The following gave evidence and were questioned by Members of the Committee: F. W. Millar, General Secretary, New Zealand Public Service Association; Dr. T. G. Gray, Director-General of Mental Hospitals; Robert Martin, ex Postmaster, Palmerston North.

The Committee continued to sit until 1.5 p.m., and then adjourned until Thursday, the 17th

November, 1932.

THURSDAY, THE 17TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1932.

The Committee met pursuant to notice at 10 a.m.

Present: Mr. J. A. Nash (Chairman), Mr. Ansell, Mr. Dickie, Right Hon. Mr. Forbes, Mr. Hargest, Mr. W. Nash, Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata, Mr. Savage, Mr. Veitch, and Mr. Wilkinson.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence.—Resolved, on the motion of Mr. J. A. Nash, That several letters be received, and written statements be asked for from persons desiring to give evidence.

The following were then admitted: Mr. Verschaffelt, Public Service Commissioner; Mr. Gostelow, Government Actuary; Mr. Kyle, M.P.; Hon. Mark Fagan, M.L.C.; accredited representatives of the press; and representatives of various Government organizations and superannuitants.

The following gave evidence, and were questioned by members of the Committee: John Thomas Carr, Accountant, Post and Telegraph Department, representing Post and Telegraph Association; Rupert Samuel Wogan, Acting Secretary, Public Service Superannuation Fund Board; Berkeley Lionel Dallard, Permanent Head, Prisons Department.

The Committee continued to sit until 1.8 p.m., and then adjourned until Tuesday, 22nd November,

Tuesday, the 22nd Day of November, 1932.

The Committee met pursuant to notice at 11 a.m.

Present: Mr. J. A. Nash (Chairman), Mr. Dickie, Mr. Hargest, Mr. W. Nash, Hon. Sir Apirana Ngata, and Mr. McCombs.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

The following were then admitted: Mr. Verschaffelt, Public Service Commissioner; Mr. Gostelow, Government Actuary; accredited representatives of the press; and representatives of various Government organizations and superannuitants.

The following gave evidence, and were questioned by members of the Committee: William Fulton Abel, President, New Zealand Educational Institute; Henry Ainsley Parkinson, General Secretary,

New Zealand Educational Institute.

The Committee continued to sit until 1.10 p.m., and then adjourned until Wednesday, 23rd November, 1932.

Wednesday, the 23rd Day of November, 1932.

The Committee met pursuant to notice at 10 a.m.

Present: Mr. J. A. Nash (Chairman), Mr. Ansell, Mr. Dickie, Mr. Hargest, Mr. McCombs, Mr. W. Nash, Mr. Veitch, and Mr. Wilkinson.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

The following were admitted to the committee-room: Mr. Verschaffelt, Public Service Commissioner; Mr. Gostelow, Government Actuary; accredited representatives of the press and representatives of various Government organizations and superannuitants.

The following gave evidence, and were questioned by members of the Committee: Miss Elsie Andrews, President, New Zealand Women Teachers' Association; Percival Martin Smith, Hon. Secretary, Secondary Schools' Association; Arthur George Barnett, Secretary, Wellington Harbour Board; and John Francis Barr Stevenson, Barrister, Wellington, on behalf of the Wellington Harbour

The Committee continued to sit until 1.5 p.m., and then adjourned until Thursday, the 24th day of November, 1932.

THURSDAY, THE 24TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1932.

The Committee met pursuant to notice at 10 a.m.

Present: Mr. J. A. Nash (Chairman), Mr. Bodkin, Mr. Dickie, Mr. Hargest, Mr. McCombs, Mr. W. Nash, Mr. Savage, Mr. Veitch, and Mr. Wilkinson.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

The Chairman read a letter from Mr. H. A. Parkinson, Secretary, New Zealand Educational Institute, and it was decided to receive the letter, and at a later date to incorporate it in the minutes

The following were then admitted to the committee-room: Mr. Verschaffelt, Public Service Commissioner; Mr. Gostelow, Government Actuary; accredited representatives of the press;

representatives of Government organizations and superannuitants.

The following gave evidence, and were questioned by members of the Committee: Professor Thomas Alexander Hunter, Victoria University College, on behalf of University Staffs; Professor Robert John Bell, University of Otago, on behalf of University Staffs; Charles Edward Crawford, Secretary, Teachers' Superannuation Board; Miss Nelly Euphemia Coad, Mistress, Wellington Girls' College.

The Committee continued to sit until 12.30 p.m. and, on the motion of Mr. J. A. Nash, it was

resolved, That the Committee ask leave of the House to sit in the afternoon.

The Committee resumed at 3 p.m., when an order of reference granting leave to sit was read.