to the Ministry on a form provided by the Ministry for the purpose and duly signed on behalf of the society such particulars as may be required by the Ministry for the purposes of the Act.

4. The Contributory Pensions (Approved Societies Returns) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1926 are hereby revoked but without prejudice to anything duly done or suffered, or to any right, privilege, obligation or liability acquired, accrued or incurred, thereunder.

Given under the Official Seal of the National Health Insurance Joint Committee this eighth day of October, nineteen hundred and thirty-seven.

(L.S.) *E. C. Moffrey,*
Secretary to the National Health Insurance Joint Committee.

The Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland hereby consents to these Regulations.

Given under the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland this eighth day of October, nineteen hundred and thirty-seven.

(L.S.) *G. C. Duggan,*
Assistant Secretary to the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland.

Calculation of Contributions.

REGULATIONS, DATED NOVEMBER 30TH, 1937, MADE BY THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE JOINT COMMITTEE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE FOR NORTHERN IRELAND UNDER SECTIONS 5, 9 AND 32 (1) OF THE WIDOWS', ORPHANS' AND OLD AGE CONTRIBUTORY PENSIONS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1936.

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The National Health Insurance Joint Committee in exercise of the powers conferred on them by Sections 5 and 9 and sub-section (1) of Section 32 of the Widows', Orphans' and Old Age Contributory Pensions Act (Northern Ireland), 1936, and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, and in conjunction with the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland so far as regards Regulations which are required to be so made, hereby make the following Regulations :—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Contributory Pensions (Calculation of Contributions) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1937.

2.—(1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires—

"the Pensions Act" means the Widows', Orphans' and Old Age Contributory Pensions Act (Northern Ireland), 1936, or any Act repealed by that Act;

"the Insurance Act" means the National Health Insurance Act, 1936, or any Act repealed by that Act or by the National Health Insurance Act, 1924;

"the Ministry" means the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland;

"employment" means employment within the meaning of the Insurance Act.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1921, applies to the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

3. In calculating for the purposes of paragraph (*b*) of sub-section (1) of section 5 or paragraph (*c*) of sub-section (1) of section 9 of the Pensions Act, or proviso (iii) to the last-named sub-section, the average number of contributions paid by or in respect of an insured person within the meaning of that Act, a contribution shall be deemed to have been paid—

(i) in respect of every week or part of a week in the relevant contribution years in respect of which a contribution has been deemed for the purposes of calculating arrears to have been paid under Regulation 2 of the National Health Insurance (Arrears) Regulations, 1937 or the corresponding provision of the National Health Insurance (Arrears) Regulations in force either before or after that Regulation.

(ii) in respect of every week in the relevant contribution years (not comprised in the preceding paragraph) as regards which the Ministry is satisfied that the insured person was incapable of work by reason of some specific disease or some bodily or mental disablement.

4. If throughout any week in a relevant contribution year an insured person within the meaning of the Pensions Act was available for but unable to obtain employment a contribution shall be deemed for the purposes of the calculations under the provisions of sections 5 and 9 of the Pensions Act referred to in the preceding Regulation to have been paid by or in respect of him for that week:

Provided that this provision shall not apply to:—

(*a*) a person who has elected to become a voluntary contributor as from the commencement of the con-