

of a time allowance being granted, a travelling-allowance at the ordinary schedule rate be paid for the distances for which these employees now receive a time allowance: travelling-time not to count for overtime. This is in accordance with an offer made by the departmental advocate.

CLAIM 10 (A.S.R.S.): *That shunting-gangs in large yards be composed of not less than three classified shunters.*

We have no recommendation to make.

CLAIM 11 (A.S.R.S.): *That where there are three men or less continuously employed in shunting operations, they be classified as shunters, and paid accordingly. (Regulation 91.)*

We have no recommendation to make.

CLAIM 12 (A.S.R.S.): *That Regulation 107 be amended to provide for payment of time and one-half for all time worked between 6 p.m. and 6 a.m., such penal rate not to be taken into consideration when computing the guaranteed week's pay.*

We have no recommendation to make. This matter is dealt with under the heading of claim 1, which has been treated comprehensively, so as to embrace hours, night rates, and overtime.

CLAIM 13 (A.S.R.S.): *That Regulation 113 be amended to provide for payment of time and one-half for all time worked in excess of eight hours, between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m., such penal rate not to be taken into consideration when computing the guaranteed week's pay.*

We have no recommendation to make. This matter is dealt with under the heading of claim 1, which has been treated comprehensively, so as to embrace hours, night rates, and overtime.

CLAIM 15 (A.S.R.S.): *That tablet-porters be paid for overtime on the same basis as all other members of the Second Division of the Railway Service.*

We have no recommendation to make. This matter is dealt with under the heading of claim 1, which has been treated comprehensively, so as to embrace hours, night rates, and overtime.

CLAIM 17 (A.S.R.S.): *Regulation 114: That where a member is finishing or commencing a shift on Sunday, such member be paid a minimum of four hours at Sunday rates for any time worked less than four hours. Sunday time in all cases to stand by itself, and not to be taken into consideration when computing the guaranteed week's pay.*

We have no recommendation to make.

CLAIM 20 (A.S.R.S.): *That booking men off at their home station be abolished.*

The departmental advocate intimated that a minimum of two hours (including a meal-hour) was considered a reasonable minimum. We recommend accordingly.

CLAIM 21 (A.S.R.S.): *That any member called on duty on any one day shall be paid for a minimum of not less than four hours' work.*

We are unable to make a recommendation in terms of the claim, for, with a guaranteed week's pay it is sometimes impossible to avoid booking a man on for a short period in order to make up the required time. We recommend, however, that the duty schedules shall, as far as practicable, be so arranged as to avoid unduly short periods of booking on.

CLAIM 29 (A.S.R.S.): *That meal-hours be definitely fixed as follows: Breakfast, 7 to 8 a.m.; lunch, 12 to 1 p.m.; tea, 5 to 6 p.m.; with only one booking-off in any one shift. The minimum meal-time to be thirty minutes and the maximum one hour.*

We recommend that employees the greater portion of whose hours of duty is between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. shall not be booked off for more than two meal intervals during their shifts, and, except where the exigencies of the service render it impracticable, the second of such intervals shall commence not less than three hours or more than five hours after the commencement of the first. Employees the greater portion of whose hours of duty is between 7 p.m. and 7 a.m. shall not be booked off for more than one meal interval during their respective shifts, such interval to be as nearly as practicable in the middle of the shift. A meal interval shall be not less than half an hour or more than one hour, and if it is impracticable to give an employee a full half-hour for a meal, his time shall be booked as continuous. Shunters on night shift to be dealt with under claim 30.

CLAIM 35 (A.S.R.S.): *That crossing-keepers' and bridge-keepers' hours and conditions be placed upon the same basis as tablet-porters', and paragraph 2 of Regulation 105 be amended accordingly.*

We have no recommendation to make.

CLAIM 36 (A.S.R.S.): *That special runs be abolished.*

We have no recommendation to make.

CLAIM 38 (A.S.R.S.): *That sawmill, house-factory, refreshment-room, and Lake Wakatipu staffs be placed on the D.-3 list.*

We have no recommendation to make. The regular employees on the Lake Wakatipu staff are already on the D.-3 list.