(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889(a), shall apply to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Dated this sixteenth day of August, nineteen hundred and fifty-four.

Hendrie D. Oakshott,
Martin Redmayne,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of
Her Majesty's Treasury.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

Section 19 (4) (*b*) of the Industrial Assurance and Friendly Societies Act, 1948, provided for the repeal of certain enactments relating to Friendly Societies on a day to be appointed by Order of the Treasury. This Order appoints the 19th August, 1954, as the day on which the repeal becomes effective.

GAS

1954 No. 525

The Gas (Stockholders' Representative) (Amendment) Regulations, 1954

Made - - - -	*24th April,* 1954
Laid before Parliament	*30th April,* 1954
Coming into Operation	*1st May,* 1954

The Minister of Fuel and Power in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section twenty-seven of the Gas Act, 1948(b), and of all other powers him enabling, hereby makes the following regulations:—

1. After regulation seventeen of the Gas (Stockholders' Representative) Regulations, 1948(c), there shall be inserted the following regulation:—

"**17A.**—(1) Notwithstanding the conclusion of the proceedings of a meeting of the holders of securities or of any adjournment thereof called by a stockholders' representative in pursuance or intended pursuance of regulation seventeen, if at any time it appears to the Minister that further sums may be payable under the Act in respect of those securities, he may, notwithstanding anything in regulation two, declare the office of that stockholders' representative to be vacant and appoint a person (who may be the former holder if he is able and willing to act) to fill the vacancy as stockholders' representative.

(2) In preparing a statement for the purposes of regulation seventeen a stockholders' representative appointed in pursuance of the last preceding paragraph shall not be required to include therein any matters set

(a) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63. (b) 11 & 12 Geo. 6. c. 67.
(c) S.I. 1948/2709 (Rev. IX, p. 579; 1948 I, p. 1376).

out in a statement presented by him at a meeting referred to in the last preceding paragraph.

(3) Where in pursuance of paragraph (1) of this regulation the Minister appoints a person other than the former stockholders' representative the latter shall for the purposes of paragraph (6) of regulation four be deemed to have been removed from his office."

2. These regulations shall come into operation on the first day of May, nineteen hundred and fifty-four, and may be cited as the Gas (Stockholders' Representative) (Amendment) Regulations, 1954.

Dated this twenty-fourth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifty-four.

Geoffrey Lloyd,
Minister of Fuel and Power.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

Regulation 17 of the Gas (Stockholders' Representative) Regulations, 1948, provides for the calling by the stockholders' representative of a meeting of the holders of securities, at the conclusion of which the stockholders' representative shall stand discharged as therein provided.

It appears, as a result of certain legal proceedings, that in some cases holders of securities may be entitled to the distribution of further sums and, where a meeting under Regulation 17 has been concluded, doubt has arisen as to the status of the stockholders' representative in relation to such sums.

These amending regulations enable the Minister of Fuel and Power to re-appoint such stockholders' representative or to appoint another person as stockholders' representative in his place.

GOVERNMENT ANNUITIES

1954 No. 1578

The Savings Bank Annuities (Tables) Order, 1954

Made - - - - 25*th November*, 1954
Laid before Parliament 30*th November*, 1954

Whereas by subsection (1) of section 53 of the Government Annuities Act, 1929(**a**), it is enacted that the Treasury may from time to time cause tables to be constructed for calculating the amounts of savings bank annuities;

And Whereas by subsection (2) of the said section 53 it is enacted that every such table when approved by the Treasury shall, together with a statement of the rules observed in constructing it, be laid before both Houses of Parliament for not less than thirty days, and if an address is presented to Her Majesty by either House of Parliament praying that such

(a) 19 & 20 Geo. 5. c. 29.