OTAGO AND SOUTHLAND METAL-WORKERS' ASSISTANTS.— AWARD

In the Court of Arbitration of New Zealand, Otago and Southland Industrial District.—In the matter of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1925, and its amendments; and in the matter of an industrial dispute between the Otago Metal Workers' Assistants' Industrial Union of Workers (hereinafter called "the union") and the undermentioned union, firms, Board, and companies (hereinafter called "the employers"):—

Dunedin Engineers, Metal-workers, and Iron and Brass Founders* Industrial Union of Employers, 90 Crawford Street, Dunedin.

Barningham and Co., Ltd., George Street, Dunedin.

Burt, A. and T., Ltd., Main North Road, North-east Valley, Dunedin.

Cossens and Black, Ltd., Crawford Street, Dunedin. Crittall Metal Windows (N.Z.), Ltd., Birch Street, Dunedin.

Dominion Fertiliser, Ltd., Ravensbourne.

Dunedin Engineering and Steel Co., Ltd., Willis Street, Dunedin.

Faulkner, J. and W., Ltd., Castle Street, Dunedin. McGregor, J., and Co., Ltd., Mason Street, Dunedin.

McQuarrie, D., and Co., Tay Street, Invercargill.

Methven, G., and Co., Ltd., Andersons Bay Road, Dunedin.

Newberry Walker, Ltd., Thomas Burns Street, Dunedin.

North Otago Engineering Co., Ltd., Oamaru.

Port Chalmers Ship Repair Works (Union Steam Ship Co., Ltd.), Port Chalmers.

Otago Hospital Board, Hanover Street, Dunedin. Radiation (N.Z.), Ltd., Jutland Street, Dunedin.

Reid and Gray, Ltd., Burnside.

Scott, J. and A. P., Ltd., Leith Street, Dunedin.

Sparrow, J., and Sons, Ltd., Rattray Street, Dunedin.

Stevenson and Cook Engineering Co., Ltd., Port Chalmers.

Storrie Willett, Ltd., Yarrow Street, Invercargill.

Wilson Bros., Leet Street, Invercargill.

THE Court of Arbitration of New Zealand (hereinafter called "the Court"), having taken into consideration the matter of the above-mentioned dispute, and having heard the union by its representatives duly appointed, and having also heard such of

the employers as were represented either in person or by their representatives duly appointed, and having also heard the witnesses called and examined and cross-examined by and on behalf of the said parties respectively, doth hereby order and award:—

That, as between the union and the members thereof and the employers and each and every of them, the terms, conditions, and provisions set out in the schedule hereto and of this award shall be binding upon the union and upon every member thereof and upon the employers and upon each and every of them, and that the said terms, conditions, and provisions shall be deemed to be and they are hereby incorporated in and declared to form part of this award; and, further, that the union and every member thereof and the employers and each and every of them shall respectively do, observe, and perform every matter and thing by this award and by the said terms, conditions, and provisions respectively required to be done, observed, and performed, and shall not do anything in contravention of this award or of the said terms, conditions, and provisions, but shall in all respects abide by and perform the same. And the Court doth hereby further award, order, and declare that any breach of the said terms, conditions, and provisions set out in the schedule hereto shall constitute a breach of this award, and that a penalty as by law provided shall be payable by any party or person in respect thereof. And the Court doth further order that this award shall take effect on the day of the date hereof and shall continue in force until the 10th day of December, 1949, and thereafter as provided by subsection (1) (d) of section 89 of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, 1925.

In witness whereof the seal of the Court of Arbitration hath hereto been affixed, and the Judge of the Court hath hereunto set his hand, this 10th day of December, 1948.

[L.S.]

D. J. Dalglish, Deputy Judge, Acting as Judge of the Court.

SCHEDULE

Industry to Which Award Applies

1. This award shall apply to the engineering, iron and brass founding, boilermaking (including iron ship and bridge building), and allied industries, and to works in which workers for whom provision is made in the wages clause of this award are employed, and to drillers' machinists not covered by any other award, furnacemen, strikers, steam- and air-hammer

attendants, workers assembling machinery, and workers employed at any of the following operations: chipping; rough grinding; fettling; operating hydraulic, pneumatic power, or hand press on cold work; punching; drawing; pressing; shearing; operating annealing-furnace; holding-up on any work; rivet-heating; assisting on galvanizing or sheradizing; assisting engineers, boilermakers, moulders, tinsmiths, or sheetmetal workers; sand-blasters; welders as provided for in clause 7; and other workers (including labourers and yardmen) employed in connection with the said industries and to all classes of workers for whom provision is made in the wages clause of this award.

