RECORD OF FROZEN-MEAT SHIPMENTS TO UNITED KINGDOM MINISTRY OF FOOD (DURING EACH TWELVE MONTHS ENDING 30TH SEPTEMBER)

| | | Lamb. | Mutton. | Quarter Beef and Veal. | Boneless Beef. | Boneless Veal. | Pig-meats. | Edible Offal. | Total. |
|----------------|---|---------|---------|------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------|------------------|---------|
| | | Tons. | Tons. | Tons. | Tons. | Tons. | Tons. | Tons. | Tons. |
| 1939-40 | | 146,295 | 71,740 | 34,378 | 28, | 220 | 21,628 | 10,026 | 312,287 |
| 1940-41 | | 149,458 | 30,392 | 37,232 | 6,483 | 6,275 | 27,342 | 11,468 | 268,650 |
| 1941-42 | | 191,448 | 40,081 | 37,390 | 766 | 2,350 | 15,855 | 9,976 | 297,866 |
| 1942-43 | | 155,139 | 22,649 | 22,815 | 2,248 | 5,579 | 728 | 8,474 | 217,632 |
| 1943–44 | | 141,553 | 57,334 | 2,316 | 266 | 4,036 | 948 | 6,164 | 212,617 |
| 1944–45 | | 171,203 | 76,111 | 7,747 | 4,527 | 7,747 | 3,278 | 6,936 | 277,549 |
| 1945 | | | | | | | | | |
| October . | : | 1,313 | 1,592 | 1,051 | 193 | 2,249 | 1,062 | 543 | 8,003 |
| 37 1 | | 1,110 | 117 | 2,742 | 229 | 775 | 397 | 202 | 5,572 |
| December . | | 3,587 | 1,091 | 10,935 | 250 | 884 | 1,413 | 783 | 18,943 |
| 1946 | | 1 | i | | | | | : | |
| January . | | 8,666 | 1,116 | 3,307 | 125 | 595 | 2,183 | 619 | 16,611 |
| February . | | 18,939 | 3,043 | 130 | 603 | 478 | 2,405 | 1,446 | 27,044 |
| March . | | 18,439 | 6,075 | 882 | 290 | 17 | 778 | 1,033 | 27,514 |
| April . | | 17,514 | 8,156 | 5,824 | 1,985 | 102 | 1,624 | 1,189 | 36.394 |
| May . | | 37,259 | 18,468 | 6,077 | 1,928 | 31 | 1,658 | $2,299 \pm$ | 67,720 |
| June . | | 8,171 | 7,113 | 3,945 | 2,422 | 32 | 565 | 1,161 | 23,409 |
| July . | | 14,682 | 5,795 | 3,474 | 1,639 | 121 | 583 | 799 | 27,093 |
| August . | | 4,670 | 3,316 | 2,094 | 499 | | 409 | 256 | 11,244 |
| September . | | 22,544 | 14,641 | 6,113 | 2,638 | 1,340 | 274 | 1,372 | 48,922 |
| Total, 1945-46 | | 156,894 | 70,523 | 46,574 | 12,801 | 6,624 | 13,351 | 11,702 | 318,469 |

CANNED MEAT

With the cessation of supplies to the United States Joint Purchasing Board a canning contract was negotiated with the United Kingdom Ministry of Food for the production of 2,500 tons of canned corned beef during 1946. This quantity has been allocated to the various canneries which had participated in the canning programmes arranged by the Primary Industries Controller over the past few years.

PIG-MEATS

The Pig Marketing Emergency Regulations 1943 were revoked by the Emergency Regulations Revocation Order No. 2 which came into force on the 1st day of December, 1945. Since this date pig-meats have been purchased on the same terms and conditions as other classes of meat.

FREEZING COMPANY SUBSIDIES

As a result of discussions between representatives of the freezing companies and the Economic Stabilization Commission regarding the added wage-costs due to the forty-hour week, the following letter was addressed by the Director of Stabilization to the Chairman, Freezing Companies' Committee, dated 5th June, 1946:—

I have to advise that to meet 40-hour week wage costs, Cabinet has approved of additional subsidy being paid to freezing companies and bacon curers in accordance with Government's undertaking of the 27th February, 1946.

The following rates will be payable as from 2nd January, 1946, on net export killings of meat (excluding offal) as returned to the Export Marketing Division on return P.P.M. 109:—

Lambs, wethers and ewes.0675d. per lb.Quarter beef and veal in sides.045d. per lb.Boneless beef and mutton.075d. per lb.Boneless bobby veal.15d. per lb.Baconers, porkers and choppers.045d. per lb.

subject to a review being made, at the end of the current season, of the rate per lb. for baconers if such is then agreed to by all parties.