

(3) The premium payable by the licensee shall be ten dollars (\$10) and the annual sum so payable by the licensee shall be six dollars (\$6); provided always that the Minister may review the annual sum payable at the end of the 1st year or any subsequent year of the said term.

Dated at Wellington this 13th day of November 1972.

P. E. MUERS, Executive Officer,
Harbours, Foreshores, and Pollution Section.

(M. 54/7/54)

No. 581

Decision of the Indecent Publications Tribunal

IN the matter of the Indecent Publications Act 1963, and in the matter of an application by the Comptroller of Customs for a decision in respect of the book *Surrogate Wife* by Valerie X. Scott and Herbert d'H. Lee, published by W. H. Allen and Co. Ltd., London.

There was no appearance of the applicant nor of the publisher's representative in New Zealand. Accordingly no submissions were made.

DECISION OF THE TRIBUNAL

THIS book is stated to be the experiences of a girl working as a part-time "therapist" at the famed Masters and Johnson sex clinic in St. Louis, her role being to play the wife (or mistress) to men in sexual difficulties with their wives or girl friends. Her therapeutic role was a very practical one, and the book gives her stories of the nine cases she had during her time working (part-time) with the foundation. There is a good deal of frank sexual detail in the book, and it is impossible to establish the truth or otherwise of her claims to have been a part of the Masters Johnson set-up. Credibility is not strengthened by the fictionlike retelling of the various encounters. In view of the general theme of the book and the explicitness of some of the descriptions, we consider an age restriction should be placed on this book.

The Tribunal classifies this book as indecent in the hands of persons under the age of 18 years.

R. S. V. SIMPSON, Chairman.

14 November 1972.

No. 582

Decision of the Indecent Publications Tribunal

IN the matter of the Indecent Publications Act 1963, and in the matter of an application by the Comptroller of Customs for a decision in respect of the book *The Run* by Peter Cave, published by New English Library Ltd., London.

There was no appearance of the applicant nor of the publisher's representative in New Zealand. Accordingly no submissions were made.

DECISION OF THE TRIBUNAL

NOVELS dealing with the "Hell's Angels" motor bicycle gangs are almost becoming a genre in themselves, and a number have been before the Tribunal at different times. *The Run* is stated to be the third in a series which began with *Chopper* and *Mama*. While one expects to find a certain degree of violence in a novel on this theme, this series seems to be degenerating into violence for its own sake. The theme—conflict between rival American and British versions of Hell's Angels—is but a peg on which to string together a series of violent episodes recounted in sickening detail, occasionally spiced with the associated themes of sex and drugs.

Unlike some of the other novels with motor bicycle gangs which have been before us, no attempt is made to deal with the social background of the gangs or to try to explain some of their motivating influences. The exclusive concern with violence and the way it is presented differentiate this novel from others of its kind, and even from its predecessors in this series.

The Tribunal classifies this book as indecent.

R. S. V. SIMPSON, Chairman.

14 November 1972.

No. 583

Decision of the Indecent Publications Tribunal

IN the matter of the Indecent Publications Act 1963, and in the matter of an application by the Comptroller of Customs for a decision in respect of the book *The Other Woman* by Jessica Simmons, published by Sphere Books Ltd., London.

There was no appearance of the applicant nor of the publisher's representative in New Zealand. Accordingly no submissions were made.

DECISION OF THE TRIBUNAL

THIS is the second book by Jessica Simmons to be submitted to the Tribunal. The first, *Women Without Men*, was, in decision No. 353, classified with an age restriction. The present book is very similar in theme and, as was said of *Women Without Men*, the specific descriptions of lesbian activities make it unsuitable for young readers. The story is an unpleasant one, but in the judgment of the Tribunal would not be corrupting or degrading to mature people. The alienation of a young wife's affections by her husband's ineffectual and ignorant sexual behaviour may be less uncommon than his gradual supplantment by a lesbian partner, but this theme, in the manner in which it is handled in the book, does not provide grounds for total prohibition.

The Tribunal classifies this book as indecent in the hands of persons under the age of 18 years.

R. S. V. SIMPSON, Chairman.

14 November 1972.

Cancellation of Registration as a Teacher

PURSUANT to section 135 (1) to the Education Act 1964, the name of James Gibson Te Awa has been removed from the Teachers' Register and his teacher's certificate has been cancelled.

A. N. V. DOBBS, Director-General of Education.

Local Authorities Loans Act 1956—General Variation of Conditions of Borrowing

PURSUANT to section 9 (4A) of the Local Authorities Loans Act 1956 (as inserted by section 4 (3) of the Local Authorities Loans Amendment Act 1967), notice is hereby given that the Local Authorities Loans Board, acting with the approval of the Minister of Finance, has determined as follows:

1. This general determination shall apply to all money:

- (a) Which any local authority has received the sanction of the Board given prior to the date of this notice to borrow by way of special loan, requiring or permitting repayment to be made by means of a sinking fund; and
- (b) Which the local authority borrows on or after the 1st day of December 1972; and
- (c) Which is to be repaid by means of a sinking fund.

2. All such money that is borrowed for less than 10 years shall not exceed 40 percent of the issue and shall be borrowed for 5 years and/or 6 years.

3. All sanctions to which this general determination applies shall be varied accordingly.

4. The notice given by the Board on the 28th day of September 1971 and published in the *Gazette* on the 30th day of September 1971 at p. 2018 is hereby consequentially amended by omitting from subparagraph (b) of paragraph 2 the expression "30 percent" and substituting the expression "40 percent".

Dated at Wellington this 15th day of November 1972.

R. A. CHEESMAN, Secretary,
Local Authorities Loans Board.

Members of Bobby Calf Pool Committees Elected

PURSUANT to the Bobby Calf Marketing Regulations 1955, notice has been received by the New Zealand Dairy Board that the persons whose names are set out under the name of each Bobby Calf Pool Committee in the Schedule hereto have been duly elected as members of that committee.

Dated this 17th day of November 1972.

A. J. L. WELLS, Assistant Secretary,
New Zealand Dairy Board.