

area, and until then the rainfall and weather conditions generally must remain for the Members and Officers of the Board a matter of grave concern and significance.

The modernisation and extensions of the Board's plant to cope with this increasing demand for water are of necessity on a huge scale that calls for planning many years ahead, yet the 43 years of the Board's life have been most seriously interrupted by two world wars and hardly less seriously by the economic crisis of 1931.

So to-day we all humbly pray that peace may accompany Your Majesties' Reign for many, many years; that the arts of peace may flourish, and that we may discharge this essential duty of providing 6½ million of Your Majesties' loyal subjects with an ample supply of pure and wholesome water.

May it please Your Majesty to honour the Board by now putting the pumps into operation and, having admitted the water, to name the reservoir.

*To which Address His Majesty was pleased to return the following gracious Answer:—*

I am very glad, Mr. Chairman, to be here to-day with The Queen to open this new Reservoir, and thank you for your kind words of welcome.

I want to take this opportunity, as one who lives in London, to pay my sincere tribute to the magnificent work of the Metropolitan Water Board in maintaining London's water supply during the War. No matter what damage the enemy did to your vast and intricate system, none of my people in London was ever deprived of the supply of pure water which is so essential in a great city. That is a record of which the Board have every right to be proud. I thank and congratulate all those who played a part in it.

The Queen and I have been interested to learn of the use made of this site for experimental work, which has contributed not only to our victory in the War, but also to the increasing safety of civil aviation. To-day, however, we inaugurate this new Reservoir for its proper purpose. The Board have found many difficulties in finishing this undertaking, so vital to the health and well-being of the people of London. I congratulate you on your foresight in planning this Reservoir, and on the enterprise and determination with which all engaged on its construction have surmounted the obstacles in the way of its completion. I wish the Board every success in the important work on which they are engaged, and of which this great new Reservoir is the latest, but by no means the last, completed project.

It is with very real pleasure that I now open this Reservoir and name it "The King George the Sixth Reservoir".

*House of Lords, S.W.1.*

*12th November, 1947.*

The KING has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal bearing date the 28th day of October, 1947, to appoint the Right Honourable Christopher Viscount Addison, K.G., to be Keeper of His Majesty's Privy Seal.

#### TENDERS FOR TREASURY BILLS.

1. The Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice that Tenders will be received at the Chief Cashier's Office, at the Bank of England, on Friday, the 21st November, 1947, at 1 p.m. for Treasury Bills to be issued under the Treasury Bills Act, 1877, the National Debt Act, 1889, and the National Loans Act, 1939, to the amount of £170,000,000.

2. The Bills will be in amounts of £5,000, £10,000, £25,000, £50,000 or £100,000. They will be dated at the option of the tenderer on any business day from Monday, the 24th November, 1947, to Saturday, the 29th November, 1947, inclusive, and will be payable at three months after date.

3. The Bills will be issued and paid at the Bank of England.

4. Each Tender must be for an amount not less than £50,000 and must specify the date on which the Bills required are to be dated, and the net amount per cent. (being an even multiple of one penny) which will be given for the amount applied for. Separate Tenders must be lodged for Bills of different dates.

5. Tenders must be made through a London Banker, Discount House or Broker.

6. The persons whose Tenders are accepted will be informed of the same not later than the following day and payment in full of the amounts of the accepted Tenders must be made to the Bank of England by means of Cash or a Banker's Draft on the Bank of England not later than 1.30 p.m. (Saturday 12 noon) on the day on which the relative Bills are to be dated.

7. Members of the House of Commons are not precluded from tendering for these Bills.

8. Tenders must be made on the printed forms which may be obtained from the Chief Cashier's Office, Bank of England.

9. The Lords' Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury reserve the right of rejecting any Tenders.

Treasury Chambers,  
14th November, 1947.

The Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury give notice that They have made an Order under Section 10 (5) of the Finance Act, 1926, exempting chlor-nitrobenzol, ortho, and the following chlor-phenol, namely, pentachlorophenol from Key Industry Duty for the period beginning with the 15th November, 1947 and ending with the 31st December, 1947.

The Order is entitled "The Safeguarding of Industries (Exemption) (No. 8) Order, 1947" and is published as Statutory Rules and Orders, 1947, No. 2362.

Copies of the Order may be obtained (price 1d. net.) direct from His Majesty's Stationery Office at the following addresses:—York House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2; 13a, Castle Street, Edinburgh 2; 39-41, King Street, Manchester 2; 1, St. Andrew's Crescent, Cardiff; Tower Lane, Bristol 1; 80, Chichester Street, Belfast, or through any bookseller.

*Foreign Office, 12th November, 1947.*

The KING has been pleased to grant to Sir George Tristram Edwards unrestricted permission to wear the insignia of the Second Class of the Order of St. Olav, conferred upon him by His Majesty the King of Norway in recognition of services during the war.

*Whitehall, November 14, 1947.*

The KING has been pleased to award the King's Police and Fire Services Medal for Gallantry to the undermentioned Officers of Police:—

Abdul Jabbar, Lance Head Constable, No. 1618, Additional Police, Kohat, North West Frontier Province.

Chaudhri Bahawal Bakhsh, Inspector of Police (officiating), Punjab.

Rash, Bihari Ghosh, Sub-Inspector of Police, Dhanbad, Bihar.

and a Bar to the Medal to:—

Mehta Ishar Das, Inspector of Police, Rawalpindi District, Punjab.

TRADING WITH THE ENEMY ACT, 1939, AND DEFENCE (TRADING WITH THE ENEMY) REGULATIONS, 1940, and in the Matter of ORION LAMPS Ltd.

An Order has been made by the Board of Trade releasing Mr. T. J. M. Macleod, of 4, Bucklersbury, Cheapside, London, E.C.4, as Controller under the Order made on 8th December, 1941, for the winding-up of the business of Orion Lamps Ltd.

TRADING WITH THE ENEMY ACT, 1939, AND DEFENCE (TRADING WITH THE ENEMY) REGULATIONS, 1940, and in the Matter of the BANQUE EXTERIEURE DE L'ESPAGNE, LONDON.

An Order dated 11th November, 1947, has been made by the Board of Trade releasing Mr. C. E. M. Emmerson as Controller under the Order made on the 27th August, 1940, for the winding-up of the business of the Banque Exterieur de l'Espagne carried on in the United Kingdom at 33, King William Street, London, E.C.4, and No. 6A, Harrington Street, Liverpool.