

NEW ZEALAND **MOTION-PICTURE OPERATORS.**—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 New Zealand Motion-picture Operators' award, dated the 31st day of March, 1939, and recorded in 39 Book of Awards 314.

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 New Zealand Motion-picture Operators' award, dated the 31st day of March, 1939, and recorded in 39 Book of Awards 314, this Court doth hereby order as follows:—

1. That the said award shall be amended—

(i) By deleting subclauses (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f) of clause 3 (Wages and Hours), and substituting therefor the following subclauses:—

“(a) Motion-picture operators employed in continuous-picture shows and/or shows giving two performances a day, for a week not exceeding forty hours, shall be paid not less than £6 5s. per week.

“(b) Motion-picture operators employed in picture-theatres showing eight screenings per week, for a week not exceeding thirty-six hours, shall be paid not less than £5 17s. 6d. per week.

"(c) Motion-picture operators employed in picture-theatres showing seven screenings per week, for a week not exceeding thirty-four hours, shall be paid not less than £5 9s. per week.

"(d) Motion-picture operators employed in picture-theatres showing six screenings per week, for a week not exceeding twenty-eight hours, shall be paid not less than £4 18s. 2d. per week.

"(e) Motion-picture operators employed in picture-theatres showing not more than five screenings per week shall be paid not less than 17s. 2d. for each screening, with overtime rates after four hours of any one screening.

"(f) Casual operators shall be paid not less than 19s. 2d. for each performance not exceeding four hours."

(ii) By deleting clause 4, and substituting therefor the following clause:—

*"Youth Assistants"*

"4. Operators' assistants may be employed up to forty hours per week, and shall be paid not less than the following rates:—

	Per Week.		
	£	s.	d.
" From sixteen to seventeen years of age ..	1	4	0
" From seventeen to eighteen years of age ..	1	9	0
" From eighteen to nineteen years of age ..	1	17	6
" From nineteen to twenty years of age ..	2	8	6
" From twenty to twenty-one years of age ..	2	16	6
" And thereafter not less than ..	4	6	0

"Provided that, in theatres showing not more than five performances per week, assistants may be paid on rates of 3s. 9d. per performance and shall only be required to work the performance hours."

(iii) By deleting the amount of "£1 5s." in subclause (b) of clause 6 (Holidays), and substituting therefor the amount of "£1 7s. 3d."

(iv) By deleting the amounts of "2s. 9d." and "1s. 6d." in subclause (f) of clause 8 (Conditions of Employment), and substituting therefor the amounts of "3s. 0½d." and "1s. 8d." respectively.

2. That for the purpose of removing doubts as to the operation of the two general orders of the Court made under the Rates of Wages Emergency Regulations 1940, and dated the 9th August, 1940, and the 31st March, 1942, respectively, it is hereby declared that the amended rates of remuneration provided by this order shall be increased to the extent and in the manner set forth in the said two general orders of the Court.

3. 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. MONTEITH

This amendment, in some classes, does not restore and preserve the relative position of the workers covered by this award, but places them in a worse position in the new wage structure than they previously occupied. In other words, they have, in comparison with many other classes of workers, been placed on the wage scale in a lower position.

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