

REPORTS

No. 109/1947—Petition of J. P. WEBSTER and Others

PRAYING for the withdrawal for income-tax purposes of the approval of the Guarantee and Provident Fund of the Union Bank of Australia pending review of the rules, and other relief.

I am directed to report that the Committee has considered this petition. It has no recommendation to make on the prayer of the petition, but is strongly of the opinion that legislation should be introduced requiring all pension and superannuation schemes operating in the Dominion to provide for the refund of contributions on termination of employment before the superannuation age is reached.

29th July, 1948.

No. 115/1947—Petition of L. C. RAINS, of Auckland

PRAYING for restoration to his original classified position in the Post and Telegraph Department, or other relief.

I am directed to report that the Committee has considered this petition, and recommends that it be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

29th July, 1948.

No. 121/1947—Petition of PRESTON AND CO., LTD.

PRAYING for refund of duty paid on a quantity of ale and stout which subsequently became unfit for human consumption.

I am directed to report that the Committee has considered this petition, and recommends that it be referred to the Government for most favourable consideration.

4th August, 1948.

No. 122/1947—Petition of J. MILLER and Others

PRAYING for the early installation of electric lighting on the North Road Highway from the boundary of the City of Invercargill to Cooper's Corner.

I have the honour to report that the Committee has carefully considered this petition and finds that the road has been dangerous to motorists, pedestrians, and particularly cyclists, but that the improvement work now being carried out by the Main Highways Board should make it much safer. It is also of the opinion that the lighting should be considerably improved, but as the district is becoming more and more built up, this is primarily the responsibility of the adjacent local authorities, and as an official approach has yet to be made to them the Committee has no recommendation to make.

5th August, 1948.

No. 6—Petition of TRADES HALL (INVERCARGILL), LTD.

PRAYING for exemption from payment of gift duties, and other relief.

I have the honour to report that the Committee has carefully considered this petition, and recommends that it be referred to the Government for most favourable consideration.

18th August, 1948.