

*Amendments of Scheme  
approved on 28th March, 1941.*

COAL MINES ACT, 1930.

THE MIDLAND (AMALGAMATED) DISTRICT  
(COAL MINES) SCHEME, 1930.

Whereas in pursuance of Clause 39 of the Midland (Amalgamated) District (Coal Mines) Scheme, 1930, amendments of the said Scheme as set out in the Schedule hereto have been submitted to the Board of Trade by the Executive Board elected under the provisions of the said Scheme.

Now therefore the Board of Trade, under the provisions of the said Clause and of sub-section (5) of Section I of the Coal Mines Act, 1930, hereby approve the said amendments and prescribe the 29th day of March, 1941, as the date from which the said amendments shall come into force.

Dated this 28th day of March, 1941.

*D. R. Grenfell,*  
Secretary for Mines.

Board of Trade,  
Mines Department,  
Dean Stanley Street,  
Millbank, S.W.1.

SCHEDULE.

The Midland (Amalgamated) District (Coal Mines) Scheme, 1930, shall have effect as if—

(A) in sub-clause (a) of Clause 11 thereof after the words "Central Scheme" the following words were added:—" (other than under the provisions of clause XVA thereof)";

(B) the following new sub-clause were inserted in Clause 11 thereof:—

(e) (i) The monies (hereinafter called 'War Emergency Assistance Contributions') required from time to time for paying any contribution payable to the Central Council under the provisions of Clause XVA of the Central Scheme, shall be fixed from time to time by Resolution of the Executive Board.

(ii) All such War Emergency Assistance Contributions shall be subscribed and paid by the coalowners to the Trustees, rateably and in proportion to the disposal of all the coalowners during any month commencing on 1st January, 1941.

(iii) The provisions of sub-clause (c) of this Clause, mutatis mutandis, shall apply to War Emergency Assistance Contributions.

(iv) For the purpose of the payment of War Emergency Assistance Contributions, the disposal of each coalowner during each month, commencing as aforesaid, shall be ascertained and communicated by each coalowner to the Secretary, in the case of the months of January and February, 1941, forthwith, and in the case of each month thereafter not later than the fifth day of the next succeeding month. The Executive Board shall have power from time to time to fix the rate of War Emergency Assistance Contribution per ton, and to apply the same to the disposal of each coalowner during any month. The amounts of the several War Emergency

Assistance Contributions shall be certified in writing by the Executive Board to the Trustees, who shall demand the same from the several coalowners with all possible despatch. All such War Emergency Assistance Contributions shall be paid by the respective coalowners to the Trustees in relation to the months of January and February, 1941, forthwith and in relation to each month thereafter on or before the 15th day of the month in which the demand is made.

(v) In this sub-clause, 'disposal' in relation to a coal mine means the tonnage in saleable coal raised and weighed at the pithead at that coal mine, after deducting all coal to be used for the purpose of working the coal mine and all coal to be supplied free or at reduced rates for the use of persons who are or have been employed in or about the mine, and the dependents of persons who have been so employed."

(C) In Clause 12 thereof:—

(a) After the word "under" in line 1 the following words were added:— "paragraphs (a), (b), (c) and (d) of";

(b) after the words "Central Scheme" in (b) the following words were added:— " (not being payable under the provisions of Clause XVA thereof)"; and

(c) the following words were added at the end thereof "The War Emergency Assistance Contributions collected by the Trustees shall be applied only in payment of contributions payable under sub-clause (2) of Clause XVA of the Central Scheme."

*Lieutenancy of the County of the  
City of Dundee.*

Alexander Anderson, of Woodhill, Chislehurst Road, Bickley, Kent, resigns his commission as a Deputy Lieutenant.—Dated 13th March, 1941.

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*Air Ministry,*  
22nd April, 1941.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

The KING has been graciously pleased to approve the following awards in recognition of gallantry displayed in flying operations against the enemy:—

*Distinguished Service Order.*

Acting Wing Commander Samuel Charles ELWORTHY, D.F.C., A.F.C. (36056). No. 82 Squadron.

In March, 1941, this officer was detailed to carry out an attack on enemy shipping off Le Havre. Sighting two enemy tankers of approximately 3,000 tons, escorted by flak ships, he proceeded to attack one of the tankers from a low altitude and, in spite of heavy and accurate anti-aircraft fire from the flak ships, scored a direct hit which set the tanker on fire. On another occasion whilst returning from a successful attack against an enemy dump near Flushing aerodrome he was attacked by two Messerschmitt 109's, but though his rear gunner was wounded, he managed by skilful flying to throw off the enemy fighters and return safely to base. By