairman).
 - Mr. J. H. Cowley, Railway Terrace, Douglas.
 - Mr. Stanley Creer, Eleanora Drive, Douglas.
 - Mr. F. H. Crowe, C.P., Erinville, Kirk Michael.
 - Mr. Edward Gale, Larivane Bank, Andreas.
 - Mr. T. Gale, Port Erin.
 - Mr. J. K. Gawne, Craig Mount, Peel.
 - Mr. T. Mellor, Briardale, South Cape, Laxey.
 - Mr. Herbert Moore, Ballafesson, Port Erin.
 - Mr. J. C. Qualtrough, Bowling Green Road, Castletown.
 - Mr. T. S. Quayle, 44 Victoria Road, Douglas.
 - Mr. J. Scarffe, 11 Malvern Terrace, Douglas.
 - Mr. T. H. Webster, Brookfield, Ramsey.
3. Made the following Rules for the registration, &c., of unemployed men :—
 - (a) Qualifications for Admission to the Register.
 - (1) (a) Men over 41 years of age and under the age of 65 and (b) men over 21 and below 41 years of age who are certified as medically unfit for immediate acceptance for His Majesty's forces or who having volunteered for His Majesty's forces are awaiting calling up but who are physically and mentally fit for manual work, having a settlement in the Isle of Man, and having resided therein for a period of not less than seven years, who have satisfied the Registration Officer that they have made every endeavour to obtain employment and have been unable to find work of any description at a reasonable wage.
 - (2) Ex-Servicemen of the age of 21 years and upwards having a settlement in the Isle of Man, and having resided therein for a period of not less than seven years, who are certified by the Local War Pensions Committee for the Isle of Man as being physically or mentally unfit through war service for heavy manual labour but fit for light employment.
 - (b) Procedure in regard to Registration.
 - (i) Registration will commence on the 1st May.
 - (ii) Applicants who do not appear to satisfy the qualifications for admission to the register shall not be registered until the Registration Officer has referred the case in each instance to the Committee for decision.
 - (iii) The date of registration shall be the date on which the application form duly completed, is received by the Registration Officer.

(c) Unemployment Pay when Employment cannot be found.

- (i) Unemployment pay will be provided in the period 13th May to 31st October, 1940, at the following scale :—

14/- per week for men within the Eastern District ;

12/- per week for men elsewhere ;

8/- per week for wife or adult dependant ;

3/- per week for each dependent child under 14 years of age, or up to the age of 16 years if in full time attendance at a day school with a maximum payment of 12/- per week.

With a maximum payment in respect of each family or household of 34/- per week within the Eastern district and 32/- per week elsewhere.

- (ii) Whenever a man in receipt of Unemployment Pay obtains work of a continuous character, he will at once notify the Registration Officer who will thereupon note the fact in the register and his Unemployment pay will cease. Failure to notify will disqualify a registered man for future registration.

- (iii) Where the Registration Officer is in possession of information that a registered man is in receipt of money from earnings or other sources, he will take steps to reduce the Unemployment pay by the amount of such earnings or receipts from other sources. The amount to be allowed as the earnings of other members of a family to be in the absolute discretion of the Committee, who, in computing such amount, shall have regard to the following facts :—

(i) That such earnings are primarily available to maintain the person who earns them, and should not be regarded as the income of the parent except in so far as the person ought to contribute towards the household support over and above his or her own maintenance, and

(ii) The income of the family for the whole year in relation to the cost of maintaining the household ;

(iii) In the case of a disability pension awarded to an ex-Service man, such pension up to an income of 20/- may be allowed without deduction from Unemployment pay where the Registration Officer considers it advisable so to do. And in the case of Navy and Army Reserve pay, an allowance up to 10/- may be made without deduction from Unemployment pay where the Registration Officer considers it advisable so to do. In the event of a registered man being dissatisfied with the decision of the Registration Officer, he may appeal to the Health Insurance and Pensions Board.

- (iv) Where a registered man drawing Unemployment pay refuses to accept work at a reasonable wage

(a) out of the Isle of Man ; or

(b) work in the Isle of Man for such a number of days in any week as will at the current rate of wages, give him an amount in such week equal to the Unemployment pay to which he would be entitled if unemployed

his name shall be removed from the register and his Unemployment pay stopped.

- (v) Where a man for the purpose of obtaining Unemployment pay makes a statement as to his earnings or as to his ability to obtain work, which is proved to the satisfaction of the Committee to be false, his name shall be removed from the register and his Unemployment pay stopped. This provision to be in addition to any other penalty to which he may be subject.

4. Financial.

Unemployment pay will be disbursed by the Registration Officer as follows:—

EACH THURSDAY

10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Town Hall, Port St. Mary for the payment of men residing in Rushen, including Port Erin and Port St. Mary.

11.15 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. at the Oddfellows Hall, Castletown, for the payment of men residing in Castletown, Arbory, Ballasalla and Malew.

EACH FRIDAY

10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. at the Drill Hall, Douglas, for the payment of men residing in Douglas, Onchan, Braddan, Santon and Marown.

EACH SATURDAY

10 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. at the Town Hall, Laxey, for the payment of men residing in Laxey and Lonan.

11 a.m. to 12 noon at the Town Hall, Ramsey, for the payment of men residing in Ramsey, Jurby, Lezayre, Bride, Andreas and Maughold.

12.30 p.m. to 1 p.m. at Michael Court House, for the payment of men residing in Michael and Ballaugh.

2.30 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Town Hall, Peel, for the payment of men residing in Peel, German and Patrick.

By Order,

B. E. SARGEAUNT,

Government Secretary.

Government Office,

Isle of Man.

1st May, 1940.