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## PUBLIC PETITIONS A TO L COMMITTEE

(REPORTS OF THE). (MR. F. W. SCHRAMM, CHAIRMAN.)

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## ORDERS OF REFERENCE.

Extracts from the Journals of the House of Representatives. TUESDAY, THE 1ST DAY of AUGUST, 1939.

Ordered, "That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting of ten members, to consider all petitions from A to L that may be referred to it; to classify and prepare abstracts of such petitions in such form and manner as shall appear to it best suited to convey to this House all requisite information respecting their contents, and to report the same from time to time to this House; and to have power to report its opinions and observations thereon to this House: the Committee to consist of Mr. Cotterill, Mr. Doidge, Mr. Grigg, Mr. Hultquist, Mr. Macdonald, Mr. Neilson, Mr. Richards, Mr. Roy, Mr. Schramm, and the Mover."—(Hon. Mr. Parry.)

THURSDAY, THE 3RD DAY OF AUGUST, 1939.

Ordered, "That all petitions not finally dealt with during the session of 1938 be again referred to the same Committees as they were referred to during the said session."—(Hon. Mr. Fraser.)

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No. 37.—Petition of ELIZABETH ADAMS and 2 Others.

Praying for a compassionate grant on account of loss sustained by fire.

I am directed to report that in the opinion of the Committee the petition should be referred to the Government for consideration.

31st August, 1939.

No. 3/1938.—Petition of G. W. BARR and 3 Others, Upper Plain Road, Masterton.

Praying that provision be made for the re-roofing of their residences, and that their mortgage liabilities due to the Crown be reduced.

I am directed to report that the prayer of the petition having already been satisfied by the State Advances Corporation, and the member in charge of the petition having requested leave to withdraw the same, the Committee recommends that the petition be allowed to be withdrawn.

31st August, 1939.

No. 2.—Petition of Margaret Beattle, 88 Russell Street, Dunedin.

Praying that she be granted a widow's pension.

I have the honour to report that the prayer of the petition having been already satisfied by the Social Security Department, and the member in charge of the petition having requested leave to withdraw the same, the Committee recommends that the petition be allowed to be withdrawn.

31st August, 1939.

No. 13.—Petition of J. T. Cowan, Grahams Road, Pukekohe.

Praying that he be granted an annual allowance or a compassionate grant for long service in the Police Force.

I am directed to report that in the opinion of the Committee the petition should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration, and that, in the opinion of the Committee, the petitioner is entitled to the sum of £400.

31st August, 1939.

No. 4.—Petition of W. S. Cooper, 193 Daniell Street, Wellington, S. 1.

PRAYING for reinstatement in the Public Service.

I am directed to report that in the opinion of the Committee the petition should be referred to the Government for urgent and most favourable consideration.

5th September, 1939.

No. 103/1938.—Petition of C. A. Flaunty, 410 Broadway, Miramar, Wellington.

Praying for an increase in the amount granted as a compassionate payment arising out of the death of his son.

I am directed to report that in the opinion of the Committee the petition should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

5th September, 1939.

No. 19.—Petition of S. H. Hollis, 11 Mount Street, Auckland.

Praying for compensation for injuries allegedly received whilst employed by the Public Works Department.

I am directed to report that in the opinion of the Committee the petition should be referred to the Government for most favourable consideration.

12 September, 1939.

No. 22.—Petition of G. Jenks, 3 Finch Street, Morningside, Auckland, S.W. 1.

Praying for compensation for reduction of superannuation owing to enforced early retirement from the Post and Telegraph Department under the provisions of the Finance Act, 1931, and other relief.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.

12th September, 1939.

No. 43.—Petition of G. KIRKBRIDE, Waimana.

Praying for payment of the sum of £88 14s. 4d., being the balance of an amount twice paid for work carried out under an unemployment-relief scheme, together with Court costs in connection therewith.

I am directed to report that in the opinion of the Committee the petition should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

12th September, 1939.

No. 34.—Petition of EMELINE TOWNSEND, 320 King Edward Street, South Dunedin.

PRAYING that she be granted an invalidity pension.

I am directed to report that the prayer of the petition having already been satisfied by the Social Security Department, and the member in charge of the petition having requested leave to withdraw the same, the Committee recommends that the petition be allowed to be withdrawn.

12th September, 1939.

No. 108/1938.—Petition of E. D. C. Badham and 491 Others.

Praying that the Government undertake the construction of an access road to Karekare.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.

14th September, 1939.

No. 20.—Petition of A. Foster, Hastings.

Praying for investigation of the circumstances surrounding the disposal of an estate under the will of Alfred Wells, deceased.

I am directed to report that, as the petitioner has not exhausted his legal remedies, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

14th September, 1939.

No. 14.—Petition of G. HARROP and Another.

Praying that they be permitted to adopt a child now under the control of the Child Welfare Department. I am directed to report that the prayer of the petition having already been satisfied by the Child Welfare Department, and the member in charge of the petition having requested leave to withdraw the same, the Committee recommends that the petition be allowed to be withdrawn.

14th September, 1939.

No. 110/1938.—Petition of R. A. Kyle and 30 Others, Waipukurau.

PRAYING for protection from erosion caused by the Tuki Tuki River.

I am directed to report that in the opinion of the Committee the petition should be referred to the Government for most favourable consideration.

14th September, 1939.

No. 60.—Petition of T. Gray, 8 McFarlane Street, Wellington.

Praying for compensation on account of inability to obtain redress for financial loss allegedly sustained.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.

21st September, 1939.

No. 42.—Petition of A. G. Hall, Auckland.

PRAYING for compensation on account of alleged miscarriage of justice.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.

21st September, 1939.

No. 7/1938.--Petition of Mary A. Kilbride and Another, of Southbridge.

PRAYING for a transfer of the title to certain lands at Southbridge.

I am directed to report that, as the petitioners have not exhausted their legal remedies, the Committee has no recommendation to make.

21st September, 1939.

No. 1.—Petition of S. E. HILL and Another.

PRAYING for an inquiry into certain adoption proceedings, and for compensation.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.

F. W. Schramm, Chairman.

28th September, 1939.

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