

Votes

New South Wales.

No. 1.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 19 OCTOBER, 1948.

1. OPENING OF THE SESSION:—The House met at Twelve o'clock at Noon, pursuant to a Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor, bearing date the fifteenth day of September, 1948.

Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

The Clerk, by direction of Mr. Speaker, read a copy of the said Proclamation, as follows:—

“NEW SOUTH WALES, } By His Excellency Lieutenant-General JOHN NORTHCOTT,
“TO WIT. } Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath,
“(I.S.) } Member of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor of the
“J. NORTHCOTT, } State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the
“Governor. } Commonwealth of Australia.

“WHEREAS the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly of the State of New South Wales now stand adjourned to Thursday, the twenty-third day of September, 1948, and Thursday, the sixteenth day of September, 1948, respectively: Now, I, Lieutenant-General JOHN NORTHCOTT, in pursuance of the power and authority in me vested as Governor of the said State, do hereby prorogue the said Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly to Tuesday, the nineteenth day of October, 1948: And I do further announce and proclaim that the said Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly shall assemble for the despatch of business on the aforesaid nineteenth day of October, 1948, at 12 o'clock at noon, in the buildings known as the Legislative Council Chambers situate in Macquarie-street, in the City of Sydney: And the Members of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly respectively are hereby required to give their attendance at the said time and place accordingly.

“Given under my Hand and Seal, at Sydney, this fifteenth day of September, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight, and in the twelfth year of His Majesty's Reign.

“By His Excellency's Command,

“J. M. BADDELEY.

“GOD SAVE THE KING!”

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2. MESSAGE FROM HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR:—The Usher of the Black Rod, being admitted, delivered the following Message:—

“Mr. Speaker,—

“I have it in command to inform you that it is the pleasure of the Governor “that this Honourable House do attend His Excellency immediately in the “Legislative Council Chamber.”

The House went, and being returned,—

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at Nineteen minutes before One o'clock, p.m., until Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at the Hour named.

3. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. Baddeley and read by Mr. Speaker:—

- (1.) Prices Regulation Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 1.

A Bill, intituled “*An Act to make provision for the regulation of prices and rates of certain goods and services; and for purposes connected therewith,*” —as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

*Government House,
Sydney, 18th August, 1948.*

- (2.) Land Sales Control Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 2.

A Bill, intituled “*An Act to make provision for regulating and controlling prices payable in respect of certain transactions in land; and for purposes connected therewith,*” —as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

*Government House,
Sydney, 24th August, 1948.*

- (3.) Supply Bill (1948):—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 3.

A Bill, intituled “*An Act to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, the Government Railways Fund, the Road Transport and Traffic Fund, the Metropolitan Transport Trust General Fund, the Newcastle and District Transport Trust General Fund, and the Sydney Harbour Trust Fund, towards the Services of the year 1948-1949,*” —as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

*Government House,
Sydney, 24th August, 1948.*

- (4.) Friendly Societies Dispensaries Enabling (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 4.

A Bill, intituled “*An Act to amend the Friendly Societies Dispensaries Enabling Act, 1945; and for purposes connected therewith,*” —as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

*Government House,
Sydney, 24th August, 1948.*

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(5.) Local Government (Areas) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 5.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to unite the City of Sydney and certain areas and to constitute the united area as a city; to unite certain other areas or areas and parts of areas and to constitute the united areas as municipalities; to reconstitute the Sydney County Council; to repeal the Sydney Corporation Act, 1932, and certain other Acts; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 3rd September, 1948.

4. PAPER:—Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Copy of the Colonial Treasurer's Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, and other accounts for the financial year ended 30th June, 1948, together with the Auditor-General's Report thereon, transmitted to the Legislative Assembly under the provisions of the Audit Act, 1902.
Ordered to be printed.

5. APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES:—Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 28 (c), nominated,—

William Joseph Carlton, Esquire,
George Charles Gollan, Esquire,
Robert Douglas Gorman, Esquire,
John Thomas Reid, Esquire, and
Laurence John Tully, Esquire,

to act as Temporary Chairmen of Committees during the present Session. }

6. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT:—Mr. Baddeley informed the House that, in the absence of the Premier and Colonial Treasurer, who was overseas attending an Empire Parliamentary Association Conference as a delegate of the New South Wales Branch, he had been authorised by His Excellency the Governor to act as Premier and Colonial Treasurer.

7. ACTING LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION:—Mr. Howarth informed the House that in the absence of the Leader of the Opposition, who was overseas attending the Empire Parliamentary Association Conference, he had been appointed Acting Leader of the Opposition on 21st August, 1948.

8. *Pro Formâ* BILL.—LAW OF EVIDENCE BILL:—Mr. Baddeley presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend the Law of Evidence," and moved *pro formâ*, That this Bill be now read a first time.
Question put and passed.
Bill read a first time.

9. LEAVE OF ABSENCE:—

- (1.) Mr. Baddeley moved (*by consent*), without Notice, That leave of absence for the present Session be granted to the Honourable James McGirr, Member for Bankstown, on account of absence from the State.
Question put and passed.
- (2.) Mr. McGrath moved (*by consent*), without Notice, That leave of absence for the present Session be granted to Frederick Joseph Cahill, Esquire, Member for Young, on account of absence from the State.
Question put and passed.
- (3.) Mr. McGrath moved (*by consent*), without Notice, That leave of absence for the present Session be granted to Fred Stanley, Esquire, Member for Lakemba, on account of illness.
Question put and passed.
- (4.) Mr. McGrath moved (*by consent*), without Notice, That leave of absence for the present Session be granted to Mark Anthony Davidson, Esquire, Member for Cobar, on account of illness.
Question put and passed.

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- (5.) Mr. Howarth moved (*by consent*), without Notice, That leave of absence for the present Session be granted to Vernon Haddon Treatt, Esquire, Member for Woollahra, on account of absence from the State.
Question put and passed.
- (6.) Mr. Brain moved (*by consent*), without Notice, That leave of absence for the present Session be granted to Evelyn Douglas Darby, Esquire, Member for Manly, on account of absence from the State.
Question put and passed.
- (7.) Mr. Dickson moved (*by consent*), without Notice, That leave of absence for the present Session be granted to Joseph Alexander Lawson, Esquire, Member for Murray, on account of urgent public business.
Question put and passed.
- (8.) Mr. Dickson moved (*by consent*), without Notice, That leave of absence for the present Session be granted to William Frith, Esquire, Member for Lismore, on account of urgent public business.
Question put and passed.
- (9.) Mr. Dickson moved (*by consent*), without Notice, That leave of absence for the present Session be granted to Roy Stanley Vincent, Esquire, Member for Raleigh, on account of urgent public business.
Question put and passed.
- (10.) Mr. Dickson moved (*by consent*), without Notice, That leave of absence for the present Session be granted to Dudley Gordon Padman, Esquire, Member for Albury, on account of urgent public business.
Question put and passed.

10. THE GOVERNOR'S OPENING SPEECH:—Mr. Speaker reported that the House had this day attended the Governor in the Legislative Council Chamber when His Excellency the Governor was pleased to deliver an Opening Speech to both Houses of Parliament. For greater accuracy, he had obtained a copy, which he laid upon the Table of the House, and ordered that it be recorded in the *Votes and Proceedings*, as follows:—

HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, AND
MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,—

This is the third occasion upon which I have had the pleasure of opening the New South Wales Parliament.

At the outset I should like to refer to the welcome announcement that Their Majesties the King and Queen accompanied by Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret will honour Australia with a visit in the autumn of next year.

From visits which I have made to various parts of the State I am sure that our people are keenly looking forward to the opportunity of greeting the Royal Family.

My Ministers advise me that the plans which are being made to receive Their Majesties and Her Royal Highness are designed to make their stay in this State a pleasant and memorable one, and they feel sure that when Their Majesties and Her Royal Highness leave New South Wales they will take with them happy memories of their stay with us and be assured of our loyalty and the warm affection in which they are held by the people of this State.

I share with all Honourable Members the deepest regret in the death during the past Session of Mr. W. M. Currey, V.C., and of Mr. I. Cunningham, and extend to their relatives my sincere sympathy.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, AND
MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,—

Since I last addressed you, the economic position of the State has not materially changed and with a continued prospect of favourable prices and a good season for our primary products, coupled with the expansion of our secondary industries in association with a planned public works programme, my Ministers feel that the high level of prosperity now being enjoyed in this State will be maintained.

My advisers consider that the two main economic problems at present confronting the State are the need for greater production and the necessity to keep prices in proper relationship to incomes. They fully recognise the need for stimulating the production of essential goods and materials, particularly those required for home building purposes, and the improvement of hospitals, schools and other community services, and this question has been receiving their earnest consideration. Their efforts are being directed towards improving the relationship between employer and employee so that continuity of production

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will not be hampered by industrial unrest and by the encouragement of the expansion of those industries, both State and private, which it is felt will best serve the needs of the people.

Following upon the withdrawal of the Commonwealth from the field of price control and the assumption by the State of the responsibility for this activity, the efforts of my advisers will be directed towards the maintenance of real incomes, at the same time ensuring a fair return to manufacturers and producers.

I wish to express the earnest hope that their endeavours to give effect to their policy of improving living standards generally will not be retarded by a deterioration in the international situation.

My Ministers feel that one of the most urgent problems requiring their attention is the need for maintaining and improving the output of electricity for both industrial and domestic use. They are of the opinion that existing generating plants are insufficient to meet demands and, accordingly, steps have already been taken with a view to the establishment of additional power stations, one at Lake Macquarie near Newcastle and the other adjacent to Lake Illawarra on the South Coast. When completed, these power stations will be capable of supplying full electricity requirements for many years to come.

In order to ensure adequate supplies of coal for Governmental and semi-Governmental establishments a new State Coal Mine, equipped with the most modern mining machinery and facilities, has been established at Awaba. Other State mines are being developed and improved, and investigations are proceeding with a view to the establishment of additional State Coal Mines.

The tempo of the Government's housing programme continues to increase, and there is every indication that 1948 will see a new record created for home building. Schemes are being undertaken to facilitate the Government's programme for the decentralisation of industry by building houses in centres where industrial and rural development is taking place. Progress is also being made with the Government's plans for clearing sub-standard areas and the erection of modern buildings of high standard. The programme of clearance and rebuilding is well in hand in industrial areas.

Closely related to the Government's housing programme is the progress which is being made in the establishment of the State Tile Works at Blacktown. It is anticipated that these works will commence production early in 1949, and will eventually produce 5,000,000 tiles per annum, in addition to much needed earthenware pipes for water and sewerage services. The State Brickyard is also approaching the stage of full development and it is anticipated that this undertaking will shortly be producing 1,000,000 bricks per week.

Timber production has continued to increase. Roads have been built into forest areas to open up new stands of timber and so much progress has been made that there has been no lack of timber required for the construction of homes.

In the forefront of my Ministers' activities is the improvement of educational facilities. A wide programme of educational development designed to cover every branch of education and every district in the State has been initiated. Courses of instruction are being modernised, an extensive building and sites programme is being proceeded with, and provision is being made for the encouragement of cultural activities in schools. The extension of national fitness and physical education projects is also contemplated. At the Technical University which is being established, degree courses have already commenced in civil, electrical, mechanical and mining engineering, while research facilities have also been extended to provide a knowledge of value to industry and those engaged in industry.

The standard of public health generally continues to receive the earnest attention of Ministers and, in particular, a special drive is being made to reduce the incidence of tuberculosis. Recently Ministers for Health from all States conferred with the Commonwealth on plans for combating this dread disease and the subject was also discussed at the recent Premiers' Conference. As a result this State has undertaken to join with the Commonwealth Government in a national scheme for the prevention, control, and treatment of tuberculosis, and to introduce the necessary legislation to enable the scheme to be brought into effect. Additional facilities for the care of the mentally afflicted will be provided by the construction of a mental hospital at Ryde and an institution of the farm colony type near Campbelltown.

With regard to the conservation of our water supplies, the past year has been one of accomplishment. Satisfactory progress has been maintained in the work of constructing the Lake Ballyrogan balance storage, and this dam should be completed by the middle of next year. The dam on the Macquarie River at Burrendong is under construction, and work is also in progress at the Keepit Dam on the Namoi River. Substantial progress has been made on

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the construction of the first of the Hunter River Dams at Glenbawn near Scone, while sites for eight of the weirs on the Darling River have been permanently located and surveyed.

Soil conservation activities have also been considerably expanded. Seventy demonstrations have been carried out in different parts of the State and priority is being given to the prevention of erosion of land within the catchment areas of the large dams being built.

Energetic measures are also being taken in connection with the settlement of returned soldiers on the land. More than £6,000,000 has been spent on the purchase of land for soldier settlement since the war ended and advances to ex-service personnel for equipment have amounted to more than £1,250,000. It is anticipated that by the end of this year approximately 1,000 returned soldier blocks will have been made available.

Over the past year New South Wales has been blessed with particularly bountiful seasonal conditions, and the 1947 wheat crop yielded the record total of approximately 100,000,000 bushels. The prospects for the coming season are also very bright.

Some months ago a British Food Mission arrived in this country, and under arrangements made by the Minister for Agriculture, held conferences with various primary producing interests so that difficulties in the way of increasing the quantities of food for export to Great Britain might be overcome.

MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,—

I am advised by my Ministers that the financial position of the State continues to be sound. Last financial year, surpluses were achieved on the Consolidated Revenue Fund, the Government Railways Fund and the Sydney Harbour Trust Fund, that on the Consolidated Revenue Fund being the seventh in succession. Action which was taken early in the year to adjust fares, freights and other charges, was successful in bringing about substantial increases in the revenue of the State's transport undertakings—the Department of Railways and Road Transport and Tramways—though further increases in costs resulted in the latter Department again incurring a deficiency on the year's operations. The Budget for the financial year now current will shortly be placed before you and you will be asked to provide for the Public Services of the State. A carefully planned programme of public works and other services has been submitted to and endorsed by the Australian Loan Council, and the Estimates of expenditure and amounts proposed to be voted from the General Loan Account for those works and services will also be submitted for your consideration.

HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, AND MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,—

During the Session my Ministers propose to place before you various measures of importance to the continued welfare and progress of all sections of the community.

The Government is most anxious to speed up the settlement of ex-service-men on the land, not only because of its desire to ensure the rehabilitation of our soldiers, but also because of the contribution which good settlers on economic farm units can make towards increasing the output of much-needed primary products. Accordingly my Ministers propose to introduce at an early date amendments to the War Service Land Settlement Act designed to facilitate soldier settlement.

A further measure of importance will be a Bill in connection with the wheat industry, the object of which will be to stabilise the industry and to provide for the payment to growers of a minimum price for their product.

The Government also proposes to introduce legislation with the object of preventing, controlling, and suppressing bushfires in a more effective manner than in the past.

With a view to making wider provision for the protection of birds and animals, you will be asked to consider a Fauna Protection Bill.

A Bill to amend the Dairy Industry Act for the purpose of providing, among other things, for the grading of butter for local consumption will be introduced.

Another measure will deal with the question of annual rentals payable on lands within Irrigation Areas.

A Bill will also be introduced to make further provision for the control of fish marketing.

Legislation will be brought forward for the purpose of establishing a separate Department of Technical Education, and incorporating proposals for the new Technical University.

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Another Bill to be presented will provide for the establishment of uniform censorship of films.

An amendment of the Public Accountants Registration Act is also contemplated.

In pursuance of their policy of improving working conditions and also of facilitating methods of conciliation and arbitration you will be asked to consider amendments to the Workers' Compensation Act; the Scaffolding and Lifts Act; the Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers' (Pensions) Act; the Coal Mines Regulation Act and the Industrial Arbitration Act.

It is also proposed to introduce a State Coal Mines Amendment Bill for the purpose of reconstituting the State Coal Mines Control Board.

In connection with the Government's housing programme Bills will be submitted to amend the Housing Act and the Co-operation Act.

It is also proposed to bring forward amendments to the Transport (Division of Functions) Act to provide for Boards of three Commissioners to control the Railway and Road Transport and Tramways Departments respectively.

Among other measures which will be submitted are:

A Bill to constitute the Conservation Authority of New South Wales; a Land Utilisation Bill, and Bills to amend the Western Lands Act; the Mine Subsidence Act; the Gaming and Betting Act; the Ambulance Transport Service Act and the Public Hospitals Act.

Further measures to be introduced are a Constitution Amendment (Legislative Council Members Allowances) Bill; a Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Bill; a Local Government (Superannuation) Amendment Bill and a Local Government (Amendment) Bill.

I now declare this Third Session of the Thirty-fifth Parliament open, and trust that the blessing of Divine Providence may attend your deliberations.

Mr. Chalmers moved, and Mr. Seiffert seconded the motion, That the following Address-in-Reply to the Speech which His Excellency the Governor has addressed to both Houses of Parliament on opening this Session of the Parliament of New South Wales be now adopted by this House:—

"To His Excellency Lieutenant-General JOHN NORTHCOTT, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Member of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia.

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

"We, His Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament assembled, desire "to express our thanks for Your Excellency's Speech, and to assure you of our "unfeigned attachment to His Most Gracious Majesty's Throne and Person.

"2. We beg to assure Your Excellency that our earnest consideration will "be given to the measures to be submitted to us, and that the necessary provision "for the Public Services will be made in due course.

"3. We join Your Excellency in the hope that, under the guidance of "Divine Providence, our labours may be so directed as to advance the best "interests of all sections of the community."

Mr. Howarth moved, That this Debate be now adjourned. Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow and take precedence of other business.

11. DEATH OF THE HONOURABLE GEORGE CANN:—Mr. Baddeley moved (by consent), without Notice,—

(1.) That this House desires to place on record its sense of the loss this State has sustained by the death of the Honourable George Cann, a former Minister of the Crown of the State of New South Wales.

(2.) That Mr. Speaker be requested to communicate to Mrs. Cann the above Resolution, together with an expression of the sympathy and sorrow of the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in the loss she has sustained.

The Motion having been seconded by Mr. Howarth and supported by Lieut.-Col. Bruxner, Mr. Drummond and Mr. Dickson,—

Question put and carried unanimously,—Members and Officers of the House standing.

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12. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Baddeley moved, That this House do now adjourn until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
The House adjourned accordingly, at Sixteen minutes before Five o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

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No. 2.

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OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 20 OCTOBER, 1948.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—

Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Draft Copy of Report and Statement of Accounts of the Mines Subsidence Board, for the year ended 30th June, 1948.
- (2.) Amendment of Rules and Schedules under the Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1912-1947.
- (3.) Notifications of appropriation and resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of the Coal Industry Act, 1946, at Newcastle.
- (4.) Proclamations declaring certain lands to be private lands for the purposes of the Mining Act, 1906-1946.
- (5.) Copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. Alexander Sloss, Department of Mines.
- (6.) Substituted Regulation under the Explosives Act, 1905.
- (7.) Balance-sheets of Art Unions under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of—

Manning District Ambulance Service.

Memorial Club Building Fund, Young.

Food for Britain Fund.

North Coast War Veterans' Home.

All Services Club Building Fund, Tamworth.

New South Wales 16ft. Skiff Association—Miss Australia Quest.

The Victory Hall Building Fund, Belmont.

Family of the late J. H. Percival Benefit.

New England University College—Consett Davis Memorial Playing Fields Appeal.

(8.) Proclamation under the Police Offences (Amendment) Act, 1908, as amended.

(9.) Amendment of Regulations under the Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act, 1935-1942.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Evatt laid upon the Table notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1912-1947, at—

Bankstown.

Barraba.

Bass Hills.

Bexley North.

Blackalls.

Boorowa.

Bombala.

Braidwood.

Broken Hill.

Casino.

Chester Hill.

Coolah.

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Cowra.	Padstow.
Curl Curl.	Parkes.
East Hills.	Parramatta North.
East Maitland.	Port Kembla.
Eastwood.	Randwick.
Glebe.	Redfern.
Glen Innes.	Reidtown.
Granville.	Revesby.
Gunnedah.	Richmond.
Kandos.	Rydalmere.
Kiama.	Sefton.
Liverpool.	Seven Hills.
Manly.	South Grafton.
Matraville.	Surry Hills.
Moorefields.	Telarah.
Mosman.	Thornleigh.
Moss Vale.	Trangie.
Muswellbrook.	Unanderra.
Narrabri.	Waitara.
North Ryde.	Waratah.
North Wollongong.	Waterloo.
Nowra.	

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. C. E. Martin laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Rule made by the Judges of the Supreme Court relating to the admission of Solicitors.
- (2.) Amended scale of fees under the Sheriff Act, 1900.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Amendments of By-laws under the Sydney Corporation Act, 1932-1947.
- (2.) Amendments of Ordinances under the Local Government Act, 1919.
- (3.) Amendment of Regulations under the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1946.
- (4.) Statement of Account and Balance-sheet of the State Brickworks for the year ended 31st March, 1948.
- (5.) Report of the Valuer-General for the year ended 30th June, 1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Notifications of acquisition of land and easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for works in connection with—
 - (a) Construction of a channel in the Yanco No. 1 Irrigation Area.
 - (b) Berriquin Provisional Domestic and Stock Water Supply and Irrigation District.
 - (c) Deniboota Provisional Domestic and Stock Water Supply and Irrigation District.
 - (d) Construction of dams across (i) the Macquarie River at Burrendong and (ii) the Namoi River at Keepit.
- (2.) Regulation under the Soil Conservation Act, 1938-1947.
- (3.) Regulations and Forms under the Irrigation Act, 1912.
- (4.) Substituted Regulations and Forms under the Water Act, 1912-1946.
- (5.) Copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Messrs. W. J. Rhodes and E. G. Connolly, Department of Conservation.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Finnan laid upon the Table Regulation extending the period of the Regulations under the Building Operations and Building Materials Control Act, 1945.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Report of the Trustees of Ku-ring-gai Chase Trust for the year ended 30th June, 1948.
- (2.) Abstract of Crown Lands intended to be dedicated for public purposes in accordance with the provisions of section 24 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
- (3.) *Gazette* Notices setting forth the mode in which it is proposed to deal with certain land under section 25 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

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(4.) Amended Schedule of Fees and Charges in connection with the Regulations for the management of the Wesleyan and Primitive Methodist Portions of the Necropolis under the Necropolis Act, 1901.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. THE GOVERNOR'S OPENING SPEECH:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Chalmers, That the following Address-in-Reply to the Governor's Opening Speech be now adopted by this House:—

"To His Excellency Lieutenant-General JOHN NORTHCOTT, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Member of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia.

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

"We, His Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament assembled, desire "to express our thanks for Your Excellency's Speech, and to assure you of our "unfeigned attachment to His Most Gracious Majesty's Throne and Person.

"2. We beg to assure Your Excellency that our earnest consideration will "be given to the measures to be submitted to us, and that the necessary provision "for the Public Services will be made in due course.

"3. We join Your Excellency in the hope that under the guidance of "Divine Providence, our labours may be so directed as to advance the best "interests of all sections of the community."

And the question being again proposed,—
The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Morton moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

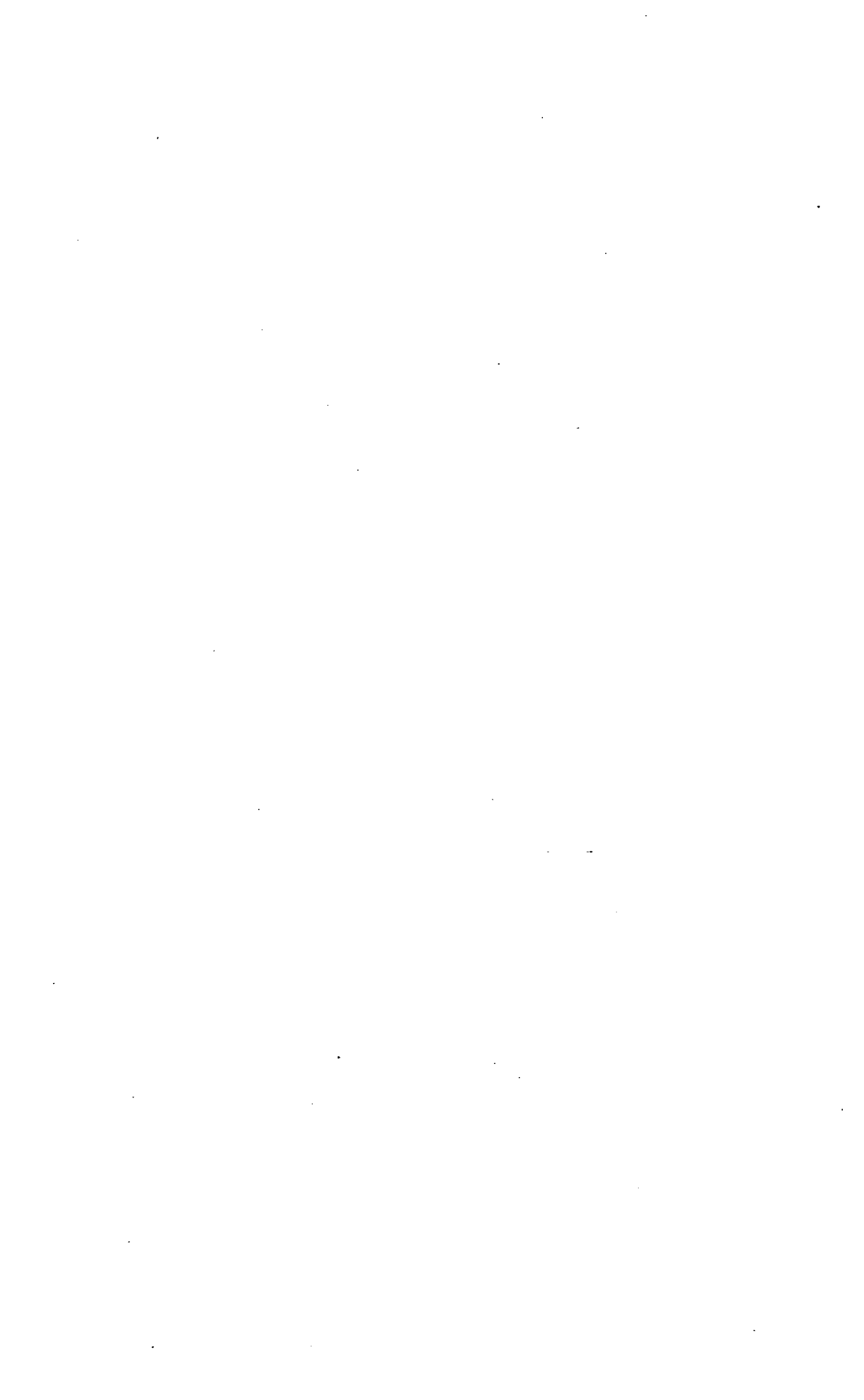
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow and take precedence of other business.

3. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Weir moved, That this House do now adjourn until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.
Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Sixteen minutes before Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.



New South Wales.

No. 3.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 21 OCTOBER, 1948.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—

Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Report of the Public Trustee, together with Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the year ended 30th June, 1948.
- (2.) Copy of Proceedings of the Conference of Commonwealth and State Ministers upon Transfer of Controls over Rents, Prices and Land Sales from the Commonwealth to the States, held at Canberra on 21st and 22nd June, 1948.
- (3.) Amendments of Regulations and Rules under the Totalizator Act, 1916-1937.
- (4.) Amendments of By-laws under the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1924-1945.
- (5.) Amendment of Regulation under the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900-1941, and the Sydney Harbour Rates Act, 1904, as amended.
- (6.) Amendments of Schedules to Regulations under the Harbour and Tonnage Rates Act, 1920-1935.
- (7.) Substituted Regulations in lieu of Rules under the Navigation Act, 1901-1941, and the Navigation Amendment (Regulations) Act, 1904.
- (8.) Amendments of By-laws under the Hunter District Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1938-1945.
- (9.) Regulation under the Harbour and Tonnage Rates Act, 1920-1935.
- (10.) Amendment of Rules under the Police Regulation Act, 1899, as amended.
- (11.) Amendment of Regulation under the Police Offences (Amendment) Act, 1908, as amended.
- (12.) Balance-sheets of Art Unions under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of—

Ex-Naval Men's Association of New South Wales.
War Veterans' Home.
New South Wales Home for Incurables.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. C. E. Martin laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Regulations under the Land Sales Control Act, 1948.
- (2.) Return of Transactions under the Statutes administered by the Registrar-General for 1947, together with Comparative Statements for the years 1938 to 1947 inclusive.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

21st October, 1948.

Mr. Heffron laid upon the Table Notifications of resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Public Instruction Act, 1880, at—

Avalon.	Granville.
Bankstown North.	Lawson.
Corrimal.	Lismore.
Dubbo.	Toronto.
Glenroi Heights.	Wagga Wagga.
Gordon West.	Young.
Grafton.	

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Kelly laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Messrs. E. B. Woodhouse, M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (Lond.), N. P. Protopopoff, F. J. Scanlan, M.B., B.S., and Miss J. I. Turner, M.B., Department of Public Health.

(2.) By-law under the Milk Act, 1931-1942.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Graham laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Messrs. T. E. Friend, W. V. Single, Thomas Adams, L. J. Ballard, A. T. Godden, J. F. Nicholson, N. S. H. Tickner, J. A. Loveridge, Harry Matthews, E. G. Cuthbertson, K. D. O'Neill, John McDonald, G. E. Kent, C. A. Dickson, R. J. Conroy, B.Sc. (Agr.), and N. A. Cutts, Department of Agriculture.

(2.) Repealed and Substituted Regulations and Amendments of Regulations and Substituted Form under the Plant Diseases Act, 1924.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Statement of Traffic secured to Railway Transport by the exercise of the powers conferred on the Railway Commissioner under section 24 (3) and (4) of the Government Railways Act, 1912-1944, for the months of July and August, 1948.

(2.) Substituted Regulations under the Transport Act, 1930-1945, and Transport (Division of Functions) Act, 1932-1947.

(3.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the following Railway purposes:—

(a) Confirming the Commissioner for Railways' title to land at (i) Wickham, (ii) Parish of Heathcote, and (iii) Municipality of Bexley.

(b) Accommodating an Electric High-tension Transmission Line at Wickham.

(c) Maintaining the traffic on the existing line of Railway between—

(i) Central and Tempe—Additional tracks at Erskineville;

(ii) Sydney and Bourke—Additional railway sidings at Lithgow;

(iii) Sydney and Bourke and Blacktown and Richmond—Loop line at Blacktown.

(4.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for Transport facilities at Pagewood.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. THE GOVERNOR'S OPENING SPEECH:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Chalmers, That the following Address-in-Reply to the Governor's Opening Speech be now adopted by this House:—

"To His Excellency Lieutenant-General JOHN NORTHCOTT, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Member of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia.

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

"We, His Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our thanks for Your Excellency's Speech, and to assure you of our unfeigned attachment to His Most Gracious Majesty's Throne and Person.

"2. We beg to assure Your Excellency that our earnest consideration will be given to the measures to be submitted to us, and that the necessary provision for the Public Services will be made in due course.

"3. We join Your Excellency in the hope that, under the guidance of Divine Providence, our labours may be so directed as to advance the best interests of all sections of the community."

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

21st October, 1948.

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Turner moved, That the Address be amended by the addition of the following words to stand as paragraph 4:—

“We regret that there has not been included in Your Excellency’s Speech any reference to the need for the taking of appropriate action to restore financial sovereignty to New South Wales, while at the same time continuing the present uniform system of assessment and collection of taxation.”

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be added be so added,—

Debate continued.

Mr. Tonge moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow and take precedence of other business.

3. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Weir moved, That this House do now adjourn until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o’clock, p.m.
Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Sixteen minutes after Five o’clock, p.m., until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o’clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 4.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 26 OCTOBER, 1948.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPER:—Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table Departmental File of Papers relating to the banning of the play "Rusty Bugles."
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
2. URGENCY—INDUSTRIAL DISPUTE AT KEMEIRA TUNNEL:—Mr. Drummond moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider the following motion, viz.:—
 - "(1.) That this House deplores the failure of the Government to take action against those persons who are—
 - (a) engaged in picketing the Kemeira Tunnel;
 - (b) threatening—to the point of assault—members of the Australian Workers' Union engaged in their lawful occupations; and
 - (c) unlawfully intimidating business people.
 - "(2.) That, in the opinion of this House, immediate action should be taken by the Government to ensure the observance of the existing law."

Point of Order:—Mr. Booth submitted that the motion was out of order on the ground that the industrial dispute referred to in the Urgency Motion had been referred to the Joint Coal Board, which had ordered the cessation of all work on the Tunnel pending a settlement of the dispute, and the matter was therefore *sub judice*.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker inquired of the Attorney-General whether the Joint Coal Board was a Judicial Tribunal.

And upon the Attorney-General answering in the negative,—

Mr. Speaker said that even if the Joint Coal Board were a judicial body—and he accepted the assurance of the Attorney-General that it was not—he could not uphold the Point of Order unless the subject-matter of the motion dealt with the exact matter which was before that judicial tribunal. He therefore ruled against the Point of Order.

Further Point of Order:—Mr. Cahill submitted that the motion was out of order on the ground that the debate on the motion for the adoption of the Address-in-Reply took precedence of other business, and that in any case that Debate afforded opportunity to discuss the subject-matter of the motion now sought to be dealt with as a matter of urgency.

Mr. Speaker said that although the resumption of the debate upon the motion for the adoption of the Address-in-Reply was ordered by the House to take

26th October, 1948.

precedence of other business that order was subject to the provisions of Stading Order 395, and consequently he ruled that the Urgency Motion was properly before the House.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 29.

Mr. Jeff Bate
Mr. Black
Mr. Brain
Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Cross
Mr. Cutler
Mr. Dickson
Mr. Drummond
Mr. Ellis
Mr. Fitzgerald
Mr. Frith

Mr. Gollan
Mr. Hearnshaw
Mr. Howarth
Mr. Hunter
Mr. Jackett
Mr. Jordan
Mr. Kendell
Mr. McCaw
Mr. Medcalf
Mr. John Reid
Lieut.-Col. Robson

Mr. Rose
Mr. Stephens
Mr. Storey
Mr. Turner
Mr. Wingfield

Tellers,

Mr. Dewley
Mr. Morton

Nocs, 42.

Captain Arthur
Mr. Baddley
Mr. Booth
Mr. Cahill
Mr. Robert Cameron
Mr. Carlton
Mr. Chalmers
Mr. Clyde
Mr. Enticknap
Mr. Evatt
Mr. Finnan
Mrs. Fowler
Mr. Freeman
Mr. Geraghty
Mr. W. McG. Gollan

Mr. Graham
Mr. Hamilton
Mr. Hawkins
Mr. Roy Heferen
Mr. Heffron
Mr. Kelly
Mr. Lawrence Kelly
Mr. Landa
Mr. Lang
Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. McGrath
Mr. C. E. Martin
Mr. Matthews
Mr. Noble
Mr. Nott

Mr. O'Sullivan
Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Robertson
Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Tonge
Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Wattison
Mr. Weir
Mr. Williams

Tellers,

Mr. Gorman
Mr. Renshaw

And so it passed in the negative.

8. PAPERS:—

Mr. Baddley laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Report of the State Coal Mines Control Board, together with Balance-sheet and Statement of Accounts, and Reports by the Managers of the State Coal Mines at Lithgow and Awaba, for the year ended 30th June, 1948.
- (2.) Proclamation declaring certain land to be private land for the purposes of the Mining Act, 1906-1946.
- (3.) Amendments of By-law under the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1924-1945.
- (4.) Amendments of Regulation under the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900-1941.
- (5.) Amendment of Regulation and Schedule to Regulation, under the Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act, 1935-1942.
- (6.) Balance-sheets of Art Unions under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of—

Moree District Ambulance Service.

Newtown R.S.S.A.I.L.A. Memorial Hall Building Fund.

Wollongong Police-Citizens Boys' Club.

St. Paul's School Building Fund.

Miss Australia Quest—Miss Susan Bell.

City of Wollongong Sub-Branch Legion of Ex-servicemen and Women.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Graham laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Amendment of Regulation under the Pastures Protection Act, 1934-1943.
- (2.) Copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Messrs. G. G. Haszard, L. G. Boutcher, G. S. Hardy and S. G. Power, Department of Agriculture.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Finnan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Amendments to Schedules of the New South Wales Workers' Compensation Fixed Insurance Premium Rates and Fixed Loss Ratio Scheme, 1945, as amended, under the Workers' Compensation Act, 1926-1947.
- (2.) Regulations, amendments of Regulations, and repeal and substitution of Regulations under the Factories and Shops Act, 1912-1918.

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(3.) Copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Miss M. F. J. Charlesworth, Department of Labour and Industry and Social Welfare.

(4.) Substitution of Rules, and amendments of Rules and Form, under the Workers' Compensation Act, 1926-1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. THE GOVERNOR'S OPENING SPEECH:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Chalmers, That the following Address-in-Reply to the Governor's Opening Speech be now adopted by this House:—

"To His Excellency Lieutenant-General JOHN NORTHCOTT, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Member of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia.

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

"We, His Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our thanks for Your Excellency's Speech, and to assure you of our unfeigned attachment to His Most Gracious Majesty's Throne and Person.

"2. We beg to assure Your Excellency that our earnest consideration will be given to the measures to be submitted to us, and that the necessary provision for the Public Services will be made in due course.

"3. We join Your Excellency in the hope that, under the guidance of Divine Providence, our labours may be so directed as to advance the best interests of all sections of the community."

Upon which Mr. Turner had moved, That the Address be amended by the addition of the following words to stand as paragraph 4:—

"We regret that there has not been included in Your Excellency's Speech any reference to the need for the taking of appropriate action to restore financial sovereignty to New South Wales, while at the same time continuing the present uniform system of assessment and collection of taxation."

And the Question being again proposed,—That the words proposed to be added be so added,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Hearnshaw moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow and take precedence of other business.

5. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Baddeley moved, That this House do now adjourn until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Five minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.



New South Wales.

No. 5.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 27 OCTOBER, 1948.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—

Mr. Martin laid upon the Table a Return to the Address adopted on 17th August, 1948, "Case of Clifford Tasman Thompson."

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Graham laid upon the Table the Report, together with Balance-sheet and Statement of Accounts, of the New South Wales Dairy Products Board for the year ended 30th June, 1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. THE GOVERNOR'S OPENING SPEECH:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Chalmers, That the following Address-in-Reply to the Governor's Opening Speech be now adopted by this House:—

"To His Excellency Lieutenant-General JOHN NORTHCOTT, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Member of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia.

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

"We, His Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our thanks for Your Excellency's Speech, and to assure you of our unfeigned attachment to His Most Gracious Majesty's Throne and Person.

"2. We beg to assure Your Excellency that our earnest consideration will be given to the measures to be submitted to us, and that the necessary provision for the Public Services will be made in due course.

"3. We join Your Excellency in the hope that, under the guidance of Divine Providence, our labours may be so directed as to advance the best interests of all sections of the community."

Upon which Mr. Turner had moved, That the Address be amended by the addition of the following words to stand as paragraph 4:—

"We regret that there has not been included in Your Excellency's Speech any reference to the need for the taking of appropriate action to restore financial sovereignty to New South Wales, while at the same time continuing the present uniform system of assessment and collection of taxation."

And the Question being again proposed,—That the words proposed to be added be so added,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate,

27th October, 1948.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Brain That the Honourable Member for Paddington, Mr. O'Sullivan, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Debate continued.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Brain, That the Honourable Member for Ryde, Mr. Hearnshaw, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Debate continued.

Mr. Drummond moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow and take precedence of other business.

3. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Sheahan moved, That this House do now adjourn until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Ten Minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. F. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 6.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 28 OCTOBER, 1948.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Copy of Report of the Commissioner for Railways for the year ended 30th June, 1948.

(2.) Report of the Commissioner for Road Transport and Tramways for the year ended 30th June, 1948.

Ordered to be printed.

2. CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT (LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS ALLOWANCES) BILL:—

The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Baddeley and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 6.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to make provision with regard to allowances to Members of the Legislative Council; to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, as amended by subsequent Acts, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 20th October, 1948.

3. THE GOVERNOR'S OPENING SPEECH:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Chalmers, That the following Address-in-Reply to the Governor's Opening Speech be now adopted by this House:—

"To His Excellency Lieutenant-General JOHN NORTHCOTT, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Member of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia.

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

"We, His Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our thanks for Your Excellency's Speech, and to assure you of our unfeigned attachment to His Most Gracious Majesty's Throne and Person.

"2. We beg to assure Your Excellency that our earnest consideration will be given to the measures to be submitted to us, and that the necessary provision for the Public Services will be made in due course.

"3. We join Your Excellency in the hope that, under the guidance of Divine Providence, our labours may be so directed as to advance the best interests of all sections of the community."

28th October, 1948.

Upon which Mr. Turner had moved, That the Address be amended by the addition of the following words to stand as paragraph 4:—

“We regret that there has not been included in Your Excellency’s Speech any reference to the need for the taking of appropriate action to restore financial sovereignty to New South Wales, while at the same time continuing the present uniform system of assessment and collection of taxation.”

And the Question being again proposed,—That the words proposed to be added be so added,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Lazzarini, That the Honourable Member for Bondi, Mr. Landa, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Debate continued.

Mr. Lazzarini moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow and take precedence of other business.

4. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Matthews moved, That this House do now adjourn until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o’clock, p.m.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-nine minutes after Four o’clock, p.m., until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o’clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 7.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 2 NOVEMBER, 1948.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. **MINISTERIAL STATEMENT:**—Mr. Baddley made a Ministerial Statement respecting the industrial dispute at the Kemeira Tunnel.

Mr. Howarth also addressed the House.

And Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner also desiring to address the House,—

Mr. Speaker said that on one or two occasions, by the indulgence of the Chair, the Leader of the Country Party had been permitted to address the House in addition to the Leader of the Opposition, but the usual practice was to allow only the Leader of the Opposition to reply to a Ministerial Statement. He thought, however, that on this occasion such indulgence might be extended to the Leader of the Country Party.

Whereupon Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner also addressed the House.

2. **URGENCY—CONSTRUCTION OF KEMEIRA TUNNEL—INDUSTRIAL DISPUTE ON COAL-FIELDS:**—Mr. Howarth moved That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider the following Motion, viz.:—"That this House is of opinion,—

"(1.) That in view of the publicised threats by officials of the Communist-dominated Miners' Federation to provoke a general stoppage of work on all New South Wales coalfields in support of the illegal southern coalfields' strike, the Government should take immediate action to effect a resumption of work by southern coal miners;

"(2.) That in view of the Government's failure to order a secret ballot of rank-and-file coalminers on the South Coast it should immediately refer this strike to the appropriate arbitration authority;

"(3.) That the Government should forthwith inform officials of the Miners' Federation that any incitement by them of other miners to cease work in support of the South Coast coal strike is a breach of the Arbitration Act and if carried out the law will be invoked without reservation; and

"(4.) That A.W.U. workers who are carrying out work on the Kemeira Tunnel must be allowed to do so without being molested or threatened in any way whatever and that the Commissioner of Police should be instructed by the Government to give the men full protection accordingly and that persons who commit acts of violence should immediately be proceeded against in accordance with the law."

Question put.

2nd November, 1948.

The House divided.

Ayes, 31.

Mr. Black
Mr. Brain
Lieut.-Col. Bruzner
Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Cross
Mr. Cutler
Mr. Dewley
Mr. Dickson
Mr. Drummond
Mr. Ellis
Mr. Fitzgerald

Mr. Frith
Mr. Gollan
Mr. Hearnshaw
Mr. Howarth
Mr. Hunter
Mr. Jackett
Mr. Jordan
Mr. Kendall
Mr. McCaw
Mr. Medcalf
Mr. John Reid

Mr. Richardson
Lieut.-Col. Robson
Mr. Stephens
Mr. Storey
Mr. Turner
Mr. Vincent
Mr. Wingfield

Tellers,

Mr. Jeff Bate
Mr. Morton

Noes, 39.

Captain Arthur
Mr. Baddeley
Mr. Cahill
Mr. Robert Cameron
Mr. Carlton
Mr. Chalmers
Mr. Clyne
Mr. William Davies
Captain Dunn
Mr. Enticknap
Mr. Evatt
Mr. Fowles
Mrs. Fowler
Mr. Freeman

Mr. Graham
Mr. Hamilton
Mr. Hawkins
Mr. Roy Heferen
Mr. Heffron
Mr. Kelly
Mr. Lawrence Kelly
Mr. Lang
Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. McGrath
Mr. C. E. Martin
Mr. Matthews
Mr. Noble
Mr. Nott

Mr. O'Sullivan
Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Robertson
Mr. Shannon
Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Tonge
Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Wattison
Mr. Williams

Tellers,

Mr. Gorman
Mr. Renshaw

And so it passed in the negative.

3. PAPERS:—

Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Report of the Government Insurance Office of New South Wales, together with Statement of Accounts and Balance-sheets for the year ended 30th June, 1948.
- (2.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of the Coal Industry Act, 1946, at Sydney.
- (3.) Amendments of By-laws under the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage, and Drainage Act, 1924-1945.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Graham laid upon the Table the following Papers:—Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the works in connection with—

- (a) Construction of a channel in the Tullakool Irrigation Area.
- (b) Construction of a dam across the Namoi River at Keeplit.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. THE GOVERNOR'S OPENING SPEECH:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Chalmers, That the following Address-in-Reply to the Governor's Opening Speech be now adopted by this House:—

"To His Excellency Lieutenant-General JOHN NORTHCOTT, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Member of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia.

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

"We, His Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament assembled, desire "to express our thanks for Your Excellency's Speech, and to assure you of our "unfeigned attachment to His Most Gracious Majesty's Throne and Person.

"2. We beg to assure Your Excellency that our earnest consideration will "be given to the measures to be submitted to us, and that the necessary provision "for the Public Services will be made in due course.

"3. We join Your Excellency in the hope that, under the guidance of "Divine Providence, our labours may be so directed as to advance the best "interests of all sections of the community."

Upon which Mr. Turner had moved, That the Address be amended by the addition of the following words to stand as paragraph 4:—

"We regret that there has not been included in Your Excellency's Speech any reference to the need for the taking of appropriate action to restore financial sovereignty to New South Wales, while at the same time continuing the present uniform system of assessment and collection of taxation."

2nd November, 1948.

And the Question being again proposed,—That the words proposed to be added be so added,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Chaffey moved, That the words proposed to be added to the Address-in-Reply be amended by adding thereto the following words:—"We further regret that no provision has been made in Your Excellency's Speech for the effective control of those Communist elements which are endeavouring to destroy the industrial progress and social harmony of the community, and are at present causing serious industrial turmoil on New South Wales coal and metalliferous mining fields and throughout New South Wales industries."

Question proposed,—That the words proposed to be added to the proposed amendment, be so added.

Debate continued.

Mr. Frith (*speaking*) moved (*by consent*) That this Debate be now adjourned. Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow and take precedence of other business.

5. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Evatt moved, That this House do now adjourn until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-five minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 3 NOVEMBER, 1948.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. SELECT COMMITTEE UPON ROAD ACCIDENT CASUALTIES:—Lieut.-Colonel Robson, as Chairman, brought up the Report from, and laid upon the Table Minutes of Proceedings and Evidence taken before, the Select Committee upon Road Accident Casualties for whose consideration and Report this subject was referred on 28th October, 1947.
Ordered to be printed.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1) Notifications of acquisition of land and/or easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the following purposes:—

Condobolin Experiment Farm.
Fish River Water Supply Scheme.
Lithgow Stormwater Drainage.
Haslam's Creek Stormwater Drainage (2).
Hill End Police Paddock.
Hurstville Police Station.

(2) Notifications of acquisition of land and/or easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purpose of the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended, in the following:—

Auburn Municipality.	North Sydney Municipality (3).
Bexley Municipality.	Paddington Municipality.
Bourke Municipality.	Rockdale Municipality.
Brisbane Water County.	Ryde Municipality (5).
Canterbury Municipality.	Sutherland Shire (2).
Eastwood Municipality.	Taree Municipality.
Granville Municipality.	Waverley Municipality.
Greater Wollongong City.	Willoughby Municipality.
Inverell Municipality.	Windsor Municipality.
Lake Macquarie Shire.	Wingecarribee Shire.
Leeton Shire.	Woollahra Municipality.
Leichhardt Municipality.	Wollondilly Shire.
Mosman Municipality.	

(3) Notifications of acquisition of land and/or easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purpose of the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1924-1945, as follow:—(a) Cox's River Water Supply; (b) Helensburgh Water Supply.

(4) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purpose of the Public Hospitals Act, 1929-1943, at Fairfield.

(5) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purpose of the Ryde Mental Hospital Construction Act, 1948, at Ryde.

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(6.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Forestry Act, 1916-1946, as follow:—(a) Conglomerate State Forest (No. 349); (b) Yarawa State Forest (No. 878).

(7.) Notifications of acquisition of land and/or easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purpose of the Hunter District Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1938-1945, as follow:—

Chichester Pipeline—Construction Depot extension.
Grahamstown—Water Supply.
Belmont—Site for storage tank.
Belmont—Pipeline and access thereto.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Heffron laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Copy of Report of the Minister of Public Instruction on the work of the Child Welfare Department for the year ended 30th June, 1948.

Ordered to be printed.

(2.) Report of the Trustees of the Australian Museum for the year ended 30th June, 1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. WHEAT INDUSTRY STABILISATION BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Graham and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 7.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to make certain provisions in relation to the stabilisation of the wheat industry; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 2nd November, 1948.

4. THE GOVERNOR'S OPENING SPEECH:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Chalmers, That the following Address-in-Reply to the Governor's Opening Speech be now adopted by this House:—

"To His Excellency Lieutenant-General JOHN NORTHCOTT, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Member of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia."

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

"We, His Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament assembled, desire to express our thanks for Your Excellency's Speech, and to assure you of our unfeigned attachment to His Most Gracious Majesty's Throne and Person.

"2. We beg to assure Your Excellency that our earnest consideration will be given to the measures to be submitted to us, and that the necessary provision for the Public Services will be made in due course.

"3. We join Your Excellency in the hope that, under the guidance of Divine Providence, our labours may be so directed as to advance the best interests of all sections of the community."

Upon which Mr. Turner had moved, That the Address be amended by the addition of the following words to stand as paragraph 4:—

"We regret that there has not been included in Your Excellency's Speech any reference to the need for the taking of appropriate action to restore financial sovereignty to New South Wales, while at the same time continuing the present uniform system of assessment and collection of taxation."

To which proposed amendment Mr. Chaffey moved the addition of the following words:—

"We further regret that no provision has been made in Your Excellency's Speech for the effective control of those Communist elements which are endeavouring to destroy the industrial progress and social harmony of the community and are at present causing serious industrial turmoil on New South Wales coal and metalliferous mining fields and throughout New South Wales industries."

And the Question being again proposed,—That the words proposed to be added to the proposed amendment, be so added,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

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Ordered, on motion of Mr. McGrath, That the Honourable Member for Bulli, Mr. Lawrence Kelly, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Debate continued.

Mr. William Davies (*speaking*) moved (*by consent*), That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until a later hour of the Day and take precedence of other business.

5. **MINISTERIAL STATEMENT:**—Mr. Baddeley made a Ministerial Statement upon the serious industrial trouble which had arisen in the coal mining industry. He announced the policy which would be adopted by the Government to deal with the disruptionist element with the object of ensuring peace in industry, and stated that he would attend a conference to-morrow with representatives of the Commonwealth Government for the purpose of determining all necessary co-operative action in the best interests of the community. Mr. Howarth also addressed the House.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at Twelve minutes after Nine o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

THURSDAY, 4 NOVEMBER, 1948.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at the hour named.

6. **THE GOVERNOR'S OPENING SPEECH:**—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Chalmers, That the following Address-in-Reply to the Governor's Opening Speech be now adopted by this House:—

"To His Excellency Lieutenant-General JOHN NORTHCOTT, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Member of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia.

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And the Question being again proposed,—That the words proposed to be added to the proposed amendment, be so added,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Captain Dunn (*speaking*) moved (*by consent*), That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until a later hour of the Day and take precedence of other business.

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7. **MINISTERIAL STATEMENT:**—Mr. Baddeley made a further Ministerial Statement in relation to the State-wide coal strike and informed the House that as a result of his conference, held to-day with representatives of the Commonwealth Government and the Joint Coal Board, it had been agreed that, to ensure the maintenance of essential services until coal supplies were again secured, it would be necessary to enforce a drastic form of rationing. He hoped that the public would co-operate in every possible way, as the State would depend upon stocks now on hand to maintain services essential to the community and the life of the Nation. He also informed the House that certain courses of action were now being examined by the Government to secure further coal supplies, and assured the House that, in such a grave situation, it would be kept fully informed of developments. Mr. Baddeley also assured the House that the Government was fully determined that the interests and welfare of the people would prevail in this matter. At the same time he appealed to the miners to reconsider, even at this late hour, their decision to engage in a general strike.

Mr. Howarth also addressed the House.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at One minute after Five o'clock, p.m., until Tuesday next, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

TUESDAY, 9 NOVEMBER, 1948.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at the hour named.

8. **SCAFFOLDING AND LIFTS (AMENDMENT) BILL:**—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Finnan and read by Mr. Speaker:—
- J. NORTHCOTT, Message No. 8.
Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to amend the Scaffolding and Lifts Act, 1912-1942, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,

Sydney, 5th November, 1948.

9. **THE GOVERNOR'S OPENING SPEECH:**—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Chalmers, That the following Address-in-Reply to the Governor's Opening Speech be now adopted by this House:—

"To His Excellency Lieutenant-General JOHN NORTHCOTT, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Member of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia.

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—

"We, His Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament assembled, desire "to express our thanks for Your Excellency's Speech, and to assure you of our "unfeigned attachment to His Most Gracious Majesty's Throne and Person.

"2. We beg to assure Your Excellency that our earnest consideration will "be given to the measures to be submitted to us, and that the necessary provision "for the Public Services will be made in due course.

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To which proposed amendment Mr. Chaffey moved the addition of the following words:—

"We further regret that no provision has been made in Your Excellency's Speech for the effective control of those Communist elements which are endeavouring to destroy the industrial progress and social harmony of the

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community, and are at present causing serious industrial turmoil on New South Wales coal and metalliferous mining fields and throughout New South Wales industries."

And the Question being again proposed,—That the words proposed to be added to the proposed amendment, be so added,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Sheahan, That the Honourable Member for Mudgee, Captain Dunn, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Debate continued.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Frith, That the Honourable Member for Raleigh, Mr. Vincent, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Debate continued.

Mr. Brain moved, That the Question be now put.

Question,—“That the Question be now put”,—put and negatived.

Debate continued.

Mr. McGrath moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—“That the Question be now put.”

The House divided.

Ayes, 37.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Hawkins	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Landa	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Wattison
Captain Dunn	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Weir
Mr. Evatt	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Williams
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Matthews	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Gorman	Mr. Noble	Mr. Fowles
Mr. Graham	Mr. Nott	Mr. Freeman
Mr. Hamilton	Mr. O'Sullivan	

Noes, 29.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Storey
Mr. Brain	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Turner
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Cross	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Lang	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Drummond	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Black
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Morton	Mr. Dewley
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Frith	Lieut.-Col. Robson	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Rose	

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of “at least thirty Members.”—

Question,—That the words proposed to be added to the proposed amendment be so added,—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 28.

Mr. Black	Mr. Gollan	Mr. Rose
Mr. Brain	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Storey
Mr. Cross	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Drummond	Mr. McCaw	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Morton	Mr. Jeff Bate
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Beale
Mr. Frith	Lieut.-Col. Robson	

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Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Landa	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lang	Mr. Wattison
Captain Dunn	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Evatt	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Williams
Mr. Finnan	Mr. C. E. Martin	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	Captain Arthur
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Noble	Mr. Gorman
Mr. Graham	Mr. Nott	
Mr. Hamilton	Mr. O'Sullivan	
Mr. Hawkins	Mrs. Quirk	

And so it passed in the negative.

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Question then proposed,—That the words proposed to be added be so added.

Mr. McGrath moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—“That the Question be now put.”

The House divided.

Ayes, 37.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Hawkins	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sciffert
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Shannon
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Captain Dunn	Mr. Landa	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Finnan	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Williams
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Martin	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Fred Cahill
Mr. Gorman	Mr. Noble	Mr. L. J. Tully
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Mr. Ellis	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Fitzgerald	Lieut.-Col. Robson	
Mr. Frith	Mr. Rose	

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of “at least thirty Members.”—

Question,—That the words proposed to be added be so added,—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 28.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Frith	Mr. Rose
Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Gollan	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Black	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Storey
Mr. Brain	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Turner
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Cross	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Dewley	Mr. McCaw	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Morton	Mr. Cutler
Mr. Ellis	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Hearnshaw
Mr. Fitzgerald	Lieut.-Col. Robson	

Noes, 38.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Hamilton	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sciffert
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Landa	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lang	Mr. Wattison
Captain Dunn	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Evatt	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Finnan	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Hawkins
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Williams
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Noble	
Mr. Gorman	Mr. Nott	
Mr. Graham	Mr. O'Sullivan	

And so it passed in the negative.

Original Question again proposed,—That the Address-in-Reply to the Governor's Opening Speech be now adopted by this House.

Mr. McGrath moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—“That the Question be now put.”

The House divided.

Ayes, 37.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Hawkins	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sciffert
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
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Noes, 29.

Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Gollan	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Black	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Storey
Mr. Brain	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Turner
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Cross	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Jackson	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Lang	Mr. Jeff Bate
Mr. Drummond	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Morton
Mr. Ellis	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Fitzgerald	Lieut.-Col. Robson	
Mr. Frith	Mr. Rose	

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members;"—

Question put and passed.

Mr. Baddeley informed the House that he had ascertained it to be the pleasure of the Governor to receive the Address-in-Reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech at Fifteen minutes before Four o'clock, p.m., on Tuesday, 16th November, at Government House.

10. COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY:—Mr. Baddeley moved, That this House will on its next Sitting Day resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.
Question put and passed.

11. COMMITTEE OF WAYS AND MEANS:—Mr. Baddeley moved, That this House will on its next Sitting Day resolve itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.
Question put and passed.

12. BUSINESS DAYS, HOURS OF SITTING, AND PRECEDENCE OF BUSINESS (*Sessional Order*):—Mr. Baddeley moved, pursuant to Notice,—

(1.) That during the present Session, unless otherwise ordered, this House shall meet for the despatch of business at 2.30 p.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday, and at 11 a.m. on Thursday in each week, "and Government Business shall take precedence of General Business on such sitting days."

(2.) The House shall not sit later than 10.30 p.m. on each sitting day, except on Thursdays, when the House shall not sit later than 5.30 p.m., and the proceedings on any business under consideration shall be interrupted as hereinafter provided—

(a) If the interruption be in the House the debate shall stand adjourned at 10.20 p.m., and on Thursdays at 5.20 p.m., and the Speaker shall call upon the Member in charge of the business to name the date for the resumption of the debate. The member speaking shall have pre-audience on such resumption.

(b) If the interruption be in Committee, the Chairman at 10.15 p.m., and on Thursdays at 5.15 p.m., shall leave the Chair, report progress, and ask leave to sit again on a date fixed by the Member in charge of the business under consideration, no debate or amendment being allowed.

At the moment of interruption, motions for the adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 49, or of the debate, or in Committee that the Chairman leave the Chair, or report progress, or that a clause be postponed, shall lapse without Question put. Provided that if, at the moment of interruption, a Division be in progress, such Division shall be completed, and the result announced.

(3.) At 10.30 p.m. and on Thursdays at 5.30 p.m. the Speaker shall adjourn the House, without Question put.

(4.) Nothing in this Sessional Order shall operate to prevent the House from adjourning at an earlier hour.

Mr. Howarth moved, That the Question be amended by omitting from paragraph 1 the words "and Government Business shall take precedence of General Business on such sitting days," with a view of inserting the following words instead thereof,—"General Business shall take precedence of Government Business on Tuesdays until 6 p.m.; after that hour and on Wednesdays and Thursdays, Government Business shall take precedence of General Business. Notices of Motions and Orders of the Day of General Business shall take precedence on each alternate Tuesday."

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Question proposed,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.

Debate ensued.

Question,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question,—put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 36.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Graham	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Landa	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Captain Dunn	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Williams
Mr. Evatt	Mr. C. E. Martin	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Hawkins
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Noble	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Nott	
Mr. Gorman	Mr. O'Sullivan	

Noes, 29.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Storey
Mr. Brain	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Turner
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Cross	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Lang	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Drummond	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Black
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Morton	Mr. Dewley
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Frith	Lieut.-Col. Robson	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Rose	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Original question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 36.

Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Hamilton	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Shannon
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Mr. Cutler	Mr. Jackson	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Lang	Mr. Jack Beale
Mr. Drummond	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Storey
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Morton	
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Frith	Lieut.-Col. Robson	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And it being after 10.30 o'clock, p.m. (Wednesday, 3rd November), Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted at *This Sitting*, adjourned the House at 10.30 o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 9.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 10 NOVEMBER, 1948.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. URGENCY—OMISSION OF THE WORD "BRITISH" FROM THE DESIGNATION "BRITISH COMMONWEALTH OF NATIONS":—Mr. Turner moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider Notice of Motion No. 1 of General Business on the Business Paper for to-day.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 31.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Frith	Mr. John Reid
Mr. Brain	Mr. Gollan	Lieut.-Col. Robson
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Rose
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Cross	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Storey
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Kendall	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Drummond	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Black
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Turner
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Morton	

Noes, 42.

Captain Arthur	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Nott
Mr. Baddley	Mr. Gorman	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Booth	Mr. Graham	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Kelly	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Landa	Mr. Weir
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lang	Mr. Williams
Captain Dunn	Mr. Lazzarini	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Evatt	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Fowles
Mr. Finnan	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Roy Heferen
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Matthews	
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Noble	

And so it passed in the negative.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. Kelly laid upon the Table Report of the New South Wales Ambulance Transport Service Board, together with Balance-sheet and Statement of Accounts, for the year ended 30th June, 1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Graham laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment on probation, of Mr. H. E. Silversides, Department of Agriculture.

(2.) Amendments of Regulation under the Stock Diseases Act, 1923-1924.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

10th November, 1948.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for works in connection with the construction of a dam across the Macquarie River at Burrendong.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for maintaining the traffic on the existing line of Railway between—
 - (a) Sydney and Newcastle—Quadruplication of the line between Strathfield and Hornsby.
 - (b) Sydney and Albury—New carriage works at Yennora.
- (2.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for transport facilities at Chullora.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. BUDGET PAPERS, 1948-1949:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Baddeley and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 9.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th Section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the following:—

- (1) *Consolidated Revenue Fund*.—Estimates of the Expenditure of the Government of New South Wales for the year 1948-1949.
- (2) *Consolidated Revenue Fund*.—Statement of Payments from the Vote "Advance to Treasurer," 1947-1948—submitted for Parliamentary appropriation in adjustment of the Advance Vote.
- (3) *Consolidated Revenue Fund*.—Statement of Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense" to 30th June, 1948.
- (4) *Government Railways Fund*.—Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1948-1949.
- (5) *Road Transport and Traffic Fund*.—Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1948-1949.
- (6) *Metropolitan Transport Trust General Fund*.—Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1948-1949.
- (7) *Metropolitan Transport Trust General Fund*.—Statement of Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense" to 30th June, 1948.
- (8) *Newcastle and District Transport Trust General Fund*.—Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1948-1949.
- (9) *Newcastle and District Transport Trust General Fund*.—Statement of Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense" to 30th June, 1948.
- (10) *Sydney Harbour Trust Fund*.—Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1948-1949.
- (11) *Sydney Harbour Trust Fund*.—Statement of Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense" to 30th June, 1948.
- (12) *Closer Settlement Fund*.—Estimates of the Expenditure of the Government of New South Wales for the year 1948-1949.

State Government House,
Sydney, 20th October, 1948.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Estimates and Statements and referred to the Committee of Supply.

4. PRINTING COMMITTEE (*Sessional Order*):—Mr. Baddeley moved, pursuant to Notice,—

- (1.) That the Printing Committee for the present Session consist of Mr. Noble, Mr. Wattison, Mr. Fowles, Mr. W. McC. Gollan, Mr. Lawrence Kelly, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Hearnshaw, Mr. Jack Beale, Mr. Dickson, and Mr. James McGirr, to whom are hereby referred all Papers (except such as the Standing Orders or the House direct shall be printed—reports from Select Committees on Private Bills, Estimates of Expenditure, and Estimates of Ways and Means) which may be laid upon the Table of the House. It shall be the duty of such Committee to report from time to time which of the Papers referred to them ought, in their opinion, to be printed, and whether in full or in abstract; and it shall be in the power of the Committee to order such Papers, or abstracts thereof, to be prepared for press by the Clerk in attendance upon such Committee, and such Papers or abstracts shall be printed unless the House otherwise order.
 - (2.) That the Clerk of the House shall cause to be printed, as a matter of course, all reports from the Printing Committee.
 - (3.) That the Committee have leave to sit during the sittings of the House.
- Question put and passed.

10th November, 1948.

5. **STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE (Sessional Order)**:—Mr. Baddeley moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Standing Orders Committee for the present Session consist of Mr. Speaker, Mr. Clyne, Mr. Shannon, Mr. Booth, Mr. Enticknap, Mr. Treatt, Mr. Brain, Mr. John Reid, Mr. Dickson, and Mr. James McGirr, with leave to report on any matter or thing referred to or pending before the said Committee, and to confer upon subjects of mutual concernment with any Committee appointed for similar purposes by the Legislative Council, and that Mr. Speaker be empowered to convene meetings of the Committee.
Question put and passed.
6. **HOUSE COMMITTEE (Sessional Order)**:—Mr. Baddeley moved, pursuant to Notice, That the House Committee for the present Session consist of Mr. Speaker, Mrs. Quirk, Mr. Fowles, Mr. Nott, Mr. Chalmers, Mr. Gollan, Mr. Howarth, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Wingfield, and Mr. James McGirr, with authority to act in matters of mutual concernment with any Committee appointed for similar purposes by the Legislative Council.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
7. **LIBRARY COMMITTEE (Sessional Order)**:—Mr. Baddeley moved, pursuant to Notice,—
(1.) That the Library Committee for the present Session consist of Mr. Speaker, Mr. Robert Cameron, Mr. Landa, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Gorman, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Jackett, Mr. John Reid, Mr. Stephens, and Mr. James McGirr, with authority and power to act jointly with the Library Committee of the Legislative Council in accordance with the Assembly's resolution of 6th August, 1862.
(2.) That the Committee have leave to sit during the sittings of the House.
Question put and passed.
8. **PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE**:—Mr. Hawkins, as Chairman, brought up the Second Report, during the currency of the Thirty-fifth Parliament, of the Public Accounts Committee.
Ordered to be printed.
9. **SUPPLY (Financial Statement)**:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. Baddeley, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported progress.
The Chairman also reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution, which was read as follows:—
(1.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty a sum not exceeding £1,707 as Supplement to the Schedules to the Constitution Act for the year 1948-49.
On motion of Mr. Baddeley, the Resolution was agreed to.
10. **WAYS AND MEANS (Financial Statement)**:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. Baddeley, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported progress.
11. **PAPER—FINANCIAL STATEMENT (Budget Speech for Financial Year 1948-1949)**:—Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table the Financial Statement delivered by the Honourable J. M. Baddeley, M.L.A., Acting Premier and Colonial Treasurer, This Day.
Ordered to be printed.
12. **CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT (LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS ALLOWANCES) BILL**:—
(1.) Mr. Baddeley moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision with regard to allowances to Members of the Legislative Council; to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, as amended by subsequent Acts, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
(2.) Mr. Baddeley then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to make provision with regard to allowances to Members of the Legislative Council; to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, as amended by subsequent Acts, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.
Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

10th November, 1948.

13. MINE SUBSIDENCE (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Baddeley moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make certain provision in respect of the Mine Subsidence Insurance Fund; for this purpose to amend the Mine Subsidence Act, 1928; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Baddeley then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to make certain provision in respect of the Mine Subsidence Insurance Fund; for this purpose to amend the Mine Subsidence Act, 1928; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

14. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SUPERANNUATION) AMENDMENT BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Cahill moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1927-1940, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Cahill then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend the Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1927-1940, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

15. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SUPERANNUATION) AMENDMENT BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Cahill and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 10.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to amend the Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1927-1940, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 28th October, 1948.

16. PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS REGISTRATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. C. E. Martin moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Public Accountants Registration Act, 1945, in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Martin then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend the Public Accountants Registration Act, 1945, in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

17. SCAFFOLDING AND LIFTS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Finnan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Scaffolding and Lifts Act, 1912-1942, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Finnan then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend the Scaffolding and Lifts Act, 1912-1942, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

18. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. C. E. Martin moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-five minutes after Five o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 10.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 11 NOVEMBER, 1948.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—

Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Report by the Colonial Treasurer respecting Agreements entered into by him with Co-operative Building Societies under section 17A of the Co-operation Acts, 1923-1947, for the quarter commencing 1st July, 1948.
- (2.) Balance-sheet and Statements of Accounts of the Maritime Services Board of New South Wales for the year ended 30th June, 1948.
- (3.) Amendment of Regulation under the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1924-1945.
- (4.) Amendments of Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1902.
- (5.) Report of the Commissioner of Taxation on the working of the several Taxation Acts covering (a) State Income Tax, (b) Unemployment Relief Tax and Social Services Tax, and (c) Special Income Tax and Wages Tax, for the year ended 30th June, 1948.
- (6.) Balance-sheet of Art Union under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of the Trades Hall and Literary Institute Association.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Heffron laid upon the Table amendments of By-laws under the University and University Colleges Act, 1900-1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Statement of Traffic secured to Railway Transport by the exercise of the powers conferred on the Railway Commissioner under section 24 (3) and (4) of the Government Railways Act, 1912-1944, for the month of September, 1948.
- (2.) Copy of Report of the Commissioner for Railways for the quarter ended 30th June, 1948.
- (3.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for maintaining the traffic on the existing line of Railway between Central and Tempe—Additional Railway Tracks at Erskineville.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. MINE SUBSIDENCE (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Baddeley and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 11.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to make certain provision in respect of the Mine Subsidence Insurance Fund; for this purpose to amend the Mine Subsidence Act, 1928; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 28th October, 1948.*

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3. WHEAT INDUSTRY STABILISATION BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Graham moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make certain provisions in relation to the stabilisation of the wheat industry; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Graham then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to make certain provisions in relation to the stabilisation of the wheat industry; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

4. LANDLORD AND TENANT (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. C. E. Martin moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend section thirty-one of the Landlord and Tenant Act of 1899; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Martin then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend section thirty-one of the Landlord and Tenant Act of 1899; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

5. PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS REGISTRATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. C. E. Martin moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Carlton, Temporary-Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Martin the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

6. CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT (LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS ALLOWANCES) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Baddeley moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Carlton, Temporary-Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Baddeley the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

7. ELECTION OF A MEMBER TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF NEW SOUTH WALES:—

(1.) Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from His Excellency the Governor:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 12.

In pursuance of section seven of the Constitution (Legislative Council Elections) Act, 1932-1937, the Governor desires to inform the Legislative Assembly that he has this day, with the advice of the Executive Council, issued under that Act a Writ for the election of a Member of the Legislative Council to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of the Honourable James Joseph Maloney.

The Writ is directed to William Kenneth Charlton, Esquire, Clerk of the Parliaments of the State of New South Wales, Returning Officer for the Election of Members of the Legislative Council of New South Wales.

This Message is accompanied by a copy of the Writ.

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In order that both Houses of Parliament may be duly informed of the issue of the Writ, a like Message is this day being addressed by the Governor to the President of the Legislative Council.

Government House,

Sydney, 11th November, 1948.

Mr. Speaker announced that the Message was accompanied by a copy of the Writ.

Mr. Speaker then directed the Clerk to read the Writ, which was as follows:—

WRIT FOR THE ELECTION OF A MEMBER TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

"George the Sixth, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland, and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith."

"To WILLIAM KENNETH CHARLTON, Esquire, Clerk of the Parliaments of the State of New South Wales, Returning Officer for the Elections of Members of the Legislative Council of Our State of New South Wales—

"Greeting:

"WHEREAS the Honourable JAMES JOSEPH MALONEY was, on the eighteenth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and forty-two, duly elected a Member of the Legislative Council of Our State of New South Wales for a term of twelve years commencing on the twenty-third day of April, one thousand nine hundred and forty-three: And whereas the Honourable JAMES JOSEPH MALONEY resigned his seat in the Legislative Council on the sixth day of October, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight: And whereas the President of the Legislative Council of Our State of New South Wales has notified Our Governor of Our said State that the seat of the said the Honourable JAMES JOSEPH MALONEY has become vacant by his resignation: And whereas by the Constitution (Legislative Council Elections) Act, 1932-1937, it is provided that upon receipt of such notification Our Governor of Our said State shall issue a Writ for the election of a Member to fill the vacancy: Now therefore Our Governor of Our said State, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, issues to you WILLIAM KENNETH CHARLTON this our Writ for the election as provided by law of a Member of the Legislative Council of Our said State to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of the said the Honourable JAMES JOSEPH MALONEY: And in this Our Writ the eighteenth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight, is appointed by Our Governor of Our said State, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, as the day on or before which all nominations of candidates at the said election, shall be made: And Our Governor of Our said State, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, in and by this Our Writ appoints the twenty-fifth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight, as the day upon which a sitting of the Members of the Legislative Council of Our said State and a sitting of the Members of the Legislative Assembly of Our said State shall be held for the purposes of taking the votes of those Members in the respective Houses of the Parliament of Our said State: And Our Governor of Our said State, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, in and by this Our Writ, appoints the hour of four-thirty o'clock in the afternoon as the hour at which the taking of votes at a sitting of the Members of the Legislative Council of Our said State, and at a sitting of the Members of the Legislative Assembly of Our said State shall respectively commence on the day so appointed: And Our Governor of Our said State, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, in and by this Our Writ, appoints the hour of six-thirty o'clock in the afternoon as the hour at which the taking of votes at such sittings shall respectively terminate on the day so appointed: And in this Our Writ the twenty-sixth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight, is appointed by Our Governor of Our said State, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, as the day upon which this Our Writ shall be returnable to Our Governor of Our said State: And whereas Our Governor of Our said State by witnessing this Our Writ testifies the issue of this Our Writ and that the said days and hours are so appointed: Now we do in and by this Our Writ direct the election of a Member of Our Legislative Council of Our State of New South Wales to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of the said the Honourable JAMES JOSEPH MALONEY as aforesaid and direct and appoint that the said eighteenth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight, shall be the day on or before which all nominations of candidates at the said election shall be made (such nominations being made in manner and form and at the time and otherwise as provided by law), that the said election shall be held according to law and that a sitting of the Members of the Legislative Council of Our said State and a sitting of the Members of the Legislative Assembly of Our said State shall be held according to law for the purposes of taking the votes

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"of those Members in the respective Houses of the Parliament of the said State
 "on the day so appointed, that the hour at which the taking of votes at such
 "sittings shall respectively commence on such day shall be the hour so
 "appointed for the commencement thereof as provided by law and that the hour
 "at which the taking of votes at such sittings shall respectively terminate on
 "such day shall be the hour so appointed for the termination thereof as
 "provided by law: And we do further in and by this Our Writ direct and
 "appoint that this Our Writ shall be returnable to Our Governor of Our said
 "State upon the twenty-sixth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and
 "forty-eight.

"In testimony whereof, We have caused this Our Writ to be sealed with
 "the Public Seal of Our said State.

"Witness Our Trusty and Well-beloved Lieutenant-General JOHN NORTHCOTT,
 "Companion of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Member of Our
 "Royal Victorian Order, Our Governor of Our State of New South Wales
 "and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia, at Sydney, in
 "Our said State, this eleventh day of November, in the year of Our Lord
 "one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight, and in the twelfth year of
 "Our Reign.

"J. NORTHCOTT,
 "Governor.

"By His Excellency's Command,
 (Sgd.) "J. M. BADDELEY."

(2.) Mr. Speaker directed that the taking of the votes of Members in the
 Legislative Assembly for the Election of a Member of the Legislative Council
 be set down as an Order of the Day for the day of the ballot appointed in
 the Writ mentioned in His Excellency's Message of 11th November, 1948, viz.,
 25th November, 1948.

Mr. Speaker intimated that on such day the taking of the votes would take
 precedence of all other business.

8. MINE SUBSIDENCE (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,
 Mr. Baddeley moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Carlton, Acting-Speaker, left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into
 a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Acting-Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Gorman, Temporary-Chairman,
 reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Baddeley the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Acting-Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the
 Day for To-morrow.

9. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SUPERANNUATION) AMENDMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day
 having been read, Mr. Cahill moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.

And it being 5.20 o'clock, p.m., the Debate stood adjourned, pursuant to Sessional
 Order adopted on 9th November, 1948.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

10. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Cahill moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-nine minutes after Five o'clock,
 p.m., until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
 Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
 Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 11.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 16 NOVEMBER, 1948.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. CONGRATULATORY ADDRESS TO THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES THE PRINCESS ELIZABETH, DUCHESS OF EDINBURGH, AND THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH ON THE BIRTH OF A SON:—
Mr. Baddeley moved (*by consent*), without Notice, That this House agrees to the following Address to Their Royal Highnesses, the Princess Elizabeth, Duchess of Edinburgh, and the Duke of Edinburgh, conveying the congratulations of Parliament to Their Royal Highnesses on the occasion of the birth of an Heir, and authorises the Speaker to sign such Address, on behalf of the Legislative Assembly, in conjunction with the President of the Legislative Council on behalf of the Legislative Council:—

To Their Royal Highnesses

The Princess Elizabeth, Duchess of Edinburgh,
and The Duke of Edinburgh,—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR ROYAL HIGHNESSES,—

We, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, desire to convey to Your Royal Highnesses our sincere congratulations on the birth of Your son.

We rejoice with the citizens of New South Wales in the celebration of an event which gives so much happiness to Yourselves and to Their Majesties the King and Queen, and to all the peoples of the British Commonwealth of Nations.

And the motion having been seconded by Mr. Howarth and supported by Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner,—

Question put and carried unanimously.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table Regulation and amendments of Regulation under the Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act, 1935-1942.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Regulations under the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1940.

(2.) Amendment of Regulation under the Valuation of Land Act, 1916.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table Report of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Commission for the year ended 30th June, 1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

16th November, 1948.

3. ADDRESS-IN-REPLY TO THE GOVERNOR'S OPENING SPEECH:—The Assembly proceeded to Government House, there to present to the Governor their Address-in-Reply to the Speech His Excellency had been pleased to make to both Houses of Parliament on opening the Session.

And being returned,—

Mr. Speaker reported that the Assembly had presented to the Governor their Address-in-Reply to His Excellency's Opening Speech, and that His Excellency had been pleased to give thereto the following Answer:—

Government House,
Sydney.

The Honourable the Speaker
and Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales.

I thank you most sincerely for the Address which you have just presented and for your expressions of loyalty and attachment to the Throne and Person of His Most Gracious Majesty King George the Sixth.

I am glad to receive your assurance that earnest consideration will be given to the measures to be submitted to you and that the necessary provision for the Public Services will be made in due course.

I have every confidence that under the guidance of Divine Providence your patriotic and zealous labours will conduce to the general welfare and happiness of all sections of the community.

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

16th November, 1948.

4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Cahill, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 13.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, the Local Government (Areas) Act, 1948, the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1946, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 12th November, 1948.

5. CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT (LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS ALLOWANCES) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Baddeley, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to make provision with regard to allowances to Members of the Legislative Council; to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, as amended by subsequent Acts, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 16th November, 1948.

6. MINE SUBSIDENCE (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Baddeley, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to make certain provision in respect of the Mine Subsidence Insurance Fund; for this purpose to amend the Mine Subsidence Act, 1928; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 16th November, 1948.

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16th November, 1948.

7. PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS REGISTRATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. C. E. Martin, read a third time. Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Public Accountants Registration Act, 1945, in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 16th November, 1948.

8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SUPERANNUATION) AMENDMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Cahill, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—
And the Question being again proposed,—
And the Debate not being resumed,—
Question put and passed.
Bill read a second time.
Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Carlton, Temporary-Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.
On motion of Mr. Cahill the Report was adopted.
Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.
9. SCAFFOLDING AND LIFTS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Finnan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Bill read a second time.
Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Carlton, Temporary-Chairman, reported the Bill with an amendment.
On motion of Mr. Finnan the Report was adopted.
Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.
10. WHEAT INDUSTRY STABILISATION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Graham moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
And it being 10.20 o'clock, p.m., the Debate stood adjourned, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 9th November, 1948.
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.
11. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Graham moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
And it being 10.30 o'clock, p.m., Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 9th November, 1948, adjourned the House until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 12.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 17 NOVEMBER, 1948.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Amendments of Regulations under the Motor Traffic Act, 1909-1945.
- (2.) Amendments of Regulation under the Metropolitan Traffic Act, 1900, as amended.
- (3.) Amendments of Regulations under the Transport Act, 1930-1948, and Transport (Division of Functions) Act, 1932-1947.
- (4.) Notifications of acquisition of land and/or easement under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the following Railway purposes:—
 - (a) Maintaining the traffic on the existing line between Taree and Kempsey—
Extension of existing Shunting Neck at Taree.
 - (b) Extension of Power House at Lithgow.
 - (c) Construction of Electric High-tension Transmission Line in the Municipalities of Liverpool and Bankstown.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. STATE COAL MINES (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Baddeley and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 14.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to amend the State Coal Mines Act, 1912-1942, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 15th November, 1948.

3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (SUPERANNUATION) AMENDMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Finnan, *on behalf of* Mr. Cahill, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1927-1940, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 17th November, 1948,

17th November, 1948.

4. SCAFFOLDING AND LIFTS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Finnan, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Scaffolding and Lifts Act, 1912-1942, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 17th November, 1948.*

5. WAYS AND MEANS (*Financial Statement*):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported progress.

6. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

- (1.) Mine Subsidence (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to make certain provisions in respect of the Mine Subsidence Insurance Fund; for this purpose to amend the Mine Subsidence Act, 1928; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 17th November, 1948.*

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

- (2.) Public Accountants Registration (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Public Accountants Registration Act, 1945, in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 17th November, 1948.*

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

- (3.) Constitution Amendment (Legislative Council Members Allowances) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to make provision with regard to allowances to Members of the Legislative Council; to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, as amended by subsequent Acts, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 17th November, 1948.*

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

7. PAPERS:—Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) File of papers respecting agistment of cattle on returned soldier settlers' blocks on Bouyeo, Illawong and Beggan Beggan Estates and Ministerial direction as to the position of Sheahan Bros. in relation thereto.

(2.) File of papers relating to the acquisition and vesting by the Crown of Akoona Estate in accordance with the Acts governing the Settlement of Ex-Servicemen.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

8. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Sheahan moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-five minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 13.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 18 NOVEMBER, 1948.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—

Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Report of the Commissioners of the Rural Bank of New South Wales, together with Balance-sheets, Statements of Accounts and Appendices for the year ended 30th June, 1948.

Ordered to be printed.

(2.) Amendment of Regulation under the Legislative Assembly Members Pensions Act, 1946.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table amendments of By-law under the Sydney Corporation Act, 1932-1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Finnan laid upon the Table copy of Report by the Department of Labour and Industry and Social Welfare on the working of the Factories and Shops Act, 1912-1946, together with Appendices for 1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Abstract of Crown Lands intended to be dedicated for public purposes in accordance with the 24th section of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

(2.) *Gazette* Notice setting forth the mode in which it is proposed to deal with certain land under section 25 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Evatt laid upon the Table Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1912-1947, as amended, at—

Armidale.

Brewarrina.

Bulli.

Glen Innes.

Inverell.

Lismore.

Port Kembla.

Port Macquarie.

Queanbeyan.

Tenterfield.

Temora.

Wingham.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. ADDITIONAL SITTING DAY (FRIDAY)—HOURS OF SITTING (*Sessional Order*):—

Mr. Baddeley moved, pursuant to Notice, That, during the remainder of the present Session, unless otherwise ordered,—

(1.) This House shall meet for the despatch of business at 11 o'clock, a.m., on Friday in each week, and Government Business only shall be dealt with.

(2.) The provisions of paragraphs (2), (3) and (4) of the Sessional Order adopted on 9th November, 1948, shall not apply to the sittings of the House on Thursday and Friday in each week.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

18th November, 1948.

3. WAYS AND MEANS (*Financial Statement*):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Carlton, Temporary-Chairman, reported progress.
4. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Fowles, as Chairman, brought up the First Report from the Printing Committee.
5. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Matthews moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.
Question put and passed.
6. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Heffron moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-eight minutes after Five o'clock, p.m., until *Tuesday next* at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 14.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 23 NOVEMBER, 1948.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. ADDRESS OF SYMPATHY TO HIS MAJESTY THE KING ON THE OCCASION OF THE DEFERMENT OF THE ROYAL VISIT TO NEW SOUTH WALES:—Mr. Baddeley moved (*by consent*), without Notice, That this House agrees to the following Address to His Majesty the King conveying the sympathy of Parliament to His Majesty on the occasion of the deferment of the Royal Visit to New South Wales, and authorises the Speaker to sign such Address on behalf of the Legislative Assembly, in conjunction with the President of the Legislative Council on behalf of the Legislative Council:—

To His Most Gracious Majesty, GEORGE THE SIXTH, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland, and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY,—

We, Your Majesty's loyal and dutiful subjects, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, desire to express to Your Majesty our sympathy in the illness which has befallen you, and our concern as to Your Majesty's health. We also desire to express to you, on behalf of the people of the State, how deeply we regret the circumstances which have necessitated Your visit to this portion of Your Dominions being deferred.

We join wholeheartedly with all Your subjects in the fervent hope that under Divine Providence, Your Majesty's health may be speedily restored.

And the Motion having been seconded by Mr. Howarth and supported by Mr. Vincent,—

Question put and carried unanimously.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. Heffron laid upon the Table amendments of By-laws under the University and University Colleges Act, 1900-1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Amendment of By-law under the Government Railways Act, 1912-1945.
- (2.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for Transport facilities at Ashfield.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Messrs. R. W. Condon and K. W. Rhodes, Department of Conservation.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

23rd November, 1948.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Notifications of acquisition of land and/or easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the following purposes:—

Jesmond-Wallsend Stormwater Drainage.
Rural Bank—Public Offices at Hornsby.
Southern Electricity Supply of New South Wales.

