CORN PRODUCTION ACT, 1917. AGRICULTURAL WAGES BOARD (ENGLAND AND WALES).

PROPOSAL TO FIX RATES OF WAGES FOR CARTERS, COWMEN, AND SHEPHERDS IN BERK-

The Agricultural Wages Board (England Wales), duly established and constituted under Section 5 (1) of the above Act, and the Regulations made by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, dated the 8th November, 1917, having had regard to the provisions of sub-sections (6) and (7) of the said Section, hereby give Notice, as required by subsection 4 of the said Section, and by paragraph 4 of the Agricultural Wages Regulations, 1918, that they propose to make the following Order:

 The rates of wages fixed by the Board as applicable to employment in the area comprising the administrative county of Berks, and the county borough of Reading, as set out in the Order of the Board dated the 2nd July, 1918, shall not apply to any workman employed in the said area wholly or mainly

as a Carter, Cowman or Shepherd.

2. The wages payable for employment of any male workman of 18 years of age and over employed in the said area wholly or mainly as a Carter, Cowman or Shepherd, for a week consisting of the hours of employment, whether on weekdays or on Sunday, customary in the said area in the case of a workman so employed, shall be not less than wages at the following minimum rates, that is to say:

For a workman employed wholly or mainly as a Head Carter or Head Cowman,

For a workman employed wholly or mainly as a Head Shepherd, 35s.

For a workman employed wholly or mainly as an Under Cowman, 34s.

For a workman employed wholly or mainly as an Under Carter or Under Shepherd, 33s.

3. The differential rates for overtime in the case of employment of any workman to whom this Notice applies shall be as follows, that is to say:

(a) In respect of overtime employment

on weekdays, 8½d. per hour.
(b) In respect of overtime employment on a Sunday, 10d. per hour.

4. For the purpose of the application of the above rates all employment in excess of the hours of employment customary in the area in the case of a Head Carter, Head Cowman, Head Shepherd, Under Carter, Under Cowman or Under Shepherd, as the case may be, is hereby defined to be overtime employment.

5. For the purpose of the above rates the hours of work shall not include meal times, but shall include any time during which, by reason of weather conditions, an employer has prevented from working a workman who was present at the place of employment and

ready to work.

The Agricultural Wages Board, as required by Section 5 (4) of the above Act, and by paragraph 4 of the above-mentioned Regulations, will consider any objections to the above proposed Order which may be lodged with them within one month from the date of this Notice.

All objections should be in writing, and should be addressed to the Secretary, the Agricultural Wages Board (England and Wales), 80, Pall Mall, London, S.W. 1. The objections should state precisely, and so far as possible with reasons, what is objected to.

Dated this second day of August, 1918. Signed by Order of the Wages Board.

> F. Popplewell, Secretary.

Agricultural Wages Board (England and Wales), 80, Pall Mall, London, S.W. 1.

CORN PRODUCTION ACT, 1917. AGRICULTURAL WAGES BOARD (ENGLAND AND WALES).

PROPOSAL TO FIX RATES OF WAGES FOR STOCKMEN, SHEPHERDS AND HORSEMEN IN SURREY.

The Agricultural Wages Board (England and Wales), duly established and constituted under Section 5 (1) of the above Act, and the Regulations made by the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries, dated the 8th November, 1917, having had regard to the provisions of subsections (6) and (7) of the said Section, hereby give Notice, as required by sub-section 4 of the said Section and by paragraph 4 of the Agricultural Wages Regulations, 1918, that they propose to make the following Order:

- 1. The rates of wages proposed to be fixed by the Board as applicable to employment in the area comprising the administrative county of Surrey, the county borough of Croydon, and that part of the administrative county of London situate south of the River Thames which formerly constituted part of the geographical county of Surrey, as set out in the Notice by the Board dated the 16th July, 1918, shall not apply to any workman employed in the said area wholly or mainly as a Stockman, Shepherd or Horseman.
- 2. The wages payable for employment of any male workman of 18 years of age or over employed in the said area wholly or mainly as a Stockman, Shepherd or Horseman for a week consisting of the hours of employment, whether on weekdays or on Sunday, customary in the said area in the case of a workman so employed, shall be not less than wages at the following minimum rates, that is to say:

For workmen of 21 years of age and over, 39s. per week.

For workmen of 18 and under 21 years of age, 37s. per week.

- 3. The differential rates for overtime in the case of employment of any workman to whom this Notice applies shall, in lieu of any differential rates which would otherwise be applicable, be as follows, that is to say:-
 - (a) In respect of overtime employment on weekdays:

For workmen of 21 years of age and over, 9d. per hour.

For workmen of 18 and under 21 years. of age, 8½d. per hour.