the said section and of all other powers enabling us in that behalf, do hereby order as follows :—

1. The period referred to in section 2 of the Finance Act (Northern Ireland), 1943, shall end on the 31st day of December, 1950.

2. This Order may be cited as the Mechanically Propelled Vehicles (Termination of Emergency Provisions) Order, 1950.

Given at the Royal Courts of Justice, Belfast, this fourth day of December, 1950.

J. M. Sinclair
Brian Maginess
W. V. McCleery

Motor Vehicle Licences : Harvesting Operations Concession

ORDER, DATED 1ST MAY, 1950, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE UNDER SECTION 1 OF THE FINANCE (NO. 2) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1943.

1950. No. 72

NOTE :—This Order provided for certain harvesting concessions and continued in force from 12th July, 1950 until 28th November, 1950. Being of temporary effect only it is not printed at length in this Volume.

Public Service Vehicles (Construction)

THE PUBLIC SERVICE VEHICLE (CONSTRUCTION) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1950, DATED THE 1ST DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1950, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE FOR NORTHERN IRELAND.

1950. No. 198

The Ministry of Commerce in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Part II of the Motor Vehicles (Traffic and Regulation) Act (Northern Ireland), 1926, and of all other powers in that behalf thereunto enabling it hereby makes the following Regulations, further amending the Public Service Vehicles (Construction) Regulations, 1932 (**a**) (hereinafter referred to as " the Principal Regulations "), that is to say :—

1. Article 4 of the Principal Regulations shall have effect as though :—

(1) the following definitions were substituted for the definitions of " Overall length ", " Overall width ", and " Overhang " repectively :—

(**a**) S. R. & O. (N.I.) 1932 No. 68.

" " Overall length " means the length of a vehicle measured between vertical planes at right angles to the longitudinal axis of the vehicle and passing through the extreme projecting points of the vehicle exclusive of :—

(*a*) any starting handle,

(*b*) any hood when down,

(*c*) any ladder permanently attached to the vehicle for the purpose of affording access to the roof and which does not project for a greater distance than nine inches beyond the back of the vehicle,

(*d*) any telescopic fog lamp when extended, and

(*e*) any snow-plough fixed in front of the vehicle " ;

" " Overall width " means the width of a vehicle measured between vertical planes parallel to the longitudinal axis of the vehicle and passing through the extreme projecting points of the vehicle exclusive of :—

(*a*) any driving mirror,

(*b*) any direction indicator when in operation,

(*c*) any snow-plough fixed in front of the vehicle,

(*d*) so much of the distortion of any tyre as is caused by the weight of the vehicle, and

(*e*) so much of a swivelling window designed to allow the driver to give hand signals as projects when opened not more than 4 inches beyond the side of the vehicle " ; and

" " Overhang " means the distance measured horizontally and parallel to the longitudinal axis of the vehicle between two vertical planes at right angles to such axis passing through the two points specified in paragraphs (i) and (ii) of this definition respectively :—

(i) The rearmost point of the vehicle exclusive of

(*a*) any hood when down, and

(*b*) any ladder permanently attached to the vehicle for the purpose of affording access to the roof and which does not project for a greater distance than nine inches beyond the back of the vehicle.

(ii) (*a*) in the case of a motor vehicle having only two axles, one of which is not a steering axle, through the centre point of that axle, and

(*b*) in the case of a motor vehicle having only three axles where the front axle is the only steering axle, through a point four inches in rear of the centre of a straight line joining the centre points of the rear and middle axles, and

(*c*) in any other case through a point situated on the longitudinal axis of the vehicle and such that a line drawn from it at right angles to that axis will pass through the centre of the minimum turning circle of the vehicle."

(2) the following additional definition were inserted therein :—

" Registered " means registered in Northern Ireland under the Roads Act, 1920.

2. The Principal Regulations shall have effect as though :—

(1) the following paragraph were substituted for paragraph 3 in Part I of the Schedule thereto, as amended by the Public Service Vehicles (Construction) (Amendment) Regulations, 1947 (a) :—

" 3. Overall length. The overall length of a public service vehicle which has —

(*a*) four wheels and is a double-decked vehicle shall not exceed 26 feet :

Provided that the said length of 26 feet may be exceeded —

(i) by not more than 9 inches in the case of any such vehicle registered after 1st June, 1942, and before 1st May, 1947 ; and

(ii) by not more than 12 inches in the case of any such vehicle first registered on or after 1st November, 1950.

(*b*) four wheels and is a single-decked vehicle shall not exceed 27 feet 6 inches :

Provided that the said length of 27 feet 6 inches may be exceeded by not more than 2 feet 6 inches in the case of any such vehicle first registered on or after 1st November, 1950.

(*c*) more than four wheels shall not exceed 30 feet."

(2) the following paragraph were substituted for paragraph 5 in Part I of the Schedule thereto :—

" 5. Overhang. The overhang of a vehicle shall not exceed 50 per cent. of the distance between the plane perpendicular to the longitudinal axis of the vehicle which passes through the centre or centres of the front wheel or wheels and the foremost vertical plane from which the overhang is to be measured as defined in Article 4 of these Regulations :

Provided that in the case of a vehicle registered before 1st November, 1950, it shall be sufficient compliance with this Paragraph if the overhang does not exceed 7/24ths of the overall length of the vehicle."

(3) the following paragraph were substituted for paragraph 18 in Part I of the Schedule thereto :—

" 18. Turning Circle. Each vehicle, the overall length of which does not exceed 27 feet, shall be able to turn in either direction in a circle not exceeding sixty feet in diameter as determined by the extreme outer edge of the wheel track at ground level.

(a) S. R. & O. (N.I.), 1947 No. 189.

Each vehicle, the overall length of which exceeds 27 feet, shall be able to turn in either direction in a circle not exceeding sixty-six feet in diameter as determined by the extreme outer edge of the wheel track at ground level."

3.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as " The Public Service Vehicles (Construction) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1950."

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889 (**a**), shall apply for the purposes of the interpretation of these Regulations in like manner as it applies, by virtue of the interpretation Act, 1921 (**b**), for the purposes of the interpretation of an Act of the Parliament of Northern Ireland.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Commerce for Northern Ireland this 1st day of November, 1950, in the presence of :—

(L.S.) *Arthur Acheson Farrell,*
Assistant Secretary.

Road Vehicles (Lighting)

REGULATIONS, DATED THE 21ST DAY OF DECEMBER, 1950, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE UNDER THE MOTOR VEHICLES AND ROAD TRAFFIC ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1934.

1950. No. 224

The Ministry of Commerce, in exercise of the powers vested in it by the Motor Vehicles and Road Traffic Act (Northern Ireland), 1934 (**c**) (hereinafter referred to as " the Act "), and of all other powers in that behalf thereunto enabling it, hereby makes the following Regulations relative to the lighting of road vehicles and matters incidental thereto :

1. These Regulations shall come into operation on the 1st day of January, 1951, and may be cited as " The Road Vehicles Lighting Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1950 ". Commencement and Citation.

2. The Road Vehicles Lighting Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1938 (**d**), and the Road Vehicles Lighting (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1949 (**e**), are hereby revoked, without prejudice, however, to the validity of anything done thereunder or to any liability incurred in respect of any act or omission before the date of the coming into operation of these Regulations. Revocation.

(**a**) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63. (**b**) 12 Geo. 5 Ch. 4 (N.I.).
(**c**) 24 and 25 Geo. 5, c. 15. (**d**) S. R. & O. (N.I.), 1938, No. 64.
(**e**) S. R. & O. (N.I.), 1949, No. 182.