(2.) Notification of acquisition of land and/or easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purpose of the Local Government Act, 1919, in the following areas:—

Bankstown Municipality.	Lismore City.
Botany Municipality.	Nepean Shire.
Bourke Municipality.	Oberon Shire.
Greater Newcastle City (2).	Randwick Municipality.
Greater Wollongong City.	Ryde Municipality.
Kempsey Municipality.	Sutherland Shire (2).
Kogarah Municipality.	Tumbarumba Shire.
Ku-ring-gai Municipality (2).	Waverley Municipality.
Lake Macquarie Shire.	Willoughby Municipality (2).

(3.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purpose of the Soil Conservation Act, 1938, in the Scone District.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table Amendments of Regulation under the Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act, 1935-1942.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. ELECTION OF A MEMBER TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL IN PLACE OF THE HONOURABLE JAMES JOSEPH MALONEY, RESIGNED:—Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Copy of Certificate from Returning Officer under the Constitution (Legislative Council Elections) Act, 1932-1937, respecting the election of James Joseph Maloney, Esquire, as a Member of the Legislative Council of New South Wales.

(2.) Copy of Supplement to the *Government Gazette* dated 19th November, 1948, containing a copy of Certificate from the Returning Officer respecting the election of James Joseph Maloney, Esquire, as a Member of the Legislative Council.

(3.) Mr. Speaker directed that the Order of the Day No. 1 on the Business Paper for Thursday, 25th November, 1948, in reference to this subject, be removed, in view of the Certificate from the Returning Officer tabled in the House this day.

4. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

(1.) Local Government (Superannuation) Amendment Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1927-1940, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 18th November, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(2.) Scaffolding and Lifts (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to amend the Scaffolding and Lifts Act, 1912-1942, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—with the amendment indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendment the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 18th November, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

23rd November, 1948.

SCAFFOLDING AND LIFTS (AMENDMENT) BILL.

Schedule of the amendment referred to in Message of 18th November, 1948.

W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

Page 3, clause 2, line 27. *Before* the word "gas" *insert* the word "drainage".

Examined,—

T. STEELE,
Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

5. WAYS AND MEANS (*Financial Statement*):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and the Chairman reported progress.

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution, which was read as follows:—

- (1.) *Resolved*,—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the Services of the financial year 1948-49, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the sum of £1,707 as Supplement to the Schedules to the Constitution Act for the year 1948-49.

On motion of Mr. Baddeley the Resolution was agreed to.

6. SUPPLY (*Estimates 1948-1949*):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported progress.

The House adjourned at Sixteen minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 15.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 24 NOVEMBER, 1948.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. URGENCY—ALLEGED COMMUNIST DICTATION IN INDUSTRY—SECRET BALLOTS:—Mr. Howarth moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider the following Motion, viz.:—“That this House is of opinion—
- “(1.) That Communist dictation of rank and file trade unionists can result only in widespread disruption and economic ruin;
- “(2.) That in order to free trade unionists from the intimidation of controlling Communist dictators, rank and file members must be enabled to express their wishes by secret ballot as a prerequisite to any strike decision; and
- “(3.) That in giving workers this democratic right the Victorian Government has provided a means whereby the disruptive designs of Communist industrial minorities can be defeated and its intention to uphold the principle of secret ballots has the full support of this House.”

Point of Order: Mr. Sheahan submitted that as the Arbitration Act of 1912 already contained provision for the taking of secret ballots, it could not properly be contended that the motion then before the House was a matter of urgency—overruled by Mr. Speaker.

Further Point of Order: Mr. Cahill submitted that the motion did not accord with a motion of urgency as contemplated by the Standing Orders.

Mr. Speaker pointed out that it was clear that the law which was being challenged by the terms of the substantive motion which was sought to be dealt with as a matter of urgency, was the law of Victoria. Therefore, as the terms of the third paragraph of the substantive motion dealt with matters which were entirely outside the jurisdiction of the Parliament of New South Wales, and did not even remotely concern it, he felt that, in the circumstances of this case, even though the motion before the House was one of urgency, he should afford the Acting Leader of the Opposition an opportunity to amend appropriately the terms of the substantive motion before proceeding further with the motion of urgency.

And Mr. Howarth proposing to omit the word “Victorian” from paragraph (3) of the substantive motion, Mr. Speaker ruled that he could not accept the proposed amendment to the main motion because paragraph (3) of that motion would still clearly refer to action by the Victorian Government, and if reached would be out of order for the reasons he had already given.

24th November, 1948.

Mr. Howarth then moved his motion, in amended form as follows:—That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider the following Motion, viz.:—“That this House is of opinion:—

“(1.) That Communist dictation of rank and file trade unionists can result only in widespread disruption and economic ruin.

“(2.) That in order to free trade unionists from the intimidation of controlling Communist dictators, rank and file members must be enabled to express their wishes by secret ballot as a prerequisite to any strike decision.”

Point of Order: Mr. Matthews submitted that as trade unions already had the legal right to conduct their ballots as they might wish, this House had no jurisdiction to deal with the subject-matter of the motion.

Mr. Speaker said that the motion was one of urgency only which, if agreed to, would be followed by a motion for the suspension of the Standing and Sessional Orders. If both motions were agreed to, it would then be open to the Acting Leader of the Opposition to move the substantive motion, by which the House would record a certain opinion. If the substantive motion were reached and the Point of Order was then taken, he would give further consideration to the matter. He would leave it to the House to decide the question of urgency.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 28.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Rose
Mr. Brain	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Storey
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Turner
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Medcalf	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Morton	Mr. Black
Mr. Frith	Mr. Padman	Mr. Dewley
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Richardson	

Noes, 46.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Freeman	Mr. Noble
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Gcraghty	Mr. Nott
Mr. Booth	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Graham	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Wattison
Captain Dunn	Mr. Landa	Mr. Weir
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Lang	Mr. Williams
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Lazzarini	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Finnan	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Gorman
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	

And so it passed in the negative.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. C. E. Martin laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Regulation under the Liquor Act, 1912, as amended.
- (2.) Rules made by the Judges of the Supreme Court in the following Jurisdictions:—Probate, Matrimonial Causes, Common Law, Equity and Lunacy.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table notifications of acquisition of land and/or easement under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for works in connection with—

- (a) Berriquin Provisional Domestic and Stock Water Supply and Irrigation District.
- (b) Construction of a Channel, Tullakool Irrigation Area.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table abstract of Crown Lands intended to be dedicated for public purposes in accordance with the 24th section of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

24th November, 1948.

3. LOAN ESTIMATES, 1948-1949:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Baddeley and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 15.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly an Estimate of the Expenditure of the Government of New South Wales on account of Public Works and Other Services for the year 1948-1949, proposed to be made from the General Loan Account.

State Government House,
Sydney, 19th November, 1948.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Estimates, and referred to the Committee of Supply.

4. URGENCY—SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—

(1.) Mr. Baddeley moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that the Appropriation Bill be brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Baddeley moved, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the Appropriation Bill being brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.

Question put and passed.

5. SUPPLY (*Estimates*, 1948-1949):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported progress.

The House adjourned at Sixteen minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 16.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 25 NOVEMBER, 1948.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by the Ministers named, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

By Mr. Baddeley,—

- (1.) Racing (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 16.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to provide for betting at night trotting meetings; to constitute a Greyhound Racing Control Board and to define its powers and functions; to make certain provisions as to appeals from decisions of certain racing clubs and stewards to the Committee of the Australian Jockey Club, for these and other purposes to amend the Gaming and Betting Act, 1912-1942, and the Australian Jockey Club Act, 1873, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 25th November, 1948.*

By Mr. C. E. Martin,—

- (2.) Kemira Tunnel (Arbitration) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 17.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to provide means for the determination of questions which have arisen relating to the employment of persons in the construction of the Kemira Tunnel in the County of Camden in the State of New South Wales; and for purposes connected therewith.

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2. URGENCY—SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—

(1.) Mr. Baddeley moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that the General Loan Account Appropriation Bill be brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Baddeley moved, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the General Loan Account Appropriation Bill being brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

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3. SUPPLY (*Loan Estimates, 1948-1949*):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported progress.
4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL:—
- (1.) Mr. Cahill moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, the Local Government (Arcas) Act, 1948, the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1946, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
- (2.) Mr. Cahill then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, the Local Government (Arcas) Act, 1948, the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1946, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.
Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.
5. KEMIRA TUNNEL (ARBITRATION) BILL:—
- (1.) URGENCY:—Mr. C. E. Martin moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that the Kemira Tunnel (Arbitration) Bill be brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.
Question put and passed.
- (2.) SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—Mr. Martin moved, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the Kemira Tunnel (Arbitration) Bill being brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.
Question put and passed.
- (3.) Mr. Martin moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide means for the determination of questions which have arisen relating to the employment of persons in the construction of the Kemira Tunnel in the County of Camden in the State of New South Wales; and for purposes connected therewith.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
- (4.) Mr. Martin then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to provide means for the determination of questions which have arisen relating to the employment of persons in the construction of the Kemira Tunnel in the County of Camden in the State of New South Wales; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.
Mr. Martin moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
- (5.) Bill read a second time.
Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.
On motion of Mr. Martin the Report was adopted.
Mr. Martin moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.
Question put and voices given,—Mr. Speaker stated his opinion that the Ayes had it.
Whereupon, Division called for, and Mr. Speaker, in accordance with Standing Order No. 213, declared the determination of the House to be in the affirmative, and stated that there were only two Members in the minority who had challenged his decision.
The following are the Members in the minority, viz.:—Mr. Jeff Bate and Mr. Turner.
- (6.) Bill read a third time.
Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—
Mr. PRESIDENT,—
The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide means for the determination of questions which have arisen relating to the employment of persons in the construction of the Kemira Tunnel*

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in the County of Camden in the State of New South Wales; and for purposes connected therewith,—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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6. STATE COAL MINES (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Baddeley moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the State Coal Mines Act, 1912-1942, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Baddeley then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the State Coal Mines Act, 1912-1942, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

7. RACING (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Baddeley moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for betting at night trotting meetings; to constitute a Greyhound Racing Control Board and to define its powers and functions; to make certain provisions as to appeals from decisions of certain racing clubs and stewards to the Committee of the Australian Jockey Club; for these and other purposes to amend the Gaming and Betting Act, 1912-1942, and the Australian Jockey Club Act, 1873, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed

(2.) Mr. Baddeley then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to provide for betting at night trotting meetings; to constitute a Greyhound Racing Control Board and to define its powers and functions; to make certain provisions as to appeals from decisions of certain racing clubs and stewards to the Committee of the Australian Jockey Club; for these and other purposes to amend the Gaming and Betting Act, 1912-1942, and the Australian Jockey Club Act, 1873, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

8. SUPPLY (*Estimates, 1948-1949*):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported progress.

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had come to certain Resolutions, which were read, as follows:—

THE LEGISLATURE.

(2.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £69,231 for The Legislature, for the year 1948-49.

THE PREMIER.

(3.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £2,863,475, for Premier, for the year 1948-49.

MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT.

(4.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £145,424, for Minister for Transport, for the year 1948-49.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

(5.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £366,814, for Colonial Secretary, for the year 1948-49.

MINISTER FOR HEALTH.

(6.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £8,119,982, for Minister for Health, for the year 1948-49.

COLONIAL TREASURER.

(7.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £5,702,834, for Colonial Treasurer, for the year 1948-49.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL AND MINISTER OF JUSTICE.

(8.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,527,610, for Attorney-General and Minister of Justice, for the year 1948-49.

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SECRETARY FOR LANDS.

(9.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £640,504, for Secretary for Lands, for the year 1948-49.

SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS.

(10.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,563,063, for Secretary for Public Works, for the year 1948-49.

MINISTER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

(11.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £373,154, for Minister for Local Government, for the year 1948-49.

MINISTER FOR HOUSING.

(12.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £12,361, for Minister for Housing, for the year 1948-49.

MINISTER FOR EDUCATION.

(13.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £10,845,833, for Minister for Education, for the year 1948-49.

MINISTER FOR MINES.

(14.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £379,124, for Minister for Mines, for the year 1948-49.

MINISTER FOR LABOUR AND INDUSTRY AND SOCIAL WELFARE.

(15.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,044,377, for Minister for Labour and Industry and Social Welfare, for the year 1948-49.

MINISTER FOR BUILDING MATERIALS.

(16.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £104,191, for Minister for Building Materials, for the year 1948-49.

MINISTER FOR CONSERVATION.

(17.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £719,738, for Minister for Conservation, for the year 1948-49.

MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE.

(18.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,202,923, for Minister for Agriculture, for the year 1948-49.

MINISTER FOR TOURIST ACTIVITIES AND IMMIGRATION.

(19.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £293,382, for Minister for Tourist Activities and Immigration, for the year 1948-49.

STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS MADE DURING THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1948, FROM THE VOTE "ADVANCE TO TREASURER," 1947-48, ON ACCOUNT OF SERVICES OF THE YEAR 1947-48.

(20.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £350,000, in adjustment of the Vote "Advance to Treasurer," 1947-48.

STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS "UNAUTHORISED IN SUSPENSE" TO 30TH JUNE, 1948, FOR URGENT CLAIMS ON ACCOUNT OF SERVICES OF THE YEAR 1947-48.

(21.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,809,035 10s. 7d. (Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense") for Services of the year 1947-48.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS FUND.

(22.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £34,296,896, for Department of Railways, for the year 1948-49.

ROAD TRANSPORT AND TRAFFIC FUND.

(23.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £780,000, for Department of Road Transport and Tramways, for the year 1948-49.

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORT TRUST GENERAL FUND.

(24.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £7,924,300, for Department of Road Transport and Tramways, for the year 1948-49.

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FOR URGENT CLAIMS ON ACCOUNT OF SERVICES OF THE YEAR 1947-48.

(25.) *Resolved*.—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £87,662 7s. 1d. (Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense") for Services of the year 1947-48.

NEWCASTLE AND DISTRICT TRANSPORT TRUST GENERAL FUND.

(26.) *Resolved*.—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £859,450, for Department of Road Transport and Tramways, for the year 1948-49.

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FOR URGENT CLAIMS ON ACCOUNT OF SERVICES OF THE YEAR 1947-48.

(27.) *Resolved*.—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £8,774 10s. 10d. (Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense") for Services of the year 1947-48.

SYDNEY HARBOUR TRUST FUND.

(28.) *Resolved*.—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,339,569, for Maritime Services Board of New South Wales, for the year 1948-49.

STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS "UNAUTHORISED IN SUSPENSE" TO 30TH JUNE, 1948,
FOR URGENT CLAIMS ON ACCOUNT OF SERVICES OF THE YEAR 1947-48.

(29.) *Resolved*.—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £28,013 8s. 0d. (Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense") for Services of the year 1947-48.

CLOSER SETTLEMENT FUND.

(30.) *Resolved*.—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £50,445, on account of Services to be provided for out of Closer Settlement Fund.

On motion of Mr. Baddeley, the Resolutions were agreed to.

9. WAYS AND MEANS (*Estimates*, 1948-1949):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported progress.

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had come to certain Resolutions, which were read, as follows:—

(2.) *Resolved*.—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty,—

(a) For the Service of the financial year 1948-49, the sum of £36,064,020 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

(b) In adjustment of the Vote "Advance to Treasurer," 1947-48, for Services of the financial year 1947-48, the sum of £350,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

(c) For Services of the financial year 1947-48, "Unauthorised in Suspense," the sum of £1,809,035 10s. 7d. be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

(3.) *Resolved*.—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty,—

For the Service of the financial year 1948-49, the sum of £34,296,896 be granted out of the Government Railways Fund.

(4.) *Resolved*.—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty,—

For the Service of the financial year 1948-49, the sum of £780,000 be granted out of the Road Transport and Traffic Fund.

(5.) *Resolved*.—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty,—

(a) For the Service of the financial year 1948-49, the sum of £7,924,300 be granted out of the Metropolitan Transport Trust General Fund.

(b) For Services of the financial year 1947-48, "Unauthorised in Suspense," the sum of £87,662 7s. 1d. be granted out of the Metropolitan Transport Trust General Fund.

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(6.) *Resolved*,—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty,—

(a) For the Service of the financial year 1948-49, the sum of £859,450 be granted out of the Newcastle and District Transport Trust General Fund.

(b) For Services of the financial year 1947-48, "Unauthorised in Suspense," the sum of £8,774 10s. 10d. be granted out of the Newcastle and District Transport Trust General Fund.

(7.) *Resolved*,—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty,—

(a) For the Service of the financial year 1948-49, the sum of £1,339,569 be granted out of the Sydney Harbour Trust Fund.

(b) For Services of the financial year 1947-48, "Unauthorised in Suspense," the sum of £28,013 8s. 0d. be granted out of the Sydney Harbour Trust Fund.

(8.) *Resolved*,—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for Services, the sum of £50,445 be granted out of the Closer Settlement Fund.

On motion of Mr. Baddeley, the Resolutions were agreed to.

10. APPROPRIATION BILL:—

(1.) Ordered, on motion of Mr. Baddeley, that a Bill be brought in, founded on Resolutions of Ways and Means (Nos. 2 to 8), for the Appropriation Act, 1948.

(2.) Mr. Baddeley then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to appropriate out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, and certain other Funds, sums to make good the supplies granted for the ordinary annual services of the Government for the year commencing on the first day of July, 1948, and ending on the 30th day of June, 1949, both dates inclusive, and for charges supplementary or "Unauthorised in Suspense" from certain Funds for the year from the first day of July, 1947, to 30th day of June, 1948, both dates inclusive; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

And the Standing Orders having been suspended (24th November, 1948),—
Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

(3.) Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Baddeley, the Report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

(4.) Bill read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to appropriate out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, and certain other Funds, sums to make good the supplies granted for the ordinary annual services of the Government for the year commencing on the first day of July, 1948, and ending on the 30th day of June, 1949, both dates inclusive, and for charges supplementary or "Unauthorised in Suspense" from certain Funds for the year from the first day of July, 1947, to 30th day of June, 1948, both dates inclusive; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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11. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Baddeley moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

Question put and passed.

12. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Baddeley moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Five minutes before Six o'clock, p.m., until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 17.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 30 NOVEMBER, 1948.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. URGENCY—GOVERNMENT-OWNED TRANSPORT UNDERTAKINGS:—Mr. Howarth moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider the following Motion, viz.:—“That this House is of opinion—

“(1.) That the Government-owned Transport Undertakings in New South Wales should be removed forthwith from political control; and

“(2.) That an authority should be set up to conduct a full public inquiry into the transport undertakings with particular reference to—

- (a) finance, fares and freights;
- (b) maintenance of rolling-stock, tracks and equipment;
- (c) accidents involving trams and buses;
- (d) safety conditions of employees; and
- (e) the replacement of obsolete equipment and the provision of new and additional rolling-stock.”

Point of Order:—Mr. O’Sullivan submitted that the substantive motion sought to be discussed as a matter of Urgency would, if reached, anticipate Government Business Notice of Motion No. 4 on the Business Paper relating to the Transport (Division of Functions) Amendment Bill,—

And having received the assurance of the Minister for Transport as to the probability of that Motion being brought before the House within a reasonable time,—

Mr. Speaker said that, although the Motion before the House was one of Urgency only, the substantive Motion sought to be dealt with under that Motion related to the method of control of Government-owned Transport Undertakings, while Notice of Motion No. 4 of Government Business provided for a new method of control of the Railways, and of the Road Transport and Tramway Systems, by the appointment of separate Commissions. Therefore having regard to the provisions of Standing Order No. 110A and to the practice of the House relating to the Rule of Anticipation, he ruled the Motion out of order.

2. URGENCY—CONSIDERATION FORTHWITH OF NOTICE OF MOTION OF GOVERNMENT BUSINESS:—Lieut-Colonel Robson moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider the following Motion, viz.:—That this House is of opinion, That Notice of Motion No. 4 of Government Business standing in the name of the Minister for Transport be taken forthwith.

Point of Order:—Mr. Sheahan submitted that under Standing Order No. 125 Ministers could place their Motions and Orders of the Day on the Business Paper in the order in which they desired them to be taken on any day on which Government Business had precedence, and that therefore it was not competent for a private Member, even on a Motion of Urgency, to attempt to take business out of the control of the Government.

Mr. Speaker said that the provisions of Standing Order No. 125 must be read in conjunction with Standing Order No. 111A, which provided that (with a certain exception) Notices of Motions shall have precedence each day, unless by a Special Order of the House, according to the order in which they were openly given or postponed. It was therefore competent for

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the House to make a special order if it saw fit, and as the Motion under consideration was one of Urgency which sought to have a motion of Government Business taken forthwith and not "within a reasonable time," he ruled that the Motion was in order.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 31.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Howarth	Lieut.-Col. Robson
Mr. Brain	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Rose
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Cross	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Storey
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Turner
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Drummond	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Medcalf	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Frith	Mr. Morton	Mr. Black
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Padman	Mr. Dewley
Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. John Reid	

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Captain Arthur	Mr. Freeman	Mr. Noble
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Nott
Mr. Booth	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Graham	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Dring	Mr. Lang	Mr. Wattison
Captain Dunn	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Weir
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Lazzarini	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Ewart	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Fowles
Mr. Pinnan	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Gorman
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Matthews	

And so it passed in the negative.

3. PAPERS:—

Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Copy of Report of the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Board, together with Annexures for the year ended 30th June, 1948.

Ordered to be printed.

(2.) Amendments of Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1902.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. C. E. Martin laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Regulations under the Justices Act, 1902-1947.

(2.) Rules made by the Judges of the District Court.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Amendments of Ordinances under the Local Government Act, 1919.

(2.) Copy of Statement of Accounts and Balance-sheet of the Sydney Municipal Council City Fund, audited by the Auditor-General, for 1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. C. A. Kelly laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Copy of Report of the Pharmacy Board of New South Wales for 1947.

(2.) Proclamation under the Milk Act, 1921-1942, extending the Metropolitan Distributing District.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Return of amount expended under the provisions of section 13 of the Forestry Act, 1916-1946, for the year ended 30th June, 1948.

(2.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for works in connection with the construction of a dam across the Namoi River at Keepit.

(3.) Amendments of Regulations under the Water Act, 1912.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Statement of Traffic secured to Railway Transport by the exercise of the powers conferred on the Railway Commissioner under section 24 (3) and (4) of the Government Railways Act, 1912-1944, for the month of October, 1948.

(2.) Amendments of Regulations under the Motor Vehicles (Third Party Insurance) Act, 1942.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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4. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by the Ministers named, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

By Mr. Sheahan,—

(1.) War Service Land Settlement and Closer Settlement (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
*Governor.**Message No. 18.*

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to make further provision for and in relation to the settlement on the land of members or discharged members of His Majesty's naval, military, or air forces and other eligible persons; to constitute and define the powers of war service land settlement boards; to make further provision for the acquisition of land for the purposes of war service land settlement and the price which may be paid for such land; to make special provision in relation to a closer settlement lease of portion 179, Parish of Bilda, County of Clarendon; to validate certain matters; for these and other purposes to amend the War Service Land Settlement Act, 1941, as amended by subsequent Acts, the Closer Settlement Acts and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

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By Mr. Finnan,—

(2.) Workers' Compensation (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
*Governor.**Message No. 19.*

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to increase the amounts payable under the Workers' Compensation Acts, 1926-1947, and the Workers' Compensation (Silicosis) Act, 1942-1946; for this and other purposes to amend the said Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

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(3.) Hide and Leather Industries Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
*Governor.**Message No. 20.*

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to make certain provisions in relation to the hide and leather industries; and for purposes connected therewith.

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5. WAR SERVICE LAND SETTLEMENT AND CLOSER SETTLEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. Sheahan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make further provision for and in relation to the settlement on the land of members or discharged members of His Majesty's naval, military, or air forces and other eligible persons; to constitute and define the powers of war service land settlement boards; to make further provision for the acquisition of land for the purposes of war service land settlement and the price which may be paid for such land; to make special provision in relation to a closer settlement lease of portion 179, Parish of Bilda, County of Clarendon; to validate certain matters; for these and other purposes to amend the War Service Land Settlement Act, 1941, as amended by subsequent Acts, the Closer Settlement Acts and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. Sheahan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to make further provision for and in relation to the settlement on the land of members or discharged members of His Majesty's naval, military, or air forces and other eligible persons; to constitute and define the powers of war service land settlement boards; to make further provision for the acquisition of land for the purposes of war service land settlement and the price which may be paid for such land; to make special provision in relation to a closer settlement lease of portion 179,*

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Parish of Bilda, County of Clarendon; to validate certain matters; for these and other purposes to amend the War Service Land Settlement Act, 1941, as amended by subsequent Acts, the Closer Settlement Acts and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

6. WORKERS' COMPENSATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. Finnan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to increase the amounts payable under the Workers' Compensation Acts, 1926-1947, and the Workers' Compensation (Silicosis) Act, 1942-1946; for this and other purposes to amend the said Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. Finnan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to increase the amounts payable under the Workers' Compensation Acts, 1926-1947, and the Workers' Compensation (Silicosis) Act, 1942-1946; for this and other purposes to amend the said Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.*

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

7. SUPPLY (*Loan Estimates, 1948-1949*):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported progress.

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution, which was read, as follows:—

- (31.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty for the year 1948-49, a sum not exceeding £23,192,000 for Public Works and other Services.

On motion of Mr. Baddeley, the Resolution was agreed to.

8. WAYS AND MEANS (*Loan Estimates, 1948-1949*):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported progress.

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution, which was read, as follows:—

- (9.) *Resolved*,—That towards making good the supply granted to His Majesty for Public Works and other Services, a sum not exceeding £23,192,000 be granted out of the General Loan Account.

On motion of Mr. Baddeley, the Resolution was agreed to.

9. GENERAL LOAN ACCOUNT APPROPRIATION BILL:—

- (1.) Ordered, on motion of Mr. Baddeley, that a Bill be brought in, founded on Resolution of Ways and Means (No. 9), to provide for the appropriation of a certain sum out of the General Loan Account and for the application of that sum for certain Public Works and Services; and for purposes connected therewith.

- (2.) Mr. Baddeley then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to provide for the appropriation of a certain sum out of the General Loan Account and for the application of that sum for certain Public Works and Services; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.*

And the Standing Orders having been suspended (25th November, 1948),—

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

- (3.) Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Baddeley, the Report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

- (4.) Bill read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the appropriation of a certain sum out of the General Loan*

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Account and for the application of that sum for certain Public Works and Services; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 30th November, 1948.*

10. KEMIRA TUNNEL (ARBITRATION) BILL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide means for the determination of questions which have arisen relating to the employment of persons in the construction of the Kemira Tunnel in the County of Camden in the State of New South Wales; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.*

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 30th November, 1948.*

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

11. EXTENSION OF PRESENT SITTING:—

(1.) Mr. Baddeley moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that the present sitting be continued after 10.30 o'clock, p.m.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Baddeley moved, That paragraphs (2), (3) and (4) of the Sessional Order adopted on the 9th November, 1948, be suspended for the present Sitting.

Question put and passed.

12. WHEAT INDUSTRY STABILISATION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Graham, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Roy Heferen, That the Honourable Member for Castlereagh, Mr. Renshaw, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Debate continued.

Mr. Dickson moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until a later hour of the Day.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at Twenty-three minutes before Eleven o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock a.m.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at the hour named.

13. CONGRATULATORY ADDRESS TO THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES THE PRINCESS ELIZABETH, DUCHESS OF EDINBURGH, AND THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH, ON THE OCCASION OF THE BIRTH OF THEIR SON:—Mr. Speaker reported the following letter from His Excellency the Governor:—

Government House,
Sydney, 25th November, 1948.

Gentlemen,—

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 23rd November, 1948, with which you forwarded an Address to Their Royal Highnesses The Princess Elizabeth, Duchess of Edinburgh, and The Duke of Edinburgh, on the occasion of the birth of Their Son.

I have this day caused such Address to be forwarded by air mail to the appropriate authority in London.

I have the honour to be,
Gentlemen,
Your most obedient Servant,
J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

The Honourable the President of the Legislative Council
and
The Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

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14. WHEAT INDUSTRY STABILISATION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Graham, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—
And the Question being again proposed,—
The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Chaffey moved, That the Honourable Member for Temora, Mr. Dickson, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.
Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 27.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Rose
Mr. Black	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Brain	Mr. Kendall	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cross	Mr. Lang	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Drummond	Mr. McCaw	
Mr. Frith	Mr. Medcalf	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Morton	Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Howarth	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Cutler
Mr. Hunter	Mr. Richardson	

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Captain Arthur	Mr. Geraghty	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Booth	Mr. Graham	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Landa	Mr. Weir
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lazzarini	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Dring	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Gorman
Captain Dunn	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Roy Heferen
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Matthews	
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Noble	
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Nott	

And so it passed in the negative.

Debate continued.

And the House continuing to sit after Midday,—

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Mr. McGrath moved, That the Question be now put.
Question put,—“That the Question be now put.”
The House divided.

Ayes, 40.

Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews
Mr. Booth	Mr. Freeman	Mr. Noble
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Geraghty	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Cahill	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Gorman	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Graham	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Tonge
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Dring	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Weir
Captain Dunn	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Nott
Mr. Ewatt	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Finnan	Mr. C. E. Martin	

Noes, 31.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Howarth	Lieut.-Col. Robson
Mr. Black	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Rose
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Cross	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Storey
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Kendall	Mr. Turner
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dickson	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Medcalf	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Morton	Mr. Chaffey
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Ellis
Mr. Frith	Mr. Richardson	

And it appearing by the Tellers' lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members,"—

Original Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

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Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported progress and obtained leave to sit again at a later hour of the Day.

15. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. Baddeley and read by Mr. Speaker:—

(1.) Mine Subsidence (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 21.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to make certain provision in respect of the Mine Subsidence Insurance Fund; for this purpose to amend the Mine Subsidence Act, 1923; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 30th November, 1948.

(2.) Public Accountants Registration (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 22.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Public Accountants Registration Act, 1945, in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 30th November, 1948.

(3.) Local Government (Superannuation) Amendment Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 23.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Local Government (Superannuation) Act, 1927-1940, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 30th November, 1948.

16. LANDLORD AND TENANT (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. C. E. Martin moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Martin the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

17. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Cahill moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

And Mr. Cahill having spoken in Reply,—

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

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Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Cahill the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

18. THEATRES AND PUBLIC HALLS (CINEMATOGRAPH FILMS CENSORSHIP) BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Baddeley and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 24.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to provide for the censorship of cinematograph films; to amend the Theatres and Public Halls Act, 1908-1946; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 1st December, 1948.

19. APPROPRIATION BILL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to appropriate out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, and certain other Funds, sums to make good the supplies granted for the ordinary annual services of the Government for the year commencing on the first day of July, 1948, and ending on the 30th day of June, 1949, both dates inclusive, and for charges supplementary or 'Unauthorised in Suspense' from certain Funds for the year from the first day of July, 1947, to 30th day of June, 1948, both dates inclusive; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 1st December, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

20. HIDE AND LEATHER INDUSTRIES BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Finnan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make certain provisions in relation to the hide and leather industries; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Finnan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to make certain provisions in relation to the hide and leather industries; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

21. WHEAT INDUSTRY STABILISATION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Graham the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

The House adjourned at Fifteen minutes before Eleven o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

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No. 18.

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THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 2 DECEMBER, 1948.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. CO-OPERATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Baddeley and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 25.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to amend the Co-operation Acts, 1923-1947, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 1st December, 1948.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table:—

Report of the Département of Main Roads for the year ended 30th June, 1948.
Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Copy of Report of the Rural Reconstruction Board for the year ended 30th June, 1948.
- (2.) *Gazette* Notices setting forth the mode in which it is proposed to deal with certain lands under section 25 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
- (3.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Public Recreation Purposes at Fairfield.
- (4.) Amended Schedule of Fees and Charges in connection with the Regulations for the management of the Roman Catholic Portion of the General Cemetery at Orange under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. LANDLORD AND TENANT (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Baddeley, on behalf of Mr. Martin, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend section thirty-one of the Landlord and Tenant Act of 1899; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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Sydney, 2nd December, 1948.

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4. WHEAT INDUSTRY STABILISATION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Graham, read a third time.
Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—
Mr. PRESIDENT,—
The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to make certain provisions in relation to the stabilisation of the wheat industry; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.
*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 2nd December, 1948.*
5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Cahill, read a third time.
Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—
Mr. PRESIDENT,—
The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, the Local Government Act, 1948, the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1946, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.
*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 2nd December, 1948.*
6. URGENCY—SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—
(1.) Mr. Baddeley moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that the following Bills, viz.:—
Co-operation (Amendment) Bill; and
Theatres and Public Halls (Cinematograph Films Censorship) Bill,
be brought in and passed through all their stages in one day.
Question put and passed.
(2.) Mr. Baddeley moved, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the following Bills, viz.:—
Co-operation (Amendment) Bill; and
Theatres and Public Halls (Cinematograph Films Censorship) Bill,
being brought in and passed through all their stages in one day.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
7. CO-OPERATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—
(1.) Mr. Baddeley moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Co-operation Acts, 1923-1947, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
(2.) Mr. Baddeley then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Co-operation Acts, 1923-1947, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.
Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for a later hour the Day.
8. THEATRES AND PUBLIC HALLS (CINEMATOGRAPH FILMS CENSORSHIP) BILL:—
(1.) Mr. Baddeley moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the censorship of cinematograph films; to amend the Theatres and Public Halls Act, 1908-1946; and for purposes connected therewith.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
(2.) Mr. Baddeley then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to provide for the censorship of cinematograph films; to amend the Theatres and Public Halls Act, 1908-1946; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.
Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for a later hour the Day.
9. RACING (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Baddeley moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Bill read a second time.

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Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill with an amendment.

On motion of Mr. Baddeley the Report was adopted.

Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 278, fixed the third reading stand an Order of the Day for a later hour of the Day.

10. GENERAL LOAN ACCOUNT APPROPRIATION BILL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled, "*An Act to provide for the appropriation of a certain sum out of the General Loan Account and for the application of that sum for certain Public Works and Services; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 2nd December, 1948.*

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

11. SCAFFOLDING AND LIFTS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. Finnan, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendment.

On motion of Mr. Finnan, the Report was adopted.

The following Message sent to the Legislative Council:—

MR. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Scaffolding and Lifts Act, 1912-1942, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.*"

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 2nd December, 1948.*

12. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Fowles, as Chairman, brought up the Second Report from the Printing Committee.

13. RACING (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on the motion of Mr. Baddeley, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for betting at night trotting meetings; to constitute a Greyhound Racing Control Board and to define its powers and functions; to make certain provisions as to appeals from decisions of certain racing clubs and stewards to the Committee of the Australian Jockey Club; for these and other purposes to amend the Gaming and Betting Act, 1912-1942, and the Australian Jockey Club Act, 1873, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 2nd December, 1948.*

14. WORKERS' COMPENSATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Finnan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Carlton, Temporary-Chairman, reported the Bill with an amendment.

On motion of Mr. Finnan the Report was adopted.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 278 fixed the third reading stand an Order of the Day for a later hour of the Day.

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15. HIDE AND LEATHER INDUSTRIES BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Finnan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Drummond (*speaking*) moved (*by consent*), That this Debate be now adjourned.
Question put and passed.
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until a later hour of the Day.

16. WORKERS' COMPENSATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Finnan, read a third time.
Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to increase the amounts payable by way of compensation under the Workers' Compensation Act, 1926-1947, and the Workers' Compensation (Silicosis) Act, 1942-1946; for this and other purposes to amend the said Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 2nd December, 1948.*

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at Fourteen minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Half-past Ten o'clock, a.m.

FRIDAY, 3 DECEMBER, 1948, A.M.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at the hour named.

17. HIDE AND LEATHER INDUSTRIES BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Finnan, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—
And the Question being again proposed,—
The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.
Question put and passed.
Bill read a second time.
Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Carlton, Temporary-Chairman, reported the Bill with amendments.
On motion of Mr. Finnan the Report was adopted.
Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 278, fixed the third reading for a later hour of the Day.

18. STATE COAL MINES (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Baddeley moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

And the House continuing to sit after Mid-day,—

FRIDAY, 3 DECEMBER, 1948.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Turner moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

19. HIDE AND LEATHER INDUSTRIES BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Finnan, read a third time.
Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to make certain provisions in relation to the hide and leather industries; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 3rd December, 1948.*

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20. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Baddeley moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Wednesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.
Question put and passed.

21. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Baddeley moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Matthews moved, That the Question be now put.
Question put,—“That the Question be now put.”
The House divided.

Ayes, 32.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Graham	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Landa	Mr. Wattison
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Captain Dunn	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Dring
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Noble	Mr. Roy Heferen
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Nott	
Mr. Freeman	Mr. O'Sullivan	
Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk	

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Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Brain	Mr. Lang	Mr. Storey
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Dickson	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Medcalf	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Frith	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Black
Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Richardson	Mr. Morton
Mr. Jackett	Lieut.-Col. Robson	

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of “at least thirty Members.”—
Original Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Sixteen minutes after One o'clock, p.m., until Wednesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 19.

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OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 8 DECEMBER, 1948.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—TRAM AND OMNIBUS ACCIDENTS:—Mr. O'Sullivan made a Ministerial Statement relating to recent tram and omnibus accidents and to the policy of the Government respecting the Government's preference for departmental, as against public, inquiries.
Mr. Howarth also addressed the House.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. C. E. Martin laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Report of the Council of the Auctioneers, Stock and Station Agents and Real Estate Agents, for the year ended 30th June, 1948.
(2.) Amendments of Regulations under the Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Act, 1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Notifications of acquisition of land and/or easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purpose of the Local Government Act, 1919, in the following areas, viz.:—Bankstown Municipality: Greater Wollongong City; Lake Macquarie Shire (2); Northern Riverina County.
(2.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purpose of the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1924-1945, at Seven Hills.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Kelly laid upon the Table Report of the Milk Board for the year ended 30th June, 1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Graham laid upon the Table Regulations under the Marketing of Primary Products Act, 1927-1940.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Finnan laid upon the Table Report of the Workers' Compensation Commission, together with Report of the Insurance Premiums Committee, for the year ended 30th June, 1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. Evatt, *on behalf of* Mr. Baddeley, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

- (1.) Constitution Amendment (Legislative Council Members Allowances) Bill:—
J. NORTHCOTT, Message No. 26.
Governor.

A Bill intituled "*An Act to make provision with regard to allowances to Members of the Legislative Council; to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, as amended by subsequent Acts, in certain respects; and for purposes connected*"

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therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

*Government House,
Sydney, 2nd December, 1948.*

(2.) Fauna Protection Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 27.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to make provisions for the protection and preservation of fauna; to repeal the Birds and Animals Protection Act, 1918-1930, and to amend certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

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Sydney, 8th December, 1948.*

4. DEATH OF THE HONOURABLE GEORGE CANN:—Mr. Speaker reported that, in pursuance of the Resolution of this House, passed on the 19th October, 1948, he had communicated to Mrs. Cann the sympathy and sorrow of the Members of the Legislative Assembly on the death of the Honourable George Cann, and that, on 2nd December, 1948, he had received from her a letter, expressing her appreciation of the tribute paid to her late husband and requesting Mr. Speaker to convey to the Members of the Legislative Assembly her grateful thanks.
5. WAR SERVICE LAND SETTLEMENT AND CLOSER SETTLEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Sheahan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Howarth moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.
Question put and passed.
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until a later hour of the Day.
6. FAUNA PROTECTION BILL:—
- (1.) Mr. Evatt, *on behalf of Mr. Baddeley*, moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provisions for the protection and preservation of fauna; to repeal the Birds and Animals Protection Act, 1918-1930, and to amend certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
- (2.) Mr. Evatt then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to make provisions for the protection and preservation of fauna; to repeal the Birds and Animals Protection Act, 1918-1930, and to amend certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith*,"—which was read a first time.
Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.
7. WAR SERVICE LAND SETTLEMENT AND CLOSER SETTLEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Sheahan, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—
And the Question being again proposed,—
The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

PAPERS:—Mr. Drummond (*Deputy Leader of the Country Party*) laid upon the Table the following Papers (from which he had quoted):—

- Short History of "Boonoke" and "Wanganella Estate" Studs,
- Copy of Statement of Special Account of Charles Leslie Sadlier Falkiner with the Union Bank of Australia Limited,
- Letter concerning shares in F. S. Falkiner and Sons Proprietary Limited,
- Copy of Lien on Company Shares given by Charles Leslie Sadlier Falkiner to the Union Bank of Australia Limited,

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Copies of Income Tax Returns of Charles Leslie Sadler Falkiner for the years 1943-44, 1944-45, 1945-46, 1946-47, and 1947-48, and

Copy of Balance-sheet and Trading and Profit and Loss Account and Accompanying Statements of F. S. Falkiner and Sons Proprietary Limited for the year ended 30th June, 1946.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Debate continued.

And it being 10.20 o'clock, p.m., the Debate stood adjourned, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 9th November, 1948.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

8. LANDLORD AND TENANT (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend section thirty-one of the Landlord and Tenant Act of 1899; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 8th December, 1948.*

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

9. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Sheahan moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-six minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

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OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 9 DECEMBER, 1948.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table copy of Report of the Commissioner for Railways for the quarter ended 30th September, 1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. C. E. Martin laid upon the Table amendments of the Second Schedule to the District Courts Act, 1912-1936, relating to Scale of Fees to be charged on proceedings in District Courts.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. Evatt, *on behalf of* Mr. Baddeley, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

(1.) Appropriation Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 28.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to appropriate out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, and certain other Funds, sums to make good the supplies granted for the ordinary annual services of the Government for the year commencing on the first day of July, 1948, and ending on the 30th day of June, 1949, both dates inclusive, and for charges supplementary or "Unauthorised in Suspense" from certain Funds for the year from the first day of July, 1947, to 30th day of June, 1948, both dates inclusive; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

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Sydney, 9th December, 1948.

(2.) General Loan Account Appropriation Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 29.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the appropriation of a certain sum out of the General Loan Account and for the application of that sum for certain Public Works and Services; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 9th December, 1948.

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(3.) Kemira Tunnel (Arbitration) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 30.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide means for the determination of questions which have arisen relating to the employment of persons in the construction of the Kemira Tunnel in the County of Camden in the State of New South Wales; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 9th December, 1948.

3. CO-OPERATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Evatt, *on behalf of Mr. Baddeley*, moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Acting-Speaker Carlton left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Acting-Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Gorman, Temporary-Chairman, reported the Bill with an amendment.

On motion of Mr. Evatt the Report was adopted.

And the Standing Orders having been suspended (2nd December, 1948),—

Ordered, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for a later hour of the Day.

4. STATE COAL MINES (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Baddeley, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Bill read a second time.

Mr. Acting-Speaker Carlton left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Matthews, *on behalf of Mr. Baddeley*, the Report was adopted.*And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—*

(3.) Bill, on motion of Mr. Matthews, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the State Coal Mines Act, 1912-1942, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 9th December, 1948.

5. CO-OPERATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—

Bill, on motion of Mr. Evatt, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Co-operation Acts, 1923-1947, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 9th December, 1948.

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6. FAUNA PROTECTION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Evatt moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Bill read a second time.
Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.
On motion of Mr. Heffron the Report was adopted.
Mr. Speaker, as a matter of urgency, fixed the third reading for a later hour of the Day.

7. ADDRESS OF SYMPATHY TO HIS MAJESTY THE KING ON THE OCCASION OF THE DEFERMENT OF THE ROYAL VISIT TO NEW SOUTH WALES:—Mr. Speaker reported the following letter from His Excellency the Governor:—

7th December, 1948.

Gentlemen,—

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 30th November, 1948, with which you forwarded an Address to His Majesty the King on the occasion of the deferment of the Royal Visit to New South Wales.

I have caused such Address to be forwarded by Air Mail to the appropriate authority in London.

I have the honour to be,
Gentlemen,
Your most obedient Servant,
J. NORTHCOTE,
Governor.

The Honourable the President of the Legislative Council
and
The Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

8. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

- (1.) Wheat Industry Stabilisation Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to make certain provisions in relation to the stabilisation of the wheat industry; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—with the amendment indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendment the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 9th December, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

WHEAT INDUSTRY STABILISATION BILL.

Schedule of the amendment referred to in Message of 9th December, 1948.

W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

Page 10, clause 15, line 11. Omit "any person" insert "a member of the Police Force who is".

Examined,—

T. STEELE,

Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration at a later hour of the Day.

- (2.) Local Government (Further Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, the Local Government (Areas) Act, 1948, the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1946, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

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Sydney, 9th December, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

9th December, 1948.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL.

*Schedule of the amendments referred to in Message of 9th December, 1948.*W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

- No. 1.—Page 2, clause 2, line 16. *After* “employ” *insert* “in that position”.
- No. 2.—Pages 6 and 7, clause 2. *Omit* all words on line 34, page 6, down to and including the word “subsection” on line 9, page 7.
- No. 3.—Page 8, clause 5, line 32. *After* “hereby” *insert* “and shall be deemed always to have been”.

Examined,—

T. STEELE,
Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration at a later hour of the Day.

(3.) Racing (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled “*An Act to provide for betting at night trotting meetings; to constitute a Greyhound Racing Control Board and to define its powers and functions; to make certain provisions as to appeals from decisions of certain racing clubs and stewards to the Committee of the Australian Jockey Club; for these and other purposes to amend the Gaming and Betting Act, 1912-1942, and the Australian Jockey Club Act, 1873, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.*”—with the amendments, including amendments in the Title, indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

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Sydney, 9th December, 1948.E. H. FARRAR,
President.

RACING (AMENDMENT) BILL.

*Schedule of the amendments referred to in Message of 9th December, 1948.*W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

- No. 1.—Title, line 9. *Omit* “and”.
- No. 2.—Title, line 10. *After* “1873” *insert* “the Economic Stability and War-time Provisions Continuance Act, 1946-1947”.
- No. 3.—Page 2, clause 1, subclause (4), lines 7 to 9 inclusive. *Omit* the whole of subclause (4).
- No. 4.—Page 16. *After* line 6 *add* new clause as follows:—

“5. (1) The Economic Stability and War-time Provisions Continuance Act, 1946-1947, is amended by inserting at the end of subsection one of section thirty-two the following new paragraph—

“This section shall apply only to meetings for trotting and greyhound racing held before sunset and any meeting for horse racing.”

“(2) The Economic Stability and War-time Provisions Continuance Act, 1946, as amended by subsequent Acts and by this Act may be cited as the Economic Stability and War-time Provisions Continuance Act, 1946-1948.”

Examined,—

T. STEELE,
Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration at a later hour of the Day.

9. RACING (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. Heffron, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendments.

On motion of Mr. Evatt, the Report was adopted.

The following Message sent to the Legislative Council:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for betting at night trotting meetings; to constitute a Greyhound Racing Control Board and to define its powers and functions; to make certain provisions as to appeals from decisions of certain racing clubs and stewards to the Committee of the Australian Jockey Club; for these and other purposes to amend the Gaming and Betting Act, 1912-1942, and the Australian Jockey Club Act 1873, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.*"—including the amendments in the Title.

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Sydney, 9th December, 1948.

10. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. Evatt, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendments.

On motion of Mr. Evatt, the Report was adopted.

The following Message sent to the Legislative Council:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, the Local Government (Areas) Act, 1948, the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1946, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.*"

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 9th December, 1948.

11. WHEAT INDUSTRY STABILISATION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. Graham, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendment.

On motion of Mr. Graham, the Report was adopted.

The following Message sent to the Legislative Council:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "*An Act to make certain provisions in relation to the stabilisation of the wheat industry; and for purposes connected therewith.*"

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 9th December, 1948.

12. FAUNA PROTECTION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Evatt, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to make provisions for the protection and preservation of fauna; to repeal the Birds and Animals Protection Act, 1918-1930, and to amend certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 9th December, 1948.

13. WORKERS' COMPENSATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to increase the amounts payable by way of compensation under the Workers' Compensation Act, 1926-1947, and the Workers' Compensation (Silicosis) Act,*

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1942-1946; for this and other purposes to amend the said Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 9th December, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

14. WAR SERVICE LAND SETTLEMENT AND CLOSER SETTLEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Sheahan "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. McGrath moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—“That the Question be now put.”

The House divided.

Ayes, 36.

Captain Arthur	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Booth	Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Landa	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Dring	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Evatt	Mr. McGrath	
Mr. Finnan	Mr. C. E. Martin	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Hawkins
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Noble	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Nott	

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Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Howarth	Mr. John Reid
Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Richardson
Mr. Black	Mr. Jackett	Lieut.-Col. Robson
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Cross	Mr. Lang	Mr. Turner
Mr. Darby	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Drummond	Mr. McCaw	
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Medcalf	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Frith	Mr. Morton	Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Padman	Mr. Dickson

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members,"—

And Mr. Sheahan having spoken in reply,—

Original Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

And the Committee continuing to sit after Midnight,—

FRIDAY, 10 DECEMBER, 1948, A.M.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill with an amendment.

Mr. Sheahan moved, That the Report be now adopted.

Mr. McGrath moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put—"That the Question be now put."

The House divided.

Ayes, 36.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Booth	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Landa	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Dring	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Evatt	Mr. McGrath	
Mr. Finnan	Mr. C. E. Martin	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Freeman
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Noble	Mr. Nott
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan	

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Noes, 26.

Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Hunter	Lieut.-Col. Robson
Mr. Black	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cross	Mr. Lang	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Lawson	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Drummond	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Morton
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Padman	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Howarth	Mr. Richardson	

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members,"—

Question put,—That the Report be now adopted.

The House divided.

Ayes, 37.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Gorman	Mr. Nott
Mr. Booth	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Dring	Mr. Landa	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Lang	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Fowles	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Freeman	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Fred Cahill
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Noble	

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Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cross	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dickson	Mr. McCaw	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Jack Beale
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Morton	Mr. Ellis
Mr. Frith	Mr. Padman	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Howarth	Mr. Richardson	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

Mr. Sheahan moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Mr. McGrath moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—“That the Question be now put.”

The House divided.

Ayes, 36.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Booth	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Shannon
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Mr. Frith	Mr. Morton	Mr. Dickson
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Padman	
Mr. Howarth	Mr. John Reid	

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members,"—

Original Question put.

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The House divided.

Ayes, 36.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Landa	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Lang	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Fowles	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Freeman	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Dring
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Matthews	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Noble	
Mr. Gorman	Mr. Nott	

Noes, 26.

Mr. Black	Mr. Hunter	Lieut.-Col. Robson
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cross	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dickson	Mr. McCaw	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Jack Beale
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Morton	Mr. Ellis
Mr. Frith	Mr. Padman	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Howarth	Mr. Richardson	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

(2.) Bill read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to make further provision for and in relation to the settlement on the land of members or discharged members of His Majesty's naval, military, or air forces and other eligible persons; to constitute and define the powers of war service land settlement boards; to make further provision for the acquisition of land for the purposes of war service land settlement and the price which may be paid for such land; to make special provision in relation to a closer settlement lease of portion 179, Parish of Bilda, County of Clarendon; to validate certain matters; for these and other purposes to amend the War Service Land Settlement Act, 1941, as amended by subsequent Acts, the Closer Settlement Acts and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 10th December, 1948, a.m.*

15. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Evatt moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Wednesday, 15th December, 1948, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m., unless Mr. Speaker, or if Mr. Speaker be unable to act on account of illness, or other cause, the Chairman of Committees, shall, prior to that date, by telegram or letter addressed to each Member of the House, fix an earlier day and hour of meeting.
Question put and passed.

16. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Evatt moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Mr. McGrath moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—“That the Question be now put.”

The House divided.

Ayes, 35.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Hawkins	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Landa	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Dring	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Evatt	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Finnan	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. W. McC. Gollan
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Noble	
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Nott	
Mr. Gorman	Mr. O'Sullivan	

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Noes, 27.

Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Richardson
Mr. Black	Mr. Hunter	Lieut.-Col. Robson
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Lang	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Drummond	Mr. McCaw	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Cross
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Morton	Mr. Lawson
Mr. Frith	Mr. Padman	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. John Reid	

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members,"—

Original Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-four minutes after One o'clock, a.m., until *Wednesday, 15th December, 1948*, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m., unless an earlier date be fixed in accordance with the terms of the Resolution adopted at this Sitting.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 21.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 15 DECEMBER, 1948

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. **MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—SHARK MESHING CONTRACT:**—Mr. Cahill made a Ministerial Statement concerning the contract for shark-meshing along Sydney beaches, and the inquiry relating thereto which is being carried out by the Chief Secretary's Department. He also indicated that, in view of the present surfing season, the policy of the Government was to supervise more closely the existing contract which, in the public interest, it was considered desirable to continue for the time being. Mr. Howarth also addressed the House.

2. **PAPERS:**—

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table file of papers relating to the case of Mr. C. L. S. Falkiner, and his application for a Closer Settlement Lease, Wantabadgery Estate.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Evatt, *on behalf of Mr. Baddeley*, laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Report of the Hunter District Water Board for the year ended 30th June, 1948.
- (2.) Report of the Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers' Pensions Tribunals, together with Statements of Accounts and Balance-sheets, for the year ended 30th June, 1948.
- (3.) Report of the Joint Coal Board for the period 1st March, 1947, to 30th June, 1948.

Ordered to be printed.

(4.) Amendments of By-laws under the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1924-1945.

(5.) Amendment of Regulations and Rules under the Totalizator Act, 1916-1937.

(6.) Copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation of Mr. J. L. James, Department of Mines.

(7.) Balance-sheets of Art Unions under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of—

Food for Britain Fund.

Furlough House.

New South Wales Institution for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind.

St. Anthony's Church Funds.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Evatt laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Statement showing relative production figures for bricks, tiles, baths and wash boilers for the years 1946-47 and 1947-48.

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(2.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1912-1947, at—

Bathurst.	Herne Bay.
Blayney.	Hurstville.
Cardiff.	Morpeth.
Cootamundra.	Penrith.
Dundas.	Quirindi.
Eastwood.	Unanderra.
Five Dock.	West Maitland.
Gladesville.	Windsor.
Granville.	

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table By-laws under the Government Railways Act, 1912-1945.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table Report of the Department of Conservation for the year ended 30th June, 1948.

Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table amendments of Ordinance under the Local Government Act, 1919.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Finnan laid upon the Table amendments of Regulations under the Workers' Compensation Act, 1926-1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

(1.) Co-operation (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Co-operation Acts, 1923-1947, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 14th December, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(2.) State Coal Mines (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the State Coal Mines Act, 1912-1942, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 14th December, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(3.) Hide and Leather Industries Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to make certain provisions in relation to the hide and leather industries; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 14th December, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

HIDE AND LEATHER INDUSTRIES BILL.

Schedule of the amendments referred to in Message of 14th December, 1948.

W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

No. 1.—Page 9, clause 16, line 7. *After "may" insert "upon production of a warrant issued by a Justice of the Peace, which warrant the said Justice is hereby authorised to issue".*

No. 2.—Page 11. *After line 14 add new clause as follows:—*

"22. (1) This Act shall remain in force for a period of twelve months after the commencement thereof and no longer.

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“(2) The expiry of this Act shall not affect the previous operation thereof or the validity of any action taken thereunder or any penalty incurred in respect of any contravention of or failure to comply with this Act or any proceeding or remedy in respect of any such penalty or punishment.”

Examined,—

T. STEELE,
Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration at a later hour of the Day.

(4.) Fauna Protection Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled “*An Act to make provisions for the protection and preservation of fauna; to repeal the Birds and Animals Protection Act, 1918-1930; and to amend certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.*”—with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 14th December, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

FAUNA PROTECTION BILL.

Schedule of the amendments referred to in Message of 14th December, 1948.

W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

No. 1.—Page 4, clause 5, paragraph (b), lines 12 to 18 inclusive. *Omit all words on these lines, insert—*

“(b) Two members, one of whom shall be an officer of the Forestry Commission of New South Wales, and the other an officer of the Department of Conservation, shall be appointed on the nomination of the Minister for Conservation.

“(c) One member shall be appointed on the nomination of the Colonial Secretary and shall be an officer of the Chief Secretary’s Department.”

No. 2.—Page 14, clause 19, lines 29 and 30. *Omit “and not for purposes of sale”.*

Examined,—

T. STEELE,
Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration forthwith.

4. FAUNA PROTECTION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. Evatt, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council’s amendments.

On motion of Mr. Evatt, the Report was adopted.

The following Message sent to the Legislative Council:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled “*An Act to make provisions for the protection and preservation of fauna; to repeal the Birds and Animals Protection Act, 1918-1930, and to amend certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.*”

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 15th December, 1948.

5. HIDE AND LEATHER INDUSTRIES BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. Finnan, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council’s amendments.

On motion of Mr. Finnan, the Report was adopted.

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The following Message sent to the Legislative Council:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "*An Act to make certain provisions in relation to the hide and leather industries; and for purposes connected therewith.*"

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 15th December, 1948.

6. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Evatt moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Wednesday, 23rd February, 1949, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m., unless Mr. Speaker, or if Mr. Speaker be unable to act on account of illness, or other cause, the Chairman of Committees, shall, prior to that date, by telegram or letter addressed to each Member of the House, fix an earlier day and hour of meeting.
Question put and passed.
7. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Wattison, as Acting Chairman, brought up the Third Report from the Printing Committee.
8. SCAFFOLDING AND LIFTS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Evatt and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 31.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Scaffolding and Lifts Act, 1912-1942, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 14th December, 1948.

9. WAR SERVICE LAND SETTLEMENT AND CLOSER SETTLEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—
(1.) Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—
Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to make further provision for and in relation to the settlement on the land of members or discharged members of His Majesty's naval, military, or air forces and other eligible persons; to constitute and define the powers of war service land settlement boards; to make further provision for the acquisition of land for the purposes of war service land settlement and the price which may be paid for such land; to make special provision in relation to a closer settlement lease of portion 179, Parish of Bilda, County of Clarendon; to validate certain matters; for these and other purposes to amend the War Service Land Settlement Act, 1941, as amended by subsequent Acts, the Closer Settlement Acts and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—with the amendment indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendment the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 15th December, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

WAR SERVICE LAND SETTLEMENT AND CLOSER SETTLEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL.
Schedule of the amendment referred to in Message of 15th December, 1948.

W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

Page 29, clause 9, subclause (5), lines 13 to 17 inclusive. Omit the whole of subclause (5) and insert in lieu thereof the following new subclause:—

"(5) No compensation other than for any improvements effected on the said land by the said Charles Leslie Sadler Falkiner prior to the thirtieth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight, shall be

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payable to the said Charles Leslie Sadler Falkiner or to any other person in respect of the divesting of any estate or interest by this section or in respect of the performance of any act authorised by this section.

"Any compensation for any improvements under this subsection shall be such compensation as may be determined by a war service land settlement board or by the Land and Valuation Court on appeal by the said Charles Leslie Sadler Falkiner from the decision of such board or on reference by the Minister of such decision to such Court."

Examined,—

T. STEELE,

Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration forthwith.

(2.) The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. Sheahan, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendment.

On motion of Mr. Sheahan, the Report was adopted.

The following Message sent to the Legislative Council:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "*An Act to make further provision for and in relation to the settlement on the land of members or discharged members of His Majesty's naval, military, or air forces and other eligible persons; to constitute and define the powers of war service land settlement boards; to make further provision for the acquisition of land for the purposes of war service land settlement and the price which may be paid for such land; to make special provision in relation to a closer settlement lease of portion 179, Parish of Bilda, County of Clarendon; to validate certain matters; for these and other purposes to amend the War Service Land Settlement Act, 1941, as amended by subsequent Acts, the Closer Settlement Acts and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.*"

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 15th December, 1948.

10. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Evatt moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Fifteen minutes after Five o'clock, p.m., until Wednesday, 23rd February, 1949, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m., unless an earlier date be fixed in accordance with the terms of the Resolution adopted at this Sitting.

H. ROBBINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,

Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 22.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 23 FEBRUARY, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. ADDRESS OF SYMPATHY TO HIS MAJESTY THE KING ON THE OCCASION OF THE DEFERMENT OF THE ROYAL VISIT TO NEW SOUTH WALES:—Mr. Speaker reported the following letter from His Excellency the Governor:—

Government House, Sydney,
22nd February, 1949.

Mr. President and Mr. Speaker,—

I have the honour to advise you that I have received from the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations, the following reply to an Address adopted by the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales on the occasion of the deferment of the Royal Visit:—

“I have the honour to inform you that your despatch, No. 101 of the 7th December, conveying an Address to His Majesty the King from the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, has been laid before His Majesty.

I have it in command from His Majesty to request you to convey to the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly an expression of his sincere thanks for the Address on the occasion of the deferment of the Royal Visit to New South Wales.”

I have the honour to be,
Gentlemen,
Your most obedient Servant,
J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

The Honourable the President of the Legislative Council
and
The Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

2. CONGRATULATORY ADDRESS TO THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES THE PRINCESS ELIZABETH, DUCHESS OF EDINBURGH, AND THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH ON THE BIRTH OF A SON:—Mr. Speaker reported the following letter from His Excellency the Governor:—

Government House, Sydney,
20th January, 1949.

Mr. President and Mr. Speaker,—

I have the honour to advise you that I have received from the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations, the following

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reply to the congratulatory Address adopted by the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales on the occasion of the birth of Prince Charles:—

"I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch, No. 95 of the 25th November, conveying an Address to Their Royal Highnesses the Princess Elizabeth, Duchess of Edinburgh, and the Duke of Edinburgh on the occasion of the birth of Prince Charles.

Their Royal Highnesses desire that an expression of their sincere thanks be conveyed to the Legislature of New South Wales."

I have the honour to be,

Gentlemen,

Your most obedient Servant,

F. R. JORDAN,

By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

The Honourable the President of the Legislative Council
and

The Honourable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

3. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. James McGirr and read by Mr. Speaker:—

(1.) State Coal Mines (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 32.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the State Coal Mines Act, 1912-1942, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 16th December, 1948.

(2.) Workers' Compensation (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 33.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to increase the amounts payable by way of compensation under the Workers' Compensation Act, 1926-1947, and the Workers' Compensation (Silicosis) Act, 1942-1946; for this and other purposes to amend the said Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 16th December, 1948.

(3.) Racing (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 34.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for betting at night trotting meetings; to constitute a Greyhound Racing Control Board and to define its powers and functions; to make certain provisions as to appeals from decisions of certain racing clubs and stewards to the Committee of the Australian Jockey Club; for these and other purposes to amend the Gaming and Betting Act, 1912-1942, the Australian Jockey Club Act, 1873; the Economic Stability and War-time Provisions Continuance Act, 1946-1947, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 16th December, 1948.

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(4.) Hide and Leather Industries Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 35.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to make certain provisions in relation to the hide and leather industries; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 21st December, 1948.

(5.) Landlord and Tenant (Further Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 36.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend section thirty-one of the Landlord and Tenant Act of 1899; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 23rd December, 1948.

(6.) War Service Land Settlement and Closer Settlement (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 37.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to make further provision for and in relation to the settlement on the land of members or discharged members of His Majesty's naval, military, or air forces and other eligible persons; to constitute and define the powers of war service land settlement boards; to make further provision for the acquisition of land for the purposes of war service land settlement and the price which may be paid for such land; to make special provision in relation to a closer settlement lease of portion 179, Parish of Bilda, County of Clarendon; to validate certain matters; for these and other purposes to amend the War Service Land Settlement Act, 1941, as amended by subsequent Acts, the Closer Settlement Acts and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 24th December, 1948.

(7.) Wheat Industry Stabilisation Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 38.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to make certain provisions in relation to the stabilisation of the wheat industry; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 24th December, 1948.

(8.) Fauna Protection Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 39.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to make provisions for the protection and preservation of fauna; to repeal the Birds and Animals Protection Act, 1918-1930, and to amend certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His

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Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

*Government House,
Sydney, 24th December, 1948.*

(9.) Local Government (Further Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 40.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, the Local Government (Areas) Act, 1948, the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1946, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

*Government House,
Sydney, 24th December, 1948.*

(10.) Co-operation (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 41.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Co-operation Acts, 1923-1947, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

*Government House,
Sydney, 24th December, 1948.*

4. TRIENNIAL ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF NEW SOUTH WALES:—

(1.) Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from His Excellency the Governor:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 42.

In pursuance of section seven of the Constitution (Legislative Council Elections) Act, 1932-1937, the Governor desires to inform the Legislative Assembly that he has this day, with the advice of the Executive Council, issued under that Act a Writ for the election of fifteen Members of the Legislative Council to fill the seats of the following Members, whose terms of service are about to expire:—

The Honourable George Stacher Archer,
The Honourable Thomas Armstrong,
Captain the Honourable William James Bradley, K.C., B.A., LL.B.,
Colonel the Honourable Hector Joseph Richard Clayton, B.A., LL.B.,
The Honourable William James Gibb,
The Honourable James Joseph Graves,
Major the Honourable Frederick Percival Kneeshaw, O.B.E.,
The Honourable Hugh Latimer, A.C.C.A.
The Honourable Alan William McNamara,
The Honourable Marsden Erle Manfred,
The Honourable Robert Emmet Savage,
The Honourable Frank William Spicer,
Lieutenant-Colonel the Honourable Thomas Steele,
The Honourable Sir Charles Graham Waddell, K.B.E.,
The Honourable Hugh Moffitt Wragge.

The Writ is directed to William Kenneth Charlton, Esquire, Clerk of the Parliaments of the State of New South Wales, Returning Officer for the elections of Members of the Legislative Council of New South Wales.

This Message is accompanied by a copy of the Writ.

In order that both Houses of Parliament may be duly informed of the issue of the Writ, a like Message is this day addressed by the Governor to the President of the Legislative Council.

*Government House,
Sydney, 23rd February, 1949.*

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Mr. Speaker also announced that the Message was accompanied by a copy of the Writ.

Mr. Speaker then directed the Clerk to read the Writ, which was as follows:—

WRIT FOR THE ELECTION OF FIFTEEN MEMBERS TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF
NEW SOUTH WALES.

*“George the Sixth, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland, and the
British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith.*

“To WILLIAM KENNETH CHARLTON, Esquire, Clerk of the Parliaments of the
“State of New South Wales, Returning Officer for the Elections of
“Members of the Legislative Council of our State of New South Wales—

“Greeting:

“WHEREAS by the Constitution Act, 1902, as amended by subsequent Acts, it
“is provided in section 17F that the term of service of the Members of Our
“Legislative Council of Our State of New South Wales shall expire at the
“end of twelve years from the commencement of such term: And whereas the
“term of service of fifteen Members commenced on the twenty-third day of
“April, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven: And whereas it is provided
“further in the said section 17F that an election to fill the seats of Members
“of Our said Legislative Council whose terms of service are about to expire
“shall be held during the period of six months immediately preceding the date
“of the expiration of such terms of service: And whereas Our Governor of
“Our said State, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, has
“accordingly decided to issue this Writ for the purposes of the election of
“fifteen Members to Our said Legislative Council to fill the seats of the
“following fifteen Members thereof whose terms of service are about to expire,
“namely, the Honourable George Stacher Archer, the Honourable Thomas
“Armstrong, Captain the Honourable William James Bradley, K.C., B.A.,
“LL.B., Colonel the Honourable Hector Joseph Richard Clayton, B.A., LL.B.,
“the Honourable William James Gibb, the Honourable James Joseph Graves,
“Major the Honourable Frederick Percival Kneeshaw, O.B.E., the Honourable
“Hugh Latimer, A.C.C.A., the Honourable Alan William McNamara, the
“Honourable Marsden Erle Manfred, the Honourable Robert Emmet Savage,
“the Honourable Frank William Spicer, Lieutenant-Colonel the Honourable
“Thomas Steele, the Honourable Sir Charles Graham Waddell, K.B.E., and
“the Honourable Hugh Moffitt Wragge: Now therefore Our Governor of Our
“State of New South Wales, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof,
“issues to you WILLIAM KENNETH CHARLTON this Our Writ for the purposes
“of the election as provided by law of fifteen Members to Our said Legislative
“Council to fill the seats of the fifteen Members thereof hereinbefore named
“whose terms of service are about to expire: And in this Our Writ the fifteenth
“day of March, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine, is appointed by Our
“Governor of Our said State, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof,
“as the day on or before which all nominations of candidates at the said Election
“shall be made: And Our Governor of Our said State, with the advice of the
“Executive Council thereof, in and by this Our Writ appoints the thirty-first
“day of March, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine, as the day upon
“which a sitting of the Members of the Legislative Council of Our said State
“and a sitting of the Members of the Legislative Assembly of Our said State
“shall be held for the purpose of taking the votes of those Members in the
“respective Houses of Parliament of Our said State: And Our Governor of
“Our said State, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, in and by
“this Our Writ appoints the hour of two-thirty o'clock in the afternoon as the
“hour at which the taking of votes at a sitting of the Members of the Legislative
“Council of Our said State and at a sitting of the Members of the Legislative
“Assembly of Our said State shall respectively commence on the day so
“appointed: And Our Governor of Our said State, with the advice of the
“Executive Council thereof, in and by this Our Writ appoints the hour of
“six-thirty o'clock in the afternoon as the hour at which the taking of votes
“at such sittings shall respectively terminate on the day so appointed: And
“in this Our Writ the nineteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and
“forty-nine, is appointed by Our Governor of Our said State, with the advice
“of the Executive Council thereof, as the day upon which this Our Writ shall
“be returnable to Our Governor of Our said State: And whereas Our Governor
“of Our said State by witnessing this Our Writ testifies the issue of this Our
“Writ and that the said days and hours are so appointed: Now we do in and by
“this Our Writ direct the election of fifteen Members to Our Legislative
“Council of Our State of New South Wales to fill the seats of the fifteen Members
“thereof hereinbefore named whose terms of service are about to expire and
“direct and appoint that the said fifteenth day of March, one thousand nine
“hundred and forty-nine shall be the day on or before which all nominations
“of candidates at the said election shall be made (such nominations being made

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"in manner and form and at the time and otherwise as provided by law), that
 "the said election shall be held according to law and that a sitting of the
 "Members of the Legislative Council of Our said State and a sitting of the
 "Members of the Legislative Assembly of Our said State shall be held according
 "to law for the purposes of taking the votes of those Members in the respective
 "Houses of the Parliament of the said State on the day so appointed, that
 "the hour at which the taking of votes at such sittings shall respectively
 "commence on such day shall be the hour so appointed for the commencement
 "thereof as provided by law and that the hour at which the taking of votes at
 "such sittings shall respectively terminate on such day shall be the hour so
 "appointed for the termination thereof as provided by law: And we do further
 "in and by this Our Writ direct and appoint that this Our Writ shall be
 "returnable to Our Governor of Our said State upon the nineteenth day of
 "April, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine.

"In testimony whereof, We have caused this Our Writ to be sealed
 "with the Public Seal of Our said State.

"Witness Our Trusty and Well-beloved Lieutenant-General JOHN NORTHCOTT,
 "Companion of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Member of
 "Our Royal Victorian Order, Our Governor of Our State of New South
 "Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia, at
 "Sydney, in Our said State, this twenty-third day of February, in the
 "year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine, and in
 "the thirteenth year of Our Reign.

"J. NORTHCOTT,
 "Governor.

"By His Excellency's Command,
 "JAMES MCGIRR."

(2.) Mr. Speaker directed that the taking of the votes of Members in the
 Legislative Assembly for the Triennial Election of Members to the Legislative
 Council be set down as an Order of the Day for the day of the ballot appointed
 in the Writ mentioned in His Excellency's Message of the 23rd February,
 1949, viz.:—

31st March, 1949.

Mr. Speaker intimated that on such day the taking of the votes would take
 precedence of all other business.

5. DEATH OF MARK ANTHONY DAVIDSON, ESQUIRE, MEMBER FOR COBAR:—Mr. Speaker
 informed the House that, during the adjournment, he had received from the
 Registrar-General a certified copy of the certificate of death, which took place on
 9th January, 1949, of Mark Anthony Davidson, Esquire, lately serving in the
 Legislative Assembly of New South Wales as Member for the Electoral District
 of Cobar.

6. DEATH OF WILLIAM JOSEPH CARLTON, ESQUIRE, MEMBER FOR CONCORD:—Mr. Speaker
 informed the House that, during the adjournment, he had received from the
 Registrar-General a certified copy of the certificate of death, which took place on
 30th January, 1949, of William Joseph Carlton, Esquire, lately serving in the
 Legislative Assembly of New South Wales as Member for the Electoral District
 of Concord.

7. VACANT SEATS:—

(1.) *Electoral District of Cobar*:—Mr. Speaker informed the House that, during
 the adjournment, in accordance with the direction of the 70th section of the
 Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, as amended, he had issued
 a Writ for the Election of a Member to serve in the Legislative Assembly for
 the Electoral District of Cobar, in the room of Mark Anthony Davidson,
 Esquire, deceased; and that the said Writ was returnable on or before the
 twenty-fourth day of March next.

(2.) *Electoral District of Concord*:—Mr. Speaker informed the House that, during
 the adjournment, in accordance with the direction of the 70th section of the
 Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, as amended, he had issued
 a Writ for the Election of a Member to serve in the Legislative Assembly for
 the Electoral District of Concord, in the room of William Joseph Carlton,
 Esquire, deceased; and that the said Writ was returnable on or before the
 twenty-fourth day of March next.

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8. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Tuesday, 15th March, 1949, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m., unless Mr. Speaker, or if Mr. Speaker be unable to act on account of illness or other cause, the Chairman of Committees, shall, prior to that date by telegram or letter addressed to each Member of the House, fix an earlier day and the hour of meeting.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

9. DEATH OF MARK ANTHONY DAVIDSON, ESQUIRE, MEMBER FOR COBAR:—Mr. James McGirr moved (*by consent*) without Notice,—

(1.) That this House desires to place on record its sense of the loss this State has sustained by the death of Mark Anthony Davidson, Esquire, Member for Cobar.

(2.) That Mr. Speaker be requested to communicate to Mrs. Davidson and the family of the deceased the above resolution, together with an expression of the sympathy and sorrow of the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in the loss they have sustained.

The Motion having been seconded by Mr. Treatt and supported by Mr. Vincent and Mr. Wattison,—

Question put and carried unanimously,—Members and Officers of the House standing.

10. DEATH OF WILLIAM JOSEPH CARLTON, ESQUIRE, MEMBER FOR CONCORD:—Mr. James McGirr moved (*by consent*) without Notice,—

(1.) That this House desires to place on record its sense of the loss this State has sustained by the death of William Joseph Carlton, Esquire, Member for Concord.

(2.) That Mr. Speaker be requested to communicate to Mrs. Carlton and the family of the deceased the above resolution, together with an expression of the sympathy and sorrow of the Members of the Legislative Assembly in the loss they have sustained.

The Motion having been seconded by Mr. Treatt and supported by Mr. Vincent, Mrs. Fowler, Mr. Cahill, Mr. Howarth, Mr. Shannon, Mr. Brain, Mr. Morton, and Mr. McGrath,—

Question put and carried unanimously,—Members and Officers of the House standing.

11. DEATH OF MATTHEW KILPATRICK, ESQUIRE, FORMERLY A MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:—Mr. James McGirr moved (*by consent*) without Notice.—

(1.) That this House desires to place on record its sense of the loss this State has sustained by the death of Matthew Kilpatrick, Esquire, formerly a Member of the Legislative Assembly.

(2.) That Mr. Speaker be requested to communicate to Mrs. Kilpatrick and the family of the deceased the above resolution, together with an expression of the sympathy and sorrow of the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in the loss they have sustained.

The Motion having been seconded by Mr. Treatt and supported by Mr. Vincent,—

Question put and carried unanimously,—Members and Officers of the House standing.

12. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That, as a tribute of respect, this House do now adjourn.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Three minutes before Four o'clock, p.m., until Tuesday, 15th March, 1949, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m., unless an earlier date be fixed in accordance with the terms of the Resolution adopted at this Sitting.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 23.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 15 MARCH, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PETITION—REMOVAL OF THE INCINERATOR AT ASHFIELD MUNICIPAL GARBAGE DUMP AND ABANDONMENT OF THE AREA AS A RUBBISH TIP:—Mr. Hunter presented a Petition from certain residents of the Municipality of Ashfield representing that the Ashfield Municipal Garbage Dump and Incinerator are a public nuisance and a breeding ground for vermin, and praying that immediate steps be taken by the Government (a) to remove the incinerator, (b) to abandon the area as a rubbish tip, and (c) to hasten the work of filling in the rubbish tip with clean soil and rock.

Petition received.

2. BUSINESS DAYS, HOURS OF SITTING, AND PRECEDENCE OF BUSINESS (*Sessional Order*):—Mr. James McGirr moved (*by consent*), without Notice,—

(1.) That during the remainder of the present Session, unless otherwise ordered, this House shall meet for the despatch of business at 2.30 p.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday, and at 11 a.m. on Thursday in each week. General Business shall take precedence of Government Business on Tuesdays until 6 p.m.; after that hour, and on Wednesdays and Thursdays, Government Business shall take precedence of General Business. Notices of Motions and Orders of the Day of General Business shall take precedence on each alternate Tuesday.

(2.) The House shall not sit later than 10.30 p.m. on each sitting day, except on Thursdays, when the House shall not sit later than 5.30 p.m., and the proceedings on any business under consideration shall be interrupted as hereinafter provided—

(a) If the interruption be in the House the debate shall stand adjourned at 10.20 p.m., and on Thursdays at 5.20 p.m., and the Speaker shall call upon the Member in charge of the business to name the date for the resumption of the debate. The Member speaking shall have pre-audience on such resumption.

(b) If the interruption be in Committee, the Chairman at 10.15 p.m., and on Thursdays at 5.15 p.m., shall leave the Chair, report progress, and ask leave to sit again on a date fixed by the Member in charge of the business under consideration, no debate or amendment being allowed.

At the moment of interruption, motions for the adjournment of the House under Standing Order No. 49, or of the debate, or in Committee that the Chairman leave the Chair, or report progress, or that a clause be postponed, shall lapse without Question put. Provided that if, at the moment of interruption, a Division be in progress, such Division shall be completed, and the result announced.

(3.) At 10.30 p.m. and on Thursdays at 5.30 p.m. the Speaker shall adjourn the House, without Question put.

(4.) Nothing in this Sessional Order shall operate to prevent the House adjourning at an earlier hour.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

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3. PUBLIC SERVICE (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. James McGirr and read by Mr. Speaker:—
F. R. JORDAN, Message No. 43.

By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to amend section forty-eight of the Public Service Act, 1902, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

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Sydney, 9th March, 1949.*

4. TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES:—Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 28, nominated John Stanley Freeman, Esquire, to act as a Temporary Chairman of Committees during the present Session, in place of William Joseph Carlton, deceased.

5. PAPERS:—

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Report by the Colonial Treasurer respecting Agreements entered into by him with the Co-operative Building Societies under section 17A of the Co-operation Act, 1923-1948, for the quarter commencing 1st October, 1948.
- (2.) Amendment of Regulation under the Friendly Societies Act, 1912-1948.
- (3.) Amendments of By-law under the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1924-1945.
- (4.) Regulation under the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900-1941.
- (5.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of the New South Wales State Lotteries for the year ended 30th June, 1948.
- (6.) Amendments of Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1902.
- (7.) Substituted Rules and amendments of Rules under the Police Regulation Act, 1899, as amended.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Amendment of Rule under the Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1912-1947.
- (2.) Substituted Regulation under the Explosives Act, 1905.
- (3.) Regulation under the Mines Rescue Act, 1925.
- (4.) Return to an Order made on the 21st October, 1884, "Authorities to Mine issued since January, 1882, under the Mining Act, 1874."
- (5.) Amendments of Regulation under the Careless Use of Fire Act, 1912.
- (6.) Notification extending the operation of section 32 of the Economic Stability and War-time Provisions Continuance Act, 1946, as amended.
- (7.) Amendments of Regulations under the Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act, 1935-1942.
- (8.) Amendments of Regulations under the Gaming and Betting Act, 1912-1948.
- (9.) Balance-sheets of Art Unions under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of—

American-Australasian Ex-Servicemen's Memorial Club.

Balmain and District Maternity Hospital.

Balmain Police-Citizens Boys' Club.

Catholic Welfare Bureau—Samaritan Fund.

Engadine Literary Institute.

Lewisham Hospital, Wagga Wagga.

Lithgow and District Labor Day Committee.

Merimbula Sub-branch, R.S.S. & A.I.L.A. Building Fund.

North Coast Ambulance Transport Services' Association.

R.A.A.F. Memorial Centre.

Riverview College War Memorial.

War Widows' Guild—Eastern Command.

Wellington Combined Show and Sportsground Trust.

- (10.) Statement of Receipts and Disbursements of the National Relief Fund of New South Wales for 1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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Mr. Evatt laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1912-1947, at—

Balmain.	Milson's Point.
Bass Hills (2).	Miranda.
Berry.	Narromine.
Blacktown.	North Bondi.
Boorowa.	Nowra.
Brewarrina.	Padstow.
Bundarra.	Parramatta North.
Camperdown.	Pott's Hill.
Caringbah.	Punchbowl.
Casino.	Raymond Terrace.
Chullora.	Reidtown.
Cooma.	Riverview.
Coonabarabran.	Sefton (2).
Cootamundra.	South Coogee.
Cowan.	Stockton.
Ermington.	Taree.
Five Dock.	Toongabbie.
Glebe.	Toronto (2).
Granville.	Villawood.
Herne Bay.	Wagga Wagga.
Katoomba.	Waterloo.
Kingsford.	Wauchope.
Leeton.	Windsor.
Millthorpe.	Yenda.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. C. E. Martin laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Amendments of Regulations under the Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Act, 1948.
- (2.) Amendments of Regulations under the Public Trustee Act, 1913-1942.
- (3.) Rule under the Rivers and Foreshores Improvement Act, 1948.
- (4.) Copy of Report on the working of the Companies Act, 1936, for 1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Copy of Report of the Department of Public Works for the year ended 30th June, 1947.
- (2.) Regulations and amendment of Regulation under the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935, as amended.
- (3.) Report of the Electricity Authority of New South Wales for the year ended 30th June, 1948.
- (4.) Amendment of Regulation under the Wild Flowers and Native Plants Protection Act, 1927-1945.
- (5.) Amendments of Ordinances under the Local Government Act, 1919.
- (6.) Copy of Minute of the Public Service Board, respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. J. B. S. Corven, Department of Public Works.
- (7.) Notifications (4) of acquisition of land and/or easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purpose of the Southern Electricity Supply of New South Wales.
- (8.) Notifications of acquisition of land and/or easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purpose of the Local Government Act, 1919, in the following areas:—

Bourke Municipality (4).	Kogarah Municipality.
Canterbury Municipality.	Ku-ring-gai Municipality (3).
Clarence River County.	Kyogle Shire.
Eastwood Municipality.	Lake Macquarie Shire.
Ermington and Rydalmere Municipality.	Mascot Municipality.
Granville Municipality.	Orange City.
Greater Newcastle City (2).	Randwick Municipality.
Hornsby Shire.	Rockdale Municipality.
Hunter's Hill Municipality.	Ryde Municipality.
Ingleburn Municipality (2).	Sutherland Shire.
Jemalong Shire (2).	Willoughby Municipality.
	Woolahra Municipality.

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(9.) Notifications of acquisition of land and/or easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purpose of the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1924-1945, as follow:—

- Bimlow Water Supply.
- Collaroy Water Supply.
- Wollondilly Water Supply.

(10.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purpose of the Forestry Act, 1916-46—Scotchman State Forest No. 486. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. C. A. Kelly laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Copy Statements of Accounts of the Metropolitan Meat Industry Commissioner, for the year ended 30th June, 1948.
 - (2.) Regulations under the Public Health Act, 1902-1944.
 - (3.) Amendments of By-law under the Milk Act, 1931-1942.
- Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Graham laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Report of the Department of Agriculture for the year ended 30th June, 1948.
 - (2.) Regulation under the Noxious Insects Act, 1934.
 - (3.) Amendment of Regulation under the Centenary Celebration Act, 1887.
 - (4.) Amendment of By-law under the Public Parks Act, 1912.
- Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Notifications of acquisition of land and/or easement under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for works in connection with—
 - (a) Channels in the Mirrool No. 1 Irrigation Area (2).
 - (b) Channel in the Tullakool Irrigation Area.
 - (c) Water Conservation storage in Lake Ballyrogan (2).
 - (d) Dam across the Namoi River at Keepit.
 - (e) Dams (2) across the Hunter River at Glenbawn.
 - (f) Control of flooding of Moira State Forest.
 - (g) Jemalong Domestic and Stock Water Supply and Irrigation District.
 - (2.) Abstract of Crown Lands intended to be dedicated for public purposes in accordance with the provisions of section 24 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
 - (3.) Copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. Igor Sterelny and Mr. E. T. Clark, Department of Conservation.
 - (4.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, and the Murrumbidgee Irrigation Area Resumption Act, 1910, as amended, for the purposes of the Murrumbidgee Irrigation Act, 1910, and the Irrigation Act, 1912, as amended.
 - (5.) Regulations under the Rivers and Foreshores Improvement Act, 1948.
- Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Notifications of acquisition of land and/or easement under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the following Railway purposes:—

- (a) Provision of Electric Substation at Carlingford.
- (b) Maintaining the traffic on existing line of Railway between—
 - (i) Central and Tempe—additional tracks at St. Peters.
 - (ii) Central and Tempe—additional tracks at Erskineville (2).
 - (iii) Yass and Harden—extensions to existing quarry at Illalong Creek.
 - (iv) Sydney and Newcastle—up and down Refuge Loops at Morriset.
 - (v) Sydney and Bourke—remodelling traffic yard at Blayney.
- (c) Electric High-tension Transmission Line between Taree and Kempsey (3).
- (d) Confirming the Commissioner for Railways' title to land at (a) Regent's Park and (b) Upper Manilla.
- (e) Authorised line of Railway between Sandy Hollow and Maryvale by provision of earthworks at Whiddon.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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Mr. Finnan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Regulation extending the period of the operation of the Building Operations and Building Materials Control Act, 1945.
- (2.) Amendments of Regulations under the Workmen's Compensation (Lead Poisoning—Broken Hill) Act, 1922, as amended.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Abstract of Crown Lands intended to be dedicated for public purposes in accordance with the provisions of section 24 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
- (2.) Amended schedule of Fees and Charges in connection with the Regulations for the management of the following Burial Grounds:—
 - (a) Necropolis (2).
 - (b) Lithgow General Cemetery.
 - (c) Hay General Cemetery.
 - (d) Botany General Cemetery.
 - (e) French's Forest General Cemetery.
 - (f) Singleton General Cemetery.
 - (g) Parkes General Cemetery.
- (3.) *Gazette* Notice setting forth the mode in which it is proposed to deal with certain land under section 25 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
- (4.) Notifications of resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Public Recreation Purposes at (a) Bundarra, (b) Austral, (c) Hoxton Park and (d) Tooma.
- (5.) Copy Report of the Trustees of Captain Cook's Landing Place for the year ended 30th June, 1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

6. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. Cahill and read by Mr. Speaker:—

(1.) **Moruya River Improvements (Extension of Works) Bill:—**

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 44.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to sanction and to provide for the carrying out of improvement works for the Moruya River; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 1st March, 1949.*

(2.) **Canterbury-road Bridge Reconstruction Bill:—**

F. R. JORDAN,

Message No. 45.

