EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

The Order comes into operation on 3rd April, 1961, and relates to widow's pensions and children's allowances; the principal amendments are described below.

Articles 6, 8 and 9 increase the amount by which widows' pensions may be increased in those cases in which discretionary increases are permitted.

Articles 12 and 13 make similar provision in relation to children's allowances.

Article 11 adjusts the extent of the abatement of a widow's pension by a widowed mother's national insurance allowance.

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ULSTER SPECIAL CONSTABULARY

Pensions

REGULATIONS, DATED 29TH MARCH, 1961, MADE BY THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS UNDER THE SPECIAL CONSTABLES ACT, 1914, AS EXTENDED AND AMENDED BY THE CONSTABULARY ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1922, AND THE CONSTABULARY (PENSIONS) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1949.

I, the Right Honourable Brian Faulkner, Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by the Special Constables Act, 1914(a), as extended and amended by section eight of the Constabulary Act (Northern Ireland), 1922(b), and by sub-section (4) of section four of the Constabulary (Pensions) Act (Northern Ireland), 1949(c), and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, do hereby make the following Regulations:—

PART I

GENERAL

Citation

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Ulster Special Constabulary Pensions (Amending) Regulations, 1961, and shall be construed as one with the Ulster Special Constabulary Pensions Regulations, 1950 to 1960, and those Regulations and these Regulations may be cited together as the Ulster Special Constabulary Pensions Regulations, 1950 to 1961.

Commencement

2. These Regulations shall come into operation on the third day of April, 1961.

Interpretation

3.—(1) In these Regulations, unless the contrary intention appears, a reference to a regulation shall be interpreted as a reference to a regulation in

(a) 4 & 5 Geo. 5. c. 61.
(b) 12 & 13 Geo. 5. c. 8 (N.I.).
(c) 1949. c. 9.

the Ulster Special Constabulary Pensions Regulations, 1950(a), and a reference to a Schedule shall be interpreted as a reference to a Schedule to the said Regulations.

(2) In these Regulations the expressions "1955 Regulations(b)", "1958 Regulations(c)", and "1960 Regulations(d)" means in each case the Ulster Special Constabulary Pensions (Amending) Regulations made in the year mentioned and the expression "1959 Regulations" means the Ulster Special Constabulary Pensions (Amending) Regulations, 1959(e).

PART II

AMENDMENTS OF THE REGULATIONS RELATING TO AWARDS TO WIDOWS AND CHILDREN

4. In paragraph (2A) of Regulation 14 as set out in paragraph 3 of the 1958 Regulations and amended by paragraph 4 of the 1960 Regulations (which relates to the calculation of a widow's ordinary pension) for the words "1st August, 1959," there shall be substituted the words "3rd April, 1961".

5. For paragraph (3) of Regulation 15 as set out in Regulation 1 of the 1959 Regulations (which relates to discretionary increase in a widow's ordinary pension) there shall be substituted the following paragraph:—

"(3) The increase which may be granted in a pension to which this Regulation refers, including such a pension increased before 3rd April, 1961, shall be an amount not exceeding eighty shillings a week during the first thirteen weeks that the pension is payable and thereafter during the periods and in the conditions set out in Part II of the Second Schedule an amount not exceeding fifty-seven shillings and sixpence a week."

6. In paragraph (2) of Regulation 16 as set out in Regulation 26 of the 1958 Regulations and amended by Regulation 2 of the 1959 Regulations and Regulation 5 of the 1960 Regulations (which relates to the calculation of a widow's special pension) for the words before the proviso there shall be substituted the following words:—

"A widow's special pension including such a pension granted before 3rd April, 1961, shall be determined in accordance with Parts III and IX of the Second Schedule:".

7. For paragraph (4) of Regulation 17 as set out in Regulation 3 of the 1959 Regulations and amended by Regulation 6 of the 1960 Regulations (which relates to the discretionary increase in a widow's special pension) there shall be substituted the following paragraph:—

"The amount up to which the pension may be increased shall be the amount, which shall be increased in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs (4), (4A), (4D) and (4F) of Regulation 56, of one-sixth of her husband's annual pensionable pay for a week together with, for the first thirteen weeks that the pension is payable, an amount not exceeding eighty shillings a week, and thereafter, during the periods and in the conditions set out in Part II of the Second Schedule, an amount not exceeding fifty-seven shillings and sixpence a week:

(a) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1950, No. 97.
(b) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1955, No. 171.
(c) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1958, No. 61.
(d) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1960, No. 3.
(e) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1959, No. 52.