Definitions

2. For the purposes of this award the following definitions shall apply:—

"Porcelain-enamelling" includes all occupations concerned with the porcelain-enamelling of metallic articles:

"Continuous process" means a process in which work is carried on, except for breakdowns, with successive shifts of men throughout the days and nights for at

least five days of the week:

"Shift-work" in the case of an afternoon shift means any shift finishing after 6 p.m. and at or before midnight, and in the case of a night shift means any shift finishing subsequent to midnight and at or before 8 a.m.:

"Sunday" means the time between midnight Saturday and midnight Sunday:

"Day" means the period from midnight to midnight.

Hours of Work

- 3. (a) Forty hours shall constitute an ordinary week's work, of which not more than eight hours may be worked on each day from Monday to Friday inclusive and between the hours of 7.30 a.m. and 5 p.m. The time of starting and ceasing work between these hours shall be mutually arranged in each establishment, with a break of not more than one hour for lunch.
- (b) No worker shall be required to work more than four and a half hours continuously without an interval of at least three-quarters of an hour for a meal: Provided that this meal-time may be reduced to half an hour by mutual agreement.

Shifts

- 4. (a) Notwithstanding anything elsewhere contained in this award, shifts may be worked as required by the employer. In factories or workshops where a worker is required to work not more than three consecutive days on shift-work outside the hours prescribed in clause 3 hereof, he shall be paid at overtime rates as provided in clause 5 hereof. If he is required to work more than three consecutive afternoon or night shifts he shall be paid 3s. per shift in addition to ordinary rates while employed on such shifts.
- (b) In the case of shift-workers the commencing-hour for day shifts shall be not earlier than 7 a.m. instead of the commencing-hour of 7.30 a.m. mentioned in clause 3 (a), or such other hour as may be agreed on between the employer and the local union secretary.

Where it is practicable, shifts shall be worked on a regular rotation.

(c) Except as provided in subclause (a) hereof in the case of overtime on shift-work, overtime shall only be payable after eight hours' work, and shall then be paid for at the rate of time and a half for the first four hours and double time thereafter: Provided that overtime rates shall not be payable where the overtime arises from arrangements between the employees themselves.

When the relief does not come on duty at the proper time, the worker not relieved shall work for an additional four hours at time and a half rates. If he is not then relieved, he shall be paid double time for all time worked after such four hours. If he is relieved at the end of four hours, the worker who relieves him shall be paid time and a half rates until the commencement of the next shift.

Where not less than four hours' notice has been given to the employer by the employee that he will be absent from work and the employee whom he should relieve is not relieved, such latter employee shall be paid at ordinary overtime rates for all time worked after he has finished his ordinary shift.

Overtime

5. (a) All work done in excess or outside of the hours mentioned in clause 3 hereof shall count as overtime and shall be paid for at the rate of time and a half for the first four hours in any one day and double time thereafter: Provided that in the case of ship-repair workers double rates shall be paid after three hours' overtime at time and a half.

- (b) Any worker having worked for twenty-four hours, inclusive of intervals for meals, shall not be required to continue working without his consent. If he does continue working, he shall be paid double rates for all time worked on the second day.
- (c) Any worker having worked all day and night and being required to continue working on into the next day shall be paid double rates for all such time worked on the second day.
- (d) Any worker having worked all day and having continued to work until midnight shall be given eight hours off or be paid double time for all time worked on the second day.
- (e) Where a worker is required to work overtime in the terms of subclause (a) hereof after the ordinary hour of ceasing work for the day and where such period of overtime is broken, except for meal intervals, after at least four hours' overtime has been worked, no worker shall be called upon to resume work until a period of eight hours has elapsed, unless double rates are paid for all time worked following such resumption of work.
- (f) Any worker required to commence work after the cessation of public wheeled traffic or before the ordinary time of starting such traffic, and any worker who may work continuously until after the cessation of public wheeled traffic and cease work before the ordinary time of starting such traffic, shall be paid for time occupied in travelling to or from his home, computed on three miles per hour, at ordinary rates of pay.

If a conveyance is provided for the worker by his employer he shall not be entitled to payment for travelling-time.

For the purpose of this award "public wheeled traffic "shall mean trams, buses, trains, or boat ordinarily used by workers in travelling to or from their work.

