SUPPLEMENT TO THE
NEW ZEALAND GAZETTE
OF
THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 1944
Pursuant to the powers conferred on it by the Control of Prices Emergency Regulations 1939, the Price Tribunal, acting with the authority of the Minister of Industries and Commerce, doth hereby make the following Price Order:—

Preliminary

1. (1) This Order may be cited as Price Order No. 244, and shall come into force on the 3rd day of June, 1944.

2. (1) Price Order No. 147 is hereby revoked.

3. (1) The revocation of the said Order shall not affect the liability of any person for any offence in relation thereto committed before the coming into force of this Order.

2. (1) In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires,—

"The said regulations" means the Control of Prices Emergency Regulations 1939:

"Certified seed potatoes" means seed potatoes that have been certified as "mother seed" or as "commercial seed" in accordance with the scheme for the certification of seed potatoes that is in operation under the control of the Department of Agriculture; and "uncertified seed potatoes" includes all seed potatoes that have not been so certified:

"Distributor", in relation to any lot of potatoes, means a wholesaler, as defined in the said regulations, who sells those potatoes otherwise than to a retailer for purposes of retail sale:

"Group", in relation to potatoes, means a person engaged in the business of growing potatoes for sale:

"Grower", in relation to potatoes, means a person engaged in the business of growing potatoes for sale:

"Seed potatoes" includes all potatoes that are sold, offered, or exposed for sale as seed potatoes:

"Standard-sized", in relation to certified seed potatoes, refers to potatoes that comply with the standard prescribed by clause 5 hereof:

The expression "f.o.r.s.i. means free on railway-station in the South Island, sacks or other containers included;".

2. (2) Terms and expressions defined in the said regulations, when used in this Order, have the meanings severally assigned thereto by those regulations.

3. Subject to any general or specific directions that may be given by or on behalf of the Tribunal, any expenses that are reasonably incurred by a distributor, wholesaler, or retailer in undertaking the transport of any potatoes at his own expense, not exceeding in any case the cost that would have been incurred by him if delivery had been effected by a common carrier at current freight rates, may be regarded for the purposes of this Order as if they were transport charges paid by him, and the maximum price of the potatoes shall be determined accordingly.

APPLICATION OF THIS ORDER

4. (1) This Order applies only to seed potatoes derived from the crop grown in New Zealand during the 1943-44 season.

(2) Except as otherwise provided herein, this Order applies to all such seed potatoes that (whether sold before or after the date of the coming into force of this Order) are delivered to the purchaser on or after the said date.

(3) In its application to growers' prices, this Order does not apply to any seed potatoes which have been specially hand-picked in a distributor's or wholesaler's store in the South Island and which are sold in lots exceeding 1 cwt., in any case, but applies to all other seed potatoes of the 1943-44 season grown anywhere in New Zealand.

Fixed Prices of Seed Potatoes

Growers' Actual Prices for "Standard-sized" Certified Seed Potatoes

5. (1) For the purposes of this Order the standard for certified seed potatoes shall be deemed to be a potato that weighs not less than 2 oz. and not more than 4½ oz.

(2) If in any sample of one hundred potatoes taken at random from any lot of certified seed potatoes more than eight of those potatoes fail to comply with the standard prescribed by the last preceding sub-clause (1) of this clause, the lot shall be deemed to be "standard-sized".

(3) Except as provided in the last preceding sub-clause all certified seed potatoes shall for the purposes of this Order be deemed to be "standard-sized".

(4) The actual price to be charged by any grower for any "standard-sized" certified seed potatoes to which this Order applies shall be determined in accordance with the following provisions of this clause.

(2) The basic price of such potatoes shall in every case be computed in accordance with the scale set forth in the Schedule hereto.

(3) Where any such potatoes are delivered by the grower f.o.r.s.i. a railway-station in the South Island, the actual price to be charged by the grower shall be the basic price, increased in accordance with the provisions of sub-clause (7) hereof, in cases to which that sub-clause applies.

(4) Where any such potatoes are delivered by the grower otherwise than f.o.r.s.i. a railway-station in the South Island, the actual price to be charged by the grower shall be the basic price, increased in accordance with the provisions of sub-clause (7) hereof, in cases to which that sub-clause applies.

(5) The basic price fixed in the Schedule hereto for certified "mother seed" potatoes is fixed as for potatoes classified in Group 4.

(6) The basic price fixed in the Schedule hereto for certified "commercial seed" potatoes is fixed as for potatoes classified in Group 7.

