at the time when the calf is certified to be a calf of the description specified in this scheme:—

(*a*) in the case of a calf born before the 1st day of April, 1955, a subsidy of £5, or

(*b*) in the case of a calf born on or after that date a subsidy of £7 10s. 0d."

James Stuart,
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

St. Andrew's House,
Edinburgh, 1.
2nd July, 1955.

We approve.

Martin Redmayne,
Gerald Wills,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

4th July, 1955.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

The Agriculture (Calf Subsidies) Act, 1952, provides that schemes may make provision for the payment of subsidies in respect of calves. The Calf Subsidies (Scotland) Scheme, 1952 applied to calves born within the period beginning 1st October, 1951 and ending with 29th October, 1955 and made provision for the payment of a subsidy of £5 in respect of any calf to which the scheme applies. This scheme substitutes a subsidy of £7 10s. for calves born on or after the 1st day of April, 1955 which satisfy the conditions of the principal scheme.

MARKETING

1955 No. 464

The Hops Marketing Scheme (Amendment) Order, 1955

Made - - - - *23rd March,* 1955

Whereas the Hops Marketing Board duly submitted to the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries certain amendments of the Hops Marketing Scheme, 1932(a) (as amended(b)) and the Minister duly published notice of the submission of the said amendments and of the time within which objections and representations with respect thereto might be made.

(a) S.R. & O. 1932/505 (Rev. I, p. 203: 1932, p. 24).
(b) S.R. & O. 1934/841, 1939/444, 1945/1486, S.I. 1948/642 (Rev. I, at p. 204: 1934 I, p. 14; 1939 I, p. 24; 1945 I, p. 1; 1948 I, p. 23), S.I. 1949/2456, 1950/655 (1949 I, p. 54; 1950 I, p. 38).

And whereas no such objections were made and the Minister made certain modifications (to which the said Board assented) in the said amendments which, as so modified, are set forth in the Schedule hereto.

Now, therefore, the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries in pursuance of Section 1 of the Agricultural Marketing Act, 1931(a), and Part II of the First Schedule to that Act (as amended by the Third Schedule to the Agricultural Marketing Act, 1933(b)), hereby makes the following Order:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Hops Marketing Scheme (Amendment) Order, 1955.

2. The amendments of the Hops Marketing Scheme, 1932, which are set forth in the Schedule hereto are hereby approved and shall come into force on the first day of April, 1955.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries is hereunto affixed this 23rd day of March, 1955.

(L.S.) *D. Heathcoat Amory,*
Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries.

SCHEDULE

1. Immediately after paragraph 25 (so renumbered by S.I. 1949/2456) there shall be inserted the following new paragraphs:—

"25A. (1) The Minister shall appoint a person to be the Returning Officer for the purposes of the poll, whose remuneration and expenses shall be defrayed by the Board.

(2) The Returning Officer may by writing under his hand appoint any fit person or persons to be his deputy or deputies for all or any of the purposes of the poll.

(3) A deputy Returning Officer shall have all the powers and duties of the Returning Officer in relation to the matters in respect of which he is appointed to act as a deputy.

(4) No member or servant of the Board and no registered producer shall be appointed as a Returning Officer or be appointed to be a deputy of the Returning Officer.

25B. The Board shall furnish to the Returning Officer a list of the names and addresses of the registered producers who are entitled to vote on the poll."

2. In paragraph 26 (so renumbered by S.I. 1949/2456), for the word "Board" wherever it appears there shall be substituted the words "Returning Officer".

3. In paragraph 27 (as amended by S.R. & O. 1939/444 and S.I. 1949/2456, and so renumbered by the latter), for the word "Board" there shall be substituted the words "Returning Officer".

4. Paragraph 29 (so renumbered by S.I. 1949/2456) shall be omitted and the following new paragraph 29 shall be inserted:—

"29. (1) The votes given on any poll shall be counted by the Returning Officer and his decision on any question arising with respect to a voting paper shall be final and conclusive.

(2) The Returning Officer shall draw up and deliver to the Board a certificate showing the result of the poll and including particulars of the number of voting

(a) 21 & 22 Geo. 5. c. 42. (b) 23 & 24 Geo. 5. c. 31.

papers sent out by the Returning Officer, the number of voting papers received by him in due time, the number of such papers which were rejected because they were not properly completed and the number of registered producers who voted in favour of the amendment or revocation, as the case may be, of the Scheme and against it respectively and the quantity of hops that they were capable of producing.

(3) The result of the poll as shown in the certificate given by the Returning Officer shall be declared at a meeting of the Board by the member acting as Chairman of that meeting, and that certificate (or such part thereof as the Minister may determine) shall be published by the Board in "The Times" newspaper and such other newspapers as the Board may think fit or, at the option of the Board, by sending a notice of the result to every registered producer."

5. In paragraph 37 (as amended by S.R. & O. 1939/444 and S.I. 1949/2456, and so renumbered by the latter) in sub-paragraph (iii), for the words "paragraph 56 (*a*)" there shall be substituted the words "paragraph 56".