By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to sanction and to provide for the reconstruction of the bridge over the Cooks River at Canterbury; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 11th March, 1949.*

(3.) **Lake Illawarra and Cowra Power Stations (Construction) Bill:—**

F. R. JORDAN,

Message No. 46.

By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to sanction the construction of power stations

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for the purpose of generating electricity by steam power at Lake Illawarra and Cowra with transmission lines and necessary subsidiary works for the distribution of electricity therefrom; to amend the Southern Electricity (Administration) Act, 1942, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 11th March, 1949.*

7. DESIGNATION OF "BRITISH COMMONWEALTH OF NATIONS":—Mr. Turner moved, pursuant to Notice,—

(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the omission of the word "British" from the long established designation "British Commonwealth of Nations" in the final communique issued by the Dominion Prime Ministers' Conference, recently held in London, is to be deplored, because such omission is likely to establish a new usage which this House believes would be highly detrimental to the best interests of the British Commonwealth of Nations and inimical to those of the people of this State and of Australia.

(2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Mr. Speaker to His Excellency the Governor, together with a request that it be conveyed to the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations.

Debate ensued.

And it being Six o'clock, p.m., Debate interrupted pursuant to Sessional Order.

Ordered, That the Debate stand adjourned until Tuesday, 29th March.

The House adjourned at One minute after Six o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,

Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 24.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 16 MARCH, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by the Ministers named, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

By Mr. Cahill,—

- (1.) River Murray Waters (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 47.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to ratify and approve an Agreement for the further variation of a certain Agreement entered into between the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth and the Premiers of the States of New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia, respecting the River Murray and Lake Victoria and other waters; to amend the River Murray Waters Act, 1915-1934, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

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Sydney, 15 March, 1949.*

By Mr. Weir,—

- (2.) Conservation Authority of New South Wales Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 48.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to provide for the constitution of the Conservation Authority of New South Wales and to define its powers, authorities, duties and functions; to reconstitute the Water Conservation and Irrigation Commission; to amend the Irrigation Act, 1912-1946, the Forestry Act, 1916-1946, the Soil Conservation Act, 1938-1947, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 15 March, 1949.*

- (3.) Menindee Water Conservation Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 49.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite

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expenses in connection with a Bill to sanction and to provide for the construction of a water-conserving storage at Menindee; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 15 March, 1949.*

2. CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES:—

(1.) Mr. Speaker informed the House of the illness of the Chairman of Committees, Mr. George Booth, and intimated that he was unlikely to be able to attend to his duties for at least the remainder of the present Session.

(2.) Mr. McGrath moved (*by consent*), without Notice, That leave of absence for the remainder of the present Session be granted to George Booth, Esquire, Chairman of Committees, on account of illness.

Question put and passed.

3. ACTING CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES:—Mr. James McGirr moved (*by consent*) without Notice, That Robert Douglas Gorman, Esquire, be appointed to act temporarily in the capacity of Chairman of Committees and Deputy-Speaker in the unavoidable absence of the Member elected to that office, with all the powers appertaining thereto.

Question put and passed.

4. PAPERS:—

Mr. Heffron laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Copy of Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for 1947.

(2.) Copy of Report of the Bursary Endowment Board for the year ended 30th June, 1948.

(3.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of the Public Instruction Act, 1880, at—

Bermagui.	Kempsey.
Boorowa.	Largs.
Castle Hill.	Loftus.
Coff's Harbour.	Port Macquarie.
Colyton.	Regent's Park.
Cronulla North.	Ultimo.
Gloucester.	Taree North.
Katoomba North.	Woy Woy.

(4.) Amendments of By-laws under the University and University Colleges Act, 1900-1948.

(5.) Copy of Statutes and By-laws of St. Andrew's College within the University of Sydney.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Graham laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation of Mr. G. L. Edwards and Mr. L. F. Olney, Department of Agriculture.

(2.) Report on the further Suspension of the Horse-breeding Act, 1940.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

5. PUBLIC SERVICE (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Baddeley, *on behalf of* Mr. James McGirr, moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend section forty-eight of the Public Service Act, 1902, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Baddeley then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend section forty-eight of the Public Service Act, 1902, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

6. THE LAKEMBA MEMORIAL HALL BILL:—

(1.) Mr. C. E. Martin moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the vesting in the Lakemba Services Club of certain lands, buildings and personal property; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

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- (2.) Mr. Martin then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to provide for the vesting in the Lakemba Services Club of certain lands, buildings and personal property; and for purposes connected therewith.*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

7. RIVER MURRAY WATERS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. Cahill moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to ratify and approve an Agreement for the further variation of a certain Agreement entered into between the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth and the Premiers of the States of New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia, respecting the River Murray and Lake Victoria and other waters; to amend the River Murray Waters Act, 1915-1934, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. Cahill then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to ratify and approve an Agreement for the further variation of a certain Agreement entered into between the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth and the Premiers of the States of New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia, respecting the River Murray and Lake Victoria and other waters; to amend the River Murray Waters Act, 1915-1934, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

8. MORUYA RIVER IMPROVEMENTS (EXTENSION OF WORKS) BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. Cahill moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to sanction and to provide for the carrying out of improvement works for the Moruya River; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. Cahill then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to sanction and to provide for the carrying out of improvement works for the Moruya River; and for purposes connected therewith.*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

9. CANTERBURY ROAD BRIDGE RE-CONSTRUCTION BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. Cahill moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to sanction and to provide for the re-construction of the bridge over the Cooks River at Canterbury; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. Cahill then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to sanction and to provide for the re-construction of the bridge over the Cooks River at Canterbury; and for purposes connected therewith.*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

10. LAKE ILLAWARRA AND COWRA POWER STATIONS (CONSTRUCTION) BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. Cahill moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to sanction the construction of power stations for the purpose of generating electricity by steam power at Lake Illawarra and Cowra with transmission lines and necessary subsidiary works for the distribution of electricity therefrom; to amend the Southern Electricity (Administration) Act, 1942, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. Cahill then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to sanction the construction of power stations for the purpose of generating electricity by steam power at Lake Illawarra and Cowra with transmission lines and necessary subsidiary works for the distribution of electricity therefrom; to amend the Southern Electricity (Administration) Act, 1942, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

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11. MENINDEE WATER CONSERVATION BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. Weir moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to sanction and to provide for the construction of a water-conserving storage at Menindee; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. Weir then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to sanction and to provide for the construction of a water-conserving storage at Menindee; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

12. CONSERVATION AUTHORITY OF NEW SOUTH WALES BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. Weir moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the constitution of the Conservation Authority of New South Wales and to define its powers, authorities, duties and functions; to reconstitute the Water Conservation and Irrigation Commission; to amend the Irrigation Act, 1912-1946, the Forestry Act, 1916-1946, the Soil Conservation Act, 1938-1947, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. Weir then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to provide for the constitution of the Conservation Authority of New South Wales and to define its powers, authorities, duties and functions; to reconstitute the Water Conservation and Irrigation Commission; to amend the Irrigation Act, 1912-1946, the Forestry Act, 1916-1946, the Soil Conservation Act, 1938-1947, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

13. CLOSER SETTLEMENT—GOOLHI, PART TOONGA, WILLIGOBUNG AND PART BANTRY GROVE ESTATES:—

- (1.) Mr. Weir, *on behalf of Mr. Sheahan*, moved, pursuant to Notice, That pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts, this House approves of the Governor resuming from the owners the lands comprised in the following Estates:—

- (a) Goolhi Estate, owned by the Scottish Australian Company Limited, situated in the Gunnedah-Mullaley locality, comprising an area of about 45,176 acres.
- (b) Part Toonga Estate, owned by Mrs. N. E. Campbell, Mrs. F. A. Davidson, and the Trustees of the Estate of F. T. Parramore, deceased—a partnership trading as L. M. Browne and Company—situated adjacent to the Village of Tarcutta within a radius of 25 miles from Tumut, Gundagai and Wagga Wagga, comprising an area of about 6,266 acres.
- (c) Willigobung Estate, owned by Mrs. E. McFarlane, situated about 10 miles north of Tumbarumba, with frontage to Tumbarumba-Batlow road, comprising an area of about 6,010 acres.
- (d) Part Bantry Grove Estate, owned by Bantry Grove Pastoral Company Proprietary Limited, situated about 2 miles southerly from Newbridge, and about 8 miles south-easterly from Blayney, comprising an area of about 4,058 acres.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

14. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Weir moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty minutes before Nine o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,

Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 25.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 17 MARCH, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—

Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table Balance-sheets of Art Unions under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of—

- Kyogle District Ambulance Service.
- Legacy Holiday Home, Moss Vale.
- Lismore District Ambulance Service.
- North Palm Beach Surf Life Saving Club.
- West Maitland R.S.S.I.L. Building Fund.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table Report of the River Murray Commission for the year ended 30th June, 1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table Report of the Soil Conservation Service for the year ended 30th June, 1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir, *on behalf of Mr. Sheahan*, laid upon the Table Particulars respecting the proposed acquisition by the Government, for Closer Settlement purposes, of the following Estates:—

- (a) Goolhi Estate, in the District of Gunnedah.
- (b) Part Toonga Estate, in the District of Wagga Wagga.
- (c) Willigobung Estate, in the District of Tumbarumba.
- (d) Part Bantry Grove Estate, in the Districts of Bathurst and Blayney.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. PUBLIC SERVICE (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Baddeley, *on behalf of Mr. James McGirr*, moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Acting-Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Baddeley the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

17th March, 1949.

3. MOTOR TRAFFIC (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. O'Sullivan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Motor Traffic Act, 1909-1945, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. O'Sullivan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Motor Traffic Act, 1909-1945, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

4. MAIN ROADS (FEDERAL AID ROADS AND WORKS) AMENDMENT BILL:—

- (1.) The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. O'Sullivan and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 50.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to provide for the application of certain moneys paid to the State of New South Wales under the Commonwealth Aid Roads and Works Act, 1947-1948, of the Parliament of the Commonwealth; to amend the Main Roads Act, 1924-1948, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.

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Sydney, 15th March, 1949.*

- (2.) Mr. O'Sullivan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the application of certain moneys paid to the State of New South Wales under the Commonwealth Aid Roads and Works Act, 1947-1948 of the Parliament of the Commonwealth; to amend the Main Roads Act, 1924-1948, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (3.) Mr. O'Sullivan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to provide for the application of certain moneys paid to the State of New South Wales under the Commonwealth Aid Roads and Works Act, 1947-1948 of the Parliament of the Commonwealth; to amend the Main Roads Act, 1924-1948, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

5. T.B. SAILORS AND SOLDIERS' ASSOCIATION OF NEW SOUTH WALES INCORPORATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. C. E. Martin moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to alter the name of the body corporate constituted by the T.B. Sailors and Soldiers' Association of New South Wales Incorporation Act, 1943; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. Martin then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to alter the name of the body corporate constituted by the T.B. Sailors and Soldiers' Association of New South Wales Incorporation Act, 1943; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

6. REORGANISED CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS TRUST PROPERTY BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. C. E. Martin moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make certain provisions relating to property held upon trust for or for the use, benefit or purposes of the Reorganised Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in New South Wales; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

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- (2.) Mr. Martin then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to make certain provisions relating to property held upon trust for or for the use, benefit or purposes of the Reorganised Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in New South Wales; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.
Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.
7. THE LAKEMBA MEMORIAL HALL BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. C. E. Martin moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
And Mr. Martin having spoken in Reply,—
Question put and passed.
Bill read a second time.
Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Acting-Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.
On motion of Mr. Martin the Report was adopted.
Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.
8. MORUYA RIVER IMPROVEMENTS (EXTENSION OF WORKS) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Cahill moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Bill read a second time.
Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Freeman, Temporary-Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.
On motion of Mr. Cahill the Report was adopted.
Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.
9. CANTERBURY ROAD BRIDGE RE-CONSTRUCTION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Cahill moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Bill read a second time.
Mr. Acting Deputy Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Acting Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Freeman, Temporary-Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.
On motion of Mr. Cahill the Report was adopted.
Ordered by Mr. Acting Deputy Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.
10. LAKE ILLAWARRA AND COWRA POWER STATIONS (CONSTRUCTION) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Cahill moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
And it being 5.20 o'clock, p.m., the Debate stood adjourned, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.
11. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Cahill moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
And it being 5.30 o'clock, p.m., Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949, adjourned the House until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 26.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 22 MARCH, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. VACANT SEAT—ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF CONCORD:—

- (1.) *Return of Writ.*—Mr. Speaker reported that his Writ, issued on 16th February, 1949, in pursuance of the 70th section of the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, as amended, for the election of a Member to serve in the Legislative Assembly for the Electoral District of Concord, in the room of William Joseph Carlton, Esquire, deceased, had been duly returned to him, with a certificate endorsed thereon by the returning officer, of the election of Brice Mutton, Esquire, to serve as such Member.
- (2.) *Member sworn.*—Brice Mutton, Esquire, was introduced and, having taken and subscribed the Oath of Allegiance, and signed the Roll of the House, took his seat as Member for the Electoral District of Concord.

2. TECHNICAL EDUCATION BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Heffron and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 51.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to make further provision for and in relation to the provision and regulation of Technical Education in New South Wales; to provide for the establishment and incorporation of a New South Wales University of Technology; to repeal the Technical Education Act, 1940, to amend the Public Service Act, 1902, the Public Instruction Act of 1880, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

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Sydney, 21st March, 1949.

3. PAPERS:—

- Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table Report of the Town and Country Planning Advisory Committee for the year ended 30th June, 1948.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
- Mr. C. E. Martin laid upon the Table Regulation under the Superannuation Act, 1916-1948.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
- Mr. Kelly laid upon the Table amendment of Regulation under the Pharmacy Act, 1897-1940.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table *Gazette* Notices (3) setting forth the mode in which it is proposed to deal with certain land under section 25 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Copy Report of the Commissioner for Railways for the quarter ended 31st December, 1948.

(2.) Statements (3) of Traffic secured to Railway Transport by the exercise of the powers conferred on the Railway Commissioner under section 24 (3) and (4) of the Government Railways Act, 1912-1944, for the months of November and December, 1948, and January, 1949.

(3.) By-laws under the Government Railways Act, 1912-1945.

(4.) Notification of acquisition of land and/or easement under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the construction for Railway purposes of an Electric High-tension Transmission Line between Hexham and Dungog.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. SNOWY RIVER IRRIGATION AND HYDRO-ELECTRICITY SCHEME:—Mr. Enticknap moved, pursuant to Notice, That, in the opinion of this House,—

(1.) Immediate steps should be initiated to develop, for the purposes of irrigation and hydro-electricity, the water resources of the Snowy River and its tributaries, of the Upper Murrumbidgee Valley, the Tumut Valley and the Upper Murray Valley.

(2.) The Government be asked to examine the possibility of designing a comprehensive scheme for the use of all these waters based on the early construction of a dam at Billilingera (Murrumbidgee River), a diversion tunnel from the Snowy to the Murrumbidgee and a dam at Jindabyne (Snowy River), in that order.

(3.) If the Government is satisfied as to such a scheme being practicable and able to meet substantial demands for irrigation and for power, then it be authorised to introduce the necessary legislation without delay to provide for the three undertakings referred to.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Roy Heferen, That the Honourable Member for Murrumbidgee, Mr. Enticknap, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Drummond moved, That the question be amended by adding the following words to stand as paragraph (4):—"The proposal of the Commonwealth to take over the control and development for the purposes of irrigation and hydro-electricity of the water resources of the Snowy River and its tributaries of the Upper Murrumbidgee Valley under the Defence powers of the Commonwealth is an unwarranted interference with the rights of the State and is *ultra vires* its powers, and this House assures the Government of unqualified support in using every constitutional means at its disposal to defeat this further attempt to encroach upon the powers of the State of New South Wales and to concentrate the Government and administration of this State in Canberra."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be added be so added.

Debate continued.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Weir, That the Honourable Member for Ashburnham, Mr. Dring, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Debate continued.

Mr. Roy Heferen moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday, 5th April.

General Business having been disposed of Government Business proceeded with.

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5. PUBLIC SERVICE (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Baddeley, *on behalf of Mr. James McGirr*, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend section forty-eight of the Public Service Act, 1902, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 22nd March, 1949.*

6. THE LAKEMBA MEMORIAL HALL BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. C. E. Martin, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the vesting in the Lakemba Services Club of certain lands, buildings and personal property; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 22nd March, 1949.*

7. MORUYA RIVER IMPROVEMENTS (EXTENSION OF WORKS) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Cahill, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to sanction and to provide for the carrying out of improvement works for the Moruya River; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 22nd March, 1949.*

8. CANTERBURY ROAD BRIDGE RE-CONSTRUCTION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Cahill, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to sanction and to provide for the re-construction of the bridge over the Cooks River at Canterbury; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 22nd March, 1949.*

9. TECHNICAL EDUCATION BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. Heffron moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make further provision for and in relation to the provision and regulation of Technical Education in New South Wales; to provide for the establishment and incorporation of a New South Wales University of Technology; to repeal the Technical Education Act, 1940, to amend the Public Service Act, 1902, the Public Instruction Act of 1880, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. Heffron then presented a Bill, intituled, "*A Bill to make further provision for and in relation to the provision and regulation of Technical Education in New South Wales; to provide for the establishment and incorporation of a New South Wales University of Technology; to repeal the Technical Education Act, 1940, to amend the Public Service Act, 1902, the Public Instruction Act of 1880, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered. That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

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10. LAKE ILLAWARRA AND COWRA POWER STATIONS (CONSTRUCTION) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Cahill, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—
And the Question being again proposed,—
The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.
And Mr. Cahill having spoken in Reply,—
Question put and passed.
Bill read a second time.
Mr. Acting Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Acting Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Freeman, Temporary Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.
On motion of Mr. Cahill the Report was adopted.
Ordered by Mr. Acting Deputy-Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.
11. RIVER MURRAY WATERS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Cahill moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Beale moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.
Question put and passed.
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.
12. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Cahill moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
The House adjourned accordingly, at Twelve minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 27.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 23 MARCH, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—

Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table Proclamation declaring certain lands to be private lands for the purposes of the Mining Act, 1906-1946.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Evatt laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Copy Report of the Housing Commission of New South Wales for the year ended 30th June, 1947.

(2.) Notifications of acquisition of lands under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1912-1947, at—

Bass Hills.	Parramatta North.
Condobolin.	Port Kembla.
Dubbo.	Punchbowl.
East Lindfield.	Rozelle.
Maroubra (2).	Singleton.
Parramatta.	Woonona.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Graham laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Departmental File of Papers relating to the establishment of the Wheat Research Institute at Wagga Wagga.

(2.) Copy Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. T. H. Johns, Department of Agriculture.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table By-laws (3) under the Government Railways Act, 1912-1945.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table Abstract of Crown Lands intended to be dedicated for public purposes in accordance with the provisions of section 24 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

23rd March, 1949.

2. LAKE ILLAWARRA AND COWRA POWER STATIONS (CONSTRUCTION) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Cahill, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to sanction the construction of power stations for the purpose of generating electricity by steam power at Lake Illawarra and Cowra with transmission lines and necessary subsidiary works for the distribution of electricity therefrom; to amend the Southern Electricity (Administration) Act, 1942, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 23rd March, 1949.*

3. RIVER MURRAY WATERS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Cahill, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Acting-Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Cahill the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

4. MENINDEE WATER CONSERVATION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Weir moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Acting Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Acting Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Freeman, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Weir the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Acting Deputy-Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

The House adjourned at Twenty minutes before Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 28.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 24 MARCH, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. DEATH OF JOHN JOSEPH GREGORY MCGIRR, ESQUIRE:—Mr. Baddeley moved (*by consent*), without Notice,—

(1.) That this House desires to place on record its sense of the loss this State has sustained by the death of John Joseph Gregory McGirr, Esquire, a former Minister of the Crown in the State of New South Wales.

(2.) That Mr. Speaker be requested to communicate to Mrs. McGirr and the family of the deceased the above resolution, together with an expression of the sympathy and sorrow of the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in the loss they have sustained.

(3.) That, as a tribute of respect, this House do now adjourn until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

The Motion having been seconded by Mr. Treatt and supported by Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner and Mr. Sheahan,—

Question put and carried unanimously,—Members and Officers of the House standing.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Thirteen minutes after Eleven o'clock, a.m., until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 29.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 29 MARCH, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PRESS CRITICISM OF THE JURY SYSTEM:—

(1.) URGENCY:—Mr. Landa moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider the following Motion, viz.:—"That this House records its emphatic protest against recent press criticism of the Jury System and affirms its complete faith therein and in the essential part it plays in the administration of justice in democratic communities."

Question put and passed.

(2.) SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—Mr. Landa moved, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the consideration forthwith of the following Motion, viz.:—"That this House records its emphatic protest against recent press criticism of the Jury System and affirms its complete faith therein and in the essential part it plays in the administration of justice in democratic communities."

Question put and passed.

(3.) Mr. Landa moved, That this "House" records its emphatic protest against recent press criticism of the Jury System and affirms its complete faith therein and in the essential part it plays in the administration of justice in democratic communities.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Treatt moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word "House" with a view of inserting the words "affirms its complete faith in the Jury System and in the essential part it plays in the administration of justice in democratic communities,"—instead thereof.

Question proposed,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.

Point of Order:—Mr. C. E. Martin submitted that the amendment was out of order on the ground that it should have provided for the omission of the words,—“records its emphatic protest against recent press criticism of the Jury System and” and, as a consequential amendment thereon, the replacement of the word “therein” with other suitable words, whereas the amendment as moved sought to omit a substantial part of the original Question and then to re-insert most of that part.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Acting Deputy-Speaker upheld the Point of Order.

Original Question again proposed.

Debate continued.

Mr. Darby moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out the words “records its emphatic protest against recent press criticism of the Jury System and”.

29th March, 1949.

Question proposed,—That the words proposed to be left out, stand part of the Question.

Debate continued.

Mr. McGrath moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—“That the Question be now put.”

The House divided.

Ayes, 39.

Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Landa	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Tonge
Mr. William Davies	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. L. J. Tully
Captain Dunn	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Weir
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Williams
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Noble	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Nott	Mr. Dring
Mr. Freeman	Mr. O'Sullivan	Mr. Roy Heferen
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Renshaw	
Mr. Gorman	Mr. Robertson	

Noes, 33.

Mr. Black	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Rose
Mr. Brain	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stephens
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Storey
Mr. Cross	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Lang	Mr. Turner
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Ellis	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Medcalf	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Morton	Mr. Jack Beale
Mr. Frith	Mr. Padman	Mr. Darby
Mr. Gollan	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Richardson	

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of “at least thirty Members.”—

Question,—“That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question,”—put and passed.

Original Question again proposed,—That this House records its emphatic protest against recent press criticism of the Jury System and affirms its complete faith therein and in the essential part it plays in the administration of justice in democratic communities,—

And Mr. Landa having spoken in reply,—

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 42.

Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Gorman	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Landa	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lang	Mr. Tonge
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Dring	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Wattison
Captain Dunn	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Weir
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Williams
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Matthews	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Noble	Mr. Geraghty
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Nott	Mr. Hawkins
Mr. Fowles	Mr. O'Sullivan	
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Renshaw	

Noes, 32.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Storey
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Treatt
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cross	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Cutler	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Darby	Mr. Medcalf	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Morton	Mr. Black
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Padman	Mr. Hearnshaw
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Frith	Mr. Richardson	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Rose	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And it being after Six o'clock, p.m., Government Business proceeded with, under Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Amendments of Regulations under the Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act, 1935-1942.
- (2.) Balance-sheets of Art Unions under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended; in aid of—
Belhaven and Hopewood Infants' Homes.
Chatswood Catholic Church Building Fund.
Dec Why Memorial Community Centre.
Tweed District Ambulance Service.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Kelly laid upon the Table Regulation under the Opticians Act, 1930-1946.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Statement of Receipts and Payments of the Hay Irrigation Area for 1948.
- (2.) Statement of Receipts and Payments of the Curlwaa (Wentworth) Irrigation Area for 1948.
- (3.) Copies Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Messrs. J. L. Henry, G. S. Lugton, R. P. Leck, P. W. Hadlington, B.Sc. (Agr.), E. R. Fogl, B.Sc. (Agr.), D. J. Hartigan, and Misses R. G. Salmon, B.Sc., and A. H. Balmain, B.Sc., Department of Conservation.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Amendments of Regulation under the Motor Traffic Act, 1909-1945.
- (2.) Amendments of Regulations under the Metropolitan Traffic Act, 1900, as amended.
- (3.) Notification of acquisition of land and/or easement under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for maintaining the traffic on the existing line of Railway between Central and Tempe—Relay and Transformer Hut at St. Peters.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Fowles, as Chairman, brought up the Fourth Report from the Printing Committee.

4. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

(1.) Public Service (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend section forty-eight of the Public Service Act, 1902, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 29th March, 1949.*

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(2.) Moruya River Improvements (Extension of Works) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to sanction and to provide for the carrying out of improvement works for the Moruya River; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 29th March, 1949.*

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(3.) Canterbury Road Bridge Re-construction Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to sanction and to provide for the re-construction of the bridge over the Cooks River at Canterbury; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 29th March, 1949.*

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

29th March, 1949.

(4.) The Lakemba Memorial Hall Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the vesting in the Lakemba Services Club of certain lands, buildings and personal property; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 29th March, 1949.*

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(5.) Lake Illawarra and Cowra Power Stations (Construction) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to sanction the construction of power stations for the purpose of generating electricity by steam power at Lake Illawarra and Cowra with transmission lines and necessary subsidiary works for the distribution of electricity therefrom; to amend the Southern Electricity (Administration) Act, 1942, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 29th March, 1949.*

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

5. RIVER MURRAY WATERS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Cahill, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to ratify and approve an Agreement for the further variation of a certain Agreement entered into between the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth and the Premiers of the States of New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia, respecting the River Murray and Lake Victoria and other waters; to amend the River Murray Waters Act, 1915-1934, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 29th March, 1949.*

6. MENINDEE WATER CONSERVATION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Weir, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to sanction and to provide for the construction of a water-conserving storage at Menindee; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 29th March, 1949.*

7. CONSERVATION AUTHORITY OF NEW SOUTH WALES BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Weir moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.

Mr. Treatt moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out the word "now" with a view to adding the words "this day six months."

Question proposed,—That the word proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.

Debate continued.

And it being 10.20 o'clock, p.m., the Debate stood adjourned, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

8. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Weir moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

And it being 10.30 o'clock, p.m., Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949, adjourned the House until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 30.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 30 MARCH, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF COBAR:—Mr. Speaker reported that he had received from the Electoral Commissioner a copy of the Proclamation issued in the *Government Gazette* of 28th March, 1949, validating the election of Ernest Wetherell, Esquire, to serve in the Legislative Assembly for the Electoral District of Cobar, notwithstanding the delay in the return of the Writ until after the date on which such Writ was returnable.

2. VACANT SEAT—ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF COBAR:—

(1.) *Return of Writ*:—Mr. Speaker reported that his Writ, issued on 11th February, 1949, in pursuance of the 70th section of the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, as amended, for the Election of a Member to serve in the Legislative Assembly for the Electoral District of Cobar, in the room of Mark Anthony Davidson, Esquire, deceased, had been returned to him, with a Certificate endorsed thereon by the Returning Officer, of the election of Ernest Wetherell, Esquire, to serve as such Member.

(2.) *Member sworn*:—Ernest Wetherell, Esquire, was introduced and having taken and subscribed the Oath of Allegiance, and signed the Roll of the House, took his seat as Member for the Electoral District of Cobar.

3. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until To-morrow at Twenty-five minutes after Two o'clock, p.m.

Question put and passed.

4. PAPERS:—

Mr. Evatt laid upon the Table notifications of acquisitions of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1912-1947, at—

Camperdown	Port Kembla
Cootamundra	Queanbeyan
Culcairn	Redfern
East Roseville	South Granville
Kingsgrove	Wee Waa
North Sydney	West Bankstown
Old Guildford	

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table Report of the Aborigines Welfare Board for the year ended 30th June, 1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

30th March, 1949.

Mr. Graham laid upon the Table Regulations under the Wheat Industry Stabilisation Act, 1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table Report of the Department of Lands, together with the Report of the Western Lands Commission, for the year ended 30th June, 1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

5. CONSERVATION AUTHORITY OF NEW SOUTH WALES BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Weir, "That this Bill be 'now' read a second time,"
Upon which Mr. Treatt had moved, "That the Question be amended by leaving "out the word 'now' with a view to adding the words 'this day six months' ",—
And the Question being again proposed,—That the word proposed to be left out stand part of the Question,—
The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.
Mr. Lawson (*speaking*) moved (*by consent*), That this Debate be now adjourned.
Question put and passed.
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until a later hour of the Day.
6. TECHNICAL EDUCATION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Heffron moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Mr. Turner moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.
Question put and passed.
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.
7. CONSERVATION AUTHORITY OF NEW SOUTH WALES BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Weir, "That this Bill be 'now' read a second time."
Upon which Mr. Treatt had moved, "That the Question be amended by leaving "out the word 'now' with a view of adding the words 'this day six months' ",—
And the Question being again proposed,—That the word proposed to be left out stand part of the Question,—
The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.
Mr. Jack Beale moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.
Question put and passed.
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.
The House adjourned at Twenty minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at *Twenty-five minutes after Two o'clock, p.m.*

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 31.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 31 MARCH, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. **TRIENNIAL ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL** (*Fifth Election of fifteen Members after re-constitution of Council*)—**TAKING OF THE VOTES OF THE MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**:—Mr. Speaker directed the Clerk to read the Order of the Day. The Order of the Day having been read, the Clerk duly displayed the ballot-box.

And it being Two-thirty o'clock, p.m., the hour appointed in the Writ dated 23rd February, 1949, for the commencement of the taking of votes of Members Mr. Speaker declared the ballot open, and the taking of the votes of Members thereupon commenced.

And it being Six-thirty o'clock, p.m., the hour appointed in the Writ for the termination of the taking of the votes at the Sitting, Mr. Speaker directed that the doors be locked. The doors having been locked, Mr. Speaker inquired whether there was any Member present who had not yet received a ballot-paper and desired to vote.

And there being no such Member desiring to vote, Mr. Speaker directed that the doors be unlocked.

And Members who had received their ballot-papers before the hour appointed in the Writ for the termination of the taking of the votes having completed before that hour the recording of their votes, Mr. Speaker declared the ballot closed.

The House adjourned at Twenty-nine minutes before Seven o'clock p.m., until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 32.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 5 APRIL, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES:—

(1.) Mr. Speaker informed the House that, under the provisions of Standing Order 68, the Chairman of Committees, George Booth, Esquire, by his attendance on 31st March, forfeited the leave of absence previously granted to him, and that in consequence thereof, the appointment of Robert Douglas Gorman, Esquire, to act temporarily in the capacity of Chairman of Committees and Deputy-Speaker terminated on the same day.

(2.) Mr. McGrath moved (*by consent*), without Notice, That leave of absence for the remainder of the present Session be granted to George Booth, Esquire Chairman of Committees, on account of illness.

Question put and passed.

2. ACTING CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES:—Mr. James McGirr moved (*by consent*), without Notice, That Robert Douglas Gorman, Esquire, be appointed to act temporarily in the capacity of Chairman of Committees and Deputy-Speaker in the unavoidable absence of the Member elected to that office, with all the powers appertaining thereto.

Question put and passed.

3. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. James McGirr and read by Mr. Speaker:—

(1.) Navigation (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 52.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to amend the Navigation Act, 1901-1941, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

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(2.) Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 53.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to amend the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1924-1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 5th April, 1949.

4. URGENCY—ENFORCEMENT OF REGULATION NO. 117 UNDER THE TRANSPORT ACT, 1930:—

Mr. Turner moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider Notice of Motion No. 2 of General Business on the Notice Paper for to-day.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 32.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Gollan	Mr. Rose
Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Black	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Storey
Mr. Brain	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Treatt
Licut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Turner
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Cross	Mr. McCaw	
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Medcalf	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Darby	Mr. Morton	Mr. Dewley
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Mutton	Mr. Ellis
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Padman	
Mr. Frith	Mr. John Reid	

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Captain Arthur	Mr. Graham	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lang	Mr. Wattison
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Dring	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Evatt	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Williams
Mr. Finnan	Mr. C. E. Martin	
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Matthews	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Noble	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Nott	Mr. Sciffert
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan	
Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk	

And so it passed in the negative.

5. PAPERS:—

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Report of the Public Service Board for the year ended 30th June, 1948.
- (2.) Amendment of By-law under the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1924-1948.
- (3.) Amendments of Regulations and Rules under the Totalizator Act, 1916-1937.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Amendment of Regulation under the Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act, 1935-1942.
- (2.) Copy Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. M. S. Patterson, Department of Mines.
- (3.) Balance-sheets of Art Unions under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of—

War Veterans Homes and Mount Colah Home for Ex-Servicemen.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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6. SNOWY RIVER IRRIGATION AND HYDRO-ELECTRIC SCHEME:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Enticknap, "That, in the opinion of this House,—

"(1.) Immediate steps should be initiated to develop, for the purposes of "irrigation and hydro-electricity, the water resources of the Snowy River and "its tributaries, of the Upper Murrumbidgee Valley, the Tumut Valley and the "Upper Murray Valley.

"(2.) The Government be asked to examine the possibility of designing a "comprehensive scheme for the use of all these waters based on the early "construction of a dam at Billilingera (Murrumbidgee River), a diversion "tunnel from the Snowy to the Murrumbidgee and a dam at Jindabyne (Snowy "River), in that order.

"(3.) If the Government is satisfied as to such a scheme being practicable and "able to meet substantial demands for irrigation and for power, then it be "authorised to introduce the necessary legislation without delay to provide "for the three undertakings referred to."

Upon which Mr. Drummond had moved the addition of the following words to stand as paragraph (4):—"The proposal of the Commonwealth to take over the "control and development for the purposes of irrigation and hydro-electricity "of the water resources of the Snowy River and its tributaries of the Upper "Murrumbidgee Valley under the Defence powers of the Commonwealth is an "unwarranted interference with the rights of the State and is *ultra vires* its "powers and this House assures the Government of unqualified support in using "every constitutional means at its disposal to defeat this further attempt to "encroach upon the powers of the State of New South Wales and to concentrate "the Government and administration of this State in Canberra."

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Point of Order:—Mr. Shannon submitted that the amendment was out of order on the ground of irrelevancy inasmuch as it dealt with purely Constitutional issues whereas the motion related only to the development of an irrigation and hydro-electricity scheme.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Speaker said that the general rule respecting amendments was that they must be strictly relevant to the question at issue. In his opinion the amendment before the House was not relevant to the original Question, which related to the development of certain water resources for the purposes of irrigation and hydro-electricity. The amendment was concerned solely with constitutional issues as between the Commonwealth and the State of New South Wales in connection with a specific proposal with similar objectives, which was already the subject of negotiation between the two Governments. The matters dealt with by the amendment should, more properly, have formed the subject of a Substantive Motion, and he therefore upheld the Point of Order.

Original Question again proposed.

Mr. Fred Cahill moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out paragraphs (2.) and (3.) with a view of inserting the following words to stand as paragraphs (2.), (3.) and (4.) instead thereof:—

"(2.) The use of the waters for irrigation purposes should not be subordinated "to the use of the waters for electricity.

"(3.) The whole of the waters should be made available to New South Wales "for utilisation in the Murrumbidgee Valley or such other areas as the N.S.W. "Government might consider appropriate.

"(4.) There should be consultation between all authorities concerned as to the "order in which the works should be commenced and the rate of construction."

Question proposed,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.

Debate ensued.

And it being Six o'clock, p.m., Debate interrupted pursuant to Sessional Order.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the resumption of the debate stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

5th April, 1949.

7. TECHNICAL EDUCATION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Heffron "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Heffron, That the Honourable Member for Bondi, Mr. Landa, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Mr. Drummond moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Order, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

8. NAVIGATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. Baddeley *on behalf of* Mr. James McGirr moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Navigation Act, 1901-1941, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. Baddeley then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Navigation Act, 1901-1941, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

9. METROPOLITAN WATER, SEWERAGE AND DRAINAGE (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. Baddeley *on behalf of* Mr. James McGirr moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1924-1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. Baddeley then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1924-1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

10. CONSERVATION AUTHORITY OF NEW SOUTH WALES BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the Motion of Mr. Weir, "That this Bill be 'now' read a second time."

Upon which Mr. Treatt had moved, "That the Question be amended by leaving "out the word 'now' with a view of adding the words 'this day six months',"—

And the Question being again proposed,—That the word proposed to be left out stand part of the Question,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And it being 10.20 o'clock, p.m., the Debate stood adjourned, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

11. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Weir moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

And it being 10.30 o'clock, p.m., Mr. Acting Deputy-Speaker, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949, adjourned the House until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 33.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 6 APRIL, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. **URGENCY—PROPOSED RATIONING OF ELECTRICITY:**—Mr. Treatt moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider the following Motion, viz.:—"That this House is of opinion that because the drastic electricity rationing proposal under consideration by the Government—

- (a) will mean a twenty-five per cent. reduction in employment and wages to workers in industry;
- (b) will mean a twenty-five per cent. loss of productive output of essential goods and services to the public;
- (c) will in consequence mean an additional spur to the inflationary pressure on costs and prices and a further lowering of living standards; and
- (d) will inflict great individual hardships and generally harm New South Wales,

this House views the projected scheme with anxiety and asks that—

- (1) a copy of the report of the Power Committee be tabled, and
- (2) when a decision on power rationing is arrived at by the Government, before any such decision is implemented, members of this Parliament be given an immediate opportunity to debate the issues involved so that the people and their Parliamentary representatives will be fully informed and assured that the best possible solution to the now chronic power shortage has been adopted by the Government."

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 34.

Mr. Jack Beale
Mr. Brain
Mr. Cross
Mr. Cutler
Mr. Darby
Mr. Dewley
Mr. Dickson
Mr. Drummond
Mr. Ellis
Mr. Frith
Mr. Gollan
Mr. Hearnshaw

Mr. Howarth
Mr. Hunter
Mr. Jackett
Mr. Jordan
Mr. Kendell
Mr. Lawson
Mr. McCaw
Mr. Medcalf
Mr. Morton
Mr. Mutton
Mr. Padman
Mr. John Reid

Mr. Richardson
Mr. Rose
Mr. Stephens
Mr. Storey
Mr. Treatt
Mr. Turner
Mr. Vincent
Mr. Wingfield

Tellers,

Mr. Jeff Bate
Mr. Chaffey

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Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lang	Mr. Stanley
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Evatt	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Finnan	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Weir
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Noble	Mr. Williams
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Nott	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan	Mr. Chalmers
Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk	Mr. Dring
Mr. Graham	Mr. Renshaw	

And so it passed in the negative.

2. PAPER:—Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table abstract of Crown Lands intended to be dedicated for public purposes in accordance with the provisions of section 24 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. CONSERVATION AUTHORITY OF NEW SOUTH WALES BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the Motion of Mr. Weir, "That this Bill be 'now' read a second time,"—

Upon which Mr. Treatt had moved, "That the Question be amended by leaving "out the word 'now' with a view of adding the words 'this day six months'";— And the Question being again proposed,—That the word proposed to be left out stand part of the Question,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Question put,—That the word proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.

The House divided.

Ayes, 40.

Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Graham	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Kendall	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Dring	Mr. Lang	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Evatt	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Finnan	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Williams
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Noble	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Nott	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Freeman	Mr. O'Sullivan	Mr. Wattison
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mrs. Quirk	

Noes, 33.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Rose
Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Brain	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Storey
Lieut.-Col. Bruzner	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cross	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Morton	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Mutton	Mr. Darby
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Padman	Mr. Jordan
Mr. Frith	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Richardson	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

And Mr. Weir having spoken in reply,—

Question,—That this Bill be now read a second time,—put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Acting Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Freeman, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Weir the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

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4. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

(1.) Menindee Water Conservation Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to sanction and to provide for the construction of a water-conserving storage at Menindee; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 6th April, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(2.) River Murray Waters (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to ratify and approve an Agreement for the further variation of a certain Agreement entered into between the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth and the Premiers of the States of New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia, respecting the River Murray and Lake Victoria and other waters; to amend the River Murray Waters Act, 1915-1934, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 6th April, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

5. NAVIGATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Baddeley, on behalf of Mr. James McGirr, moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Acting-Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Baddeley the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

6. METROPOLITAN WATER, SEWERAGE, AND DRAINAGE (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Baddeley, on behalf of Mr. James McGirr, moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Acting-Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Baddeley the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

CLOSER SETTLEMENT—BURRUMBUTTOCK, PART GERAKI, PIALLOWAY AND WALHALLOW ESTATES:—Mr. Sheahan moved, pursuant to Notice, That pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts, this House approves of the Governor resuming from the owners the lands comprised in the following estates:—

(a) Burrumbuttock Estate, owned by the Trustees of the Estate of the late Josephine Kennedy, situated adjacent to the Village and Railway Station of Burrumbuttock, comprising an area of about 4,223 acres.

(b) Part Geraki Estate, owned by Mr. Rivers Johnson, situated about eight miles south-easterly from Finley, containing an area of about 5,783 acres.

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- (c) Piallaway Estate, owned by The New Zealand and Australian Land Company Limited, situated adjacent to the Village of Breeza, on the Werris Creek-Moree Railway line, comprising an area of 27,047 acres 1 rood 32 perches.
- (d) Walhallow Estate, owned by The New Zealand and Australian Land Company Limited, situated near the Village of Caroonna; the Caroonna Railway Station on the Werris Creek-Dubbo Railway line is located within the property, comprising an area of about 9,153 acres.

Debate ensued.

And Mr. Sheahan having spoken in Reply,—

Question put and passed.

8. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Sheahan moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly at Twenty-nine minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 34.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 7 APRIL, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. **ADJOURNMENT UNDER STANDING ORDER No. 49:**—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honourable Member for Wollondilly, Mr. Jeff Bate, a notice under the 49th Standing Order that he desired to move the adjournment of the House to discuss a specific matter of recent occurrence, viz.:—"The action of the Government in retaining the services of Mr. D. N. Pritt, K.C., as its legal representative in the appeal by the Commonwealth Government and the States of New South Wales and Queensland to the Privy Council against the decision of the High Court of Australia upon the validity of the Commonwealth Banking Act of 1947."

And the motion for the adjournment of the House being supported by five other Honourable Members,—

Mr. Jeff Bate moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Point of Order: Mr. Evatt submitted that the Motion was out of order on the ground that it did not relate to a specific matter of recent occurrence which was definite, but merely sought a discussion upon the action of the Government in briefing Mr. D. N. Pritt, K.C.

Mr. Speaker pointed out that under Standing Order No. 49 it was clearly the prerogative of the Speaker alone to determine whether the subject-matter of a Motion moved under its provisions was definite, urgent and of public importance. As he was not satisfied that the Motion related to a matter which was urgent, as contemplated by the Standing Order, he had no hesitation in ruling it out of order.

2. **PAPERS:**—

Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table amendment of Regulation and repeal of Regulation under the Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act, 1935-1942.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Evatt laid upon the Table notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1912-1947, at Coff's Harbour, East Hills and Liverpool.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Graham laid upon the Table copy Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. C. H. Gray, B.Sc., Department of Agriculture.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table particulars respecting the proposed acquisition by the Government, for Closer Settlement purposes, of the following Estates:—

Burrumbuttock Estate, in the District of Albury.
 Part Geraki Estate, in the District of Deniliquin.
 Pialloway Estate, in the Districts of Gunnedah and Tamworth.
 Walhallow Estate, in the Districts of Gunnedah and Quirindi.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. NAVIGATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Baddeley, *on behalf of* Mr. James McGirr, read a third time. Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Navigation Act, 1901-1941, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
 Sydney, 7th April, 1949.*

4. METROPOLITAN WATER, SEWERAGE, AND DRAINAGE (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Baddeley, *on behalf of* Mr. James McGirr, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage, and Drainage Act, 1924-1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
 Sydney, 7th April, 1949.*

5. CONSERVATION AUTHORITY OF NEW SOUTH WALES BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Weir, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the constitution of the Conservation Authority of New South Wales and to define its powers, authorities, duties and functions; to reconstitute the Water Conservation and Irrigation Commission; to amend the Irrigation Act, 1912-1946, the Forestry Act, 1916-1946, the Soil Conservation Act, 1938-1947, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
 Sydney, 7th April, 1949.*

6. TECHNICAL EDUCATION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Heffron, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Drummond (*speaking*) moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until a later hour of the Day.

7. HOUSING (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Evatt and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOITT,
 Governor.

Message No. 54.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to amend the Housing Act, 1912-1947, in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
 Sydney, 7th April, 1949.*

7th to 14th April, 1949.

8. EXTENSION OF PRESENT SITTING:—Mr. James McGirr moved (*by consent*) without Notice, That paragraphs (2), (3) and (4) of the Sessional Order adopted on the 15th March, 1949, be suspended for the present sitting.
Question put and passed.

9. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Fowles, as Chairman, brought up the Fifth Report from the Printing Committee.

10. TECHNICAL EDUCATION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Heffron, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. McGrath, That the Honourable Member for Newcastle, Mr. Hawkins, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of ten minutes.

Debate continued.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. McGrath, That the Honourable Member for Waverley, Mr. C. E. Martin, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Debate continued.

Mr. Hearnshaw moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until a later hour of the Day.

11. PAPER:—Mr. Heffron, *on behalf of Mr. Cahill*, laid upon the Table Certified copy of an Agreement between Carl Wilhelm Baer and the Council of the North-west County District, relating to a franchise under the Local Government Act, 1919, granted by the Council to the said Carl Wilhelm Baer for the supply of electric current for street and private lighting and for power in the village of Deepwater.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at Eight minutes before Six o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

FRIDAY, 8 APRIL, 1949, A.M.

Mr. Acting Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair at the hour named.

12. PAPERS:—Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) By-law under the Government Railways Act, 1912-1945.

(2.) Statement of Traffic secured to Railway Transport by the exercise of the powers conferred on the Railway Commissioner under section 24 (3) and (4) of the Government Railways Act, 1912-1945, for the month of February, 1949.

(3.) Regulation under the Transport Act, 1930-1948, and the Transport (Division of Functions) Act, 1932-1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

13. TECHNICAL EDUCATION BILL (*changed to NEW SOUTH WALES UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION BILL*):—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Heffron "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

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And the House continuing to sit after Mid-day,—

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Debate continued.

Ordered, on Motion of Mr. Robertson, That the Honourable Member for Ashburnham, Mr. Dring, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Debate continued.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Frith, That the Honourable Member for Casino, Mr. J. T. Reid, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Debate continued.

Mr. Treatt moved, That the Honourable Member for Manly, Mr. Darby, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of fifteen minutes. Question put and negatived.

Debate continued.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Treatt, That the Honourable Member for Manly, Mr. Darby, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of ten minutes.

Debate continued.

Ordered, on motion of Mrs. Fowler, That the Honourable Member for South Coast, Mr. Jack Beale, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Debate continued.

And Mr. Heffron having spoken in reply,—

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Acting Chairman reported the Bill with amendments and an amended short title.

Mr. Heffron moved, "That" the Report be now adopted.

Mr. Turner moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word "That" and inserting the words "the Bill be recommitted for the reconsideration of Clause 19,"—instead thereof.

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.

Debate ensued.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put and passed.

And Mr. Speaker, as a matter of urgency, having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

(2.) Bill, on motion of Mr. Heffron, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to make further provision for and in relation to the provision and regulation of Technical Education in New South Wales; to provide for the establishment and incorporation of a New South Wales University of Technology; to repeal the Technical Education Act, 1940; to amend the Public Service Act, 1902, the Public Instruction Act of 1880, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 8th April, 1949.*

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at Eight Minutes before Six o'clock, p.m., until Thursday next, 14th April, at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

7th to 14th April, 1949.

THURSDAY, 14 APRIL, 1949, A.M.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at the hour named.

14. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. James McGirr and read by Mr. Speaker:—

(1.) Lake Illawarra and Cowra Power Stations (Construction) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 55.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to sanction the construction of power stations for the purpose of generating electricity by steam power at Lake Illawarra and Cowra with transmission lines and necessary subsidiary works for the distribution of electricity therefrom; to amend the Southern Electricity (Administration) Act, 1942, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

*Government House,
Sydney, 12th April, 1949.*

(2.) Public Service (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 56.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend section forty-eight of the Public Service Act, 1902, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

*Government House,
Sydney, 12th April, 1949.*

(3.) Moruya River Improvements (Extension of Works) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 57.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to sanction and to provide for the carrying out of improvement works for the Moruya River; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

*Government House,
Sydney, 12th April, 1949.*

(4.) Canterbury Road Bridge Re-construction Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 58.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to sanction and to provide for the re-construction of the bridge over the Cook's River at Canterbury; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

*Government House,
Sydney, 12th April, 1949.*

(5.) The Lakemba Memorial Hall Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 59.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the vesting in the Lakemba Services Club of certain lands, buildings and personal property; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

*Government House,
Sydney, 12th April, 1949.*

7th to 14th April, 1949.

15. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

(1.) Navigation (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Navigation Act, 1901-1941, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 12th April, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(2.) Conservation Authority of New South Wales Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the constitution of the Conservation Authority of New South Wales and to define its powers, authorities, duties and functions; to reconstitute the Water Conservation and Irrigation Commission; to amend the Irrigation Act, 1912-1946, the Forestry Act, 1916-1946, the Soil Conservation Act, 1938-1947, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 12th April, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(3.) New South Wales University of Technology and Technical Education Bill—
changed from Technical Education Bill—subsequently changed to Technical Education and New South Wales University of Technology Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to make further provision for and in relation to the provision and regulation of Technical Education in New South Wales; to provide for the establishment and incorporation of a New South Wales University of Technology; to repeal the Technical Education Act, 1940; to amend the Public Service Act, 1902, the Public Instruction Act of 1880, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—with the amendments indicated by the accompany Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 13th April, 1949, a.m.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

NEW SOUTH WALES UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION BILL.
Schedule of the amendments referred to in Message of 13th April, 1949, a.m.

W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

No. 1.—Page 2, clause 1, lines 8 and 9. *Omit "New South Wales University of Technology and Technical Education" insert "Technical Education and New South Wales University of Technology".*

No. 2.—Page 11, clause 19, line 30. *Omit "twenty-eight" insert "thirty".*

No. 3.—Page 12, clause 19, line 5. *Omit "two" insert "four".*

Examined,—

T. STEELE,

Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration at a later hour of the Day.

(4.) Metropolitan Water, Sewerage, and Drainage (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to amend the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage, and Drainage Act, 1924-1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 12th April, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

7th to 14th April, 1949.

METROPOLITAN WATER, SEWERAGE, AND DRAINAGE (AMENDMENT) BILL.
Schedule of the amendments referred to in Message of 12th April, 1949.

W. K. CHARLTON,
 Clerk of the Parliaments.

No. 1.—Page 8, clause 2, line 31. *After “(1B)” insert “(a)”.*

No. 2.—Page 9, clause 2. *After line 2 insert—*

“(b) The power conferred on the board by paragraph (a) of this subsection shall also be exercisable in respect of any public hospital or public benevolent or charitable institution in which there are no persons resident.”

Examined,—

T. STEELE,
 Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration at a later hour of the Day.

16. PAPERS:—

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table Copy Certificate of the Returning Officer under the Constitution (Legislative Council Elections) Act, 1932-1937, respecting the Fifth Triennial election of fifteen Members of the Legislative Council to fill the seats of those Members whose terms of service will expire on 22nd April, 1949, together with copy of extract from *Government Gazette* of 8th April, 1949, containing copy of Certificate and Result Sheet.

Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Balance-sheets of Art Unions under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of:—

Miss Australia Quest.

Sun Toy Fund.

Trundle War Memorial.

Tumut Agricultural and Pastoral Association.

War Memorial Convalescent Home for Ex-servicemen, Lake Macquarie.

(2.) Amendment of Regulation under the Police Offences (Amendment) Act, 1908, as amended.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Graham laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Report of the Dried Fruits Board of New South Wales together with Statement of Accounts and Appendices for 1948.

Ordered to be printed.

(2.) Regulation and Amendments of Regulations under the Dried Fruits Act, 1939.

(3.) Copy Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. J. R. Niccol, B.Sc., Department of Agriculture.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) *Gazette* Notice setting forth the mode in which it is proposed to deal with certain land under section 25 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

(2.) Notifications of acquisition of land and/or easement under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for works in connection with the construction of Dams (2) across the Hunter River at Glenbawn.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Finnan laid upon the Table Regulation extending the period of the operation of the Building Operations and Building Materials Control Act, 1945.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Notifications of acquisition of land and/or easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the following purposes:—

Fairfield Stormwater Drainage.

Southern Electricity Supply of New South Wales

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(2.) Notifications of acquisition of land and/or easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Local Government Act, 1919, in the following areas:—

Drummoyne Municipality.
 Greater Newcastle City (2).
 Greater Wollongong City (2).
 Ku-ring-gai Municipality (3).
 Kyogle Shire.
 Lake Macquarie Shire (3).
 Lane Cove Municipality.
 Lismore City.
 Maitland City.
 North Sydney Municipality.
 Peel Shire.
 Rockdale Municipality.
 Shellharbour Municipality.
 Sutherland Shire.
 Willoughby Municipality.

(3.) Notification of acquisition of land and/or easement under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purpose of the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage, and Drainage Act, 1912-1945, Warragamba-Prospect Pipeline.

(4.) Notification of acquisition of land and/or easement under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purpose of the Forestry Act, 1916-1935, Canobolas State Forest.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

17. METROPOLITAN WATER, SEWERAGE, AND DRAINAGE (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. James McGirr, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. John Reid, Temporary-Chairman, reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendments.

On motion of Mr. James McGirr, the Report was adopted.

The following Message sent to the Legislative Council:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage, and Drainage Act, 1924-1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.*"

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
 Sydney, 14th April, 1949.

18. TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND NEW SOUTH WALES UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY BILL—*changed from* NEW SOUTH WALES UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. Heffron, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Acting-Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendments.

On motion of Mr. Heffron, the Report was adopted.

The following Message sent to the Legislative Council:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "*An Act to make further provision for and in relation to the provision and regulation of Technical Education in New South Wales; to provide for the establishment and incorporation of a New South Wales University of Technology; to repeal the Technical Education Act, 1940; to amend the Public Service Act, 1902, the Public Instruction Act of 1880, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.*"

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
 Sydney, 14 April, 1949.

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7th to 14th April, 1949.

19. **PRINTING COMMITTEE**:—Mr. Fowles, as Chairman, brought up the sixth Report from the Printing Committee.
20. **SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT**:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Wednesday, 18th May, 1949, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m., unless Mr. Speaker, or if Mr. Speaker be unable to act on account of illness or other cause, the Acting Chairman of Committees, shall, prior to that date, by telegram or letter addressed to each Member of the House, fix an earlier day and hour of meeting.
Question put and passed.
21. **ADJOURNMENT**:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.

And the House continuing to sit after Mid-day,—

THURSDAY, 14 APRIL, 1949.

Debate continued.

Mr. McGrath moved, That the Question be now put.

Question proposed,—“That the Question be now put.”

Disorder: The Honourable Member for Neutral Bay, Mr. Black, having protested against the application of the Closure and declared that the proceedings were “outrageous”,—Mr. Speaker, after repeatedly calling the Honourable Member to order, named the Honourable Member for Neutral Bay as guilty of disorderly conduct.

Whereupon, Mr. Heffron moved, That the Honourable Member for Neutral Bay, Mr. Black, be suspended from the service of the House.

Point of Order: Mr. McCaw submitted that as there was already a motion before the House, viz., “That the Question be now put,” it was not competent for the House to deal with a second motion until the first was disposed of.

Mr. Speaker said that he could not uphold the Point of Order as Standing Order 387 provided that disorder be dealt with forthwith.

And the Honourable Member for Neutral Bay having explained his conduct and apologised to the House,—

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Question put,—“That the Question be now put.”

The House divided.

Ayes, 38.

Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Clyne	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Dring	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Weir
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Noble	Mr. Williams
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Nott	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan	Mr. Chalmers
Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk	Mr. Freeman
Mr. Graham	Mr. Renshaw	
Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Seiffert	
Mr. Heffron	Mr. Shannon	

Noes, 28.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Rose
Mr. Brain	Mr. Kendall	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Cross	Mr. Lang	Mr. Storey
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Drummond	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Turner
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Vincent
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Morton	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Frith	Mr. Mutton	Mr. Black
Mr. Gollan	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Darby
Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Richardson	

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And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members,"—

Original Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 38.

Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Clync	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Dring	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Weir
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Evatt	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Williams
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Matthews	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Noble	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Nott	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan	
Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk	
Mr. Graham	Mr. Renshaw	

Noes, 29.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Stephons
Mr. Black	Mr. Kendall	Mr. Storcy
Mr. Brain	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Cross	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Turner
Mr. Darby	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Morton	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Mutton	Mr. Dickson
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Padman	Mr. Lang
Mr. Frith	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Richardson	
Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Rose	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-eight minutes after Twelve o'clock, p.m., until *Wednesday, 18th May, 1949*, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m., unless an earlier date be fixed in accordance with the terms of the Resolution adopted at this Sitting.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 35.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 18 MAY, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—ARRANGEMENT OF PORTFOLIOS DURING THE ABSENCE ABROAD OF THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT:—Mr. James McGirr informed the House that during the absence overseas of the Honourable Maurice O'Sullivan, the Honourable W. F. Sheahan would carry out the duties of Minister for Transport, and that the Honourable E. H. Graham would carry out the duties of Minister for Lands.

2. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. James McGirr and read by Mr. Speaker:—

- (1.) River Murray Waters (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 60.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to ratify and approve an Agreement for the further variation of a certain Agreement entered into between the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth and the Premiers of the States of New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia, respecting the River Murray and Lake Victoria and other waters; to amend the River Murray Waters Act, 1915-1934, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 18th April, 1949.

- (2.) Menindee Water Conservation Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 61.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to sanction and to provide for the construction of a water-conserving storage at Menindee; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 18th April, 1949.

18th May, 1949.

(3.) Metropolitan Water, Sewerage, and Drainage (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,

Message No. 62.

Governor.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage, and Drainage Act, 1924-1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 12th May, 1949.

(4.) Navigation (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,

Message No. 63.

Governor.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Navigation Act, 1901-1941, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 12th May, 1949.

(5.) Technical Education and New South Wales University of Technology Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,

Message No. 64.

Governor.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to make further provision for and in relation to the provision and regulation of Technical Education in New South Wales; to provide for the establishment and incorporation of a New South Wales University of Technology; to repeal the Technical Education Act, 1940; to amend the Public Service Act, 1902, the Public Instruction Act of 1880, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 12th May, 1949.

(6.) Conservation Authority of New South Wales Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,

Message No. 65.

Governor.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the constitution of the Conservation Authority of New South Wales and to define its powers, authorities, duties and functions; to reconstitute the Water Conservation and Irrigation Commission; to amend the Irrigation Act, 1912-1946, the Forestry Act, 1916-1946, the Soil Conservation Act, 1938-1947, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 12th May, 1949.

8. LEAVE OF ABSENCE:—Mr. McGrath moved (*by consent*) without Notice, That leave of absence for the remainder of the present Session be granted to the Honourable Maurice O'Sullivan, Member for Paddington, on account of absence from the State.

Question put and passed.

18th May, 1949.

4. PAPERS:—

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table, copy Report by Messrs. Sinclair, Andrews and Ellen on Road Passenger Transport Services in the Sydney Metropolitan and Newcastle Areas.

Ordered to be printed.

Mr. C. E. Martin laid upon the Table, copy Police Report on allegations that criminals and communists are serving on Juries.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Proclamations (2) declaring certain lands to be private lands for the purposes of the Mining Act, 1906-1946.

(2.) Amendment of Regulation under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901-1944.

(3.) Regulation and amendments of Regulations under the Police Offences (Amendment) Act, 1908, as amended.

(4.) Balance-sheets of Art Unions under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901-1944, in aid of—

Port Macquarie Surf Life Saving Club's Building Fund.

Sacred Heart College, Bowral, War Memorial.

Temora District Ambulance Service.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Abstract of Crown Land intended to be dedicated for public purposes in accordance with section 24 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

(2.) Notifications (2) of acquisition of land and/or easement under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for works in connection with the construction of a dam across the Namoi River at Keepit.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Amendments of Ordinances under the Local Government Act, 1919.

(2.) Amendment of Regulation, and new Regulations under the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1948, relating to appointment of Emergency Electricity Commissioner.

(3.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Public Offices at Fairfield.

(4.) Notifications of acquisition of land and/or easement under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Local Government Act, 1919, in the following areas:—

Bankstown Municipality (2).

Coonabarabran Shire.

Hornsby Shire.

Lake Macquarie Shire.

Rockdale Municipality.

Sutherland Shire.

(5.) Notification of acquisition of land and/or easement under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1912-1945, at Balmain and Hurstville-Bexley.

(6.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purpose of the Ryde Mental Hospital Construction Act, 1948, at Ryde.

(7.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Forestry Act, 1916-1946, as follows:—

(a) Canobolas State Forest (proposed) and (b) Red Hill State Forest No. 591.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Graham laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Regulation under the Marketing of Primary Products Act, 1927-1940.

(2.) Regulation under the Stock Foods and Medicines Act, 1940.

(3.) Amendment of Regulation under the Agricultural Seeds Act, 1921.

(4.) Copy Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Messrs. D. Corbett, D. A. Dickinson, J. R. G. Morschel, L. A. S. Johnson, B.Sc., J. G. Gellatley, B.Sc. (Agr.), and L. F. Mandelson, B.Sc. (Agr.), Department of Agriculture.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

18th May, 1949.

5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (REGULATION OF FLATS) BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Evatt and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 66.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to make provision for the conversion of certain buildings into residential flat buildings; for this purpose to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 17th May, 1949.

6. HOUSING (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Baddeley *on behalf of* Mr. Evatt moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Housing Act, 1912-1947, in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Baddeley then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Housing Act, 1912-1947, in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

7. MOTOR TRAFFIC (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Sheahan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Sheahan, the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

8. MAIN ROADS (FEDERAL AID ROADS AND WORKS) AMENDMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Sheahan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Frith moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

9. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Sheahan moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-seven minutes before Seven o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 36.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 19 MAY, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPER:—Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table Regulations under the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (REGULATION OF FLATS) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Cahill moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision for the conversion of certain buildings into residential flat buildings; for this purpose to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.
Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Cahill then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to make provision for the conversion of certain buildings into residential flat buildings; for this purpose to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

3. MOTOR TRAFFIC (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Sheahan, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Motor Traffic Act, 1909-1945, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 19th May, 1949.*

4. PASTURES PROTECTION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Graham moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to repeal the provision requiring the branding (other than earmarking) of sheep; to increase the maximum pastures protection rates which may be levied by pastures protection boards; to make certain provisions as to the removal of directors of boards from office and the appointment of administrators in their stead; for these and other purposes to amend the Pastures Protection Act, 1934-1948, and the Trustees Audit Act, 1912, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

19th May, 1949.

(2.) Mr. Graham then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to repeal the provision requiring the branding (other than earmarking) of sheep; to increase the maximum pastures protection rates which may be levied by pastures protection boards; to make certain provisions as to the removal of directors of boards from office and the appointment of administrators in their stead; for these and other purposes to amend the Pastures Protection Act, 1934-1948, and the Trustees Audit Act, 1912, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

5. LANDLORD AND TENANT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. C. E. Martin moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Act, 1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Martin then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Act, 1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

6. MAIN ROADS (FEDERAL AID ROADS AND WORKS) AMENDMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Sheahan "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And Mr. Sheahan having spoken in reply,—

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Sheahan the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

7. T.B. SAILORS AND SOLDIERS' ASSOCIATION OF NEW SOUTH WALES INCORPORATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. C. E. Martin moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Freeman, Temporary-Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Martin the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Deputy-Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

8. HOUSING (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of Day having been read, Mr. Weir, on behalf of Mr. Evans, moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

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Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Tully, Temporary-Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Weir the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Deputy-Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

9. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Weir moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next at Half-past Seven o'clock, p.m.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned at Nineteen minutes after Four o'clock, p.m., until Tuesday next at Half-past Seven o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 37.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 24 MAY, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PETITION—PROPOSED SEWAGE DUMP AT MANLY VALE:—Mr. Darby presented a Petition from certain Residents of the Shire of Warringah and the Municipality of Manly, representing that the proposed Sewage Dump for Night Soil will be a public nuisance and praying that immediate steps be taken by the Government to prevent the present plan being carried out.

Petition received.

2. DEATH OF JAMES JOSEPH GREGORY MCGIRR, ESQUIRE:—Mr. Speaker reported that, in pursuance of the Resolution of this House, passed on the 24th March, 1949, he had communicated to Mrs. McGirr the sympathy and sorrow of the Members of the Legislative Assembly on the death of James Joseph Gregory McGirr, Esquire, and intimated that he had received the following reply:—

“Sunray,”
Ernest Street, North Sydney,
23rd May, 1949.

To the Honourable the Speaker,
The Legislative Assembly of New South Wales.

Dear Mr. Lamb,—

To-day I received the nine copies of the Brochure recording the tributes paid to my husband in the Assembly. The surprise receipt of them cheered my somewhat heavy heart. My family will always treasure their copies.

I should like you and the members of the House to know that I appreciated to the full their kindly references.

To you personally, I wish to convey my thanks for your condolences, both on the day of his, Greg's, death and again in your letter of the 20th May.

I am,
Yours sincerely,
RACHEL MCGIRR.

3. PAPERS:—

Mr. C. E. Martin laid upon the Table Substituted Rule made by the Judges of the Supreme Court.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table copy Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. Alex Glen Boyd, Department of Conservation.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

24th May, 1949.

4. T.B. SAILORS AND SOLDIERS' ASSOCIATION OF NEW SOUTH WALES INCORPORATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. C. E. Martin, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to alter the name of the body corporate constituted by the T.B. Sailors and Soldiers' Association of New South Wales Incorporation Act, 1943; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 24th May, 1949.*

5. HOUSING (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Evatt, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Housing Act, 1912-1947, in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 24th May, 1949.*

6. MAIN ROADS (FEDERAL AID ROADS AND WORKS) AMENDMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Sheahan, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the application of certain moneys paid to the State of New South Wales under the Commonwealth Aid Roads and Works Act 1947-1948 of the Parliament of the Commonwealth; to amend the Main Roads Act, 1924-1948, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 24th May, 1949.*

7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (REGULATION OF FLATS) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Cahill moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Jackett moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

The House adjourned at Thirteen minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 38.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 25 MAY, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Amendment of Police Rule under the Police Regulation Act, 1899, as amended.

(2.) Amendments of Regulation under the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900-1941, and the Sydney Harbour Rates Act, 1904, as amended.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table copy Report of the Fisheries Branch, Chief Secretary's Department, for the year ended 30th June, 1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. C. E. Martin laid upon the Table Regulation under the Liquor Act, 1912, as amended.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Finnan laid upon the Table Workers' Compensation Statistics supplementary to the Report of the Workers' Compensation Commission for the year ended 30th June, 1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (REGULATION OF FLATS) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Cahill, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And Mr. Cahill having spoken in reply,—

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill with an amendment.

On motion of Mr. Cahill the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

25th May, 1949.

3. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Cahill moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Tuesday, 7th June, 1949, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m., unless Mr. Speaker, or if Mr. Speaker be unable to act on account of illness or other cause, the Chairman of Committees, shall, prior to that date, by telegram or letter addressed to each Member of the House, fix an earlier day and hour of meeting.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 43.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Graham	Mr. Nott
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Hamilton	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Dring	Mr. Landa	Mr. L. J. Tully
Captain Dunn	Mr. Lang	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Finnan	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Wetherell
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fowles	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Chalmers
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Freeman
Mr. Gorman	Mr. Noble	

Noes, 18.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Trentt
Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Jaekett	Mr. Turner
Mr. Black	Mr. Jackson	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Cross	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Darby
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Medealf	Mr. Morton
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Richardson	
Mr. Frith	Mr. Storey	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

4. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Cahill moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty nine minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until *Tuesday, 7th June, 1949*, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m., unless an earlier date be fixed in accordance with the terms of the Resolution adopted at this Sitting.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 39.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 7 JUNE, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. FIRE BRIGADES (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Baddeley and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 67.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to make further provisions in relation to the borrowing powers and the fund of the Board of Fire Commissioners of New South Wales; for this purpose to amend the Fire Brigades Act, 1909-1948; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 2nd June, 1949.

2. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

- (1.) Main Roads (Federal Aid Roads and Works) Amendment Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the application of certain moneys paid to the State of New South Wales under the Commonwealth Aid Roads and Works Act 1947-1948 of the Parliament of the Commonwealth; to amend the Main Roads Act, 1924-1948, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 26th May, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

- (2.) Motor Traffic (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Motor Traffic Act, 1909-1945, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 26th May, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

- (3.) Housing (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Housing Act, 1912-1947, in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 26th May, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

7th June, 1949.

(4.) T.B. Sailors and Soldiers' Association of New South Wales Incorporation (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to alter the name of the body corporate constituted by the T.B. Sailors and Soldiers' Association of New South Wales Incorporation Act, 1943; and for purposes connected therewith*,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 26th May, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

3. DEATH OF MATTHEW KILPATRICK, ESQUIRE:—Mr. Speaker reported that, in pursuance of the Resolution of this House, passed on the 23rd February, 1949, he had communicated to Mrs. Kilpatrick the sympathy and sorrow of the Members of the Legislative Assembly on the death of Matthew Kilpatrick, Esquire, and intimated that he had received the following reply:—

106 Wentworth Street,
Randwick,
June 2nd, 1949.

The Honourable W. H. Lamb,
Speaker, Parliament House, Sydney.

Dear Sir,

My grateful acknowledgment for your thoughtfulness in sending to us the tribute of the House on the occasion of my husband's death.

I would like to thank Mr. Treutt and Mr. Vincent for their kind remembrances of their late colleague; and very specially thank the Premier, Mr. McGirr, for his kind words.

Your personal sympathy, Mr. Lamb, was much appreciated by family of the late Mat Kilpatrick.

I remain,
Faithfully yours,
MARY KILPATRICK.

4. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING SCHEME:—Mr. Cahill made a Ministerial Statement respecting the Town and Country Planning Scheme prepared by the Cumberland County Council, and the arrangements made for the exhibition of the plans of the Scheme for public inspection.

5. PAPERS:—

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table copy of Report of the Proceedings of the Conference of Commonwealth and State Ministers held at Canberra, on 23rd and 24th August, 1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. R. A. Burg, Department of Mines.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Evatt laid upon the Table notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1912-1947, at—

Adelong.	Goulburn.
Armidale.	Inverell.
Artarmon.	Jannali.
Bathurst.	Killara.
Blacksmiths.	Leichhardt.
Canowindra.	Liverpool.
Cardiff.	Nowra.
Carlingford.	Padstow.
Chullora (2).	Penrith.
Coalbrook.	Redhead.
Condell Park.	Revesby.
Coonamble.	Seven Hills.
Corrimal.	Sydney.
Culcairn.	Turrumurra.
Dubbo.	Yanco.
Enfield.	Villawood.
Forbes.	Young Wallsend.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

7th June, 1949.

Mr. Heffron laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Report of the Trustees of the Museum of Technology and Applied Science for 1948.
- (2.) Amendments of By-laws under the University and University Colleges Act, 1900-1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Notification of acquisition of easement under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Southern Electricity Supply of New South Wales.
- (2.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Local Government Act, 1919, in the Tweed Shire.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Graham laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of Public Recreation Grounds at (a) Lake Illawarra South; (b) Kentucky; (c) Bateman's Bay; (d) Springwood and Linden.
- (2.) *Gazette* Notices setting forth the mode in which it is proposed to deal with certain lands under section 25 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
- (3.) Abstract of Crown Lands intended to be dedicated for public purposes in accordance with the provisions of section 24 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
- (4.) Amended Regulations and Schedules of Fees and Charges in connection with the Regulations for the management of portions of the following Burial Grounds:—(a) Deniliquin; (b) Nowra; (c) Orange; (d) Shellharbour; (e) Woronora.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Kelly laid upon the Table Report of the Inspector-General of Mental Hospitals for the year ended 30th June, 1948.

Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for works in connection with the construction of—

- (a) Dam across the Hunter River at Glenbawn.
- (b) Dam across the Macquarie River at Burrendong.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Statement of Traffic secured to Railway Transport by the exercise of the powers conferred on the Railway Commissioner under section 24 (3) and (4) of the Government Railways Act, 1912-1945, for the month of March, 1949.
- (2.) Amendments of Regulations under the State Transport (Co-ordination) Act, 1931-1947.
- (3.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the following Railway purposes—
 - (a) Maintaining the traffic on existing Railway line between Sydney and Bourke—Quadruplication of line between Lidcombe and Penrith.
 - (b) Electric Substation at Blaxland.
 - (c) Station Master's residence at Gosford.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

6. TRANSPORT ACT, 1930—WITHDRAWAL OF REGULATION:—Mr. Turner moved, pursuant to Notice, That, in the opinion of this House, Regulation 117 under the Transport Act, 1930, will, if enforced, detrimentally affect private omnibus services by—

- (a) adding to their costs and, ultimately, the fares charged;
- (b) entailing considerable waste of manpower; and
- (c) conducting neither to the greater safety nor convenience of the public; and should therefore be withdrawn.

Debate ensued.

7th June, 1949.

Mr. Hamilton moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the figures "1930," with a view of inserting the following words instead thereof:—"should be enforced with discretion and common sense, taking into consideration the fact that the safety of the public is the primary consideration."

Question proposed,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.

Debate continued.

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.—put and negatived.

Question, That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words left out be so inserted,—put and passed.

Original Question, as amended, proposed,—

And Mr. Turner having spoken in reply,—

Original Question, as amended,—That in the opinion of this House, Regulation 117 under the Transport Act, 1930, should be enforced with discretion and common sense, taking into consideration the fact that the safety of the public is the primary consideration,—put and passed.

7. SNOWY RIVER IRRIGATION AND HYDRO-ELECTRIC SCHEME:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Enticknap, "That, in the opinion of this House,—

"(1.) Immediate steps should be initiated to develop, for the purposes of "irrigation and hydro-electricity, the water resources of the Snowy River and "its tributaries, of the Upper Murrumbidgee Valley, the Tumut Valley and the "Upper Murray Valley.

"(2.) The Government be asked to examine the possibility of designing a "comprehensive scheme for the use of all these waters based on the early "construction of a dam at Billilingera (Murrumbidgee River), a diversion tunnel "from the Snowy to the Murrumbidgee and a dam at Jindabyne (Snowy River), "in that order.

"(3.) If the Government is satisfied as to such a scheme being practicable and "able to meet substantial demands for irrigation and for power, then it be "authorised to introduce the necessary legislation without delay to provide "for the three undertakings referred to."

Upon which Mr. Fred Cahill had moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out paragraphs (2.) and (3.), with a view of inserting the following words to stand as paragraphs (2.), (3.) and (4.) instead thereof:—

"(2.) The use of the waters for irrigation purposes should not be subordinated "to the use of the waters for electricity.

"(3.) The whole of the waters should be made available to New South Wales "for utilisation in the Murrumbidgee Valley or such other areas as the N.S.W. "Government might consider appropriate.

"(4.) There should be consultation between all authorities concerned as to the "order in which the works should be commenced and the rate of construction."

And the Question being again proposed,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Beale (*speaking*) moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

8. DESIGNATION OF "BRITISH COMMONWEALTH OF NATIONS":—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Turner,—

"(1) That, in the opinion of this House, the omission of the word 'British' "from the long established designation 'British Commonwealth of Nations' "in the final communique issued by the Dominion Prime Ministers' Conference, "recently held in London, is to be deplored, because such omission is likely "to establish a new usage which this House believes would be highly detrimental "to the best interests of the British Commonwealth of Nations and inimical "to those of the people of this State and of Australia.

"(2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Mr. Speaker to His "Excellency the Governor, together with a request that it be conveyed to the "Right Honourable the Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations."

And the Question being again proposed,—

7th June, 1949.

Mr. Cahill moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.
 Question put and passed.
 Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

General Business having been disposed of, Government Business proceeded with.

9. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (REGULATION OF FLATS) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Cahill, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to make provision for the conversion of certain buildings into residential flat buildings; for this purpose to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber.

Sydney, 7th June, 1949.

10. FIRE BRIGADES (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Baddeley moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make further provisions in relation to the borrowing powers and the fund of the Board of Fire Commissioners of New South Wales; for this purpose to amend the Fire Brigades Act, 1909-1948; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Baddeley then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to make further provisions in relation to the borrowing powers and the fund of the Board of Fire Commissioners of New South Wales; for this purpose to amend the Fire Brigades Act, 1909-1948; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

11. PASTURES PROTECTION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Graham moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

And it being 10.20 o'clock, p.m., the Debate stood adjourned, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

The House adjourned at Twenty minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 40.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 8 JUNE, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—

Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Copy Report of the Board of Fire Commissioners of New South Wales for 1948.

Ordered to be printed. (*Appendices I to VI only to be printed.*)

(2.) Amendment of Regulations under the Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act, 1935-1942.

(3.) Balance-sheets of Art Unions under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of—

Tamworth Police and Citizens Boys' Club;

Batlow Memorial Sports Ground Association.

(4.) Amendments of Regulations under the Inflammable Liquid Act, 1915-1946.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table copy Report of Cumberland County Council on the Town and Country Planning Scheme for the County of Cumberland.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Graham laid upon the Table particulars respecting the proposed acquisition by the Government, for Closer Settlement purposes, of the following estates:—

(a) Parts of Derangibal, Geeron and Horseshoe Estates, in the District of Forbes.

(b) Panuara Estate, in the District of Blayney.

(c) Ravenswood Estate, in the District of Albury.

(d) Blink Bonnie Estate, in the District of Forbes.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. PASTURES PROTECTION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Graham, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

8th June, 1949.

And Mr. Graham having spoken in reply,—

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Gorman, Temporary-Chairman, reported the Bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Graham the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

3. LANDLORD AND TENANT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. C. E. Martin moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported progress and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House adjourned at Sixteen minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 41.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 9 JUNE, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPER:—Mr. Weir laid upon the Table notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for works in connection with the construction of a Dam across the Macquarie River at Burrendong.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. PASTURES PROTECTION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Graham, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to repeal the provision requiring the branding (other than earmarking) of sheep; to increase the maximum pastures protection rates which may be levied by pastures protection boards; to make certain provisions as to the removal of directors of boards from office and the appointment of administrators in their stead; for these and other purposes to amend the Pastures Protection Act, 1934-1948, and the Trustees Audit Act, 1912, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 9th June, 1949.*

3. FIRE BRIGADES (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Baddeley moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Gorman, Temporary-Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Baddeley, the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

9th June, 1949.

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4. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Fowles, as Chairman, brought up the Seventh Report from the Printing Committee.
5. CLOSER SETTLEMENT—PARTS OF DERANGIBAL, GEERON AND HORSESHOE ESTATES, AND PANUARA AND RAVENSWOOD ESTATES:—Mr. Graham moved, pursuant to Notice, That pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts, this House approves of the Governor resuming from the owners the lands comprised in the following estates:—
- (a) Parts of Derangibal, Geeron and Horseshoe Estates, owned by Frederick Walter Morgan, Estate of C. H. Morgan, deceased, and Charles Frederick Eric Morgan respectively, situated about 30 miles westerly from Forbes, comprising in the aggregate an area of about 9,424 acres.
 - (b) Panuara Estate, owned by Goldsbrough Mort and Company Limited, situated about 18 miles north-westerly from Carcoar and about 22 miles south-westerly from Orange, comprising an area of about 8,440 acres.
 - (c) Ravenswood Estate, owned by John Lyster Roach, situated about five miles west of Holbrook on the Holbrook-Culcairn Road, comprising an area of about 3,040 acres.

Debate ensued.

And it being 5.20 o'clock, p.m., the Debate stood adjourned, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

6. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Graham moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

And it being 5.30 o'clock, p.m., Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949, adjourned the House until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 42.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 14 JUNE, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

i. PAPERS:—

Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table Balance-sheets of Art Unions under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of—

- (a) Coonabarabran District Ambulance Service.
- (b) Tenterfield District Ambulance Service.
- (c) Wagga Wagga Sub-Branch of Australian Legion of Ex-Servicemen and Women.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Heffron laid upon the Table lists respecting the appointment, on probation, of certain persons as Teachers, Department of Public Instruction.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Notifications of acquisition of land and/or easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the following purposes:—

- (a) Kogarah Stormwater Drainage.
- (b) Public Offices at Phillip-street, Sydney.
- (c) Southern Electricity Supply of New South Wales.

(2.) Notifications of acquisition of land and/or easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Local Government Act, 1919, in the following areas:—

- (a) Cessnock Municipality;
- (b) Hurstville Municipality;
- (c) Sutherland Shire.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Graham laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Abstract of Crown Lands intended to be dedicated for public purposes in accordance with the provisions of section 24 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

(2.) *Gazette* Notice setting forth the mode in which it is proposed to deal with certain land under section 25 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) By-laws under the Government Railways Act, 1912-1945.

(2.) Statement of Traffic secured to Railway Transport by the exercise of the powers conferred on the Railway Commissioner under section 24 (3) and (4) of the Government Railways Act, 1912-1945, for the month of April, 1949.

14th June, 1949.

(3.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of maintaining the traffic on the existing lines of Railway between—

(a) Clyde and Carlingford—additional Railway accommodation.

(b) Sydney and Albury—turntable, siding and de-ashing pit at Uranquinty.

(4.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for Transport facilities at Enfield.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. Baddeley and read by Mr. Speaker:—

(1.) Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers (Pensions) Amendment Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 68.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to amend the Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers (Pensions) Act, 1941-1948, in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 14th June, 1949.

(2.) Parliamentary Electorates and Elections (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 69.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to amend the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912-1946, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 14th June, 1949.

3. SNOWY RIVER IRRIGATION AND HYDRO-ELECTRIC SCHEME:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Enticknap, "That, in the opinion of this House,—

"(1.) Immediate steps should be initiated to develop, for the purposes of "irrigation and hydro-electricity, the water resources of the Snowy River and "its tributaries, of the Upper Murrumbidgee Valley, the Tumut Valley and the "Upper Murray Valley.

"(2.) The Government be asked to examine the possibility of designing a "comprehensive scheme for the use of all these waters based on the early "construction of a dam at Billilingergera (Murrumbidgee River), a diversion "tunnel from the Snowy to the Murrumbidgee and a dam at Jindabyne (Snowy "River), in that order.

"(3.) If the Government is satisfied as to such a scheme being practicable and "able to meet substantial demands for irrigation and for power, then it be "authorised to introduce the necessary legislation without delay to provide "for the three undertakings referred to."

Upon which Mr. Fred Cahill had moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out paragraphs (2.) and (3.), with a view of inserting the following words to stand as paragraphs (2.), (3.) and (4.) instead thereof:—

"(2.) The use of the waters for irrigation purposes should not be subordinated "to the use of the waters for electricity.

"(3.) The whole of the waters should be made available to New South Wales "for utilisation in the Murrumbidgee Valley or such other areas as the N.S.W. "Government might consider appropriate.

"(4.) There should be consultation between all authorities concerned as to the "order in which the works should be commenced and the rate of construction,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

14th June, 1949.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Howarth, That the Honourable Member for South Coast, Mr. Jack Beale, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Debate continued.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Brain, That the Honourable Member for Ashburnham, Mr. Dring, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Debate continued.

And it being Six o'clock, p.m., Debate interrupted pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the resumption of the Debate stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

4. FIRE BRIGADES (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Baddeley, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to make further provisions in relation to the borrowing powers and the fund of the Board of Fire Commissioners of New South Wales; for this purpose to amend the Fire Brigades Act, 1909-1948; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 14th June, 1949.*

5. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTORATES AND ELECTIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Baddeley moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912-1946, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Mr. McGrath moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—“That the Question be now put.”

The House divided.

Ayes, 37.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Geraghty	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Booth	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Landa	Mr. Weir
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Wetherell
Captain Dunn	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Williams
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Evatt	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Noble	

Noes, 35.

Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Gollan	Mr. Padman
Mr. Black	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Rose
Mr. Brain	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Storey
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Treutt
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jaccott	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cross	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Lang	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Jeff Bate
Mr. Ellis	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Darby
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Medcalf	
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Morton	
Mr. Frith	Mr. Mutton	

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of “at least thirty Members,”—

Original Question put.

14th June, 1949.

The House divided.

Ayes, 40.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Booth	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Landa	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Lang	Mr. Tonge
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Wattison
Captain Dunn	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Weir
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Evatt	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Williams
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Matthews	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Noble	Mr. Fred Cahill
Mr. Fowler	Mrs. Quirk	Mr. Geraghty
Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Renshaw	

Noes, 33.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Frith	Mr. Padman
Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Gollan	Mr. Rose
Mr. Black	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Storey
Mr. Brain	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Treatt
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Turner
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jakkett	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Cross	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Kendall	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Darby	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Ellis
Mr. Dewley	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Morton
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Medcalf	
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Mutton	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

(2.) Mr. Baddeley then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912-1946, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

The House adjourned at Twenty-five minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 43.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 15 JUNE, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—

Mr. Evatt laid upon the Table notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1912-1947, at—

Fairfield.	Matraville.
Galong.	Yeoval.
Lismore.	

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Heffron laid upon the Table list respecting the appointment, on probation, of certain persons as Teachers, Department of Public Instruction.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table notifications (2) of acquisitions of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for works in connection with the construction of a dam across the Hunter River at Glenbawn.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. LANDLORD AND TENANT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill with amendments.