- (g) No worker shall work overtime on Friday nights except on urgent or breakdown work. As far as possible, overtime shall not be worked on the night of the union's regular monthly meeting.
- (h) The employer shall allow meal-money at the rate of 2s. 3d. per meal when workers are called upon to work overtime after 6 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday, or after 1 p.m. on Saturday, unless such workers can reasonably get home for a meal and return to their work in one hour, in which case the meal allowance need not be paid.

If overtime is continued into the following day, meal allowance at the same rate shall be paid to the workers for all meals required during the continuance of such overtime.

(i) When overtime is being worked, crib-time and time occupied in having meals shall be paid for.

Holidays

6. (a) The following holidays shall be recognized and paid for—viz., New Year's Day, Anniversary Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Anzac Day, the birthday of the reigning Sovereign, Labour Day, Christmas Day, and Boxing Day.

(b) Should any of the above-mentioned days, except Anzac Day, fall on a Saturday, or on a Sunday, the holiday shall be

observed on the next working day or days.

(c) For work done on any of the above-mentioned days, double rates shall be paid in addition to the ordinary day's wages.

(d) For work performed up to 12 noon on Saturdays, not less than time and a half rates shall be paid. For work performed after 12 noon on Saturdays and for work performed on Sundays, double time rates shall be paid.

(e) Annual holidays shall be allowed in accordance with the

provisions of the Annual Holidays Act, 1944.

Wages

7. The following shall be the minimum rates of wages to be paid to the following classes of male workers:—

		Per	Hour.
,		s.	d.
(a) Basic steel furnacemen		3	$7\frac{1}{4}$
(b) Cupola furnacemen		3	6
(c) Furnacemen employed in connection v	vith		
porcelain-enamelling plants		3	5
(d) Workers employed at sand-blasting in o	on-		
nection with porcelain-enamelling		3	8
(e) Workers employed at sand-blasting other t	han		
in connection with porcelain-enamelling		3	$7\frac{1}{2}$
(f) Shot-blasters		3	$5\frac{3}{4}$
(g) Metal-sash, lift, and grill workers		3	$5\frac{2}{5}$
(h) Wire-workers other than hand wire-work	cers	3	$5\bar{3}$
(i) Oxy-acetylene and electric cutters and weld	lers		_
other than workers employed as first-c	lass		
welders under the New Zealand M	etal		
Trades' Employees' award or as weld			
under the New Zealand Boilermak	ers'		
award		3	$5\frac{1}{2}$
(j) Metal-sprayers		3	7
(k) Marine and ship repair workers		- 3	$4\frac{3}{4}$
(l) Ship-building workers		3	$4\frac{3}{4}$
(m) Strikers		3	$4\frac{3}{4}$
(n) Workers employed in connection with			
construction and assembling of implementation	ents	-3	$4\frac{3}{4}$

 (o) Machinists, other than first- and second-cl machinists as defined in the New Zeala Metal Trades' Employees' award and oth than workers covered by classification (below	ind her (p) iny ose gs, ons ich up of ith	Per s. 3	Hour. d. 43/4
gauges, which shall be either unadjustal or, if adjustable, shall not be set by t			
operators)		3	4
(q) Rough grinders and fettlers		3	4
(r) Structural-steel workers		3	4
(s) Crane-drivers		3	4
(t) Riggers		3	$5\frac{1}{2}$
(u) Holders-up		3	4^{-}
(v) All other workers		3	3

Payment of Wages

8. (a) All wages shall be paid in eash weekly not later than Thursday during working-hours.

(b) All wages shall be paid on dismissal of a worker or when a worker leaves of his own accord.

Boys and Youths

9. (a) The minimum weekly rates of wages payable to boys and youths shall be in accordance with the following scale:—

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•	£ s. (d.
Under seventeen years of age	 2 - 0	0
Seventeen to eighteen years of age	2 15	0
Eighteen to nineteen years of age	 3 7	6
Nineteen to twenty years of age	 4 0	0
Twenty to twenty-one years of age	 5 0	0

- (b) Wages shall be paid weekly, and no deductions may be made except for time lost on account of the sickness or default of the worker.
- (c) The proportion of boys and youths shall not exceed one to each adult male worker, except that this proportion may be extended by agreement with the union.

Terms of Employment

10. In the case of workers for whom a weekly wage is provided herein, the employment shall be terminated by a week's notice on either side. In other cases one hour's notice shall be given. Nothing in this clause shall prevent an employer from summarily dismissing a worker for wilful misconduct.

