

25. All disputes between members must be submitted to the secretary within fourteen days from the time of occurrence. The secretary shall submit the same to the officers, who shall hear all evidence and decide; or, if necessary, call a special meeting, whose decision shall be final.

26. Any member being duly summoned to answer a charge, and not attending the said meeting or sending some reasonable cause for not doing so, his case shall be proceeded with in his absence, and he shall abide by the decision of the said meeting.

27. Any member preferring a charge against a brother member, and not appearing at the committee meeting to sustain the charge, shall be fined ten shillings.

28. All fines inflicted by committee, special, or ordinary meetings must be paid within one month from the date of infliction.

29. Any member being duly summoned to give evidence before an ordinary meeting or a committee, and wilfully refusing to attend the said meeting, shall be fined five shillings.

RECOVERY OF DUES, ETC.

30. All dues and fines in arrears may be recovered in any Court of competent jurisdiction by the secretary or such other officer as is from time to time authorised in that behalf by the committee.

REGISTERED OFFICE.

31. The registered office of the union shall be at 95, Princes street, Dunedin, or such other place as is from time to time appointed by the committee; and every change of office shall forthwith be notified to the Registrar of Industrial Unions by the secretary.

PAID SECRETARY.

32. The secretary of the union shall be a paid servant of the union, and shall not be entitled to a vote at any meeting.

RULES.

33. In order to amend or rescind any of the foregoing rules, one month's notice must be given to the secretary in writing, who shall summon all members within the jurisdiction to attend a meeting for that purpose, but no such meeting shall be called unless seven members of the union shall sign a requisition, and any alteration or amendment must be adopted by a majority of the members present.

PURGING THE ROLL.

34. The union's roll of membership shall be purged by striking off any members in arrears of dues for twelve months, but this is not to free such discharged persons from arrears due.

JAMES G. LAURENSEN, President.

B. T. RINGER, Secretary.

Complete amendment of rules accepted 5th June, 1902.

EDW. TREGGAR, Registrar.

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DEAR SIR,—

10th March, 1903.

Your favour of the 7th instant to hand. I am instructed to inform you that no resolution was ever passed by this union as is suggested in yours under reply, nor had we previously received any intimation from you that your firm had withdrawn from the Millers' Association.

You must be well aware, from your past connection with the Millers' Association, of the methods adopted by this union in purchasing flour. In the interests of the consumer we are bound at all times to purchase to the best advantage, and therefore cannot be dictated to by any firm or trust. You are also aware of the action this union recently took in purchasing Manitoban flour, showing to you that the union is quite alive to its best interests.

I am, &c.,

Messrs. Allan Steven and Co., Dunedin.

B. T. RINGER, Secretary.

[S. embodied in evidence.]

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DEAR SIR,—

The Canterbury Trades and Labour Council,
Christchurch, 6th March, 1902.

My Council has been informed, through Mr. Etheridge, of the stand you are taking with reference to the millers' trust, and also of your willingness to have your mill converted into a co-operative mill. While it is not at present in a position to take into consideration the formation of a co-operative mill, it wishes me to inform you that if it should be able to render you any assistance it will be most happy to do so. If the trust should be using coercive measures towards you, and also if they should endeavour to secure a corner in wheat, you might be good enough to supply us with the information.

Mr. A. Gardner, Cust.

Yours, &c.,

F. Y. WILSON, Secretary.