

the Public Assistance (Amendment) Order, 1939, the Public Assistance (Amendment) Order, 1940, the Public Assistance (Amendment) Order (No. 2), 1940, and the Public Assistance (Amendment) Order, 1941, and modified by this Order:

Provided that in case of any inconsistency the provisions of this Order shall prevail.

(2) This Order shall come into operation on the 1st day of October, 1941.

*Modification of Orders, &c., Applicable to the County.*

2.—(1) Any orders, rules or regulations made by the Minister and in force in the County shall, in their application to the County, have effect subject to such modifications as may be necessary to give full effect to the provisions of this Order.

(2) Notwithstanding the generality of the provisions of paragraph (1) of this Article the Public Assistance Order, 1930, as amended as hereinbefore set out shall in its application to the County be modified in manner following, namely:—

(a) in paragraph (1) (b) of Article 25, before the words "a Relieving Officer", there shall be inserted the words "an Adjudicating Officer or";

(b) in paragraph (5) of Article 166, after the words "the Council", wherever those words occur, there shall be inserted the words "or an Adjudicating Officer" and after the words "when required by them" there shall be inserted the words "or him";

(c) to paragraph (1) of Article 167 there shall be added the words "and shall also attend before any Adjudicating Officer when that Officer is considering applications for relief reported to him by the Relieving Officer";

(d) in paragraph (4) of Article 167, after the word "Committee", there shall be inserted the words "and each attendance before any Adjudicating Officer";

(e) in paragraph (5) of Article 167, after the words "next meeting", there shall be inserted the words "or to an Adjudicating Officer acting in their stead", and for the words "their previous meeting" there shall be substituted the words "the date of the previous consideration by the Committee or the Adjudicating Officer as the case may be"; and

(f) in paragraph (12) of Article 167, after the words "until the next ordinary meeting of the Committee", there shall be inserted the words "or until the consideration of the case by an Adjudicating Officer acting in their stead."

(3) Notwithstanding the generality of the provisions of paragraph (1) of this Article the Relief Regulation Order, 1930, as partly rescinded on the 19th December, 1931, and amended by the Relief Regulation (Amendment) Order, 1932, the Relief Regulation (Amendment) Order, 1940, and the Relief Regulation (Amendment) Order (No. 2), 1940, shall in its application to the County be modified in manner following, namely:—

(a) in the proviso to paragraph (2) (a) of Article 11, after the word "Committee", wherever that word occurs, there shall be

inserted the words "or an Adjudicating Officer acting in their stead", and the word "their" in line 7 shall be omitted; and

(b) in Article 10, the proviso to Article 12 and Article 16, after the words "Committee or Sub-Committee", wherever those words occur, there shall be inserted the words "or an Adjudicating Officer acting in their stead."

*Appointment of Officers.*

3. The Council may from time to time appoint such numbers of suitable persons as they may think necessary to hold the office of Adjudicating Officer to perform such of the duties of that office (as prescribed by this Order) in such area or areas as the Council may from time to time require.

*Conditions of Service, &c.*

4. Every person appointed by the Council as an Adjudicating Officer shall be deemed a Senior Poor Law Officer.

*Duties of Adjudicating Officer.*

5. The duties of Adjudicating Officer shall be the following, namely:—

(a) to determine, in accordance with the statutory provisions and any rules, orders or regulations made by the Minister in that behalf, and, subject thereto, in accordance with any rules prescribed by the Council for the purpose, the nature and amount of relief (if any) to be given to applicants for relief within such classes or falling to be dealt with in such circumstances as the Council shall from time to time authorise;

(b) to make orders for the grant of relief accordingly;

(c) to reconsider periodically, in accordance with any rules, orders or regulations made by the Minister in that behalf, and, subject thereto, in accordance with any rules prescribed by the Council for the purpose, the cases of persons receiving relief within such classes or falling to be dealt with in such circumstances as the Council shall from time to time authorise, and to make any necessary orders with regard thereto;

(d) to report to the appropriate Sub-Committee of the Public Assistance Committee all orders for relief made by him;

(e) to refer for consideration by the appropriate Sub-Committee of the Public Assistance Committee such of the cases falling to be dealt with by him under this Order as in his opinion should be dealt with by such Sub-Committee, and also any cases falling within such classes as the Council may from time to time direct;

(f) to refer to the appropriate Sub-Committee of the Public Assistance Committee for review or consideration any case in which a recipient of relief or an applicant for relief asks for reconsideration of the Adjudicating Officer's determination or proposed determination of his case;

(g) to keep Relief Order Books and to make entries therein in accordance with the provisions of Article 22 of the Public Assistance Order, 1930, whenever he considers applications for relief or reconsiders cases in which relief has been granted;