6. In paragraph 54 (inserted by S.I. 1949/2456), in sub-paragraph (2), the words "all the" shall be omitted; for the words "either:—(*a*) Determine" there shall be substituted the word "determine"; and the words "or (*b*) Determine that the Board will within a period prescribed by the Board allot additional Basic Quota or accept surrenders of Basic Quota by agreement" shall be omitted.

7. In paragraph 54 aforesaid, in sub-paragraph (3) (*a*), before the words "prescribed date" there shall be inserted the word "said", and after the words "total allotment" there shall be inserted the words "so far as may be practicable."

8. In paragraph 54 aforesaid, sub-paragraph (4) shall be omitted.

9. Paragraphs 56 and 57 (inserted by S.I. 1949/2456) shall be omitted and the following paragraphs 56, 57, 57A, 57B and 57C shall be inserted:—

"56. As a condition of the allotment, or the continuance of the allotment of Basic Quota to any farm, the Board may impose such conditions relating to the quality or quantity of the hops grown on that farm which may be tendered to the Board pursuant to paragraph 37 of this Scheme as the Board may think desirable. In the event of the breach of any of such conditions, the Board may determine that the said Basic Quota or such part thereof as the Board think just shall lapse or be deemed to have lapsed on the prescribed date.

57. The Board may at any time if they think fit, in agreement with the registered producer in occupation of any farm, determine that the whole or some part of the Basic Quota previously allotted to that farm shall lapse on the prescribed date and the Board may out of the fund pay to that occupier such sum (if any) as may have been agreed upon.

57A. If the whole or any part of the hop land on any farm ceases to form part of that farm and becomes part of another farm or farms then the whole, or such part as the Board think just, of the Basic Quota allotted to the first named farm shall lapse or be deemed to have lapsed upon the prescribed date and Basic Quota in the same quantity shall, with effect from the same date, be allotted to the second-named farm or farms.

57B. (1) If the cultivation of hops on a farm ceases, the Basic Quota previously allotted to that farm shall lapse or be deemed to have lapsed on the prescribed date.

(2) If, after the allotment of any Basic Quota to a farm, the hop acreage of that farm has been substantially reduced and, in the opinion of the Board, should remain reduced, then such part of the Basic Quota allotted to that farm as the Board think just shall lapse or be deemed to have lapsed on the prescribed date.

57C. (1) The Board may at any time if they think fit—

(*a*) in agreement with the registered producer in occupation of any farm allot to that farm, with effect from the prescribed date, Basic Quota or (as the case may be) additional Basic Quota in such amount as may be agreed;

(*b*) in agreement with any person (whether or not a registered producer) undertake to allot to any land, with effect from the prescribed date, Basic Quota in such amount as may be agreed, and upon such conditions as the Board shall think fit.

(2) The Board may, if they think fit, as a condition of any allotment of Basic Quota made pursuant to the provisions of this paragraph, require payment to the fund of such sums as the Board may determine."

10. In paragraph 58 (inserted by S.I. 1949/2456), in sub-paragraph (*a*), for the words "'prescribed date' in relation to a lapse of the Basic Quota" there shall be substituted the word "'prescribed'" and for the words "such date as the Board may determine" there shall be substituted the words "prescribed by the Board"; sub-paragraph (*b*) shall be redesignated (*c*) and, in that sub-paragraph, for the words "Before determining" there shall be substituted the words "Not less than three months before determining" and for the words "sub-paragraph (4) of paragraph 54 or paragraph 56" there shall be substituted the words "paragraph 56, 57 or 57B,"; sub-paragraph (*c*) shall be redesignated (*d*); and there shall be inserted, immediately after sub-paragraph (*a*), the following new sub-paragraph:

"(*b*) On the written request of the landlord of any hop-land the Board shall inform him of the Basic Quota for the time being allotted to the farm which comprises such hop-land."

11. In paragraph 79 (as amended by S.R.O. 1939/444 and S.I. 1950/655 and so renumbered by S.I. 1949/2456), after the word "Board" there shall be inserted the words "or by a Returning Officer".

12. In the First Schedule (inserted by S.I. 1949/2456) the words "Do you wish this question to be answered 'Yes' or to be answered 'No'" shall be omitted; for the words "reaches the offices of the Hops Marketing Board" there shall be substituted the words "reaches the offices of the Returning Officer at"; the words "For the Hops Marketing Board" shall be omitted; for the word "Secretary" there shall be substituted the words "Returning Officer", and in each of the side notes to that Schedule, for the word "Board" there shall be substituted the words "Returning Officer", and, in the fourth side note, for the word "their" there shall be substituted the word "his".

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order approves the amendments to the Hops Marketing Scheme, 1932, set out in the Schedule. The principal changes effected by the amendments are (1) that the Board constituted under that Scheme may, by agreement with registered producers, issue additional Basic Quota and accept surrenders of Basic Quota at any time instead of, as formerly, only on a general review of Basic Quota; and (2) that future polls shall be conducted by a returning officer appointed by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries.