

forward beyond the end of the then current year ending on the 30th day of April and that the accumulated shortage of any class of coal in respect of which a separate quota tonnage has been fixed shall only be carried forward month by month in respect of that class of coal;

(ii) if the "Excepted Shortage" is in respect of quota tonnage for any class of coal it shall be transferred to the Tonnage Pool in respect of that class, and shall be dealt with in the Pool solely as tonnage of that class; and

(iii) in the event of the monthly quota tonnage of any coal mine or undertaking referred to in Clause 15 (10) (b) of the Scheme not being raised at that coal mine or undertaking during such month the un-raised shortage shall be wholly cancelled and not otherwise dealt with.

Stocks may be raised.

(v) Any Coalowner may raise coal for stock provided that the total coal raised by him each month does not exceed his Monthly Permitted Output.

Pooling of Quota Tonnage.

(j)—(i) Any Coalowner may exceed his quota tonnage for any period by arranging with any other coalowner, for such consideration (if any) as may be agreed between them, that the quota tonnage of that other Coalowner for the same period shall be reduced by an agreed number of tons, to which number any such excess shall be limited:

Provided that if the excess is in respect of any particular class of coal for which a separate quota tonnage has been determined, the reduction in the output of such other Coalowner must be in respect of the quota tonnage for the same class of coal and that any failure of such other Coalowner to reduce his output by the agreed number of tons shall render him liable in respect of such failure to the penalties prescribed in Clause 18 of the Scheme.

(ii) Notice in writing of any arrangement to exceed and reduce quota tonnages under this clause must be given to the Quota Committee by the parties within twenty-four hours of the making of the arrangement.

Tonnage Pool.

(k) (i) Every Coalowner who shall have Excepted Shortage in his possession at the end of any month shall be deemed to have registered the same with the Secretary and the Secretary shall open a Tonnage Account in the name of each such Coalowner.

(ii) The tonnage so registered shall form a Tonnage Pool from which tonnage (herein called "Pool Tonnage") may be purchased by any Coalowner as hereinafter in this sub-Clause provided.

(iii) The Committee shall decide at the end of each month what quantity (if any) of Pool Tonnage shall be distributed by the Secretary by way of sale during the next ensuing month, and shall also fix a price per ton at which the distributable Pool Tonnage will be disposed of during such ensuing month.

(iv) Any Coalowner desiring to purchase distributable Pool Tonnage shall make application in writing to the Secretary stating

the tonnage he desires to purchase, and such applications shall be made not later than the seventh day in the month in which he requires to raise the coal.

(v) The Secretary shall make a distribution of the distributable Pool Tonnage each month, and if the aggregate tonnage applied for by Coalowners desiring to purchase be not greater than the distributable Pool Tonnage the distribution shall be made in accordance with the applications.

(vi) If the aggregate tonnage applied for be greater than the distributable Pool Tonnage the distribution shall be made rateably and in proportion to the tonnage applied for:

Provided however that no Coalowner shall receive more than a tonnage equal to $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. of his Monthly Permitted Output for the month in respect of which application is made until the other Coalowners applying shall have received the full tonnage applied for by them respectively.

(vii) Payment for distributed Pool Tonnage shall be made to the Secretary not later than the last day of the month in which the tonnage is distributed. The proceeds of sale shall be distributed by the Secretary each month among the Coalowners *pro rata* to the quantity sold on behalf of each Coalowner concerned.

(viii) All sales of Pool Tonnage shall be deemed to be made on account of all Coalowners who shall have registered tonnage standing to their credit in the Pool and the said sales shall be allocated rateably and in proportion to the amount of the registered tonnage of each Coalowner in the Pool at the time when the sales were made.

(ix) All tonnage in the Pool at the end of each period in respect of which a district allocation shall have been made under the Act shall be deemed to be entirely cancelled without any Resolution being passed by the Quota Committee for that purpose.

17. EXPORT COMMITTEE.

Export Committee.

(a) The export Committee shall be constituted and appointed in the manner and upon the basis set forth in Clause 15 hereof with regard to the constitution and appointment of the Standard Tonnage Committee.

Voting.

(b) Voting at Meetings of the Export Committee shall be by show of hands and a Chairman shall be appointed annually by the Executive Board; such Chairman shall have a casting vote in addition to his vote as a member of the Committee.

Quorum.

(c) A Quorum at Meetings of the Committee shall be eight Members representing not less than three of the Sections hereinbefore referred to.

Functions of Export Committee.

(d) Subject to the provisions of Clause 14 (c) and (d) of the Scheme the functions of the Export Committee shall be:—

(i) To confer with British Coal Exporters; with Representatives of other Districts and with any Association or Body concerned in the export of coal and the bunkering of ships with regard to all matters relative thereto;