Mr. C. E. Martin moved, That the Report be now adopted.

Mr. Treatt moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word "That" and inserting the words "the Bill be recommitted for the reconsideration of clause 3,"—instead thereof.

Question proposed,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.

Debate ensued.

Question put,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question. The House divided.

Ayes, 44.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Booth	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Landa	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Lang	Mr. Wattison
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Captain Dunn	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Williams
Mr. Evatt	Mr. C. E. Martin	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Gorman
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Noble	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Nott	
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mrs. Quirk	
Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Renshaw	

15th June, 1949.

Noes, 31.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Gollan	Mr. Padman
Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. John Reid
Mr. Black	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Rose
Mr. Brain	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Storey
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Cross	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Lawson	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Ellis	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Dickson
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Morton
Mr. Frith	Mr. Mutton	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question,—That the Report be now adopted,—put and passed.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

3. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTORATES AND ELECTIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Baddeley moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

And it being 10.20 o'clock, p.m., the Debate stood adjourned, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

4. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Baddeley moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-eight minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker

New South Wales.

No. 44.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 16 JUNE, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. LANDLORD AND TENANT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. C. E. Martin moved, "That this Bill be now read a third time."

Mr. Treatt moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word "That" and inserting the words "the Bill be recommitted for the reconsideration of Clause 3,"—instead thereof.

Question proposed,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.

Debate ensued.

Point of Order: Mr. C. E. Martin submitted that the amendment was out of order on the ground that, yesterday, on the motion for the adoption of the Report, an amendment was moved to recommit the Bill for a precisely similar purpose, viz., the reconsideration of Clause 3,—and that the House had then decided against such recommittal.

Mr. Speaker said that the motion for the third reading of the Bill constituted an entirely new stage in its passage through the House and a further opportunity for its reconsideration if the House thought fit. It was competent for the Leader of the Opposition to move for the recommittal of the Bill to reconsider Clause 3 thereof or any other clause. He therefore could not uphold the Point of Order.

Debate continued.

Question put,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.
The House divided.

Ayes, 46.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Noble
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Nott
Mr. Booth	Mr. Graham	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Fred Cabill	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Dring	Mr. Landa	Mr. Weir
Captain Dunn	Mr. Lang	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Williams
Mr. Evatt	Mr. James McGirr	
Mr. Finnan	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Gorman
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Wattison

16th June, 1949.

Noes, 30.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Black	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Storey
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Treatt
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cross	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Darby	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Morton	
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Mutton	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Frith	Mr. Padmau	Mr. Cutler
Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Dewley
Mr. Howarth	Mr. Rose	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question,—That this Bill be now read a third time,—put and passed.

Bill read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Act, 1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 16th June, 1949.*

2. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTORATES AND ELECTIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Baddeley, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Brain moved, That the Honourable Member for Raleigh, Mr. Vincent, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 30.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Gollan	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Storey
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Treatt
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cross	Mr. Lang	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Darby	Mr. McCaw	
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Medcalf	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Mutton	Mr. Black
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Padman	Mr. Morton
Mr. Frith	Mr. John Reid	

Noes, 43.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Graham	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Booth	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Landa	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Dring	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Weir
Captain Dunn	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Williams
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Matthews	
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Nott	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fowles	Mrs. Quirk	Mr. W. McC. Gollan
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Renshaw	Mr. Noble

And so it passed in the negative.

Debate continued.

And it being 5.20 o'clock, p.m., the Debate stood adjourned, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

16th June, 1949.

3. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

(1.) Local Government (Regulation of Flats) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to make provision for the conversion of certain buildings into residential flat buildings; for this purpose to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.*"—with the amendment indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendment the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 16th June, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (REGULATION OF FLATS) BILL.

Schedule of the amendment referred to in Message of 16th June, 1949.

W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

Page 4, clause 4, line 12. Omit "fifteen" insert "twelve".

Examined,—

T. STEELE,
Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

(2.) Pastures Protection (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled, "*An Act to repeal the provision requiring the branding (other than earmarking) of sheep; to increase the maximum pastures protection rates which may be levied by pastures protection boards; to make certain provisions as to the removal of directors of boards from office and the appointment of administrators in their stead; for these and other purposes to amend the Pastures Protection Act, 1934-1948, and the Trustees Audit Act, 1912, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.*"—with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 16th June, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

PASTURES PROTECTION (AMENDMENT) BILL.

Schedule of the amendments referred to in Message of 16th June, 1949.

W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

No. 1.—Page 2, clause 2, line 19. After "quorum," insert "or".

No. 2.—Page 2, clause 2, line 23. Omit "any of".

No. 3.—Page 2, clause 2, line 25. Omit "; or" insert "in any material respect:"

No. 4.—Page 2, clause 2, lines 26 to 28 inclusive, paragraph (c). Omit the whole of paragraph (c).

Examined,—

T. STEELE,
Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

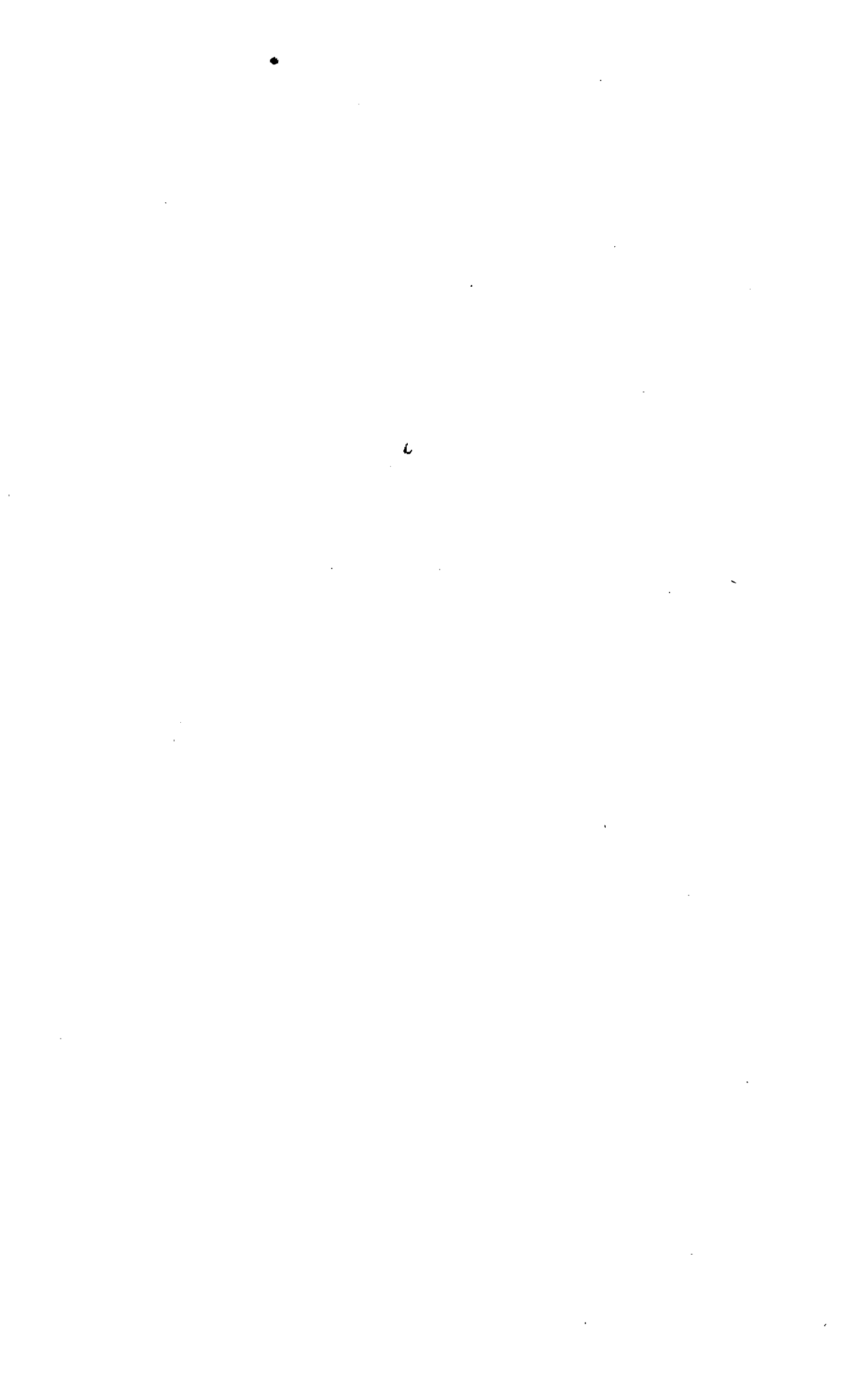
4. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Baddeley moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

And it being 5.30 o'clock, p.m., Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949, adjourned the House until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.



New South Wales.

No. 45.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 21 JUNE, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. RESUMPTION BY HOUSING COMMISSION OF ARCHBOLD ESTATE AT ROSEVILLE:—

(1.) URGENCY:—Mr. Treatt moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider the following Motion, viz.—“That this House is of opinion that,—

(1.) the resumption without Parliamentary approval of the Archbold Estate, Roseville, at a valuation in excess of the statutory limit of £20,000 provided under section 4A of the Housing Act of 1912;

(2.) the contradictory, evasive and unsatisfactory public statements and Parliamentary explanations as to the manner in which these blocks and/or homes are being acquired by the persons to whom they have been allocated;

(3.) the acquisition of land and the erection or financing of luxury homes in expensive localities by the Governmental building authority and the consequent waste of labour and materials in short supply;

(4.) the disclosures as to the allocation of blocks and/or homes on the Archbold Estate and other sites to employees of Government Departments and instrumentalities;

(5.) the resumption of the Archbold Estate and other sites at under market valuations and the allocation to purchasers of building blocks and/or dwellings at prices which would allow of ready re-sale at considerable profit;

(6.) the approval of advances to applicants whose annual income is in excess of the statutory limit of £600 per annum as provided in section 25 of the Housing Act;

(7.) the allegation by the Minister that the Chairman of the Housing Commission had been guilty of a grave dereliction of duty by withholding from the Minister important information and the denial by the Chairman of the Housing Commission of such charge;

(8.) the fact that according to the Auditor-General the accounts of the Housing Commission made available to him for public audit are so far out of date as to ‘have statistical interest only’ and that the last Annual Report presented to Parliament two months ago relates to the year ending June, 1947;

(9.) the fact that the Housing Commission in the exercise of its functions and powers is subject to the control and direction of the Minister by virtue of section 32 of the Housing Act, 1941;

demand—

(a) the immediate appointment of a Royal Commission to investigate and inquire publicly into the administration of the Government housing authority, the Housing Commission of New South Wales;

(b) that all documents relating to applications for and the making of advances under Part II of the Housing Act and all documents relating to the acquisition and re-sale of blocks on the Archbold and similar estates shall be delivered forthwith into the custody of the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly; and

(c) that, pending the outcome of this inquiry, the Minister for Housing be relieved of his office.”

Question put and passed.

21st June, 1949.

(2.) **SUSPENSION OF STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS:**—Mr. Treatt moved, That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would preclude the consideration forthwith of the following Motion, viz.:—“That this House is of opinion that,—

(1.) the resumption without Parliamentary approval of the Archbold Estate Roseville, at a valuation in excess of the statutory limit of £20,000 provided under section 4A of the Housing Act of 1912;

(2.) the contradictory, evasive and unsatisfactory public statements and Parliamentary explanations as to the manner in which these blocks and/or homes are being acquired by the persons to whom they have been allocated;

(3.) the acquisition of land and the erection or financing of luxury homes in expensive localities by the Governmental building authority and the consequent waste of labour and materials in short supply;

(4.) the disclosures as to the allocation of blocks and/or homes on the Archbold Estate and other sites to employees of Government Departments and instrumentalities;

(5.) the resumption of the Archbold Estate and other sites at under market valuations and the allocation to purchasers of building blocks and/or dwellings at prices which would allow of ready re-sale at considerable profit;

(6.) the approval of advances to applicants whose annual income is in excess of the statutory limit of £600 per annum as provided in section 25 of the Housing Act;

(7.) the allegation by the Minister that the Chairman of the Housing Commission had been guilty of a grave dereliction of duty by withholding from the Minister important information and the denial by the Chairman of the Housing Commission of such charge;

(8.) the fact that according to the Auditor-General the accounts of the Housing Commission made available to him for public audit are so far out of date as to ‘have statistical interest only’ and that the last Annual Report presented to Parliament two months ago relates to the year ending June, 1947;

(9.) the fact that the Housing Commission in the exercise of its functions and powers is subject to the control and direction of the Minister by virtue of section 32 of the Housing Act, 1941;

demand—

(a) the immediate appointment of a Royal Commission to investigate and inquire publicly into the administration of the Government housing authority, the Housing Commission of New South Wales;

(b) that all documents relating to applications for and the making of advances under Part II of the Housing Act and all documents relating to the acquisition and re-sale of blocks on the Archbold and similar estates shall be delivered forthwith into the custody of the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly; and

(c) that, pending the outcome of this inquiry, the Minister for Housing be relieved of his office.”

Question put and passed.

(3.) Mr. Treatt moved, That this House is of opinion that,—

(1.) the resumption without Parliamentary approval of the Archbold Estate, Roseville, at a valuation in excess of the statutory limit of £20,000 provided under section 4A of the Housing Act of 1912;

(2.) the contradictory, evasive and unsatisfactory public statements and Parliamentary explanations as to the manner in which these blocks and/or homes are being acquired by the persons to whom they have been allocated;

(3.) the acquisition of land and the erection or financing of luxury homes in expensive localities by the Governmental building authority and the consequent waste of labour and materials in short supply;

(4.) the disclosures as to the allocation of blocks and/or homes on the Archbold Estate and other sites to employees of Government Departments and instrumentalities;

(5.) the resumption of the Archbold Estate and other sites at under market valuations and the allocation to purchasers of building blocks and/or dwellings at prices which would allow of ready re-sale at considerable profit;

(6.) the approval of advances to applicants whose annual income is in excess of the statutory limit of £600 per annum as provided in section 25 of the Housing Act;

21st June, 1949.

(7.) the allegation by the Minister that the Chairman of the Housing Commission had been guilty of a grave dereliction of duty by withholding from the Minister important information and the denial by the Chairman of the Housing Commission of such charge:

(8.) the fact that according to the Auditor-General the accounts of the Housing Commission made available to him for public audit are so far out of date as to "have statistical interest only" and that the last Annual Report presented to Parliament two months ago relates to the year ending June, 1947;

(9.) the fact that the Housing Commission in the exercise of its functions and powers is subject to the control and direction of the Minister by virtue of section 32 of the Housing Act, 1941;

demand—

(a) the immediate appointment of a Royal Commission to investigate and inquire publicly into the administration of the Governmental housing authority, the Housing Commission of New South Wales;

(b) that all documents relating to applications for and the making of advances under Part II of the Housing Act and all documents relating to the acquisition and re-sale of blocks on the Archbold and similar estates shall be delivered forthwith into the custody of the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly; and

(c) that, pending the outcome of this inquiry, the Minister for Housing be relieved of his office.

Debate ensued.

And it being Six o'clock, p.m., Debate interrupted pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

Ordered, That the resumption of the Debate stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday, 28th June.

2. FIRE BRIGADES (AMENDMENT) BILL:—MR. SPEAKER reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled, "*An Act to make further provisions in relation to the borrowing powers and the fund of the Board of Fire Commissioners of New South Wales; for this purpose to amend the Fire Brigades Act, 1909-1948; and for purposes connected therewith,*" —returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 16th June, 1949.*

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

3. PAPERS:—

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table Regulations and amendments of Regulations under the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointments on probation of Mr. A. G. Boyd, and Mr. R. C. Trotman, Department of Conservation.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Amended By-law under the Hunter District Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1938-1945.

(2.) Amended Regulations under the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900-1941.

(3.) Amended By-law under the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1924-1948.

(4.) Report by the Colonial Treasurer respecting Agreements entered into by him with Co-operative Building Societies under section 17A of the Co-operation Act, 1923-1948, for the quarter commencing 1st January, 1949.

(5.) Statement of Estimated Expenditure of the Maritime Services Board of New South Wales in excess of that appropriated by Parliament during the year ended 30th June, 1949.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (REGULATION OF FLATS) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. Cahill, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

21st June, 1949.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendment.

On motion of Mr. Cahill, the Report was adopted.

The following Message sent to the Legislative Council:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "*An Act to make provision for the conversion of certain buildings into residential flat buildings; for this purpose to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.*"

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 21st June, 1949.*

5. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTORATES AND ELECTIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Baddeley "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Dickson, That the Honourable Member for Ashburnham, Mr. Dring, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of Fifteen minutes.

Debate continued.

Mr. Drummond moved. That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

6. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Baddeley moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-nine minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 46.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 22 JUNE, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. James McGirr and read by Mr. Speaker:—

- (1.) Housing (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 70.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Housing Act, 1912-1947, in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 21st June, 1949.

- (2.) Motor Traffic (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 71.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Motor Traffic Act, 1909-1945, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 21st June, 1949.

- (3.) T.B. Sailors and Soldiers' Association of New South Wales Incorporation (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 72.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to alter the name of the body corporate constituted by the T.B. Sailors and Soldiers' Association of New South Wales Incorporation Act, 1943; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 21st June, 1949.

22nd June, 1949.

(4.) Main Roads (Federal Aid Roads and Works) Amendment Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 73.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the application of certain moneys paid to the State of New South Wales under the Commonwealth Aid Roads and Works Act, 1947-1948, of the Parliament of the Commonwealth; to amend the Main Roads Act, 1924-1948, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 21st June, 1949.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. Evatt laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Copy of Report of the Housing Commission of New South Wales, for the year ended 30th June, 1948.

(2.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1912-1947, at—

Cootamundra.	Sydney.
Darlington Point.	Wollongong (2).
Lane Cove.	Yennora.
Parkes.	

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table Balance-sheet of Art Union under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of the Anti-T.B. Association of New South Wales.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purpose of erection of a Police Station at Earlwood.

(2.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Local Government Act, 1919, in the following areas:—

Albury City.	Ku-ring-gai Municipality.
Campbelltown Municipality.	Manilla Municipality.
Coonabarabran Shire.	Strathfield Municipality.
Greater Wollongong City.	

(3.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purpose of the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1912-1945—Water Supply, Warragamba Pipeline.

(4.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Public Hospitals Act, 1929-1943—The Newcastle Hospital.

(5.) Amendment of Regulations and new Regulations under the Gas and Electricity Act, 1925-1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Graham laid upon the Table copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Messrs. B. M. Braithwaite and I. G. Pearson, Department of Agriculture.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of the construction of lines of Railway between Central Station, Sydney, and Bondi Beach (Eastern Suburbs Railway).

(2.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for Omnibus Depot and other transport facilities at Ryde.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Finnan laid upon the Table amendment of Regulation under the Workers' Compensation Act, 1926-1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

22nd June, 1949.

3. BUSINESS DAYS—HOURS OF SITTING—PRECEDENCE OF BUSINESS (*Amended Sessional Order*):—Mr. James McGirr moved, pursuant to Notice, That, during the remainder of the present Session, unless otherwise ordered,—

(1.) The provisions of paragraphs (2), (3) and (4) of the Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949, shall not apply to the sittings of the House on Thursday in each week; and

(2.) The House shall meet for the despatch of business on Friday in each week at Eleven o'clock, a.m., and Government Business only shall be dealt with. Debate ensued.

And Mr. McGirr having spoken in reply,—

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 45.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Graham	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Booth	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Wattison
Captain Dunn	Mr. Lang	Mr. Weir
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Evatt	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Williams.
Mr. Finnan	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Fowles
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Matthews	Mr. L. J. Tully.
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Noble	
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan	

Noes, 33.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Gollan	Mr. Richardson
Mr. Black	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Rose
Mr. Brain	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stephens
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Storey
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Cross	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Turner
Mr. Darby	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Medcalf	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Morton	Mr. Cutler.
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Mutton	Mr. Ellis.
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Padman	
Mr. Frith	Mr. John Reid	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

4. PASTURES PROTECTION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. Graham, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Gorman, Temporary-Chairman, reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendments.

On motion of Mr. Graham, the Report was adopted.

The following Message sent to the Legislative Council:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "*An Act to repeal the provision requiring the branding (other than earmarking) of sheep; to increase the maximum pastures protection rates which may be levied by pastures protection boards; to make certain provisions as to the removal of directors of boards from office and the appointment of administrators in their stead; for these and other purposes to amend the Pastures Protection Act, 1934-1943, and the Trustees Audit Act, 1912, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.*"

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 22nd June, 1949.

5. HOSPITAL BENEFITS AGREEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Kelly moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to approve an Agreement between the Commonwealth and the State in relation to hospital benefits; to amend the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, as amended by subsequent Acts, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

22nd June, 1949.

(2.) Mr. Kelly then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to approve an Agreement between the Commonwealth and the State in relation to hospital benefits; to amend the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, as amended by subsequent Acts, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

6. LANDLORD AND TENANT (WAR SERVICE) AMENDMENT BILL:—

(1.) Mr. C. E. Martin moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make certain provision in relation to the rights of certain members, former members, and dependants of members of the defence forces in proceedings for the recovery of possession of premises; to confer upon such persons rights in relation to the acquisition of possession of premises; for these purposes to amend the Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Act, 1948-1949, and certain other Acts; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Martin then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to make certain provision in relation to the rights of certain members, former members, and dependants of members of the defence forces in proceedings for the recovery of possession of premises; to confer upon such persons rights in relation to the acquisition of possession of premises; for these purposes to amend the Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Act, 1948-1949, and certain other Acts; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

7. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTORATES AND ELECTIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Baddeley, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Frith moved, That the Honourable Member for Armidale, Mr. Drummond, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of Twenty minutes.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 33.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Gollan	Mr. Padman
Mr. Brain	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. John Reid
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Rose
Mr. Cross	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Darby	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Turner
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Lang	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Ellis	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Storey
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Morton	
Mr. Frith	Mr. Mutton	

Noes, 42.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Graham	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Wattison
Captain Dunn	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Evatt	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Williams
Mr. Finnan	Mr. C. E. Martin	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Freeman
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. O' Sullivan	Mr. Noble
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mrs. Quirk	
Mr. Gorman	Mr. Renshaw	

And so it passed in the negative.

Debate continued.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

22nd June, 1949.

Mr. Storey moved,—

(1.) That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word "That" and inserting the words "the Bill be referred to a Select Committee for consideration and report.

(2.) "That such Committee consist of Mr. Baddeley, Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner, Mr. Roy Heferen, Mr. Renshaw, Mr. Treatt, Mr. L. J. Tully and the Mover.

(3.) "That the Committee have leave to sit during the sittings or any adjournment of the House"—instead thereof.

Question proposed,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.

Debate continued.

Mr. McGrath moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—“That the Question be now put.”

The House divided.

Ayes, 43.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Graham	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Booth	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Dring	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Weir
Captain Dunn	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Williams
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Matthews	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Noble	Mr. Freeman
Mr. Fowles	Mr. O'Sullivan	Mr. Gorman
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mrs. Quirk	

Noes, 34.

Mr. Brain	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Padman
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Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Rose
Mr. Cross	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Darby	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Storey
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Lang	Mr. Turner
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. McCaw	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Cutler
Mr. Frith	Mr. Morton	Mr. Ellis
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Mutton	

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members,"—

Question put,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.

The House divided.

Ayes, 45.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Graham	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Booth	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Stanley
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Mr. Evatt	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Williams
Mr. Finnan	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Dring
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Noble	
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan	

Noes, 32.

Mr. Brain	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Rose
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Cross	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Storey
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Turner
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Drummond	Mr. McCaw	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Morton	Mr. Darby
Mr. Frith	Mr. Mutton	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Padman	
Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. John Reid	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

22nd June, 1949.

Original Question again proposed.

Mr. McGrath moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—“That the Question be now put.”

The House divided.

Ayes, 45.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Graham	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Booth	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Kelly	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Wattison
Captain Dunn	Mr. Lang	Mr. Weir
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Evatt	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Williams
Mr. Finnan	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Dring
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Noble	
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan	

Noes, 33.

Mr. Black	Mr. Gollan	Mr. John Reid
Mr. Brain	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Rose
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Storey
Mr. Cross	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Turner
Mr. Darby	Mr. Kendall	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Lawson	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Drummond	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Dickson
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Morton
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Mutton	
Mr. Frith	Mr. Padman	

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of “at least thirty Members,”—

Original Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 45.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Gorman	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Graham	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Booth	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Dring	Mr. Lang	Mr. Wattison
Captain Dunn	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Evatt	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Williams
Mr. Finnan	Mr. C. E. Martin	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Chalmers
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Noble	Mr. Roy Heferen
Mr. Freeman	Mr. O'Sullivan	
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mrs. Quirk	

Noes, 33.

Mr. Brain	Mr. Gollan	Mr. Padman
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. John Reid
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Cross	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Storey
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Darby	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Turner
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Kendall	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Lawson	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Drummond	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Black
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Rose
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Morton	
Mr. Frith	Mr. Mutton	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported progress and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

22nd June, 1949.

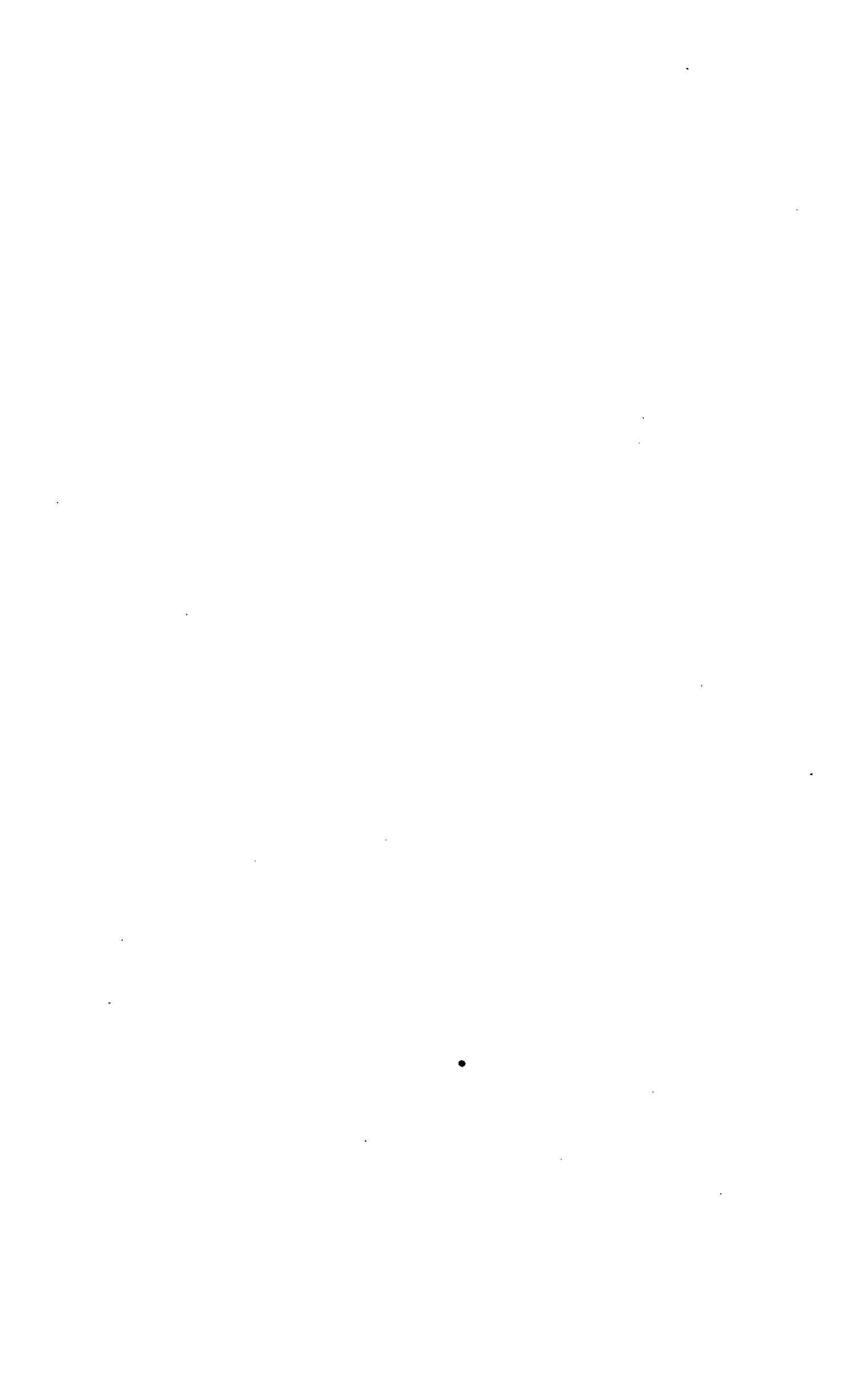
8. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Baddeley moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

And it being 10.30 o'clock, p.m., Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949, adjourned the House until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.



New South Wales.

No. 47.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 23 JUNE, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. HOSPITAL BENEFITS AGREEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Kelly moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Tully, Temporary-Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Kelly the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Deputy-Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

- (2.) Bill, on motion of Mr. Kelly, read a third time

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to approve an Agreement between the Commonwealth and the State in relation to hospital benefits; to amend the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, as amended by subsequent Acts, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 23rd June, 1949.*

2. REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ON THE COUNCIL OF THE NEW SOUTH WALES UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY:—Mr. James McGirr moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Honourable Francis Joseph Finnan, Minister for Labour and Industry and Social Welfare and Honourable Member for Hawkesbury, be elected as representative of the Legislative Assembly on the Council of the New South Wales University of Technology, in pursuance of the provisions of section 19 (2) (c) of the Technical Education and New South Wales University of Technology Act, 1949.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

3. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Fowles, as Chairman, brought up the Eighth Report from the Printing Committee.

23rd June, 1949.

4. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTORATES AND ELECTIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

Mr. Baddeley moved, That the Report be now adopted.

Mr. McGrath moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—“That the Question be now put.”

The House divided.

Ayes, 42.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Dring	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Evatt	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Finnan	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Weir
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Noble	Mr. Williams
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Nott	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. O'Sullivan	Mr. Robert Cameron
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mrs. Quirk	Mr. Hawkins
Mr. Gorman	Mr. Renshaw	
Mr. Graham	Mr. Robertson	

Noes, 35.

Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. John Reid
Mr. Black	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Rose
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Stephens
Lt.-Colonel Bruxner	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Storey
Mr. Cross	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Turner
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Lang	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Lawson	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Drummond	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Darby
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Morton	
Mr. Frith	Mr. Mutton	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Padman	

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of “at least thirty Members,”—

Question put,—That the Report be now adopted.

The House divided.

Ayes, 43.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Graham	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Dring	Mr. Lang	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Finnan	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Wattison
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Weir
Mr. Fowles	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Williams
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Matthews	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Noble	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Nott	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Gorman	Mr. O'Sullivan	

Noes, 34.

Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Padman
Mr. Black	Mr. Frith	Mr. John Reid
Mr. Brain	Mr. Gollan	Mr. Rose
Lt.-Colonel Bruxner	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Storey
Mr. Cross	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Darby	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Kendell	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Morton
Mr. Drummond	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Mutton
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Medcalf	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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23rd June, 1949.

And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

(2.) Mr. Baddeley moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Mr. McGrath moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—“That the Question be now put.”

The House divided.

Ayes, 41.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Clyne	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Dring	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Weir
Mr. Evatt	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Williams
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Noble	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Nott	Mrs. Fowler
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk	
Mr. Graham	Mr. Renshaw	
Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Robertson	

Noes, 35.

Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Gollan	Mr. John Reid
Mr. Black	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Rose
Mr. Brain	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stephens
Lt.-Colonel Bruxner	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Storey
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Cross	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Darby	Mr. Lawson	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Dewley	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Dickson
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Lang
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Morton	
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Mutton	
Mr. Frith	Mr. Padman	

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of “at least thirty Members.”—

Question put,—“That this Bill be now read a third time.”

The House divided.

Ayes, 42.

Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lang	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Dring	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Evatt	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Finnan	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Weir
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Williams
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Noble	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Nott	Captain Arthur
Mr. Gorman	Mr. O'Sullivan	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Graham	Mrs. Quirk	
Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Renshaw	

Noes, 34.

Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Gollan	Mr. Padman
Mr. Black	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. John Reid
Mr. Brain	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Rose
Lt.-Colonel Bruxner	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Cross	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Storey
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Darby	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Turner
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Drummond	Mr. McCaw	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Morton	Mr. Dewley
Mr. Frith	Mr. Mutton	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled “An Act to amend the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912-1946, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,”—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 23rd June, 1949.

23rd June, 1949.

5. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

(1.) Hospital Benefits Agreement (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to approve an Agreement between the Commonwealth and the State in relation to hospital benefits; to amend the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, as amended by subsequent Acts, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 23rd June, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(2.) Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to amend the Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Act, 1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.*"—with the amendment indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendment the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 23rd June, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

LANDLORD AND TENANT (AMENDMENT) BILL.

Schedule of the amendment referred to in Message of 23rd June, 1949.

W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

Page 20, clause 4. *After line 24 insert the following provisos:—*

"Provided that nothing in this paragraph shall preclude the payment to, or the receipt by a real estate agent licensed under the Auctioneers, Stock and Station and Real Estate Agents Act, 1941-1946, of any fee or commission properly or normally payable to such agent for anything done in the course of his business as such estate agent:

"Provided further that in the case of any transaction of the nature referred to in the foregoing provisions of this paragraph in which a business agent licensed under the Business Agents Act, 1935-1941, is concerned, the application for consent shall contain a statement of the amount of fee or commission payable to such business agent in respect of the transaction; and the Controller or the Fair Rents Board, as the case may be, shall have power either to allow such fee or commission mentioned in the statement or to disallow such amount and to allow in lieu thereof such amount as to him or it appears reasonable, by way of fee or commission. No person shall receive or pay any amount in respect of fee or commission in excess of the fee or commission allowed by the Controller or the Board, as the case may be."

Examined,—

T. STEELE,
Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration forthwith.

6. LANDLORD AND TENANT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. C. E. Martin, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendment.

On motion of Mr. Martin, the Report was adopted.

The following Message sent to the Legislative Council:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Act, 1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.*"

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 23rd June, 1949.

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23rd June, 1949.

7. LANDLORD AND TENANT (WAR SERVICE) AMENDMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. C. E. Martin moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Licut.-Colonel Bruxner (*speaking*) moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

8. CLOSER SETTLEMENT—PARTS OF DERANGIBAL, GEERON AND HORSESHOE ESTATES, AND PANUARA AND RAVENSWOOD ESTATES:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Graham, That, pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts, this House approves of the Governor resuming from the owners the lands comprised in the following estates:—

(a) Parts of Derangibal, Geeron and Horseshoe Estates, owned by Frederick Walter Morgan, Estate of C. H. Morgan, deceased, and Charles Frederick Eric Morgan respectively, situated about 30 miles westerly from Forbes, comprising in the aggregate an area of about 9,424 acres.

(b) Panuara Estate, owned by Goldsbrough Mort and Company Limited, situated about 18 miles north-westerly from Carcoar and about 22 miles south-westerly from Orange, comprising an area of about 8,440 acres.

(c) Ravenswood Estate, owned by John Lyster Roach, situated about five miles west of Holbrook on the Holbrook-Culcairn Road, comprising an area of about 3,040 acres.

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the House continuing to sit after midnight,—

FRIDAY, 24 JUNE, 1949, A.M.

Debate continued.

Question put and passed.

9. CLOSER SETTLEMENT—BLINK BONNIE ESTATE:—Mr. Sheahan, *on behalf of Mr. Graham* moved, pursuant to Notice, That, pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts, this House approves of the Governor resuming from the owner the lands comprised in Blink Bonnie Estate, owned by Mr. H. E. Bullivant, situated about fifteen miles south-westerly from Forbes, comprising an area of about 9,887 acres.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

10. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Wednesday, 6th July, 1949, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m., unless Mr. Speaker, or if Mr. Speaker be unable to act on account of illness or other cause, the Chairman of Committees, shall, prior to that date, by telegram or letter addressed to each member of the House, fix an earlier day and hour of meeting.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned at Twenty minutes before One o'clock, a.m., until Wednesday, 6th July, 1949, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m., unless an earlier day and hour be fixed in accordance with the terms of the Resolution adopted at this Sitting.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 48.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 28 JUNE, 1949.

The House met at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.,—being the time fixed by Mr. Speaker in accordance with the terms of the Special Adjournment of the 23rd instant. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. EMERGENCY POWERS BILL:—

(1.) The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. James McGirr and read by Mr. Speaker:—

F. R. JORDAN,

Message No. 74.

By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to make provision with respect to the protection of the community in the event of the interruption or dislocation of the supply or provision of essential services or essential commodities; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,

Sydney, 28th June, 1949.

(2.) URGENCY:—Mr. McGirr moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that the Emergency Powers Bill be brought in forthwith and passed through all its stages in one day, and that the House should continue to sit after Half-past Ten o'clock, p.m., This Day.

Question put and passed.

(3.) SUSPENSION OF STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS:—Mr. McGirr moved, That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would preclude the Emergency Powers Bill being brought in forthwith and passed through all its stages in one day, and would also preclude the continuation of the present Sitting after Half-past Ten o'clock, p.m.

Question put and passed.

(4.) Mr. McGirr moved, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision with respect to the protection of the community in the event of the interruption or dislocation of the supply or provision of essential services or essential commodities; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(5.) Mr. McGirr then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to make provision with respect to the protection of the community in the event of the interruption or dislocation of the supply or provision of essential services or essential commodities; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Mr. McGirr moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

28th June, 1949.

And the House continuing to sit after Midnight,—

WEDNESDAY, 29 JUNE, 1949, A.M.

Debate continued.

Mr. Seiffert moved, That the Question be now put.

Question,—“That the Question be now put”—put and negatived.

Debate continued.

Mr. McGrath moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—“That the Question be now put.”

The House divided.

Ayes, 42.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Baddley	Mr. Graham	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Booth	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. William Davies	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Dring	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Williams
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. C. E. Martin	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Noble	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Nott	
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. O'Sullivan	

Noes, 32.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Frith	Mr. Rose
Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Gollan	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Black	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Storey
Mr. Brain	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Cross	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Darby	Mr. Jordan	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Lang	Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Dickson	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Lawson
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Morton	
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Mutton	
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. John Reid	

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of “at least thirty Members.”—

Original Question put and passed.

(6.) Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. McGirr the Report was adopted.

(7.) Bill, on motion of Mr. McGirr, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled “An Act to make provision with respect to the protection of the community in the event of the interruption or dislocation of the supply or provision of essential services or essential commodities; and for purposes connected therewith,”—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 29th June, 1949, a.m.*

2. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Thursday next, 30th June, at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned at Nineteen minutes before Three o'clock, a.m., until Thursday next, 30th June, at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 49.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 30 JUNE, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. EMERGENCY POWERS BILL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to make provision with respect to the protection of the community in the event of the interruption or dislocation of the supply or provision of essential services or essential commodities; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 30th June, 1949, a.m.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

2. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. James McGirr and read by Mr. Speaker:—

- (1.) Fire Brigades (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 75.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to make further provision in relation to the borrowing powers and the fund of the Board of Fire Commissioners of New South Wales; for this purpose to amend the Fire Brigades Act, 1909-1948; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 30th June, 1949.

- (2.) Local Government (Regulation of Flats) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 76.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to make provision for the conversion of certain buildings into residential flat buildings; for this purpose to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 30th June, 1949.

30th June, 1949.

(3.) Pastures Protection (Amendment) Bill:—**J. NORTHCOTT,**
Governor.

Message No. 77.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to repeal the provision requiring the branding (other than earmarking) of sheep; to increase the maximum pastures protection rates which may be levied by pastures protection boards; to make certain provisions as to the removal of directors of boards from office and the appointment of administrators in their stead; for these and other purposes to amend the Pastures Protection Act, 1934-1948, and the Trustees Audit Act, 1912, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 30th June, 1949.

3. PAPERS:—

Mr. Heffron laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Copy of Report of the Library Board of New South Wales for the year ended 30th June, 1948.
- (2.) Lists respecting the appointment, on probation, of certain persons as Teachers, Department of Public Instruction.
- (3.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Public Instruction Act, 1880, at—

Avalon.	Mullumbimby.
Batlow.	Newport.
Berowra.	Parkes.
Binalong.	Quaker's Hill.
Brewarrina.	Regent's Park.
Broken Hill.	Riverstone.
Cronulla.	Tenambit.
Goulburn (2).	The Meadows.
Homeville.	Toronto.
Kempsey West.	Ultimo.
Kendall.	Urbenville.
Lithgow.	Wagga Wagga South.
Miranda.	Wallsend South.
Moss Vale.	Whitton.
Mulyan.	Wollongong.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Amendments of Regulations and new Regulation under the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1948.
- (2.) Ordinance under the Local Government Act, 1919.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Copy of Report of the Commissioner for Railways for the quarter ended 31st March, 1949.
- (2.) Minute of temporary variation of Statute administered by the Transport Department.
- (3.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of maintaining the traffic on the existing lines of Railway between—
 - (a) Central and Tempe—Additional tracks at Redfern.
 - (b) Clyde and Carlingford—Additional goods siding and loading bank at Rydalmere.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Amendments of Regulations under the Irrigation Act, 1912, as amended.
- (2.) File of papers respecting duties allocated to Assistant Commissioners, Forestry Commission.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

30th June, 1949.

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Repeal and substitution of Regulation, amendments of, and new Regulations under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913; War Service Land Settlement Act, 1941; and Closer Settlement Acts.
 - (2.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Public Recreation purposes at Avoca Beach.
 - (3.) Abstract of Crown Lands intended to be dedicated for public purposes in accordance with section 24 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
- Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. LANDLORD AND TENANT (WAR SERVICE) AMENDMENT BILL:—

- (1.) The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. C. E. Martin, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Freeman, Temporary-Chairman, reported the Bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Martin the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

- (2.) Bill, on motion of Mr. Martin, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to make certain provision in relation to the rights of certain members, former members, and dependants of members of the defence forces in proceedings for the recovery of possession of premises; to confer upon such persons rights in relation to the acquisition of possession of premises; for these purposes to amend the Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Act, 1948-1949, and certain other Acts; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 30th June, 1949.*

5. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Baddeley moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Wednesday, 6th July, 1949, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m., unless Mr. Speaker, or if Mr. Speaker be unable to act on account of illness or other cause, the Chairman of Committees, shall, prior to that date, by telegram or letter addressed to each Member of the House, fix an earlier day and/or hour of meeting.

Question put and passed.

6. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Baddeley moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at One minute after Five o'clock, p.m., until Wednesday, 6th July, 1949, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m., unless an earlier day and/or hour be fixed in accordance with the terms of the Resolution adopted at this Sitting.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.



New South Wales.

No. 50.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 6 JULY, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. James McGirr and read by Mr. Speaker:—

- (1.) Emergency Powers Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 78.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to make provision with respect to the protection of the community in the event of the interruption or dislocation of the supply or provision of essential services or essential commodities; and for purposes connected therewith*,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 30th June, 1949.

- (2.) Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 79.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Act, 1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith*,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 30th June, 1949.

- (3.) Hospital Benefits Agreement (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 80.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to approve an Agreement between the Commonwealth and the State in relation to hospital benefits; to amend the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, as amended by subsequent Acts, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith*,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 30th June, 1949.

6th July, 1949.

2. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

(1.) Parliamentary Electorates and Elections (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled, "*An Act to amend the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912-1946, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith*,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 1st July, 1949, a.m.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(2.) Landlord and Tenant (War Service) Amendment Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled, "*An Act to make certain provision in relation to the rights of certain members, former members, and dependants of members of the defence forces in proceedings for the recovery of possession of premises; to confer upon such persons rights in relation to the acquisition of possession of premises; for these purposes to amend the Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Act, 1948-1949, and certain other Acts; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith*,"—with the amendment indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendment the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 1st July, 1949, a.m.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

LANDLORD AND TENANT (WAR SERVICE) AMENDMENT BILL.

Schedule of the amendment referred to in Message of 1st July, 1949, A.M.

W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

Page 15, clause 4, line 34. After "provisions" insert "of subsections four to nine inclusive".

Examined,—

T. STEELE,

Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration at a later hour of the Day.

3. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY MEMBERS PROVIDENT FUND—APPOINTMENT OF MANAGING TRUSTEES:—

(1.) Mr. Baddeley moved (*by consent*), without Notice, That following upon the death of William Joseph Carlton, Esquire, which occurred on 30th January, 1949, and was announced to this House by Mr. Speaker on 23rd February, 1949, the Honourable Roy Stanley Vincent, Member of the Legislative Assembly for Raleigh, be, and is hereby appointed, a Managing Trustee of the Legislative Assembly Members Provident Fund.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Speaker reported that he had received from Frederick Joseph Cahill, Esquire, a letter dated 6th July, 1949, tendering his resignation from his appointment as a Managing Trustee of the Legislative Assembly Members Provident Fund.

(3.) Mr. Baddeley moved (*by consent*), without Notice, That following upon the resignation of Frederick Joseph Cahill, Esquire, from his appointment as a Managing Trustee of the Legislative Assembly Members Provident Fund, and in accordance with the provisions of the Legislative Assembly Members Pensions Act, 1946, Harry Gordon Jackett, Esquire, Member of the Legislative Assembly for Burwood, be, and is hereby appointed a Managing Trustee of the Legislative Assembly Members Provident Fund.

Question put and passed.

4. GENERAL COAL STRIKE—NEED FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION TO COMBAT COMMUNIST INFLUENCE AND TO PRODUCE COAL—EXTENSION OF PRESENT SITTING:—

(1.) URGENCY:—Mr. Treatt moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider the following Motion, viz:—"That this House is of opinion that—

(1.) The general coal strike is gravely imperilling the future stability and security of Australia.

6th July, 1949.

(2.) The strike has been fomented and supported by Communists and fellow travellers as an incident in a planned and continuous policy to weaken and ultimately destroy Australia's democratic institutions, the maintenance of which is of vital importance to the future of the British Commonwealth and of world democracy.

(3.) This House should forthwith consider and endorse a programme of positive political action to—

- (a) combat Communist activities, and
- (b) secure supplies of coal sufficient to surmount the immediate emergency and to meet the needs of future developments, stability and security.

(4.) This House adopts the following programme of action:—

- (a) immediate legislation—
 - (i) for the taking of effective secret ballots for the elections of executive officers in trade unions and associations of employers and on strike issues;
 - (ii) for the disqualification of Communists from holding executive positions in trade unions and in associations of employers;
- (b) the prosecution of persons committing serious offences against industrial law and against the law of treason and sedition;
- (c) the review of the existing law to determine where it is inadequate to combat Communist activities;
- (d) the immediate setting up of an expert committee to draw up effective plans for mining and delivering coal from any source including—
 - (i) coal at grass;
 - (ii) open-cut mines;
 - (iii) underground mines; and
 - (iv) coal from overseas;
- (e) the widespread publication on the coalfields by every means of the reasons for parliamentary action and the case for the Australian people,—”

and that the House should continue to sit after Half-past Ten o'clock, p.m., This Day.

Point of Order:—Mr. Shannon submitted that as there was at present a case before the Arbitration Court concerning the prosecution of certain persons, the subject-matter of paragraph (4.) (b) of the motion was *sub judice* and to that extent the motion was out of order.

Mr. Speaker said that the motion was a most comprehensive one, but unless the Honourable Member for Phillip or some other Honourable Member was in a position to state specifically that the matter to which exception had been taken was identical with that before the Court, he would be unable to uphold the Point of Order.

And Mr. Speaker having inquired from the Attorney-General as to whether the matter referred to in paragraph (4.) (b) of the motion was identical with an issue at present before the Commonwealth Arbitration Court,—

And the Attorney-General having answered that, in his opinion, it was not,—

Mr. Speaker stated that he could not uphold the Point of Order.

Question put and passed.

(2.) SUSPENSION OF STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS:—Mr. Treatt moved, That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would preclude the consideration forthwith of the following Motion, viz.:—“That this House is of opinion that—

(1.) The general coal strike is gravely imperilling the future stability and security of Australia.

(2.) The strike has been fomented and supported by Communists and fellow travellers as an incident in a planned and continuous policy to weaken and ultimately destroy Australia's democratic institutions, the maintenance of which is of vital importance to the future of the British Commonwealth and of world democracy.

(3.) This House should forthwith consider and endorse a programme of positive political action to—

- (a) combat Communist activities, and
- (b) secure supplies of coal sufficient to surmount the immediate emergency and to meet the needs of future developments, stability and security.

6th July, 1949.

(4.) This House adopts the following programme of action:—

- (a) immediate legislation—
- (i) for the taking of effective secret ballots for the elections of executive officers in trade unions and associations of employers and on strike issues;
 - (ii) for the disqualification of Communists from holding executive positions in trade unions and in associations of employers;
- (b) the prosecution of persons committing serious offences against industrial law and against the law of treason and sedition;
- (c) the review of the existing law to determine where it is inadequate to combat Communist activities;
- (d) the immediate setting up of an expert committee to draw up effective plans for mining and delivering coal from any source including—
- (i) coal at grass;
 - (ii) open-cut mines;
 - (iii) underground mines; and
 - (iv) coal from overseas;
- (e) the widespread publication on the coalfields by every means of the reasons for parliamentary action and the case for the Australian people,—”
- and the continuation of the present sitting after Half-past Ten o'clock, p.m.
- Question put and passed.

(3.) Mr. Treatt moved, That this House is of opinion that—

- (1.) The general coal strike is gravely imperilling the future stability and security of Australia.
- (2.) The strike has been fomented and supported by Communists and fellow travellers as an incident in a planned and continuous policy to weaken and ultimately destroy Australia's democratic institutions, the maintenance of which is of vital importance to the future of the British Commonwealth and of world democracy.
- (3.) This House should forthwith consider and endorse a programme of positive political action to—

 - (a) combat Communist activities, and
 - (b) secure supplies of coal sufficient to surmount the immediate emergency and to meet the needs of future developments, stability and security.

(4.) This House adopts the following programme of action:—

- (a) immediate legislation—
- (i) for the taking of effective secret ballots for the elections of executive officers in trade unions and associations of employers and on strike issues;
 - (ii) for the disqualification of Communists from holding executive positions in trade unions and in associations of employers;
- (b) the prosecution of persons committing serious offences against industrial law and against the law of treason and sedition;
- (c) the review of the existing law to determine where it is inadequate to combat Communist activities;
- (d) the immediate setting up of an expert committee to draw up effective plans for mining and delivering coal from any source including—
- (i) coal at grass;
 - (ii) open-cut mines;
 - (iii) underground mines; and
 - (iv) coal from overseas;
- (e) the widespread publication on the coalfields by every means of the reasons for parliamentary action and the case for the Australian people.

Debate ensued.

Mr. James McGirr moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until a later hour of the Day.

5. LANDLORD AND TENANT (WAR SERVICE) AMENDMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. C. E. Martin, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill. Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Tully, Temporary-Chairman, reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendment.

On motion of Mr. Martin, the Report was adopted.

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The following Message sent to the Legislative Council:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "An Act to make certain provision in relation to the rights of certain members, former members, and dependants of members of the defence forces in proceedings for the recovery of possession of premises; to confer upon such persons rights in relation to the acquisition of possession of premises; for these purposes to amend the Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Act, 1948-1949, and certain other Acts; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith."

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 6th July, 1949.

6. GENERAL COAL STRIKE—NEED FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION TO COMBAT COMMUNIST INFLUENCE AND TO PRODUCE COAL:—

The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Treatt, "That this House is of opinion that—

"(1.) The general coal strike is gravely imperilling the future stability and security of Australia.

"(2.) The strike has been fomented and supported by Communists and fellow travellers as an incident in a planned and continuous policy to weaken and ultimately destroy Australia's democratic institutions, the maintenance of which is of vital importance to the future of the British Commonwealth and of world democracy.

"(3.) This House should forthwith consider and endorse a programme of positive political action to—

"(a) combat Communist activities, and

"(b) secure supplies of coal sufficient to surmount the immediate emergency and to meet the needs of future developments, stability and security.

"(4.) This House adopts the following programme of action:—

"(a) immediate legislation—

"(i) for the taking of effective secret ballots for the elections of executive officers in trade unions and associations of employers and on strike issues;

"(ii) for the disqualification of Communists from holding executive positions in trade unions and in associations of employers;

"(b) the prosecution of persons committing serious offences against industrial law and against the law of treason and sedition;

"(c) the review of the existing law to determine where it is inadequate to combat Communist activities;

"(d) the immediate setting up of an expert committee to draw up effective plans for mining and delivering coal from any source including—

"(i) coal at grass;

"(ii) open-cut mines;

"(iii) underground mines; and

"(iv) coal from overseas;

"(e) the widespread publication on the coalfields by every means of the "reasons for parliamentary action and the case for the Australian people";—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. James McGirr moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out paragraphs (3) and (4) with a view of inserting the following words to stand as paragraphs (3) and (4) instead thereof:—

"(3.) The attitude adopted by the Commonwealth and State Governments in their insistence that the claims of the mining unions shall be settled by the arbitral tribunal set up specially by those Governments at the request of the miners themselves has the wholehearted support of this Parliament.

"(4.) The miners should—

"(a) resume work, and

"(b) forthwith approach the Coal Industry Tribunal for finalisation of their claims."

Question proposed,—That the words proposed to be left stand part of the Question.

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Point of Order:—Mr. Treatt submitted that the amendment was out of order on the ground that it constituted a direct negative of the terms of paragraphs (3) and (4) of the original motion, and, if adopted, would destroy its purpose.

Mr. Speaker said that the motion and the amendment amounted to a difference of opinion as to the best method of handling the present grave situation. The amendment did not constitute a direct negative, and he therefore ruled that it was in order.

Debate continued.

Mr. McGrath moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—“That the Question be now put.”

The House divided.

Ayes, 44.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Graham	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Booth	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Sciffert
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Dring	Mr. Landa	Mr. L. J. Tully
Captain Dunn	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Williams
Mr. Evatt	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fowles	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Chalmers
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Noble	
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Nott	
Mr. Gorman	Mr. O'Sullivan	

Noes, 31.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Gollan	Mr. John Reid
Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Brain	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Storey
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cross	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Lang	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Lawson	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Black
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Mutton	Mr. Morton
Mr. Frith	Mr. Padman	

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of “at least thirty Members,”—

Question put,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.

The House divided.

Ayes, 29.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Storey
Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Black	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Brain	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Vincent
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. McCaw	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Morton	Mr. Cross
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Mutton	Mr. Ellis
Mr. Frith	Mr. Padman	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Stephens	

Noes, 46.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Gorman	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Graham	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Booth	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Sciffert
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stanley
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Mr. Dring	Mr. Lang	Mr. L. J. Tully
Captain Dunn	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Evatt	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Williams
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. C. E. Martin	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Fowles
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Noble	Mr. Landa
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Nott	

And so it passed in the negative.

6th July, 1949.

Question,—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words left out, be so inserted,—put and passed.

Question, as amended, proposed,—That this House is of opinion that—

(1.) The general coal strike is gravely imperilling the future stability and security of Australia.

(2.) The strike has been fomented and supported by Communists and fellow travellers as an incident in a planned and continuous policy to weaken and ultimately destroy Australia's democratic institutions, the maintenance of which is of vital importance to the future of the British Commonwealth and of world democracy.

(3.) The attitude adopted by the Commonwealth and State Governments in their insistence that the claims of the mining unions shall be settled by the arbitral tribunal set up specially by those Governments at the request of the miners themselves, has the wholehearted support of this Parliament

(4.) The miners should—

(a) resume work; and

(b) forthwith approach the Coal Industry Tribunal for finalisation of their claims.

Mr. McGrath moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—“That the Question be now put.”

The House divided.

Ayes, 44.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Graham	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Booth	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Clyde	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Dring	Mr. Landa	Mr. Weir
Captain Dunn	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Williams
Mr. Evatt	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fowles	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Fred Cahill
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Matthews	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Noble	
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Nott	
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Mr. Black	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. John Reid
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Mr. Cross	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Turner
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Lang	Mr. Vincent
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Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. McCaw	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Morton	Mr. Jeff Bate
Mr. Frith	Mr. Mutton	Mr. Jack Beale
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Padman	

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of “at least thirty Members,”—

And Mr. Treutt having spoken in reply,—

Question, as amended, put and passed.

7. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Fowles, as Chairman, brought up the Ninth Report from the Printing Committee.

8. PAPERS:—

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table amendments of Regulations and new Regulation under the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for works in connection with the construction of—

(a) Dam across the Hunter River at Glenbawn (2).

(b) Dam across the Macquarie River at Burrendong.

(c) Electric transmission line—Yanco No. 1 Irrigation Area.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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Mr. Evatt laid upon the Table notifications of acquisitions of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1912-1947, at—

North Ryde.
Nyngan.

Port Kembla.
Westmead.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Copy of Report (together with Appendices) of the Police Department for 1948.

(2.) Copy of Report of the Registrar of Friendly Societies for the year ended 30th June, 1947.

Ordered to be printed.

(3.) Amendment of Regulation under the Navigation Act, 1901-1941.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

9. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising this Day, do adjourn until Wednesday, 31st August, 1949, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m., unless Mr. Speaker, or if Mr. Speaker be unable to act on account of illness or other cause, the Chairman of Committees, shall, prior to that date, by telegram or letter addressed to each Member of the House, fix an earlier day and/or hour of meeting.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

10. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.

Mr. McGrath moved, That the Question be now put.

Question proposed,—That the Question be now put.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Debate continued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-two minutes after Eleven o'clock, p.m., until *Wednesday, 31st August, 1949*, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m., unless an earlier day and/or hour be fixed in accordance with the terms of the Resolution adopted at this Sitting.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 51.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 31 AUGUST, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. James McGirr and read by Mr. Speaker:—

(1.) Landlord and Tenant (War Service) Amendment Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 81.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to make certain provision in relation to the rights of certain members, former members, and dependants of members of the defence forces in proceedings for the recovery of possession of premises; to confer upon such persons rights in relation to the acquisition of possession of premises; for these purposes to amend the Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Act, 1948-1949, and certain other Acts; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 11th July, 1949.

(2.) Parliamentary Electorates and Elections (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 82.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912-1946, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 11th July, 1949.

2. PAPER:—Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Twenty-ninth Annual Report of the State Superannuation Board, being for the year ended 30th June, 1948.

Ordered to be printed.

31st August, 1949.

3. VACANT SEAT—ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF REDFERN:—

(1.) Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received from the Registrar-General a certified copy of the certificate of the death, which took place on 9th July, 1949, of George Walter Harry Noble, Esquire, lately serving in the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales as Member for the Electoral District of Redfern.

(2.) Mr. James McGirr moved, That the seat of George Walter Harry Noble, Esquire, lately serving in this House as Member for the Electoral District of Redfern, hath become, and is now, vacant by reason of the death of the said George Walter Harry Noble.

Question put and passed.

4. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

Question put and passed.

5. DEATH OF GEORGE WALTER HARRY NOBLE, ESQUIRE, MEMBER FOR REDFERN:—Mr. James McGirr moved (*by consent*), without Notice,—

(1.) That this House desires to place on record its sense of the loss this State has sustained by the death of George Walter Harry Noble, Esquire, Member for Redfern.

(2.) That Mr. Speaker be requested to communicate to the family of the deceased the above resolution, together with an expression of the sympathy and sorrow of the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in the loss they have sustained.

The Motion having been seconded by Mr. Treatt, and supported by Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner and Mr. Shannon,—

Question put and carried unanimously,—Members and Officers of the House standing.

6. DEATH OF FRANCIS MICHAEL BURKE, ESQUIRE, A FORMER SPEAKER OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:—Mr. James McGirr moved (*by consent*), without Notice,—

(1.) That this House desires to place on record its sense of the loss this State has sustained by the death of Francis Michael Burke, Esquire, a former Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales.

(2.) That Mr. Speaker be requested to communicate to Mrs. Burke and the family of the deceased the above resolution, together with an expression of the sympathy and sorrow of the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in the loss they have sustained.

The Motion having been seconded by Mr. Treatt, and supported by Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Lazzarini and Mr. Jackson,—

Question put and carried unanimously,—Members and Officers of the House standing.

7. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That, as a tribute of respect, this House do now adjourn.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Four minutes after Three o'clock, p.m., until *Tuesday next* at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 52.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 6 SEPTEMBER, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. FLOODS IN THE NORTHERN DISTRICTS OF THE STATE:—MR. JAMES MCGIRR moved, (*by consent*) without Notice:—That this House desires to express its profound sympathy with the relatives of those who lost their lives in the disastrous floods in the Northern Districts of the State, and records its admiration of the fortitude displayed by the residents of the stricken areas and of the courage of those who assisted in the alleviation of the general distress.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Treatt moved, That the Question be amended by adding the following words:—"and is of the opinion that for the purpose of further alleviation of "flood distress the grant of the State Government should be substantially "increased".

Mr. Speaker said that having regard to the fact that the terms of the motion established it definitely as a motion of sympathy with the relatives of those who lost their lives in the floods, he ruled that the amendment was not relevant, and was therefore out of order.

Debate continued.

Question put and carried unanimously.—Members and Officers of the House standing.

2. SUPPLY BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. James McGirr and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 83.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, the Government Railways Fund, the Road Transport and Traffic Fund, the Metropolitan Transport Trust General Fund, the Newcastle and District Transport Trust General Fund, and the Sydney Harbour Trust Fund, towards the Services of the year 1949-50.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 2nd September, 1949.*

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of Supply.

3. PAPERS:—

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Copy Report of the Department of Public Works for the year ended 30th June, 1948.
- (2.) Report of the Valuer-General for the year ended 30th June, 1949.
- (3.) Copy of Statement of Accounts and Balance-sheet of the Sydney County Council Electricity Undertaking for 1948.
- (4.) Regulations and amendments of Regulations under the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1948.
- (5.) Amendments of Ordinances under the Local Government Act, 1919.
- (6.) Copy of Executive Council Minute relating to acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Land Acquisition (Charitable Institutions) Act, 1946, at Manly.

6th September, 1949.

(7.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purpose of an Aborigines Reserve at Baryulgil.

(8.) Notifications of acquisition of land and/or easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Local Government Act, 1919, in the following areas:—

Canterbury Municipality (2).	North Sydney Municipality.
Drummoyne Municipality.	Orange City.
Kearsley Shire (2).	Parke's Municipality.
Ku-ring-gai Municipality (3).	Rockdale Municipality.
Lake Macquarie Shire.	Ryde Municipality.
Manning River County.	Sutherland Shire.
Moama Municipality.	

(9.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Lake Illawarra and Cowra Power Stations (Construction) Act, 1949, at Lake Illawarra.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Amendments of Regulation under the Aborigines Protection Act, 1909-1943.

(2.) Repeal of Regulation, new Regulation and amendments of Regulation under the Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act, 1935-1942.

(3.) Balance-sheets of Art Unions under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of—

- Australian Air League.
- Baradine War Memorial Hall.
- Cabra-Vale Memorial Park.
- Camden Sub-Branch of the R.S.S.A.I.L.A. Building Fund.
- City of Newcastle Sub-Branch of the R.S.S.A.I.L.A. Building Fund.
- Corps of Commissionaires (N.S.W.).
- Eastern Suburbs Hospital and Boys' Town.
- Glen Innes Sub-Branch of the R.S.S.A.I.L.A. Memorial Building Fund.
- Liverpool District Ambulance Service.

(4.) Proclamations (2) declaring certain lands to be private lands for the purposes of the Mining Act, 1906-1946.

(5.) Repeal of Regulations under the Explosives Act, 1905.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for works in connection with the construction of—

(a) Dam across the Macquarie River at Burrendong (3).

(b) Dam across the Hunter River at Glenbawn (3).

(2.) Copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Messrs. H. E. Steel, Neville Davies, K. W. Woodham, and J. M. Patterson, Department of Conservation.

(3.) Copy of Return of amount expended under the provisions of section 13 of the Forestry Act, 1916-1946, for the year ended 30th June, 1949.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Finnan laid upon the Table Regulation extending the period of the operation of the Building Operations and Building Materials Control Act, 1945..

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Abstract of Crown Lands intended to be dedicated for public purposes in accordance with the provisions of section 24 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

(2.) *Gazette* Notices setting forth the mode in which it is proposed to deal with certain land under section 25 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

(3.) Regulations, and Amended Schedules of Fees and Charges in connection with the Regulations for the management of portions of the following Burial Grounds:—(a) Tenterfield; (b) Field of Mars; (c) Moonan Brook; (d) Lismore; (e) Gilgandra.

(4.) Regulations and amended Regulations for the management of (a) Mullumbimby Racecourse; (b) Murrumburrah Showground.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Sheahan, on behalf of Mr. Graham, laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Amendment of Regulation under the Marketing of Primary Products Act, 1927-1940.

6th September, 1949.

- (2.) Amendment of Regulation under the Plant Diseases Act, 1924.
- (3.) Amendment of Regulations under the Agricultural Seeds Act, 1921.
- (4.) Copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Messrs. J. K. Long, J. N. Potter, C. E. Collins, and C. R. Hood, Department of Agriculture.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of maintaining the traffic on the existing lines of Railway between—
 - (a) Central and Tempe—Additional tracks at Erskineville.
 - (b) Central and Tempe—Additional tracks at St. Peters.
 - (c) Clyde and Carlingford—Siding tracks at Carlingford.
 - (d) Sydney and Grafton—Access road and employees' cottages at Weismantela.
- (2.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for Transport Facilities at Hamilton.
- (3.) Notification of acquisition of easement under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the construction for Railway purposes of an Electric High-tension Transmission Line between Sutherland and Caringbah.
- (4.) Amendments of Regulations under the Motor Traffic Act, 1909-1945.
- (5.) Amendments of Regulations under the Metropolitan Traffic Act, 1900, as amended.
- (6.) Amendments of Regulations under the State Transport (Co-ordination) Act, 1931-1947.
- (7.) New Regulation and amendment of Regulation under the Transport Act, 1930-1948, and the Transport (Division of Functions) Act, 1932-1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. RESUMPTION BY HOUSING COMMISSION OF ARCHBOLD ESTATE AT ROSEVILLE:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Treatt, "That this House is of opinion that,—
- "(1.) the resumption without Parliamentary approval of the Archbold Estate, "Roseville, at a valuation in excess of the statutory limit of £20,000 provided "under section 4A of the Housing Act of 1912;
 - "(2.) the contradictory, evasive and unsatisfactory public statements and "Parliamentary explanations as to the manner in which these blocks and/or "homes are being acquired by the persons to whom they have been allocated;
 - "(3.) the acquisition of land and the erection or financing of luxury homes in "expensive localities by the Governmental building authority and the consequent "waste of labour and materials in short supply;
 - "(4.) the disclosures as to the allocation of blocks and/or homes on the Archbold "Estate and other sites to employees of Government Departments and "instrumentalities;
 - "(5.) the resumption of the Archbold Estate and other sites at under market "valuations and the allocation to purchasers of building blocks and/or dwellings "at prices which would allow of ready re-sale at considerable profit;
 - "(6.) the approval of advances to applicants whose annual income is in excess "of the statutory limit of £600 per annum as provided in section 25 of the "Housing Act;
 - "(7.) the allegation by the Minister that the Chairman of the Housing "Commission had been guilty of a grave dereliction of duty by withholding "from the Minister important information and the denial by the Chairman of "the Housing Commission of such charge;
 - "(8.) the fact that according to the Auditor-General the accounts of the "Housing Commission made available to him for public audit are so far out of "date as to 'have statistical interest only' and that the last Annual Report "presented to Parliament two months ago relates to the year ending June, 1947;
 - "(9.) the fact that the Housing Commission in the exercise of its functions and "powers is subject to the control and direction of the Minister by virtue of "section 32 of the Housing Act, 1941;
- "demand—
- "(a) the immediate appointment of a Royal Commission to investigate and "inquire publicly into the administration of the Governmental housing "authority, the Housing Commission of New South Wales;
 - "(b) that all documents relating to applications for and the making of advances "under Part II of the Housing Act and all documents relating to the acquisition "and re-sale of blocks on the Archbold and similar estates shall be delivered "forthwith into the custody of the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly; and

6th September, 1949.

"(c) that pending the outcome of this inquiry the Minister for Housing be "relieved of his office."

And the Question being again proposed,—
The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Landa moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word "that", secondly occurring, with a view of inserting the following words instead thereof:—"the Government and the Minister for Housing are "to be congratulated on the progress made to date in the implementation of "the Government's Housing Programme."

Point of Order:—Mr. Treatt contended that the proposed amendment was out of order. He submitted that the motion made charges against either the Housing Commission or the Minister for Housing, and demanded the appointment of an inquiry into those charges, whereas the amendment suggested that the action of the Minister for Housing and the Housing Commission should be commended, which was the direct opposite of the motion. In addition, he submitted that the motion postulated the consideration of certain specific matters; but was wide enough to enable the House to embark on an investigation of every activity of the Housing Commission; whereas the amendment was entirely irrelevant to these matters.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Acting-Speaker Gorman said that while the motion dealt with a specific matter concerning the resumption of the Archbold Estate for Housing purposes, and sought to censure the Government in connection with that particular resumption, it also however, dealt with the Government's general Housing Policy. The amendment afforded the House an opportunity to vary the motion in such a way as to express its approval generally of the Government's Housing Programme, which included all matters pertaining to the resumption of the Archbold Estate.

Mr. Acting-Speaker then read the following extract from May's Parliamentary Practice (13th Edition, pp. 277-8), which he said supported his opinion that the amendment was in order:—

"This practice (of allowing amendments which alter a condemnatory motion into a laudatory one) has often been objected to as unfair; but the objection is unfounded, as the weaker party must always anticipate defeat, in one form or another. If no amendment be moved, the majority can negative the question itself, and affirm another in opposition to the opinions of the minority . . .

"*It is in debate alone that a minority can hope to compete with a majority.* The forms of the House can ultimately assist neither party; but, so far as they offer any immediate advantage, the minority have the greatest protection in forms, while the majority are met by obstruction to the exercise of their will."

For these reasons he could not uphold the Point of Order.

Debate continued.

And it being Six o'clock, p.m., Debate interrupted pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the resumption of the Debate stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

5. PAPER:—Mr. Evatt laid upon the Table Files of the Housing Commission relating to applications under section 10 of the Housing Act, 1912, as amended, and to certain other matters, and departmental records concerning (a) the Archbold Estate at Roseville, and (b) land at Castlecrag.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

6. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Evatt moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Half-past Six o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 53.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 7 SEPTEMBER, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PRICES REGULATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Finnan and read by Mr. Speaker:—
- J. NORTHCOTT, *Message No. 84.*
Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to amend the Prices Regulation Act, 1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 7th September, 1949.*

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Regulations and substituted Regulation under the Navigation Act, 1901-1949.
- (2.) Minutes recording Variations of Statute (Stamp Duties Act, 1920-1949) in respect of the exemption from stamp duty of:—
 - (a) Cheques issued by the Royal Life Saving Society, the Surf Life Saving Association of Australia and Affiliated Clubs.
 - (b) Deeds of Covenant given by purchasers of properties subject to mortgage.
- (3.) Copy of Statement of Receipts and Payments of the Police Superannuation and Reward Fund for the year ended 30th June, 1949.
- (4.) Amendment of By-law under the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1924-1949.
- (5.) Regulation under the Public Service Act, 1902.
- (6.) Copy of Report of the Registrar of Co-operative Societies for the year ended 30th June, 1947.
- (7.) Report by the Colonial Treasurer respecting Agreements entered into by him with Co-operative Building Societies under section 17 of the Co-operation Act, 1923-1948, for the quarter commencing 1st April, 1949.
- (8.) Report (together with Appendices) of Committee appointed to inquire into the question of Hydraulic Stowage in Coal Mines.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

7th September, 1949.

Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Proclamation declaring certain lands to be private lands for the purposes of the Mining Act, 1906-1946.

(2.) Balance-sheets of Art Unions under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of—

Lake Macquarie War Memorial Convalescent Home for ex-Servicemen.

Moss Vale Community Centre—Commercial Travellers' Cot Fund.

Red Cross Christmas Appeal.

Tumblong War Memorial.

War Widows' Guild.

West Maitland Police-Citizens Boys' Club.

Yeoval War Memorial Hall.

(3.) Reports of variations of Statute (Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended), in respect of the following fancy fairs in aid of:—

Bondi Junction-Waverley Sub-Branch of the R.S.S.A.I.L.A.

Roman Catholic Church, Yenda.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Evatt laid upon the Table the following Papers:—Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1912-1947, at—

Albury.

Asquith.

Bass Hills.

Berrigan.

Canley Vale.

Cardiff.

Catherine Hill Bay.

Chullora.

Coff's Harbour.

Dapto.

East Maitland.

Fairfield.

Fairy Meadow.

Fennell Bay.

Glen Innes.

Granville.

Hunter's Hill.

Jannali.

Kandos.

Kingsgrove.

Lithgow.

Little Bay.

Marrickville.

Narrandera.

North Ryde.

North Turramurra.

Nowra.

Nyngan.

Parramatta North.

Penrith.

Port Kembla.

Redfern.

Revesby.

Singleton.

Sydney.

Tumut.

Ungarie.

Villawood.

Wiley Park.

Wollongong.

Yass.

Young.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Heffron laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Substituted By-laws under the University and University Colleges Act, 1900-1948.

(2.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Public Instruction Act, 1880, at—

Connell's Point.

Corrimal East.

Dubbo South.

Eglinford.

Euabalong.

Hancock Gardens.

Hill End.

Kempsey East.

Murrurundi.

Ryde.

South-West Rocks.

Sutherland.

Taree North.

Tumut.

Wagga Wagga.

Wentworthville South.

Young.

(3.) Lists respecting the appointment, on probation, of certain persons as Teachers, Department of Public Instruction.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. C. A. Kelly laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Copy of Report of the Pharmacy Board of New South Wales for 1948.

(2.) Proclamation under the Milk Act, 1931-1942, extending the Milk Zone to include "C" Riding of the Shire of Hastings.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

7th September, 1949.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of the works in connection with the Berriquin Provisional Domestic and Stock Water Supply and Irrigation District.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Messrs. D. I. Gillies, A. J. Meers, F. W. Cradock, B.Sc. (Agr.), H. W. Burton, F. C. Fletcher and V. R. Salt.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. PRICES REGULATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Finnan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Prices Regulation Act, 1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Finnan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Prices Regulation Act, 1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

4. COAL AND OIL SHALE MINE WORKERS (PENSIONS) AMENDMENT BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Baddeley moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers (Pensions) Act, 1941-1948, in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Baddeley then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers (Pensions) Act, 1941-1948, in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

5. SUPPLY BILL:—

(1.) URGENCY:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that the Supply Bill be brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.

Question put and passed.

(2.) SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—Mr. McGirr moved, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the Supply Bill being brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.

Question put and passed.

6. SUPPLY (*Supply Bill*):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Gorman, Temporary Chairman, reported progress.

7. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Matthews moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-seven minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 54.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
 OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 8 SEPTEMBER, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—Mr. C. E. Martin laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
 - (1.) Amendment of Regulation under the Justices Act, 1902-1947.
 - (2.) Amendments of Scale of Fees under the Sheriff Act, 1900.
 - (3.) Amendments of Scale of Fees under the District Courts Act, 1912-1947.
 Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
2. PRICES REGULATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Finnan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Question put and passed.
 Bill read a second time.
 Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
 Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. John Reid, Temporary Chairman, reported progress and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.
3. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Finnan moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.
 Question put and passed.
4. VACANT SEAT—ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF CESSNOCK:—Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had This Day received a letter from the Honourable John Marcus Baddeley, resigning his seat as Member for the Electoral District of Cessnock.
 Whereupon Mr. James McGirr moved, That the seat of the Honourable John Marcus Baddeley, Member for the Electoral District of Cessnock, hath become, and is now, vacant by reason of the resignation thereof by the said Honourable John Marcus Baddeley.
 Question put and passed.
5. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That this House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question put and passed.
 The House adjourned accordingly, at Six minutes before Six o'clock, p.m., until *Tuesday next* at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 55.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 13 SEPTEMBER, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. **MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—CHANGES IN THE MINISTRY:**—Mr. James McGirr informed the House that on 8th September, 1949, His Excellency the Governor accepted the resignation of the Hon. J. M. Baddeley from the offices of Deputy Premier, Colonial Secretary, Secretary for Mines, and Minister for National Emergency Services, and as a Member of the Executive Council.

Mr. McGirr further stated that he had been appointed the same day by His Excellency as Colonial Secretary, Secretary for Mines, and Minister for National Emergency Services.

2. **PAPERS:**—

Mr. C. E. Martin laid upon the Table Rules of Court made by the Judges of the Supreme Court.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Statement of Accounts and Balance-sheet of the State Brickworks for the year ended 31st March, 1949.

(2.) Notifications of acquisition of land and/or easement under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the following purposes:—

Aboriginal Station at Deniliquin.

Holroyd Stormwater Drainage.

Long Flat Police Station.

(3.) Notifications of acquisition of land and/or easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Local Government Act, 1919, in the following areas:—

Auburn Municipality.

Cobar Municipality.

Bankstown Municipality.

Ku-ring-gai Municipality.

Barraba Municipality.

Lake Macquarie Shire.

Bellingen Shire.

(4.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1924-1948, at Penrith.

(5.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Public Hospitals Act, 1929-1943, at (a) Fairfield; (b) Forbes.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Messrs. L. D. Longworth and B. P. C. Holdsworth, Department of Conservation.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Abstract of Crown Lands intended to be dedicated for public purposes in accordance with section 24 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

(2.) Regulation under the Marketing of Primary Products Act, 1927-1940.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

13th September, 1949.

3. GLENLEE MENTAL HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Cahill and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 85.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to sanction and provide for the construction of a Mental Hospital at Glenlee near Campbelltown; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts, and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 8th September, 1949.

4. POSTPONEMENT:—The Order of the Day, "Resumption by the Housing Commission of Archbold Estate at Roseville; resumption of the adjourned Debate (*Mr. Geraghty*) on the motion of Mr. Treatt, 'That this House is of opinion "that".—
- "(1.) The resumption without Parliamentary approval of the Archbold Estate, 'Roseville, at a valuation in excess of the statutory limit of £20,000 provided "under section 4A of the Housing Act of 1912;
- "(2.) the contradictory, evasive and unsatisfactory public statements and "Parliamentary explanations as to the manner in which these blocks and/or "homes are being acquired by the persons to whom they have been allocated;
- "(3.) the acquisition of land and the erection or financing of luxury homes in "expensive localities by the Governmental building authority and the consequent "waste of labour and materials in short supply;
- "(4.) the disclosures as to the allocation of blocks and/or homes on the Archbold "Estate and other sites to employees of Government Departments and "instrumentalities;
- "(5.) the resumption of the Archbold Estate and other sites at under market "valuations and the allocation to purchasers of building blocks and/or dwellings "at prices which would allow of ready re-sale at considerable profit;
- "(6.) the approval of advances to applicants whose annual income is in excess "of the statutory limit of £600 per annum as provided in section 25 of the "Housing Act;
- "(7.) the allegation by the Minister that the Chairman of the Housing "Commission had been guilty of a grave dereliction of duty by withholding from "the Minister important information and the denial by the Chairman of the "Housing Commission of such charge;
- "(8.) the fact that according to the Auditor-General the accounts of the "Housing Commission made available to him for public audit are so far out of "date as to "have statistical interest only" and that the last Annual Report "presented to Parliament two months ago relates to the year ending June, 1947;
- "(9.) the fact that the Housing Commission in the exercise of its functions and "powers is subject to the control and direction of the Minister by virtue of "section 32 of the Housing Act, 1941;
- "demand—
- "(a) the immediate appointment of a Royal Commission to investigate and "inquire publicly into the administration of the Governmental housing "authority, the Housing Commission of New South Wales;
- "(b) that all documents relating to applications for and the making of advances "under Part II of the Housing Act and all documents relating to the "acquisition and re-sale of blocks on the Archbold and similar estates shall be "delivered forthwith into the custody of the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly;
- "and
- "(c) that pending the outcome of this inquiry the Minister for Housing be "relieved of his office."
- "Upon which Mr. Landa has moved, That the Question be amended by leaving "out all the words after the words "that" (*secondly occurring*), with a view of "inserting the following words instead thereof:—"the Government and the "Minister for Housing are to be congratulated on the progress made to date, "in the implementation of the Government's Housing Programme,""—
- postponed on the motion of Mr. Treatt, until Tuesday, 20th September.

13th September, 1949.

5. MENTAL ASYLUMS IN NEW SOUTH WALES:—Mr. Darby moved, pursuant to Notice,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the administration and conditions existing in mental asylums in New South Wales.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Kelly, Mr. Cutler, Mrs. Fowler, Mr. G. C. Gollan, Mr. Hawkins, Mr. L. J. Tully and the Mover.

(3.) That such Committee be given leave to sit during the sittings or any adjournment of the House, and to make visits of inspection within the State of New South Wales and to other States of the Commonwealth in connection with the inquiry.

Debate ensued.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Howarth, That the Honourable Member for Manly, Mr. Darby, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Debate continued.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Howarth, That the Honourable Member for Manly, Mr. Darby, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Debate continued.

And it being Six o'clock, p.m., Debate interrupted pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the resumption of the Debate stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday 4th October.

6. GLENLEE MENTAL HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Cahill moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to sanction and provide for the construction of a Mental Hospital at Glenlee, near Campbelltown; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts, and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Cahill then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to sanction and provide for the construction of a Mental Hospital at Glenlee near Campbelltown; to amend the Local Government Act 1919 as amended by subsequent Acts, and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

7. PRICES REGULATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and the Chairman reported progress and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

8. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Finnan moved That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

And it being 10.30 a'clock p.m., Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949, adjourned the House until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 56.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 14 SEPTEMBER, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—

Mr. Evatt laid upon the Table Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1912-1947, at—

Albury.	Murwillumbah.
Bungendore.	Parkes.
Katoomba.	Rutherford.
Kingsgrove.	

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Heffron laid upon the Table Regulations under the Technical Education and New South Wales University of Technology Act, 1949.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. C. E. Martin laid upon the Table Rules of Court made by the Judges of the Supreme Court.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table amendments of Ordinances under the Local Government Act, 1919.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Finnan laid upon the Table Regulations extending the period of the operation of the Building Operations and Building Materials Control Act, 1945.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table copy of Report by the Minister for Lands relating to the granting by him of consent to a lease of certain parts of the Necropolis to the New South Wales Cremation Company.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. PRICES REGULATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Finnan the Report was adopted.

14th September, 1949.

And Mr. Speaker, having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—
(2.) Bill, on motion of Mr. Finnan, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill intituled "*An Act to amend the Prices Regulation Act, 1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 14th September, 1949.*

3. SUPPLY (*Supply Bill*):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported progress.

4. PRICES REGULATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled, "*An Act to amend the Prices Regulation Act, 1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 14th September, 1949.*

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

The House adjourned at Sixteen minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 57.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 15 SEPTEMBER, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) By-law under the Government Railways Act, 1912-1945.
- (2.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of maintaining the traffic on the existing lines of Railway between—
 - (a) Sydney and Bourke—Quadruplication of the line between Lidcombe and Penrith.
 - (b) Sydney and Newcastle—Widening of such railway near Wyong.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table particulars respecting the proposed acquisition by the Government, for Closer Settlement purposes, of the following estates:—

- (a) Part of Berida Estate, in the Districts of Coonamble and Dubbo.
- (b) Merriginnie Estate, in the District of Deniliquin.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. BUSH FIRES BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Evatt and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 86.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to make provision for the prevention, control and suppression of bush and other fires, and for the mitigation of dangers resulting from bush fires; to repeal the Careless Use of Fire Act, 1912-1946, and the Bush Fires Act, 1930; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House.

Sydney, 8th September, 1949.

3. SUPPLY (*Supply Bill*):—The Order of the Day having been read Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported progress.

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution, which was read, as follows:—

(32.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty:—

- (a) A sum not exceeding £6,010,900, payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, to defray the expenses of the various Departments and Services of the State during the months of October and November, or following month of the financial year ending 30th June, 1950, to be expended at the rates which have been sanctioned for the financial year ended 30th June, 1949, subject to the rate of any reduction that may hereafter be made in the expenditure of the year 1949-1950.

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- (b) A sum not exceeding £5,716,100, payable out of the Government Railways Fund to defray the salaries, maintenance, and working expenses and other expenses of the Department of Railways during the months of October and November, or following month of the financial year ending 30th June, 1950, to be expended at the rates which have been sanctioned for the financial year ended 30th June, 1949, subject to the rate of any reduction that may hereafter be made in the expenditure of the year 1949-1950.
- (c) A sum not exceeding £130,000, payable out of the Road Transport and Traffic Fund, to defray the salaries, maintenance, and working expenses and other expenses of the Department of Road Transport and Tramways during the months of October and November, or following month of the financial year ending 30th June, 1950, to be expended at the rates which have been sanctioned for the financial year ended 30th June, 1949, subject to the rate of any reduction that may hereafter be made in the expenditure of the year 1949-1950.
- (d) A sum not exceeding £1,320,700, payable out of the Metropolitan Transport Trust General Fund, to defray the salaries, maintenance, and working expenses and other expenses of the Department of Road Transport and Tramways during the months of October and November, or following month of the financial year ending 30th June, 1950, to be expended at the rates which have been sanctioned for the financial year ended 30th June, 1949, subject to the rate of any reduction that may hereafter be made in the expenditure of the year 1949-1950.
- (e) A sum not exceeding £143,200, payable out of the Newcastle and District Transport Trust General Fund, to defray the salaries, maintenance, and working expenses and other expenses of the Department of Road Transport and Tramways during the months of October and November, or following month of the financial year ending 30th June, 1950, to be expended at the rates which have been sanctioned for the financial year ended 30th June, 1949, subject to the rate of any reduction that may hereafter be made in the expenditure of the year 1949-1950.
- (f) A sum not exceeding £223,200, payable out of the Sydney Harbour Trust Fund to defray the salaries, maintenance, and working expenses and other expenses of the Maritime Services Board of New South Wales during the months of October and November, or following month of the financial year ending 30th June, 1950, to be expended at the rates which have been sanctioned for the financial year ended 30th June, 1949, subject to the rate of any reduction that may hereafter be made in the expenditure of the year 1949-1950.

