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AGRICULTURE

Cattle—Breeding Herds

SCHEME, DATED 24TH APRIL, 1962, MADE BY THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTION 1 OF THE AGRICULTURE (TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1954(a), AS AMENDED BY THE AGRICULTURE (TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE) (AMENDMENT) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1957(b).

The Minister of Agriculture, with the approval of the Minister of Finance and in exercise of the powers conferred on him by the Agriculture (Temporary Assistance) Acts (Northern Ireland), 1954 and 1957, and of all other powers him thereunto enabling, hereby makes the following Scheme:

Short title and commencement

1. This Scheme may be cited as the Cattle (Breeding Herds) Scheme (Northern Ireland), 1962, and shall come into operation on the 1st day of May, 1962.

Definitions

2. In this Scheme—

"the Acts" means the Agriculture (Temporary Assistance) Acts (Northern Ireland), 1954 and 1957;

"breeding cow" means a female bovine animal which has borne a calf;

"in-calf heifer" means a female bovine animal which was with calf for the first time on 1st December next preceding the qualifying day and which calves before the qualifying day;

"the Ministry" means the Ministry of Agriculture;

"occupier" means a person who is in occupation of land under an estate or interest for a period of not less than twelve months, and who is responsible for its management;

"premises" includes land;

"qualifying day" means 1st June in the subsidy year;

"subsidy year" means the calendar year in respect of which the subsidy payment is to be made.

Object of Scheme

3. With the object of encouraging farmers to maintain herds of breeding cows for the purpose of breeding store cattle and to rear the calves produced by such cows, the Ministry may make subsidy payments as provided for in this Scheme.

Subsidy Payments

4.—(1) Subject to the provisions of this Scheme the Ministry may in respect of the year 1962 and each of the two next succeeding years, make subsidy payments in respect of cattle grazed in Northern Ireland (being cattle of a description

(a) 1954. c. 31. (b) 1957. c. 3.