(7) For seed potatoes classified in a higher group than Group 4 or Group 7, as the case may be, a premium of 6s. a ton shall be charged for each upward step in the classification.

* Statutory Regulations 1939, serial number 1939/375, page 1057.
† Gazette, 22nd July, 1938, Vol. 11, page 819.
Growers' Maximum Prices for Certified Seed Potatoes that are not
standard-sized

7. The maximum price that may be charged by any grower for any certified seed potatoes to which this Order applies that are not "standard-sized" shall be the price that would have been the actual price of those potatoes if they had in fact been "standard-sized".

Growers' Maximum Prices for Uncertified Seed Potatoes

8. (1) The maximum price that may be charged by any grower for any uncertified seed potatoes to which this Order applies shall be £9 a ton, delivered f.o.r.s.i. a railway-station in the South Island.

(2) Where any potatoes to which this clause applies are delivered by the grower otherwise than f.o.r.s.i. a railway-station in the South Island, the maximum price that may be charged by the grower shall be £9 a ton increased by the charges that would have been incurred by the grower if delivery had been effected by a common carrier at current freight rates to the railway-station that is nearest or most convenient of access to the grower's premises.

Distributors' Prices

9. (1) The price that may be charged by any distributor for any seed potatoes to which this Order applies shall not exceed the sum of the following amounts:

(a) The price actually paid or payable by the grower to the same or any other distributor:

(b) Any grading, transport, or other charges (not including brokerage) actually paid by the same or any other distributor:

(c) An amount computed at the rate of 5 per cent. of the sum of the amounts specified in paragraphs (a) and (b) hereof, or at the rate of 10s. a ton (whichever is the greater):

(d) Any disbursements actually incurred by the same or any other distributor by way of brokerage, not exceeding in the aggregate 24 per cent. of the sum of the amounts specified in paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) hereof.

(2) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Order, the provisions of this clause as to the computation of distributors' prices shall apply with respect to every sale by a person who is ordinarily engaged in business as a distributor to a person who is ordinarily engaged in business as a wholesaler, notwithstanding that in any such case the purchaser may sell by way of retail any potatoes acquired by him from the distributor.

Wholesalers' and Retailers' Prices

10. (1) When any seed potatoes to which this Order applies are sold by any wholesaler or by any retailer in lots exceeding 14 cwt., the price that may be charged or received by the wholesaler or retailer shall not exceed the sum of the following amounts:

(a) The price actually paid or payable by the wholesaler or the retailer, as the case may be, to the grower or any other person:

(b) An amount not exceeding 2s. 6d. a ton in respect of any potatoes actually received into the wholesaler's or retailer's store, together with any grading, transport, or other charges actually paid by the wholesaler or retailer:

(c) An amount equal to 24 per cent. of the sum of the amounts specified in paragraphs (a) and (b) hereof (to cover the estimated loss due to shrinkage and other natural causes), and a further amount equal to 11 per cent. of the said sum in respect of potatoes actually received into store:

(d) An amount computed at the rate of £1 15s. a ton for lots of 1 ton or more.

(2) Where any potatoes to which this Order applies are sold by any wholesaler or retailer in lots of 7 lb., or 14 lb., or 28 lb., or 56 lb., or 112 lb., or 168 lb., the price shall not in any case exceed:

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(3) Where any such potatoes are sold by any wholesaler or retailer in a lot exceeding 7 lb. but otherwise than in a lot of any of the weights specified in the last preceding subclause, the maximum price per pound of any surplus over 7 lb. or over any multiple of 7 lb. (being less in every case than 7 lb.) shall be 6d.

(4) Notwithstanding anything in the foregoing provisions of this clause the wholesale or retail price of any potatoes to which this Order applies shall not in any case exceed 6d. per pound.

SCHEDULE

Basic Prices for Certified Seed Potatoes to which this Order Applies

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<td>B. Arran Consul, Arran Banner, Arran Pilot, Aucklander Short Top, Aucklander Tall Top, Catriona, Cliffs Kidney, Epicure, Jersey Bennes, King Edward, Majestic, Robin Adair, Up-to-date, and other varieties not specified elsewhere</td>
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<td>C. Arran Chief, Dakota, Inverness Favourite, Iron Duke, Northern Star (Gamekeeper)</td>
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Dated at Wellington, this 31st day of May, 1944.

The Seal of the Price Tribunal was affixed hereto in the presence of—

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W. J. HUNTER (Judge), President.
H. L. WISE, Member.

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