(7) Nothing in this regulation shall prevent or affect in any way any transaction in respect of an advance made by any bank within the meaning of the Banking Act, 1908, in good faith in the ordinary course of business and on such security as the bank usually requires, if the advance is repayable on demand.

(8) No such bank shall, without the consent of the Minister, transfer any securities issued to it after the commencement of these regulations in connection with any transaction of the kind specified

in the last preceding clause, except—

(a) By way of discharge, to the person to whom an advance was made in pursuance of the terms of the transaction; or

(b) To a guaranter who, in pursuance of the terms of his guarantee, has repaid to the bank the whole or part of the moneys due to the bank under the transaction.

(9) No such bank shall, without the consent of the Minister,-

- (a) Charge interest on any advance made by the bank and existing at the date on which these regulations come into force at a rate exceeding the rate of interest on the advance in force on that date:
- (b) Charge on any advance made by the bank after that date interest at a rate exceeding the rate of interest charged by the bank on that date in respect of similar advances to its customers.

(10) Any sum charged as interest in contravention of the provisions of the last preceding clause shall be a debt due by the bank to which it was paid to the person by whom it was paid, and may be recovered in any Court of competent jurisdiction.

(11) The interest payable on any advance made by a bank in respect of any period after the commencement of these regulations shall not exceed interest payable at the rate chargeable under clause (9) of this regulation, and the remedies for enforcing any covenant or agreement to pay interest on any such advances shall be limited to enforcing payment of interest at the rate so chargeable.

Purposes.

(1) The Minister may from time to time, if it appears to him to be necessary or expedient in the public interest so to do for the purpose of extending, increasing, or maintaining the primary or secondary production of New Zealand or for the purpose of any other works of national importance,—

(a) Give such directions as the Minister thinks fit to any person or class of persons for the time being carrying on the business of lending money for the purpose of controlling the general policy of that person or class of persons in relation to the making, renewal, and increasing of advances:

(b) Give in respect of any advances made by any person or class of persons carrying on that business such guarantee, indemnity, or security, upon or subject to such terms and conditions, as the Minister thinks fit.

(2) Any directions given by the Minister under this regulation

may be at any time in like manner revoked or varied.

(3) In the exercise of his functions under this regulation the Minister shall have regard to any recommendations made by the Bureau of Industry appointed under the Industrial Efficiency Act, 1936, or by the Primary Industries Controller appointed under the Primary Industries Emergency Regulations 1939,* or by the Emergency Finance Council appointed under these regulations.

REGULATION 14.—Power to require Contributions to War-

(1) If the Minister has reason to believe that any person has not subscribed in due proportion to his means to any loan for the time being authorized to be raised by the Minister for the purposes of the War Expenses Account established under Part I of the War Expenses Act, 1939 (hereinafter in this regulation referred to as a war-purposes loan), the Minister may, by notice in writing

^{*} Statutory Regulations 1939, Serial number 1939/164, page 728.