Work Not Proceeded With

11. When a worker is employed on a job under conditions requiring him to present himself for work at the commencement of the day, or when a worker is ordered to work at a certain time and no work is available, he shall be paid a minimum of two hours: Provided that, if required by the employer, he shall stand by the job during such time.

Piecework or Bonus System

12. Work may be done by piecework or on the premiumbonus system, but in either case at such rates as shall secure to a competent worker at least 10 per cent. more than the minimum rate provided in this award: Provided that if any workers employed under any system of payment by results are dissatisfied with the rate fixed by the employer, they may refer the dispute for settlement in accordance with clause 24 hereof. On the introduction of any system of payment by results after the coming into operation of this award, the employer shall give written notice to the secretary of the union within seven days.

Country Work

13. (a) "Country work" means work done by a worker in such a locality as to necessitate his lodging elsewhere than at his genuine place of residence in New Zealand.

(b) Travelling-time shall be paid for at ordinary rates, but

not to a greater amount than eight hours in the day.

(c) Where a worker is employed at country work at such a distance that he is unable to return to his home at night, he shall be paid at overtime rates for all work done in excess of the hours prescribed in clause 3 hereof.

(d) When a worker is required to travel by coastal steamer, first-saloon fares shall be provided; when travelling by train,

second-class fares shall be provided.

(e) Workers required to travel by boat or train shall have meals provided by the employer in all cases where meals are not included in the fare.

(f) When the work is situated less than fifty miles from the employer's place of business, the worker shall be refunded his return fare to and from the place of engagement once every

three weeks during the continuance of the work, and if over fifty miles, once every three months, but in such cases travelling-time shall not be paid for.

(g) A worker employed on country work shall be supplied with suitable board and lodging during the period he is so engaged.

Suburban Work

14. If a worker is required to work at a place outside of the employer's factory, workshop, or ordinary place of employment (such work being other than "country work") and is thereby put to expense in travelling to and from his work greater than that which he incurs when working in the factory, workshop, or ordinary place of employment, the employer shall reimburse him for such extra expense.

Marine Work

- 15. (a) All repair work in used fuel-oil tanks, Diesel oiltanks if not steamed out, or in tanks which have been coated internally with bitumen, or in ships' tanks coated with bitumen, shall be paid for at half ordinary rates in addition to the ordinary or overtime rates, as the case may be.
- (b) All oil-tanks shall be cleaned before men are required to work therein.
- (c) All marine and ship repair work shall be considered dirty work and shall be paid for at 1s. 6d. per day in excess of the ordinary rates, except in the case of repair work done on board ship, in which case payment shall be at the rate of 2s. per day in excess of the ordinary rates.
- (d) For the purposes of this clause, "day" shall mean eight hours or any portion of eight hours during which a worker is employed at work coming within the scope of subclause (c) hereof. Any time worked in excess of eight hours shall entitle the worker to an additional payment in proportion to the ratio of the amount of overtime worked to eight hours.

Dirty Work

16. (a) Any worker employed at the following work shall be paid 2s. per day extra dirt-money: in rotary kilns and coolers at cement-works; repairing smoke-box doors; uptakes and inside funnels; working inside furnaces, backends, and through manholes; overhauling winches, grabs, traction-engines, locomotives, and undergear of tram-cars; and such other work as may be agreed upon by the employer and the men concerned.

Workers employed at manure-works, including chemical-manure works, shall receive 2s. per day extra when employed in repairing manure plants at such works. The evaporator shall be regarded as part of the manure plant.

(b) For the purposes of this clause, "day" shall mean eight hours or any portion of eight hours during which a worker is employed at work coming within the scope of subclause (a) hereof. Any time worked in excess of eight hours shall entitle the worker to an additional payment in proportion to the ratio of the amount of overtime worked to eight hours.

Salvage Work

- 17. (a) Each salvage job shall be considered on its merits by representatives of employers and employees and the rate of pay awarded accordingly.
- (b) In the case of a disagreement arising as to any matter under this clause, it shall be the duty of employers and employees to take all necessary steps to effect a settlement without delay, and pending such settlement there shall be no delay in commencing salvage operations.
- (c) Failing a settlement as provided in subclause (b) hereof, the dispute shall be referred to a committee consisting of three representatives of the union and three representatives of the employers, and if they fail to reach an agreement they shall appoint an independent chairman, who shall have a casting vote.

