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The following witnesses were examined: Mr. Peter Barr, Honorary Agent, Mrs. Marie Theomin, Honorary Secretary, and Mrs. J. A. Johnson, President, respectively, of the Royal New Zealand Society for the Health of Women and Children; Mr. T. Pryde, Secretary, Southland Hospital Board; Mr. T. McNaughton, Chairman, Wallace and Fiord Hospital Board; Mr. J. Horrell, member, Wallace and Fiord Hospital Board; Mr. T. L. Hart, Chairman, Waimate County Council.

The Commission rose at 4.15 p.m., and afterwards inspected the Dunedin Hospital.

WEDNESDAY, 27TH APRIL, 1921.

The Commission met at 10 a.m. All the Commissioners were present.

The Secretary read a statement submitted by Mr. E. Murney, Honorary Secretary of the Tapanui

Branch, New Zealand Farmers' Union.

The following witnesses were examined: Mr. R. A. Rodger, Councillor, Tuapeka County Council; Mr. A. Fraser, Chairman, Waitaki Hospital Board; Mr. E. Laley, Councillor, Waikouaiti County Council; Mr. A. North, member, South Otago Hospital Board; Dr. A. R. Falconer, Medical Superintendent, Dunedin Hospital; and the following members of the Otago Hospital Board: Dr. L. E. Barnett, Dr. W. Newlands, Mr. W. E. S. Knight, Mr. A. F. Quelch. Dr. D. Colquhoun, Emeritus Professor of Medicine in the University of Otago, was also examined.

The Commission rose at 5.40 p.m.

THURSDAY, 28TH APRIL, 1921.

The Commission met at 10 a.m. All the Commissioners were present.

The following witnesses were examined: Dr. H. Lindo Ferguson, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, University of Otago; Mr. A. S. Malcolm, M.P., member, South Otago Hospital Board; Professor G. H. Rawson, Dean of Home Science, University of Otogo; Rev. G. B. King, Chairman, Dunedin Centre, St. John Ambulance Association; and Mr. John Logan, Clerk and Treasurer, Taieri County Council.

Dr. F. R. Riley handed in a written statement.

The Commission rose at 5.30 p.m.

The Commission inspected the Karitane Home, Anderson's Bay, and also the Medical School of the University of Otago.

WELLINGTON.

Monday, 2nd May, 1921.

The Commission met in the Old Parliamentary Buildings, Wellington, at 10 a.m. All the

Commissioners were present.

The following witnesses were examined: M. P. N. Williams, Officer in Charge Military Supplies Purchase Office: Major G. A. Gibbs, Officer in Charge Medical Stores, Defence Department; Mr. J. Coyle, Secretary, Wellington Hospital Board; Mr. F. W. Flanagan, Valuer-General; Mr. J. Grant, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge U.A.O.D.; Mrs. E. C. Sprott, a Vice-President of St. Mary's Guild, Wellington; Mr. F. Castle, Chairman, Wellington Hospital Board (recalled); Mr. A. H. Truebridge, Superintendent of Charitable Aid, Wellington Hospital Board; Mr. E. A. S. Killick (recalled); Mr. W. Morrison, Chairman, Waitotara County Council; Mr. C. G. Russell, Councillor, Waitotara County Council; Mr. O. McElroy, Councillor, Oroua County Council; Mr. A. E. Pearce, Chairman, Kiwitea County Council.

The Commission rose at 10.15 p.m.

Tuesday, 3rd May, 1921.

The Commission met at 10 a.m. All the Commissoiners were present.

The following witnesses were examined: Hon. Dr. W. E. Collins, M.L.C.; Mrs. M. Gill, Wellington Ladies' Christian Association; Mr. J. G. Petherick, Chairman of the Wellington Society for the Relief of the Aged Needy; Mr. Fred. Castle (recalled); Mr. F. J. Fenton (recalled); Dr. W. E. Herbert, of Wellington, medical practitioner; Dr. P. R. Woodhouse, Medical Superintendent, Wellington Hospital; Dr. J. S. Elliot, representing the New Zealand Division of the British Medical Association; Mr. A. T. Traversi, F.I.A., Assistant Actuary, Government Insurance Department; Colonel R. J. Collins, Controller and Auditor-General; Dr. T. H. A. Valintine, Director-General of Health.

WEDNESDAY, 4TH MAY, 1921.

The Commission met at 10 a.m. All the Commissioners were present.

The following witnesses were examined: Dr. T. H. A. Valintine, Director-General of Health;

Mr. H. M. C. Robertson, late Inspecting Accountant, Department of Health.

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