

(5625.) CHRISTCHURCH (TEN-MILES RADIUS, EXCEPT NEW BRIGHTON AND LYTTTELTON) PICTURE THEATRES AND FRONT-OF-HOUSE EMPLOYEES.—ORDER AMENDING AWARD.

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Canterbury Industrial District.—In the matter of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1908, and its amendments; and in the matter of the War Legislation and Statute Law Amendment Act, 1918; and in the matter of the Christchurch (Ten-miles Radius, except New Brighton and Lyttelton) Picture Theatres and Front-of-house Employees' award dated the 2nd day of September, 1919, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. xx, p. 965.

UPON reading the application of the union party to the said award filed herein on the 6th day of February, 1920, and upon hearing the duly appointed representatives of the said union and of the employers parties to the said award, this Court, having regard to all the relevant considerations and being of opinion that it is just and equitable to amend the said award, and by virtue and in exercise of the powers conferred by the said Acts and of every other power in that behalf enabling it, doth hereby order that the said award shall be amended in manner following, that is to say—

1. Subclause (b) of clause 1 of the said award shall be deleted, and the following provisions substituted therefor:—

“(b.) The minimum wages shall be as follows: Ticket-sellers, £1 8s. per week; ticket-takers, £2 5s. per week; ushers, £1 10s. per week; relieving or extra doorkeepers and ushers, £1 per week; ticket-takers (youths or females), £1 10s. per week.

“In addition to the foregoing rates there shall be paid the following bonuses respectively: To adult males a bonus of 4s. per week, and to youths under twenty-one years of age or to females a bonus of 2s. per week; and these bonuses shall be paid unless and until the Court shall otherwise order.”

2. Subclauses (a) and (b) of clause 3 shall be deleted, and the following provisions substituted therefor:—

“(a.) The minimum wages for ticket-sellers, ticket-takers, and ushers, barrier-men, and packers shall be 4s. per performance.

“(b.) Casual workers shall receive 5s. per performance.”

3. Subclause (a) of clause 4 of the said award shall be deleted, and the following provisions substituted therefor:—

“(a.) Rates of wages: Minimum, £3 per week of forty-eight hours' work, provided that if required to act as a ticket-taker or usher, day or night, he shall be paid an additional sum of 12s. 6d. per week.

“In addition to the minimum weekly wage above mentioned there shall be paid to caretakers a bonus of 4s. per week unless and until the Court shall otherwise order.

“The work of a caretaker shall include the cleaning of theatre, opening and closing of doors and windows, and the proper care and responsibility for the employer's property in or about the theatre.

“Cleaners, other than caretakers, shall be paid at the rate of 1s. 3d. per hour, with a bonus of 1d. per hour, unless and until the Court shall otherwise order.”

4. This order shall operate and take effect as from the 1st day of January, 1920.

Dated this 9th day of March, 1920

T. W. STRINGER, Judge.