EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

The Agriculture Act (Northern Ireland), 1949, provides that a Scheme may be made for aiding, improving and developing the breeding of poultry. This Scheme, made by the Ministry of Agriculture with the approval of the Ministry of Finance, enables approved breeders to carry out a long-term programme of breeding, mating and selection with the aid of financial assistance from the Ministry.

Silage Payments Scheme (Northern Ireland), 1958

SCHEME, DATED 30TH APRIL, 1958, MADE BY THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTION 1(1) OF THE AGRICULTURE (TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1954(a), AS AMENDED BY THE AGRICULTURE (TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE) (AMENDMENT) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1957(b).

1958. No. 57 [C]

This Scheme is of temporary effect and is not printed at length in this volume.

Tuberculosis (Attested Herds) (Amendment No. 3) Scheme

SCHEME, DATED 20TH FEBRUARY, 1958, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTION 10(2) OF THE AGRICULTURE ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1949(c).

1958. No. 20 [C]

The Ministry of Agriculture by virtue of and in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sub-section (2) of Section 10 of the Agriculture Act (Northern Ireland), 1949, and of every other power enabling it in that behalf and with the approval of the Ministry of Finance, hereby makes the following Scheme:—

Citation, Commencement and Construction

1. This Scheme, which may be cited as the Tuberculosis (Attested Herds) (Amendment No. 3) Scheme, 1958, shall come into operation on the twenty-fourth day of February, 1958, and shall be read as one with the Tuberculosis (Attested Herds) Scheme, 1954(d), (hereinafter referred to as "the principal Scheme"), as amended by the Tuberculosis (Attested Herds) (Amendment) Scheme, 1955(e) and the Tuberculosis (Attested Herds) (Amendment No. 2) Scheme, 1957(f).

(a) 1954. c. 31.
(b) 1957. c. 3.
(c) 12 & 13 Geo. 6. c. 2.
(d) S.R. & O. 1954, No. 142.
(e) S.R. & O. 1955, No. 80.
(f) S.R. & O. 1957, No. 4.

Amendment of the principal Scheme

2. The principal Scheme shall be amended as follows:—

(1) In Article 2 the meaning assigned to "Official Test" shall be deleted and instead thereof there shall be substituted:

"'Official Test' means a test with tuberculin carried out by a Veterinary Inspector of the Ministry or any Veterinary Surgeon who may be employed by the Ministry for the purpose."

(2) Article 7 shall be deleted and instead thereof there shall be substituted:

"*Official Test*

7.—(1) If the requirements specified in Article 6 of the Scheme are satisfactorily met, an official test will be carried out in the herd not earlier than 60 days from the date of the last of the two negative assisted tests.

(2) Owners of herds where assisted tests have been carried out in accordance with Article 6 and who have subsequently voluntarily withdrawn from the Scheme or whose certificates have been cancelled by the Ministry shall not, on application for re-entry, be entitled to any further assisted tests. Such owners may have application for re-entry considered provided they supply at their own expense a veterinary certificate of two consecutive negative tests separated by an interval of not less than 60 days and not more than 90 days and the application for re-entry to the Scheme shall be made not later than 60 days after the second test. If the Ministry decides to accept the application for re-entry, an official test will be carried out not earlier than 60 days from the date of the second test described in this sub-article.

(3) If no reactor is revealed in the official test carried out in accordance with this Article, and other requirements of the Scheme are being met, a Certificate of Attestation will be issued in respect of the herd."

(3) In Article 14 the following new sub-Article shall be added after the end of the present Article:

"(4) Where it appears to the Ministry that any cattle are part of the stock-in-trade of a person who habitually engages in the trade or business of buying and selling cattle and are not genuinely part of his supervised or attested herd, the Ministry shall not make any payment under this scheme in respect of any such cattle."

(4) Article 15 shall be deleted and instead thereof there shall be substituted:

"*Bonus on Cattle in Attested Herds*

15.—(1) Subject as hereinafter provided the bonus payable under this Article in respect of attested herds shall be 30 shillings in respect of each animal in the herd at the date when the official test for the purpose of determining whether the herd shall be added to the Register of Attested Herds is

made followed by not more than five payments at the same rate at intervals of not less than 12 months thereafter in respect of each animal then in the herd, provided that the herd has been subjected to a further official test and is still entered in the Register of Attested Herds. The bonus shall not be payable in respect of any animal purchased or acquired for fattening purposes, except

(*a*) where the animal has been purchased from an attested herd; or

(*b*) where the animal has been purchased as a calf under 14 days old from a non-attested source and has been moved in accordance with the Rules contained in the First Schedule hereto.

(2) No animal shall qualify for bonus if at the time of the test it is in isolation in accordance with Rule 3(*c*) of the First Schedule hereto.

(3) Each payment of bonus under this paragraph shall be deemed to be made in respect of a period of 12 months commencing with the day on which the relevant official test was made."

In witness whereof the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland is hereunto affixed this twentieth day of February, nineteen hundred and fifty-eight.

(L.S.) *W. A. V. Sanderson,*
Assistant Secretary.

The Ministry of Finance hereby approves of the foregoing amendment.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland this twentieth day of February, nineteen hundred and fifty-eight, in the presence of

(L.S.) *K. R. Shimeld,*
Assistant Secretary.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This amendment makes minor alterations in the Tuberculosis (Attested Herds) Scheme, 1954, and in particular amends Article 2 thereof so as to permit Official Tests for the purposes of the Scheme to be carried out by private Veterinary Surgeons. Other changes permit the payment of bonus in respect of calves of under 14 days old being brought into attested herds from non-attested sources and impose restrictions on payments in respect of animals not genuinely part of an attested herd.