Geo. 5 c. 27), the Housing Act, 1936 (26 Geo. 5 and 1 Edw. 8 c. 51), and the Public Works Loans (No. 2) Act, 1946 (9 and 10 Geo. 6 c. 75), they have directed by their Minute of the 19th October, 1956 that on loans advanced otherwise than on the security of local rates from the Local Loans Fund, on and after the 20th October, 1956 there shall be chargeable in lieu of the rates fixed by the Treasury Minute of the 23rd March, 1956, the following rates of interest:—

Per cent.

Loans to housing associations as defined by the Housing Act, 1936, and the Housing (Scotland) Act, 1950:

For any period up to 50 years

Loans under the Housing Acts to companies and private persons, limiting their profits to the rate for the time being prescribed:

For any period up to 40 years

Loans under the Housing Acts to companies and private persons, not limiting their profits as aforesaid:

For any period up to 40 years

Loans under the Harbours and Passing Tolls, etc. Act, 1861, with collateral security:

> For any period up to 50 years 54

Loans under the Harbours and Passing Tolls, etc. Act, 1861, without collateral security:

For any period up to 50 years

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All other Loans:

For any period ... 6 ...

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Treasury Chambers, 19th October, 1956.

RATES OF INTEREST ON LOCAL LOANS. NOTICE.

The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice that in pursuance of the powers conferred on them by the Public Works Loans Act, 1897 (60 and 61 Vict. c. 51), the Public Works Loans Act, 1935 (26 Geo. 5 & 1 Edw. 8 c. 5) and the Local Authorities Loans Act, 1945 (8 & 9 Geo. 6 c. 18), they have directed by their Minute of the 19th October, 1956 that on loans advanced to Local Authorities from the Local Loans Fund, on and after the 20th October, 1956, there shall be chargeable in lieu of the rates fixed by the Treasury Minute of the 22nd June, 1956, the following rates of interest:—

Per cent. Loans for not more than five years ... 51 Loans for more than five years but not more than fifteen years Loans for more than fifteen years ... 53

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Treasury Chambers,

19th October, 1956.

Buckingham Palace, 18th October, 1956.

This day had Audience of The QUEEN:

His Excellency Monsieur Taieb Slim, to present his Letters of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from the Kingdom of Tunisia.

Whitehall, October 23, 1956.

The QUEEN has been pleased by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the Realm, bearing date the 19th instant, to present the Right Reverend Cyril Edgar Stuart, M.A., to the Canonry in the Cathedral Church of Worcester, vacant by the resignation of the Reverend Canon George Walkace Briggs, M.A.

BRITISH NATIONALITY ACT, 1948.

SECTION 20.

Deprivation of Citizenship of the United Kingdom and Colonies.

The Secretary of State has made an Order dated 18th October, 1956, under section 20 of the British Nationality Act, 1948, depriving Bruno Walter Sobczyk of his citizenship of the United Kingdom and Colonies, on the ground that within five years after becoming naturalised he was sentenced to imprisonment for a term of not less than twelve months.

The certificate of naturalisation No. BNA 22177 granted to Sobczyk on the 21st March, 1952, ceased to be effective from the date of the Order.

Home Office Whitehall.

22nd October, 1956.

Ministry of Labour and National Service, Factory Department,

19, St. James's Square, London, S.W.1.

11th October, 1956.

The Chief Inspector of Factories gives notice that in consequence of the resignation of Dr. E. Holmes an appointment as Appointed Factory Doctor under the Factories Acts, 1937 and 1948, for the District of Kendal in the County of Westmorland, is vacant. Latest date for receipt of applications: 17th November 1956 ber, 1956.

> Ministry of Labour and National Service, Factory Department,

19, St. James's Square, London, S.W.1.

11th October, 1956.

The Chief Inspector of Factories gives notice that in consequence of the death of Dr. R. H. Titcombe an appointment as Appointed Factory Doctor under the Factories Acts, 1937 and 1948, for the District of New Mills in the County of Derby is vacant. Latest date for receipt of applications: 10th November 1956. ber, 1956.

Ministry of Labour and National Service, Factory Department, 19, St. James's Square, London, S.W.1.

11th October, 1956.

The Chief Inspector of Factories gives notice that in consequence of the resignation of Dr. G. L. Wylie, an appointment as Appointed Factory Doctor under the Factories Acts, 1937 and 1948, for the District of Duns in the County of Berwick is vacant. Latest date for receipt of applications, 10th November, 1956.

PETROLEUM (PRODUCTION) ACT, 1934.

In pursuance of Section 2 (3) of the Petroleum (Production) Act, 1934, the Minister of Fuel and Power hereby gives notice that in accordance with the provisions of that Act and of the Petroleum (Production) Regulations, 1935, he has renewed for a further period of twelve months two prospecting licences granted to Steel Brothers Company Limited, of 24-28, Lombard Street, London, E.C.3, covering areas of 68 square miles and 155 square miles in the County of Lancaster.

Descriptions of the boundaries of the areas were published in the London Gazette of Tuesday, the 18th November, 1952. Maps showing the boundaries can be inspected on application to the Ministry of Fuel and Power, Petroleum Division, Thames House South, Milbank, London, S.W.1.