

No. 307.—Petition of A. J. CLEMENTS and 299 Others.

PRAYING that legislation be enacted to empower the Akaroa Borough Council to take an immediate poll on the question of changing the statutory half-holiday.

I am directed to report that the Committee is of the opinion that the petition should be referred to the Government for most favourable consideration; and the Committee recommends that provision be made in the present Local Legislation Bill to give effect to the prayer of the petitioners.

6th November, 1934.

No. 297.—Petition of J. DEE, of Dunedin.

PRAYING for a compassionate allowance or other relief on account of injuries sustained while employed by the Railways Department.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that the petition be referred to the Government for consideration; and the Committee is of the opinion that further medical evidence should be obtained.

6th November, 1934.

A. E. ANSELL, for Chairman.

No. 321.—Petition of A. S. DUFF, of Invercargill.

PRAYING for a rehearing of his appeal against dismissal from the Department of Agriculture.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.

28th February, 1935.

No. 302.—Petition of KATHERINE HOLMES, of Auckland.

PRAYING for refund of amount contributed to the Public Service Superannuation Fund by her husband.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.

28th February, 1935.

No. 330.—Petition of N. B. FRYDAY, of Ngaere.

PRAYING for an investigation of the circumstances surrounding the seizure of his firearms and ammunition.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.

28th February, 1935.

No. 280.—Petition of A. H. CHAPPLE, of Swanson.

PRAYING for amendment of the Crimes Act, 1908.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.

28th February, 1935.

No. 327.—Petition of H. BARNES, of Auckland.

PRAYING that he be granted compensation for alleged wrongful dismissal from the Public Service.

I am directed to report that the Committee has no recommendation to make.

20th March, 1935.

No. 345.—Petition of MAUD E. FARR, of Christchurch.

PRAYING that the Public Trustee be directed to surrender the control of her estate.

I am directed to report that the Committee recommends that the petition be referred to the Government for consideration. The Committee is of the opinion that, as the petitioner has not exhausted her legal remedies, and states that she is prevented from doing so by lack of funds, the Public Trustee should pay out of the petitioner's estate the costs of an appeal by her to the Supreme Court.

22nd March, 1935.

No. 357.—Petition of D. E. DUSTIN, of Wanganui.

PRAYING for amendment of the National Expenditure Adjustment Act, 1932.

I am directed to report that in the opinion of the Committee the petition should be referred to the Government for favourable consideration.

27th March, 1935.

No. 338.—Petition of A. BLACKMAN, of Auckland.

PRAYING for refund of stamp duty.

I am directed to report that the member presenting the petition having requested permission to withdraw it, the Committee recommends that he be allowed to do so.

27th March, 1935.

E. F. HEALY, Chairman.