Heat and Cold

- 18. (a) Any worker required to work in any compartment or confined space where the heat exceeds 110 degrees Fahrenheit shall be paid, in addition to the rate of wages to which he is entitled for the time at which the work is performed, a special heat rate computed at ordinary time rates for the time he is so employed.
- (b) No worker shall be compelled to work in any space where the temperature has been raised to above 150 degrees.
- (c) Workers engaged in freezing-chambers where the temperature is below 30 degrees shall be paid 3d. per hour extra whilst so engaged, and shall be allowed to leave the chamber at least once in every two hours for a period of ten minutes, which period shall not be in addition to "smoke-oh."
- (d) The person in charge of the job and a representative of the workers shall determine and certify to the temperature of any place for the purpose of this clause of the award.

(e) No worker shall be required to enter any furnace or chamber while the boiler is under steam pressure, nor shall any worker be required to enter any boiler connected by steam-pipe to another boiler if such second boiler is under steam pressure unless the connecting valve between the two boilers is securely closed and locked.

Travelling Between Port Chalmers and Dunedin

- 19. (a) When workers are engaged at Port Chalmers and sent to work at Dunedin, or *vice versa*, their return fares shall be paid, also time occupied in travelling at ordinary rates.
- (b) When the employers fail to notify the men on the previous day that they are required to work in Dunedin, the sum of 2s. per meal shall be allowed during the time they are employed, but when notice is given on the previous day, workers shall provide for their lunch. Other meals, if the men are detained to work overtime, shall be paid for by the employer.
- (c) Workers engaged at Dunedin or Port Chalmers to be employed at other ports shall be conveyed by their employer to and from such work free of charge, but once only during the continuance of such work. Time occupied in travelling during ordinary working-hours or on Sundays between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. shall be paid at ordinary rates.

General Provisions

20. (a) It shall be the duty of the employer to provide—

(i) Lockers or other adequate and suitable accommodation for clothing not worn during working-hours.

(ii) Good ventilation.

(iii) Proper and efficiently maintained sanitary arrangements.

- (iv) A suitable room in which workers may take their meals, provided the number of persons employed in the factory exceeds six.
- (v) An adequate supply of boiling water at meal-times.

(vi) Suitable facilities for washing at knocking-off times including hot and cold water.

- (b) Employers shall provide reasonable facilities for supplying warmth for men working in workshops from 1st May to 30th September.
- (c) It shall be the duty of the shop foreman to keep all passages clear at casting-time.
- (d) Burners and welders while working in bitumen or oil tanks shall be supplied with respirators where necessary.

(e) In all cases where artificial light is required, electric light shall be supplied where available, and proper staging shall be erected for men to work in safety.

(f) Proper shelter shall be provided to protect workers from

cold winds or wet weather.

(g) Where natural light is insufficient to properly light the foundry, artificial light of sufficient power shall be provided.

(h) The continuous use of hand-torches or other lamps that

emit injurious smoke or gases shall be prohibited.

(i) Where portable electric lights, electric drills, and other portable electric equipment are in use, every care shall be taken to see that they are properly insulated. Workers shall immediately report to the foreman any defect in such equipment.

(j) A supply of fresh air and suitable adequate protective clothing shall be provided for sand and shot blasters, metalsprayers, and picklers. Respirators shall be supplied for duco-

sprayers.

(k) All oxygen or other gas storage chambers shall be tested

and certified as safe before any worker shall enter same.

(l) Workers using pneumatic machines shall be supplied with gauntlets where necessary.

(m) Suitable screens shall be supplied for electric welding-

machines.

(n) In special circumstances where the worker is required to work in an unusual and cramped position in a confined space, he shall be paid 3d. per hour extra on agreement with the employer.

(o) Workers employed on oxy-acetylene or electric welding, except on spot- or butt-welding machines, for less than four hours in a day shall be paid 1s. per day extra; for more than

four hours in a day, 1s. 6d extra per day.

(p) Aprons of suitable material shall be supplied to workers employed as welders or as burners or on buff or grinding machines. Gauntlets shall be supplied to workers employed at steel casting annealing furnaces. Workers employed on oxyacetylene or electric welding and cutting shall be provided with goggles or helmets and gauntlets or gloves.

(q) Where workers are engaged on work from ladders, bosun chairs, or free swinging stages involving the risk of a fall of more than 20 ft. they shall be paid the following extra rates:—

			•	Per	Hour.
Over	20 feet and up to 50	feet			2
Over	50 feet and up to 7	5 feet			3
Over	75 feet and up to 1	40 feet			4
Over	140 feet				5
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All scaffolding shall be the responsibility of the employer.