On motion of Mr. Evatt, the Resolution was agreed to.

4. **WAYS AND MEANS (Supply Bill)**:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported progress.

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution, which was read, as follows:—

- (10.) *Resolved*,—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the Service of the financial year 1949-1950, the sum of £13,544,100 be granted, viz.:—£6,010,900 out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, £5,716,100 out of the Government Railways Fund, £130,000 out of the Road Transport and Traffic Fund, £1,320,700 out of the Metropolitan Transport Trust General Fund, £143,200 out of the Newcastle and District Transport Trust General Fund, and £223,200 out of the Sydney Harbour Trust Fund.

On motion of Mr. Evatt, the Resolution was agreed to.

5. **SUPPLY BILL**:—

- (1.) Ordered, on motion of Mr. Evatt, *on behalf of Mr. James McGirr*, that a Bill be brought in, founded on Resolution of Ways and Means (No. 10), to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, the Government Railways Fund, the Road Transport and Traffic Fund, the Metropolitan Transport Trust General Fund, the Newcastle and District Transport Trust General Fund, and the Sydney Harbour Trust Fund, towards the services of the Year 1949-1950.
- (2.) Mr. Evatt then presented a bill, intituled "*A Bill to apply certain sums out of Consolidated Revenue Fund, the Government Railways Fund, the Road Transport and Traffic Fund, the Metropolitan Transport Trust General Fund, the Newcastle and District Transport Trust General Fund, and the Sydney Harbour Trust Fund, towards the services of the Year 1949-1950*,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

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(3.) Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Evatt, the Report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

(4.) Bill read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, the Government Railways Fund, the Road Transport and Traffic Fund, the Metropolitan Transport Trust General Fund, the Newcastle and District Transport Trust General Fund, and the Sydney Harbour Trust Fund, towards the services of the Year 1949-1950,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 15th September, 1949.

6. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Wattison, *on behalf of the Chairman*, brought up the Tenth Report from the Printing Committee.

7. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Evatt moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned at Seventeen minutes after Five o'clock, p.m., until *Tuesday next* at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.



New South Wales.

No. 58.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 20 SEPTEMBER, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PRICES REGULATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. James McGirr and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 87.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Prices Regulation Act, 1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 15th September, 1949.

2. DEATH OF FRANCIS MICHAEL BURKE, ESQUIRE:—Mr. Speaker reported that, in pursuance of the Resolution of this House, passed on 31st August, 1949, he had communicated to Mrs. Burke and family the sympathy and sorrow of the Members of the Legislative Assembly on the death of Francis Michael Burke, Esquire, and intimated that he had received the following reply:—

3 Flat,
8 Phillip-street,
Petersham.
13.9.49.

The Honourable W. H. Lamb, M.L.A.,
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

Dear Sir,

On behalf of my mother, family and myself, I wish to convey sincere thanks to you and to Members of the Legislative Assembly for the many fine tributes expressed in honouring the memory of my late father.

I also wish to thank you for the kind messages of sympathy which you have conveyed to my mother and family in the loss we have sustained.

Yours sincerely,

FRANCIS J. BURKE.

3. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT:—Mr. James McGirr informed the House that on the 15th September, 1949, His Excellency the Governor had appointed the Honourable Joshua George Arthur, as a Member of the Executive Council, and had sworn him in as a Minister of the Crown (without portfolio).

20th September, 1949.

4. PAPERS:—

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table certified copy of an Agreement between Sydney William Holt and the Council of the Shire of Mulwaree, relating to a Franchise under the Local Government Act, 1919, granted by the Council to the said Sydney William Holt for the supply of electric current for street and private lighting and power within the town of Taralga.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Kelly laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Substituted By-laws and amendments of By-laws under the Meat Industry Act, 1915-1943.

(2.) Substituted Regulation under the Milk Act, 1931-1942.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. E. G. Connolly, Department of Conservation.

(2.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for works in connection with the construction of a dam across the Macquarie River at Burrendong.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Consolidated Regulations under the Pastures Protection Act, 1934-1949.

(2.) New Regulation and amendment of Regulation under the Closer Settlement (Amendment) Act, 1907.

(3.) Amendments of Regulations under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

(4.) Amendments of Regulations under the Stock Diseases Act, 1923-1934.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

5. RESUMPTION BY THE HOUSING COMMISSION OF ARCHBOLD ESTATE AT ROSEVILLE:—

The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Treatt, "That this House is of opinion 'that',—

"(1.) the resumption without Parliamentary approval of the Archbold Estate, "Roseville, at a valuation in excess of the statutory limit of £20,000 provided "under section 4A of the Housing Act of 1912;

"(2.) the contradictory, evasive and unsatisfactory public statements and "Parliamentary explanations as to the manner in which these blocks and/or "homes are being acquired by the persons to whom they have been allocated;

"(3.) the acquisition of land and the erection or financing of luxury homes in "expensive localities by the Governmental building authority and the consequent "waste of labour and materials in short supply;

"(4.) the disclosures as to the allocation of blocks and/or homes on the Archbold "Estate and other sites to employees of Government Departments and "instrumentalities;

"(5.) the resumption of the Archbold Estate and other sites at under market "valuations and the allocation to purchasers of building blocks and/or dwellings "at prices which would allow of ready re-sale at considerable profit;

"(6.) the approval of advances to applicants whose annual income is in excess "of the statutory limit of £600 per annum as provided in section 25 of the "Housing Act;

"(7.) the allegation by the Minister that the Chairman of the Housing Commis- "sion had been guilty of a grave dereliction of duty by withholding from the "Minister important information and the denial by the Chairman of the "Housing Commission of such charge;

"(8.) the fact that according to the Auditor-General the accounts of the "Housing Commission made available to him for public audit are so far out of "date as to 'have statistical interest only' and that the last Annual Report "presented to Parliament two months ago relates to the year ending June, 1947;

"(9.) the fact that the Housing Commission in the exercise of its functions and "powers is subject to the control and direction of the Minister by virtue of "section 32 of the Housing Act, 1941;

"demand—

"(a) the immediate appointment of a Royal Commission to investigate and "inquire publicly into the administration of the Governmental housing authority, "the Housing Commission of New South Wales;

20th September, 1949.

“(b) that all documents relating to applications for and the making of advances “under Part II of the Housing Act and all documents relating to the acquisition “and re-sale of blocks on the Archbold and similar estates shall be delivered “forthwith into the custody of the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly; and
“(c) that pending the outcome of this inquiry the Minister for Housing be “relieved of his office.”

“Upon which Mr. Landa has moved, That the Question be amended by leaving “out all the words after the word ‘that’ (*secondly occurring*), with a view of “inserting the following words instead thereof:—‘the Government and the “Minister for Housing are to be congratulated on the progress made to date, “in the implementation of the Government’s Housing Programme.’”

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Wattison, That the Honourable Member for North Sydney, Mr. Geraghty, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of Twenty minutes.

Debate continued.

And it being Six o’clock, p.m., Debate interrupted pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the resumption of the Debate stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

6. BUSH FIRES BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Evatt moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision for the prevention, control and suppression of bush and other fires, and for the mitigation of dangers resulting from bush fires; to repeal the Careless Use of Fire Act, 1912-1946, and the Bush Fires Act, 1930; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Evatt then presented a Bill, intituled “*A Bill to make provision for the prevention, control and suppression of bush and other fires, and for the mitigation of dangers resulting from bush fires; to repeal the Careless Use of Fire Act, 1912-1946, and the Bush Fires Act, 1930; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.*”—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

7. COAL AND OIL SHALE MINE WORKERS (PENSIONS) AMENDMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Evatt, on behalf of Mr. James McGirr, moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Black moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

8. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Evatt moved, That this House do now adjourn.

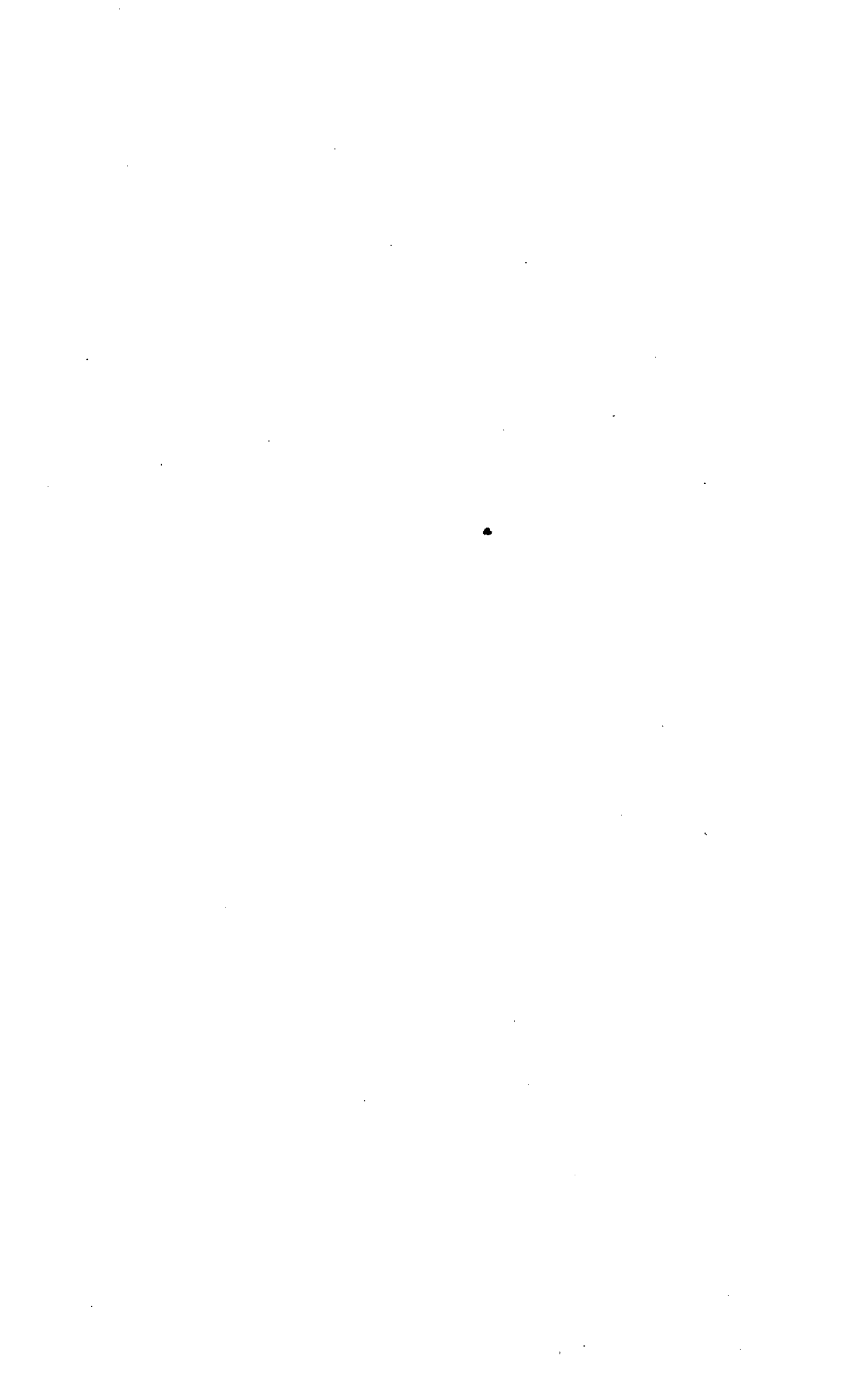
Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-nine minutes after Ten o’clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Half-past Two o’clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.



New South Wales.

No. 59.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. Sheahan and read by Mr. Speaker:—

(1.) Survey Co-ordination Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 88.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to provide for the co-ordination of surveys; for the establishment of a central plan office for the recording of surveys, plans and information relating thereto; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 20th September, 1949.

(2.) Western Lands (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 89.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to make further provision for the withdrawal of lands held under lease, the determination of rentals of Western Lands leases, and the conversion of Western Lands leases into conditional purchases; to impose certain restrictions on dealings with and transactions affecting leases; to impose certain conditions on leases in the interests of soil preservation; for these and other purposes to amend the Western Lands Act of 1901, as amended by subsequent Acts; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 20th September, 1949.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Statement of Traffic secured to Railway Transport by the exercise of the powers conferred on the Railway Commissioner under section 24 (3) and (4) of the Government Railways Act, 1912-1945, for the month of May, 1949.

(2.) Regulation under the State Transport (Co-ordination) Act, 1931-1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

21st September, 1949.

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Abstract of Crown Lands intended to be dedicated for public purposes in accordance with the provisions of section 24 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
- (2.) *Gazette* Notices setting forth the mode in which it is proposed to deal with certain land under section 25 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. BUDGET PAPERS, 1949-1950:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. James McGirr and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 90.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly, the following:—

- (1) *Consolidated Revenue Fund*.—Estimates of the Expenditure of the Government of New South Wales for the year 1949-1950.
- (2) *Consolidated Revenue Fund*.—Statement of Payments from the Vote "Advance to Treasurer" 1948-1949—submitted for Parliamentary appropriation in adjustment of the Advance Vote.
- (3) *Consolidated Revenue Fund*.—Statement of Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense" to 30th June, 1949.
- (4) *Government Railways Fund*.—Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1949-1950.
- (5) *Government Railways Fund*.—Statement of Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense" to 30th June, 1949.
- (6) *Road Transport and Traffic Fund*.—Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1949-1950.
- (7) *Road Transport and Traffic Fund*.—Statement of Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense" to 30th June, 1949.
- (8) *Metropolitan Transport Trust General Fund*.—Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1949-1950.
- (9) *Newcastle and District Transport Trust General Fund*.—Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1949-1950.
- (10) *Newcastle and District Transport Trust General Fund*.—Statement of Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense" to 30th June, 1949.
- (11) *Sydney Harbour Trust Fund*.—Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1949-1950.
- (12) *Sydney Harbour Trust Fund*.—Statement of Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense" to 30th June, 1949.
- (13) *Closer Settlement Fund*.—Estimates of the Expenditure of the Government of New South Wales for the year 1949-1950.

State Government House,
Sydney, 13th September, 1949.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Estimates and Statements, and referred to the Committee of Supply.

4. SUPPLY (*Financial Statement*):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and the Chairman reported progress.

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution which was read as follows:—

- (33.) *Resolved*.—That there be granted to His Majesty a sum not exceeding £1,696 as Supplement to the Schedules to the Constitution Act for the year 1949-50.

On motion of Mr. James McGirr the Resolution was agreed to.

5. WAYS AND MEANS (*Financial Statement*):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and the Chairman reported progress.

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21st September, 1949.

6. PAPER—FINANCIAL STATEMENT (*Budget Speech for Financial Year 1949-1950*):—
Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table the Financial Statement delivered by the Premier and Colonial Treasurer, This Day.

Ordered to be printed.

7. WESTERN LANDS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. Sheahan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make further provision for the withdrawal of lands held under lease, the determination of rentals of Western Lands leases, and the conversion of Western Lands leases into conditional purchases; to impose certain restrictions on dealings with and transactions affecting leases; to impose certain conditions on leases in the interests of soil preservation: for these and other purposes to amend the Western Lands Act of 1901, as amended by subsequent Acts; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

And Mr. Sheahan having spoken in Reply,—

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. Sheahan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to make further provision for the withdrawal of lands held under lease, the determination of rentals of Western Lands leases, and the conversion of Western Lands leases into conditional purchases; to impose certain restrictions on dealings with and transactions affecting leases; to impose certain conditions on leases in the interests of soil preservation; for these and other purposes to amend the Western Lands Act of 1901, as amended by subsequent Acts; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow

8. SURVEY CO-ORDINATION BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. Sheahan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the co-ordination of surveys; for the establishment of a central plan office for the recording of surveys, plans and information relating thereto; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. Sheahan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to provide for the co-ordination of surveys; for the establishment of a central plan office for the recording of surveys, plans and information relating thereto; and for purposes connected therewith,*—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

9. COAL AND OIL SHALE MINE WORKERS (PENSIONS) AMENDMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Evatt, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Black moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out the word "now" with a view of adding the words "this day six months."

Question proposed,—That the word proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.

Debate continued.

Question put,—That the word proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.

The House divided.

Ayes, 38.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Freeman	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Booth	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Gorman	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Weir
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lang	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. William Davis	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Williams
Mr. Dring	Mr. James McGirr	
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Nott	Mr. Seiffert
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. O'Sullivan	
Mr. Fowles	Mrs. Quirk	

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Noes, 24.

Mr. Black	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Storey
Mr. Brain	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Ellis	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Turner
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Frith	Mr. Morton	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Padman	Mr. Jeff Bate
Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Hunter	Mr. Rose	
Mr. Jackott	Mr. Stephens	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question,—That this Bill be now read a second time,—put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Evatt the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

10. GLENLEE MENTAL HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Cahill moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Jeff Bate moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word "That" and inserting the words "the Bill be referred to a Select Committee for consideration and report.

"(2) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cahill, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Freeman, Mr. Renshaw, Mr. Vincent, Mr. Stephen, Mr. McCaw and the Mover.

"(3) That the Committee have leave to sit during the sittings or any adjournment of the House, and to make visits of inspection within the State of New South Wales in connection with the inquiry,"—instead thereof.

Question proposed,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.

Debate continued.

And it being 10.20 o'clock, p.m., the Debate stood adjourned, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

The House adjourned at Twenty minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 60.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 22 SEPTEMBER, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. **MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—CHANGES IN THE MINISTRY:**—Mr. James McGirr informed the House that on 21st September, 1949, His Excellency the Governor had accepted his resignation as Colonial Secretary, Secretary for Mines and Minister for National Emergency Services, and the resignation of the Honourable C. H. Matthews, M.L.A., as Minister for Tourist Activities and Immigration, and had made the following appointments:—

The Honourable J. J. Cahill, M.L.A., as Deputy-Premier, in addition to his present portfolios.

The Honourable C. E. Martin, M.L.A., as Minister for Co-operative Societies in addition to his portfolio of Attorney-General.

The Honourable W. E. Dickson, M.L.C., Minister for Building Materials, as Secretary for Mines in addition to his present portfolio.

The Honourable C. H. Matthews, M.L.A., as Colonial Secretary.

The Honourable J. G. Arthur, M.L.A., as Minister for Tourist Activities and Immigration.

2. **COAL AND OIL SHALE MINE WORKERS (PENSIONS) AMENDMENT BILL:**—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Evatt read a third time. Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers (Pensions) Act, 1941-1948, in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 22nd September, 1949.

3. **GLENLEE MENTAL HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION BILL:**—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Cahill, "That this Bill be now read a second time."
Upon which Mr. Jeff Bate has moved "That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word 'That' and inserting the words 'the Bill be referred to a Select Committee for consideration and report.'
“(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Cahill, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Lazzarini, Mr. Freeman, Mr. Renshaw, Mr. Vincent, Mr. Stephens, Mr. McCaw and the Mover.
“(3.) That the Committee have leave to sit during the sittings or any adjournment of the House, and to make visits of inspection within the State of New South Wales in connection with the inquiry,—instead thereof.”

(22nd September, 1949.)

And the Question being again proposed,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the question.

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Question—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question,—put and passed.

Original Question,—That this Bill be now read a second time,—put and passed. Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported progress and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

4. PUBLIC RESERVES—RESERVE NO. 63811 AT NAMBUCCA HEADS:—Mr. Sheahan moved, pursuant to Notice, That in pursuance of section 3 of the Trustees of Public Reserves Enabling Act, 1924, this House declares that such Act shall apply to the area hereunder referred to, viz.:—

Reserve No. 63811 for Public Recreation and Resting Place at Nambucca Heads, comprising an area of 65 acres more or less, notified 3rd March, 1933.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

5. CLOSER SETTLEMENT—PART OF BERIDA ESTATE AND MERRIGINNIE ESTATE:—Mr. Sheahan moved, pursuant to Notice, That pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts, this House approves of the Governor resuming from the owners the lands comprised in the following estates:—

(a) Part of Berida Estate, owned by the Berida Pastoral Company Proprietary Limited, situated near Gilgandra, comprising an area of about 27,270 acres.

(b) Merriginnie Estate, owned by the Estate of G. W. Faulks, situated near Wakool, comprising an area of about 5,242 acres.

Debate ensued.

And Mr. Sheahan having spoken in Reply,—

Question put and passed.

6. SURVEY CO-ORDINATION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Sheahan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

And Mr. Sheahan having spoken in Reply,—

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Gorman, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Sheahan, the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

7. SUPPLY BILL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, the Government Railways Fund, the Road Transport and Traffic Fund, the Metropolitan Transport Trust General Fund, the Newcastle and District Transport Trust General Fund, and the Sydney Harbour Trust Fund, towards the services of the Year 1949-1950,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 22nd September, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

(22nd September, 1949.)

8. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Sheahan moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House at its rising this Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

Question put and passed.

9. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Sheahan moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Thirteen minutes after Five o'clock, p.m., until *Tuesday next* at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 61.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 27 SEPTEMBER, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table substituted Regulation under the Inflammable Liquid Act, 1915-1946.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table Regulation under the Electricity Development Act, 1945-1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table *Gazette* Notices setting forth the mode in which it is proposed to deal with certain lands under section 25 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Matthews laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Regulations and amendments of Regulations under the Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act, 1935-1942.

(2.) Amendments of Regulations and repeal of Regulation under the Cinematograph Films Act, 1935-1938.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. SUPPLY BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. James McGirr and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 91.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, the Government Railways Fund, the Road Transport and Traffic Fund, the Metropolitan Transport Trust General Fund, the Newcastle and District Transport Trust General Fund, and the Sydney Harbour Trust Fund, towards the services of the Year 1949-1950,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 26th September, 1949.

3. MEAT INSPECTION FEES—DISALLOWANCE OF BY-LAW NO. 11 UNDER THE MEAT INDUSTRY ACT, 1915-1943:—Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner moved, pursuant to Notice, That in pursuance of section 30 (2) (d) of the Meat Industry Act, 1915-1943, this House disallows substituted By-law No. 11, respecting the fees for inspection of country killed meat introduced into the Metropolitan Abattoir Area, as set forth in the notice appearing in the *Government Gazette* of 16th September, 1949, a copy of which was laid upon the Table of the House on 20th September, 1949.

Debate ensued.

And Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner having spoken in Reply,—

Question put.

27th September, 1949.

The House Divided.

Ayes, 28.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Gollan	Mr. Rose
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Storey
Lt.-Colonel Bruxner	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Cross	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Darby	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Morton	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Mutton	Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Padman	Mr. Cutler
Mr. Frith	Mr. John Reid	

Noes, 45.

Mr. Arthur	Mr. Graham	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Stanley
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Captain Dunn	Mr. Landa	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Lang	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Finnan	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Wetherell
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Williams
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Martin	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Chalmers
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Nott	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan	
Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk	

And so it passed in the negative.

4. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY MEMBERS PROVIDENT FUND—APPOINTMENT OF MANAGING TRUSTEE:—Mr. James McGirr moved (*by consent*), without Notice, That following upon the resignation of John Marcus Baddeley, Esquire, as Member for the Electoral District of Cessnock, the Honourable John Joseph Cahill, Member of the Legislative Assembly for the Electoral District of Cook's River, be, and is hereby appointed, a Managing Trustee of the Legislative Assembly Members Provident Fund.

Question put and passed.

And it being after Six o'clock, p.m., Government Business proceeded with, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

5. SURVEY CO-ORDINATION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Sheahan, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the co-ordination of surveys; for the establishment of a central plan office for the recording of surveys, plans and information relating thereto; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 27th September, 1949.

6. BUSH FIRES BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Evatt moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Gorman, Temporary Chairman, reported progress and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House adjourned at Sixteen minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 62.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 28 SEPTEMBER, 1949

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPER:—Mr. Heffron laid upon the Table list respecting the appointment, on probation, of certain persons as Teachers, Department of Public Instruction. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
2. WAYS AND MEANS: (*Financial Statement, 1949-1950*):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.
3. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

(1.) Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers (Pensions) Amendment Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers (Pensions) Act, 1941-1948, in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 28th September, 1949.

F. W. SPICER,
Deputy-President.

(2.) Survey Co-ordination Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled, "*An Act to provide for the co-ordination of surveys; for the establishment of a central plan office for the recording of surveys, plans and information relating thereto; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—with the amendment indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendment the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 28th September, 1949.

F. W. SPICER,
Deputy-President.

28th September, 1949.

SURVEY CO-ORDINATION BILL.

Schedule of the amendment referred to in Message of 28th September, 1949.

W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

Page 16, clause 20. *After line 23 insert—*

“Any order for payment made under the authority of this subsection by a court of petty sessions shall operate as an order for the payment of money under the Small Debts Recovery Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts, and be enforceable as such under the provisions of that Act.”

Examined,—

ERNEST G. WRIGHT,—
Temporary Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

The House adjourned at Twelve minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 63.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 29 SEPTEMBER, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. URGENCY—RETIRED RAILWAY AND TRAMWAY EMPLOYEES' SUPERANNUATION PAYMENTS:—Mrs. Fowler moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider Notice of Motion No. 1 of General Business on the Notice Paper for To-day.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 26.

Mr. Black	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Storey
Mr. Brain	Mr. Lang	Mr. Treatt
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cross	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Medcalf	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Mutton	Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Frith	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Morton
Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Richardson	
Mr. Hunter	Mr. Rose	
Mr. Jackett	Mr. Stephens	

Noes, 38.

Mr. Arthur	Mr. Graham	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Booth	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Tonge
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Dring	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Williams
Mr. Evatt	Mr. C. E. Martin	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Nott	Mr. Tully
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. O'Sullivan	
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mrs. Quirk	
Mr. Gorman	Mr. Robertson	

And so it passed in the negative.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. Matthews laid upon the Table Balance-sheets of Art Unions under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of (a) Adelong Returned Soldiers' Building Fund; (b) Manning District Ambulance Service.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Graham laid upon the Table Report, together with Statement of Accounts and Balance-sheet, of the New South Wales Dairy Products Board for the year ended 30th June, 1949.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

29th September, 1949.

3. **WAYS AND MEANS** (*Financial Statement, 1949-1950*):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Gorman, Temporary Chairman, reported progress.

4. **SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT**:—Mr. Cahill moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

Question put and passed.

5. **ADJOURNMENT**:—Mr. Cahill moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twelve minutes before Six o'clock, p.m., until *Tuesday next* at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 64.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 4 OCTOBER, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Copy of the Colonial Treasurer's Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, and other accounts for the financial year ended 30th June, 1949, together with the Auditor-General's Report thereon, transmitted to the Legislative Assembly under the provisions of the Audit Act, 1902-1945.

Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Graham laid upon the Table copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. G. S. Purss, B.Sc. (Agr.), Department of Agriculture.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Finnan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Report, together with Statement of Accounts, of the Mine Subsidence Board for the year ended 30th June, 1949.

(2.) Proclamations declaring certain lands to be private lands for the purposes of the Mining Act, 1906-1946.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. POSTPONEMENT:—The Order of the Day, "Resumption by the Housing Commission of Archbold Estate at Roseville; resumption of the adjourned Debate (*Mr. Evatt*), on the motion of Mr. Treatt, "That this House is of opinion " "that",—

"(1.) the resumption without Parliamentary approval of the Archbold Estate, "Roseville, at a valuation in excess of the statutory limit of £20,000 provided "under section 4A of the Housing Act of 1912;

"(2.) the contradictory, evasive and unsatisfactory public statements and "Parliamentary explanations as to the manner in which these blocks and/or "homes are being acquired by the persons to whom they have been allocated;

"(3.) the acquisition of land and the erection or financing of luxury homes in "expensive localities by the Governmental building authority and the consequent "waste of labour and materials in short supply;

"(4.) the disclosures as to the allocation of blocks and/or homes on the Archbold "Estate and other sites to employees of Government Departments and "instrumentalities;

"(5.) the resumption of the Archbold Estate and other sites at under market "valuations and the allocation to purchasers of building blocks and/or dwellings "at prices which would allow of ready re-sale at considerable profit;

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“(6.) the approval of advances to applicants whose annual income is in excess of the statutory limit of £600 per annum as provided in section 25 of the Housing Act;

“(7.) the allegation by the Minister that the Chairman of the Housing Commission had been guilty of a grave dereliction of duty by withholding from the Minister important information and the denial by the Chairman of the Housing Commission of such charge;

“(8.) the fact that according to the Auditor-General the accounts of the Housing Commission made available to him for public audit are so far out of date as to “have statistical interest only” and that the last Annual Report presented to Parliament two months ago relates to the year ending June, 1947;

“(9.) the fact that the Housing Commission in the exercise of its functions and powers is subject to the control and direction of the Minister by virtue of section 32 of the Housing Act, 1941;

“demand,—

“(a) the immediate appointment of a Royal Commission to investigate and inquire publicly into the administration of the Governmental housing authority, the Housing Commission of New South Wales;

“(b) that all documents relating to applications for and the making of advances under Part II of the Housing Act and all documents relating to the acquisition and re-sale of blocks on the Archbold and similar estates shall be delivered forthwith into the custody of the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly; and

“(c) that pending the outcome of this inquiry the Minister for Housing be relieved of his office.’

“Upon which Mr. Landa has moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word “that” (*secondly occurring*), with a view of inserting the following words instead thereof:—“the Government and the Minister for Housing are to be congratulated on the progress made to date, in the implementation of the Government’s Housing Programme,”—postponed, on the motion of Mr. Treatt, until Tuesday, 18th October.

3. MENTAL ASYLUMS IN NEW SOUTH WALES:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Darby,—

“(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the administration and conditions existing in mental asylums in New South Wales.

“(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Kelly, Mr. Cutler, Mrs. Fowler, Mr. G. C. Gollan, Mr. Hawkins, Mr. L. J. Tully and the Mover.

“(3.) That such Committee be given leave to sit during the sittings or any adjournment of the House, and to make visits of inspection within the State of New South Wales and to other States of the Commonwealth in connection with the inquiry.”

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Darby, That the Honourable Member for Ryde, Mr. Hearnshaw, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Debate continued.

And Mr. Darby having spoken in reply,—

Original Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 30.

Mr. Black	Mr. Gollan	Mr. Rose
Mr. Brain	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Stephens
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Storey
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Darby	Mr. Kendall	Mr. Turner
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Lang	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Lawson	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Ellis	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Morton
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Padman	Mr. Mutton
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Frith	Lieut.-Col. Robson	

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Noces, 40.

Mr. Arthur	Mr. Graham	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Booth	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Tonge
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Kelly	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Dring	Mr. Landa	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Evatt	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Finnan	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Williams
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Nott	Mr. Robert Cameron
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. O'Sullivan	Mr. W. McC. Gollan
Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk	

And so it passed in the negative.

And it being Six o'clock, p.m., Government Business proceeded with, under Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

4. WAYS AND MEANS (*Financial Statement, 1949-1950*):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and the Chairman reported progress.

5. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Weir moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-nine minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.



New South Wales.

No. 65.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 5 OCTOBER, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. **QUESTIONS:**—Mr. Speaker said that the importance to Honourable Members of Question Time was apparent to the House, and because of the great variety of Questions asked, and the wide field of public affairs covered by Honourable Members at Question Time each day, he considered it necessary to remind the House of the practice which should be observed because, during his occupancy of the Chair, he had noticed that Members frequently departed from the rules governing the asking of Questions.

In the interests of all Honourable Members, and with a view to ensuring, as far as possible, that Questions should be asked correctly and succinctly, he commended to the House, for its consideration, the following points:—

- (1.) The purpose of a Question was to obtain information and not to supply it to the House. Members should not commence their Questions with, "Is he aware," but should ask, "Is it a fact that." Questions without Notice should be brief and concise in their terms and should relate to matters of an urgent and important character. Questions which imply charges of a personal nature would not be permitted. Recently, Questions had been asked which were distinctly personal and which were designed with the object of reflecting generally upon a Minister and sometimes upon other Members of the House. If they reflected upon a private citizen such Questions should be asked only if it were in the public interest to do so.
- (2.) Lengthy replies by Ministers had sometimes shown a tendency to develop into Ministerial Statements. Should that happen in future, he would feel obliged to declare that such replies were, in fact, Ministerial Statements, and thus afford the Leader of the Opposition an opportunity to reply. That did not mean that he would decree that every lengthy answer by a Minister constituted a Ministerial Statement, but certain types of answers lengthily given did, in Mr. Speaker's opinion, constitute Ministerial Statements and he would so classify them in future.
- (3.) Should Questions be asked seeking detailed information which it was obviously not possible for a Minister to possess without reference to departmental records, he would have no hesitation in directing the Member concerned to place the Question upon the Question Paper.
- (4.) When an answer to a Question was promised to a Member by a Minister at a later date, it should, in fact, be given orally in the House and not transmitted to the Member who asked the Question. He asked Ministers to observe this rule carefully, as the House as a whole was entitled to be informed of the reply, and not only the Member who asked the Question.

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2. WAYS AND MEANS (*Financial Statement 1949-1950*):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and the Chairman reported progress.

The House adjourned at Sixteen minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 66.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 6 OCTOBER, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. COAL AND OIL SHALE MINE WORKERS (PENSIONS) AMENDMENT BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. James McGirr and read by Mr. Speaker:—

K. W. STREET,

Message No. 92.

By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers (Pensions) Act, 1941-1948, in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 5th October, 1949.

2. WAYS AND MEANS (*Financial Statement, 1949-1950*):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and the Chairman reported progress.
3. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Wattison, as Acting Chairman, brought up the Eleventh Report from the Printing Committee.
4. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Matthews moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.
Question put and passed.
5. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Matthews moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Nine minutes before Six o'clock, p.m., until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

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No. 67.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 11 OCTOBER, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. VACANT SEAT—ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF REDFERN:—

- (1.) *Issue and Return of Writ*:—Mr. Speaker informed the House that, upon the passing of the resolution of 31st August, 1949, declaring vacant the seat of George Walter Harry Noble, Esquire, deceased, he issued a Writ on 12th September, 1949, for the election of a Member to serve in the room of the said George Walter Harry Noble, and such Writ had been duly returned, with a certificate endorsed thereon by the Returning Officer, of the election of Kevin Edward Dwyer, Esquire, to serve as Member for the Electoral District of Redfern.
- (2.) *Member Sworn*:—Kevin Edward Dwyer, Esquire, was introduced, and, having taken and subscribed the Oath of Allegiance, and signed the Roll of the House, took his seat as Member for the Electoral District of Redfern.

2. QUESTIONS SEEKING INFORMATION FROM PRIVATE MEMBERS:—Mr. Speaker said that, with reference to his ruling given on the 5th instant concerning the right of a Private Member under Standing Order No. 76 to ask a question in certain cases of another Private Member, he felt that, to clarify the practice under that Standing Order, he should make a considered statement.

The practice involved might well prove to be important. Therefore, he had made a thorough examination of the whole matter and he now proposed to outline the historical background of the Standing Order and define the practice thereunder which he would apply in future.

Standing Order No. 76 was clearly based upon the practice of both Houses of the Imperial Parliament, which had been enunciated in the following terms by Sir Erskine May in the first edition of his "Law and Practice of Parliament," published in 1844:—

"By the practice of both Houses questions are frequently put to Ministers of the Crown concerning any measure pending in Parliament, or other public event; and to particular members who have charge of a bill, or who have given notices of motion; but such questions should be limited, as far as possible, to matters immediately connected with the business of Parliament, and should be put in a manner which does not involve argument or inference. In the same manner an answer should be confined to the points contained in the question with such explanation only as will render the answer intelligible."

That appeared to be the first text-book reference to the practice. In all subsequent editions of "May" its recognition had continued, and emphasis had been laid upon the necessity for Members who asked and answered such questions to observe the limitations so specifically stated.

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Mr. Speaker went on to say that, in the House of Commons, the asking of such questions was now governed by Rule of Practice No. 57, paragraph 12, which read: "A question addressed to an unofficial member must relate to some matter connected with the business of the House for which such member is responsible" with a footnote that the Speaker was the judge of the propriety or admissibility of a question, which he might disallow when in his opinion it was an abuse of the right of questioning.

The most recent recorded case in the House of Commons had occurred on 1st July, 1942, when, a question having been asked by one Private Member of another respecting a Notice of Motion on the Order Paper for that day, the Speaker had intimated that, while it was not in order for an unofficial Member to ask another unofficial Member a question on general knowledge or on the merits of a particular case, he was entitled to ask a question upon a matter with which an Honourable Member was connected such as a motion or a bill. On that occasion the question and reply had been allowed.

Mr. Speaker said that, in his opinion, questions which might be addressed to Private Members under Standing Order No. 76 were considerably limited by the terms of that Standing Order. While he thought that there was little doubt as to what was meant by "bill" or "motion" (which latter term clearly included a Notice of Motion on the Notice Paper for the day) he was prepared to concede that some doubt might exist as to the exact meaning of the words "*or other public matter connected with the business of the House, in which such Members may be concerned.*" It therefore became necessary for him to clarify what he believed those words to mean. In the past they had been quoted from the Standing Order without explanation and apparently had been accepted at their face value.

In future, therefore, it was his intention that the type and scope of questions asked by Private Members of other Private Members should be definitely limited, particularly in relation to the words to which he had specifically drawn attention. On the rare occasions when such questions might be justified he would allow them to be asked only if the Members to whom they were addressed were actually responsible for, or were directly or personally concerned with, a bill, notice of motion, order of the day or other business or public matter referred to in the Notice Paper or which was, in the opinion of the Speaker, directly connected with the current business of the House.

Mr. Speaker added that he wished it to be understood that any attempt at abuse of Private Members' rights to ask questions of other Private Members would not be allowed, and in his opinion, the prerogative of the Chair to disallow a question should, in itself, constitute a safeguard against any such attempt. All such questions and the answers thereto must be succinct, free from any suggestion of propaganda and couched in terms which would not involve argument, imputation or inference, and would not provoke debate.

3. PAPERS:—

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table copy of Report of the Royal Commission of Inquiry into the Gas Industry.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Report of the Broken Hill Water Board for 1948.
- (2.) Amendments of Regulations under the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Evatt laid upon the Table notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1912-1947, at—

Blacktown.	Orange.
Braidwood.	Penrith.
Glebe.	Queanbeyan.
Malabar.	Walgett.
Nowra.	

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Graham laid upon the Table substituted Regulation and new Regulation under the Stock Foods and Medicines Act, 1940.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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4. ESTABLISHMENT OF A RABBIT DESTRUCTION COMMISSION:—Mr. Fred Cahill moved, pursuant to Notice, That in the opinion of this "House",—

(1.) the Government should establish a Rabbit Destruction Commission with authority to—

- (a) acquire the necessary plant and machinery for the destruction of rabbits on both private and Crown land;
- (b) ensure the protection of such property on terms equitable to all owners of property of whatsoever tenure; and
- (c) enhance the productive capacity of such lands;

(2.) the New Zealand statutes and methods of administration relating to any similar Commission or authority should be thoroughly investigated with a view to—

- (a) ascertaining in detail the results of the experience obtained in that Dominion; and
- (b) establishing the nature of the legislative and administrative machinery which it would be advisable to set up in this State,

so that effect may be given to the considered opinion of "the man on the land" that the preservation of our lands from rabbit infestation should be a primary objective of the Government rural policy.

Debate ensued.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Nott, That the Honourable Member for Young, Mr. Fred Cahill, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Debate continued.

Mr. Treatt moved, That the question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word "House" with a view of inserting the following words instead thereof:—

"(1.) A Select Committee should be appointed to inquire into and report upon,—

- (a) methods to stimulate production and increase supplies to farmers of wire netting, fencing materials and fumigants for the destruction and control of rabbits;
- (b) any alterations to legislation relating to Pastures Protection Boards in New South Wales and the control and destruction of rabbits, considered desirable to make such legislation more effective;
- (c) improving the means for spreading information, knowledge and advice to farmers on methods of rabbit control and destruction; and
- (d) the administration and methods adopted under New Zealand statutes for the destruction of rabbits and the preservation of lands from rabbit infestation.

(2.) That such Committee should consist of Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner, Mr. Fred Cahill, Mr. Dring, Captain Dunn, Mr. Padman, Mr. Wetherell and the Mover.

(3.) That such Committee should be given leave to sit during the sittings or any adjournment of the House, and to make visits of inspection within the State of New South Wales in connection with the inquiry."

Question proposed,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.

Debate continued.

And it being Six o'clock, p.m., Debate interrupted pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

5. WAYS AND MEANS (*Financial Statement, 1949-1950*):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported progress.

The House adjourned at Sixteen minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 68.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 12 OCTOBER, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—

Mr. C. E. Martin laid upon the Table substituted Regulation under the Superannuation Act, 1916-1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Matthews laid upon the Table balance-sheets of Art Unions under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of—

Albury City Band.

Bega District Band.

Rockley Catholic Church Funds.

War Widows' Guild, Eastern Command.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. LOAN ESTIMATES, 1949-1950:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. James McGirr and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 93.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly an Estimate of the Expenditure of the Government of New South Wales on account of Public Works and Other Services for the year 1949-1950, proposed to be made from the General Loan Account.

State Government House,

Sydney, 12th October, 1949.

Ordered to be printed, together with the accompanying Estimates, and referred to the Committee of Supply.

3. SUPPLY (*Loan Estimates, 1949-1950*):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and the Chairman reported progress.

12th October, 1949.

4. **WAYS AND MEANS** (*Financial Statement 1949-1950*):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and the Chairman reported progress.

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution, which was read as follows:—

(11.) *Resolved*,—That towards making good the supply granted to His Majesty for the Services of the financial year 1949-50, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the sum of £1,696 as Supplement to the Schedules to the Constitution Act for the year 1949-50.

On motion of Mr. James McGirr the Resolution was agreed to.

5. **SUPPLY** (*Estimates, 1949-1950*):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported progress.

The House adjourned at Twenty-four minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 69.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 13 OCTOBER, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—Mr. C. E. Martin laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
 - (1.) Rule of Court made by the Judges of the Supreme Court.
 - (2.) Amendment of Regulation under the Legal Assistance Act, 1943-1947.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
2. APPROPRIATION BILL:—
 - (1.) URGENCY:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that the Appropriation Bill be brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.
Question put and passed.
 - (2.) SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—Mr. McGirr moved, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the Appropriation Bill being brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.
Debate ensued.
And Mr. McGirr having spoken in Reply,—
Question put and passed.
3. BUSH FIRES BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill with amendments.
On motion of Mr. Evatt the Report was adopted.
Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.
4. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Fowles, as Chairman, brought up the Twelfth Report from the Printing Committee.
5. SUPPLY (*Estimates 1949-1950*):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and the Chairman reported progress.

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6. VACANT SEAT—ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF CESSNOCK:—

(1.) *Issue and Return of Writ*:—Mr. Speaker informed the House that, upon the passing of the resolution of 8th September, 1949, declaring vacant the seat of John Marcus Baddeley, Esquire, resigned, he issued a Writ on 14th September, 1949, for the election of a Member to serve in the room of the said John Marcus Baddeley, and such Writ had been duly returned, with a certificate endorsed thereon by the Returning Officer of the election of John William Crook, Esquire, to serve as Member for the Electoral District of Cessnock.

(2.) *Member Sworn*:—John William Crook, Esquire, was introduced, and, having taken and subscribed the Oath of Allegiance, and signed the Roll of the House, took his seat as Member for the Electoral District of Cessnock.

7. SUPPLY (*Estimates 1949-1950*):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair and the Chairman reported progress.

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had come to certain Resolutions which were read as follow:—

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND.

THE LEGISLATURE.

(34.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £77,423, for The Legislature, for the year 1949-50.

THE PREMIER.

(35.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £3,123,316, for Premier, for the year 1949-50.

MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT.

(36.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £149,922, for Minister for Transport, for the year 1949-50.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

(37.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £334,168, for Colonial Secretary, for the year 1949-50.

MINISTER FOR HEALTH.

(38.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £10,005,323, for Minister for Health, for the year 1949-50.

COLONIAL TREASURER.

(39.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £8,420,626, for Colonial Treasurer, for the year 1949-50.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL AND MINISTER OF JUSTICE.

(40.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,766,399, for Attorney-General and Minister of Justice, for the year 1949-50.

SECRETARY FOR LANDS.

(41.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £685,698, for Secretary for Lands, for the year 1949-50.

SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS.

(42.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,544,694, for Secretary for Public Works, for the year 1949-50.

MINISTER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

(43.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £403,386, for Minister for Local Government, for the year 1949-50.

MINISTER FOR HOUSING.

(44.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £13,312, for Minister for Housing, for the year 1949-50.

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MINISTER FOR EDUCATION.

(45.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £13,080,361, for Minister for Education, for the year 1949-50.

MINISTER FOR MINES.

(46.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £381,056, for Minister for Mines, for the year 1949-50.

MINISTER FOR LABOUR AND INDUSTRY AND SOCIAL WELFARE.

(47.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £999,830, for Minister for Labour and Industry and Social Welfare, for the year 1949-50.

MINISTER FOR BUILDING MATERIALS.

(48.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £75,000, for Minister for Building Materials, for the year 1949-50.

MINISTER FOR CONSERVATION.

(49.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £747,048, for Minister for Conservation, for the year 1949-50.

MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE.

(50.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,420,546, for Minister for Agriculture, for the year 1949-50.

MINISTER FOR TOURIST ACTIVITIES AND IMMIGRATION.

(51.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £278,243, for Minister for Tourist Activities and Immigration, for the year 1949-50.

STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS MADE DURING THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1949, FROM THE VOTE "ADVANCE TO TREASURER," 1948-49, ON ACCOUNT OF SERVICES OF THE YEAR 1948-49.

(52.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £350,000, in adjustment of the Vote "Advance to Treasurer," 1948-49.

STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS "UNAUTHORISED IN SUSPENSE" TO 30TH JUNE, 1949, FOR URGENT CLAIMS ON ACCOUNT OF SERVICES OF THE YEAR 1948-49.

(53.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £2,314,223 1s. 4d. (Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense") for Services of the year 1948-49.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS FUND.

(54.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £38,775,225, for Department of Railways, for the year 1949-50.

STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS "UNAUTHORISED IN SUSPENSE" TO 30TH JUNE, 1949, FOR URGENT CLAIMS ON ACCOUNT OF SERVICES OF THE YEAR 1948-49.

(55.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £2,354,245 17s. 11d. (Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense") for Services of the year 1948-49.

ROAD TRANSPORT AND TRAFFIC FUND.

(56.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,096,115, for Department of Road Transport and Tramways for the year 1949-50.

STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS "UNAUTHORISED IN SUSPENSE" TO 30TH JUNE, 1949, FOR URGENT CLAIMS ON ACCOUNT OF SERVICES OF THE YEAR 1948-49.

(57.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £43,745 11s. 9d. (Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense") for Services of the year 1948-49.

13th October, 1949.

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORT TRUST GENERAL FUND.

(58.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £3,627,234, for Department of Road Transport and Tramways, for the year 1949-50.

NEWCASTLE AND DISTRICT TRANSPORT TRUST GENERAL FUND.

(59.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,011,888, for Department of Road Transport and Tramways, for the year 1949-50.

STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS "UNAUTHORISED IN SUSPENSE" TO 30TH JUNE, 1949, FOR URGENT CLAIMS ON ACCOUNT OF SERVICES OF THE YEAR 1948-49.

(60.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £5,308 3s. 3d. (Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense") for Services of the year 1948-49.

SYDNEY HARBOUR TRUST FUND.

(61.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,334,641, for Maritime Services Board of New South Wales, for the year 1949-50.

STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS "UNAUTHORISED IN SUSPENSE" TO 30TH JUNE, 1949, FOR URGENT CLAIMS ON ACCOUNT OF SERVICES OF THE YEAR 1948-49.

(62.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £130,499 8s. 5d. (Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense") for Services of the year 1948-49.

CLOSER SETTLEMENT FUND.

(63.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £41,289, on account of Services to be provided for out of Closer Settlement Fund.

On motion of Mr. Matthews, the Resolutions were agreed to.

8. **WAYS AND MEANS (Estimates 1949-1950)**:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported progress.

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had come to certain Resolutions, which were read as follow:—

(12.) *Resolved*,—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty,—

- (a) For the Service of the financial year 1949-50, the sum of £43,506,351 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.
- (b) In adjustment of the Vote "Advance to Treasurer," 1948-49, for Services of the financial year 1948-49, the sum of £350,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.
- (c) For Services of the financial year 1948-49, "Unauthorised in Suspense," the sum of £2,314,223 1s. 4d. be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

(13.) *Resolved*,—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty,—

- (a) For the Service of the financial year 1949-50, the sum of £38,775,225 be granted out of the Government Railways Fund.
- (b) For Services of the financial year 1948-49, "Unauthorised in Suspense," the sum of £2,354,245 17s. 11d. be granted out of the Government Railways Fund.

(14.) *Resolved*,—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty,—

- (a) For the Service of the financial year 1949-50, the sum of £1,096,115 be granted out of the Road Transport and Traffic Fund.
- (b) For Services of the financial year 1948-49, "Unauthorised in Suspense," the sum of £43,745 11s. 9d. be granted out of the Road Transport and Traffic Fund.

13th October, 1949.

(15.) *Resolved*.—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty,—

(a) For the Service of the financial year 1949-50, the sum of £8,627,234 be granted out of the Metropolitan Transport Trust General Fund.

(16.) *Resolved*.—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty,—

(a) For the Service of the financial year 1949-50, the sum of £1,011,388 be granted out of the Newcastle and District Transport Trust General Fund.

(b) For Services of the financial year 1948-49, "Unauthorised in Suspense," the sum of £5,308 3s. 3d. be granted out of the Newcastle and District Transport Trust General Fund.

(17.) *Resolved*.—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty,—

(a) For the Service of the financial year 1949-50, the sum of £1,334,641 be granted out of the Sydney Harbour Trust Fund.

(b) For Services of the financial year 1948-49, "Unauthorised in Suspense," the sum of £130,499 8s. 5d. be granted out of the Sydney Harbour Trust Fund.

(18.) *Resolved*.—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for Services, the sum of £41,289 be granted out of the Closer Settlement Fund.

On motion of Mr. James McGirr, the Resolutions were agreed to.

9. APPROPRIATION BILL:—

(1.) Ordered, on motion of Mr. Matthews *on behalf of* Mr. James McGirr, that a Bill be brought in, founded on Resolutions of Ways and Means (Nos. 12 to 18), to appropriate out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, and certain other Funds, sums to make good the supplies granted for the ordinary annual services of the Government for the year commencing on the first day of July, 1949, and ending on the 30th day of June, 1950, both dates inclusive, and for charges supplementary or "Unauthorised in Suspense" from certain Funds for the year from the first day of July, 1948, to 30th day of June, 1949, both dates inclusive; and for purposes connected therewith.

(2.) Mr. Matthews then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to appropriate out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, and certain other Funds, sums to make good the supplies granted for the ordinary annual services of the Government for the year commencing on the first day of July, 1949, and ending on the 30th day of June, 1950, both dates inclusive, and for charges supplementary or 'Unauthorised in Suspense' from certain Funds for the year from the first day of July, 1948, to 30th day of June, 1949, both dates inclusive; and for purposes connected therewith.*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

(3.) Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Matthews, the Report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

(4.) Bill read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to appropriate out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, and certain other Funds, sums to make good the supplies granted for the ordinary annual services of the Government for the year commencing on the first day of July, 1949, and ending on the 30th day of June, 1950, both dates inclusive, and for charges supplementary or 'Unauthorised in Suspense' from certain Funds for the year from the first day of July, 1948, to 30th day of June, 1949, both dates inclusive; and for purposes connected therewith.*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 13th October, 1949.

13th October, 1949.

10. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Matthews moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

Question put and passed.

11. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Matthews moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-five minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until *Tuesday next* at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 70.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 18 OCTOBER, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. **MOTOR TRAFFIC (FEES) AMENDMENT BILL:**—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. O'Sullivan and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 94.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to make provision for and in respect of increases in certain fees payable under the Motor Traffic Act, 1909-1949, and the Transport Act, 1930-1948; to amend the said Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 13th October, 1949.

2. **PAPERS:**—

Mr. Heffron laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Report of the Minister of Public Instruction on the work of the Child Welfare Department for the year ended 30th June, 1949.

Ordered to be printed.

- (2.) By-laws of the University of Sydney under the University and University Colleges Act, 1900-1948.

- (3.) List respecting the appointments of certain persons as Teachers, Department of Public Instruction.

- (4.) Amendments of Regulation under the Public Instruction Act, 1880.

- (5.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Public Instruction Act, 1880, at—

Bingara.	Moruya.
Blacktown.	Old Guildford.
Boronia Park.	Rathmines.
Dubbo South.	Scott's Head.
Ettalong.	Singleton.
Gordon West.	Urbenville.
Gosford North.	Wauchope.
Goulburn North.	Wingham.
Hurstville South.	Wollongong North.
Lorna Estate, Newcastle.	Woy Woy.
Meadowbank.	

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Amendment of Regulation and amendment of Rule under the Totalizator Act, 1916-1937.
- (2.) Amendment of By-law under the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1924-1949.
- (3.) Substituted Regulations under the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1924-1949.
- (4.) Amendments of Rules under the Police Regulation Act, 1899, as amended. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Amendment of Regulation under the Closer Settlement Acts.
- (2.) Amendment of Regulation under the War Service Land Settlement Act, 1941.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. RESUMPTION BY THE HOUSING COMMISSION OF ARCHBOLD ESTATE AT ROSEVILLE:—

The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Treatt, "That this House is of opinion 'that',—

"(1.) the resumption without Parliamentary approval of the Archbold Estate, "Roseville, at a valuation in excess of the statutory limit of £20,000 provided "under section 4A of the Housing Act of 1912;

"(2.) the contradictory, evasive and unsatisfactory public statements and "Parliamentary explanations as to the manner in which these blocks and/or "homes are being acquired by the persons to whom they have been allocated;

"(3.) the acquisition of land and the erection or financing of luxury homes in "expensive localities by the Governmental building authority and the consequent "waste of labour and materials in short supply;

"(4.) the disclosures as to the allocation of blocks and/or homes on the Archbold "Estate and other sites to employees of Government Departments and "instrumentalities;

"(5.) the resumption of the Archbold Estate and other sites at under market "valuations and the allocation to purchasers of building blocks and/or dwellings "at prices which would allow of ready re-sale at considerable profit;

"(6.) the approval of advances to applicants whose annual income is in excess "of the statutory limit of £600 per annum as provided in section 25 of the "Housing Act;

"(7.) the allegation by the Minister that the Chairman of the Housing Commis- "sion had been guilty of a grave dereliction of duty by withholding from the "Minister important information and the denial by the Chairman of the "Housing Commission of such charge;

"(8.) the fact that according to the Auditor-General the accounts of the "Housing Commission made available to him for public audit are so far out of "date as to 'have statistical interest only' and that the last Annual Report "presented to Parliament two months ago relates to the year ending June, 1947;

"(9.) the fact that the Housing Commission in the exercise of its functions and "powers is subject to the control and direction of the Minister by virtue of "section 32 of the Housing Act, 1941;

"demand—

"(a) the immediate appointment of a Royal Commission to investigate and "inquire publicly into the administration of the Governmental housing authority, "the Housing Commission of New South Wales;

"(b) that all documents relating to applications for and the making of advances "under Part II of the Housing Act and all documents relating to the acquisition "and re-sale of blocks on the Archbold and similar estates shall be delivered "forthwith into the custody of the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly; and

"(c) that pending the outcome of this inquiry the Minister for Housing be "relieved of his office."

"Upon which Mr. Landa has moved, That the Question be amended by leaving "out all the words after the word 'that' (*secondly occurring*), with a view of "inserting the following words instead thereof:—"the Government and the "Minister for Housing are to be congratulated on the progress made to date, "in the implementation of the Government's Housing Programme."

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And it being Six o'clock, p.m., Debate interrupted pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the resumption of the Debate stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

18th October, 1949.

4. **BUSH FIRES BILL:**—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Evatt, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to make provision for the prevention, control and suppression of bush and other fires, and for the mitigation of dangers resulting from bush fires; to repeal the Careless Use of Fire Act, 1912-1946, and the Bush Fires Act, 1930; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 18th October, 1949.*

5. **PUBLIC INSTRUCTION (AMENDMENT) BILL:**—

(1.) Mr. Heffron moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the rescission of resumptions of lands resumed for public or other schools; for this purpose to amend the Public Instruction Act of 1880 and the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Heffron then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to provide for the rescission of resumptions of lands resumed for public or other schools; for this purpose to amend the Public Instruction Act of 1880 and the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

6. **HIDE AND LEATHER INDUSTRIES (AMENDMENT) BILL:**—

(1.) Mr. Finnan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Hide and Leather Industries Act, 1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Finnan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Hide and Leather Industries Act, 1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

7. **SUPPLY (Loan Estimates 1949-1950):**—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair and Mr. Tully, Temporary-Chairman, reported progress.

8. **ADJOURNMENT:**—Mr. Cahill moved, That this House do now adjourn.

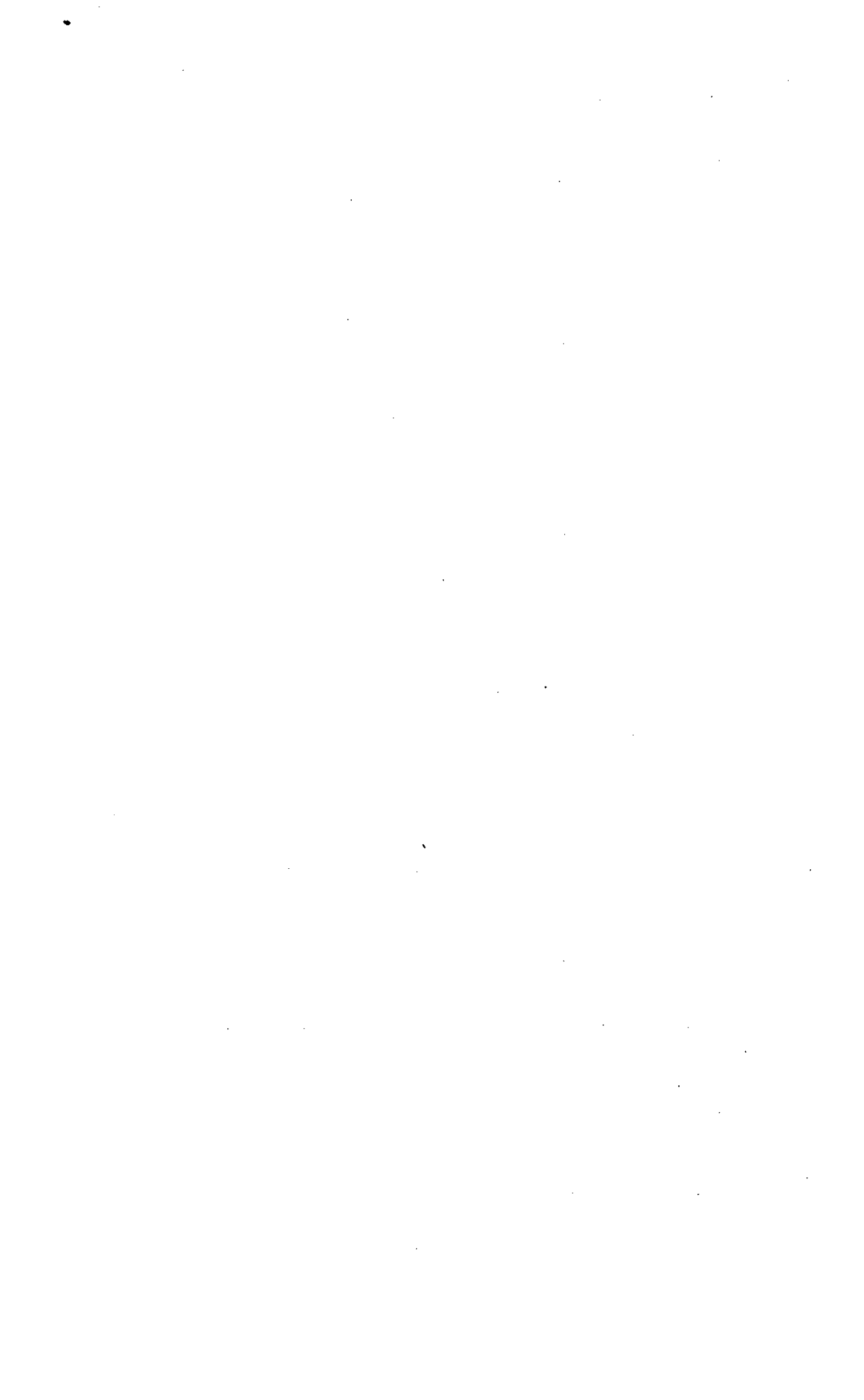
Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Nineteen minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.



New South Wales.

No. 71.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 19 OCTOBER, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PETROL SHORTAGE:—

- (1.) URGENCY:—Lieut.-Col. Bruxner moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider the following motion, viz.:—
“That, in the opinion of this House, the Government of New South Wales should forthwith consider methods of effectively dealing with and overcoming the existing serious petrol shortage, and immediately take such action as will alleviate the present desperate position throughout New South Wales, particularly in the rural areas of the State.”

Question put and passed.

- (2.) SUSPENSION OF STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS:—Lieut.-Col. Bruxner moved, That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would preclude the consideration forthwith of the following motion, viz.:—
“That, in the opinion of this House, the Government of New South Wales should forthwith consider methods of effectively dealing with and overcoming the existing serious petrol shortage, and immediately take such action as will alleviate the present desperate position throughout New South Wales, particularly in the rural areas of the State.”

Question put and passed.

- (3.) Lieut.-Col. Bruxner moved, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government of New South Wales should forthwith consider methods of effectively dealing with and overcoming the existing serious petrol shortage, and immediately take such action as will alleviate the present desperate position throughout New South Wales, particularly in the rural areas of the State.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Shannon moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—“That the Question be now put.”

The House divided.

Ayes, 43.

Mr. Arthur	Mr. Geraghty	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Booth	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Gorman	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Graham	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Crook	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Tonge
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Dring	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Wattison
Captain Dunn	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Weir
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. Landa	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Williams
Mr. Evatt	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Finnan	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Fred Cahill
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Nott	

19th October, 1949.

Noes, 33.

Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Rose
Mr. Black	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Storey
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Lang	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cross	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Cutler	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Medcalf	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Mutton	
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Dewley
Mr. Gillan	Mr. Richardson	Mr. Ellis
Mr. Hearnshaw	Lieut.-Col. Robson	

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion being a majority consisted of "at least thirty Members,"—

And Lieut.-Col. Bruxner having spoken in Reply,—

Original Question put and passed.

2. **MOTOR VEHICLES TAXATION MANAGEMENT BILL**:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. O'Sullivan and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 95.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to provide for assessing and collecting taxes upon motor vehicles; to validate certain matters; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 13th October, 1949.*

3. **PAPERS**:—

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1) Amendments of Regulation under the Water Act, 1912.
 - (2) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for works in connection with the construction of (a) Dam across the Hunter River at Glenbawn; (b) Dam across the Macquarie River at Burrendong.
- Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Finnan laid upon the Table Proclamations declaring certain lands to be private lands for the purposes of the Mining Act, 1906-1946.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1) Notifications of acquisition of land and/or easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the following purposes:—

Darling Harbour Wharfage.
Public Offices—Loftus Street, Sydney.
Southern Electricity Supply of New South Wales.

- (2) Notifications of acquisition of land and/or easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Local Government Act, 1919, in the following areas:—

Blue Mountains City.	Kearsley Shire.
Broken Hill City.	Ku-ring-gai Municipality.
Campbelltown Municipality.	Kyogle Shire.
Drummoyne Municipality.	Lake Macquarie Shire.
Gosford Shire.	Marrickville Municipality.
Greater Wollongong City.	Newcastle City.
Hume Shire.	Parramatta City.
Hurstville Municipality.	

- (3) Notifications of acquisition of land and/or easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1924-1948, at (a) Castle Hill; (b) Helensburgh; (c) Newport.

(4) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Hunter District Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1938-1945, at Raymond Terrace.

- (5) Amendments of Ordinances under the Local Government Act, 1919.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.
19th October, 1949.

4. MOTOR TRAFFIC (FEES) AMENDMENT BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. O'Sullivan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision for and in respect of increases in certain fees payable under the Motor Traffic Act, 1909-1949, and the Transport Act, 1930-1948; to amend the said Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. O'Sullivan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to make provision for and in respect of increases in certain fees payable under the Motor Traffic Act, 1909-1949, and the Transport Act, 1930-1948; to amend the said Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

5. PUBLIC INSTRUCTION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Heffron moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Gorman, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Heffron the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Deputy-Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken This Day,—

Ordered by Mr. Deputy-Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for a later hour of the Day.

6. GLENLEE MENTAL HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION BILL (*changed to "FARM COLONY TYPE MENTAL HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION BILL"*):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Gorman, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill with amendments, including an amendment in the Title.

On motion of Mr. Cahill the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Deputy-Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken This Day,—

Ordered by Mr. Deputy-Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for a later hour of the Day.

7. PUBLIC INSTRUCTION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Heffron, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the rescission of resumptions of lands resumed for public or other schools; for this purpose to amend the Public Instruction Act of 1880 and the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 19th October, 1949.*

8. HIDE AND LEATHER INDUSTRIES (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Finnan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

19th October, 1949.

The House divided.

Ayes, 44.

Mr. Arthur	Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Booth	Mr. Graham	Mr. Sciffert
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Sheaban
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Crook	Mr. Kelly	Mr. L. J. Tully
Captain Dunn	Mr. Landa	Mr. Weir
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. Lang	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Williams
Mr. Evatt	Mr. James McGirr	
Mr. Finnan	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fowles	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Dring
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Nott	
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan	

Noes, 30.

Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Storey
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cross	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Morton	
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Mutton	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Jeff Bate
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Richardson	Mr. Black
Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Rose	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Finnan the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Speaker, having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

(2.) Bill, on motion of Mr. Finnan, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Hide and Leather Industries Act, 1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 19th October, 1949.*

9. FARM COLONY TYPE MENTAL HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION BILL (*changed from "GLENLEE MENTAL HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION BILL"*):—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Cahill, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to sanction and provide for the construction of a Mental Hospital of the Farm Colony Type; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts, and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 19th October, 1949.*

10. RESUMPTION BY THE HOUSING COMMISSION OF ARCHBOLD ESTATE AT ROSEVILLE:—

(1.) URGENCY:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider Order of the Day No. 1 of General Business, on the Notice Paper for to-day.

Question put and passed.

(2.) SUSPENSION OF STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS:—Mr. McGirr moved, That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would preclude the consideration forthwith of Order of the Day No. 1 of General Business, on the Notice Paper for To-day.

Question put and passed.

19th October, 1949.

(3.) The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Treatt, "That this House is of opinion 'that',—

"(1.) the resumption without Parliamentary approval of the Archbold Estate, "Roseville, at a valuation in excess of the statutory limit of £20,000 provided "under section 4A of the Housing Act of 1912;

"(2.) the contradictory, evasive and unsatisfactory public statements and "Parliamentary explanations as to the manner in which these blocks and/or "homes are being acquired by the persons to whom they have been allocated;

"(3.) the acquisition of land and the erection or financing of luxury homes in "expensive localities by the Governmental building authority and the consequent "waste of labour and materials in short supply;

"(4.) the disclosures as to the allocation of blocks and/or homes on the Archbold "Estate and other sites to employees of Government Departments and "instrumentalities;

"(5.) the resumption of the Archbold Estate and other sites at under market "valuations and the allocation to purchasers of building blocks and/or dwellings "at prices which would allow of ready re-sale at considerable profit;

"(6.) the approval of advances to applicants whose annual income is in excess "of the statutory limit of £600 per annum as provided in section 25 of the "Housing Act;

"(7.) the allegation by the Minister that the Chairman of the Housing Commis- "sion had been guilty of a grave dereliction of duty by withholding from the "Minister important information and the denial by the Chairman of the "Housing Commission of such charge;

"(8.) the fact that according to the Auditor-General the accounts of the "Housing Commission made available to him for public audit are so far out of "date as to 'have statistical interest only' and that the last Annual Report "presented to Parliament two months ago relates to the year ending June, 1947;

"(9.) the fact that the Housing Commission in the exercise of its functions and "powers is subject to the control and direction of the Minister by virtue of "section 32 of the Housing Act, 1941;

"demand—

"(a) the immediate appointment of a Royal Commission to investigate and "inquire publicly into the administration of the Governmental housing "authority, the Housing Commission of New South Wales;

"(b) that all documents relating to applications for and the making of advances "under Part II of the Housing Act and all documents relating to the acquisition "and re-sale of blocks on the Archbold and similar estates shall be delivered "forthwith into the custody of the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly; and

"(c) that pending the outcome of this inquiry the Minister for Housing be "relieved of his office."

"Upon which Mr. Landa has moved, That the Question be amended by leaving "out all the words after the word 'that' (*secondly occurring*), with a view of "inserting the following words instead thereof:— 'the Government and the "Minister for Housing are to be congratulated on the progress made to date, "in the implementation of the Government's Housing Programme.'"

And the Question being again proposed,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Question put,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.

The House divided.

Ayes, 26.

Mr. Brain
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner
Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Cutler
Mr. Darby
Mr. Dickson
Mr. Ellis
Mr. Fitzgerald
Mr. Gollan
Mr. Howarth

Mr. Jackett
Mr. Kendell
Mr. Lawson
Mr. McCaw
Mr. Medcalf
Mr. Morton
Mr. John Reid
Mr. Richardson
Mr. Stephens
Mr. Storey

Mr. Treatt
Mr. Turner
Mr. Vincent
Mr. Wingfield

Tellers,
Mr. Hearnshaw
Mr. Mutton

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Noes, 43.

Mr. Booth	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Graham	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Crook	Mr. Heffron	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Dring	Mr. Lang	Mr. Weir
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Williams
Mr. Evatt	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Finnan	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Freeman
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Landa
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Nott	

And so it passed in the negative.

Question put,—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words left out, be so inserted.

The House divided.

Ayes, 43.

Mr. Booth	Mr. Gorman	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Graham	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Crook	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Stanley
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Dring	Mr. Kelly	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. Landa	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Lang	Mr. Weir
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Finnan	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Williams
Mr. Fowles	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Freeman	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Fred Cahill
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Chalmers
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Nott	

Noes, 26.

Mr. Brain	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Treatt
Lt.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Darby	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Morton	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Mutton	Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Gollan	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Cutler
Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Richardson	
Mr. Howarth	Mr. Stephens	
Mr. Jackett	Mr. Storey	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Original Question, as amended, proposed,—That this House is of opinion that the Government and the Minister for Housing are to be congratulated on the progress made to date, in the implementation of the Government's Housing Programme.

Mr. McGrath moved; That the Question be now put.

Question put,—“That the Question be now put.”

The House divided.

Ayes, 42.

Mr. Booth	Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Graham	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Heffron	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Crook	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Wattison
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Landa	Mr. Weir
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Williams
Mr. Evatt	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Finnan	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Dring
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Geraghty
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Nott	
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan	

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Noes, 27.

Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Storey
Lt.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Lang	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Darby	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Medcalf	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Morton	Mr. Dickson
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Mutton	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Howarth	Mr. Richardson	

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members,"—

And Mr. Treatt having spoken in reply,—

Original Question, as amended, put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 43.

Mr. Booth	Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Nott
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Graham	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Crook	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Tonge
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Dring	Mr. Landa	Mr. Weir
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. Lang	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Williams
Mr. Evatt	Mr. James McGirr	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Finnan	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Hamilton
Mr. Fowles	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Matthews	

Noes, 28.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Storey
Lt.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cutler	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Darby	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Morton	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Mutton	Mr. Dewley
Mr. Gollan	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Ellis
Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Richardson	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

11. WESTERN LANDS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read Mr. Sheahan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

And it being 10.20 o'clock, p.m., the Debate stood adjourned, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

12. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. O'Sullivan moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

And it being 10.30 o'clock, p.m., Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949, adjourned the House until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,

Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 72.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 20 OCTOBER, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. STAMP DUTIES (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. James McGirr moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Stamp Duties Act, 1920-1940, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. McGirr then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Stamp Duties Act, 1920-1940, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

2. MOTOR VEHICLES TAXATION MANAGEMENT BILL:—

(1.) Mr. O'Sullivan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for assessing and collecting taxes upon motor vehicles; to validate certain matters; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. O'Sullivan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to provide for assessing and collecting taxes upon motor vehicles; to validate certain matters; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

3. MAIN ROADS (FINANCES ADJUSTMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. O'Sullivan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the transfer on loan of the sum of five hundred thousand pounds from the County of Cumberland Main Roads Fund to the Country Main Roads Fund; for this purpose to amend the Main Roads Act, 1924-1949; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

And Mr. O'Sullivan having spoken in reply,—

Question put and passed.

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(2.) Mr. O'Sullivan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to provide for the transfer on loan of the sum of five hundred thousand pounds from the County of Cumberland Main Roads Fund to the Country Main Roads Fund; for this purpose to amend the Main Roads Act, 1924-1949; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

4. MOTOR TRAFFIC (FEES) AMENDMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. O'Sullivan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 43.

Mr. Arthur	Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Matthews
Mr. Booth	Mr. Fowles	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Freeman	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Gorman	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Crook	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Wattison
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Weir
Mr. Dring	Mr. Landa	Mr. Wetherell
Captain Dunn	Mr. Lang	Mr. Williams
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. Lazzarini	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Roy Heferen
Mr. Evatt	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Nott
Mr. Finnan	Mr. C. E. Martin	

Noes, 28.

Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Storey
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Cross	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cutler	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Darby	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Morton	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Mutton	Mr. Black
Mr. Howarth	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Hunter	Mr. Rose	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. O'Sullivan the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

5. WESTERN LANDS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Sheahan, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Treatt moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

6. SURVEY CO-ORDINATION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. Sheahan, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Freeman, Temporary Chairman, reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendment.

On motion of Mr. Sheahan, the Report was adopted.

The following Message sent to the Legislative Council:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the co-ordination of surveys, for the establishment of a central plan office for the recording of surveys, plans and information relating thereto; and for purposes connected therewith.*"

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Sydney, 20th October 1949.

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7. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Sheahan moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned at Two minutes before Five o'clock, p.m., until *Tuesday next* at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 73.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 25 OCTOBER, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY MEMBERS SUPERANNUATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Cahill and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 96.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to amend the Legislative Assembly Members Pensions Act, 1946, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 24th October, 1949.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table amendments, repeal and/or substitution of Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1902.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Statements of Traffic secured to Railway Transport by the exercise of the powers conferred on the Railway Commissioner under section 24 (3) and (4) of the Government Railways Act, 1912-1945, for the months of June, July and August, 1949.

(2.) Amendments of Regulation under the Motor Vehicles (Third Party Insurance) Act, 1942.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. SUPERANNUATION PAYMENTS TO RETIRED RAILWAY AND TRAMWAY EMPLOYEES:—
Mrs. Fowler moved, pursuant to Notice, That, in the opinion of this House, the superannuation payments made to retired Railway and Tramway employees should be increased by 25 per cent. in order that their pensions be brought into line with other retired Public Servants.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Grath moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—“That the Question be now put.”

25th October, 1949.

The House divided.

Ayes, 42.

Mr. Arthur	Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Graham	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Crook	Mr. Heffron	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Dring	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. Landa	Mr. Weir
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Evatt	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Williams
Mr. Finnan	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fowles	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Chalmers
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Nott	
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan	

Noes, 36.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Richardson
Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Rose
Mr. Black	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Storey
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Kendall	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dickson	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Medcalf	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Morton	Mr. Darby
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Mutton	Mr. Lang
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Padman	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. John Reid	

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members,"—

And Mrs. Fowler having spoken in reply,—

Original Question put.

Ayes, 36.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Richardson
Mr. Black	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Rose
Mr. Brain	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stephens
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Storey
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Kendall	Mr. Turner
Mr. Darby	Mr. Lang	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Drummond	Mr. McCaw	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Jack Beale
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Mutton	Mr. Morton
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Padman	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. John Reid	

Noes, 42.

Mr. Arthur	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Gorman	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Graham	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Crook	Mr. Heffron	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Dring	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Evatt	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Finnan	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Landa
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Williams
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Nott	
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. O'Sullivan	

And so it passed in the negative.

4. ESTABLISHMENT OF A RABBIT DESTRUCTION COMMISSION:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Fred Cahill, "That, in the opinion of this 'House',—

"(1.) the Government should establish a Rabbit Destruction Commission with "authority to—

"(a) acquire the necessary plant and machinery for the destruction of rabbits "on both private and Crown land;

"(b) ensure the protection of such property on terms equitable to all owners "of property of whatsoever tenure; and

"(c) enhance the productive capacity of such lands;

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"(2.) the New Zealand statutes and methods of administration relating to any "similar Commission or authority should be thoroughly investigated with a "view to—

"(a) ascertaining in detail the results of the experience obtained in that "Dominion; and

"(b) establishing the nature of the legislative and administrative machinery "which it would be advisable to set up in this State,

"so that effect may be given to the considered opinion of 'the man on the land' "that the preservation of our lands from rabbit infestation should be a primary "objective of the Government's rural policy."

"Upon which Mr. Treatt has moved, That the Question be amended by leaving "out all the words after the word 'House' with a view of inserting the following "words instead thereof:—

"(1.) A Select Committee should be appointed to inquire into and report upon—

"(a) methods to stimulate production and increase supplies to farmers of " 'wire netting, fencing materials and fumigants for the destruction and " 'control of rabbits;

"(b) any alterations to legislation relating to Pastures Protection Boards " 'in New South Wales and the control and destruction of rabbits " 'considered desirable to make such legislation more effective;

"(c) improving the means for spreading information, knowledge and advice " 'to farmers on methods of rabbit control and destruction; and

"(d) the administration and methods adopted under New Zealand statutes " 'for the destruction of rabbits and the preservation of lands from rabbit " 'infestation.

"(2.) That such Committee should consist of Lieut.-Col. Bruxner, Mr. Fred " 'Cahill, Mr. Dring, Captain Dunn, Mr. Padman, Mr. Wetherell and the Mover.

"(3.) That such Committee should be given leave to sit during the sittings or " 'any adjournment of the House, and to make visits of inspection within the " 'State of New South Wales in connection with the inquiry,'"—

And the Question being again proposed,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And it being Six o'clock, p.m., Debate interrupted pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

Ordered by Mr. Acting-Speaker Gorman that the resumption of the Debate stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

5. BUSH FIRES BILL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to make provision for the prevention, control and suppression of bush and other fires, and for the mitigation of dangers resulting from bush fires; to repeal the Careless Use of Fire Act, 1912-1946, and the Bush Fires Act, 1930; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.*"—with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 25th October, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

BUSH FIRES BILL.

Schedule of the amendments referred to in Message of 25th October, 1949.

W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

No. 1.—Page 22, clause 30, line 15. After "Minister" insert "for Local Government".

No. 2.—Page 35, clause 52, line 35. After "officer" where firstly occurring, insert "or fire patrol officer".

Examined,—

T. STEELE,

Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Acting-Speaker Gorman, That the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

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6. MOTOR TRAFFIC (FEES) AMENDMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. O'Sullivan, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to make provision for and in respect of increases in certain fees payable under the Motor Traffic Act, 1909-1949, and the Transport Act, 1930-1948; to amend the said Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 25th October, 1949.*

7. DISTRICT COURTS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. C. E. Martin moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make further provision as to the jurisdiction of District Courts; to confer an equitable jurisdiction upon such courts; for these and other purposes to amend the District Courts Act, 1912-1947, and the Matrimonial Causes Act 1899, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. Martin then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to make further provision as to the jurisdiction of District Courts; to confer an equitable jurisdiction upon such courts; for these and other purposes to amend the District Courts Act, 1912-1947, and the Matrimonial Causes Act 1899, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

8. MAIN ROADS (FINANCES ADJUSTMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. O'Sullivan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Gollan, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. O'Sullivan the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

- (2.) Bill, on motion of Mr. O'Sullivan, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the transfer on loan of the sum of five hundred thousand pounds from the County of Cumberland Main Roads Fund to the Country Main Roads Fund; for this purpose to amend the Main Roads Act, 1924-1949; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 25th October, 1949.*

9. MOTOR VEHICLES (TAXATION) BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. O'Sullivan and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 97.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to impose certain taxation upon motor vehicles and trailers; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 13th October, 1949.*

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

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25th October, 1949.

10. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

(1.) Appropriation Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to appropriate out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, and certain other Funds, sums to make good the supplies granted for the ordinary annual services of the Government for the year commencing on the first day of July, 1949, and ending on the 30th day of June, 1950, both dates inclusive, and for charges supplementary or 'Unauthorised in Suspense' from certain Funds for the year from the first day of July, 1948, to 30th day of June, 1949, both dates inclusive; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 25th October, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(2.) Public Instruction (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the rescission of resummptions of lands resumed for public or other schools; for this purpose to amend the Public Instruction Act of 1880 and the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 25th October, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

11. MOTOR VEHICLES TAXATION MANAGEMENT BILL:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. O'Sullivan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. O'Sullivan the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Speaker, having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

(2.) Bill, on motion of Mr. O'Sullivan, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for assessing and collecting taxes upon motor vehicles; to validate certain matters; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 25th October, 1949.

12. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. O'Sullivan moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-three minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 74.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 26 OCTOBER, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table Statement of Expenditure from the Government Railways Fund in excess of that appropriated by Parliament during the year ended 30th June, 1949.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of certain Officers, Department of Public Works.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) File of the Department of Lands relating to the appointment of Trustees of Public Recreation Reserve and Racecourse at Somerton.

(2.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Public Recreation Purposes at Redhead.

(3.) Report of the Trustees of Ku-ring-gai Chase Trust for the year ended 30th June, 1949.

(4.) *Gazette* Notices setting forth the mode in which it is proposed to deal with certain land under section 25 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

(5.) Amended schedule of Fees and Charges in connection with the Regulations for the management of Burial Grounds at Inverell.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. MOTOR VEHICLES (TAXATION) BILL:—

(1.) URGENCY:—Mr. O'Sullivan moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that the Motor Vehicles (Taxation) Bill be brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.

Question put and passed.

(2.) SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—Mr. O'Sullivan moved, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the Motor Vehicles (Taxation) Bill being brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.

Question put and passed.

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3. WAYS AND MEANS (*Motor Vehicles (Taxation) Bill*):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported progress.

The Chairman also reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution, which was read, as follows:—

(19.) *Resolved*,—

That towards raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty there shall be charged, levied, collected and paid for the use of His Majesty, under the provisions of the Motor Vehicles Taxation Management Act, 1949, and the regulations made thereunder, and subject to the exemptions and reductions contained or provided for in that Act, motor vehicles tax upon motor vehicles at the rates set out in or the sums ascertained in accordance with the Schedule to this resolution.

(A) (1) Such tax shall be paid in respect of every motor vehicle the registration or renewal of registration of which takes effect after the commencement of the Act to give effect to this resolution.

(2) The motor vehicles tax imposed by the Act to give effect to this resolution shall be in lieu of the tax upon motor vehicles imposed by the Motor Vehicles (Taxation) Act, 1942.

(B) For the purposes of this resolution—

(a) the weight of a trailer shall be ascertained as the gross weight of the trailer (including any article affixed thereto) unladen ready for attachment to a motor vehicle;

(b) the weight of a motor vehicle shall be ascertained as the gross weight of the vehicle laden with the tools and accessories usually carried, with such fuel, water, and oil as may be in or upon the motor vehicle, but otherwise unladen;

(c) the number of one half-hundredweights nearest to the weight so ascertained or, where the weight so ascertained consists of a number of hundredweights and either one-quarter or three-quarters of a hundredweight, the number of one half-hundredweights next below the weight so ascertained, shall be the weight upon which the tax imposed by the Act to give effect to this resolution is to be paid;

(d) a motor vehicle shall be deemed to be of British manufacture if proof is furnished to the satisfaction of the Commissioner that—

(i) of the total cost of the vehicle at the port of shipment to the Commonwealth of Australia a percentage of not less than ninety-seven and one half per centum is represented by expenditure upon material produced within the British Empire and upon labour within such Empire; or

(ii) where the vehicle is constructed in the Commonwealth of Australia, of the total cost of the vehicle (excluding the cost of any second-hand material used in its construction) a percentage of not less than ninety-seven and one half per centum is represented by expenditure upon material produced within the British Empire and upon labour within such Empire.

(C) The terms used in this resolution shall have the meanings ascribed thereto respectively in the Motor Vehicles Taxation Management Act, 1949.

(D) The Act to give effect to this resolution shall commence upon a day to be appointed by the Governor and notified by proclamation published in the Gazette.

SCHEDULE.

PART I.

Where registration or renewal of registration is effected for a period of one year.

1. (a) Any motor vehicle (not being a motor omnibus or motor cycle) which has pneumatic tyres on all wheels—at the rate of 2s. 6d. per half-hundredweight of its weight.

(b) Any motor omnibus which has pneumatic tyres on all wheels—at the rate of 3s. 10d. per half-hundredweight of its weight.

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2. (a) Any motor vehicle (not being a motor omnibus or motor cycle) which has non-pneumatic tyres on all or any of the wheels—at the rate of 3s. 2d. per half-hundredweight of its weight.

(b) Any motor omnibus which has non-pneumatic tyres on all or any of the wheels—at the rate of 5s. per half-hundredweight of its weight.

3. (a) Any motor cycle without a side-car—£1 0s. 0d.

(b) Any motor cycle with a side-car—£1 16s. 0d.

4. Any other motor vehicle—at the rate of 3s. 2d. per half-hundredweight of its weight.

5. Any motor vehicle which is of British manufacture—at the rate applicable in accordance with the scale set out in paragraphs 1 to 4, both inclusive, of this Part of this Schedule, less a deduction of—

(a) sixpence per half-hundredweight of its weight in the case of any motor vehicle other than a motor cycle;

(b) one shilling and sixpence in the case of a motor cycle without a side-car;

(c) two shillings and sixpence in the case of a motor cycle with a side-car.

6. Any primary producer's vehicle (being a motor lorry or tractor)—at a rate equivalent to half the rate that would have been applicable to the vehicle under paragraphs 1 to 5, both inclusive, of this Part of this Schedule had this paragraph not been enacted.

