(*a*) In paragraph (1), 20 shillings, 16 shillings, 10 shillings, and 8 shillings shall be substituted respectively for 17 shillings, 14 shillings, 8 shillings and sixpence, and 7 shillings.
(*b*) Paragraph (6) shall cease to have effect.

2. This Order may be cited as the Unemployment Insurance (Insurance Industry Special Scheme) (Amendment) Special Order (Northern Ireland), 1923, and shall be deemed to have come into operation on the 1st day of July, 1923.

Given under the Official Seal of the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland this Thirtieth day of June, nineteen hundred and twenty-three.

(Signed).

(L.S.) *J. A. Dale,*

Secretary to the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland.

MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR FOR NORTHERN IRELAND UNDER THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACT, (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1923. AMENDMENT ORDER NO. 1,

1923. No. 33.

WHEREAS it is provided by Section 9 of the Unemployment Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1923 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act of 1923"), that for the purpose of securing in the case of a special scheme that like rates of benefit shall be payable to the person to whom the scheme applies as are payable under the Act of 1923, and that the benefits under the scheme shall otherwise be not less favourable than those provided by the general provisions of the Unemployment Insurnace Acts (Northern Ireland), 1920 to 1922 (but for no other purposes), the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland (hereinafter referred to as "the Ministry") may, after consultation with the body charged with the administration of the scheme, by order vary or amend the provisions of the scheme, and any such order may provide for consequential amendments as to the rates of contributions and otherwise.

AND WHEREAS by the Unemployment Insurance (Insurance Industry Special Scheme) Order, 1921 (*a*) the Insurance Industry Unemployment Insurance Scheme (hereinafter referred to as "the Scheme") was approved by the Minister of Labour for the United Kingdom under the powers conferred upon him by Section 18 of the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1920.

AND WHEREAS by the Government of Ireland (Adaptation of Unemployment Insurance Acts), Order, 1922, the scheme was continued in force in Northern Ireland as from the first day of January, nineteen hundred and twenty-two.

AND WHEREAS the Incorporated Insurance Industry Unemployment Insurance Board (hereinafter referred to as "the Joint Board") is the body charged with the administration of the scheme.

(*a*) Imperial S. R. & O., 1921, No. 1,281.

AND WHEREAS by the Unemployment Insurance (Insurance Industry Special Scheme) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland), 1922, (hereinafter referred to as the Amendment Order, 1922), for the purposes mentioned in Section 15 of the Unemployment Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1922, the provisions of the scheme were varied and amended.

AND WHEREAS for the purposes mentioned in Section 9 of the Act of 1923 it is necessary further to vary and amend the provisions of the scheme.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Ministry, after consultation with the Joint Board, hereby makes the following Order :—

1. The variations and amendments of the provisions of the Scheme contained in the Schedule hereto shall have effect as from the date of the making of this Order, except as is otherwise expressly provided in the said Schedule.
2. This Order may be cited as the Unemployment Insurance (Insurance Industry Special Scheme) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland), 1923, and this Order and the Unemployment Insurance (Insurance Industry Special Scheme) Orders (Northern Ireland), 1921 and 1922, may be cited together as the Unemployment Insurance (Insurance Industry Special Scheme) Orders (Northern Ireland), 1921 to 1923.

Given under the Official Seal of the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland this 31st day of May, 1923.

(Signed), *J. A. Dale,*

(L.S.) Secretary to the Ministry of Labour for Northern Ireland.

SCHEDULE.

1. The Fourth Special Period defined in paragraph 2 (2) of the Schedule to the Amendment Order, 1922, shall be extended so as to terminate on the seventeenth day of October, 1923, instead of on the first day of July, 1923, and the provisions of the said Schedule relating to benefit within the Fourth Special Period shall have effect subject to the following modifications :—

(1) The periods for which a person may be authorised to receive out-of-work benefit, shall be periods not exceeding in the aggregate forty-four weeks.

(2) Notwithstanding anything in the Scheme no person shall, except by virtue of an authorisation given by the Joint Board under paragraph 3 of the Schedule to the Amendment Order, 1922, as amended by this Order, receive out-of-work benefit in the Fourth Special Period for periods amounting in the aggregate to more than twenty-six weeks, and no person shall whether by virtue of such an authorisation as aforesaid, or otherwise, receive out-of-work benefit in the Fourth Special Period for periods amounting in the aggregate to more than forty-four weeks.

(3) Where a disabled person, as defined by sub-section (1) of Section nine of the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1921, is in the opinion of the Joint Board by reason of his disability unable to undertake whole-time employment, the Joint Board may, notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 3 (3) (b) of the Schedule to the Amendment Order, 1922, authorise that person to receive out-of-work benefit.

(4) The provisions of paragraph 3 (1) (b) and 3 (5) of the Schedule to the Amendment Order, 1922, shall cease to have effect and paragraph 5 (1) (b) of the same Schedule shall have effect with the omission of the words from " or where the benefit " to " within the Fourth Special Period."

2.—(1) Clause 7 (1) of the Scheme shall have effect as if for the words " which section " there were substituted therein the words " and in section 6 (1) of the Unemployment Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1923, and those sections (except paragraph (b) of sub-section (2) of Section 7 of the Act)."

(2) The Joint Board may by rules provide for the transition from the provisions of Clause 7 (1) of the Scheme to the same provisions as amended by this Schedule and prescribe that a period of consecutive days shall for the purposes of the scheme as amended as aforesaid begin or end on such days as may be prescribed, and that such a period may be inclusive or exclusive of Sundays.

(3) This Clause shall have effect as from the twelfth day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-three.

3. The following shall be substituted for paragraph 5 of the Second Schedule to the Scheme :—

> " 5. A period of unemployment shall not be deemed to commence until the date on which the person insured under the Scheme makes application for out-of-work benefit in the manner provided by the Scheme : Provided that rules may be made by the Joint Board for allowing some earlier date to be substituted for the date of application in cases in which good cause is shown for delay in making application."

4. The Joint Board shall, in exercising the powers conferred upon them by this Schedule, give effect to any general direction which may from time to time be given by the Ministry.

5. Save as in this Schedule otherwise expressly provided nothing herein contained shall operate so as to deprive any person of, or to prevent any person from receiving, any out-of-work benefit, which he would have been entitled to receive if the provisions of this Schedule had not come into force.

6. This Schedule shall be construed as one with the Scheme and the Schedule to the Amendment Order, 1922.

MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR FOR NORTHERN IRELAND UNDER THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1923 (13 & 14 GEO. 5, c. 11). AMENDMENT ORDER No. 2.

1923. No. 46.

WHEREAS by the Unemployment Insurance (Insurance Industry Special Scheme) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland), 1923 (herein-