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**NORTHERN (EXCEPT AUCKLAND TEN-MILE RADIUS) LOCAL BODIES' LABOURERS.—AMENDMENT OF AWARD**

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Northern 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 Northern (except Auckland Ten-mile Radius) Local Bodies' Labourers' award, dated the 3rd day of July, 1942, and recorded in 42 Book of Awards 787.

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 Northern (except Auckland Ten-mile Radius) Local Bodies' Labourers' award, dated the 3rd day of July, 1942, and recorded in 42 Book of Awards 787, this Court doth hereby order as follows:—

1. That the said award shall be amended—

(i) By deleting subclauses (a) and (d) of clause 4 (Wages), and substituting therefor the following subclauses:—

“(a) The following shall be the minimum rates of wages:—

	Per Hour.		Per Week.		
	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
“ Rock-drill men (popper and machine drills) shot-firers .. ..	2	11½	5	12	6
“ Tool-sharpeners .. ..	2	11½	5	12	6
“ Sanitary-drain layers .. ..	2	11½	5	12	6
“(A ‘sanitary drain’ shall be deemed to be a drain used for sewerage and not for storm-water.)					
“ Men working in tunnels .. ..	2	11½	5	12	6
“(A ‘tunnel’ shall mean any underground excavation that is over 15 ft. in length or any shaft or excavation over 15 ft. in depth.)					
“ Kerb-setters .. ..	2	10½	5	10	0
“ Water-service layers .. ..	2	10½	5	10	0
“ Pipe jointer or caulker .. ..	2	10½	5	10	0
“ Timbermen .. ..	2	10½	5	10	0
“ Quarrymen .. ..	2	9½	5	7	6
“ Pipelayers .. ..	2	9½	5	7	6
“ Grave-diggers .. ..	2	9½	5	7	6
“ Stone-crusher feeders .. ..	2	9½	5	7	6
“ Men scything grass .. ..	2	9½			
“ Flame-throwers .. ..	2	9½			
“ Men employed in sinking shafts or digging trenches 5 ft. deep and up to 15 ft. .. ..	2	9½			
“ Yardmen .. ..	2	8½	5	5	0
“ Labourers not otherwise specified ..	2	8½	5	5	0”

“(d) Permanent hands who are in receipt of weekly wages of not less than £5 12s. 6d. shall do any work required by the employer to be done.”

(ii) By deleting clause 15, and substituting therefor the following clause:—

*“Meal Allowance*

“15. Where a worker is called upon to work overtime later than one hour after his ordinary knocking-off time for the day, the employer shall either provide such worker with a meal or pay 2s. meal-money, provided such worker cannot reasonably get home for a meal, and provided, further, that he has not been notified of such overtime on the previous day.

“The provisions of clause 29 of this award increasing rates of remuneration shall not apply to the meal-money payment provided for in this clause.”

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

Dated this 22nd day of May, 1945.

[L.S.]

A. TYNDALL, Judge.

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DISSENTING OPINION OF MR. PRIME

Some of the rates agreed upon appear to involve increases greater than are required to conform with the Court's pronouncement; not knowing the reasons for such increases, I am not prepared to approve them.

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