7. Notwithstanding anything contained in paragraphs 1 to 6, both inclusive, of this Part of this Schedule, the amount of tax on—

(a) a tractor (not being a primary producer's vehicle) shall not in any case exceed £13 10s. 0d.;

(b) a tractor (being a primary producer's vehicle) shall not in any case exceed £6 15s. 0d.;

(c) a motor vehicle (including a trailer drawn thereby) used solely for mining purposes in the Western Division of the State and weighing more than five tons shall be the amount which would be payable as tax if the weight of the vehicle (including the trailer) were five tons.

8. Any motor vehicle with a compression ignition engine—double the sum which would have been payable in respect of the vehicle under paragraphs 1 to 7, both inclusive, of this Part of this Schedule had this paragraph not been enacted.

PART II.

Where registration or renewal of registration is effected for a period of three months.

A sum equivalent to twenty-seven and one-half per centum of the amount which, ascertained in accordance with Part I of this Schedule, would have been payable as motor vehicles tax upon the motor vehicle if registration or renewal of registration had been effected for a period of one year.

PART III.

Where registration or renewal of registration is effected for any period other than a period referred to in Part I or Part II of this Schedule.

A sum to be determined by dividing the amount which, ascertained in accordance with Part I of this Schedule, would have been payable as motor vehicles tax upon the motor vehicle if registration or renewal of registration had been effected for a period of one year by 365 and then multiplying the quotient by the number of days in the period for which the motor vehicle is registered.

PART IV.

Where any sum ascertained in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this Schedule leaves an amount of pence remaining when expressed in shillings or in pounds and shillings, the sum shall be adjusted to the nearest sixpence: Provided that—

(a) if such amount is three pence it shall be omitted;

(b) if such amount is ninepence it shall be regarded as if it were sixpence.

On motion of Mr. O'Sullivan, the Resolution was agreed to.

26th October, 1949.

4. MOTOR VEHICLES (TAXATION) BILL:—

(1.) Ordered, on motion of Mr. O'Sullivan, that a Bill be brought in, founded on Resolution of Ways and Means (No. 19), to impose certain taxation upon motor vehicles and trailers; and for purposes connected therewith.

(2.) Mr. O'Sullivan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to impose certain taxation upon motor vehicles and trailers; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

(3.) Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. O'Sullivan, the Report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

(4.) Bill read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to impose certain taxation upon motor vehicles and trailers; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 26th October, 1949.*

5. STAMP DUTIES (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. James McGirr moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

And Mr. McGirr having spoken in Reply,—

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. McGirr the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Speaker, having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

(2.) Bill, on motion of Mr. McGirr, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Stamp Duties Act, 1920-1940, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 26th October, 1949.*

6. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY MEMBERS SUPERANNUATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Cahill moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Legislative Assembly Members Pensions Act, 1946, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Cahill then presented a bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Legislative Assembly Members Pensions Act, 1946, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

26th October, 1949.

7. LIQUID FUEL BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. C. E. Martin moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision for the preservation and continuance in operation of Commonwealth Regulations relating to the rationing and distribution of liquid fuel; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. Martin then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to make provision for the preservation and continuance in operation of Commonwealth Regulations relating to the rationing and distribution of liquid fuel; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

8. CO-OPERATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. C. E. Martin moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision in relation to the marketing of fish by co-operative trading societies and the constitution of co-operative advisory committees; for these purposes to amend the Co-operation Act, 1923-1948, and the Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act, 1935, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. Martin then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to make provision in relation to the marketing of fish by co-operative trading societies and the constitution of co-operative advisory committees; for these purposes to amend the Co-operation Act, 1923-1948, and the Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act, 1935, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

9. HIDE AND LEATHER INDUSTRIES (AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. Deputy-Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Hide and Leather Industries Act, 1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 26th October, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

10. BUSH FIRES BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. Evatt, Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Gorman, Temporary Chairman, reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendments.

On motion of Mr. Evatt, the Report was adopted.

The following Message sent to the Legislative Council:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "*An Act to make provision for the prevention, control and suppression of bush and other fires, and for the mitigation of dangers resulting from bush fires; to repeal the Careless Use of Fire Act, 1912-1946, and the Bush Fires Act, 1930; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.*"

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 26th October, 1949.

11. WESTERN LANDS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Sheahan, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Treatt (*speaking*) moved (*by consent*), That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until a later hour of the Day.

26th October, 1949.

12. FARM COLONY TYPE MENTAL HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION BILL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to sanction and provide for the construction of a Mental Hospital of the Farm Colony type; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 26th October, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

13. NEWINGTON COLLEGE COUNCIL (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Newington College Council Act, 1922, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence, accompanied by a copy of the Report from and Minutes of Evidence taken before the Select Committee thereon.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 26th October, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

Bill read a first time.

- (2.) Lieut.-Col. Robson moved (*by consent*) That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Lieut.-Col. Robson the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Speaker, having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

- (3.) Bill, on motion of Lieut.-Col. Robson, read a third time.

Bill returned to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Newington College Council Act, 1922, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Council without amendment.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 26th October, 1949.

14. WESTERN LANDS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Sheahan, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And it being 10.20 o'clock, p.m., the Debate stood adjourned, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

15. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

- (1.) Main Roads (Finances Adjustment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the transfer on loan of the sum of five hundred thousand pounds from the County of Cumberland Main Roads Fund to the Country Main Roads Fund; for this purpose to amend the Main Roads Act, 1924-1949; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 26th October, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

26th October, 1949.

(2.) Motor Traffic (Fees) Amendment Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to make provision for and in respect of increases in certain fees payable under the Motor Traffic Act, 1909-1949, and the Transport Act, 1930-1948; to amend the said Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 26th October, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(3.) Motor Vehicles Taxation Management Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for assessing and collecting taxes upon motor vehicles, to validate certain matters; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 26th October, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(4.) Motor Vehicles (Taxation) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to impose certain taxation upon motor vehicles and trailers; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 26th October, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(5.) Stamp Duties (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Stamp Duties Act, 1920-1940, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

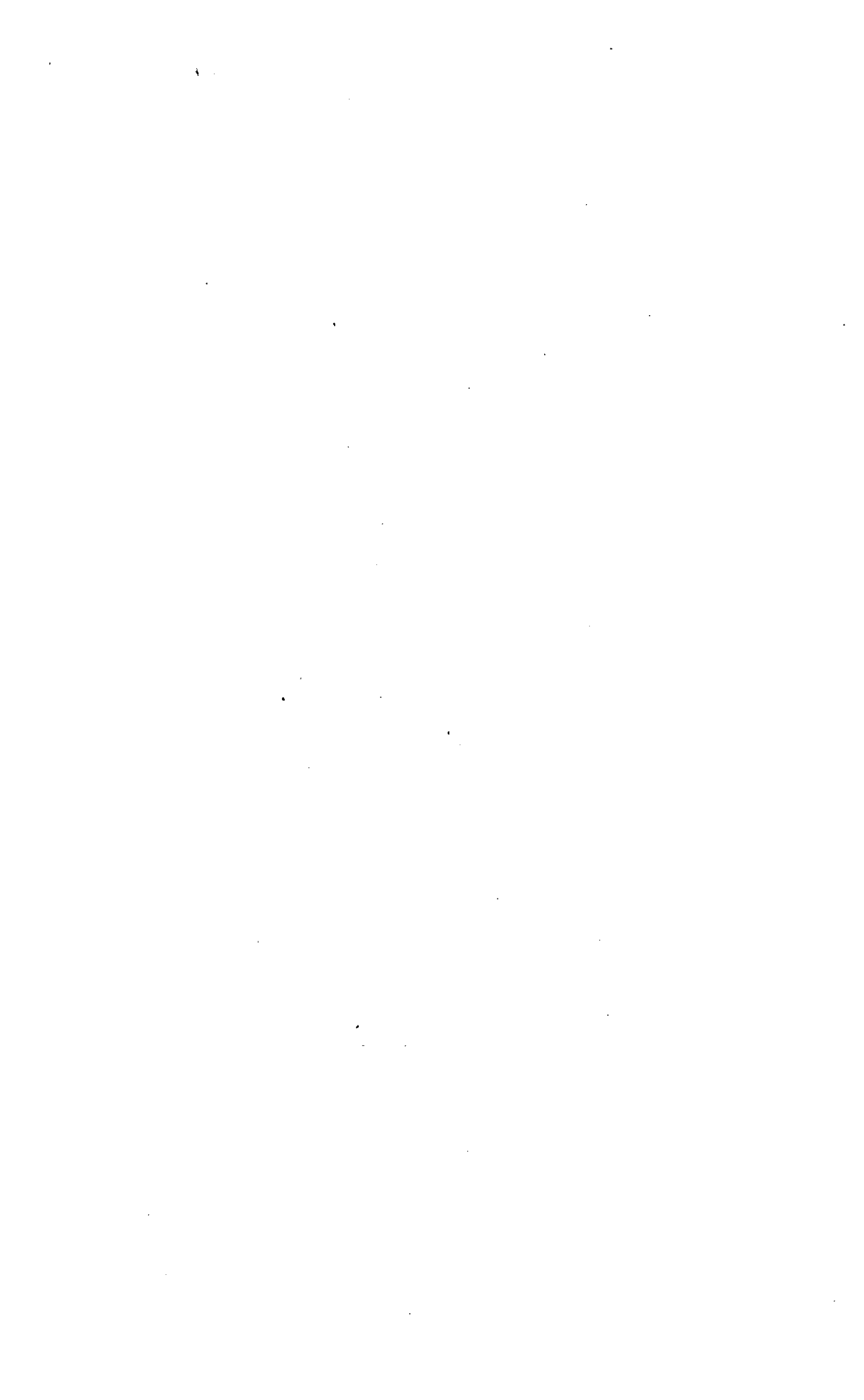
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Sydney, 26th October, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

The House adjourned at Twenty-one minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.



New South Wales.

No. 75.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 27 OCTOBER, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. **ADJOURNMENT UNDER STANDING ORDER No. 49:**—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honourable Member for Tamworth, Mr. Chaffey, a notice under the 49th Standing Order that he desired to move the adjournment of the House to discuss a specific matter of recent occurrence, viz.:—"The failure of the Minister for Lands to refer to the Parliamentary Representative of the area the appointment of two additional trustees for the Somerton Public Recreation and Racecourse Reserve, and his failure to sustain his action by Departmental inquiry to ensure that due regard was paid to the public interest."

And the motion for the adjournment of the House being supported by five other Honourable Members,—

Mr. Chaffey moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Point of Order:—Mr. Cahill submitted that the motion was out of order because its subject-matter was not of recent occurrence inasmuch as the positions to which trustees had been recently appointed had been vacant for eight years.

Mr. Weir contended that it was neither of recent occurrence nor of public importance.

Mr. Shannon submitted that as the trustees were appointed on 27th July last the matter was not of urgent public importance.

Mr. Weir contended further that as the motion sought to bring under discussion general administrative policy upon such appointments its subject-matter was not "specific" within the meaning of the Standing Order.

Mr. Speaker said that a motion under Standing Order No. 49 might be moved if *in the opinion of the Speaker* the matter sought to be discussed was definite, urgent and of public importance. The motion must also be submitted to Mr. Speaker in writing at least thirty minutes before the meeting of the House to enable him to determine whether it complied with those three requirements. The fact that he had taken the motion from the Box, and proposed the Question from the Chair indicated that he considered the motion complied with the three stipulations referred to.

After hearing debate upon the Point of Order, Mr. Speaker said that he considered that the motion related to a matter of recent occurrence, but its terms appeared likely to lead to a discussion upon general policy respecting appointments of trustees. He was now satisfied that the motion was not "specific" within the meaning of this requirement of the Standing Order and he, therefore, ruled the motion out of order.

27th October, 1949.

2. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE:—Mr. Hawkins, as Chairman, brought up the Third Report during the currency of the Thirty-fifth Parliament of the Public Accounts Committee.

Ordered to be printed.

3. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY MEMBERS SUPERANNUATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Cahill moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Gorman, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Cahill the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Deputy-Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

- (2.) Bill, on motion of Mr. Cahill, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Legislative Assembly Members Pensions Act, 1946, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 27th October, 1949.

4. CO-OPERATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. C. E. Martin moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

And Mr. Martin having spoken in Reply,—

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. John Reid, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Martin the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Deputy-Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

- (2.) Bill, on motion of Mr. Martin, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to make provision in relation to the marketing of fish by co-operative trading societies and the constitution of co-operative advisory committees; for these purposes to amend the Co-operation Act, 1923-1948, and the Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act, 1935, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 27th October, 1949.

5. RACING (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. Matthews moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Economic Stability and War-time Provisions Continuance Act, 1946-1948, and the Gaming and Betting Act, 1912-1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

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- (2.) Mr. Matthews then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Economic Stability and War-time Provisions Continuance Act, 1946-1948, and the Gaming and Betting Act, 1912-1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow:

6. LIQUID FUEL BILL:—

- (1.) The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. C. E. Martin moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

And Mr. Martin having spoken in reply,—

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Martin, the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

- (2.) Bill, on motion of Mr. Martin, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to make provision for the preservation and continuance in operation of Commonwealth Regulations relating to the rationing and distribution of liquid fuel; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 27th October, 1949.

7. WESTERN LANDS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Sheahan, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Lieut.-Col. Bruxner moved, That the Honourable Member for Orange, Mr. Cutler, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of ten minutes
Question put and negatived.

Debate continued.

Mr. Wetherell (*speaking*) moved (*by consent*), That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

8. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Sheahan moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Shannon moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—“That the Question be now put.”

The House divided.

Ayes, 36.

Mr. Arthur
Mr. Fred Cahill
Mr. Robert Cameron
Mr. Chalmers
Mr. Clyne
Mr. Crook
Mr. William Davies
Captain Dunn
Mr. Dwyer
Mr. Enticknap
Mr. Evatt
Mr. Fowles
Mr. Gorman

Mr. Hawkins
Mr. Roy Heferen
Mr. Heffron
Mr. Landa
Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. James McGirr
Mr. McGrath
Mr. C. E. Martin
Mr. Matthews
Mr. Nott
Mr. O'Sullivan
Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Renshaw

Mr. Shannon
Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Stanley
Mr. Tonge
Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Weir
Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Williams
Tellers,
Mr. Freeman
Mr. Wattison

27th October, 1949.

Noes, 15.

Mr. Brain	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Vincent
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. McCaw	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Padman	Mr. Cutler
Mr. Cross	Mr. Stephens	Mr. Dewley
Mr. Kendell	Mr. Treatt	
Mr. Lang	Mr. Turner	

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members,"—

Original Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 38.

Mr. Arthur	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Booth	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Landa	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lang	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Crook	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. William Davies	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Wetherell
Captain Dunn	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Williams
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. C. E. Martin	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Fred Cahill
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Nott	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Fowles	Mr. O'Sullivan	
Mr. Freeman	Mrs. Quirk	
Mr. Gorman	Mr. Renshaw	

Noes, 14.

Mr. Brain	Mr. McCaw	<i>Tellers,</i>
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Padman	Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Stephens	Mr. Cross
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Treatt	
Mr. Kendell	Mr. Turner	
Mr. Lawson	Mr. Vincent	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Thirteen minutes after Eleven o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 76.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

FRIDAY, 28 OCTOBER, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. URGENCY—ATTITUDE OF THE MINISTER FOR LANDS TO TRUSTS AND TRUSTEES:—Mr. Chaffey moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider the following Motion, viz.:—"That, in the opinion of this House, the attitude of the Minister for Lands with regard to Trusts and Trustees as revealed by his answers to Questions in this House and by the official file relating to the Somerton Public Recreation and Racecourse Reserve, is not in the public interest."

The House divided.

Ayes, 22.

Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Storey
Mr. Brain	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Treatt
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cross	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Mutton	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Ellis	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Richardson	Mr. Morton
Mr. Jackett	Mr. Stephens	

Noes, 38.

Mr. Arthur	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Booth	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Landa	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Crook	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Wethered
Captain Dunn	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Williams
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. C. E. Martin	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Freeman
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Nott	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Fowles	Mr. O'Sullivan	
Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk	
Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Renshaw	

And so it passed in the negative.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. C. E. Martin laid upon the Table Return of Transactions under Statutes administered by the Registrar-General for 1948, together with Comparative Statements for the years 1939 to 1948 inclusive.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. G. A. Barnett, Department of Conservation.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Report of the Department of Main Roads for the year ended 30th June, 1949.

Ordered to be printed.

(2.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of maintaining the traffic on the existing line of Railway between Braxton and Muswellbrook—side cutting at Liddell.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. VACANT SEAT—RESIGNATION OF A MEMBER FOR THE PURPOSE OF SEEKING ELECTION TO THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH:—Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received the following letter from William Davies, Esquire, resigning his seat as Member for the Electoral District of Wollongong-Kembla:—

Parliament House,
Sydney, 28th October, 1949.

Dear Mr. Speaker,

As it is my intention to seek election at the forthcoming General Election as a Member of the House of Representatives of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia, I hereby resign from the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales as Member for the Electoral District of Wollongong-Kembla, and ask that my resignation shall take effect from to-day's date.

In accordance with the provisions of subsection 8 of section 79 of the New South Wales Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, as amended, I also wish to inform you that it is my intention, in the event of my failing to secure such election, to become, again, a candidate for the vacancy in the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales resulting from this my resignation, and I accordingly have to ask that you will be so good as to delay the issue of the Writ for the election of a Member to fill such vacancy until the result of the said Commonwealth Election shall have been first officially declared by the Returning Officer.

Yours faithfully,

W. DAVIES.

Member of the Legislative Assembly
of New South Wales for the Elec-
toral District of Wollongong-
Kembla.

The Honourable W. H. Lamb, M.L.A.,

Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales,
Parliament House, Sydney.

Whereupon Mr. James McGirr moved, That the seat of William Davies, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of Wollongong-Kembla, hath become, and is now, vacant by reason of the resignation thereof by the said William Davies, Esquire.

Question put and passed.

4. WESTERN LANDS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Sheahan, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Renshaw (*speaking*) moved (*by consent*), That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until a later hour of the Day.

5. VACANT SEATS—RESIGNATIONS OF MEMBERS FOR THE PURPOSE OF SEEKING ELECTION TO THE PARLIAMENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH:—

(1.) Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received the following letter from the Honourable David Henry Drummond, resigning his seat as Member for the Electoral District of Armidale:—

Parliament House,
Sydney, 28th October, 1949.

Dear Mr. Speaker,

As it is my intention to seek election at the forthcoming General Election as a Member of the House of Representatives of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia, I hereby resign from the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales as Member for the Electoral District of Armidale and ask that my resignation shall take effect from to-day's date.

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In accordance with the provisions of subsection 8 of section 79 of the New South Wales Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, as amended, I also wish to inform you that it is my intention, in the event of my failing to secure such election, to become, again, a candidate for the vacancy in the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales resulting from this my resignation, and I accordingly have to ask that you will be so good as to delay the issue of the Writ for the election of a Member to fill such vacancy until the result of the said Commonwealth Election shall have been first officially declared by the Returning Officer.

Yours faithfully,

D. H. DRUMMOND.

Member of the Legislative Assembly
of New South Wales for the Elec-
toral District of Armidale.

The Honourable W. H. Lamb, M.L.A.,
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales,
Parliament House, Sydney.

Whereupon Mr. James McGirr moved, That the seat of the Honourable David Henry Drummond, Member for the Electoral District of Armidale, hath become, and is now, vacant by reason of the resignation thereof by the said the Honourable David Henry Drummond.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received the following letter from Henry Jefferson Percival Bate, Esquire, resigning his seat as Member for the Electoral District of Wollondilly:—

Parliament House,
Sydney, 28th October, 1949.

Dear Mr. Speaker,

As it is my intention to seek election at the forthcoming General Election as a Member of the House of Representatives of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia, I hereby resign from the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales as Member for the Electoral District of Wollondilly and ask that my resignation shall take effect from to-day's date.

In accordance with the provisions of subsection 8 of section 79 of the New South Wales Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, as amended, I also wish to inform you that it is my intention, in the event of my failing to secure such election, to become, again, a candidate for the vacancy in the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales resulting from this my resignation, and I accordingly have to ask that you will be so good as to delay the issue of the Writ for the election of a Member to fill such vacancy until the result of the said Commonwealth Election shall have been first officially declared by the Returning Officer.

Yours faithfully,

JEFF BATE.

Member of the Legislative Assembly
of New South Wales for the Elec-
toral District of Wollondilly.

The Honourable W. H. Lamb, M.L.A.,
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales,
Parliament House, Sydney.

Whereupon Mr. James McGirr moved, That the seat of Henry Jefferson Percival Bate, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of Wollondilly, hath become, and is now, vacant by reason of the resignation thereof by the said Henry Jefferson Percival Bate, Esquire.

Question put and passed.

6. RACING (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Matthews moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Gorman, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Matthews, the Report was adopted.

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And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—
(2.) Bill, on motion of Mr. Matthews, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Economic Stability and War-time Provisions Continuance Act, 1946-1948, and the Gaming and Betting Act, 1912-1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 28th October, 1949.

7. SUPPLY (*Loan Estimates 1949-1950*):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Tully, Temporary Chairman, reported progress.

The Temporary Chairman also reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution, which was read, as follows:—

(64.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty for the year 1949-50, a sum not exceeding £30,568,000 for Public Works and other Services.

On motion of Mr. Cahill, the Resolution was agreed to.

8. WAYS AND MEANS (*Loan Estimates 1949-1950*):—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Tully, Temporary Chairman, reported progress.

The Temporary Chairman also reported that the Committee had come to a Resolution, which was read, as follows:—

(20.) *Resolved*,—That towards making good the supply granted to His Majesty for Public Works and other Services, a sum not exceeding £30,568,000 be granted out of the General Loan Account.

On motion of Mr. Cahill, the Resolution was agreed to.

9. GENERAL LOAN ACCOUNT APPROPRIATION BILL:—

(1.) URGENCY:—Mr. Cahill moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that the General Loan Account Appropriation Bill be brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.

Question put and passed.

(2.) SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—Mr. Cahill moved, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the General Loan Account Appropriation Bill being brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 39.

Mr. Arthur
Mr. Fred Cahill
Mr. Cahill
Mr. Chalmers
Mr. Clyne
Mr. Crook
Captain Dunn
Mr. Dwyer
Mr. Enticknap
Mr. Evatt
Mrs. Fowler
Mr. Fowles
Mr. Freeman
Mr. Gorman

Mr. Hamilton
Mr. Hawkins
Mr. Roy Heferen
Mr. Heffron
Mr. Kelly
Mr. Landa
Mr. Lang
Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. James McGirr
Mr. McGrath
Mr. C. E. Martin
Mr. Matthews
Mr. O'Sullivan
Mrs. Quirk

Mr. Shannon
Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Stanley
Mr. Tonge
Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Wattison
Mr. Weir
Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Williams

Tellers,

Mr. Nott
Mr. Renshaw

Noes, 21.

Mr. Brain
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner
Mr. Cross
Mr. Dickson
Mr. Ellis
Mr. Gollan
Mr. Hearnshaw
Mr. Hunter

Mr. Jackett
Mr. Jordan
Mr. Kendall
Mr. Lawson
Mr. Mutton
Mr. John Reid
Mr. Stephens
Mr. Storey

Mr. Treatt
Mr. Vincent
Mr. Wingfield

Tellers,

Mr. Thaffey
Mr. Turner

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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(3.) Ordered, on motion of Mr. Cahill, that a Bill be brought in, founded on Resolution of Ways and Means (No. 20), to provide for the appropriation of a certain sum out of the General Loan Account and for the application of that sum for certain Public Works and Services; and for purposes connected therewith.

(4.) Mr. Cahill then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to provide for the appropriation of a certain sum out of the General Loan Account and for the application of that sum for certain Public Works and Services; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

(5.) Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Tully, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Cahill, the Report was adopted.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

(6.) Bill read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the appropriation of a certain sum out of the General Loan Account and for the application of that sum for certain Public Works and Services; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 28th October, 1949.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at Sixteen minutes before Six o'clock, p.m., until Tuesday next at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

TUESDAY, 1 NOVEMBER, 1949, A.M.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at the hour named.

10. DEATH OF GEORGE WALTER HARRY NOBLE, ESQUIRE:—Mr. Speaker reported that, in pursuance of the Resolution of this House, passed on the 31st August, 1949, he had communicated to Henry G. Noble, Esquire, the sympathy and sorrow of the Members of the Legislative Assembly on the death of George Walter Harry Noble, Esquire, and he had received the following reply:—

18 Banner Road,
Kingsgrove,
29th October, 1949.

The Honourable W. H. Lamb, M.L.A.,
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly,

Dear Sir,

On behalf of my brothers and myself, I wish to convey sincere thanks to you and Members of the Legislative Assembly for the many fine tributes expressed in honouring the memory of our late father.

I also wish to thank you for the kind messages of sympathy which you have conveyed to us in the loss we have sustained.

Yours sincerely,

HENRY G. NOBLE.

11. PAPER:—Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table copy Report of the Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers' Pensions Tribunals, together with Statement of Accounts and Balance-sheets, for the year ended 30th June, 1949.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

12. MENTAL INSTITUTION BENEFITS AGREEMENT BILL:—

(1.) URGENCY:—Mr. Kelly moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that the Mental Institution Benefits Agreement Bill be brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.

Question put and passed.

28th October to 1st November, 1949.

(2.) SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—Mr. Kelly moved, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the Mental Institution Benefits Agreement Bill being brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.
Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(3.) Mr. Kelly moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorise the execution of an Agreement between the Commonwealth of Australia and the State of New South Wales relating to the provision of mental institution benefits and to approve such Agreement; to amend the Lunacy Act, 1898-1947, and the Inebriates Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(4.) Mr. Kelly then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to authorise the execution of an Agreement between the Commonwealth of Australia and the State of New South Wales relating to the provision of mental institution benefits and to approve such Agreement; to amend the Lunacy Act, 1898-1947, and the Inebriates Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

(5.) Mr. Kelly moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

And Mr. Kelly having spoken in Reply,—

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Kelly the Report was adopted.

(6.) Bill, on motion of Mr. Kelly, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to authorise the execution of an Agreement between the Commonwealth of Australia and the State of New South Wales relating to the provision of mental institution benefits and to approve such Agreement; to amend the Lunacy Act, 1898-1947; and the Inebriates Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 1st November, 1949, A.M.

13. DISTRICT COURTS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. C. E. Martin moved, That this Bill be "now" read a second time.

Debate ensued.

And the House continuing to sit after Mid-day,—

TUESDAY, 1 NOVEMBER, 1949.

Debate continued.

Lieut.-Col. Robson moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out the word "now" with a view to adding the words "this day three months."

Question proposed,—That the word proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.

Debate continued.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Martin, That the Honourable Member for Ashfield, Mr. Richardson, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of ten minutes.

Debate continued.

Question,—That the word proposed to be left out stand part of the Question,—put and passed.

Original Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

28th October to 1st November, 1949.

Mr. Deputy Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Gorman, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Martin the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

(2.) Bill, on motion of Mr. Martin, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to make further provision as to the jurisdiction of District Courts; to confer an equitable jurisdiction upon such courts; for these and other purposes to amend the District Courts Act, 1912-1947, and the Matrimonial Causes Act, 1899, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 1st November, 1949.

14. PAPER:—Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table particulars respecting the proposed acquisition by the Government, for Closer Settlement purposes, of the "Maryvale" Estate, in the Districts of Boorowa and Gunning.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

15. CLOSER SETTLEMENT—RESUMPTION OF "MARYVALE" ESTATE:—

(1.) URGENCY:—Mr. Sheahan moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider the motion relating to the resumption of "Maryvale" Estate, Notice of which was given for To-morrow.

Question put and passed.

(2.) SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—Mr. Sheahan moved, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the consideration forthwith of the motion relating to the resumption of "Maryvale" Estate, Notice of which was given for To-morrow.

Question put and passed.

(3.) Mr. Sheahan moved, pursuant to Notice, That pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts, this House approves of the Governor resuming from the owner the lands comprised in "Maryvale" Estate, owned by Clarence Raymond Smith, situated about 23 miles east of Boorowa, comprising an area of about 6394 acres.

Debate ensued.

Mr. McGrath moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—“That the Question be now put.”

The House divided.

Ayes, 36.

Mr. Arthur	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Booth	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Landa	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Clyne	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Weir
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Williams
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Nott	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Gorman	Mr. O'Sullivan	Mr. Fred Cahill
Mr. Graham	Mrs. Quirk	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Robertson	
Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Seiffert	

Noes, 29.

Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stephens
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Storey
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Darby	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Turner
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Lang	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Lawson	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Cutler
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Mutton	Mr. Dickson
Mr. Frith	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Richardson	
Mr. Howarth	Mr. Rose	

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members,"—

Original Question put and passed.

28th October to 1st November, 1949.

16. PAPER:—Mr. Weir laid upon the Table Report of the Dumaresq-Barwon Border Rivers Commission for the year ended 30th June, 1949.
Ordered to be printed.

17. WESTERN LANDS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Sheahan, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. McGrath moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—“That the Question be now put.”

The House divided.

Ayes, 40.

Mr. Arthur	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Booth	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Landa	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Weir
Mr. Evatt	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Williams
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Nott	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Gorman	Mr. O'Sullivan	Mr. Chalmers
Mr. Graham	Mrs. Quirk	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Renshaw	

Noes, 30.

Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Rose
Mr. Brain	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stephens
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Storey
Mr. Darby	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Lang	Mr. Turner
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Ellis	Mr. McCaw	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Morton	Mr. Chaffey
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Mutton	Mr. Cutler
Mr. Frith	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Richardson	

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members,"—

And Mr. Sheahan having spoken in Reply,—

Original Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 41.

Mr. Arthur	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Booth	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Landa	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Lang	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Williams
Mr. Evatt	Mr. C. E. Martin	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Nott	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Gorman	Mr. O'Sullivan	
Mr. Graham	Mrs. Quirk	
	Mr. Robertson	

Noes, 29.

Mr. Black	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Brain	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Storey
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Darby	Mr. McCaw	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Morton	Mr. Jack Beale
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Mutton	Mr. Ellis
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Frith	Mr. Richardson	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Rose	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

28th October to 1st November, 1949.

And the House continuing to sit after Midnight,—

WEDNESDAY, 2 NOVEMBER, 1949, A.M.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Sheahan the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

Mr. Sheahan moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Question put,—That this Bill be now read a third time.

The House divided.

Ayes, 40.

Mr. Arthur	Mr. Graham	Mr. Reushaw
Mr. Booth	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Landa	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lang	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Weir
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Evatt	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Williams
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Matthews	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Nott	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Freeman	Mr. O'Sullivan	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk	

Noes, 27.

Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Black	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Storey
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Treatt
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cutler	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Darby	Mr. Morton	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Mutton	Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Dickson
Mr. Frith	Mr. Richardson	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Rose	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

(2.) Bill read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to make further provision for the withdrawal of lands held under lease, the determination of rentals of Western Lands leases, and the conversion of Western Lands leases into conditional purchases; to impose certain restrictions on dealings with and transactions affecting leases; to impose certain conditions on leases in the interests of soil preservation; for these and other purposes to amend the Western Lands Act of 1901, as amended by subsequent Acts; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 2nd November, 1949, A.M.

18. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

(1.) Liquid Fuel Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to make provision for the preservation and continuance in operation of Commonwealth Regulations relating to the rationing and distribution of liquid fuel; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,

Sydney, 1st November, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,

President.

(2.) Co-operation (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to make provision in relation to the marketing of fish by co-operative trading societies and the constitution of co-operative advisory committees; for these purposes to amend the Co-operation Act, 1923-1948, and the Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act, 1935, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,

Sydney, 1st November, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,

President.

28th October to 1st November, 1949.

(3.) General Loan Account Appropriation Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the appropriation of a certain sum out of the General Loan Account and for the application of that sum for certain Public Works and Services; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 1st November, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(4.) Legislative Assembly Members Superannuation (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to amend the Legislative Assembly Members Pensions Act, 1946, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 1st November, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY MEMBERS SUPERANNUATION (AMENDMENT) BILL.

Schedule of the amendments referred to in Message of 1st November, 1949.

W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

No. 1.—Page 3, clause 2, line 28. *After "fund" insert "(i) if such widow is entitled to a pension under the Parliamentary Retiring Allowances Act 1948 of the Parliament of the Commonwealth or under any like Act of the Parliament of any such State, as the case may be".*

No. 2.—Page 3, clause 2, line 31. *After "interest" insert "or (ii) if such widow is not entitled to any pension referred to in subparagraph (i) of this paragraph a pension at the rate of four pounds per week, which pension shall subject to this section be payable to her until her death".*

No. 3.—Page 4, clause 2, line 37. *After "fund" insert "(i) if such widow is entitled to a pension under the Parliamentary Retiring Allowances Act 1948 of the Parliament of the Commonwealth or under any like Act of the Parliament of any such State, as the case may be".*

No. 4.—Page 4, clause 2, line 38. *After "interest" insert "or (ii) if such widow is not entitled to any pension referred to in subparagraph (i) of this paragraph a pension at the rate of four pounds per week, which pension shall subject to this section be payable to her until her death".*

Examined,—

T. STEELE,

Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration forthwith.

19. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY MEMBERS SUPERANNUATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. Cahill, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendments.

On motion of Mr. Cahill, the Report was adopted.

The following Message sent to the Legislative Council:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Legislative Assembly Members Pensions Act, 1946, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.*"

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 2nd November, 1949, A.M.

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20. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Cahill moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Wednesday, 9th November, 1949, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m., unless Mr. Speaker, or if Mr. Speaker be unable to act on account of illness, or other cause, the Chairman of Committees, shall, prior to that date, by telegram or letter addressed to each Member of the House, fix an earlier day and/or hour of meeting.

Question put and passed.

21. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Cahill moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Mr. McGrath moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—“That the Question be now put.”

The House divided.

Ayes, 39.

Mr. Arthur	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Booth	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Clyne	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Weir
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Williams
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Nott	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fowles	Mr. O'Sullivan	Mr. Landa
Mr. Freeman	Mrs. Quirk	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Gorman	Mr. Renshaw	
Mr. Graham	Mr. Robertson	

Noes, 28.

Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Rose
Mr. Black	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Storey
Lieut.-Col. Bruzner	Mr. Lang	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Dickson	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Morton	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Mutton	Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Frith	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Darby
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Richardson	

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of “at least thirty Members,”—

Original Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Four minutes after One o'clock, a.m., until Wednesday, 9th November, 1949, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m., unless an earlier day and/or hour be fixed in accordance with the terms of the Resolution adopted at this Sitting.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 77.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 9 NOVEMBER, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. James McGirr, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

(1.) Survey Co-ordination Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 98.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the co-ordination of surveys; for the establishment of a central plan office for the recording of surveys, plans and information relating thereto; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 1st November, 1949.

(2.) Public Instruction (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 99.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the rescission of resummptions of lands resumed for public or other schools; for this purpose to amend the Public Instruction Act of 1880 and the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 4th November, 1949.

9th November, 1949.

(3.) Appropriation Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 100.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to appropriate out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, and certain other Funds, sums to make good the supplies granted for the ordinary annual services of the Government for the year commencing on the first day of July, 1949, and ending on the 30th day of June, 1950, both dates inclusive, and for charges supplementary or "Unauthorised in Suspense" from certain Funds for the year from the first day of July, 1948, to 30th day of June, 1949, both dates inclusive; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 4th November, 1949.

(4.) Hide and Leather Industries (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 101.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Hide and Leather Industries Act, 1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 4th November, 1949.

2. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

(1.) Mental Institution Benefits Agreement Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to authorise the execution of an Agreement between the Commonwealth of Australia and the State of New South Wales relating to the provision of mental institution benefits and to approve such Agreement; to amend the Lunacy Act, 1898-1947; and the Inebriates Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,

Sydney, 2nd November, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,

President.

(2.) Racing (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Economic Stability and War-time Provisions Continuance Act, 1946-1948, and the Gaming and Betting Act, 1912-1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,

Sydney, 2nd November, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,

President.

(3.) District Courts (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to make further provision as to the jurisdiction of District Courts; to confer an equitable jurisdiction upon such courts; for these and other purposes to amend the District Courts Act, 1912-1947, and the Matrimonial Causes Act 1899, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,

Sydney, 2nd November, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,

President.

9th November, 1949.

3. DEATH OF THE HONOURABLE SIR FREDERICK JORDAN, K.C.M.G., LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR, AND CHIEF JUSTICE, OF THE STATE OF NEW SOUTH WALES:—Mr. James McGirr (*by consent*) moved, without Notice,—

(1.) That this House desires to place on record its deep sense of the loss this State has sustained by the death of the Honourable Sir Frederick Jordan, K.C.M.G., Lieutenant-Governor, and Chief Justice, of the State of New South Wales.

(2.) That Mr. Speaker be requested to communicate to Lady Jordan the above Resolution, together with an expression of the sympathy and sorrow of the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales.

(3.) That, as a tribute of respect, this House do now adjourn.

The motion having been seconded by Mr. Howarth, *on behalf of* Mr. Treatt, and supported by Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner and Lieut.-Colonel Robson,—

Question put and carried unanimously,—Members and Officers of the House standing.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Fifteen minutes before Three o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 78.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 10 NOVEMBER, 1949.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. WESTERN LANDS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to make further provision for the withdrawal of lands held under lease, the determination of rentals of Western Lands leases, and the conversion of Western Lands leases into conditional purchases; to impose certain restrictions on dealings with and transactions affecting leases; to impose certain conditions on leases in the interests of soil preservation; for these and other purposes to amend the Western Lands Act of 1901, as amended by subsequent Acts; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 9th November, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Report of the Public Trustee, together with Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the year ended 30th June, 1949.
- (2.) Report of the Government Insurance Office of New South Wales, together with Statements of Accounts and Balance-sheets for the year ended 30th June, 1949.
- (3.) Copy Report of the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Board together with Annexures for the year ended 30th June, 1949.
- (4.) Report of the Commissioners of the Rural Bank of New South Wales, together with Balance-sheets, Statements of Accounts and Appendices, for the year ended 30th June, 1949.
- (5.) Copy Report of the Proceedings of the Conference of Commonwealth and State Ministers, held at Canberra, on 16th and 17th August, 1949.

Ordered to be printed.

- (6.) Substituted Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1902.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Amendments of Ordinances under the Local Government Act, 1919.
- (2.) Notification of acquisition of easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Southern Electricity Supply of New South Wales.

10th November, 1949.

(3.) Notifications of acquisition of land and/or easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Local Government Act, 1919, in the following areas:—

Bland Shire.	Kearsley Shire.
Camden Municipality.	Moree Municipality.
Gosford Shire.	Sutherland Shire.
Greater Wollongong City.	

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Evatt laid upon the Table notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1912-1947, at—

Bankstown.	Punchbowl.
Chester Hill.	South Grafton.
Condobolin.	Stanwell Park.
Cooma.	Villawood.
North Ryde.	Young.
Orange.	Unanderra.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Heffron laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Copy Report of the Trustees of the Australian Museum for the year ended 30th June, 1949.
- (2.) Copies Reports of the Library Board of New South Wales for the period 6th March, 1944, to 30th June, 1945, and for the years ended 30th June, 1946, and 30th June, 1947.

Ordered to be printed.

(3.) Copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, without probation, of Messrs. A. E. Alexander, Ph.D., J. P. Baxter, B.Sc., Ph.D., and D. W. Phillips, B.Sc., Ph.D., Department of Public Instruction.

(4.) Copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of certain persons as Lecturers or Teachers, Department of Public Instruction.

(5.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Technical Education and New South Wales University of Technology Act, 1949, at Katoomba.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. C. E. Martin laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Amendment of Regulations under the Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Act, 1948-49.
- (2.) Rule of Court made by the Judge of the Land and Valuation Court.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. O'Sullivan, *on behalf of* Mr. Finnan, laid upon the Table copy Report of the Department of Labour and Industry and Social Welfare on the working of the Factories and Shops Act, 1912-1948, together with Appendices for 1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Statement setting out quantity of petrol consigned by rail tank cars to country towns during the period July to October, 1949.
- (2.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of maintaining the traffic, on the existing line of Railway between Sydney and Albury—Spoil dumping site near Cunningham.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Report of the Rural Reconstruction Board for the year ended 30th June, 1949.
- (2.) Abstracts of Crown Lands intended to be dedicated for public purposes in accordance with the provisions of section 24 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Sheahan, *on behalf of* Mr. Graham, laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Amendment of Regulations and substituted Regulation under the Dried Fruits Act, 1939.

10th November, 1949.

(2.) Copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Messrs. H. W. Lea, B.Sc.(Agr.), Phillip Henry, I. W. Lesslie, and M. C. Randall, Department of Agriculture.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Sheahan, *on behalf of Mr. Weir*, laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Notification of acquisition of easement under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of the works in connection with the Berriquin Provisional Domestic and Stock Water Supply and Irrigation District.

(2.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for works in connection with the construction of (a) Dam across the Hunter River at Glenbawn; (b) Dam across the Namoi River at Keepit.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Matthews laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Balance-sheets of Art Unions under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of—

North Coast and Tablelands Ex-Servicemen's Rest and Convalescent Home Fund.

St. George District Spastic School.

(2.) Amendment of Regulations under the Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act, 1935-1942.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. GAS AND ELECTRICITY (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) URGENCY:—Mr. Cahill moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that the Gas and Electricity (Amendment) Bill be brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.

Question put and passed.

(2.) SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—Mr. Cahill moved, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the Gas and Electricity (Amendment) Bill being brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 38.

Mr. Arthur	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Booth	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Crook	Mr. Landa	Mr. Tonge
Captain Dunn	Mr. Lang	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Williams
Mr. Evatt	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Chaimers
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Freeman	Mr. O'Sullivan	
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mrs. Quirk	
Mr. Gorman	Mr. Robertson	

Noes, 24.

Mr. Brain	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Storey
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cross	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Mutton	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Padman	Mr. Black
Mr. Frith	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Ellis
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Richardson	
Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Stephens	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

(3.) Mr. Cahill moved, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

10th November, 1949.

The House divided.

Ayes, 38.

Mr. Arthur
Mr. Booth
Mr. Fred Cahill
Mr. Cahill
Mr. Chalmers
Mr. Crook
Captain Dunn
Mr. Dwyer
Mr. Enticknap
Mr. Evatt
Mrs. Fowler
Mr. Fowles
Mr. Freeman
Mr. W. McC. Gollan

Mr. Gorman
Mr. Hawkins
Mr. Roy Heferen
Mr. Heffron
Mr. Kelly
Mr. Landa
Mr. Lang
Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. James McGirr
Mr. McGrath
Mr. C. E. Martin
Mr. Matthews
Mr. O'Sullivan
Mrs. Quirk

Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Robertson
Mr. Shannon
Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Stanley
Mr. Tonge
Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Williams

Tellers,

Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Wetherell

Noes, 24.

Mr. Black
Mr. Brain
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner
Mr. Dickson
Mr. Ellis
Mr. Fitzgerald
Mr. Frith
Mr. Gollan
Mr. Hearnshaw

Mr. Hunter
Mr. Jackott
Mr. Jackson
Mr. McCaw
Mr. Mutton
Mr. Padman
Mr. John Reid
Mr. Richardson
Mr. Stephens

Mr. Storey
Mr. Treath
Mr. Turner
Mr. Vincent

Tellers,

Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Cross

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

(4.) Mr. Cahill then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

(5.) Mr. Cahill moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. McGrath moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—“That the Question be now put.”

The House divided.

Ayes, 34.

Mr. Arthur
Mr. Cahill
Mr. Chalmers
Mr. Crook
Captain Dunn
Mr. Dwyer
Mr. Enticknap
Mr. Evatt
Mr. Fowles
Mr. W. McC. Gollan
Mr. Gorman
Mr. Roy Heferen

Mr. Heffron
Mr. Kelly
Mr. Landa
Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. James McGirr
Mr. McGrath
Mr. C. E. Martin
Mr. Matthews
Mr. O'Sullivan
Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Robertson

Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Shannon
Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Stanley
Mr. Tonge
Mr. Wattison
Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Williams

Tellers,

Mr. Fred Cahill
Mr. L. J. Tully

Noes, 24.

Mr. Black
Mr. Brain
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner
Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Dickson
Mr. Ellis
Mr. Fitzgerald
Mrs. Fowler
Mr. Frith

Mr. Hunter
Mr. Jackott
Mr. Jackson
Mr. Lang
Mr. McCaw
Mr. Padman
Mr. John Reid
Mr. Richardson
Mr. Stephens

Mr. Storey
Mr. Treath
Mr. Turner
Mr. Vincent

Tellers,

Mr. Hearnshaw
Mr. Mutton

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of “at least thirty Members,”—

And Mr. Cahill having spoken in reply,—

Original Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 36.

Mr. Arthur
Mr. Fred Cahill
Mr. Cahill
Mr. Crook
Captain Dunn
Mr. Dwyer
Mr. Enticknap
Mr. Evatt
Mrs. Fowler
Mr. Fowles
Mr. W. McC. Gollan
Mr. Gorman
Mr. Roy Heferen

Mr. Heffron
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Mr. C. E. Martin
Mr. Matthews
Mr. O'Sullivan
Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Robertson

Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Shannon
Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Stanley
Mr. Tonge
Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Williams

Tellers,

Mr. Chalmers
Mr. Wattison

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

10th November, 1949.

Noes, 23.

Mr. Black	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Turner
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Cross	Mr. Mutton	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Padman	Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Ellis
Mr. Frith	Mr. Richardson	
Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Stephens	
Mr. Hunter	Mr. Storey	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Cahill the Report was adopted.

(6.) Mr. Cahill moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Question put,—That this Bill be now read a third time.

The House divided.

Ayes, 36.

Mr. Arthur	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Landa	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Crook	Mr. Lang	Mr. Tonge
Captain Dunn	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Evatt	Mr. C. E. Martin	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Fowles	Mr. O'Sullivan	Mr. Williams
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mrs. Quirk	
Mr. Gorman	Mr. Robertson	

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Mr. Dickson	Mr. Padman	Mr. Black
Mr. Ellis	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Hearnshaw
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Richardson	
Mr. Frith	Mr. Stephens	
Mr. Hunter	Mr. Storey	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 10th November, 1949.*

4. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Fowles, as Chairman, brought up the Thirteenth Report from the Printing Committee.

5. TUBERCULOSIS BILL:—

(1.) URGENCY:—Mr. Kelly moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that the Tuberculosis Bill be passed through all its stages in one day.

Question put and passed.

(2.) SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—Mr. Kelly moved, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the Tuberculosis Bill being passed through all its stages in one day.

Question put and passed.

10th November, 1949.

- (3.) Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day passed a Bill, intituled, "*An Act to authorise an Arrangement between the Commonwealth of Australia and the State of New South Wales relating to tuberculosis to be executed by or on behalf of the State of New South Wales; to amend the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Assembly for its concurrence.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 10th November, 1949, A.M.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

Bill read a first time.

- (4.) Mr. Kelly moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Gorman, Acting Speaker, left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. L. J. Tully, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Kelly the Report was adopted.

- (5.) Bill, on motion of Mr. Kelly, read a third time.

Bill returned to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to authorise an Arrangement between the Commonwealth of Australia and the State of New South Wales relating to tuberculosis to be executed by or on behalf of the State of New South Wales; to amend the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Council without amendment.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 10th November, 1949.

6. GAS AND ELECTRICITY (AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 10th November, 1949.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

7. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Cahill moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Wednesday, 22nd February, 1950, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m., unless Mr. Speaker, or if Mr. Speaker be unable to act on account of illness or other cause, the Chairman of Committees, shall, prior to that date, by telegram or letter addressed to each Member of the House, fix an earlier day and/or hour of meeting.

Question put and passed.

8. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Cahill moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Disorder:—By direction of Mr. Speaker, the Honourable Member for Gordon, Mr. Turner, was removed from the Chamber by the Serjeant-at-Arms under Standing Order No. 392.

Debate continued.

And Mr. Cahill having spoken in Reply,—

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Two minutes after Seven o'clock, p.m., until Wednesday, 22nd February, 1950, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m., unless an earlier day and/or hour be fixed in accordance with the terms of the Resolution adopted at this Sitting.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 79.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 22 FEBRUARY, 1950.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. James McGirr and read by Mr. Speaker:—

(1.) Main Roads (Finances Adjustment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 102.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the transfer on loan of the sum of five hundred thousand pounds from the County of Cumberland Main Roads Fund to the Country Main Roads Fund; for this purpose to amend the Main Roads Act, 1924-1949; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 11th November, 1949.

(2.) Motor Vehicles (Taxation) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 103.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to impose certain taxation upon motor vehicles and trailers; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 11th November, 1949.

(3.) Bush Fires Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 104.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to make provision for the prevention, control and suppression of bush and other fires, and for the mitigation of dangers resulting from bush fires; to repeal the Careless Use of Fire Act, 1912-1946, and the Bush Fires Act, 1930; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 11th November, 1949.

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(4.) Stamp Duties (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 105.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Stamp Duties Act, 1920-1940, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 12th November, 1949.

(5.) Farm Colony Type Mental Hospital Construction Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 106.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to sanction and provide for the construction of a Mental Hospital of the Farm Colony Type; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts, and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 12th November, 1949.

(6.) Motor Traffic (Fees) Amendment Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 107.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to make provision for and in respect of increases in certain fees payable under the Motor Traffic Act, 1909-1949, and the Transport Act, 1930-1948; to amend the said Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 12th November, 1949.

(7.) Motor Vehicles Taxation Management Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 108.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for assessing and collecting taxes upon motor vehicles; to validate certain matters; and for purposes consequent thereon or incidental thereto,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 12th November, 1949.

(8.) Legislative Assembly Members Superannuation (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 109.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Legislative Assembly Members Pensions Act, 1946, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 12th November, 1949.

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(9.) General Loan Account Appropriation (1949) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 110.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the appropriation of a certain sum out of the General Loan Account and for the application of that sum for certain Public Works and Services; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 12th November, 1949.

(10.) Newington College Council (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 111.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Newington College Council Act, 1922, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

State Government House,
Sydney, 12th November, 1949.

(11.) Liquid Fuel Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 112.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to make provision for the preservation and continuance in operation of Commonwealth Regulations relating to the rationing and distribution of liquid fuel; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 16th November, 1949.

(12.) Mental Institution Benefits Agreement Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 113.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to authorise the execution of an Agreement between the Commonwealth of Australia and the State of New South Wales relating to the provision of mental institution benefits and to approve such Agreement; to amend the Lunacy Act, 1898-1947; and the Inebriates Act, 1912, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 16th November, 1949.

(13.) Co-operation (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 114.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to make provision in relation to the marketing of fish by co-operative trading societies and the constitution of co-operative advisory committees; for these purposes to amend the Co-operation Act, 1923-1948, and the Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act, 1935, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed

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by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

*Government House,
Sydney, 16th November, 1949.*

(14.) District Courts (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 115.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to make further provision as to the jurisdiction of District Courts; to confer an equitable jurisdiction upon such Courts; for these and other purposes to amend the District Courts Act, 1912-1947, and the Matrimonial Causes Act 1899, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

*Government House,
Sydney, 16th November, 1949.*

(15.) Racing (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 116.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Economic Stability and War-time Provisions Continuance Act, 1946-1948, and the Gaming and Betting Act, 1912-1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

*Government House,
Sydney, 16th November, 1949.*

(16.) Western Lands (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 117.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to make further provision for the withdrawal of lands held under lease, the determination of rentals of Western Lands leases, and the conversion of Western Lands leases into conditional purchases; to impose certain restrictions on dealings with and transactions affecting leases; to impose certain conditions on leases in the interests of soil preservation; for these and other purposes to amend the Western Lands Act of 1901, as amended by subsequent Acts; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

*Government House,
Sydney, 18th November, 1949.*

(17.) Gas and Electricity (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 118.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

*Government House,
Sydney, 21st November, 1949.*

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(18.) Tuberculosis Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 119.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to authorise an Arrangement between the Commonwealth of Australia and the State of New South Wales relating to tuberculosis to be executed by or on behalf of the State of New South Wales; to amend the Public Hospitals Act, 1929, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 30th November, 1949.

2. VACANT SEAT—ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF CONCORD:—

(1.) Mr. Speaker informed the House that, during the adjournment, he had received from the Registrar-General a certified copy of the certificate of death, which took place on the 7th December, 1949, of Brice Mutton, Esquire, lately serving in the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales as Member for the Electoral District of Concord.

(2.) *Issue and Return of Writ*:—Mr. Speaker also informed the House that, during the adjournment, in accordance with the direction of the 70th section of the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912, as amended, he had issued a Writ for the election of a Member to serve in the Legislative Assembly for the Electoral District of Concord, in the room of Brice Mutton, Esquire, deceased; and that such Writ had been duly returned with a certificate endorsed thereon by the Returning Officer of the election of John Clark Adamson, Esquire, to serve as such Member.

(3.) *Member Sworn*:—John Clark Adamson, Esquire, was introduced, and having taken and subscribed the Oath of Allegiance, and signed the Roll of the House, took his seat as Member for the Electoral District of Concord.

3. VACANT SEAT—ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF ARMIDALE:—

(1.) *Issue and Return of Writ*:—Mr. Speaker informed the House that, upon the passing of the Resolution of 28th October, 1949, declaring vacant the seat of the Honourable David Henry Drummond, resigned, he had issued a Writ on 17th January, 1950, for the election of a Member to serve in the room of the said the Honourable David Henry Drummond, and such Writ had been duly returned with a certificate endorsed thereon by the Returning Officer of the election of Davis Hughes, Esquire, to serve as Member for the Electoral District of Armidale.

(2.) *Member Sworn*:—Davis Hughes, Esquire, B.Sc., was introduced, and having taken and subscribed the Oath of Allegiance, and signed the Roll of the House, took his seat as Member for the Electoral District of Armidale.

4. VACANT SEAT—ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF WOLLONDILLY:—

(1.) *Issue and Return of Writ*:—Mr. Speaker informed the House that, upon the passing of the Resolution of 28th October, 1949, declaring vacant the seat of Henry Jefferson Percival Bate, Esquire, resigned, he issued a Writ on 17th January, 1950, for the election of a Member to serve in the room of the said Henry Jefferson Percival Bate, and such Writ had been duly returned with a certificate endorsed thereon by the Returning Officer of the election of Blake Raymond Pelly, Esquire, to serve as Member for the Electoral District of Wollondilly.

(2.) *Member Sworn*:—Blake Raymond Pelly, Esquire, O.B.E., was introduced, and having taken and subscribed the Oath of Allegiance, and signed the Roll of the House, took his seat as Member for the Electoral District of Wollondilly.

5. VACANT SEAT—ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF WOLLONGONG-KEMBLA:—

(1.) *Issue and Return of Writ*:—Mr. Speaker informed the House that, upon the passing of the Resolution of 28th October, 1949, declaring vacant the seat of William Davies, Esquire, resigned, he issued a Writ on 17th January, 1950, for the election of a Member to serve in the room of the said William Davies, and such Writ had been duly returned with a certificate endorsed thereon by the Returning Officer of the election of Arthur Redvers Baden Powell, Esquire, to serve as Member for the Electoral District of Wollongong-Kembla.

(2.) *Member Sworn*:—Arthur Redvers Baden Powell, Esquire, was introduced, and having taken and subscribed the Oath of Allegiance, and signed the Roll of the House, took his seat as Member for the Electoral District of Wollongong-Kembla.

22nd February, 1950.

6. DEATH OF THE HONOURABLE SIR FREDERICK JORDAN, K.C.M.G., LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR AND CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE STATE OF NEW SOUTH WALES:—Mr. Speaker reported that, in pursuance of the Resolution of this House, passed on the 9th November, 1949, he had communicated to Lady Jordan the sympathy and sorrow of the Members of the Legislative Assembly on the death of the Hon. Sir Frederick Jordan, K.C.M.G., and intimated that he had received the following reply:—

25 Gilliver-avenue,
Vaucluse,

4th February, 1950.

Dear Mr. President and Mr. Speaker,

Thank you so much for your kind letter. Also I would like to thank you and the Honourable Members for sending the brochures recording resolutions of sympathy passed on the occasion of the adoption by the Parliament of New South Wales, of its tribute to my late husband. I appreciate their action very much, and their expressions of esteem.

Yours sincerely,

BERTHA M. JORDAN.

7. DEATH OF BRICE MUTTON, ESQUIRE, MEMBER FOR CONCORD:—Mr. James McGirr (*by consent*) moved without Notice,—
- (1.) That this House desires to place on record its sense of the loss this State has sustained by the death of Brice Mutton, Esquire, Member for Concord.
 - (2.) That Mr. Speaker be requested to communicate to Mrs. Mutton and the family of the deceased the above resolution, together with an expression of the sympathy and sorrow of the Members of the Legislative Assembly in the loss they have sustained.
- The Motion having been seconded by Mr. Treatt and supported by Lieut.-Col. Bruxner and Mr. Adamson,—
- Question put and carried unanimously,—Members and Officers of the House standing.
8. DEATH OF THE HONOURABLE JAMES DOOLEY, A FORMER SPEAKER OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY AND PREMIER OF THE STATE OF NEW SOUTH WALES:—Mr. James McGirr (*by consent*) moved without Notice,—
- (1.) That this House desires to place on record its sense of the loss this State has sustained by the death of the Honourable James Dooley, a former Speaker of the Legislative Assembly and Premier of the State of New South Wales.
 - (2.) That Mr. Speaker be requested to communicate to Mrs. Dooley and the family of the deceased the above resolution, together with an expression of the sympathy and sorrow of the Members of the Legislative Assembly in the loss they have sustained.
- The Motion having been seconded by Mr. Treatt and supported by Lieut.-Col. Bruxner, Mr. Clyne, Mr. Chalmers and Mr. Jackson,—
- Question put and carried unanimously,—Members and Officers of the House standing.
9. DEATH OF BENJAMIN HOWE, ESQUIRE, FORMERLY A MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:—Mr. James McGirr (*by consent*) moved without Notice,—
- (1.) That this House desires to place on record its sense of the loss this State has sustained by the death of Benjamin Howe, Esquire, formerly a Member of the Legislative Assembly.
 - (2.) That Mr. Speaker be requested to communicate to Mrs. Howe and the family of the deceased the above resolution, together with an expression of the sympathy and sorrow of the Members of the Legislative Assembly in the loss they have sustained.
- The Motion having been seconded by Mr. Treatt and supported by Lieut.-Col. Bruxner, Mr. Cahill, Mr. Geraghty and Mr. Tonge,—
- Question put and carried unanimously,—Members and Officers of the House standing.
10. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That, as a tribute of respect, this House do now adjourn.
- Question put and passed.
- The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-three Minutes after Three o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 80.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 23 FEBRUARY, 1950.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. DEPUTY- LEADER OF THE COUNTRY PARTY:—Lieut.-Col. Bruxner informed the House that the Honourable R. S. Vincent had been appointed Deputy-Leader of the Country Party.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1) Report of the Public Service Board for the year ended 30th June, 1949.
- (2) Report of the Commissioner of Taxation on the working of the several Taxation Acts covering (a) State Income Tax; (b) Unemployment Relief Tax and Social Services Tax; and (c) Special Income Tax and Wages Tax, for the year ended 30th June, 1949.
- (3) Balance-sheet and Statements of Accounts of the Maritime Services Board of New South Wales for the year ended 30th June, 1949.
- (4) Report by the Colonial Treasurer respecting Agreements entered into by him with Co-operative Building Societies under section 17A of the Co-operation Act, 1923-1948, for the quarter commencing 1st July, 1949.
- (5) Amendments of Regulations and substituted Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1902.
- (6) Substituted Rules under the Police Regulation Act, 1899, as amended.
- (7) Amendment of Rules under the Police Regulation Act, 1899-1947, and Police Regulation (Superannuation) Act, 1906-1944.
- (8) Amendments of Regulations under the Totalizator Act, 1916-1937.
- (9) Amendment of Regulation under the State Lotteries Act, 1930.
- (10) Amendment of Regulation under the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900-1941.
- (11) Proclamation under the Navigation Act, 1901-1949.
- (12) Regulations under the Stamp Duties Act, 1920-1949.
- (13) By-laws and amended By-law under the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1924, as amended.
- (14) By-law under the Hunter District Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1938-1945.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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Mr. Evatt laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1912-1947, at—

Alstonville.	Liverpool.
Bass Hills.	Lugarno.
Berowra.	Macksville.
Berrima.	Moree.
Blacktown.	Mullumbimby.
Boggabri.	North Bondi.
Bonalbo.	North Ryde.
Bulli.	Nowra.
Condell Park.	Padstow.
Cootamundra.	Rydalmere.
Dubbo.	Ryde.
Eden.	Rylstone.
Ermington.	Sefton.
Gosford.	Villawood.
Granville.	Warialda.
Junec.	West Tamworth.
Kandos.	Wollongong.
Leeton.	Yagoona.
Lithgow.	

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Report of the Department of Public Works for the year ended 30th June, 1949.
- (2.) Copy Report of the River Murray Commission for the year ended 30th June, 1949.
- (3.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purpose of the State Tileworks Act, 1947, at Villawood.
- (4.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Soil Conservation Act, 1938, at Orange.
- (5.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Southern Electricity Supply of New South Wales.
- (6.) Notification of acquisition of land and/or easement under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Local Government Act, 1919, in the following areas:—

Canterbury Municipality.	Northumberland County.
Greater Wollongong City.	Southern Riverina County.
Ku-ring-gai Municipality.	Tweed Shire.
Lake Macquarie Shire.	Wyong Shire.
Liverpool Plains Shire.	

- (7.) Regulation under the Electricity Development Act, 1945-1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Heffron laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Copy Report of the Minister for Public Instruction for 1948.
- (2.) Copy Report of the Senate of the University of Sydney for 1946.
- (3.) Copy Report of the Bursary Endowment Board for the year ended 30th June, 1949.
- (4.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Public Instruction Act, 1880, at—

Beresfield.	Lyndhurst.
Broken Hill.	Regent's Park.
Carlingford.	Sans Souci.
Ettalong.	Tathra.
Jerry's Plains.	Wagga Wagga South
Katoomba North.	Wongarbon.

- (5.) Copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointments, on probation, of certain persons as Teachers, Department of Technical Education.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Graham laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Report of the further suspension of the Horse-breeding Act, 1940.
- (2.) Regulation under the Wheat Industry Stabilisation Act, 1948.
- (3.) Regulation under the Noxious Insects Act, 1934.

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(4.) Copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Messrs. J. E. Jessup, B.Sc. (Agr.), A. C. Godlee, Thomas Passlow, J. C. Keast, B.V.Sc., and R. W. Fitzsimmons, B.Sc. (Agr.), Department of Agriculture.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of certain persons, Department of Conservation.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Finnan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Copy Report of the Workers' Compensation Commission, together with Copy Report of the Insurance Premiums Committee for the year ended 30th June, 1949.

(2.) Substituted Regulations under the Factories and Shops Act, 1912-1948.

(3.) Regulation extending the period of the operation of the Building Operations and Building Materials Control Act, 1945.

(4.) Proclamation under the Building Operations and Building Materials Control Act, 1945.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Abstract of Crown Lands intended to be dedicated for public purposes in accordance with the provisions of section 24 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

(2.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for Public Recreation purposes at Epping.

(3.) *Gazette* Notices setting forth the mode in which it is proposed to deal with certain land under section 25 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

(4.) Amendments of Regulations under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

(5.) Regulations and amended Schedule of Fees and Charges in connection with the Regulations for the management of portions of the following Burial Grounds:—(a) Kiama; (b) Nyngan; (c) Copmanhurst; and (d) Trundle.

(6.) Regulation and Amendments of Regulations under the Prickly-pear Act, 1924-1944.

(7.) Copy Report of the Trustees of Captain Cook's Landing Place for the year ended 30th June, 1949.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Matthews laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. J. S. Lake, Chief Secretary's Department.

(2.) Regulation and Amendment of Regulation under the Theatres and Public Halls Act, 1908-1946.

(3.) Regulation and Amendment of Regulation under the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912-1949.

(4.) Amendment of Regulations under the Careless Use of Fire Act, 1912-1946.

(5.) Regulations under Bush Fires Act, 1949.

(6.) Regulation and Repeal of Regulation under the Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act, 1935-1942.

(7.) Regulations under the Gaming and Betting Act, 1912, as amended.

(8.) Proclamation under the Police Offences (Amendment) Act, 1908, as amended.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) By-laws under the Government Railways Act, 1912-1945.

(2.) Copy Reports of the Commissioner for Railways for the quarters ended 30th June, 1949, and 30th September, 1949.

(3.) Amendments of Regulations under the Motor Traffic Act, 1909-1949.

(4.) Amendments of Regulation—under the Transport Act, 1930-1949.

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(5.) Statements of Traffic secured to Railway Transport by the exercise of the powers conferred on the Railway Commissioner under section 24 (3) and (4) of the Government Railways Act, 1912-1945, for the months of September, October and November, 1949.

(6.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of maintaining the existing lines of Railway between—

(a) Central and Tempe—Additional tracks at St. Peters.

(b) Central and Tempe—Additional tracks at Erskineville.

(c) Sydney and Wallangarra—Drainage facilities at Whittingham.

(7.) Notifications of acquisition of easement under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the construction for Railway purposes of an Electric High-tension Transmission Line between Strathfield and Carlingford.

(8.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for Transport Facilities at (a) Brookvale and (b) Cardiff.

(9.) Notifications of acquisition of land and/or easement under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the following Railway purposes:—

(a) Provision of Underground Electrical Cables from Springhill-road to Lysaght's Railway Platform, Port Kembla Line.

(b) Provision of Staff Accommodation at Roto, Conoble, Darnick, Kaleentha Loop, Menindee and Mt. Gipps.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

(10.) Copy Report of the Commissioner for Railways for the year ended 30th June, 1949.

(11.) Report of the Commissioner for Road Transport and Tramways for the year ended 30th June, 1949.

Ordered to be printed.

3. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

Question put and passed.

4. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-four minutes after Twelve o'clock, p.m., until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 81.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 28 FEBRUARY, 1950.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. DEATH OF THE HONOURABLE HENRY WILLIS, A FORMER SPEAKER OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NEW SOUTH WALES:—Mr. James McGirr (*by consent*) moved, without Notice,—

- (1.) That this House desires to place on record its sense of the loss this State has sustained by the death of the Honourable Henry Willis, a former Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales.
- (2.) That Mr. Speaker be requested to communicate to Mrs. Willis and family the above resolution, together with an expression of the sympathy and sorrow of the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in the loss they have sustained.
- (3.) That, as a tribute of respect, this House do now adjourn until Half-past Seven o'clock, p.m., This Day.

And the Motion having been seconded by Mr. Treatt, and supported by Mr. Vincent and Mr. Brain,—

Question put and carried unanimously,—Members and Officers of the House standing.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-minutes before Three o'clock, p.m., until Half-past Seven o'clock, p.m., This Day.

The House resumed pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

2. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—APPOINTMENT OF ROYAL COMMISSION OF INQUIRY—NON-METALLICS LIMITED AND A MEMBER OF THE GOVERNMENT PARTY:—Mr. James McGirr announced that the Government had decided to appoint a Royal Commission to inquire whether Non-Metallics Limited, had at any time or times, since the 1st January, 1949, paid any sum or sums of money to Mr. F. J. Cahill, a Member of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, for the purpose of obtaining transport facilities for the said Company. Mr. McGirr also informed the House of the Royal Commission's terms of reference.

3. PAPERS:—

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Amendments of Regulations under the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935, as amended.
- (2.) Amendments of By-law under the Broken Hill Water and Sewerage Act, 1938-1945.
- (3.) Amendments of Ordinances under the Local Government Act, 1919.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Finnan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Report of the State Coal Mines Control Board, together with Statements of Accounts and Balance-sheet, and copy Reports by the Managers of the State Coal Mines at Lithgow and Awaba, for the year ended 30th June, 1949.

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(2.) Copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Messrs. W. E. Foskett and A. J. C. Gourlay, Department of Mines.

(3.) Proclamations declaring certain lands to be private lands for the purposes of the Mining Act, 1906-1946.

(4.) Substituted Regulations under the Explosives Act, 1905.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Report of the Soil Conservation Service of New South Wales for the year ended 30th June, 1949.

(2.) Notifications of acquisition of land and/or easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for works in connection with—

(a) Weirs in the Barwon and Darling Rivers.

(b) Dam across the Namoi River at Keepit.

(c) Dam across the Macquarie River at Burrendong.

(d) Dam across the Hunter River at Glenbawn.

(e) Drainage Channels, Yanco No. 1 Irrigation Area and Tullakool Irrigation Area.

(f) Deniboota Provisional Domestic and Stock Water Supply and Irrigation District.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table Regulations under the Western Lands Act, 1901, as amended.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Matthews laid upon the Table balance-sheets of Art Unions under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of—

Australian Red Cross.

Deaf and Dumb and the Blind Institution of New South Wales.

Ex-Naval Men's Association of Australia.

Furlough House.

Grenfell Parks and Playgrounds Improvement.

Lewisham Hospital.

Lismore Ambulance Transport Services.

Marulan and District War Memorial.

Mount Colah Home for Ex-servicemen.

Newcastle and District Cripple Children Association.

Parramatta Citizens' Memorial Hall.

R.A.A.F. Memorial Centre.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. NEWCASTLE WHARF (MEREWETHER-STREET) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Cahill moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to sanction and provide for the construction of an additional wharf adjacent to Merewether-street, Newcastle; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Cahill then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to sanction and provide for the construction of an additional wharf adjacent to Merewether-street, Newcastle; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

5. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by the Ministers named, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

By Mr. Cahill,—

(1.) Newcastle Wharf (Merewether-street) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,

Governor.

Message No. 120.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to sanction and provide for the construction of an additional wharf adjacent to Merewether-street, Newcastle; and for purposes connected therewith.

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Sydney, 27th February, 1950.

28th February, 1950.

(2.) Clarence Harbour Works Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 121.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to sanction and to provide for the carrying out of works for the Clarence Harbour; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 27th February, 1950.

(3.) Hume Dam Hydro-electric Development (Construction) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 122.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to sanction the construction of hydro-electric works at Hume Dam on the Murray River with transmission lines and necessary subsidiary works for the distribution of electricity therefrom; to amend the Southern Electricity (Administration) Act, 1942, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 27th February, 1950.

By Mr. Weir,—

(4.) Warkworth Flood Mitigation and Water Conservation Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 123.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to sanction and to provide for the construction of a dam across Wollombi Brook at Warkworth and works incidental thereto; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 27th February, 1950.

By Mr. O'Sullivan,—

(5.) Glen Innes to Inverell Railway Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 124.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to authorise the construction of a railway from Glen Innes to Inverell; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 27th February, 1950.

6. CLARENCE HARBOUR WORKS BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. Cahill moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to sanction and to provide for the carrying out of works for the Clarence Harbour; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. Cahill then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to sanction and to provide for the carrying out of works for the Clarence Harbour; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

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7. HUME DAM HYDRO-ELECTRIC DEVELOPMENT (CONSTRUCTION) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Cahill moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to sanction the construction of hydro-electric works at Hume Dam on the Murray River with transmission lines and necessary subsidiary works for the distribution of electricity therefrom, to amend the Southern Electricity (Administration) Act, 1942, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Cahill then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to sanction the construction of hydro-electric works at Hume Dam on the Murray River with transmission lines and necessary subsidiary works for the distribution of electricity therefrom; to amend the Southern Electricity (Administration) Act, 1942, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

8. CHURCH OF ENGLAND TRUST PROPERTY (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. C. E. Martin moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide that certain conveyances of land for purposes connected with the Church of England shall have effect as though the defeasance clauses contained in such conveyances had never been inserted therein; for this purpose to amend the Church of England Trust Property Act, 1917; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Martin then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to provide that certain conveyances of land for purposes connected with the Church of England shall have effect as though the defeasance clauses contained in such conveyances had never been inserted therein; for this purpose to amend the Church of England Trust Property Act, 1917; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

9. ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH TRUST PROPERTY (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. C. E. Martin moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Roman Catholic Church Trust Property Act, 1936, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Martin then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Roman Catholic Church Trust Property Act, 1936, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

10. WARKWORTH FLOOD MITIGATION AND WATER CONSERVATION BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Weir moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to sanction and to provide for the construction of a dam across Wollombi Brook at Warkworth and works incidental thereto; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Weir then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to sanction and to provide for the construction of a dam across Wollombi Brook at Warkworth and works incidental thereto; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

11. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Weir moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-nine minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 82.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 1 MARCH, 1950.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. URGENCY—PROPOSAL TO EXTEND THE TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE ROYAL COMMISSION OF INQUIRY INTO THE CASE OF NON-METALLICS LIMITED AND MR. F. J. CAHILL, A MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NEW SOUTH WALES:—
Mr. Treatt moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider the following Motion, viz.:—That this House is of opinion,—
That because the terms of reference of the Royal Commission of Inquiry into allegations relating to the payment of moneys by Non-Metallics Limited and the exercise of improper influence by Mr. F. J. Cahill are too restricted, and with a view to complying with the expressed desire of the Premier that this matter should be ventilated fully and publicly, the terms of reference should be amended to read as follows:—

(1.) Whether Non-Metallics Limited has at any time or times since the first day of July, 1948, paid any sum or sums of money to Mr. F. J. Cahill, a member of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, with the object of bringing improper influence to bear upon any officer or officers of the Department of Railways for the purpose of obtaining transport facilities for that Company.

(2.) Whether at any time or times since the first day of July, 1948, transport facilities have been provided for the said Company or for the Company's benefit by the Department of Railways which are in excess of the facilities normally provided to any other person or company for the purpose of transporting the like products as the products of the said Company, and, if so, whether the transport facilities were so provided as a consequence of corrupt or improper influence exercised by the said F. J. Cahill.

(3.) Whether at any time since the first day of July, 1948, in or in connection with any association or dealings with Non-Metallics Limited, Mr. F. J. Cahill has been guilty of any act or conduct of a nature or kind which was improper, having regard to his position and duties and responsibilities as a Member of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales.

Point of Order:—Mr. C. E. Martin submitted that, the Executive having already clearly stated the terms of reference of the Royal Commission, it was out of order for the Leader of the Opposition to submit to the House the motion he had just moved, although he could make representations to the Government in connection with the terms of reference, should he desire to do so.

Mr. Speaker said that it was the prerogative of the Executive to determine the terms of reference and that the Leader of the Opposition was entitled to use the forms of the House to endeavour to have such terms altered. However, the question before the House was one of Urgency only, and he proposed to leave that question to the decision of the House.

Further Point of Order:—Mr. Shannon submitted that the subject-matter of the motion before the House was *sub judice* and was therefore out of order.

Mr. Speaker inquired of the Attorney-General whether the Commission had actually issued, and having been informed that it had not, Mr. Speaker said that in those circumstances, it might appear that the subject-matter

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of the motion technically was not *sub judice*. In view, however, of the announcement by the Premier of the intended appointment of the Royal Commission, he felt that in spirit it should be regarded as *sub judice* because it was pending. As, however, the motion before the House was one of Urgency only, he would allow the House to determine that question.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 29.

Mr. Adamson	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Storey
Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Black	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Turner
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Cross	Mr. Lawson	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Cutler	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Darby
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Morton
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Pelly	
Mr. Frith	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Stephens	

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Mr. Arthur	Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Booth	Mr. Graham	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Crook	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Captain Dunn	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. Landa	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Euticknap	Mr. Lang	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Finnan	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Wetherell
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Williams
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Nott	Mr. Dring
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. O'Sullivan	Mr. Hamilton
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Powell	

And so it passed in the negative.

2. GLEN INNES TO INVERELL RAILWAY BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. O'Sullivan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorise the construction of a railway from Glen Innes to Inverell; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. O'Sullivan then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to authorise the construction of a railway from Glen Innes to Inverell; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

3. NEWCASTLE WHARF (MEREWETHER-STREET) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Cahill moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Cahill, the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

4. ELECTION OF A MEMBER TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF NEW SOUTH WALES:—

- (1.) Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from His Excellency the Governor:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 125.

In pursuance of section seven of the Constitution (Legislative Council Elections) Act, 1932-1937, the Governor desires to inform the Legislative Assembly that he has this day, with the advice of the Executive Council, issued

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under that Act a Writ for the election of a Member of the Legislative Council to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of the Honourable Eldred James Eggins.

The Writ is directed to William Kenneth Charlton, Esquire, Clerk of the Parliaments of the State of New South Wales, Returning Officer for the Election of Members of the Legislative Council of New South Wales.

This Message is accompanied by a copy of the Writ.

In order that both Houses of Parliament may be duly informed of the issue of the Writ, a like Message is this day being addressed by the Governor to the President of the Legislative Council.

Government House,

Sydney, 1st March, 1950.

Mr. Speaker announced that the Message was accompanied by a copy of the Writ.

Mr. Speaker then directed the Clerk to read the Writ, which was as follows:—

WRIT FOR THE ELECTION OF A MEMBER TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

“George the Sixth, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland, and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith.

“To WILLIAM KENNETH CHARLTON, Esquire, Clerk of the Parliaments of the State of New South Wales, Returning Officer for the Elections of Members of the Legislative Council of Our State of New South Wales—

Greeting:

“WHEREAS the Honourable ELDRED JAMES EGGINS was, on the first day of November, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine, duly elected a Member of the Legislative Council of Our State of New South Wales for a term of twelve years commencing on the twenty-third day of April, one thousand nine hundred and forty: And whereas the Honourable ELDRED JAMES EGGINS resigned his seat in the Legislative Council on the twenty-seventh day of October, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine: And whereas the President of the Legislative Council of Our State of New South Wales has notified Our Governor of Our said State that the seat of the said the Honourable ELDRED JAMES EGGINS has become vacant by his resignation: And whereas by the Constitution (Legislative Council Elections) Act, 1932-1937, it is provided that upon receipt of such notification Our Governor of Our said State shall issue a Writ for the election of a Member to fill the vacancy: Now, therefore Our Governor of our said State, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, issues to you WILLIAM KENNETH CHARLTON this Our Writ for the election as provided by law of a Member to the Legislative Council of Our said State to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of the said the Honourable ELDRED JAMES EGGINS: And in this Our Writ the ninth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and fifty, is appointed by Our Governor of Our said State, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, as the day on or before which all nominations of candidates at the said election shall be made: And Our Governor of Our said State, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, in and by this Our Writ appoints the twenty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and fifty, as the day upon which a sitting of the Members of the Legislative Council of Our said State and a sitting of the Members of the Legislative Assembly of Our said State shall be held for the purposes of taking the votes of those Members in the respective Houses of the Parliament of Our said State: And Our Governor of Our said State, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, in and by this Our Writ, appoints the hour of two-thirty o'clock in the afternoon as the hour at which the taking of votes at a sitting of the Members of the Legislative Council of Our said State, and at a sitting of the Members of the Legislative Assembly of Our said State shall respectively commence on the day so appointed: And Our Governor of Our said State, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, in and by this Our Writ, appoints the hour of four-thirty o'clock in the afternoon as the hour at which the taking of votes at such sittings shall respectively terminate on the day so appointed: And in this Our Writ the twenty-third day of March, one thousand nine hundred and fifty, is appointed by Our Governor of Our said State, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, as the day upon which this Our Writ shall be returnable to Our Governor of Our said State: And whereas Our Governor of Our said State by witnessing this Our Writ testifies the issue of this Our Writ and that the said days and hours are so appointed: Now we do in and by this Our Writ direct the election of a Member of Our Legislative Council of Our State of New South Wales to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of the said the Honourable ELDRED JAMES EGGINS as aforesaid and direct and appoint that the

1st March, 1950.

“said ninth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and fifty, shall be the day on or before which all nominations of candidates at the said election shall be made (such nominations being made in manner and form and at the time and otherwise as provided by law), that the said election shall be held according to law and that a sitting of the Members of the Legislative Council of Our said State and a sitting of the Members of the Legislative Assembly of Our said State shall be held according to law for the purposes of taking the votes of those Members in the respective Houses of the Parliament of the said State on the day so appointed, that the hour at which the taking of votes at such sittings shall respectively commence on such day shall be the hour so appointed for the commencement thereof as provided by law and that the hour at which the taking of votes at such sittings shall respectively terminate on such day shall be the hour so appointed for the termination thereof as provided by law: And we do further in and by this Our Writ direct and appoint that this Our Writ shall be returnable to Our Governor of Our said State upon the twenty-third day of March, one thousand nine hundred and fifty.

“In testimony whereof, We have caused this Our Writ to be sealed with the Public Seal of Our said State.

“Witness Our Trusty and Well-beloved Lieutenant-General, JOHN NORTHCOTT, Companion of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Member of Our Royal Victorian Order, Governor of Our State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia, at Sydney, in New South Wales aforesaid, this first day of March, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty, and in the fourteenth year of Our Reign.

“J. NORTHCOTT,
“Governor.

“By His Excellency’s Command,
“JAMES MCGIRR.”

(2.) Mr. Speaker directed that the taking of the votes of Members in the Legislative Assembly for the Election of a Member of the Legislative Council be set down as an Order of the Day for the day of the ballot appointed in the Writ mentioned in His Excellency’s Message of 1st March, 1950, viz., 21st March, 1950.

Mr. Speaker intimated that on such day the taking of the votes would take precedence of all other business.

5. HUME DAM HYDRO-ELECTRIC DEVELOPMENT (CONSTRUCTION) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Cahill moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Cahill, the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

6. CLARENCE HARBOUR WORKS BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Cahill moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Tully, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Cahill, the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Deputy-Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

1st March, 1950.

7. WARKWORTH FLOOD MITIGATION AND WATER CONSERVATION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Weir moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Treatt (*speaking*) moved (*by consent*), That this debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

8. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Weir moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

And it being 10.30 o'clock, p.m., Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949, adjourned the House until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 83.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 2 MARCH, 1950.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—

Mr. Kelly laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Report of the New South Wales Ambulance Transport Service Board, together with Balance-sheet and Statement of Accounts, for the year ended 30th June, 1949.

(2.) Substituted Regulation under the Pure Food Act, 1908-1944.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of maintaining the traffic on the existing line of Railway between Sydney and Bourke by the quadruplication of the line between Lidcombe and Penrith.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. NEWCASTLE WHARF (MEREWETHER-STREET) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Cahill, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to sanction and provide for the construction of an additional wharf adjacent to Merewether-street, Newcastle; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 2nd March, 1950.

3. CLARENCE HARBOUR WORKS BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Cahill, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to sanction and to provide for the carrying out of works for the Clarence Harbour; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 2nd March, 1950.

2nd March, 1950.

4. HUME DAM HYDRO-ELECTRIC DEVELOPMENT (CONSTRUCTION) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Cahill, read a third time.
Bill sent to Legislative Council, with the following Message:—
Mr. PRESIDENT,—
The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to sanction the construction of hydro-electric works at Hume Dam on the Murray River with transmission lines and necessary subsidiary works for the distribution of electricity therefrom; to amend the Southern Electricity (Administration) Act, 1942, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.
*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 2nd March, 1950.*
5. WARKWORTH FLOOD MITIGATION AND WATER CONSERVATION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Weir, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—
And the Question being again proposed,—
The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.
Question put and passed.
Bill read a second time.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Freeman, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.
On motion of Mr. Weir the Report was adopted.
Ordered by Mr. Deputy-Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.
6. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Fowles, as Chairman, brought up the Fourteenth Report from the Printing Committee.
7. CHURCH OF ENGLAND TRUST PROPERTY (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. C. E. Martin moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Bill read a second time.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Tully, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.
On motion of Mr. Martin the Report was adopted.
Ordered by Mr. Deputy-Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.
8. ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH TRUST PROPERTY (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. C. E. Martin moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
Bill read a second time.
Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Tully, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.
On motion of Mr. Martin the Report was adopted.
Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

2nd March, 1950.

9. ELECTION OF A MEMBER TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF NEW SOUTH WALES:—

(1.) Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from His Excellency the Governor:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 126.

In pursuance of section seven of the Constitution (Legislative Council Elections) Act, 1932-1937, the Governor desires to inform the Legislative Assembly that he has this day, with the advice of the Executive Council, issued under that Act a Writ for the election of a Member of the Legislative Council to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of the Honourable Eli James Harrison.

This Writ is directed to William Kenneth Charlton, Esquire, Clerk of the Parliaments of the State of New South Wales, Returning Officer for the Election of Members of the Legislative Council of New South Wales.

This Message is accompanied by a copy of the Writ.

In order that both Houses of Parliament may be duly informed of the issue of the Writ, a like Message is this day being addressed by the Governor to the President of the Legislative Council.

Government House,

Sydney, 2nd March, 1950.

Mr. Speaker announced that the Message was accompanied by a copy of the Writ.

Mr. Speaker then directed the Clerk to read the Writ, which was as follows:—

WRIT FOR THE ELECTION OF A MEMBER TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

“George the Sixth, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland, and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith.

“To WILLIAM KENNETH CHARLTON, Esquire, Clerk of the Parliaments of the State of New South Wales, Returning Officer for the Elections of Members of the Legislative Council of Our State of New South Wales—

“Greeting:

“WHEREAS the Honourable ELI JAMES HARRISON was, on the eighteenth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and forty-two, duly elected a Member of the Legislative Council of Our State of New South Wales for a term of twelve years commencing on the twenty-third day of April, one thousand nine hundred and forty-three: And whereas the Honourable ELI JAMES HARRISON resigned his seat in the Legislative Council on the twenty-eighth day of October, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine: And whereas the President of the Legislative Council of Our State of New South Wales has notified Our Governor of Our said State that the seat of the said the Honourable ELI JAMES HARRISON has become vacant by his resignation: And whereas by the Constitution (Legislative Council Elections) Act, 1932-1937, it is provided that upon receipt of such notification Our Governor of Our said State shall issue a Writ for the election of a Member to fill the vacancy: Now, therefore Our Governor of Our said State, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, issues to you WILLIAM KENNETH CHARLTON this Our Writ for the election as provided by law of a Member to the Legislative Council of Our said State to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of the said the Honourable ELI JAMES HARRISON: And in this Our Writ the tenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and fifty, is appointed by Our Governor of Our said State, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, as the day on or before which all nominations of candidates at the said election shall be made: And Our Governor of Our said State, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, in and by this Our Writ appoints the twenty-second day of March, one thousand nine hundred and fifty, as the day upon which a sitting of the Members of the Legislative Council of Our said State and a sitting of the Members of the Legislative Assembly of Our said State shall be held for the purposes of taking the votes of those Members in the respective Houses of the Parliament of Our said State: And Our Governor of Our said State, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, in and by this Our Writ, appoints the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon as the hour at which the taking of votes at a sitting of the Members of the Legislative Council of Our said State, and at a sitting of the Members of the Legislative Assembly of Our said State shall respectively commence on the day so appointed: And Our Governor of Our said State, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, in and by this Our Writ, appoints the hour of one o'clock in the afternoon as the hour at which the taking of votes at such sittings shall respectively terminate on the day so appointed: And in this Our Writ the twenty-fourth day of March,

2nd March, 1950.

