Children's Officer

REGULATIONS, DATED 1ST AUGUST, 1950, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS UNDER SUB-SECTION (3) OF SECTION EIGHTY-NINE AND SUB-SECTION (2) OF SECTION ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FOUR OF THE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PERSONS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1950.

1950. No. 130

The Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland, hereinafter referred to as " the Ministry ", in pursuance of the powers conferred upon it by sub-section (3) of section eighty-nine and sub-section (2) of section one hundred and thirty-four of the Children and Young Persons Act (Northern Ireland), 1950, and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations :—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Children and Young Persons (Children's Officer) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1950, and shall come into operation on the date hereof.

2. The Interpretation Act, 1889, shall apply to the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of the Parliament of Northern Ireland.

3. After the date of commencement of these Regulations a person shall not be qualified to be appointed as children's officer of a welfare authority unless —

(*a*) (i) he possesses a degree, diploma or certificate in social science or in social studies from a recognised university ; or

(ii) he is a graduate of at least three years' standing of a recognised university and has passed in economics or sociology in his final or an earlier examination ; or

(iii) he possesses a diploma or certificate in general social work or education or the care of children, or such other qualification as may from time to time be recognised by the Ministry, and has also adequate and suitable experience of child welfare work under a Government Department, local authority or recognised voluntary agency ; and

(*b*) he produces satisfactory evidence that his health and character are good ; and

(*c*) he is a natural born British subject, and the son of a father also a natural born British subject, and has during the whole of a period of five years ending on the date of appointment been resident in the United Kingdom ; provided that any period of service outside the United Kingdom in time of

war emergency in the armed forces of the Crown or in the mercantile marine shall be treated as residence in the United Kingdom ; and

(*d*) he is at the date of appointment not less than twenty-five years of age and not more than forty-five years of age ; provided that the maximum age limit shall not apply to a person already holding an office under a local authority.

4. The conditions of service of a children's officer shall be such as may, with the consent of the Ministry, be determined by the welfare authority by which he is appointed.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland this 1st day of August, one thousand nine hundred and fifty, in the presence of

(L.S.) *J. B. O'Neill,*
Assistant Secretary.

Juvenile Courts

REGULATIONS, DATED 13TH MARCH, 1950, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS UNDER SECTION ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-FOUR OF, AND PARAGRAPH 6 OF THE SECOND SCHEDULE TO, THE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PERSONS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1950.

1950. No. 37

The Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland (hereinafter referred to as " the Ministry ") by virtue of the powers conferred upon it by section one hundred and thirty-four of, and Paragraph 6 of the Second Schedule to, the Children and Young Persons Act (Northern Ireland), 1950, hereby makes the following Regulations :—

1. A Juvenile Court shall be constituted for each Petty Sessions district in Northern Ireland and have jurisdiction in the Petty Sessions district for which it is constituted.

2. The members of a panel who are to take part in the constitution of a Juvenile Court shall be selected by the clerk of that Court in accordance with directions of the Ministry given after consideration of any recommendation made to it under the next succeeding Regulation.

3. The members of each panel shall meet as often as may be necessary and, in any case, not less frequently than once a year to discuss any question connected with the work of Juvenile Courts, and to make recommendations to the Ministry as to the method of selection of the members of the panel who are to take part in the constitution of such Courts.