Rest Periods

21. A rest period of ten minutes shall be allowed each morning and afternoon.

Accidents

- 22. (a) A modern first-class emergency case, fully equipped, shall be kept in a convenient and accessible place in every works, also provision made for a supply of hot water at short notice.
- (b) Facilities shall be provided for rendering first aid in the case of accident to workers while working outside the employer's place of business.
- (c) The St. John Ambulance first-aid compressed kit shall be the first aid case to be kept as required in subclause (a), and shall be open to inspection once a month by a union official.

Access to Workshops

23. The secretary or other authorized officer of the local union of workers concerned shall, with the consent of the employer (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld), be entitled to enter at all reasonable times upon the premises or works and there interview any workers, but not so as to interfere unreasonably with the employer's business.

The employer shall give recognition to any worker who is appointed shop steward in the establishment in which he is employed.

Matters Not Provided For

24. Any dispute in connection with any matter arising out of and in connection with this award and not specifically dealt with therein shall be settled between the particular employer concerned and the president or secretary of the union, and in default of any agreement being arrived at, then such dispute shall be referred to the local Conciliation Commissioner, who may either decide the same or refer the matter to the Court. Either party, if dissatisfied with the decision of the Commissioner, may appeal to the Court upon giving written notice of such appeal to the other party within fourteen days after such decision shall have been communicated to the party desiring to appeal.

Workers to be Memebers of Union

25. (a) Subject to the provisions of subsection (5) of section 18 of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Act, 1936, it shall not be lawful for any employer bound by this award to employ or to continue to employ in any position

or employment subject to this award any adult person who is not for the time being a member of an industrial union of workers bound by this award.

- (b) For the purposes of subclause (a) of this clause a person of the age of eighteen years or upwards, and every other person who for the time being is in receipt of not less than the minimum rate of wages prescribed by this award for workers of the age of twenty-one years and upwards, shall be deemed to be an adult.
- (c) Every person who, being obliged to become a member of any union by the operation of the foregoing provisions, fails to become a member of that union when requested so to do by his employer or any officer or representative of the union, commits a breach of this award, and shall be liable accordingly.

(Note.—Attention is drawn to subsection (4) of section 18 of the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Amendment Act, 1936, which gives to workers the right to join the union.)

Under-rate Workers

- 26. (a) Any worker who considers himself incapable of earning the minimum wage fixed by this award may be paid such lower wage as may from time to time be fixed, on the application of the worker after due notice to the union, by the local Inspector of Awards or such other person as the Court may from time to time appoint for that purpose; and such Inspector or other person in so fixing such wage shall have regard to the worker's capability, his past earnings, and such other circumstances as such Inspector or other person shall think fit to consider after hearing such evidence and argument as the union and such worker shall offer.
- (b) Such permit shall be for such period, not exceeding six months, as such Inspector or other person shall determine, and after the expiration of such period shall continue in force until fourteen days' notice shall have been given to such worker by the secretary of the union requiring him to have his wage again fixed in manner prescribed by this clause: Provided that in the case of any person whose wage is so fixed by reason of old age or permanent disability it may be fixed for such longer period as such Inspector or other person shall think fit.
- (c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, it shall be competent for a worker to agree in writing with the president or secretary of the union upon such wage without having the same so fixed.

- (d) It shall be the duty of the union to give notice to the Inspector of Awards of every agreement made with a worker pursuant hereto.
- (e) It shall be the duty of an employer, before employing a worker at such lower wage, to examine the permit or agreement by which such wage is fixed.

Application of Award

27. This award shall apply to the original parties named herein, and shall extend to and bind as subsequent party hereto every trade-union, industrial union, industrial association, or employer who, not being an original party hereto, is, when this award comes into force or at any time whilst this award is in force, connected with or engaged in the industry to which this award applies within the industrial district to which this award relates: Provided that this award shall not bind the Dunedin City Corporation.

Scope of Award

28. This award shall operate throughout the Otago and Southland Industrial District.

Term of Award

29. This award shall come into force on the day of the date hereof, and shall continue in force until the 10th day of December, 1949.

In witness whereof the seal of the Court of Arbitration hath hereto been put and affixed, and the Judge of the Court hath hereunto set his hand, this 10th day of December, 1948.

[L.S.] D. J. Dalglish, Deputy Judge, Acting as Judge of the Court.

Memorandum

The matters referred to and settled by the Court were as follows: wage-rates for the following classifications in the wages clause—(m), (n), (p), (q), (r), (s), (u), and (v); wage-rates for boys and youths; and the additional rate for marine and ship repair work.

D. J. DALGLISH, Deputy Judge.