"one thousand nine hundred and fifty, is appointed by Our Governor of Our said State, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, as the day upon which this Our Writ shall be returnable to Our Governor of Our said State: "And whereas Our Governor of Our said State by witnessing this Our Writ "testifies the issue of this Our Writ and that the said days and hours are so "appointed: Now we do in and by this Our Writ direct the election of a "Member of Our Legislative Council of Our State of New South Wales to "fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of the said the Honourable "ELI JAMES HARRISON as aforesaid and direct and appoint that the said tenth "day of March, one thousand nine hundred and fifty, shall be the day on "or before which all nominations of candidates at the said election shall be "made (such nominations being made in manner and form and at the time "and otherwise as provided by law), that the said election shall be held according "to law and that a sitting of the Members of the Legislative Council of Our "said State and a sitting of the Members of the Legislative Assembly of Our said "State shall be held according to law for the purposes of taking the votes of "those Members in the respective Houses of the Parliament of the said State "on the day so appointed, that the hour at which the taking of votes at such "sittings shall respectively commence on such day shall be the hour so appointed "for the commencement thereof as provided by law and that the hour at which "the taking of votes at such sittings shall respectively terminate on such day "shall be the hour so appointed for the termination thereof as provided by law: "And we do further in and by this Our Writ direct and appoint that this Our "Writ shall be returnable to Our Governor of Our said State upon the "twenty-fourth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and fifty.

"In testimony whereof, We have caused this Our Writ to be sealed with "the Public Seal of Our said State.

"Witness Our Trusty and Well-beloved Lieutenant-General JOHN NORTHCOTT, "Companion of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Member of Our "Royal Victorian Order, Governor of Our State of New South Wales and "its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia, at Sydney, in New "South Wales aforesaid, this second day of March, in the year of Our "Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty, and in the fourteenth year "of Our Reign.

"J. NORTHCOTT,
"Governor.

"By His Excellency's Command,
"JAMES MCGIRR."

(2.) Mr. Speaker directed that the taking of the votes of Members in the Legislative Assembly for the Election of a Member of the Legislative Council be set down as an Order of the Day for the day of the ballot appointed in the Writ mentioned in His Excellency's Message of 2nd March, 1950, viz., 22nd March, 1950.

Mr. Speaker intimated that on such day the taking of the votes would take precedence of all other business.

10. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Cahill moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

Question put and passed.

11. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Cahill moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

And Mr. Cahill having spoken in Reply,—

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Fifteen minutes after Five o'clock, p.m., until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 84.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 7 MARCH, 1950.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. *Daily Telegraph* NEWSPAPER—INCORRECT REPORT OF DEBATE:—Mr. Speaker drew the attention of the House to a report which had appeared in the *Daily Telegraph* of Friday, 3rd instant, relating to the debate which had taken place on the motion for adjournment the previous evening in which the Honourable Member for Coogee had taken part.

Mr. Speaker said that the most important of his remarks related to a matter being *sub judice*, but that his remarks and ruling upon a point of order which had been taken had been omitted from the report.

This resulted in a serious misrepresentation of the facts, and carried with it an obvious inferential charge of partiality on the part of himself as Speaker.

He would content himself with drawing attention to the matter, in the belief that the Editor of the *Daily Telegraph* would see fit to publish forthwith a correct and truthful version of the incident.

2. PAPER:—Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Copy of Thirtieth Annual Report of the State Superannuation Board, being for the year ended 30th June, 1949.

Ordered to be printed.

3. DEATH OF THE HONOURABLE HENRY WILLIS:—Mr. Speaker reported that, in pursuance of the Resolution of this House, passed on 28th February, 1950, he had communicated to Mrs. Willis and family the sympathy and sorrow of the Members of the Legislative Assembly on the death of the Honourable Henry Willis, and intimated that he had received the following reply:—

Innisfallen,
Middle Harbour,
Chatswood, N.S.W.,
4th March, 1950.

Dear Mr. Speaker,—

I write to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 1st March, 1950, and to thank you and Members of the Legislative Assembly for the tribute of respect to my late husband. The expression of sympathy by yourself and the Members is deeply appreciated by myself and family.

Yours sincerely,
ANNIE L. WILLIS.

The Honourable W. H. Lamb, M.L.A.,
Parliament House, Sydney.

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7th March, 1950.

4. PAPERS:—

Mr. Evatt laid upon the Table notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1912-1949, at Condobolin, Cooma and Surprise Town.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for works in connection with—

(a) Dam across the Macquarie River at Burrendong.

(b) Berriquin Provisional Domestic and Stock Water Supply and Irrigation District.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Matthews laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Balance-sheets of Art Unions under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of—

Lismore District Ambulance Service.

Mosman District Scottish Association.

Sydney Homœopathic and General Hospital, Glebe.

Tenterfield Municipal Brass Band.

Trades Hall Association and Literary Building Fund and the Labour Council of New South Wales Holiday Homes Project.

Tweed District Ambulance Service.

Walcha Branch, Armidale District Ambulance Service.

War Veterans' Home.

(2.) Substituted Regulations under the Fauna Protection Act, 1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table Report by Commissioner for Railways upon the proposed Railway from Glen Innes to Inverell.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

5. ADJOURNMENT UNDER STANDING ORDER No. 49:—Mr. Speaker stated that he had received from the Honourable Member for Wollondilly, Mr. Pelly, a notice under the 49th Standing Order that he desired to move the adjournment of the House to discuss a specific matter of recent occurrence, viz.:—"The reduction from a normal delivery of approximately 2,000 tons of coal per day to only 450 tons of coal per day by the Wollondilly and Nattai-Bulli collieries to the principal metropolitan electricity undertakings as the result of the collapse on the 15th February, 1950, of a bridge on Main Road No. 259 from Burragorang Valley to Camden."

And the motion for the adjournment of the House being supported by five other Honourable Members,—

Mr. Pelly moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

And Mr. Pelly having spoken in Reply,—

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

6. TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. O'Sullivan and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 127.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to make further provision for securing an efficient and properly integrated system of public transport; to constitute a New South Wales Transport and Highways Commission; to define its powers, authorities, duties and functions; to amend the State Transport (Co-ordination) Act, 1931-1947, the Transport (Division of Functions) Act, 1932-1947, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 2nd March, 1950.

7th March, 1950.

7. ESTABLISHMENT OF A RABBIT DESTRUCTION COMMISSION:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Fred Cahill, "That, in the opinion of this 'House',—

"(1.) the Government should establish a Rabbit Destruction Commission with "authority to—

"(a) acquire the necessary plant and machinery for the destruction of rabbits "on both private and Crown land;

"(b) ensure the protection of such property on terms equitable to all owners "of property of whatsoever tenure; and

"(c) enhance the productive capacity of such lands;

"(2.) the New Zealand statutes and methods of administration relating to any "similar Commission or authority should be thoroughly investigated with a "view to—

"(a) ascertaining in detail the results of the experience obtained in that "Dominion; and

"(b) establishing the nature of the legislative and administrative machinery "which it would be advisable to set up in this State,

"so that effect may be given to the considered opinion of 'the man on the land' "that the preservation of our lands from rabbit infestation should be a primary "objective of the Government's rural policy."

"Upon which Mr. Treatt has moved, That the Question be amended by leaving "out all the words after the word 'House' with a view of inserting the following "words instead thereof:—

"(1.) A Select Committee should be appointed to inquire into and report upon—

"(a) methods to stimulate production and increase supplies to farmers of "wire netting, fencing materials and fumigants for the destruction and "control of rabbits;

"(b) any alterations to legislation relating to Pastures Protection Boards "in New South Wales and the control and destruction of rabbits, "considered desirable to make such legislation more effective;

"(c) improving the means for spreading information, knowledge and advice "to farmers on methods of rabbit control and destruction; and

"(d) the administration and methods adopted under New Zealand statutes "for the destruction of rabbits and the preservation of lands from rabbit "infestation.

"(2.) That such Committee should consist of Lieut.-Col. Bruxner, Mr. Fred "Cahill, Mr. Dring, Captain Dunn, Mr. Padman, Mr. Wetherell and the Mover.

"(3.) That such Committee should be given leave to sit during the sittings or "any adjournment of the House, and to make visits of inspection within the "State of New South Wales in connection with the inquiry,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Renshaw moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, by Mr. Speaker That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

And it being Six o'clock, p.m., Government Business proceeded with, under Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

8. CHURCH OF ENGLAND TRUST PROPERTY (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. C. E. Martin, read a third time. Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to provide that certain conveyances of land for purposes connected with the Church of England shall have effect as though the defeasance clauses contained in such conveyances had never been inserted therein; for this purpose to amend the Church of England Trust Property Act, 1917; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 7th March, 1950.

7th March, 1950.

9. ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH TRUST PROPERTY (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. C. E. Martin, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Roman Catholic Church Trust Property Act, 1936, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 7th March, 1950.*

10. WARKWORTH FLOOD MITIGATION AND WATER CONSERVATION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Weir, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to sanction and to provide for the construction of a dam across Wollombi Brook at Warkworth and works incidental thereto; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 7th March, 1950.*

11. DAIRY INDUSTRY (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. Graham moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Dairy Industry Act, 1915-1940, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. Graham then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Dairy Industry Act, 1915-1940, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

12. TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. O'Sullivan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make further provision for securing an efficient and properly integrated system of public transport; to constitute a New South Wales Transport and Highways Commission; to define its powers, authorities, duties and functions; to amend the State Transport (Co-ordination) Act, 1931-1947, the Transport (Division of Functions) Act, 1932-1947, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 41.

Mr. Arthur	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Booth	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Crook	Mr. Landa	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Lang	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Finnan	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Weir
Mr. Fowles	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. C. E. Martin	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Dwyer
Mr. Gorman	Mr. Nott	Mr. Freeman
Mr. Graham	Mr. O'Sullivan	
Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Powell	
Mr. Hawkins	Mrs. Quirk	

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

7th March, 1950.

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Mr. Black	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Rose
Mr. Brain	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stephens
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Storey
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Cross	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cutler	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Darby	Mr. Medcalf	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Morton	Mr. Adamson
Mr. Frith	Mr. Pelly	Mr. Jack Beale
Mr. Gollan	Mr. John Reid	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

- (2.) Mr. O'Sullivan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to make further provision for securing an efficient and properly integrated system of public transport; to constitute a New South Wales Transport and Highways Commission; to define its powers, authorities, duties and functions; to amend the State Transport (Co-ordination) Act, 1931-1947, the Transport (Division of Functions) Act, 1932-1947, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

13. GLEN INNES TO INVERELL RAILWAY BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. O'Sullivan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Gorman, Temporary Chairman, reported progress and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

14. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. O'Sullivan moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly at Twenty-eight minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 85.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 8 MARCH, 1950.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—

Mr. C. E. Martin laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Copy Report of the Public Accountants Registration Board for 1948.

(2.) Rule of Court made by the Judges of the Supreme Court.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for works in connection with the construction of a Dam across the Macquarie River at Burrendong.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. GLEN INNES TO INVERELL RAILWAY BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. John Reid, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. O'Sullivan the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

3. TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. O'Sullivan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Storey (*speaking*) moved (*by consent*), That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

4. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. O'Sullivan moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-eight minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 86.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 9 MARCH, 1950.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. *Daily Telegraph* NEWSPAPER—INCORRECT REPORT OF DEBATE:—Mr. Speaker said that with reference to the debate which took place in this House on the 2nd instant, on the motion for the adjournment, the *Daily Telegraph* on the 8th instant published in full his statement on the matter and that it had explained in an editorial note thereto that the report complained of occurred through inadvertence.

He was glad now to be able to inform the House that he had this morning received the following letter from Mr. E. W. MacAlpine, the Editor-in-Chief of the *Daily Telegraph*:—

Hon. W. H. Lamb,

Speaker,

Legislative Assembly, Parliament House, Sydney.

Dear Mr. Speaker,—

I enclose a clipping from the early edition of the *Daily Telegraph* of March 3 reporting the debate in the Legislative Assembly in connection with the Liberal Member for Coogee (Mr. Ellis).

You will see that at the end of the story it states:—

The Speaker had asked Mr. Ellis whether the case was *sub judice*.

Mr. Ellis replied: "Of course it is."

The Speaker then ordered Mr. Ellis to sit down.

Unfortunately when the paper was remade for the later edition this story was cut and inadvertently the portion establishing that the case was *sub judice* was omitted.

I can assure you that this omission was not intentional and I am sorry that we did not carry this portion of the discussion in the recast story. The edition carrying the full story circulated in the Newcastle area, Wollongong, the South Coast and the country generally. The edition with the cut story circulated mainly in the city.

I regret you should feel that the final story did not report you fairly. It is our desire to be fair and objective in our news reports and we lay great stress on a proper balance being maintained when a story is cut so that it is a fair and objective summary.

Yours faithfully,
(Sgd.) E. W. MACALPINE.

Mr. Speaker said he readily accepted the Editor's explanation and expressions of regret.

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2. PAPERS:—

Mr. C. E. Martin laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Rule made by the Judge of the Land and Valuation Court under the provisions of the Coal Industry Act, 1946.

(2.) Copy Report on the working of the Companies Act, 1936, for 1949.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Graham laid upon the Table copy Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. J. H. P. Dingle, Department of Agriculture.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table Report of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Commission for the year ended 30th June, 1949.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. GLEN INNES TO INVERELL RAILWAY BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. O'Sullivan, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to authorise the construction of a railway from Glen Innes to Inverell; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 9th March, 1950.

4. MAIN ROADS AND TRANSPORT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. O'Sullivan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Main Roads Act, 1924-1949, and the Transport Act, 1930-1949, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. O'Sullivan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Main Roads Act, 1924-1949, and the Transport Act, 1930-1949, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

5. TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. O'Sullivan, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Darby moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

6. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

(1.) Clarence Harbour Works Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled, "*An Act to sanction and to provide for the carrying out of works for the Clarence Harbour; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,

Sydney, 9th March, 1950.

T. STEELE,

Deputy-President.

(2.) Newcastle Wharf (Merewether-street) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled, "*An Act to sanction and provide for the construction of an additional wharf adjacent to Merewether-street, Newcastle; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,

Sydney, 9th March, 1950.

T. STEELE,

Deputy-President.

9th March, 1950.

(3.) Hume Dam Hydro-electric Development (Construction) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled, "*An Act to sanction the construction of hydro-electric works at Hume Dam on the Murray River with transmission lines and necessary subsidiary works for the distribution of electricity therefrom; to amend the Southern Electricity (Administration) Act, 1942, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 9th March, 1950.*

T. STEELE,
Deputy-President.

7. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. O'Sullivan moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned at Twelve minutes after Five o'clock, p.m., until *Tuesday next* at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 87.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 14 MARCH, 1950.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

(1.) Roman Catholic Church Trust Property (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Roman Catholic Church Trust Property Act, 1936, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 9th March, 1950.

T. STEELE,
Deputy-President.

(2.) Church of England Trust Property (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide that certain conveyances of land for purposes connected with the Church of England shall have effect as though the defeasance clauses contained in such conveyances had never been inserted therein; for this purpose to amend the Church of England Trust Property Act, 1917; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 9th March, 1950.

T. STEELE,
Deputy-President.

(3.) Warkworth Flood Mitigation and Water Conservation Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to sanction and to provide for the construction of a dam across Wollombi Brook at Warkworth and works incidental thereto; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 9th March, 1950.

T. STEELE,
Deputy-President.

2. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS—SECRECY OF BALLOT:—

- (1.) URGENCY:—Mr. Treatt moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider the following Motion, viz.:—"That this House is of opinion, that, with a view to preserving secrecy of voting at Legislative Council elections as required by the Constitution Act, the existing law as laid down in sections 6 and 26 of the Constitution (Legislative Council Elections) Act which empowers the Clerk of the Parliaments to take all necessary steps to so conduct the taking of the ballot and the counting of ballot papers so as to maintain the secrecy of voting, should be enforced."

Question put and passed.

14th March, 1950.

- (2.) **SUSPENSION OF STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS:**—Mr. Treatt moved, That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would preclude the consideration forthwith of the following Motion and the continuation of the Debate thereon after 6 o'clock, p.m.:—

“That this House is of opinion, that, with a view to preserving secrecy of voting at Legislative Council elections as required by the Constitution Act, the existing law as laid down in sections 6 and 26 of the Constitution (Legislative Council Elections) Act which empowers the Clerk of the Parliaments to take all necessary steps to so conduct the taking of the ballot and the counting of ballot papers so as to maintain the secrecy of voting, should be enforced.”

Question put and passed.

- (3.) Mr. Treatt moved,—That this House is of opinion, that, with a view to preserving secrecy of voting at Legislative Council elections as required by the Constitution Act, the existing law as laid down in sections 6 and 26 of the Constitution (Legislative Council Elections) Act which empowers the Clerk of the Parliaments to take all necessary steps to so conduct the taking of the ballot and the counting of ballot papers so as to maintain the secrecy of voting, should be enforced.

Debate ensued.

Point of Order:—Mr. C. E. Martin submitted that the remarks of the Leader of the Opposition were to be interpreted as an attack upon the Clerk of the Parliaments and that therefore they were out of order as it was neither proper nor competent for an Honourable Member to attack the Clerk of the Parliaments, and the only inference to be drawn from those remarks was that that officer had not done his duty.

Mr. Speaker said that, while he thought that Honourable Members might accept the assurance of the Leader of the Opposition that it was not his intention to attack anyone, he would draw attention to the wording of the motion, as in his opinion it was so worded that if it were carried it would constitute a grave censure upon the Clerk of the Parliaments. He felt that while it might not be the intention of the Leader of the Opposition to cast such a reflection upon the Clerk of the Parliaments, the wording of his motion did so. He therefore upheld the point of order.

Further Point of Order:—Mr. C. E. Martin submitted that as the motion asked that the existing law should be carried out, it implied that the law was not being enforced, and was clearly out of order.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Speaker said that, following upon the opinion he had already expressed as to the terms in which the motion was framed, he felt that the Leader of the Opposition should withdraw his motion and submit it in another form, which would enable him to debate the matters dealt with by the motion without exception being taken to it on the grounds indicated. For these reasons he upheld the point of order.

3. PAPERS:—

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Copy of Executive Council Minute, respecting acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Land Acquisition (Charitable Institutions) Act, 1946, at Lismore.

(2.) Notifications of acquisition of land and/or easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Local Government Act, 1919, in the following areas:—

Kearsley Shire.
Greater Wollongong City.
Newcastle City.
Willoughby Municipality.

(3.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1924-1949, at Baulkham Hills.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Kelly laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Copy Statements of Accounts and Balance-sheet of the Metropolitan Meat Industry Commissioner for the year ended 30th June, 1949.

(2.) Report of the Milk Board for the year ended 30th June, 1949.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

14th March, 1950.

Mr. C. E. Martin laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Report of the Council of the Auctioneers, Stock and Station and Real Estate Agents for the year ended 30th June, 1949.

(2.) Regulation under the Conveyancing Acts, 1919-1948, respecting fees to be paid under section 116 of the Friendly Societies Act, 1912-1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. A. C. Taylor, Department of Conservation.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Finnan laid upon the Table amendments of Scheme set out in the Schedule of the Workmen's Compensation (Broken Hill) Act, 1920-1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Copy Report of the Commissioner for Railways for the quarter ended 31st December, 1949.

(2.) Regulation under the Transport Act, 1930-1949, and the Transport (Division of Functions) Act, 1932-1947.

(3.) Amendments of Regulation under the Motor Traffic Acts, 1909-1949.

(4.) Amendments of Regulations under the Metropolitan Traffic Act, 1900, as amended.

(5.) Notification of acquisition of easement under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the construction for Railway purposes of an Electric High-tension Transmission Line between Sefton and Liverpool.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. PETROL TAX ALLOCATION TO NEW SOUTH WALES:—

Mr. Enticknap moved, pursuant to Notice, That, in the opinion of this House, the Government should again approach the Federal Government with a request for the allocation to this State of a more equitable proportion of the Petrol Tax (to be calculated in accordance with the proportion collected from the State) for distribution to Municipal and Shire Councils, the Main Roads Board and other Government Bodies, to enable them to carry out the necessary work of reconstruction of roads, culverts and bridges urgently needed after the recent abnormal rains and floods throughout New South Wales.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

And it being Six o'clock, p.m., Government Business proceeded with, under Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

5. TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. O'Sullivan, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. McGrath, That the Honourable Member for Yass, Mr. Sheahan, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of Fifteen minutes.

Debate continued.

Mr. Dewley (*speaking*) moved (*by consent*) That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

6. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Cahill moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-six minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

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No. 88.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 15 MARCH, 1950.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. CHURCH AND SCHOOL LANDS (GRACE BROS. PTY. LIMITED) BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Sheahan and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,

Message No. 128.

Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to make provision for the sale to Grace Bros. Pty. Limited of certain land at Broadway, Sydney; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 14th March, 1950.

2. DISSENT FROM MR. SPEAKER'S RULING—LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS—SECRECY OF BALLOT:—

(1) URGENCY:—Mr. Treatt moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider the following Motion, viz.:—"That this House dissents from the ruling of Mr. Speaker given on 14th March, when he ruled that a Motion moved by the Leader of the Opposition relative to preserving secrecy of voting at Legislative Council elections, was out of order."

Question put and passed.

(2.) SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—Mr. Treatt moved, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the consideration forthwith of the following Motion, viz.:—"That this House dissents from the ruling of Mr. Speaker given on 14th March, when he ruled that a Motion moved by the Leader of the Opposition relative to preserving secrecy of voting at Legislative Council elections, was out of order."

Question put and passed.

(3.) Mr. Treatt moved, That this House dissents from the ruling of Mr. Speaker given on 14th March, when he ruled that a Motion moved by the Leader of the Opposition relative to preserving secrecy of voting at Legislative Council elections, was out of order.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Speaker said that the Motion as moved yesterday by the Leader of the Opposition, if carried, would have constituted a grave reflection and censure upon the Clerk of the Parliaments. Had the designation "Returning Officer" been used in the Motion instead of the designation "Clerk of the Parliaments" he would not have ruled as he did, and the debate sought to be initiated could have taken place.

With reference to the position of the Clerk of the Parliaments as the principal officer of the other House, Mr. Speaker quoted the following excerpt from "The Law, Privileges, Proceedings and Usage of Parliament," by Sir Erskine May, 14th edition, page 143:—

The leading principle which appears to pervade all the proceedings between the Houses of Parliament is that there shall subsist a perfect equality between them, and that they shall be, in every respect, totally

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independent one of the other. Hence it is that neither House can claim, much less exercise, any authority over a member of the other . . . If any complaint is made against any individual Member or against any of the officers of the other House, the usual mode of proceeding is to examine into the fact and then lay a state of that evidence before the House of which the person complained of is a Member or officer.

When a member, officer, or servant of either House has been guilty of any offence either against the other House or against its members, which would be punishable by the latter if committed by one of its own members, officers, or servants, it is the duty of the House to which such offender belongs, upon being apprised of the fact, to take proper measures to inquire into and punish the offence in a proper manner.

Mr. Speaker said the motion moved by the Leader of the Opposition yesterday was unquestionably one of censure against the Clerk of the Parliaments, and it was therefore out of order. It also violated the principle he had just quoted. If the Leader of the Opposition had felt aggrieved with the manner in which the Clerk of the Parliaments had performed his duties he should have made an appropriate charge in this House which would have been communicated to the other House of Parliament, by which it would no doubt have been dealt with in accordance with the practice in such cases as outlined in the quotation from "May" he had just read.

If he had allowed the motion to be debated as it was presented to the House yesterday, it would have held up both the House and the Speaker to ridicule and contempt, because it so deliberately violated the correct procedure. Even had the motion been debated and negatived, it would still have involved an implied censure upon the Clerk of the Parliaments.

Debate continued.

Mr. Speaker said that the question was whether there was a distinction between the "Clerk of the Parliaments" as such, and the "Clerk of the Parliaments" in his capacity as Returning Officer as contemplated by the Constitution (Legislative Council Elections) Act. The Clerk of the Parliaments occupied a dual position. On the one hand he was the principal officer of the other House of the Parliament, and by virtue of the provisions of the Act he had referred to, was Returning Officer for the Legislative Council Elections held thereunder. Section 6 (1) of that Act declared that the Clerk of the Parliaments should be the Returning Officer, but thereafter throughout the Act he was charged with the performance of duties as "Returning Officer," notably in sections 6 and 26, both of which were mentioned in the motion moved by the Leader of the Opposition. The two offices held by that officer were quite distinct.

Debate continued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 22.

Mr. Adamson	Mr. Howarth	Lieut.-Col. Robson
Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Storey
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Cross	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Morton	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Padman	Mr. Black
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Pelly	Mr. Darby
Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Richardson	

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Mr. Arthur	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Booth	Mr. Gorman	Mr. Shannon
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Landa	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lang	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Crook	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Cutler	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Weir
Captain Dunn	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Williams
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Nott	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Evatt	Mr. O'Sullivan	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Powell	Mr. Dring
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mrs. Quirk	Mr. Hamilton
Mr. Fowles	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Renshaw	
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Rose	

And so it passed in the negative.

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3. CHURCH AND SCHOOL LANDS (GRACE BROS. PTY. LIMITED) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Sheahan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision for the sale to Grace Bros. Pty. Limited of certain land at Broadway, Sydney; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Sheahan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to make provision for the sale to Grace Bros. Pty. Limited of certain land at Broadway, Sydney; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

4. TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. O'Sullivan, "That this Bill be 'now' read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Morton moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out the word "now" with a view of adding the words "this day six months."

Question proposed,—That the word proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.

Debate continued.

Question put,—That the word proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.

The House divided.

Ayes, 39.

Mr. Arthur	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Landa	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Crook	Mr. Lang	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Euticknap	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Evatt	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Weir
Mr. Finnan	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Nott	Mr. Dwyer
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan	Mr. Hawkins
Mr. Gorman	Mr. Powell	
Mr. Hamilton	Mrs. Quirk	

Noes, 30.

Mr. Adamson	Mr. Howarth	Lieut.-Col. Robson
Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Rose
Mr. Black	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Treatt
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Cross	Mr. McCaw	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Morton
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Pelly	Mr. Storey
Mr. Frith	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Richardson	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Original Question again proposed,—"That this Bill be now read a second time."

Debate continued.

And it being 10.20 o'clock, p.m., the Debate stood adjourned, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

The House adjourned at Twenty minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 89.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
 OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 16 MARCH, 1950.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPER:—Mr. Evatt laid upon the Table notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1912-1949, at:—

Bellambi.	Mudgee.
Boorowa.	North Sydney.
Enfield.	Villawood.
Hunter's Hill.	Wollongong.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. CHURCH AND SCHOOL LANDS (GRACE BROS. PTY. LIMITED) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Sheahan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

And Mr. Sheahan having spoken in reply,—

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. John Reid, Temporary-Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Sheahan, the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken This Day,—

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for a later hour of the Day.

3. TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. O'Sullivan, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And Mr. O'Sullivan having spoken in reply,—

Question put.

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The House divided.

Ayes, 44.

Mr. Arthur
Mr. Booth
Mr. Cahill
Mr. Robert Cameron
Mr. Chalmers
Mr. Clyne
Mr. Crook
Mr. Dring
Mr. Dwyer
Mr. Enticknap
Mr. Evatt
Mr. Finnan
Mrs. Fowler
Mr. Fowles
Mr. Freeman
Mr. Geraghty

Mr. W. McC. Gollan
Mr. Gorman
Mr. Hamilton
Mr. Hawkins
Mr. Heffron
Mr. Kelly
Mr. Lawrence Kelly
Mr. Landa
Mr. Lang
Mr. James McGirr
Mr. McGrath
Mr. C. E. Martin
Mr. Matthews
Mr. Nott
Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Powell

Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Shannon
Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Stanley
Mr. Tonge
Mr. Wattison
Mr. Weir
Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Williams
Tellers,
Mr. Roy Heforen
Mr. Seiffert

Noes, 34.

Mr. Adamson
Mr. Jack Beale
Mr. Black
Mr. Brain
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner
Mr. Cross
Mr. Cutler
Mr. Darby
Mr. Ellis
Mr. Frith
Mr. Gollan
Mr. Hearnshaw

Mr. Howarth
Mr. Hughes
Mr. Hunter
Mr. Jackett
Mr. Jackson
Mr. Jordan
Mr. Lawson
Mr. Medcalf
Mr. Morton
Mr. Padman
Mr. Pelly
Mr. John Reid

Mr. Richardson
Lieut.-Col. Robson
Mr. Rose
Mr. Stephens
Mr. Storey
Mr. Treatt
Mr. Turner
Mr. Vincent
Tellers,
Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Dewley

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported progress and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

4. CHURCH AND SCHOOL LANDS (GRACE BROS. PTY. LIMITED) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. O'Sullivan, *on behalf of* Mr. Sheahan, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to make provision for the sale to Grace Bros. Pty. Limited of certain land at Broadway, Sydney; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 16th March, 1950.*

5. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Fowles, as Chairman, brought up the Fifteenth Report from the Printing Committee.

6. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Cahill moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next at Twenty-five minutes after Two o'clock, p.m.

Question put and passed.

7. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Cahill moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-five minutes after Five o'clock, p.m., until *Tuesday next at Twenty-five minutes after Two o'clock, p.m.*

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 90.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 21 MARCH, 1950.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. ELECTION OF A MEMBER TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—TAKING OF THE VOTES OF THE MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:—Mr. Speaker directed the Clerk to read the Order of the Day. The Order of the Day having been read, the Clerk duly displayed the ballot-box.

And it being 2.30 o'clock, p.m., the hour appointed in the Writ dated 1st March, 1950, for the commencement of the taking of the votes of Members, Mr. Speaker declared the ballot open, and the taking of the votes of Members thereupon commenced.

And it being 4.30 o'clock, p.m., the hour appointed in the Writ for the termination of the taking of the votes at the sitting, Mr. Speaker directed that the doors be locked. The doors having been locked, Mr. Speaker inquired whether there was any Member present who had not yet received a ballot-paper and desired to vote.

And there being no such Member desiring to vote, Mr. Speaker directed that the doors be unlocked.

And Members who had received their ballot-papers before the hour appointed in the Writ for the termination of the taking of the votes having completed before that hour the recording of their votes, Mr. Speaker declared the ballot closed.

2. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until To-morrow at Five minutes before Eleven o'clock, a.m.

Debate ensued.

And Mr. McGirr having spoken in Reply,—

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 37.

Mr. Arthur	Mr. Graham	Mr. Powell
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Crook	Mr. Landa	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Dring	Mr. Lang	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Weir
Mr. Finnan	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Wetherell
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. C. E. Martin	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Nott	Mr. Williams
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan	

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Mr. Adamson	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Rose
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Stephens
Lieut.-Col. Bruzner	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Storey
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Cross	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cutler	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Darby	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Morton	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Padman	Mr. Black
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Pelly	Mr. Ellis
Mr. Howarth	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Hughes	Mr. Richardson	
Mr. Hunter	Lieut.-Col. Robson	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

The House adjourned at Eighteen minutes before Five o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at *Five minutes before Eleven o'clock, a.m.*

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 91.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 22 MARCH, 1950.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. ELECTION OF A MEMBER TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—TAKING OF THE VOTES OF THE MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:—Mr. Speaker directed the Clerk to read the Order of the Day. The Order of the Day having been read, the Clerk duly displayed the ballot-box.

And it being Eleven o'clock, a.m., the hour appointed in the Writ dated 2nd March, 1950, for the commencement of the taking of the votes of Members, Mr. Speaker declared the ballot open, and the taking of the votes of Members thereupon commenced.

And it being One o'clock, p.m., the hour appointed in the Writ for the termination of the taking of the votes at the sitting, Mr. Speaker directed that the doors be locked. The doors having been locked, Mr. Speaker inquired whether there was any Member present who had not yet received a ballot-paper and desired to vote.

And there being no such Member desiring to vote, Mr. Speaker directed that the doors be unlocked.

And Members who had received their ballot-papers before the hour appointed in the Writ for the termination of the taking of the votes having completed before that hour the recording of their votes, Mr. Speaker declared the ballot closed.

2. GLEN INNES TO INVERELL RAILWAY BILL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to authorise the construction of a railway from Glen Innes to Inverell; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 21st March, 1950.

T. STEELE,
Deputy-President.

3. PAPERS:—

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Report of the Hunter District Water Board for the year ended 30th June, 1949.

(2.) Report by the Colonial Treasurer respecting Agreements entered into by him with Co-operative Building Societies under section 17A of the Co-operation Act, 1923-1948, for the quarter commencing 1st October, 1949.

(3.) Amendments of Regulation under the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900-1941.

(4.) Amendments of Regulations and Rules under the Totalizator Act, 1916-1937.

(5.) Amendments of Regulation under the Public Service Act, 1902, as amended.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table amendments of Ordinance (formerly a By-law under the Sydney Corporation Act, 1932-1947), under the Local Government Act, 1919.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Kelly laid upon the Table amendment of Regulation under the Dentists Act, 1934-1946.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for works in connection with the construction of a Dam across the Macquarie River at Buirrendong.

(2.) *Gazette* Notice setting forth the mode in which it is proposed to deal with the dedication of certain lands under section 25 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Finnan laid upon the Table Proclamation declaring certain lands to be private lands for the purposes of the Mining Act, 1906-1946.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Statement of Traffic secured to Railway Transport by the exercise of the powers conferred on the Railway Commissioner under section 24 (3) and (4) of the Government Railways Act, 1912-1945, for the months of December, 1949 and January, 1950.

(2.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of providing an Electric Substation at Braxton.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill with an amendment.

On motion of Mr. O'Sullivan, the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

5. MAIN ROADS AND TRANSPORT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. O'Sullivan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.

And Mr. O'Sullivan having spoken in reply,—

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Tully, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. O'Sullivan, the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

6. DAIRY INDUSTRY (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Graham moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Graham, the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

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22nd March, 1950.

7. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Cahill moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

Question put and passed.

8. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Cahill moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Fifteen minutes after Nine o'clock, p.m., until *Tuesday next* at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 92.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 28 MARCH, 1950.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PETITION—NEW STATE—NEW ENGLAND AREA:—Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner presented a Petition from certain residents of the New England area of New South Wales, representing that the New England area should be formed into a separate State within the Commonwealth of Australia, and praying that a Referendum be held as soon as possible to ascertain the will of the people within that area.
Petition received.

2. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by the Ministers named and read by Mr. Speaker:—
By Mr. James McGirr,—

- (1.) Hume Dam Hydro-electric Development (Construction) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 129.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to sanction the construction of hydro-electric works at Hume Dam on the Murray River with transmission lines and necessary subsidiary works for the distribution of electricity therefrom; to amend the Southern Electricity (Administration) Act, 1942, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 24th March, 1950.

- (2.) Clarence Harbour Works Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 130.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to sanction and to provide for the carrying out of works for the Clarence Harbour; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 24th March, 1950.

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(3.) Newcastle Wharf (Merewether-street) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 131.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to sanction and provide for the construction of an additional wharf adjacent to Merewether-street, Newcastle; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 24th March, 1950.

(4.) Roman Catholic Church Trust Property (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 132.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Roman Catholic Church Trust Property Act, 1936, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 24th March, 1950.

(5.) Church of England Trust Property (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 133.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide that certain conveyances of land for purposes connected with the Church of England shall have effect as though the defeasance clauses contained in such conveyances had never been inserted therein; for this purpose to amend the Church of England Trust Property Act, 1917; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 24th March, 1950.

(6.) Warkworth Flood Mitigation and Water Conservation Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 134.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to sanction and to provide for the construction of a dam across Wollombi Brook at Warkworth and works incidental thereto; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 24th March, 1950.

By Mr. Sheahan,—

(7.) Broken Hill Proprietary Company Limited (Reclamation and Exchange) Agreement Ratification Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 135.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to ratify a certain Agreement made between The Broken Hill Proprietary Company Limited of the one part and His Most Gracious Majesty King George VI of the other part with respect to the exchange of lands between the Company and the Crown, the reclamation of Platt's Channel

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and parts of South Channel and the granting to the Company of an exclusive right to construct wharves on certain lands; to provide for the carrying into effect of the said Agreement; to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 28th March, 1950.*

(8.) War Service Land Settlement and Closer Settlement Validation Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 136.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to validate certain resumptions for war service land settlement and certain other matters; to vest certain lands in His Majesty for the purposes of the Closer Settlement Acts; to amend the War Service Land Settlement Act, 1941, the Closer Settlement (Amendment) Act, 1907, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 28th March, 1950.*

3. ELECTION OF A MEMBER TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF NEW SOUTH WALES:—

(1.) Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from His Excellency the Governor:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 137.

In pursuance of section seven of the Constitution (Legislative Council Elections) Act, 1932-1937, the Governor desires to inform the Legislative Assembly that he has this day, with the advice of the Executive Council, issued under that Act a Writ for the election of a Member of the Legislative Council to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the Honourable Joseph Anthony Bodkin.

This Writ is directed to William Kenneth Charlton, Esquire, Clerk of the Parliaments of the State of New South Wales, Returning Officer for the Election of Members of the Legislative Council of New South Wales.

This Message is accompanied by a copy of the Writ.

In order that both Houses of Parliament may be duly informed of the issue of the Writ, a like Message is this day being addressed by the Governor to the President of the Legislative Council.

*Government House,
Sydney, 28th March, 1950.*

Mr. Speaker announced that the Message was accompanied by a copy of the Writ.

Mr. Speaker then directed the Clerk to read the Writ, which was as follows:—

WRIT FOR THE ELECTION OF A MEMBER TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

*"George the Sixth, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland, and the
British Dominions beyond the Sea, King, Defender of the Faith.*

*"To WILLIAM KENNETH CHARLTON, Esquire, Clerk of the Parliaments of the
State of New South Wales, Returning Officer for the Elections of
Members of the Legislative Council of Our State of New South Wales.*

"Greeting:

*"WHEREAS the Honourable JOSEPH ANTHONY BODKIN was, on the fourteenth day
of March, one thousand nine hundred and forty-six, duly elected a Member of
the Legislative Council of Our State of New South Wales for the term of
twelve years commencing on the twenty-third day of April, one thousand
nine hundred and forty-six: And whereas the Honourable JOSEPH ANTHONY
BODKIN died on the eighteenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and
fifty: And whereas the President of the Legislative Council of Our State of
New South Wales has notified Our Governor of Our said State that the seat
of the said the Honourable JOSEPH ANTHONY BODKIN has become vacant by
his death: And whereas by the Constitution (Legislative Council Elections)
Act, 1932-1937, it is provided that upon receipt of such notification Our
Governor of Our said State shall issue a Writ for the election of a Member*

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“to fill the vacancy: Now therefore Our Governor of Our said State, with the
“advice of the Executive Council thereof, issues to you WILLIAM KENNETH
“CHARLTON this our Writ for the election as provided by law of a Member
“to the Legislative Council of Our said State to fill the vacancy caused by
“the death of the said the Honourable JOSEPH ANTHONY BODKIN: And in this
“Our Writ the fourth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fifty,
“is appointed by Our Governor of Our said State, with the advice of the
“Executive Council thereof, as the day on or before which all nominations
“of candidates at the said election shall be made: And Our Governor of
“Our said State, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, in and
“by this Our Writ appoints the twelfth day of April, one thousand nine
“hundred and fifty, as the day upon which a sitting of the Members of the
“Legislative Council of Our said State and a sitting of the Members of the
“Legislative Assembly of Our said State shall be held for the purposes of
“taking the votes of those Members in the respective Houses of the Parliament
“of Our said State: And Our Governor of Our said State, with the advice of
“the Executive Council thereof, in and by this Our Writ, appoints the hour
“of four-thirty o'clock in the afternoon as the hour at which the taking of
“votes at a sitting of the Members of the Legislative Council of Our said State,
“and at a sitting of the Members of the Legislative Assembly of Our said State
“shall respectively commence on the day so appointed: And Our Governor
“of Our said State, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, in and
“by this Our Writ, appoints the hour of six-thirty o'clock in the afternoon
“as the hour at which the taking of votes at such sittings shall respectively
“terminate on the day so appointed: And in this Our Writ the fourteenth
“day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fifty, is appointed by Our
“Governor of Our said State, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof,
“as the day upon which this Our Writ shall be returnable to Our Governor
“of Our said State: And whereas Our Governor of Our said State by witnessing
“this Our Writ testifies the issue of this Our Writ and that the said days
“and hours are so appointed: Now we do in and by this Our Writ direct the
“election of a Member of Our Legislative Council of Our State of New South
“Wales to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the said the Honourable
“JOSEPH ANTHONY BODKIN as aforesaid and direct and appoint that the said
“fourth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and fifty, shall be the day
“on or before which all nominations of candidates at the said election shall
“be made (such nominations being made in manner and form and at the
“time and otherwise as provided by law), that the said election shall be held
“according to law and that a sitting of the Members of the Legislative Council
“of Our said State and a sitting of the Members of the Legislative Assembly
“of Our said State shall be held according to law for the purposes of taking
“the votes of those Members in the respective Houses of the Parliament of
“the said State on the day so appointed, that the hour at which the taking of
“votes at such sittings shall respectively commence on such day shall be the
“hour so appointed for the commencement thereof as provided by law and that
“the hour at which the taking of votes at such sittings shall respectively
“terminate on such day shall be the hour so appointed for the termination
“thereof as provided by law: And we do further in and by this Our Writ direct
“and appoint that this Our Writ shall be returnable to Our Governor of Our
“said State upon the fourteenth day of April, one thousand nine hundred
“and fifty.

“In testimony whereof, We have caused this Our Writ to be sealed with
“the Public Seal of Our said State.

“Witness Our Trusty and Well-beloved Lieutenant-General JOHN NORTHCOTT,
“Companion of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Member of Our
“Royal Victorian Order, Governor of Our State of New South Wales and
“its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia, at Sydney, in New
“South Wales aforesaid, this twenty-eighth day of March, in the year of
“Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty, and in the fourteenth
“year of Our Reign.

“J. NORTHCOTT,
“Governor.

“By His Excellency's Command,
“JAMES MCGIRR.”

- (2.) Mr. Speaker directed that the taking of the votes of Members in the Legis-
lative Assembly for the Election of a Member of the Legislative Council be
set down as an Order of the Day for the day of the ballot appointed in the Writ
mentioned in His Excellency's Message of 28th March, 1950, viz., 12th
April, 1950.

Mr. Speaker intimated that on such day the taking of the votes would take
precedence of all other business.

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4. ERROR IN PRINTING *Hansard* RECORD OF DEBATES:—Mr. Speaker drew the attention of the House to a printing mistake which had occurred at the foot of page 5320 of the pamphlet copy of the *Parliamentary Debates* No. 99, Wednesday, 15th March, 1950.

Mr. Speaker said that the words "Returning Officer, instead of", which should have followed the word "designation", had been omitted in the course of printing, and the passage should have read, "Had he framed his motion to include the designation 'Returning Officer' instead of 'the Clerk of the Parliaments' I should not have given the ruling that I gave yesterday . . ."

Mr. Speaker said that, because of the nature of the error, and the fact that it could not now be corrected until the bound volumes were being printed, he had drawn attention to the matter to forestall any misapprehension which might otherwise have arisen.

5. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—APPLICATIONS FOR SPECIAL LEASES IN THE LAND DISTRICT OF DUBBO:—Mr. Sheahan made a Ministerial Statement concerning twelve conflicting Special Lease applications for four blocks within Baker's Beach Reserve, Land District of Dubbo, with special reference to the case of A. Burne, and Special Lease applications by Alexander Moss and others for areas within the Land District of Dubbo.

Mr. Treatt also addressed the House.

6. PAPERS:—

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table Departmental Files relating to—

- (a) twelve conflicting special lease applications for four blocks within Baker's Beach Reserve, Land District of Dubbo; and
- (b) special lease application by Alexander Moss for an area within the Land District of Dubbo.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table copies of Certificates from the Returning Officer under the Constitution (Legislative Council Elections) Act, 1932-1937, respecting the election of Donald Cochrane, Esquire, and James Norman Thom, Esquire, as Members of the Legislative Council of New South Wales, together with *Gazette* Notices.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Matthews laid upon the Table amendments of Regulation under the Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act, 1935-1942.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Heffron laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) By-laws and amendments of Regulations under the Technical Education and New South Wales University of Technology Act, 1949.
- (2.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Technical Education and New South Wales University of Technology Act, 1949, at Murwillumbah.
- (3.) List respecting the appointment, on probation, of certain persons as Teachers, Department of Public Instruction.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

7. TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS BILL:—(*Formal Order of the Day*),—Mr. O'Sullivan moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 46.

Mr. Arthur	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Booth	Mr. Graham	Mr. Powell
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hamilton	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Clync	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Crook	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Captain Dunn	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. Landa	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Entieknep	Mr. Lang	Mr. Weir
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Finnan	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Williams
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fowles	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Dring
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Matthews	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Nott	

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Mr. Adamson	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Storey
Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Black	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Vincent
Lieut.-Col. Brunner	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Cross	Mr. Morton	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Darby	Mr. Pelly	Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Ellis
Mr. Frith	Mr. Richardson	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Rose	
Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Stephens	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to make further provision for securing an efficient and properly integrated system of public transport; to constitute a New South Wales Transport and Highways Commission; to define its powers, authorities, duties and functions; to amend the State Transport (Co-ordination) Act, 1931-1947, the Transport (Division of Functions) Act, 1932-1947, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 28th March, 1950.*

8. EDUCATION IN RURAL AREAS:—Mr. Hughes moved, pursuant to Notice (*as amended by consent*) That, in the opinion of this House,—

(1.) Existing facilities for the education of children in rural areas are inadequate, do not meet the real needs of the community, and place an unfair financial burden on the parents of such children.

(2.) Action should be taken by the Government to remedy this position by—

(a) increasing the number of Agricultural High Schools;

(b) establishing residential rural schools to provide, at reasonable cost, a curriculum designed to meet the needs of the children and the area concerned;

(c) increasing the number of qualified teachers, trained to teach agricultural and allied subjects;

(d) providing free bus transport to country schools;

(e) seeking taxation concessions in respect of children up to the age of 18 years, educated away from home, to offset travelling and boarding expenses.

Debate ensued.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Vincent, That the Honourable Member for Armidale, Mr. Hughes, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of Twenty minutes.

Debate continued.

And it being Six o'clock, p.m., Debate interrupted pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

Ordered, That the resumption of the Debate stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

9. CHURCH AND SCHOOL LANDS (GRACE BROS. PTY. LIMITED) BILL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to make provision for the sale to Grace Bros. Pty. Limited of certain land at Broadway, Sydney; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 28th March, 1950.*

T. STEELE,
Deputy-President.

28th March, 1950.

10. DAIRY INDUSTRY (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Graham, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Dairy Industry Act, 1915-1940, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 28th March, 1950.*

11. MAIN ROADS AND TRANSPORT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. O'Sullivan, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Main Roads Act, 1924-1949, and the Transport Act, 1930-1949, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 28th March, 1950.*

12. BROKEN HILL PROPRIETARY COMPANY LIMITED (RECLAMATION AND EXCHANGE) AGREEMENT RATIFICATION BILL:—

- (1) Mr. Sheahan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to ratify a certain Agreement made between The Broken Hill Proprietary Company Limited of the one part and His Most Gracious Majesty King George VI of the other part with respect to the exchange of lands between the Company and the Crown, the reclamation of Platt's Channel and parts of South Channel and the granting to the Company of an exclusive right to construct wharves on certain lands; to provide for the carrying into effect of the said Agreement; to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

And Mr. Sheahan having spoken in reply,—

Question put and passed.

- (2) Mr. Sheahan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to ratify a certain Agreement made between The Broken Hill Proprietary Company Limited of the one part and His Most Gracious Majesty King George VI of the other part with respect to the exchange of lands between the Company and the Crown, the reclamation of Platt's Channel and parts of South Channel and the granting to the Company of an exclusive right to construct wharves on certain lands; to provide for the carrying into effect of the said Agreement; to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

The House adjourned at Seven minutes after Eight o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

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No. 93.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 29 MARCH, 1950.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by the Ministers named, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

By Mr. Sheahan,—

- (1.) Broken Hill Proprietary Company Limited (Steelworks) Agreement Ratification Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 138.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to ratify a certain Agreement made between The Broken Hill Proprietary Company Limited of the one part and His Most Gracious Majesty King George VI of the other part with respect to the sale to such Company of certain lands at or near Newcastle on certain terms and conditions and with respect to the granting to such Company of the right to obtain leases of certain adjoining lands; to provide for the carrying into effect of the said Agreement; to repeal the Newcastle Iron and Steel Works Act, 1912; to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

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Sydney, 28th March, 1950.*

- (2.) Camperdown Cemetery (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 139.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to amend the Camperdown Cemetery Act, 1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
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By Mr. Cahill,—

- (3.) Local Government Town and Country Planning (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 140.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to make further provision for and in relation

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to town and country planning in the County of Cumberland; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 29th March, 1950.*

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. C. E. Martin laid upon the Table amendment of Regulation under the Conveyancing Acts, 1919-1943.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Graham laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Report of the Dried Fruits Board of New South Wales, together with Statements of Accounts and Appendices, for 1949.

(2.) Copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of certain persons, Department of Agriculture.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of maintaining the traffic on the existing Great Northern Railway line by the provision of a new embankment at Antiene.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Finnan laid upon the Table Regulation under the Mines Rescue Act, 1925.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. CAMPERDOWN CEMETERY (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Sheahan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Camperdown Cemetery Act, 1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Sheahan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Camperdown Cemetery Act, 1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

4. BROKEN HILL PROPRIETARY COMPANY LIMITED (STEELWORKS) AGREEMENT RATIFICATION BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Sheahan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to ratify a certain Agreement made between The Broken Hill Proprietary Company Limited of the one part and His Most Gracious Majesty King George VI of the other part with respect to the sale to such Company of certain lands at or near Newcastle on certain terms and conditions and with respect to the granting to such Company of the right to obtain leases of certain adjoining lands; to provide for the carrying into effect of the said Agreement; to repeal the Newcastle Iron and Steel Works Act, 1912; to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Sheahan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to ratify a certain Agreement made between The Broken Hill Proprietary Company Limited of the one part and His Most Gracious Majesty King George VI of the other part with respect to the sale to such Company of certain lands at or near Newcastle on certain terms and conditions and with respect to the granting to such Company of the right to obtain leases of certain adjoining lands; to provide for the carrying into effect of the said Agreement; to repeal the Newcastle Iron and Steel Works Act, 1912; to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

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5. **BROKEN HILL PROPRIETARY COMPANY LIMITED (RECLAMATION AND EXCHANGE) AGREEMENT RATIFICATION BILL:**—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Sheahan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.
 Mr. Vincent moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.
 Question put and passed.
 Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until a later hour of the Day.
6. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (AMENDMENT) BILL:**—
 (1.) Mr. Cahill moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make further provision for and in relation to town and country planning in the County of Cumberland; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.
 Debate ensued.
 Question put and passed.
 (2.) Mr. Cahill then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to make further provision for and in relation to town and country planning in the County of Cumberland; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.
 Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.
7. **BROKEN HILL PROPRIETARY COMPANY LIMITED (RECLAMATION AND EXCHANGE) AGREEMENT RATIFICATION BILL:**—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Sheahan, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—
 And the Question being again proposed,—
 The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.
 And Mr. Sheahan having spoken in Reply,—
 Question put and passed.
 Bill read a second time.
 Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.
 Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Freeman, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.
 On motion of Mr. Sheahan, the Report was adopted.
 Ordered by Mr. Deputy-Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.
8. **ADJOURNMENT:**—Mr. Sheahan moved, That this House do now adjourn.
 Debate ensued.
 Question put and passed.
 The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-six minutes before Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.



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No. 94.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 30 MARCH, 1950.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. **ELECTRICITY COMMISSION BILL**:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Cahill and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 141.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to provide for the constitution of the Electricity Commission of New South Wales and to define its powers authorities duties and functions; to amend the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1949, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to repeal the Southern Electricity (Administration) Act, 1942; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 14th March, 1950.

2. **PAPER**:—Mr. Graham laid upon the Table Report of the Department of Agriculture for the year ended 30th June, 1949.

Ordered to be printed.

3. **BROKEN HILL PROPRIETARY COMPANY LIMITED (RECLAMATION AND EXCHANGE) AGREEMENT RATIFICATION BILL**:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Sheahan, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to ratify a certain Agreement made between The Broken Hill Proprietary Company Limited of the one part and His Most Gracious Majesty King George VI of the other part with respect to the exchange of lands between the Company and the Crown, the reclamation of Platt's Channel and parts of South Channel and the granting to the Company of an exclusive right to construct wharves on certain lands; to provide for the carrying into effect of the said Agreement; to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 30th March, 1950.

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4. **BROKEN HILL PROPRIETARY COMPANY LIMITED (STEELWORKS) AGREEMENT RATIFICATION BILL:**—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Sheahan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Sheahan, the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—
Bill, on motion of Mr. Sheahan, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to ratify a certain Agreement made between The Broken Hill Proprietary Company Limited of the one part and His Most Gracious Majesty King George VI of the other part with respect to the sale to such Company of certain lands at or near Newcastle on certain terms and conditions and with respect to the granting to such Company of the right to obtain leases of certain adjoining lands; to provide for the carrying into effect of the said Agreement; to repeal the Newcastle Iron and Steel Works Act, 1912; to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 30th March, 1950.*

5. **CAMPERDOWN CEMETERY (AMENDMENT) BILL:**—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Sheahan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Freeman, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Sheahan, the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Deputy-Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

Bill, on motion of Mr. Sheahan, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Camperdown Cemetery Act, 1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 30th March, 1950.*

6. **LOCAL GOVERNMENT TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (AMENDMENT) BILL:**—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Cahill moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

And Mr. Cahill having spoken in Reply,—

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Cahill, the Report was adopted.

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And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—
Bill, on motion of Mr. Cahill, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to make further provision for and in relation to town and country planning in the County of Cumberland; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 30th March, 1950.*

7. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Fowles, as Chairman, brought up the Sixteenth Report from the Printing Committee.

8. ELECTRICITY COMMISSION BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Cahill moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the constitution of the Electricity Commission of New South Wales and to define its powers, authorities, duties and functions; to amend the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1949, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to repeal the Southern Electricity (Administration) Act, 1942; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 40.

Mr. Arthur	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Booth	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Sciffert
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Landa	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Dring	Mr. Lang	Mr. Stanley
Captain Dunn	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Evatt	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Weir
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Williams
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Nott	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fowles	Mr. O'Sullivan	Mr. Freeman
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Powell	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Graham	Mr. Renshaw	

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Mr. Adamson	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Storey
Mr. Black	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Brain	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Turner
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Cross	Mr. Morton	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Darby	Mr. Padman	Mr. Cutler
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Pelly	Mr. Hughes
Mr. Ellis	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Frith	Mr. Richardson	
Mr. Gollan	Lieut.-Col. Robson	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

(2.) Mr. Cahill then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to provide for the constitution of the Electricity Commission of New South Wales and to define its powers authorities duties and functions; to amend the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1949, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to repeal the Southern Electricity (Administration) Act, 1942; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

9. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Cahill moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Wednesday, 12th April, 1950, at Twenty-five minutes after Four o'clock, p.m., unless Mr. Speaker, or if Mr. Speaker be unable to act on account of illness or other cause, the Chairman of Committees, shall, prior to that date, by telegram or letter addressed to each Member of the House, fix an earlier day and/or hour of meeting.

Question put and passed.

30th March, 1950.

10. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Cahill moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Six o'clock, p.m., until *Wednesday, 12th April, 1950, at Twenty-five minutes after Four o'clock, p.m.*, unless an earlier day and/or hour be fixed in accordance with the terms of the Resolution adopted at this Sitting.

H. ROBBINS.

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,

Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 95.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 12 APRIL, 1950.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. ELECTION OF A MEMBER TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL—TAKING OF THE VOTES OF THE MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY:—Mr. Speaker directed the Clerk to read the Order of the Day. The Order of the Day having been read, the Clerk duly displayed the ballot-box.

And it being 4.30 o'clock, p.m., the hour appointed in the Writ dated 28th March, 1950, for the commencement of the taking of the votes of Members, Mr. Speaker declared the ballot open, and the taking of the votes of Members thereupon commenced.

And it being 6.30 o'clock, p.m., the hour appointed in the Writ for the termination of the taking of the votes at the sitting, Mr. Deputy-Speaker directed that the doors be locked. The doors having been locked, Mr. Deputy-Speaker inquired whether there was any Member present who had not yet received a ballot-paper and desired to vote.

And there being no such Member desiring to vote, Mr. Deputy-Speaker directed that the doors be unlocked.

And Members who had received their ballot-papers before the hour appointed in the Writ for the termination of the taking of the votes having completed before that hour the recording of their votes, Mr. Deputy-Speaker declared the ballot closed.

2. GLEN INNES TO INVERELL RAILWAY BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the GOVERNOR was delivered by Mr. O'Sullivan and read by Mr. Deputy-Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 142.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to authorise the construction of a railway from Glen Innes to Inverell; to amend the Public Works Act, 1912, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 3rd April, 1950.

12th April, 1950.

3. DEATH OF THE HONOURABLE JAMES DOOLEY:—Mr. Deputy-Speaker reported that, in pursuance of the Resolution of this House, passed on 22nd February, 1950, Mr. Speaker had communicated to Mrs. Dooley and family the sympathy and sorrow of the Members of the Legislative Assembly on the death of the Honourable James Dooley, and intimated that the following reply had been received:—

O/- J. Valentine, Esq.,
Hume Highway,
Casula, N.S.W.,
29th March, 1950.

The Honourable W. H. Lamb, M.L.A.,
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales,
Parliament House, Sydney.

Dear Mr. Speaker,—

I wish to thank you for your letter conveying to me the terms of the resolution of sympathy on the death of my late husband, which was passed by the Legislative Assembly on 22nd February last.

I shall be glad if you will thank all Honourable Members for their kind references to my husband and for their expressions of sympathy.

Yours sincerely,

EILEEN DOOLEY.

4. PAPERS:—

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table amendment of Ordinance under the Local Government Act, 1919.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, for the purpose of a Public Recreation Ground at Era and Garie Beaches.

(2.) Abstract of Crown Lands intended to be dedicated for public purposes in accordance with section 24 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Matthews laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Copy Report of the Board of Fire Commissioners of New South Wales for 1949, together with Appendices.

Ordered to be printed. (*Appendices VII to XVI excepted.*)

(2.) Balance-sheets of Art Unions under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of—

Australian Legion of Ex-Servicemen and Women.

Grace Brothers Hospital Charities.

Haberfield-Five Dock-Abbotsford R.S.L. Sub-branch and Club Memorial Building Fund.

Lithgow and District Six Hour and Labour Day Committee.

Paddington-Woolahra Sub-branch, R.S.S.A.I.L.A.

Stockton Parents' and Friends' Association.

Theresian Holiday Home, Padstow.

(3.) Statement of Receipts and Disbursements of the National Relief Fund of New South Wales for 1949.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

5. ELECTRICITY COMMISSION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Cahill moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Cahill (*speaking*) moved (*by consent*), That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until a later hour of the Day.

6. EXTENSION OF PRESENT SITTING:—Mr. Cahill (*by consent*) moved, without Notice, That paragraphs (2) and (3) of the Sessional Order adopted on the 15th March, 1949, be suspended for the present sitting.

Question put and passed.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

12th April, 1950.

7. **ELECTRICITY COMMISSION BILL**:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Cahill, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Treatt moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**:—Mr. Cahill moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-nine minutes before Eleven o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 96.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 13 APRIL, 1950.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. BREAD MANUFACTURE AND DELIVERY BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Finnan and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 143.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to require bread manufacturers to deliver bread within prescribed distances from their bakehouses or distribution centres or within prescribed areas; to require trade suppliers to supply trade supplies to bread manufacturers; to regulate the manufacture of bread; to require flour millers to append certain information to bags and containers in which flour is delivered to trade suppliers and bread manufacturers; to repeal the Bread Act, 1901, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith or incidental thereto.

State Government House,
Sydney, 13th April, 1950.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table Report of the Town and Country Planning Advisory Committee for the year ended 30th June, 1949.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Evatt laid upon the Table notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1912-1949, at:—

Chester Hill.
Gundagai.
Kurri Kurri.

Narrandera.
Villawood.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) By-law under the Government Railways Act, 1912-1945.

(2.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of maintaining the traffic on the existing line of Railway between Central and Tempe, by the provision of improved access in the vicinity of Chalmers Street Railway Station.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

13th April and 14th April, 1950.

3. **ELECTRICITY COMMISSION BILL:**—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Cahill, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—
 And the Question being again proposed,—
 The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.
 Mr. Wetherell moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.
 Question put and passed.
 Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until a later hour of the Day.
4. **BREAD MANUFACTURE AND DELIVERY BILL:**—
 (1.) Mr. Finnan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to require bread manufacturers to deliver bread within prescribed distances from their bakehouses or distribution centres or within prescribed areas; to require trade suppliers to supply trade supplies to bread manufacturers; to regulate the manufacture of bread; to require flour millers to append certain information to bags and containers in which flour is delivered to trade suppliers and bread manufacturers; to repeal the Bread Act, 1901, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith or incidental thereto.
 Debate ensued.
 Question put and passed.
 (2.) Mr. Finnan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to require bread manufacturers to deliver bread within prescribed distances from their bakehouses or distribution centres or within prescribed areas; to require trade suppliers to supply trade supplies to bread manufacturers; to regulate the manufacture of bread; to require flour millers to append certain information to bags and containers in which flour is delivered to trade suppliers and bread manufacturers; to repeal the Bread Act, 1901, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith or incidental thereto,*"—which was read a first time.
 Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.
5. **WAR SERVICE LAND SETTLEMENT AND CLOSER SETTLEMENT VALIDATION BILL:**—
 (1.) Mr. Sheahan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to validate certain resumptions for war service land settlement and certain other matters; to vest certain lands in His Majesty for the purposes of the Closer Settlement Acts; to amend the War Service Land Settlement Act, 1941, the Closer Settlement (Amendment) Act, 1907, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.
 Debate ensued.
 Question put and passed.
 (2.) Mr. Sheahan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to validate certain resumptions for war service land settlement and certain other matters; to vest certain lands in His Majesty for the purposes of the Closer Settlement Acts; to amend the War Service Land Settlement Act, 1941, the Closer Settlement (Amendment) Act, 1907, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.
 Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.
6. **ELECTRICITY COMMISSION BILL:**—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Cahill, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—
 And the Question being again proposed,—
 The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.
 Ordered, on motion of Mr. Richardson, That the Debate be adjourned until a later hour of the Day.
Mr. Speaker left the Chair at Twelve minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.
13th April and 14th April, 1950.

FRIDAY, 14 APRIL, 1950, A.M.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at the hour named.

7. PAPER:—Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table Report of the Royal Commission of Inquiry into the conduct of Mr. Frederick Joseph Cahill, a Member of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, concerning matters relating to the provision of transport facilities by the Department of Railways for the conveyance of magnesite for Non-Metallics Limited, together with Minutes of Evidence.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

8. ELECTRICITY COMMISSION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Cahill, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the House continuing to sit after Mid-day,—

FRIDAY, 14 APRIL, 1950.

Debate continued.

Mrs. Fowler moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

The House adjourned at One minute before Four o'clock, p.m., until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.



New South Wales.

No. 97.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 18 APRIL, 1950.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. CHURCH AND SCHOOL LANDS (GRACE BROS. PTY. LIMITED) BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. James McGirr and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 144.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to make provision for the sale to Grace Bros. Pty. Limited of certain land at Broadway, Sydney; and for purposes connected therewith,"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 17th April, 1950.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Amendment of Regulations under the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1949.
- (2.) Amendment of Ordinance under the Local Government Act, 1919.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Heffron laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Copy Report of the Library Board of New South Wales for the year ended 30th June, 1949.
- (2.) Report of the Trustees of the Museum of Technology and Applied Science for 1949.
- (3.) Copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of certain persons as Teachers or Lecturers, Department of Technical Education.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Statement of Receipts and Payments of the Hay Irrigation Area for 1949.
- (2.) Statement of Receipts and Payments of the Curlwaa (Wentworth) Irrigation Area for 1949.
- (3.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for works in connection with the construction of a Dam across the Macquarie River at Burrendong.

18th April, 1950.

(4.) Copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Messrs. T. B. Lott, P. R. C. Daniel, and Peter Longworth, Department of Conservation.

(5.) Amendments of Regulations under the Irrigation Act, 1912, as amended. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Copy of Certificate of the Returning Officer under the Constitution (Legislative Council Elections) Act, 1932-1937, respecting the election of Reginald Stanley Jackson, Esquire, as a Member of the Legislative Council of New South Wales, together with *Gazette* Notice.

(2.) Amendments of Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1902. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table amendments of Regulation under the War Service Land Settlement Act, 1941.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. EDUCATION IN RURAL AREAS:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Hughes, "That, in the opinion of this House,—

"(1.) Existing facilities for the education of children in rural areas are "inadequate, do not meet the real needs of the community, and place an unfair "financial burden on the parents of such children.

"(2.) Action should be taken by the Government to remedy this position by—

"(a) increasing the number of Agricultural High Schools;

"(b) establishing residential rural schools to provide, at reasonable cost, a "curriculum designed to meet the needs of the children and the area "concerned;

"(c) increasing the number of qualified teachers, trained to teach agricultural "and allied subjects;

"(d) providing free bus transport to country schools;

"(e) seeking taxation concessions in respect of children up to the age of "18 years, educated away from home, to offset travelling and boarding "expenses."

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And it being Six o'clock, p.m., Debate interrupted pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

Ordered, That the resumption of the Debate stand an Order of the Day for Tuesday, 2nd May, 1950.

4. BREAD MANUFACTURE AND DELIVERY BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Finnan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

And it being 10.20 o'clock, p.m., the Debate stood adjourned, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to make further provision for and in relation to town and country planning in the County of Cumberland; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 18th April, 1950.*

T. STEELE,
Deputy-President.

The House adjourned at Twenty minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 98.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 19 APRIL, 1950.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. LIVERPOOL CEMETERY BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Sheahan and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 145.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to dedicate certain land at Liverpool as a public park; to make provision for the appointment of trustees thereof; to confer and impose certain powers, authorities, duties and functions on such trustees; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 19th April, 1950.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of maintaining the traffic on the existing North Coast Railway line by the extension of No. 2 Siding at Taree.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table Report of the Department of Lands, together with the Report of the Western Lands Commission, for the year ended 30th June, 1949.

Ordered to be printed.

Mr. Finnan laid upon the Table revocation of Proclamation declaring certain lands to be private lands for the purposes of the Mining Act, 1906-1946.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

19th April, 1950.

3. BREAD MANUFACTURE AND DELIVERY BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Finnan, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And Mr. Finnan having spoken in reply,—

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Finnan the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Speaker, having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—
Bill, on motion of Mr. Finnan, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

MR. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to require bread manufacturers to deliver bread within prescribed distances from their bakehouses or distribution centres or within prescribed areas; to require trade suppliers to supply trade supplies to bread manufacturers; to regulate the manufacture of bread; to require flour millers to append certain information to bags and containers in which flour is delivered to trade suppliers and bread manufacturers; to repeal the Bread Act, 1901, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith or incidental thereto,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 19th April, 1950.*

4. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

- (1.) Camperdown Cemetery Bill:—

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Camperdown Cemetery Act, 1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 19th April, 1950.*

T. STEELE,
Deputy-President.

- (2.) Transport and Highways Bill:—

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to make further provision for securing an efficient and properly integrated system of public transport; to constitute a New South Wales Transport and Highways Commission; to define its powers, authorities, duties and functions; to amend the State Transport (Co-ordination) Act, 1931-1947, the Transport (Division of Functions) Act, 1932-1947, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 19th April, 1950.*

T. STEELE,
Deputy-President.

- (3.) Dairy Industry (Amendment) Bill:—

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to amend the Dairy Industry Act, 1915-1940, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—with the amendment indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendment the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 19th April, 1950.*

T. STEELE,
Deputy-President.

19th April, 1950.

DAIRY INDUSTRY (AMENDMENT) BILL.

Schedule of the amendment referred to in Message of 19th April, 1950.

W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

Page 4, clause 3. *After line 20 insert:—*

“(ii) by inserting at the end of the same subsection the following paragraph:—

- (c) an application for the registration as a dairy produce factory of premises to which the proviso to section three of this Act applies or of premises in the course of construction at the commencement of the Dairy Industry (Amendment) Act, 1950, or the date upon which any regulation under paragraph (e1) of subsection one of section twenty-five of this Act takes effect which if they had been constructed at such commencement or date, as the case may be, would have been premises to which such proviso applies.”

Examined,—

E. G. WRIGHT,
Temporary-Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

5. WAR SERVICE LAND SETTLEMENT AND CLOSER SETTLEMENT VALIDATION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Sheahan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

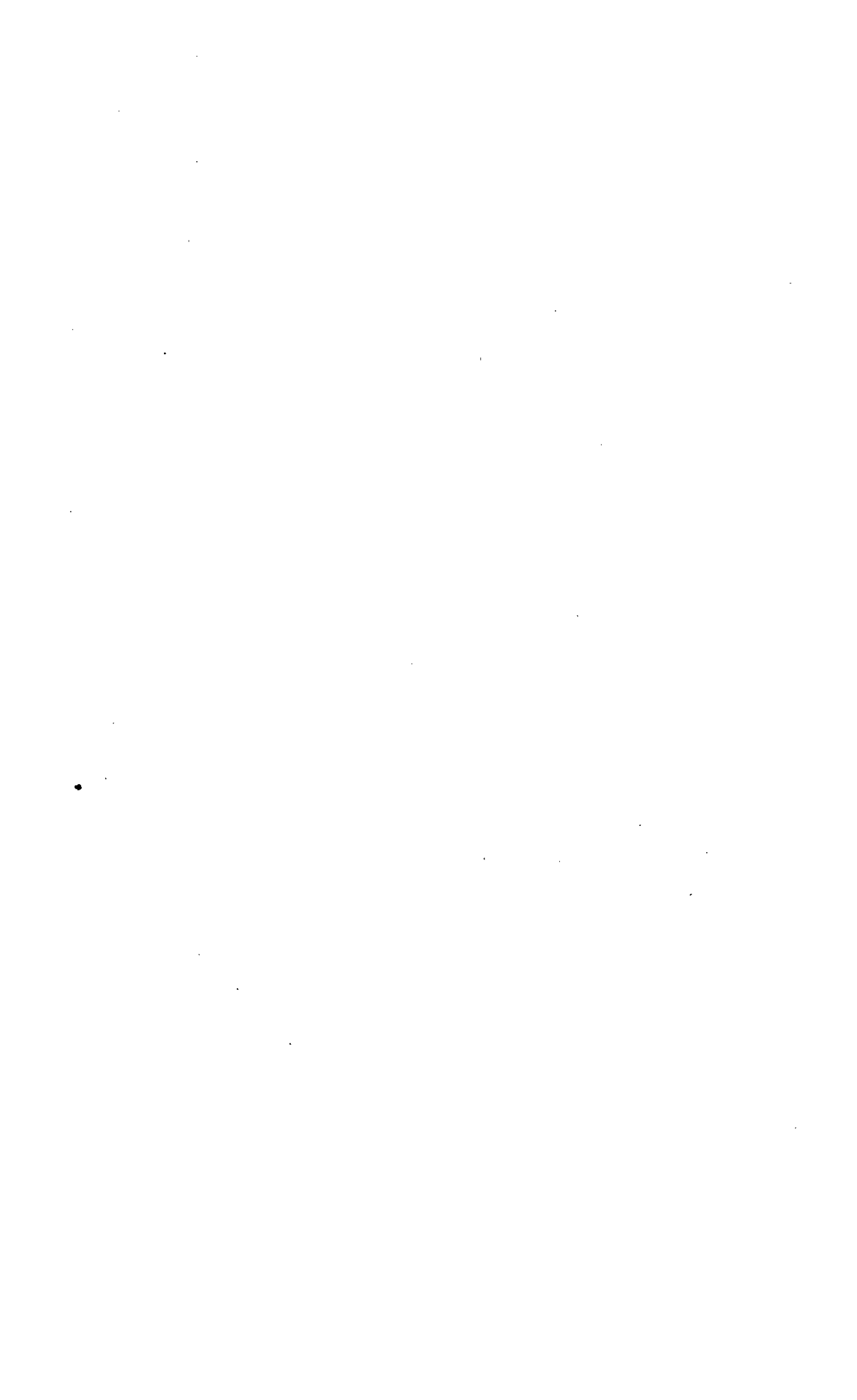
And it being 10.20 o'clock, p.m., the Debate stood adjourned, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

The House adjourned at Twenty-one minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.



New South Wales.

No. 99.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 20 APRIL, 1950.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) *Gazette* Notices setting forth the mode in which it is proposed to deal with certain land under section 25 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
- (2.) Amendment of Schedule of Fees and Charges in connection with the Regulations for the management of portion of the Burial Grounds at Tenterfield. Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. FACTORIES AND SHOPS (HAIRDRESSERS) AMENDMENT BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Finnan and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 146.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to provide for the licensing of hairdressers; to constitute a Hairdressers Council and to define its powers, authorities, duties and functions; for these and other purposes to amend the Factories and Shops Act, 1912-1948; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 20th April, 1950.*

3. WAR SERVICE LAND SETTLEMENT AND CLOSER SETTLEMENT VALIDATION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Sheahan, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And Mr. Sheahan having spoken in Reply,—

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Freeman, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Sheahan, the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken This Day,—

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for a later hour of the Day.

20th April, 1950.

4. **ELECTRICITY COMMISSION BILL**:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Cahill, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Brain moved, That the Honourable Member for South Coast, Mr. Jack Beale, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 25.

Mr. Adamson	Mr. Hunter	Mr. John Reid
Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Richardson
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Storey
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Lang	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Cross	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. McCaw	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Black
Mr. Frith	Mr. Morton	Mr. Darby
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Pelly	

Noes, 40.

Mr. Arthur	Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Powell
Mr. Booth	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Kelly	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Crook	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Dring	Mr. Landa	Mr. Weir
Captain Dunn	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Williams
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Evatt	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Freeman
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Sciffert
Mr. Fowles	Mr. O'Sullivan	

And so it passed in the negative.

Debate continued.

Mr. McGrath moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—“That the Question be now put.”

The House divided.

Ayes, 39.

Mr. Arthur	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Sciffert
Mr. Booth	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Crook	Mr. Landa	Mr. Wattison
Captain Dunn	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Williams
Mr. Evatt	Mr. C. E. Martin	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Chalmers
Mr. Freeman	Mr. O'Sullivan	Mr. Dring
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Powell	
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Robertson	

Noes, 27.

Mr. Adamson	Mr. Hughes	Mr. John Reid
Mr. Black	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Richardson
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Storey
Mr. Cross	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Lang	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Darby	Mr. Lawson	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Jack Beale
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Frith	Mr. Morton	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Pelly	

And it appearing by the Tellers' Lists that the number in favour of the motion, being a majority, consisted of "at least thirty Members,"—

And Mr. Cahill having spoken in Reply,—

Original Question put.

20th April, 1950.

The House divided.

Ayes, 40.

Mr. Arthur	Mr. Freeman	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Booth	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Powell
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Crook	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Dring	Mr. Landa	Mr. Wattison
Captain Dunn	Mr. Lang	Mr. Weir
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. James McGirr	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Evatt	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Geraghty
Mr. Finnan	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	

Noes, 23.

Mr. Adamson	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Turner
Mr. Black	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Brain	Mr. McCaw	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Mcdealf	Mr. Cutler
Mr. Cross	Mr. Morton	Mr. Hughes
Mr. Darby	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Richardson	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Storey	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported progress and obtained leave to sit again at a later hour of the Day.

5. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Fowles, as Chairman, brought up the Seventeenth Report from the Printing Committee.

6. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

(1.) BROKEN HILL PROPRIETARY COMPANY LIMITED (RECLAMATION AND EXCHANGE) AGREEMENT RATIFICATION BILL:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to ratify a certain Agreement made between The Broken Hill Proprietary Company Limited of the one part and His Most Gracious Majesty King George VI of the other part with respect to the exchange of lands between the Company and the Crown, the reclamation of Platt's Channel and parts of South Channel and the granting to the Company of an exclusive right to construct wharves on certain lands; to provide for the carrying into effect of the said Agreement; to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 20th April, 1950.*

T. STEELE,
Deputy-President.

(2.) BROKEN HILL PROPRIETARY COMPANY LIMITED (STEELWORKS) AGREEMENT RATIFICATION BILL:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to ratify a certain Agreement made between The Broken Hill Proprietary Company Limited of the one part and His Most Gracious Majesty King George VI of the other part with respect to the sale to such Company of certain lands at or near Newcastle on certain terms and conditions and with respect to the granting to such Company of the right to obtain leases of certain adjoining lands; to provide for the carrying into effect of the said Agreement; to repeal the Newcastle Iron and Steel Works Act, 1912; to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and certain other Acts in certain*

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respects; and for purposes connected therewith,"—with the amendment indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendment the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 20th April, 1950.*

T. STEELE,
Deputy-President.

BROKEN HILL PROPRIETARY COMPANY LIMITED (STEELWORKS) AGREEMENT
RATIFICATION BILL.

Schedule of the amendment referred to in Message of 20th April, 1950.

W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

Page 7, clause 9, line 7. *After "the" where secondly occurring, insert "First".*
Examined,—

E. G. WRIGHT,
Temporary Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration at a later hour of the Day.

(3.) MAIN ROADS AND TRANSPORT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to amend the Main Roads Act, 1924-1949, and the Transport Act, 1930-1949, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,"—with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.*

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 20th April, 1950.*

T. STEELE,
Deputy-President.

MAIN ROADS AND TRANSPORT (AMENDMENT) BILL.

Schedule of the amendments referred to in Message of 20th April, 1950.

W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

No. 1.—Page 4, clause 3, line 17. *After "operate" insert "and to such other authorities as the Commissioner shall determine who maintain wholly or partly from their own funds roads (within or outside the district of that Trust) on which such motor omnibuses operate".*

No. 2.—Page 4, clause 3, line 21. *After "council" insert "or authority".*

No. 3.—Page 4, clause 3, line 24. *After "council" insert "or authority".*

No. 4.—Page 4, clause 3, line 30. *After "council" insert "or authority".*

No. 5.—Page 4, clause 3, line 35. *After "council" insert "or authority".*

No. 6.—Page 5, clause 3, line 5. *After "shires" insert "and authorities".*

No. 7.—Page 5, clause 3. *After line 12 insert:—*

"In this paragraph 'authorised omnibus route' includes such roads on which registered motor omnibuses are used for purposes incidental to their operation on an authorised omnibus route as the Commissioner may from time to time determine."

Examined,—

E. G. WRIGHT,
Temporary Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration at a later hour of the Day.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

20th April, 1950.

7. WAR SERVICE LAND SETTLEMENT AND CLOSER SETTLEMENT VALIDATION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read,—

Bill, on motion of Mr. Sheahan, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to validate certain resumptions for war service land settlement and certain other matters; to vest certain lands in His Majesty for the purposes of the Closer Settlement Acts; to amend the War Service Land Settlement Act, 1941, the Closer Settlement (Amendment) Act, 1907, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 20th April, 1950.*

8. ELECTRICITY COMMISSION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the further consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Cahill, the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

9. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Cahill moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Wednesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned at Twenty-nine minutes before Twelve o'clock, p.m., until *Wednesday next* at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.



New South Wales.

No. 100.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 26 APRIL, 1950.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS AND TRANSPORT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. James McGirr and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 147.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to make further provision in respect of appeals by, annual leave of, and superannuation payments to officers of the Department of Railways and of the Department of Road Transport and Tramways; for these and other purposes to amend the Government Railways Act, 1912, the Transport Act, 1930, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 26th April, 1950.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table amendments of Ordinances under the Local Government Act, 1919.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Evatt laid upon the Table notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1912-1949, at—

Cobar.	Nowra.
Dubbo.	Rydalmere.
Miranda.	Wollstonecraft.
North Ryde.	

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. C. E. Martin laid upon the Table Rule made by the Judges of the District Court.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for works in connection with the construction of (a) Dam across the Hunter River at Glenbawn; (b) Dam across the Namoi River at Keepit; (c) Dam across the Macquarie River at Burrendong.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Finnan laid upon the Table Regulation extending the period of the operation of the Building Operations and Building Materials Control Act, 1945.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Statement of Traffic secured to Railway Transport by the exercise of the powers conferred on the Railway Commissioner under section 24 (3) and (4) of the Government Railways Act, 1912-1945, for the month of February, 1950.

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(2.) Regulation under the Transport Act, 1930-1949, and Transport (Division of Functions) Act, 1932-1947.

(3.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of confirming the Commissioner for Railways' title to such land at Lakemba.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. **BROKEN HILL PROPRIETARY COMPANY LIMITED (STEELWORKS) AGREEMENT RATIFICATION BILL:**—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. Sheahan Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendment.

On motion of Mr. Sheahan, the Report was adopted.

The following Message sent to the Legislative Council:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council in the Bill intituled "*An Act to ratify a certain Agreement made between The Broken Hill Proprietary Company Limited of the one part and His Most Gracious Majesty King George VI of the other part with respect to the sale to such Company of certain lands at or near Newcastle on certain terms and conditions and with respect to the granting to such Company of the right to obtain leases of certain adjoining lands; to provide for the carrying into effect of the said Agreement; to repeal the Newcastle Iron and Steel Works Act, 1912; to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913; and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.*"

*Legislative Assembly, Chamber,
Sydney, 26th April, 1950.*

4. **ELECTRICITY COMMISSION BILL:**—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Cahill moved, "That" this Bill be now read a third time.

Mr. Turner moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word "That" and inserting the words "the Bill be recommitted for the reconsideration of clause 27,"—instead thereof.

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question.

Debate ensued.

Question,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question,—put and passed.

Question put,—That this Bill be now read a third time.

The House divided.

Ayes, 45.

Mr. Arthur	Mr. Graham	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Booth	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Crook	Mr. Landa	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Dring	Mr. Lang	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Evatt	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Finnan	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Williams
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. C. E. Martin	
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Nott	Mr. Dwyer
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Gorman	Mr. Powell	

Noes, 25.

Mr. Adamson	Mr. Hughes	Lieut.-Col. Robson
Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Storey
Mr. Black	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Turner
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. McCaw	
Mr. Darby	Mr. Morton	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Padman	Mr. Cross
Mr. Howarth	Mr. Pelly	Mr. Dewley

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a third time.

26th April, 1950.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the constitution of the Electricity Commission of New South Wales and to define its powers authorities duties and functions; to amend the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1949, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to repeal the Southern Electricity (Administration) Act, 1942; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 26th April, 1950.*

5. GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS AND TRANSPORT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. O'Sullivan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make further provision in respect of appeals by, annual leave of, and superannuation payments to officers of the Department of Railways and of the Department of Road Transport and Tramways; for these and other purposes to amend the Government Railways Act, 1912, the Transport Act, 1930, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. O'Sullivan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to make further provision in respect of appeals by, annual leave of, and superannuation payments to officers of the Department of Railways and of the Department of Road Transport and Tramways; for these and other purposes to amend the Government Railways Act, 1912, the Transport Act, 1930, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

6. MAIN ROADS AND TRANSPORT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. O'Sullivan Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Freeman, Temporary-Chairman, reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendments.

On motion of Mr. O'Sullivan, the Report was adopted.

The following Message sent to the Legislative Council:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Main Roads Act, 1924-1949, and the Transport Act, 1930-1949, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.*"

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 26th April, 1950.*

7. DAIRY INDUSTRY (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. Graham Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendment.

On motion of Mr. Graham, the Report was adopted.

The following Message sent to the Legislative Council:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Dairy Industry Act, 1915-1940, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.*"

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 26th April, 1950.*

26th April, 1950.

8. FACTORIES AND SHOPS (HAIRDRESSERS) AMENDMENT BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Finnan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the licensing of hairdressers; to constitute a Hairdressers Council and to define its powers, authorities, duties and functions; for these and other purposes to amend the Factories and Shops Act, 1912-1948; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Finnan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to provide for the licensing of hairdressers; to constitute a Hairdressers Council and to define its powers, authorities, duties and functions; for these and other purposes to amend the Factories and Shops Act, 1912-1948; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

9. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Finnan moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Five minutes after Five o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 101.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 27 APRIL, 1950.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by the Ministers named, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

By Mr. C. E. Martin,—

- (1.) Co-operation (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 148.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to amend the Co-operation Act, 1923-1949, in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 26th April, 1950.

By Mr. Kelly,—

- (2.) Meat Industry (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 149.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to dissolve the corporation sole under the name of "The Metropolitan Meat Industry Commissioner"; to dissolve the Metropolitan Meat Industry Advisory Council; to abolish the office of Metropolitan Meat Industry Commissioner; to provide for the constitution of a Metropolitan Meat Industry Board, and for the exercise and discharge by such Board of the powers, authorities, duties and functions of the said corporation sole; to amend the Meat Industry Act, 1915-1943; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 26th April, 1950.

27th April, 1950.

By Mr. James McGirr,—

(3.) Transport and Highways Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,

Message No. 150.

Governor.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to make further provision for securing an efficient and properly integrated system of public transport; to constitute a New South Wales Transport and Highways Commission; to define its powers, authorities, duties and functions; to amend the State Transport (Co-ordination) Act, 1931-1947, the Transport (Division of Functions) Act, 1932-1947, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 26th April, 1950.

(4.) Local Government Town and Country Planning (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,

Message No. 151.

Governor.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to make further provision for and in relation to town and country planning in the County of Cumberland; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,

Sydney, 26th April, 1950.

2. WAR SERVICE LAND SETTLEMENT AND CLOSER SETTLEMENT VALIDATION BILL:—

Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to validate certain resumptions for war service land settlement and certain other matters; to vest certain lands in His Majesty for the purposes of the Closer Settlement Acts; to amend the War Service Land Settlement Act, 1941, the Closer Settlement (Amendment) Act, 1907, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,

Sydney, 26th April, 1950.

