

TARANAKI, WELLINGTON, MARLBOROUGH, CANTERBURY,
AND SOUTHLAND **FRONT-OF-HOUSE EMPLOYEES.—**
AMENDMENT OF AWARD

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Wellington Industrial District.—In the matter of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1925, and the Economic Stabilization Emergency Regulations 1942; and in the matter of an application for amendment of the Taranaki, Wellington, Marlborough, Canterbury, and Southland Front-of-house Employees' award, dated the 30th day of June, 1944, and recorded in 44 Book of Awards 395.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers vested in it by the Economic Stabilization Emergency Regulations 1942, and upon application made by a party to the Taranaki, Wellington, Marlborough, Canterbury, and Southland Front-of-House Employees' award, dated the 30th day of June, 1944, and recorded in 44 Book of Awards 395, this Court doth hereby order as follows:—

1. That the said award shall be amended—

(i) By deleting subclause (a) of clause 4 (Part I, Wages), and substituting therefor the following subclause:—

“(a) The following shall be the minimum rates of wages payable to theatre attendants in picture-theatres:—

	Per Week.		
	£	s.	d.
“Adults (male)	5	0	0
“Youths and/or females	2	16	0
	Per Performance.		
	£	s.	d.
“Performance workers	0	6	6”

(ii) By deleting the amount of “6s.” in clause 7 (Part II, Wages), and substituting therefor the amount of “7s.”

(iii) By deleting clauses 11 and 12 (Part III), and substituting therefor the following clauses:—

“Wages

“11. (a) The minimum rates of pay for caretakers shall be £5 10s. per week, for male cleaners £5 per week, and for female cleaners £3 5s. per week. The rates of pay for casual male cleaners shall be 2s. 7½d. per hour, and for female cleaners 2s. 1½d. per hour.

“(b) For the purposes of this award a casual cleaner is a worker who is employed by the hour.

“ Sunday Meetings, &c.

“ 12. Should the theatre be used for any purpose on a Sunday, the caretaker may be employed at work within his ordinary duties, and shall be paid for attendance and work thereat, and in addition to his weekly wage, as follows: one meeting, 13s. 6d.; two meetings, 19s. 3d.; three or more meetings or continuous for five hours or more, £1 10s. 3d. Time paid for under this clause shall not be included for the purpose of computing payment of any other provision in this award.”

2. That this order shall be deemed to have come into force on the 1st day of April, 1945.

Dated this 18th day of June, 1945.

[L.S.]

A. TYNDALL, Judge.

DISSENTING OPINION OF MR. MONTEITH

I totally dissent from this decision.

The rate of £2 16s. for female workers plus the two orders, less taxation, will give only £2 13s. 7d. for these workers to live upon. Also, the rate for women cleaners of £3 5s. is too low. To-day women in vegetable-canning factories receive £3 10s. and over. Also, the rates for performance workers have been altered. Some time ago it was realized that an anomaly existed, and both rates were made the same. Here the majority of the Court have again recreated this anomaly and given to picture shows 6d. per performance less than flesh-and-blood shows for the same work.
