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# DEFENCE COMMITTEE

(REPORTS OF THE).

(MR. F. L. FROST, CHAIRMAN.)

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## ORDERS OF REFERENCE.

*Extract from the Journals of the House of Representatives.*

THURSDAY, THE 12TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1942.

*Ordered*, "That a Select Committee be appointed, consisting of ten members, to consider all matters in connection with defence which may be referred to it: the Committee to consist of Mr. Anderton, Mr. P. Carr, the Right Honourable Mr. Coates, Mr. Cullen, Mr. Frost, Mr. Lee, Mr. Lowry, Mr. Roy, Mr. Schramm, and the Mover."—(Hon. Mr. JONES.)

TUESDAY, THE 17TH DAY OF MARCH, 1942.

*Ordered*, "That all petitions not finally dealt with during the session of 1941 be again referred to the same Committees as they were referred to during the said session."—(Right Hon. Mr. FRASER.)

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## REPORTS.

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No. 1.—Petition of ETHEL M. BARNES, of New Plymouth.

PRAYING for a war widow's pension.

I have the honour to report that in the opinion of the Committee the petition should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration. The Committee is also of the opinion that the medical evidence from the doctors, who attended the petitioner's husband for some years prior to his death, definitely shows that his decease was connected with his war injury. Evidence of attributability can be adduced from the fact that the husband of the petitioner was a war pensioner from the date of his discharge.

2nd July, 1942.

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No. 10.—Petition of R. L. SLYFIELD, of New Plymouth.

PRAYING for a war pension.

I have the honour to report that in the opinion of the Committee the petition should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration. The Committee is also of the opinion that the petitioner should be given the opportunity to lodge a further appeal to the War Pensions Board.

9th July, 1942.

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No. 33.—Petition of GERALDINE G. HOWELL, of Napier.

PRAYING that she be granted a war pension.

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

4th December, 1942.

F. L. FROST, Chairman.

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