(11153.) WELLINGTON (TWENTY-FIVE-MILES RADIUS) TIMBER-YARDS AND SAWMILLS EMPLOYEES; WESTLAND TIMBER-YARDS AND SAWMILLS EMPLOYEES; NORTH CANTERBURY TIMBER-YARDS, SAWMILLS, AND COAL-YARDS EMPLOYEES; DUNEDIN (TEN-MILES RADIUS) BOXMAKERS; OTAGO PROVINCIAL DISTRICT (EAST AND NORTH OF TAIERI RIVER)-TIMBER-YARDS AND SAWMILLS EMPLOYEES; AND SOUTHLAND-TIMBER-YARDS AND SAWMILLS EMPLOYEES.—AMENDMENT OF AWARDS.

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand.—In the matter of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Act. 1936: and in the matter of the Factories Amendment Act, 1936; and in the matter of applications to amend the Wellington (Twenty-five-miles Radius) Timber-vards and Sawmills Employees' award, dated the 6th day of August. 1935, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. XXXV, p. 794; Westland Timber-vards and Sawmills Employees' award. dated the 5th day of December, 1934, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. XXXIV, p. 693; North Canterbury Timberyards, Sawmills, and Coal-yards Employees' award, dated the 12th day of November, 1934, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. XXXIV, p. 610; Dunedin (Ten-miles Radius) Boxmakers' award, dated the 23rd day of March, 1933, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. XXXIII, p. 244; Otago Provincial District (East and North of Taieri River) Timbervards and Sawmills Employees' award, dated the 18th day of December, 1935, and recorded in Book of Awards, Vol. XXXV, p. 1391; and Southland Timber-yards and Sawmills. Employees' award, dated the 16th day of June, 1936; and in the matter of applications by factory-occupiers for an extension of the weekly hours of work fixed by the latter statute. Mr. J. Read for workers; Mr. A. Seed for sawmill and box-factory owners; Mr. D. I. Macdonald for timbervard owners.

Memorandum of the Court, delivered by Page, J. In giving judgment on the question of a 40-hour week in the sawmilling, boxmaking, and timber-yards industries the Court reserved for further consideration the question of Saturday work.

The industries affected include those of sawmillers, box-makers, and timber-yard merchants.

Saturday work will be permitted in boxmaking factories, and will also be permitted in timber-yards in respect of kiln-drying attendants and employees required for the supply of dunnage for shipping.

As to bush sawmills, since time may be lost through adverse weather conditions, we think that the right to work on Saturdays may be desirable, and for the present we make an order permitting Saturday work, but we reserve to the parties the right to bring up this question of Saturday work in bush sawmills for review at their next Conciliation Council proceedings.

Dated this 28th day of August, 1936.

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E. Page, Judge.