No. 41.—Petition of J. V. Wallis and Others, of Marewa, Napier

Praying for the provision of a proper and efficient sewerage system at Marewa.

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

26th September, 1946.

No. 56.—Petition of T. M. Brennen and Others

Praying that the Government take steps to provide for a reduction in the cost of dentures.

I have the honour to report that the Committee has carefully considered this petition, and recommends it be referred to the Government for favourable consideration. 9th October, 1946.

No. 21.—Petition of New Zealand Federated Dental Technicians and Assistants' Industrial Association of Workers

Praying for an amendment to the Dentists Act, 1936.

I have the honour to report that the Committee has carefully considered this petition, and recommends it be referred to the Government for consideration with a view to utilizing to the best advantage the services of trained dentists and dental technicians.

In the view of the Committee it would be unwise to permit dental technicians to undertake the range of prosthetic work claimed by the petitioners. It believes, however, that there is room for a larger measure of co-ordination between these two complementary parts of the dental service.

9th October, 1946.

No. 55.—Petition of T. F. Carey, of 24 Jessel Street, Grey Lynu, Auckland Praying for remission of fees due to the Auckland Hospital Board.

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

9th October, 1946.

W. T. Anderton, Chairman

No. 43.—Petition of A. E. S. Hanan, Mayor of Timaru, and Others: Praying for the transfer of portion of Timaru Park to the South Canterbury Hospital Board, and No. 44.—Petition of J. E. Elder and Another (representing the Caroline Bay Association), Timaru. No. 45.—W. Ramsay and Another (representing the Timaru Electors' Association). No. 46.—Evelyn Fyfe and Others, of Timaru. No. 47.—Rita M. Minehan and Another (representing the Timaru West End Ratepayers' and Householders' Association). No. 48.—J. T. Leckie and Another (representing the Timaru South End Ratepayers' Association). No. 50.—W. G. Hawkey and Another (representing the South Canterbury Men's Hockey Association). No. 51.—D. C. Beynon and Another (representing the South Canterbury Women's Hockey Association): Praying that no portion of Timaru Park be alienated.

I have the honour to report that, after hearing the medical evidence on the proposal to build a maternity block and additions to the nurses' home at the Timaru Hospital, this Committee is of the opinion that the maternity block should be separate from, but adjacent to, the main hospital. The Committee therefore recom-

mends the petitions be referred to the Government for consideration.

11th October, 1946.

A. E. Armstrong, for Chairman

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