

DEFINITIONS.

II. In the Scheme unless the context otherwise requires:—"The Act" means the Coal Mines Act, 1930; "District Scheme" means a scheme approved or made by the Board of Trade for any district under the provisions of Section 1 of the Act; "Quarter" means calendar quarter; The following words respectively have the same meaning in the Scheme as in the Act, namely:—"class," "coal," "coal-mine," "disposal," "district," "functions," "output," "owner."

CENTRAL COUNCIL.

III. There shall be constituted not later than fourteen days after the Scheme comes into operation or within such further period as may be necessary a Central Council (hereinafter called "the Council") which shall have the powers provided for the Council in Section 2 of the Act and shall exercise such powers in accordance with the provisions of the Scheme.

IV. (1) The Council shall consist of one representative of the owners in each of the districts and one additional representative of the owners in each of the districts for each seven and a half million tons of annual output of the district.

Such representatives shall be appointed in accordance with the respective District Schemes and there may also be appointed by the owners in each district a substitute or substitutes for such representative or representatives, and in the absence of a representative (but not otherwise) one of the substitutes appointed by the owners in the district in respect of which the absent representative was appointed may attend and vote at meetings of the Council in the place of such absent representative;

Provided that in the case of districts which are only entitled to one representative such representative may be accompanied at meetings of the Council by a substitute who, however, shall on such occasions have no right to vote or to speak.

(2) The said representatives shall be members or officers of the District Executive Boards and, for the purposes of the Scheme, shall be deemed to be representatives of such Executive Boards.

(3) For the purposes of this Clause "annual output" shall mean the output allocated to the district under the Scheme in respect of the last completed period of four quarters immediately preceding each meeting of the Council provided that in respect of any such period or any part of such period for which allocations of output shall not have been made under the Scheme the output actually produced in the district shall be substituted for the allocated output.

(4) The Executive Board of each district shall intimate to the Council from time to time the names and addresses of the representative or representatives and substitute or substitutes appointed under this Clause in respect of the district and any changes therein.

FIRST MEETING OF COUNCIL.

V. The first meeting of the Council shall be held as soon as conveniently possible after the date on which the Scheme shall have been

approved by the Board of Trade for the purpose of electing officers and of any other business that may be necessary under the Scheme. Such first meeting shall be called by William Alexander Lee, C.B.E., of General Buildings, Aldwych, London, by seven days' notice in writing to the members of the Council and to the Secretaries of the respective Executive Boards.

POWERS OF COUNCIL.

VI. (1) The Scheme shall be administered by the Council which shall have power to do all such things as are necessary for the discharge of the functions of the Council under the Scheme or as are incidental to or consequential on the provisions of the Scheme or necessary for giving effect thereto.

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing powers the Council shall have power (a) to appoint officers, (b) save as to the provisions of Clause IX. to make and from time to time vary rules of procedure governing the calling of meetings of the Council and the conduct and quorum for the transaction of business thereat, (c) to appoint committees from among its members or otherwise from time to time for such purposes and with such delegation of its powers as it may think fit, provided that on the appointment of any Committee every district shall have the right to be represented thereon if it so desires provided further that every decision of a Committee shall be subject to the approval of the Council.

OFFICERS.

VII. (1) The Council shall appoint a Secretary and such other officers as are required to give effect to the functions of the Council and they shall fix the terms and duration of each appointment.

(2) The Council may pay to any of its members who may be called upon to perform any special services including a Chairman or Deputy Chairman such remuneration as the Council may from time to time determine.

TRUSTEES AND CENTRAL FUND.

VIII. (1) The Council shall appoint three Trustees for the Council at its first meeting or as soon thereafter as practicable and the Central Fund hereinafter mentioned and all other property of the Council shall be vested in such Trustees.

(2) There shall be established and vested in the Trustees a Central Fund into which shall be paid all monies received by them on behalf of the Council and out of which shall be paid all the expenses of the Council and any money payable by the Council under the Scheme. The Central Fund and all other property of the Council shall be held and dealt with by the Trustees subject to the directions of the Council from time to time.

(3) Any amounts for the time being standing to the credit of the Central Fund and in the opinion of the Council in excess of its requirements for the other purposes of the Scheme, whether representing contributions or penalties or partly the one and partly the other may be distributed among any or all of the Executive Boards in such proportions and manner as the Council may from time to time decide.

(4) The Council shall save harmless and