T. STEELE,

Deputy-President.

3. CO-OPERATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. C. E. Martin moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Co-operation Act, 1923-1949, in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. Martin then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Co-operation Act, 1923-1949, in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

4. MEAT INDUSTRY (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. Kelly moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to dissolve the corporation sole under the name of "The Metropolitan Meat Industry Commissioner"; to dissolve the Metropolitan Meat Industry Advisory Council; to abolish the office of Metropolitan Meat Industry Commissioner; to provide for the constitution of a Metropolitan Meat Industry Board, and for the exercise and discharge by such Board of the powers, authorities, duties and functions of the said corporation sole; to amend the Meat Industry Act, 1915-1943; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

27th April, 1950.

(2.) Mr. Kelly then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to dissolve the corporation sole under the name of "The Metropolitan Meat Industry Commissioner"; to dissolve the Metropolitan Meat Industry Advisory Council; to abolish the office of the Metropolitan Meat Industry Commissioner; to provide for the constitution of a Metropolitan Meat Industry Board, and for the exercise and discharge by such Board of the powers, authorities, duties and functions of the said corporation sole; to amend the Meat Industry Act, 1915-1943; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

5. GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS AND TRANSPORT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. O'Sullivan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

And Mr. O'Sullivan having spoken in reply,—

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. O'Sullivan, the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

Bill, on motion of Mr. O'Sullivan, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to make further provision in respect of appeals by, annual leave of, and superannuation payments to officers of the Department of Railways and of the Department of Road Transport and Tramways; for these and other purposes to amend the Government Railways Act, 1912, the Transport Act, 1930, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 27th April, 1950.

6. BREAD MANUFACTURE AND DELIVERY BILL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to require bread manufacturers to deliver bread within prescribed distances from their bakehouses or distribution centres or within prescribed areas; to require trade suppliers to supply trade supplies to bread manufacturers; to regulate the manufacture of bread; to require flour millers to append certain information to bags and containers in which flour is delivered to trade suppliers and bread manufacturers; to repeal the Bread Act, 1901, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith or incidental thereto,*"—with the amendment indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendment the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,

Sydney, 27th April, 1950.

T. STEELE,

Deputy-President.

BREAD MANUFACTURE AND DELIVERY BILL.

Schedule of the amendment referred to in Message of 27th April, 1950.

W. K. CHARLTON,

Clerk of the Parliaments.

Page 9, clause 9, line 31. After "out" insert "such description as may be prescribed relating to".

Examined,—

E. G. WRIGHT,

Temporary-Chairman of Committees. Ⓞ

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

27th April, 1950.

7. FACTORIES AND SHOPS (HAIRDRESSERS) AMENDMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Finnan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time. Debate ensued.

Mr. Vincent moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

The House adjourned at Twenty-one minutes before Eleven o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 102.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

FRIDAY, 28 APRIL, 1950.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of the New South Wales State Lotteries for the year ended 30th June, 1949.
 - (2.) Amendment of By-law under the Hunter District Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1938-1945.
 - (3.) Substituted Regulation under the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900-1941.
- Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Heffron laid upon the Table Copies Reports of the Trustees of the Public Library of New South Wales for the years ended 30th June, 1945, 30th June, 1946, 30th June, 1947, 30th June, 1948, and 30th June, 1949.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. MEAT INDUSTRY (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Kelly moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. W. McC. Gollan moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

3. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTORATES AND ELECTIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. Matthews moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to repeal sections 151c and 151d of the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912-1949; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

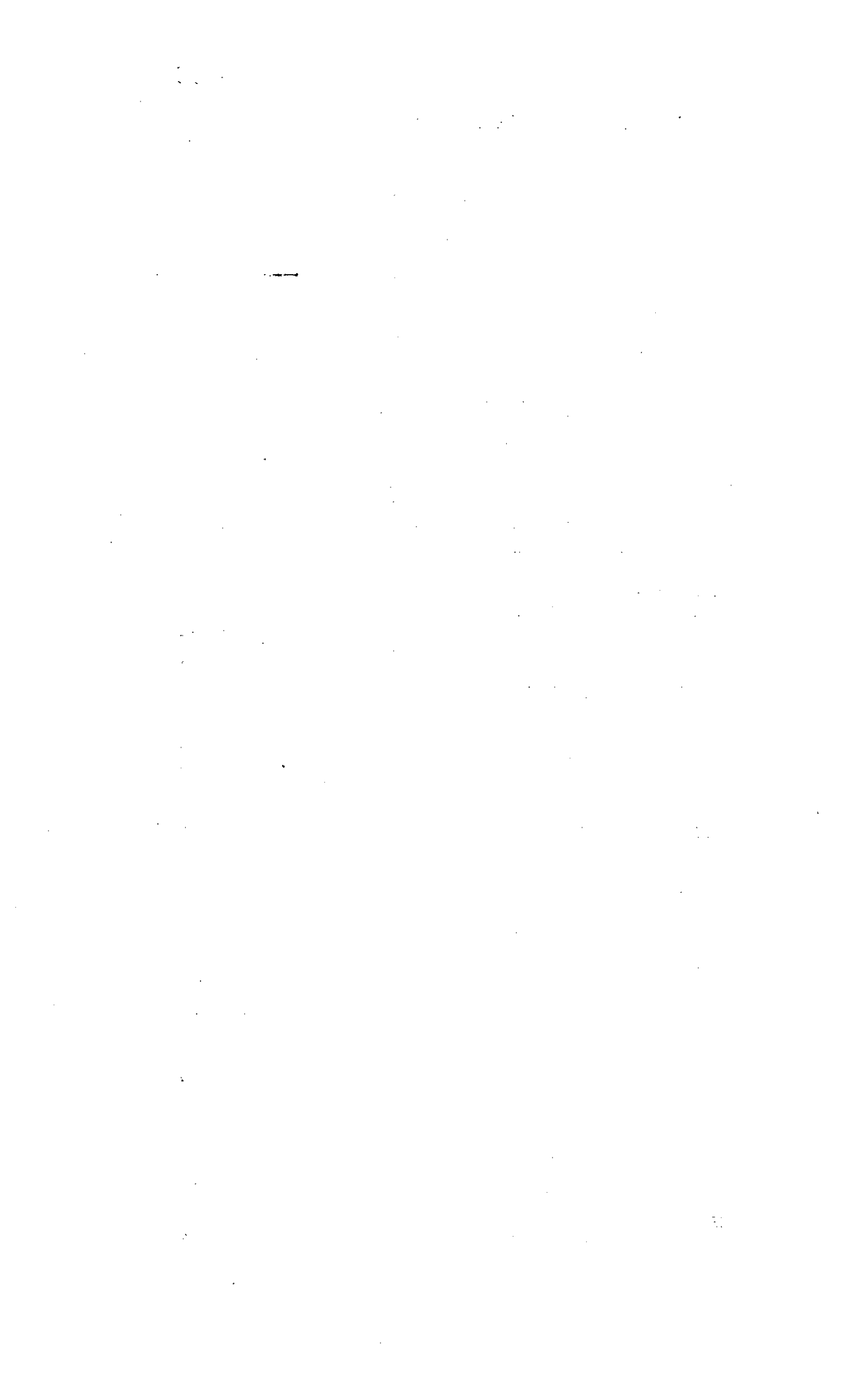
- (2.) Mr. Matthews then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to repeal sections 151c and 151d of the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912-1949; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

The House adjourned at Twelve minutes before Five o'clock, p.m., until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.



New South Wales.

No. 103.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 2 MAY, 1950.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. James McGirr and read by Mr. Speaker:—

(1.) Broken Hill Proprietary Company Limited (Reclamation and Exchange) Agreement Ratification Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 152.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to ratify a certain Agreement made between The Broken Hill Proprietary Company Limited of the one part and His Most Gracious Majesty King George VI of the other part with respect to the exchange of lands between the Company and the Crown, the reclamation of Platt's Channel and parts of South Channel and the granting to the Company of an exclusive right to construct wharves on certain lands; to provide for the carrying into effect of the said Agreement; to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 29th April, 1950.

(2.) Broken Hill Proprietary Company Limited (Steelworks) Agreement Ratification Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 153.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to ratify a certain Agreement made between The Broken Hill Proprietary Company Limited of the one part and His Most Gracious Majesty King George VI of the other part with respect to the sale to such Company of certain lands at or near Newcastle on certain terms and conditions and with respect to the granting to such Company of the right to obtain leases of certain adjoining lands; to provide for the carrying into effect of the said Agreement; to repeal the Newcastle Iron and Steel Works Act, 1912; to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 29th April, 1950.

2nd May, 1950.

2. URGENCY—COMMUNISM IN NEW SOUTH WALES:—Mr. Treatt moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider the following motion, viz.:—That this House is of opinion,—

(1.) That the activities of the Australian Communist Party have been directed towards deliberately destroying, and constitute a grave threat to, the progress and prosperity of the people of New South Wales, and the safety of this State as a Parliamentary democracy;

(2.) that the continued existence of the Australian Communist Party imperils this progress, prosperity and safety;

(3.) that the Government should convey to the Commonwealth Government its support of the Communist Party Dissolution Bill now before the Commonwealth Parliament with an assurance of its active co-operation in the carrying out of this legislation upon its proclamation as an Act of Parliament;

(4.) that the Government should forthwith bring before this House complementary legislation designed to assure that Communists in New South Wales whose activities are prejudicial to the public welfare are disqualified from holding office in State Departments and Instrumentalities; and

(5.) that the terms of this resolution should be communicated to the Prime Minister of Australia,—

and the Debate thereon be continued after 6 o'clock, p.m.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 35.

Mr. Adamson	Mr. Howarth	Lieut.-Col. Robson
Mr. Black	Mr. Hughes	Mr. Rose
Mr. Brain	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Storey
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cross	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Lang	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Lawson	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Dewley
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Pelly
Mr. Frith	Mr. Morton	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Padman	
Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. John Reid	

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Mr. Arthur	Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Booth	Mr. Graham	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Crook	Mr. Landa	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Dring	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Williams
Mr. Finnan	Mr. C. E. Martin	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Nott	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. O'Sullivan	
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Powell	

And so it passed in the negative.

3. PAPER:—Mr. Heffron, *on behalf of* Mr. Kelly, laid upon the Table amendments of Regulation under the Pure Food Act, 1908-1944.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. EDUCATION IN RURAL AREAS:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Hughes, "That, in "the opinion of this House,—

"(1.) Existing facilities for the education of children in rural areas are "inadequate, do not meet the real needs of the community, and place an unfair "financial burden on the parents of such children.

"(2.) Action should be taken by the Government to remedy this position by—

"(a) increasing the number of Agricultural High Schools;

"(b) establishing residential rural schools to provide, at reasonable cost, a "curriculum designed to meet the needs of the children and the area "concerned;

"(c) increasing the number of qualified teachers, trained to teach agricultural "and allied subjects;

"(d) providing free bus transport to country schools;

"(e) seeking taxation concessions in respect of children up to the age of "18 years, educated away from home, to offset travelling and boarding "expenses."

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And the Question being again proposed,—
The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Shannon, That the Honourable Member for Ashburnham, Mr. Dring, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Debate continued.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Howarth, That the Honourable Member for Ryde, Mr. Hearnshaw, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Debate continued.

And it being Six o'clock, p.m., Debate interrupted pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

Ordered, That the resumption of the Debate stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

5. BREAD MANUFACTURE AND DELIVERY BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. Finnan, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendment.

On motion of Mr. Finnan, the Report was adopted.

The following Message sent to the Legislative Council:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "*An Act to require bread manufacturers to deliver bread within prescribed distances from their bakehouses or distribution centres or within prescribed areas; to require trade suppliers to supply trade supplies to bread manufacturers; to regulate the manufacture of bread; to require flour millers to append certain information to bags and containers in which flour is delivered to trade suppliers and bread manufacturers; to repeal the Bread Act, 1901, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith or incidental thereto.*"

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 2nd May, 1950.*

6. FACTORIES AND SHOPS (HAIRDRESSERS) AMENDMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Finnan, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Turner moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

7. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Cahill moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

And it being 10.30 o'clock, p.m., Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949, adjourned the House until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 104.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 3 MAY, 1950.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by the Ministers named, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

By Mr. Sheahan,—

- (1.) War Service Land Settlement and Closer Settlement (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 154.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to make further provision in relation to the conversion of certain tenures into other tenures; to provide for the representation of parties before war service land settlement boards in certain cases; to extend the provisions relating to the forfeiture of certain holdings; to exclude certain tenures from the definition of "Crown lands" in section three of the Mining Act, 1906-1946; for these and other purposes to amend the Closer Settlement Amendment (Conversion) Act, 1943, the War Service Land Settlement Act, 1941, the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

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Sydney, 3rd May, 1950.*

By Mr. Finnan,—

- (2.) Coal Mining Industry Long Service Leave Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 155.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to constitute a Coal Mining Industry Long Service Leave Trust Fund; to provide for the payment therefrom to employers in the coal mining industry of amounts paid by them to employees in respect of long service leave accrued to such employees under certain awards; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 3rd May, 1950.*

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2. GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS AND TRANSPORT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to make further provision in respect of appeals by, annual leave of, and superannuation payments to officers of the Department of Railways and of the Department of Road Transport and Tramways; for these and other purposes to amend the Government Railways Act, 1912, the Transport Act, 1930, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 2nd May, 1950.

T. STEELE,
Deputy-President.

3. PAPERS:—

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Abstract of Crown Lands intended to be dedicated for public purposes in accordance with the provisions of section 24 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

(2.) *Gazette* Notice setting forth the mode in which it is proposed to deal with certain land under section 25 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Matthews laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Regulation and amendments of Regulations under the Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act, 1935-1949.

(2.) Balance-sheet of Art Union under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of Dubbo and District Ambulance Service.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table Report of the Electricity Authority of New South Wales for the year ended 30th June, 1949.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. WAR SERVICE LAND SETTLEMENT AND CLOSER SETTLEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Sheahan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make further provision in relation to the conversion of certain tenures into other tenures; to provide for the representation of parties before war service land settlement boards in certain cases; to extend the provisions relating to the forfeiture of certain holdings; to exclude certain tenures from the definition of "Crown lands" in section three of the Mining Act, 1906-1946; for these and other purposes to amend the Closer Settlement Amendment (Conversion) Act, 1943, the War Service Land Settlement Act, 1941, the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Sheahan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to make further provision in relation to the conversion of certain tenures into other tenures; to provide for the representation of parties before war service land settlement boards in certain cases; to extend the provisions relating to the forfeiture of certain holdings; to exclude certain tenures from the definition of "Crown lands" in section three of the Mining Act, 1906-1946; for these and other purposes to amend the Closer Settlement Amendment (Conversion) Act, 1943, the War Service Land Settlement Act, 1941, the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

5. LIVERPOOL CEMETERY BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Sheahan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to dedicate certain land at Liverpool as a public park; to make provision for the appointment of trustees thereof; to confer and impose certain powers, authorities, duties and functions on such trustees; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

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(2.) Mr. Sheahan then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to dedicate certain land at Liverpool as a public park; to make provision for the appointment of trustees thereof; to confer and impose certain powers, authorities, duties and functions on such trustees; and for purposes connected therewith,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

6. CO-OPERATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. C. E. Martin moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Martin, the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

Bill, on motion of Mr. Martin, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Co-operation Act, 1923-1949, in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 3rd May, 1950.

7. FACTORIES AND SHOPS (HAIRDRESSERS) AMENDMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Finnan, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And Mr. Finnan having spoken in Reply,—

Original Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 43.

Mr. Arthur	Mr. Gorman	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Booth	Mr. Graham	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Crook	Mr. Landa	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Dring	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Weir
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Evatt	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Williams
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Matthews	
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Nott	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Freeman	Mr. O'Sullivan	Mr. Lang
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mrs. Quirk	Mr. Sciffert

Noes, 32.

Mr. Adamson	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Rose
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Storey
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Treutt
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cross	Mr. Kendall	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dickson	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Medcalf	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Frith	Mr. Morton	Mr. Black
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Pelly	Mr. Darby
Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Howarth	Mr. Richardson	
Mr. Hughes	Lieut.-Col. Robson	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

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Mr. Finnan moved, "That" the Report be now adopted.

Mr. Treatt moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word "That" and inserting the words "the Bill be recommitted for the reconsideration of clause 2," instead thereof.

Question put,—That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question. The House divided.

Ayes, 42.

Mr. Booth	Mr. Graham	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Crook	Mr. Lang	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Dwyer	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Weir
Mr. Evatt	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Finnan	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Williams
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Matthews	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Nott	Mr. Landa
Mr. Freeman	Mr. O'Sullivan	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Powell	
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mrs. Quirk	

Noes, 31.

Mr. Adamson	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. John Reid
Mr. Black	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Richardson
Mr. Brain	Mr. Hughes	Lieut.-Col. Robson
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Storey
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Cross	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Lawson	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Ellis	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Darby
Mr. Frith	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Morton
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Pelly	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question,—That the Report be now adopted,—put and passed.

And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

Mr. Finnan moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 42.

Mr. Booth	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Landa	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Crook	Mr. Lang	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Evatt	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Finnan	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Weir
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Wetherell
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Nott	Mr. Dwyer
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Mr. Cutler	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Darby	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Lawson	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Ellis	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Adamson
Mr. Frith	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Storey
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Morton	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for the licensing of hairdressers; to constitute a Hairdressers Council and to define its powers, authorities, duties and functions; for these and

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other purposes to amend the Factories and Shops Act, 1912-1948; and for purposes connected therewith,—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 3rd May, 1950.*

8. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

(1.) Co-operation (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Co-operation Act, 1923-1949, in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 3rd May, 1950.*

T. STEELE,
Deputy-President.

(2.) Electricity Commission Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to provide for the constitution of the Electricity Commission of New South Wales and to define its powers authorities duties and functions; to amend the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1949, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to repeal the Southern Electricity (Administration) Act, 1942; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 3rd May, 1950.*

T. STEELE,
Deputy-President.

ELECTRICITY COMMISSION BILL.

Schedule of the amendments referred to in Message of 3rd May, 1950.

W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

No. 1.—Page 10, clause 5, line 25. *After "if" insert "not being the Chairman".*

No. 2.—Page 10, clause 5, line 30. *After "commissioner" insert "not being the Chairman".*

No. 3.—Page 10, clause 5. *After line 31 insert—*

"(8) (a) The Chairman may be suspended from his office by the Governor for misbehaviour or incompetence, but shall not be removed from office except as provided in this subsection.

"(b) The Minister shall cause to be laid before Parliament a full statement of the grounds of suspension if Parliament is then in session, and if not, then within seven sitting days after the commencement of the next session.

"(c) The Chairman suspended under this section shall be restored to office unless each House of Parliament, within twenty-one days from the time when such statement has been laid before it, declares by resolution that the Chairman ought to be removed from office, and if each House of Parliament within the said time does so declare, the Chairman shall be removed by the Governor accordingly."

No. 4.—Page 10, clause 5, line 35. *Omit "and".*

No. 5.—Page 10, clause 5, line 35. *After "seven" insert "and eight".*

No. 6.—Page 16, clause 9, line 15. *After "council" where firstly occurring, insert "or the County District of any County Council".*

No. 7.—Page 16, clause 9, line 26. *After "or" where secondly occurring, insert "except in the County District of the Sydney County Council or any area supplied at the commencement of this Act by the Electric Light and Power Supply Corporation Limited to".*

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No. 8.—Page 42, clause 41, line 5. *Omit* “above at or below their face value”.

No. 9.—Page 42, clause 41, line 10. *After* “regulations” *insert* “in each case at their current market price”.

No. 10.—Page 42, clause 41, lines 30 to 33 inclusive. *Omit* all words on these lines, *insert*—

“If after a loan raised in respect of any fund has been repaid, there remains in the reserve for repayment of that loan any balance, such balance may be transferred to the current account of that fund.”

No. 11.—Page 43, clause 42, line 13. *After* “shall” *insert* “both as regards the issue and transfer thereof for full consideration or money or money’s worth”.

No. 12.—Page 55. *After* line 38 *insert* new clause to stand as clause 61—

“61. (1) Where within a period of twelve months after the appointed day referred to in Division 2 of Part IV of this Act, the County Council proposes, in consequence of a change in duties or diminution of the responsibility of office of any of its servants, to reduce the salary or wages payable to such servant to a rate less than the rate received by the servant immediately before the commencement of this Act, the County Council shall immediately inform the Commission and the Committee constituted under the provisions of subsection one of section fifty-nine of its proposal and forward to each such body particulars of the name, position, qualifications and the existing and proposed rates of salary relating to any such servant.

“(2) (a) The Committee constituted under the provisions of subsection one of section fifty-nine of this Act shall, where particulars relating to any servant of the County Council are referred to it pursuant to subsection one of this section determine whether the change of duties or diminution of the responsibility of office of the servant does in fact arise as a direct consequence of the operation of this Act.

“(b) Where the Committee finds that the change of duties or the diminution of the responsibility of office of such servant does in fact arise as a direct consequence of the operation of this Act, the Commission may within one month after the date of the determination by the said Committee elect to employ such servant, and in such case the provisions of section sixty of this Act shall *mutatis mutandis* apply to and in respect of such servant. If the Commission does not exercise that election within the period specified the servant shall be entitled to remain in the service of the County Council, and to receive salary or wages at a rate not less than the rate which was payable to him immediately before the commencement of this Act, and the said Committee shall determine how the expense in paying such salary or wages to the servant shall be met.

“The Committee may attach any condition or qualification it deems appropriate to any determination made by it under this paragraph.

“(c) The Regulations may make provision for the carrying out or giving effect to any determination made by such Committee under the provisions of paragraph (b) of this subsection.”

No. 13.—Page 58, clause 62, line 40. *After* “agreement” *insert* “or agreement made under or in pursuance of the Public Service Act, 1902, as amended by subsequent Acts”.

No. 14.—Page 61, clause 66, line 2. *Omit* “sixty-seven” *insert* “sixty-eight”.

No. 15.—Page 61, clause 68, line 12. *Omit* “sixty-five” *insert* “sixty-six”.

No. 16.—Page 66, clause 73, line 1. *Omit* “eighty-nine” *insert* “ninety”.

No. 17.—Page 69, clause 79, line 11. *Omit* “seventy-eight” *insert* “seventy-nine”.

No. 18.—Page 75, clause 97, line 38. *After* “Authority” *insert* “or the Council as the case may be”.

No. 19.—Page 77, clause 99, subclause (4), lines 11 to 17 inclusive. *Omit* subclause (4).

Examined,—

E. G. WRIGHT,

Temporary Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

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9. COAL MINING INDUSTRY LONG SERVICE LEAVE BILL:—Mr. Finnan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to constitute a Coal Mining Industry Long Service Leave Trust Fund; to provide for the payment therefrom to employers in the coal mining industry of amounts paid by them to employees in respect of long service leave accrued to such employees under certain awards; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

And it being 10.20 o'clock, p.m., the Debate stood adjourned, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th March, 1949.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

10. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Cahill moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-five minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 105.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 4 MAY, 1950.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. James McGirr and read by Mr. Speaker:—

(1.) Main Roads and Transport (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor,

Message No. 156.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Main Roads Act, 1924-1949, and the Transport Act, 1930-1949, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

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Sydney, 3rd May, 1950.

(2.) War Service Land Settlement and Closer Settlement Validation Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor,

Message No. 157.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to validate certain resumptions for war service land settlement and certain other matters; to vest certain lands in His Majesty for the purposes of the Closer Settlement Acts; to amend the War Service Land Settlement Act, 1941, the Closer Settlement (Amendment) Act, 1907, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the Governor for the Royal Assent, His Excellency has, in the name of His Majesty, assented to the said Bill, and has this day transmitted it to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

Government House,
Sydney, 3rd May, 1950.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. Graham laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. W. J. C. Hudson, B.Sc.(Agr.), Department of Agriculture.

(2.) Amendments of Regulation under the Marketing of Primary Products Act, 1927-1940.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Finnan laid upon the Table Return to an Order made on the 21st October 1884—"Authorities to Mine issued since January, 1882, under the Mining Act, 1874."

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4th May, 1950.

Mr. Matthews laid upon the Table Report of the Aborigines Welfare Board for the year ended 30th June, 1949.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. MEAT INDUSTRY (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Kelly, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Mr. Turner moved, That the Honourable Member for Burwood, Mr. Jackett, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Question put and negatived.

Debate continued.

And Mr. Kelly having spoken in Reply,—

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 45.

Mr. Arthur	Mr. Graham	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Booth	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Sciefert
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Crook	Mr. Landa	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Evatt	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Weir
Mr. Finnan	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Wetherell
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Williams
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Nott	Mr. Dring
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. O'Sullivan	Mr. Laug
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Powell	
Mr. Gorman	Mr. Renshaw	

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Mr. Black	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Rose
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Storey
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Cross	Mr. Kendall	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cutler	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Frith	Mr. Morton	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Pelly	Mr. Adamson
Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Dickson
Mr. Howarth	Mr. Richardson	
Mr. Hughes	Lieut.-Col. Robson	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Kelly the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

Bill, on motion of Mr. Kelly, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "An Act to dissolve the corporation sole under the name of 'The Metropolitan Meat Industry Commissioner'; to dissolve the Metropolitan Meat Industry Advisory Council; to abolish the office of Metropolitan Meat Industry Commissioner; to provide for the constitution of a Metropolitan Meat Industry Board, and for the exercise and discharge by such Board of the powers, authorities, duties and functions of the said corporation sole; to amend the Meat Industry Act, 1915-1943; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 4th May, 1950.

4. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Wattison, on behalf of the Chairman, brought up the Eighteenth Report from the Printing Committee.

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4th May, 1950.

5. LIVERPOOL CEMETERY BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Sheahan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

And Mr. Sheahan having spoken in Reply,—

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Freeman, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Sheahan, the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Deputy-Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

Bill, on motion of Mr. Sheahan, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to dedicate certain land at Liverpool as a public park; to make provision for the appointment of trustees thereof; to confer and impose certain powers, authorities, duties and functions on such trustees; and for purposes connected therewith*,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 4th May, 1950.

6. WAR SERVICE LAND SETTLEMENT AND CLOSER SETTLEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Sheahan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

And Mr. Sheahan having spoken in Reply,—

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Tully, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Sheahan, the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

Bill, on motion of Mr. Sheahan, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to make further provision in relation to the conversion of certain tenures into other tenures; to provide for the representation of parties before war service land settlement boards in certain cases; to extend the provisions relating to the forfeiture of certain holdings; to exclude certain tenures from the definition of 'Crown lands' in section three of the Mining Act, 1906-1946; for these and other purposes to amend the Closer Settlement Amendment (Conversion) Act, 1943, the War Service Land Settlement Act, 1941, the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith*,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 4th May, 1950.

7. FACTORIES AND SHOPS (HAIRDRESSERS) AMENDMENT BILL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to provide for the licensing of hairdressers; to constitute a Hairdressers Council and to define its powers, authorities, duties and functions; for these and other purposes to amend the Factories and Shops Act, 1912-1948; and for purposes connected therewith*,"—with the amendment indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendment the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,

Sydney, 4th May, 1950.

T. STEELE,

Deputy-President.

4th May, 1950.

FACORIES AND SHOPS (HAIRDRESSERS) AMENDMENT BILL.

Schedule of the amendment referred to in Message of 4th May, 1950.

W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

Page 3, clause 2, line 29. After "or" insert "a probationer for apprenticeship or".

Examined,—

E. G. WRIGHT,
Temporary Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

8. COAL MINING INDUSTRY LONG SERVICE LEAVE BILL:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Finnan, "That leave be given to bring in a Bill "to constitute a Coal Mining Industry Long Service Leave Trust Fund; to "provide for the payment therefrom to employers in the coal mining industry "of amounts paid by them to employees in respect of long service leave accrued "to such employees under certain awards; to validate certain matters; and for "purposes connected therewith."

And the Question being again proposed,—
The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.
Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Finnan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to constitute a Coal Mining Industry Long Service Leave Trust Fund; to provide for the payment therefrom to employers in the coal mining industry of amounts paid by them to employees in respect of long service leave accrued to such employees under certain awards; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.*"—which was read a first time.

Ordered, That the second reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

9. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTORATES AND ELECTIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Matthews moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill with amendments including an amendment in the Title.

On motion of Mr. Matthews the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for To-morrow.

10. ELECTRICITY COMMISSION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. Cahill Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendments.

On motion of Mr. Cahill, the Report was adopted.

The following Message sent to the Legislative Council:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the constitution of the Electricity Commission of New South Wales and to define its powers authorities duties and functions; to amend the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1949, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to repeal the Southern Electricity (Administration) Act, 1942; and for purposes connected therewith.*"
Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 4th May, 1950.

11. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Cahill moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

Question put and passed.

12. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Cahill moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-eight minutes before Eleven o'clock, p.m., until *Tuesday next* at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 106.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 9 MAY, 1950.

The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION (BROKEN HILL) AMENDMENT BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Finnan and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 158.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 46th section of the Constitution Act, 1902, the Governor recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to amend the Workmen's Compensation (Broken Hill) Act, 1920-1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 8th May, 1950.

2. LIVERPOOL CEMETERY BILL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to dedicate certain land at Liverpool as a public park; to make provision for the appointment of trustees thereof; to confer and impose certain powers, authorities, duties and functions on such trustees; and for purposes connected therewith.*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 4th May, 1950.

T. STEELE,
Deputy-President.

3. PRECEDENCE OF BUSINESS:—

(1.) URGENCY:—Mr. Cahill moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider a motion relating to the precedence of business.

Question put and passed.

(2.) SUSPENSION OF STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS:—Mr. Cahill moved, That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would preclude the consideration forthwith of a motion relating to the precedence of business.

Question put and passed.

(3.) Mr. Cahill moved, That so much of the Sessional Orders be suspended as would preclude Government Business taking precedence of General Business at the present sitting of the House.

Question put and passed.

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4. PAPERS:—

Mr. C. E. Martin laid upon the Table Regulations under the Co-operation Act, 1923-1949.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table By-law under the Government Railways Act, 1912-1945.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for works in connection with the construction of a Dam across the Macquarie River at Burrendong.

(2.) Copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Messrs. L. R. Humphreys, A. D. Brown, L. J. Durham, G. P. Rhodes, R. T. Brooker and A. J. Skulander, Department of Conservation.

(3.) Abstract of Crown Lands intended to be dedicated for public purposes in accordance with the provisions of section 24 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Finnan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Rules under the Workers' Compensation Act, 1926-1948.

(2.) Statistics supplementary to the Report of the Workers' Compensation Commission for the year ended 30th June, 1949.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Matthews laid upon the Table copy of Report by the Chief Secretary on Fisheries in New South Wales for the year ended 30th June, 1949.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

5. PARLIAMENTARY ELECTORATES AND ELECTIONS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion of Mr. Matthews, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to repeal section 151c and to amend section 151d of the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912-1949; and for purposes connected therewith,*" —presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 9th May, 1950.*

6. CLOSER SETTLEMENT—PART GHOOLENDAADI ESTATE:—Mr. Weir, *on behalf of Mr.*

Sheahan, moved, pursuant to Notice, That pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts, this House approves of the Governor resuming from the owners the lands comprised in part of Ghoolendaadi Estate, situated about twelve miles southerly from Boggabri and about twenty-five miles westerly from Gunnedah, containing an area of about 37,568 acres, owned as to an area of about 20,925 acres by Henry Ward Pye, as to an area of about 8,344 acres by Richard James Pye and as to the residue of about 8,299 acres by Richard Anthony Pye.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

7. PAPER:—Mr. Weir, *on behalf of Mr. Sheahan*, laid upon the Table particulars respecting the proposed acquisition by the Governor, for Closer Settlement purposes, of part of "Ghoolendaadi" Estate, in the district of Gunnedah.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

8. FACTORIES AND SHOPS (HAIRDRESSERS) AMENDMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. Finnan, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendment.

On motion of Mr. Finnan, the Report was adopted.

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The following Message sent to the Legislative Council:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the licensing of hairdressers; to constitute a Hairdressers Council and to define its powers, authorities, duties and functions; for these and other purposes to amend the Factories and Shops Act, 1912-1948; and for purposes connected therewith.*"

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 9th May, 1950.

9. COAL MINING INDUSTRY LONG SERVICE LEAVE BILL:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Finnan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Freeman, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Finnan, the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Deputy-Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

(2.) Bill, on motion of Mr. Finnan, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to constitute a Coal Mining Industry Long Service Leave Trust Fund; to provide for the payment therefrom to employers in the coal mining industry of amounts paid by them to employees in respect of long service leave accrued to such employees under certain awards; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 9th May, 1950.

10. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION (BROKEN HILL) AMENDMENT BILL:—

(1.) URGENCY:—Mr. Finnan moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that the Workmen's Compensation (Broken Hill) Amendment Bill be brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.

Question put and passed.

(2.) SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—Mr. Finnan moved, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the Workmen's Compensation (Broken Hill) Amendment Bill being brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.

Question put and passed.

(3.) Mr. Finnan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Workmen's Compensation (Broken Hill) Act, 1920-1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Question put and passed.

(4.) Mr. Finnan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Workmen's Compensation (Broken Hill) Act, 1920-1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

(5.) Mr. Finnan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Finnan, the Report was adopted.

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(6.) Bill, on motion of Mr. Finnan, read a third time.

Bill sent to the Legislative Council, with the following Message:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly having this day passed a Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Workmen's Compensation (Broken Hill) Act, 1920-1948, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 9th May, 1950.

11. PRINTING COMMITTEE—Mr. Wattison, as Acting-Chairman, brought up the Nineteenth Report from the Printing Committee.

12. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

(1.) War Service Land Settlement and Closer Settlement (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to make further provision in relation to the conversion of certain tenures into other tenures; to provide for the representation of parties before war service land settlement boards in certain cases; to extend the provisions relating to the forfeiture of certain holdings; to exclude certain tenures from the definition of 'Crown lands' in section three of the Mining Act, 1906-1946; for these and other purposes to amend the Closer Settlement Amendment (Conversion) Act, 1943, the War Service Land Settlement Act, 1941, the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 9th May, 1950.

T. STEELE,
Deputy-President.

(2.) Parliamentary Electorates and Elections (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to repeal section 1510 and to amend section 1510 of the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912-1949; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 9th May, 1950.

T. STEELE,
Deputy-President.

(3.) Meat Industry (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to dissolve the corporation sole under the name of 'The Metropolitan Meat Industry Commissioner'; to dissolve the Metropolitan Meat Industry Advisory Council; to abolish the office of Metropolitan Meat Industry Commissioner; to provide for the constitution of a Metropolitan Meat Industry Board, and for the exercise and discharge by such Board of the powers, authorities, duties and functions of the said corporation sole; to amend the Meat Industry Act, 1915-1943; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—with the amendment indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendment the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 9th May, 1950.

T. STEELE,
Deputy-President.

MEAT INDUSTRY (AMENDMENT) BILL.

Schedule of the amendment referred to in Message of 9th May, 1950.

W. K. CHARLTON,

Clerk of the Parliaments.

Page 9, clause 4. After line 24 insert—

"Provided that the said Metropolitan Meat Industry Commissioner shall not be entitled to compensation as aforesaid if he has been offered

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and has declined to accept office as Chairman of the said Metropolitan Meat Industry Board, but in lieu thereof he shall be entitled to the gratuity of an amount equal to one year's salary as Metropolitan Meat Industry Commissioner."

Examined,—

E. G. WRIGHT,

Temporary Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration forthwith.

13. MEAT INDUSTRY (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. Matthews, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendment.

On motion of Mr. Matthews, the Report was adopted.

The following Message sent to the Legislative Council:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled "*An Act to dissolve the corporation sole under the name of 'The Metropolitan Meat Industry Commissioner'; to dissolve the Metropolitan Meat Industry Advisory Council; to abolish the office of Metropolitan Meat Industry Commissioner; to provide for the constitution of a Metropolitan Meat Industry Board, and for the exercise and discharge by such Board of the powers, authorities, duties and functions of the said corporation sole; to amend the Meat Industry Act, 1915-1943; and for purposes connected therewith.*"

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 9th May, 1950.

14. MESSAGES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL:—Mr. Speaker reported the following Messages from the Legislative Council:—

- (1.) Workmen's Compensation (Broken Hill) Amendment Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Workmen's Compensation (Broken Hill) Act, 1920-1943, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,

Sydney, 9th May, 1950.

T. STEELE,

Deputy-President.

- (2.) Coal Mining Industry Long Service Leave Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to constitute a Coal Mining Industry Long Service Leave Trust Fund; to provide for the payment therefrom to employers in the coal mining industry of amounts paid by them to employees in respect of long service leave accrued to such employees under certain awards; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—with the amendments indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,

Sydney, 9th May, 1950.

T. STEELE,

Deputy-President.

COAL MINING INDUSTRY LONG SERVICE LEAVE BILL.

Schedule of the amendments referred to in Message of 9th May, 1950.

W. K. CHARLTON,

Clerk of the Parliaments.

No. 1.—Page 2, clause 2: After line 34 insert—

"(2) A reference in this Act to any Act of the Parliament of the Commonwealth shall include a reference to that Act as amended from time to time."

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No. 2.—Page 3, clause 3, lines 4 to 6 inclusive. *Omit* all words on these lines, *insert*—

“The Fund shall consist of—

“(a) such amounts as are from time to time advanced to the Fund by the Colonial Treasurer, and

“(b) all amounts received by the State from the Commonwealth under the States Grants (Coal Mining Industry Long Service Leave) Act, 1949, of the Parliament of the Commonwealth.”

No. 3.—Page 3, clause 4, line 21. *Omit* “from the Fund”.

No. 4.—Page 4, clause 7, paragraph (c), lines 29 to 32 inclusive. *Omit* paragraph (c).

No. 5.—Page 5, clause 7, paragraph (d), lines 1 to 5 inclusive. *Omit* paragraph (d).

No. 6.—Page 6. *After* line 35 *insert* new clause to stand as clause 12—

“12. (1) Each award, insofar as it operates or purports to operate, in relation to employers or employees, or the personal representatives of deceased employees, resident or carrying on business in the State of New South Wales, shall have the force of law, and shall be deemed always to have had the force of law, in accordance with its tenor.

“(2) Insofar as any award which has the force of law by virtue of this section confers, or purports to confer, power on an authority, other than the Coal Industry Tribunal, to bring the award into operation, that power may be exercised by the Coal Industry Tribunal.”

Examined,—

E. G. WRIGHT,

Temporary Chairman of Committees.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill be taken into consideration forthwith.

15. COAL MINING INDUSTRY LONG SERVICE LEAVE BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. Finnan, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Council in this Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported that the Committee had agreed to the Council's amendments.

On motion of Mr. Finnan, the Report was adopted.

The following Message sent to the Legislative Council:—

Mr. PRESIDENT,—

The Legislative Assembly has this day agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council in the Bill, intituled “*An Act to constitute a Coal Mining Industry Long Service Leave Trust Fund; to provide for the payment therefrom to employers in the coal mining industry of amounts paid by them to employees in respect of long service leave accrued to such employees under certain awards; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.*”

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 9th May, 1950.

16. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Wednesday, 24th May, 1950, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m., unless Mr. Speaker, or if Mr. Speaker be unable to act on account of illness or other cause, the Chairman of Committees, shall, prior to that date, by telegram or letter addressed to each Member of the House, fix an earlier day and/or hour of meeting.

Question put and passed.

17. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Four minutes before Ten o'clock, p.m., until Wednesday, 24th May, 1950, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m., unless an earlier day and/or hour be fixed in accordance with the terms of the Resolution adopted at this Sitting.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.



PROCLAMATION.

NEW SOUTH WALES, } By His Excellency Lieutenant-General JOHN NORTHCOTT,
 TO WIT. } Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Member
 (L.S.) } of the Royal Victorian Order, Governor of the State of New
 J. NORTHCOTT, } South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of
 Governor. } Australia.

WHEREAS by An Act passed in the second year of the reign of His Majesty King Edward the Seventh being "An Act to consolidate the Acts relating to the Constitution" it is amongst other things enacted that the Governor of New South Wales may dissolve the Legislative Assembly whenever he deems it expedient: And whereas it is expedient that the said Assembly shall now be dissolved: Now, therefore, I, Lieutenant-General JOHN NORTHCOTT, in pursuance of the power and authority so vested in me, do hereby dissolve the said Legislative Assembly, and the same stands dissolved accordingly.

Given under my Hand and Seal at Sydney, this twenty-second day of May, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty, and in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's reign.

By His Excellency's Command,

JAMES MCGIRR.

GOD SAVE THE KING!

1948-49-50.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

BUSINESS UNDISPOSED OF AT THE
CLOSE OF THE SESSION.

(DISSOLVED, 22ND MAY, 1950.)

QUESTIONS:—

1. Homebush and Country Abattoirs:—Mr. Cutler asked the Minister for Health:—
Will he inform the House,—
- (1.) What were the overall charges at Homebush Abattoirs prior to 1st June, 1949, for the slaughter of (a) cattle; (b) sheep; (c) calves; and (d) pigs?
 - (2.) Whether these charges covered costs and, if not, what losses occurred in the years 1935-36 to 1948-49?
 - (3.) (a) If losses occurred, were any contributions expected from the Federal Meat Stabilisation Scheme to meet such losses; (b) if so, were these contributions received; and (c) if not, what were the reasons for non-payment?
 - (4.) If losses incurred before 1949 are to be written off or whether the Government proposes to recover losses from future users of the Abattoirs?
 - (5.) What are the present charges at Homebush for the slaughter of cattle, sheep, calves and pigs?
 - (6.) (a) What amount has been received from country meat inspection since 1940, and (b) what has been the yearly cost of such inspection?
 - (7.) (a) What was the number of stock slaughtered in country abattoirs during the years 1940 to 1948, and (b) what was the capacity for killing at these abattoirs during those years?
 - (8.) (a) What number of stock can be slaughtered at Homebush yearly, and (b) what is the average killed since 1940?
 - (9.) How killing charges at Homebush compare with killing charges at country abattoirs?
 - (10.) If the country abattoirs show losses, will municipal authorities under whose charge they are placed, be responsible for the deficit?
2. Financial Assistance for Control of Noxious Weeds:—Mr. John Reid asked the Minister for Agriculture:—
- (1.) Is it a fact that the Richmond County Council has made application to him for financial assistance in combating noxious weeds within its area?
 - (2.) Is it also a fact that noxious weeds are growing in areas controlled by the Department of Agriculture as well as on Crown lands under the control of the Department of Lands and the Department of Conservation?
 - (3.) Is it further a fact that funds available to that council are insufficient to deal effectively with the weeds on Crown lands as well as the weeds on alienated holdings?
 - (4.) If the answers to (1.) to (3.) above are in the affirmative, will he confer with his colleagues in charge of the other two departments mentioned, with the object of approaching the Treasury to have a grant of money made to the Richmond County Council to augment the local rates charged, in order to cope adequately with the noxious weeds menace on Crown lands and private holdings, in the north-eastern portion of the State?

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Theatres and Public Halls (Cinematograph Films Censorship) Bill; second reading. [*Mr. James McGirr.*]
2. Reorganised Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Trust Property Bill; second reading. [*Mr. C. E. Martin.*]
3. Supply; resumption of the Committee.
4. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee.

GENERAL BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Education in Rural Areas; resumption of the adjourned Debate on the motion of Mr. Hughes, "That, in the opinion of this House,—
 - "(1.) Existing facilities for the education of children in rural areas are "inadequate, do not meet the real needs of the community, and place an unfair "financial burden on the parents of such children.
 - "(2.) Action should be taken by the Government to remedy this position by—
 - "(a) increasing the number of Agricultural High Schools;
 - "(b) establishing residential rural schools to provide, at reasonable cost, a "curriculum designed to meet the needs of the children and the area "concerned;
 - "(c) increasing the number of qualified teachers, trained to teach agricultural "and allied subjects;
 - "(d) providing free bus transport to country schools;
 - "(e) seeking taxation concessions in respect of children up to the age of "18 years, educated away from home, to offset travelling and boarding "expenses."

2. Establishment of a Rabbit Destruction Commission; resumption of the adjourned Debate (*Mr. Renshaw*) on the motion of Mr. Fred Cahill, "That, in the opinion "of this 'House',—
 - "(1.) the Government should establish a Rabbit Destruction Commission with "authority to—
 - "(a) acquire the necessary plant and machinery for the destruction of rabbits "on both private and Crown land;
 - "(b) ensure the protection of such property on terms equitable to all owners "of property of whatsoever tenure; and
 - "(c) enhance the productive capacity of such lands;
 - "(2.) the New Zealand statutes and methods of administration relating to any "similar Commission or authority should be thoroughly investigated with a "view to—
 - "(a) ascertaining in detail the results of the experience obtained in that "Dominion; and
 - "(b) establishing the nature of the legislative and administrative machinery "which it would be advisable to set up in this State,

"so that effect may be given to the considered opinion of 'the man on the land' "that the preservation of our lands from rabbit infestation should be a primary "objective of the Government's rural policy."

"Upon which Mr. Treatt has moved, That the Question be amended by leaving "out all the words after the word 'House' with a view of inserting the following "words instead thereof:—

 - "(1.) A Select Committee should be appointed to inquire into and report upon—
 - "(a) methods to stimulate production and increase supplies to farmers of " "wire netting, fencing materials and fumigants for the destruction and " "control of rabbits;
 - "(b) any alterations to legislation relating to Pastures Protection Boards " "in New South Wales and the control and destruction of rabbits, " "considered desirable to make such legislation more effective;
 - "(c) improving the means for spreading information, knowledge and advice " "to farmers on methods of rabbit control and destruction; and
 - "(d) the administration and methods adopted under New Zealand statutes " "for the destruction of rabbits and the preservation of lands from rabbit " "infestation.
 - "(2.) That such Committee should consist of Lieut-Col. Bruxner, Mr. Fred "Cahill, Mr. Dring, Captain Dunn, Mr. Padman, Mr. Wetherell and the Mover.
 - "(3.) That such Committee should be given leave to sit during the sittings or "any adjournment of the House, and to make visits of inspection within the "State of New South Wales in connection with the inquiry."

3. Snowy River Irrigation and Hydro-electric Scheme; resumption of the adjourned Debate (*Mr. Padman*) on the motion of Mr. Enticknap, "That, in the opinion of this House,—

"(1.) Immediate steps should be initiated to develop, for the purposes of irrigation and hydro-electricity, the water resources of the Snowy River and its tributaries, of the Upper Murrumbidgee Valley, the Tumut Valley and the Upper Murray Valley.

"(2.) The Government be asked to examine the possibility of designing a comprehensive scheme for the use of all these waters based on the early construction of a dam at Billilingera (Murrumbidgee River), a diversion tunnel from the Snowy to the Murrumbidgee and a dam at Jindabyne (Snowy River), in that order.

"(3.) If the Government is satisfied as to such a scheme being practicable and able to meet substantial demands for irrigation and for power, then it be authorised to introduce the necessary legislation without delay to provide for the three undertakings referred to."

"Upon which Mr. Fred Cahill has moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out paragraphs (2.) and (3.), with a view of inserting the following words to stand as paragraphs (2.), (3.) and (4.) instead thereof:—

"(2.) The use of the waters for irrigation purposes should not be subordinated to the use of the waters for electricity.

"(3.) The whole of the waters should be made available to New South Wales for utilisation in the Murrumbidgee Valley or such other areas as the N.S.W. Government might consider appropriate.

"(4.) There should be consultation between all authorities concerned as to the order in which the works should be commenced and the rate of construction."

4. Designation of "British Commonwealth of Nations"; resumption of the adjourned Debate (*Mr. Cahill*) on the motion of Mr. Turner,—

"(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the omission of the word 'British' from the long established designation 'British Commonwealth of Nations' in the final communique issued by the Dominion Prime Ministers' Conference, recently held in London, is to be deplored, because such omission is likely to establish a new usage which this House believes would be highly detrimental to the best interests of the British Commonwealth of Nations and inimical to those of the people of this State and of Australia.

"(2.) That the foregoing Resolution be communicated by Mr. Speaker to His Excellency the Governor, together with a request that it be conveyed to the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations."

NOTICE OF MOTION:—

1. Mr. FITZGERALD to move,—

That, in the opinion of this House, the transport of timber over roads under the control of local government bodies of this State has caused and is causing considerable damage to those roads, and as no monetary contribution is made by the Forestry Commission to councils for repair of roads, the Government should, as a matter of urgency, pass legislation to provide that a reasonable and fair portion of royalties collected on timber by the Forestry Commission shall be paid to local government bodies for road works; and that such payments should be made to councils in proportion to the use made of their roads for the transport of timber originating from areas controlled by the Forestry Commission.

1948-49-50.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.
NEW SOUTH WALES.

ATTENDANCES OF MEMBERS IN DIVISIONS AND COUNTS-OUT
AND RECORD OF PAIRS DURING THE
SESSION OF 1948-49-50.

Total number of Divisions in the House, 92; Divisions in Committee, 111; Counts-out, Nil.

	Divisions in the House.	Divisions in Committee.	Counts- out.	Total Divisions attended.	Number of times paired.
(j) Adamson, John Clark, Esq.	17	21	...	38	...
Arthur, The Hon. Joshua George	79	92	...	171	20
(e) Baddeley, The Hon. John Marcus	42	67	...	109	12
(g) Bate, Henry Jefferson, Esq.	39	44	...	83	20
Beale, Jack Gordon, Esq., A.S.T.C. Mech. Eng., A.M.A.S.C.E., A.M.I.E., Aust.	54	66	...	120	49
Black, Ivan Carlisle, Esq., LL.B.	76	75	...	151	22
(k) Booth, George, Esq. (<i>Chairman of Committees</i>)	58	1	...	59	18
Brain, George William, Esq., F.C.A. (Aust.)	89	104	...	193	7
Bruzner, Lieut.-Colonel The Hon. Michael Frederick, D.S.O.	61	47	...	108	29
(l) Cahill, Frederick Joseph, Esq.	62	72	...	134	55
Cahill, The Hon. John Joseph	82	95	...	177	17
Cameron, Robert, Esq.	77	94	...	171	13
(b) Carlton, William Joseph, Esq. (<i>Temporary Chairman of Committees</i>)	8	15	...	23	26
Chaffey, William Adolphus, Esq.	84	105	...	189	4
Chalmers, James, Esq.	85	107	...	192	...
Clyne, The Hon. Daniel	73	105	...	178	9
(f) Crook, John William, Esq.	34	25	...	59	3
Cross, Douglas Donald, Esq.	76	92	...	168	13
Cutler, Charles Benjamin, Esq.	64	88	...	152	20
(l) Darby, Evelyn Douglas, Esq., B.Ec.	52	71	...	123	53
(a) Davidson, Mark Anthony, Esq. ... ..	...	...	...	...	42
(g) Davies, William, Esq.	52	59	...	111	1
Dewley, Robert Charles, Esq.	45	58	...	103	32
Dickson, Samuel Douglas, Esq.	63	89	...	152	24
Dring, Edgar Percy, Esq.	57	81	...	138	52
(g) Drummond, The Hon. David Henry	45	65	...	110	4
Dunn, Captain The Hon. William Fraser	51	62	...	113	15
(f) Dwyer, Kevin Edward, Esq.	39	34	...	73	...
Ellis, Kevin, Esq., LL.B., B.Ec.	75	102	...	177	4
Enticknap, Ambrose George, Esq.	70	85	...	155	31
Evatt, The Hon. Clive Raleigh, K.C., LL.B.	88	105	...	193	1
Finnan, The Hon. Francis Joseph	72	99	...	171	24
Fitzgerald, Raymond Leo, Esq.	73	74	...	147	7
Fowler, Mrs. Lilian	62	75	...	137	...
Fowles, Howard Thomas, Esq.	90	109	...	199	3
Freeman, John Stanley, Esq. (<i>Temporary Chairman of Com- mittees</i>)	81	97	...	178	9
(m) Frith, William, Esq.	74	99	...	173	...
Geraghty, James Leo, Esq.	52	79	...	131	16
Gollan, The Hon. George Charles (<i>Temporary Chairman of Committees</i>)	78	84	...	162	32
Gollan, William McCulloch, Esq.	69	94	...	163	14
†Gorman, Robert Douglas, Esq. (<i>Temporary Chairman of Com- mittees</i>)	80	89	...	169	20
Graham, The Hon. Edgar Hugh	64	89	...	153	26
Hamilton, Raymond George, Esq.	68	79	...	147	28
Hawkins, Francis Harold, Esq.	84	101	...	185	13
Hearnshaw, Eric, Esq., M.M., B.Ec., Dip. Pub. Ad.	64	79	...	143	34
Heferen, Stephen Rov. Esq.	75	87	...	162	16

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Heifron, The Hon. Robert James	83	93	...	176	12
Howarth, Walter Arthur Harrex, Esq.	59	75	...	134	53
(j) Hughes, Davis, Esq., B.Sc.	14	18	...	32	2
Hunter, David Benjamin, Esq.	78	99	...	177	8
Jackett, Harry Gordon, Esq.	85	100	...	185	4
Jackson, Joseph, Esq.	63	80	...	143	29
Jordan, Leslie Charles, Esq., LL.B.	34	32	...	66	3
Kelly, The Hon. Christopher Augustus	80	87	...	167	12
Kelly, Lawrence Borthwick, Esq.	64	92	...	156	23
Kendell, Ebenezer Thomas, Esq.	48	63	...	111	32
Lamb, The Hon. William Henry (<i>Speaker</i>)	...	...	...	...	...
Landa, Abram, Esq., LL.B.	72	76	...	148	41
Lang, James Christian, Esq.	90	107	...	197	...
(m) Lawson, Joseph Alexander, Esq.	66	99	...	165	3
Lazzarini, The Hon. Carlo Camillo	86	95	...	181	4
McCaw, Kenneth Malcolm, Esq.	87	95	...	182	10
(l) McGirr, The Hon. James	68	78	...	146	52
McGrath, John Francis, Esq.	92	111	...	203	...
Martin, The Hon. Clarence Edward, M.Ec., LL.B.	89	94	...	183	4
Matthews, The Hon. Claude Hilton	91	111	...	202	...
Medcalf, Robert George, Esq.	63	86	...	149	10
Morton, Philip Henry, Esq.	82	103	...	185	13
(c) Mutton, Brice, Esq.	48	50	...	98	4
(d) Noble, George Walter Harry, Esq.	48	74	...	122	...
Nott, Roger Bede, Esq.	76	104	...	180	16
(n) O'Sullivan, The Hon. Maurice	86	99	...	185	17
(m) Padman, Dudley Gordon, Esq.	50	45	...	95	21
(i) Pelly, Blake Raymond, Esq., O.B.E.	16	19	...	35	3
(j) Powell, Arthur Redvers Baden, Esq.	16	21	...	37	...
Quirk, Mrs. Mary Lily May	83	104	...	187	6
Reid, John Thomas, Esq. (<i>Temporary Chairman of Committees</i>)	85	92	...	177	3
Renshaw, John Brophy, Esq.	77	101	...	178	17
Richardson, The Hon. Athol Railton	52	62	...	114	60
Robertson, Clarence Gordon, Esq.	54	66	...	120	22
Robson, Lieut.-Colonel Ewan Murray, D.S.O., B.A., LL.B.	32	45	...	77	85
Rose, D'Arcy, Esq.	58	72	...	130	31
Seiffert, John Wesley, Esq.	64	79	...	143	13
Shannon, Thomas John, Esq.	90	111	...	201	...
Sheahan, The Hon. William Francis, LL.B.	90	102	...	192	6
(o) Stanley, Fred, Esq.	60	72	...	132	51
Stephens, Stanley Tunstall, Esq.	78	91	...	169	6
Storey, Sydney Albert Dawson, Esq.	83	94	...	177	16
Tonge, Arthur, Esq.	83	102	...	185	7
(l) Treatt, Vernon Haddon, Esq., M.M., K.C., M.A., B.C.L.	71	73	...	144	51
Tully, Laurence John, Esq., B.A., LL.B. (<i>Temporary Chairman of Committees</i>)	79	83	...	162	11
Turner, Henry Basil, Esq., M.A. (Cantab.)	89	109	...	198	1
(m) Vincent, The Hon. Roy Stanley	86	101	...	187	7
Wattison, William Ernest, Esq.	87	111	...	198	3
Weir, The Hon. George, LL.B.	85	108	...	193	5
(h) Wetherell, Ernest, Esq.	68	77	...	145	...
Williams, Arthur John Leonard, Esq., F.I.I.A. (Aust.), F.F.I.A.	78	79	...	157	40
Wingfield, Cecil Gordon, Esq.	47	45	...	92	16

(a) Granted leave of absence on account of illness, 19th October, 1948.

Deceased, 9th January, 1949.

(b) Deceased, 30th January, 1949.

(c) Elected 12th March, 1949.

Deceased 7th December, 1949.

(d) Deceased, 9th July, 1949.

(e) Resigned, 8th September, 1949.

(f) Elected, 8th October, 1949.

(g) Resigned, 28th October, 1949.

(h) Elected, 12th March, 1949.

(i) Elected, 23rd January, 1950.

(j) Elected, 11th February, 1950.

(k) Granted leave of absence on account of illness, 16th March, 1949 and 5th April, 1949.

(l) Granted leave of absence on account of absence from the State, 19th October, 1948.

(m) Granted leave of absence on account of urgent public business, 19th October, 1948.

(n) Granted leave of absence on account of absence from the State, 18th May, 1949.

(o) Granted leave of absence on account of illness, 19th October, 1948.

† Acting Chairman of Committees and Acting Deputy Speaker, 16th to 31st March, 1949, and 5th April to 18th May, 1949.

Legislative Assembly Office,
Sydney, 22nd May, 1950.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

1948-49-50.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.
NEW SOUTH WALES.

BUSINESS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NEW SOUTH WALES
DURING THE SESSION OF 1948-49-50.

1. New Writs issued	...	...		8
2. Select Committees :—				
	On Public Matters	...	...
	On Private Matters	...	...
	On Private Bills	...	...
	On Public Bills	...	...
			...	
3. Standing Committees	...	...	...	4
4. Public Bills :—				
	Originated in the Assembly—			
	Received the Royal Assent	...	92	
	Otherwise disposed of	...	2	
			...	94
	Brought from the Council—			
	Received the Royal Assent	...	1	
	Otherwise disposed of	...	...
			...	1
5. Private Bills :—				
	Originated in the Assembly—			
	Received the Royal Assent	...	...
	Otherwise disposed of	...	...
	Brought from the Council—			
	Received the Royal Assent	...	1	
	Otherwise disposed of	...	...
			...	1
6. Petitions received :—				
	Printed	...	3	
	Not Printed	...	...
			...	3
7. Divisions :—				
	In the House	...	92	
	In Committee of the Whole	...	111	
			...	203
8. Sittings (for details see page 2) :—				
	Number of Sittings	...	...	106
	Days of Meeting	...	...	114
	Hours of Sitting	...	...	803 hours 20 minutes.
	Hours of Sitting after Midnight	...	...	5 hours 49 minutes.
	Daily Average (actual hours per day of meeting)	...	...	7 hours 3 minutes.
	Adjourned for want of a Quorum—			
	Before commencement of Business	...	...
	After commencement of Business	...	...
			...	
9. Votes and Proceedings :—				
	Entries in Votes and Proceedings—			
	Of Business done	...	857	
	Daily Average	...	...	8
	Entries in Question Paper—			
	Of Questions	...	33	
	Daily Average	...	...	1
	Entries in Notice Paper—			
	Of Notices of Motions	...	113	
	Of Orders of the Day	...	107	
	Daily Average	...	...	220
10. Orders for Papers	...	...	...	2
11. Addresses for Papers	...	...	...
12. Other Addresses	3
13. Papers laid upon the Table :—				
	By Message	...	16	
	By Command or Statute	...	740	
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	In Returns to Addresses	...	1	
	Reports from Standing Committees	...	19	
	Reports from Select Committees	...	1	
	Reports from Council Select Committees			
	(on Private Bills)		1	
	Other Papers	...	22	
	Ordered to be Printed	...	154	802
	Not ordered to be Printed	...	648	
			...	802

No.	Date.	Day.	House Met.	House Adjourned.	Hours of Sitting.	Hours after Midnight.	Entries in Votes.	New Motions.	New Orders.	New Questions.	Questions Answered.	Divisions.	No Quorum.	
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	1949.				h. m.	h. m.								
72	20 October	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	4-58 p.m.	5 58	...	7	3	1	...	1	1
73	25 "	Tuesday	2-30 p.m.	10-23 p.m.	7 53	...	12	2	3	2
74	26 "	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	10-21 p.m.	7 51	...	15	1	2	...	...	...	...	...
75	27 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	11-13 p.m.	12 13	...	8	1	3	1	...	2	...	...
76	28 "	Friday	11-00 a.m.	(e)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	2 November	Wednesday	...	1-04 a.m.	20 48	1 04	21	1	1	...	...	7	...	...
77	9 "	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	2-45 p.m.	0 15	...	3	...	...	...	3	...	...	...
78	10 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	7-02 p.m.	8 02	...	8	...	...	...	...	6	...	...
	1950.													
79	22 February	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	3-23 p.m.	0 53	...	10	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
80	23 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	12-24 p.m.	1 24	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
81	28 "	Tuesday	2-30 p.m.	10-29 p.m.	7 59	...	11	8	...	...	...	...	...	...
82	1 March	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	10-30 p.m.	8 00	...	8	1	6	2	...	1	...	...
83	2 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	5-15 p.m.	6 15	...	11	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
84	7 "	Tuesday	2-30 p.m.	10-28 p.m.	7 58	...	14	1	...	...	3	1	...	...
85	8 "	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	10-23 p.m.	7 58	...	4	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
86	9 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	5-12 p.m.	6 12	...	7	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
87	14 "	Tuesday	2-30 p.m.	10-26 p.m.	7 56	...	6	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
88	15 "	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	10-20 p.m.	7 50	...	4	1	...	...	...	2	...	...
89	16 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	5-25 p.m.	6 25	...	7	...	1	1	...	1	...	...
90	21 "	Tuesday	2-25 p.m.	4-42 p.m.	2 17	...	2	...	1	...	...	1	...	...
91	22 "	Wednesday	10-55 a.m.	9-15 p.m.	10 20	...	8	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
92	28 "	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	8-07 p.m.	5 37	...	12	3	...	...	1	1	...	...
93	29 "	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	9-34 p.m.	7 04	...	8	3	2	...	...	...	...	...
94	30 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	6-00 p.m.	7 00	...	10	2	3	...	...	1	...	...
95	12 April	Wednesday	4-25 p.m.	10-31 p.m.	6 06	...	8	...	2	...	...	...	...	...
96	13 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	(f)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	14 "	Friday	...	3-59 p.m.	16 11	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
97	18 "	Tuesday	2-30 p.m.	10-20 p.m.	7 50	...	5	1	2	1	...	...	...	...
98	19 "	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	10-21 p.m.	7 51	...	5	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
99	20 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	11-31 p.m.	12 31	...	9	2	1	1	1	3	...	...
100	26 "	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	5-05 p.m.	2 35	...	9	2	2	1	...	1	...	...
101	27 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	10-39 p.m.	11 39	...	7	2	2	...	...	...	...	...
102	28 "	Friday	11-00 a.m.	4-48 p.m.	5 48	...	3	1	3	...	1	...	...	...
103	2 May	Tuesday	2-30 p.m.	10-30 p.m.	8 00	...	7	1	1	...	...	1	...	...
104	3 "	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	10-25 p.m.	7 55	...	10	1	...	...	1	3	...	...
105	4 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	10-32 p.m.	11 32	...	12	...	4	...	...	1	...	...
106	9 "	Tuesday	2-30 p.m.	9-56 p.m.	7 26	...	15	2	1	1	...	...	...	...
					803-20	5-49	857	113	107	33	31	92	...	...

Mr. Speaker left the Chair for the following periods:—

- (a) At 9.12 p.m., 3rd November, 1948, until 2.30 p.m., 4th November, 1948.
At 5.1 p.m., 4th November, 1948, until 2.30 p.m., 9th November, 1948.
- (b) At 10.37 p.m., 30th November, 1948, until 11.0 a.m., 1st December, 1948.
- (c) At 10.14 p.m., 2nd December, 1948, until 10.30 a.m., 3rd December, 1948.
- (d) At 5.52 p.m., 7th April, 1949, until 11.0 a.m., 8th April, 1949.
At 5.52 p.m., 8th April, 1949, until 11.0 a.m., 14th April, 1949.
- (e) At 5.44 p.m., 28th October, 1949, until 11.0 a.m., 1st November, 1949.
- (f) At 10.12 p.m., 13th April, 1950, until 11.0 a.m., 14th April, 1950.

Legislative Assembly Office,
Sydney, 22nd May, 1950.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

1948-49-50.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

No. 1.

REGISTER OF PUBLIC BILLS ORIGINATED IN THE ASSEMBLY DURING THE SESSION OF 1948-49-50.

Short Titles.	By whom initiated.	Message from Governor recommending provision for.	Ordered.	Presented and read 1 st .	Proceeded with under Standing Order.	Read 2 nd and Committed.	Recommitted.	Reported.	Report adopted.	Read 3 rd passed, and sent to Council for concurrence.	Agreed to by Council without Amendment.	Agreed to by Council with Amendment.	Council's Amendments agreed to.	Council's Amendments disagreed to.	Order of the Day discharged and Bill withdrawn.	Bill dropped or laid aside.	Assent reported.	No. of Act.	Remarks.
Appropriation	Mr. Baddley ...	1948. 40 Nov. 21 Sept.	1948. 25 Nov. 25 Nov.	1948. 25 Nov. 25 Nov.	.....	1948. 26 Nov. 26 Nov.	.....	1948. 25 Nov. 25 Nov.	1948. 25 Nov. 25 Nov.	1948. 25 Nov. 25 Nov.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1948. 36	Urgency—Standing Orders suspended—to bring in and pass through all stages in one day. 24 November, 1948. Founded on Resolutions of Ways and Means, 25 November, 1948.
Appropriation	Mr. Matthews on behalf of Mr. James McGirr.	1949. 21 Sept.	1949. 13 Oct. 13 Oct.	1949. 13 Oct. 13 Oct.	.....	1949. 13 Oct. 13 Oct.	.....	1949. 13 Oct. 13 Oct.	1949. 13 Oct. 13 Oct.	1949. 13 Oct. 13 Oct.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1949. 28	Urgency—Standing Orders suspended—to bring in and pass through all stages in one day. 18 October, 1949. Founded on Resolutions of Ways and Means, 18 October, 1949.
Bread Manufacture and Delivery	Mr. Finnan	1950. 18 April 23 Mar.	1950. 13 April 23 Mar.	1950. 13 April 23 Mar.	.....	1950. 19 April 20 Mar.	.....	1950. 19 April 20 Mar.	1950. 19 April 20 Mar.	1950. 19 April 20 Mar.	.....	1950. 27 April 27 April	1950. 2 May 2 May	.....	.....	.....	1950. 17	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 rd forthwith.
Broken Hill Proprietary Company Exchange Agreement and Exchange Agreement Modification.	Mr. Sheahan	1949. 23 Mar.	1949. 20 Mar. 20 Mar.	1949. 20 Mar. 20 Mar.	.....	1949. 20 Mar. 20 Mar.	.....	1949. 20 Mar. 20 Mar.	1949. 20 Mar. 20 Mar.	1949. 20 Mar. 20 Mar.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1949. 11	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 rd forthwith.
Broken Hill Proprietary Company Limited (Steelworks) Agreement Rationed.	Mr. Sheahan	29 Mar.	29 Mar. 29 Mar.	29 Mar. 29 Mar.	.....	30 Mar. 30 Mar.	.....	30 Mar. 30 Mar.	30 Mar. 30 Mar.	30 Mar. 30 Mar.	.....	20 April 20 April	.....	.....	.....	.....	1949. 12	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 rd forthwith.
Bush Fires	Mr. Evatt	1949. 19 Sept. 20 Sept.	1949. 20 Sept. 20 Sept.	1949. 20 Sept. 20 Sept.	.....	1949. 27 Sept. 27 Sept.	.....	1949. 27 Sept. 27 Sept.	1949. 27 Sept. 27 Sept.	1949. 27 Sept. 27 Sept.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1949. 31	.....
Camperdown Cemetery (Amendment)	Mr. Sheahan	1950. 29 Mar. 29 Mar.	1950. 29 Mar. 29 Mar.	1950. 29 Mar. 29 Mar.	.....	1950. 30 Mar. 30 Mar.	.....	1950. 30 Mar. 30 Mar.	1950. 30 Mar. 30 Mar.	1950. 30 Mar. 30 Mar.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1950. 15	Mr. Deputy Speaker consented to 3 rd forthwith.
Canterbury Road Bridge Reconstruction.	Mr. Cahill	1949. 16 Mar. 16 Mar.	1949. 16 Mar. 16 Mar.	1949. 16 Mar. 16 Mar.	.....	1949. 17 Mar. 17 Mar.	.....	1949. 17 Mar. 17 Mar.	1949. 17 Mar. 17 Mar.	1949. 17 Mar. 17 Mar.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1949. 1	.....
Church and School Lands (Grace Bros. Pty. Limited) (Amendment).	Mr. Sheahan	1950. 16 Mar. 15 Mar.	1950. 15 Mar. 15 Mar.	1950. 15 Mar. 15 Mar.	.....	1950. 16 Mar. 16 Mar.	.....	1950. 16 Mar. 16 Mar.	1950. 16 Mar. 16 Mar.	1950. 16 Mar. 16 Mar.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1950. 8	Mr. Speaker fixed the 3 rd for a later hour of the day.
Church of England Trust Property (Amendment).	Mr. C. E. Martin .....	.....	28 Feb. 28 Feb.	28 Feb. 28 Feb.	.....	2 Mar. 2 Mar.	.....	2 Mar. 2 Mar.	2 Mar. 2 Mar.	2 Mar. 2 Mar.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1949. 4	.....
Clarence Harbour Works	Mr. Cahill	28 Feb. 28 Feb.	28 Feb. 28 Feb.	28 Feb. 28 Feb.	.....	1 Mar. 1 Mar.	.....	1 Mar. 1 Mar.	1 Mar. 1 Mar.	1 Mar. 1 Mar.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1949. 1	.....
Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers (Pension) Amendment.	Mr. Baddley	1949. 14 June	7 Sept. 7 Sept.	7 Sept. 7 Sept.	21 Sept. 21 Sept.	21 Sept. 21 Sept.	21 Sept. 21 Sept.	21 Sept. 21 Sept.	1949. 29	Amendment (Mr. Black) to read a second time. "This day six months" negatived 21 September, 1949.	

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REGISTER OF PUBLIC BILLS ORIGINATED IN THE ASSEMBLY DURING THE SESSION OF 1948-49-50—continued.

Short Titles.	By whom introduced.	Message from Governor recommending provision for.	Ordered.	Presented and read 1 st .	Proceeded with under Standing Order.	Read 2 nd and Considered.	Recommended.	Reported.	Report adopted.	Read 3 rd , passed, and sent to Council for concurrence.	Agreed to by Council without Amendment.	Agreed to by Council with Amendment.	Council's Amendments agreed to.	Council's Amendments disagreed to.	Order of the Day discharged and Bill withdrawn.	Bill dropped or laid aside.	Assent Reported.	No. of Act.	Remarks.
Coal Mining Industry Long Service Leave.	Mr. Finnan	1950. 3 May	1950. 4 May	1950. 4 May .....	.....	1950. 9 May .....	.....	1950. 9 May	1950. 9 May	1950. 9 May .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1950. 23	Mr. Deputy-Speaker consented to 3 rd forthwith.
Conservation Authority of New South Wales.	Mr. Veir	1949. 16 Mar.	1949. 16 Mar.	1949. 16 Mar. .....	.....	1949. 6 April .....	.....	1949. 6 April	1949. 6 April	1949. 7 April .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1949. 8	Amendment (Mr. Treath) to read a second time "This day six months" negatived 6 April, 1949.
Constitution Amendment (Legislative Council Members Allowances).	Mr. Baddeley	1948. 29 Oct.	1948. 10 Nov.	1948. 10 Nov. .....	.....	1948. 11 Nov. .....	.....	1948. 11 Nov.	1948. 11 Nov.	1948. 16 Nov. .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1948. 31	Urgency—Standing Orders suspended—to bring in and pass through all stages in one day, 2 December, 1948.
Co-operation (Amendment)	Mr. Baddeley	2 Dec.	2 Dec.	2 Dec. .....	.....	9 Dec. .....	.....	9 Dec.	9 Dec.	9 Dec. .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	45	Urgency—Standing Orders suspended—to bring in and pass through all stages in one day, 2 December, 1948.
Co-operation (Amendment)	Mr. C. E. Martin .....	.....	1949. 26 Oct.	1949. 26 Oct. .....	.....	1949. 27 Oct. .....	.....	1949. 27 Oct.	1949. 27 Oct.	1949. 27 Oct. .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1949. 41	Mr. Deputy-Speaker consented to 3 rd forthwith.
Co-operation (Amendment)	Mr. C. E. Martin	1950. 27 April	1950. 27 April	1950. 27 April .....	.....	1950. 3 May .....	.....	1950. 3 May	1950. 3 May	1950. 3 May .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 rd forthwith.
Dairy Industry (Amendment)	Mr. Graham	1949. 7 Mar.	1949. 7 Mar.	1949. 7 Mar. .....	.....	22 Mar. .....	.....	22 Mar.	22 Mar.	22 Mar. .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16	Amendment (Lieut.-Col. Robson) to read a second time "This day three months" negatived 1 November, 1949. Mr. Speaker consented to 3 rd forthwith.
District Courts (Amendment)	Mr. C. E. Martin .....	.....	1949. 25 Oct.	1949. 25 Oct. .....	.....	1 Nov. .....	.....	1 Nov.	1 Nov.	1 Nov. .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	44	Amendment to re-commit on 3 rd negatived 20 April, 1950.
Electricity Commission	Mr. Cahill	1950. 30 Mar.	1950. 30 Mar.	1950. 30 Mar. .....	.....	20 April .....	.....	20 April	20 April	20 April .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1950. 22	Urgency—Standing and Sessonal Orders suspended—to bring in and pass through all stages in one day, 28 June, 1949.
Emergency Powers	Mr. James McGirr	1949. 23 June	1949. 28 June	1949. 28 June .....	.....	29 June .....	.....	29 June	29 June	29 June .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19	Amendment to re-commit on adoption of Report negatived, 3 May, 1950. Mr. Speaker consented to 3 rd forthwith.
Factories and Shops (Hairdressers) Amendment.	Mr. Finnan	1950. 20 April	1950. 26 April	1950. 26 April .....	.....	3 May .....	.....	3 May	3 May	3 May .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1950. 21	Amendment to refer to Select Committee negatived 22 September, 1948.
Farm Colony Type Mental Hospital Construction (changed from Glendale Mental Hospital Construction).	Mr. Cahill	1949. 13 Sept.	1949. 13 Sept.	1949. 13 Sept. .....	.....	22 Sept. .....	.....	19 Oct.	19 Oct.	19 Oct. .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1950. 36	Urgency—Standing Orders suspended—to bring in and pass through all stages in one day, 10 November, 1949.
Fauna Protection	Mr. Evatt on behalf of Mr. Baddeley.	1948. 8 Dec.	1948. 8 Dec.	1948. 8 Dec. .....	.....	9 Dec. .....	.....	9 Dec.	9 Dec.	9 Dec. .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1948. 47	Urgency—Standing Orders suspended—to bring in and pass through all stages in one day, 10 November, 1948.
Fire Brigades (Amendment)	Mr. Baddeley	1949. 7 June	1949. 7 June	1949. 7 June .....	.....	9 June .....	.....	9 June	9 June	14 June .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1949. 15	Urgency—Standing Orders suspended—to bring in and pass through all stages in one day, 25 November, 1948. Founded on Resolution of Ways and Means, 30 November, 1948.
Gas and Electricity (Amendment)	Mr. Cahill .....	.....	10 Nov.	10 Nov. .....	.....	10 Nov. .....	.....	10 Nov.	10 Nov.	10 Nov. .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	46	Urgency—Standing Orders suspended—to bring in and pass through all stages in one day, 10 November, 1948.
General Loan Account Appropriation	Mr. Baddeley	1948. 24 Nov.	1948. 30 Nov.	1948. 30 Nov.	30 Nov.	30 Nov.	30 Nov.	30 Nov.	1948. 36	Urgency—Standing Orders suspended—to bring in and pass through all stages in one day, 25 November, 1948. Founded on Resolution of Ways and Means, 30 November, 1948.

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Short Titles.	By whom Initiated.	Message from Governor recommending provision for.	Ordered.	Presented and read 1 ^o .	Proceeded with under Standing Order.	Read 2 ^o and Committee.	Recommitted.	Reported.	Report adopted.	Read 3 ^o , passed, and sent to Council for concurrence.	Agreed to by Council without Amendment.	Agreed to by Council with Amendment.	Council's Amendments agreed to.	Council's Amendments disagreed to.	Order of the Day discharged and Bill withdrawn.	Bill dropped or laid aside.	Assent reported.	No. of Act.	Remarks.
General Loan Account Appropriation...	Mr. Cahill	1949. 12 Oct.	1949. 28 Oct.	1949. 28 Oct.	.....	1949. 28 Oct.	.....	1949. 28 Oct.	1949. 28 Oct.	1949. 28 Oct.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1950. 22 Feb.	1949. 38	Urgency—Standing Orders suspended—to bring in and pass through all stages in one day, 28 October, 1949. Routed on Resolution of Ways and Means, 28 October, 1949.
Cion Innes to Inverell Railway	Mr. O'Sullivan	1950. 28 Feb.	.....	1950. 1 Mar.	.....	1950. 7 Mar.	.....	1950. 8 Mar.	1950. 8 Mar.	1950. 9 Mar.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1950. 12 April	1950. 7	.....
Glenties Mental Hospital Construction Changed to Farm Colony Type Mental Hospital Construction).	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Government Railways and Transport (Amendment).	Mr. O'Sullivan	26 April	26 April	26 April	.....	27 April	.....	27 April	27 April	27 April	3 May	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith.
Hide and Leather Industries	Mr. Finnan	1948. 80 Nov.	1948. 1 Dec.	1948. 1 Dec.	.....	1948. 3 Dec.	.....	1948. 3 Dec.	1948. 3 Dec.	1948. 3 Dec.	.....	1948. 15 Dec.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1949. 23 Feb.	1948. 42	Mr. Speaker fixed the 3 ^o for a later hour of the day.
Hide and Leather Industries (Amendment).	Mr. Finnan	.....	1949. 13 Oct.	1949. 13 Oct.	.....	1949. 19 Oct.	.....	1949. 19 Oct.	1949. 19 Oct.	1949. 19 Oct.	26 Oct.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1949. 9 Nov.	1949. 30	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith.
Hospital Benefits Agreement (Amendment).	Mr. Kelly	1949.	1949. 22 June	1949. 22 June	.....	1949. 23 June	.....	1949. 23 June	1949. 23 June	1949. 23 June	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1949. 6 July	1949. 20	Mr. Deputy-Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith.
Housing (Amendment)	Mr. Baddley on behalf of Mr.	7 April	18 May	18 May	.....	19 May	.....	19 May	19 May	24 May	7 June	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1950. 22 June	12	.....
Hume Dam Hydro-electric Development (Construction).	Mr. Cahill	1950. 28 Feb.	1950. 28 Feb.	1950. 28 Feb.	.....	1950. 1 Mar.	.....	1950. 1 Mar.	1950. 1 Mar.	1950. 2 Mar.	9 Mar.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1950. 28 Mar.	1950. 2	.....
Kemira Tunnel (Arbitration)	Mr. C. E. Martin	1948. 25 Nov.	1948. 25 Nov.	1948. 25 Nov.	.....	1948. 25 Nov.	.....	1948. 25 Nov.	1948. 25 Nov.	1948. 25 Nov.	30 Nov.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1948. 9 Dec.	1948. 37	Urgency—Standing Orders suspended—to bring in and pass through all stages in one day, 25 November, 1948.
Lake Illawarra and Cowra Power Stations (Construction).	Mr. Cahill	1949. 15 Mar.	1949. 16 Mar.	1949. 16 Mar.	.....	1949. 22 Mar.	.....	1949. 22 Mar.	1949. 22 Mar.	1949. 23 Mar.	29 Mar.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1949. 14 April a.m.	1949. 2	.....
Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) ..	Mr. C. E. Martin	.....	19 May	10 May	.....	8 June	.....	16 June	15 June	16 June	.....	23 June	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 July	21	Amendment to re-commit on adoption of Report, negatived—15 June, 1949. Amendment to re-commit on 3 ^o , negatived—16 June, 1949.
Landlord and Tenant (Further Amendment).	Mr. C. E. Martin	.....	1948. 11 Nov.	1948. 11 Nov.	.....	1948. 1 Dec.	.....	1948. 1 Dec.	1948. 1 Dec.	1948. 2 Dec.	8 Dec.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1949. 23 Feb.	1948. 43	.....
Landlord and Tenant (War Service) Amendment.	Mr. C. E. Martin	1949. 22 June	1949. 22 June	1949. 30 June	1949. 30 June	1949. 30 June	1949. 30 June	6 July	1949. 31 Aug.	1949. 22	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith.
Law of Evidence	Mr. Baddley	1948. 19 Oct.	1948. 19 Oct.	Pro forma Bill.

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Short Titles.	By whom initiated.	Message from Governor recommending provision for.	Ordered.	Presented and read 1 ^o .	Preceded with under Standing Order.	Read 2 ^o and Cognitively.	Recommitted.	Reported.	Report adopted.	Read 3 ^o , passed, and sent to Council for concurrence.	Agreed to by Council without Amendment.	Agreed to by Council with Amendment.	Council's Amendments agreed to.	Council's Amendments disagreed to.	Order of the Day discharged and Bill withdrawn.	Bill dropped or laid aside.	Assent reported.	No. of Act.	Remarks.	
Legislative Assembly Members Superannuation (Amendment).	Mr. Cahill	1949. 25 Oct.	1949. 25 Oct.	1949. 28 Oct.	.....	1949. 27 Oct.	.....	1949. 27 Oct.	1949. 27 Oct.	1949. 27 Oct.	1949. 2 Nov. a.m.	1949. 2 Nov. a.m.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1949. 22 Feb. 39	1949.	Mr. Deputy-Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith.	
Liquid Fuel	Mr. C. E. Martin	.....	26 Oct.	26 Oct.	.....	27 Oct.	.....	27 Oct.	27 Oct.	27 Oct.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22 Feb. 40	1950.	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith.	
Liverpool Cemetery	Mr. Sheahan	1950. 10 April	1950. 3 May	1950. 3 May	.....	4 May	.....	4 May	4 May	4 May	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20	.....
Local Government (Further Amendment).	Mr. Cahill	1948. 16 Nov.	1948. 25 Nov.	1948. 25 Nov.	.....	1 Dec.	.....	1 Dec.	1 Dec.	1 Dec.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1948. 44	1948.	Mr. Deputy-Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith.
Local Government (Regulation of Flats).	Mr. Cahill	1949. 18 May	1949. 19 May	1949. 19 May	.....	25 May	.....	25 May	25 May	25 May	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1949. 17	1949.	.....
Local Government (Superannuation) Amendment.	Mr. Cahill	1948. 10 Nov.	1948. 10 Nov.	1948. 10 Nov.	.....	16 Nov.	.....	16 Nov.	16 Nov.	16 Nov.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1948. 33	1948.	.....
Local Government Town and Country Planning (Amendment).	Mr. Cahill	1950. 20 Mar.	1950. 29 Mar.	1950. 29 Mar.	.....	30 Mar.	.....	30 Mar.	30 Mar.	30 Mar.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1950. 9	1950.	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith.
Main Roads and Transport (Amendment).	Mr. O'Sullivan	.....	9 Mar.	9 Mar.	.....	22 Mar.	.....	22 Mar.	22 Mar.	22 Mar.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1949. 13	1949.	.....
Main Roads (Federal Aid Roads and Works) Amendment.	Mr. O'Sullivan	1949. 17 Mar.	1949. 17 Mar.	1949. 17 Mar.	.....	19 May	.....	19 May	19 May	19 May	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1949. 13	1949.	.....
Main Roads (Finances Adjustment)	Mr. O'Sullivan	.....	20 Oct.	20 Oct.	.....	25 Oct.	.....	25 Oct.	25 Oct.	25 Oct.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1950. 32	1950.	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith.
Meat Industry (Amendment)	Mr. Kelly	1950. 27 April	1950. 27 April	1950. 27 April	.....	4 May	.....	4 May	4 May	4 May	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1950. 24	1950.	.....
Meningeal Water Conservation	Mr. Weir	1949. 16 Mar.	1949. 16 Mar.	1949. 16 Mar.	.....	23 Mar.	.....	23 Mar.	23 Mar.	23 Mar.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1949. 7	1949.	.....
Mental Institution Benefits Agreement	Mr. Kelly	.....	1 Nov. a.m.	1 Nov. a.m.	.....	1 Nov. a.m.	.....	1 Nov. a.m.	1 Nov. a.m.	1 Nov. a.m.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	43	1950.	.....
Metropolitan Water, Sewerage, and Drainage (Amendment).	Mr. Baddley on behalf of Mr. James McGirr.	5 April	5 April	5 April	.....	6 April	.....	6 April	6 April	6 April	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	1949.	.....
Mine Subsidence (Amendment)	Mr. Baddley	1948. 11 Nov.	1948. 10 Nov.	1948. 10 Nov.	.....	11 Nov.	.....	11 Nov.	11 Nov.	11 Nov.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1948. 81	1948.	.....
Moruya River Improvements (Extension of Works).	Mr. Cahill	1949. 15 Mar.	1949. 16 Mar.	1949. 16 Mar.	.....	17 Mar.	.....	17 Mar.	17 Mar.	17 Mar.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1949. 4	1949.	.....
Motor Traffic (Amendment)	Mr. O'Sullivan	1949. 17 Mar.	1949. 17 Mar.	1949. 17 Mar.	.....	18 May	.....	18 May	18 May	18 May	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14	1949.	.....
Motor Traffic (Fees) Amendment	Mr. O'Sullivan	18 Oct.	19 Oct.	19 Oct.	.....	20 Oct.	.....	20 Oct.	20 Oct.	20 Oct.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	37	1950.	.....

Emergency—Standing Orders suspended—to bring in and pass through all stages in one day, 1 November, 1949, a.m.

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REGISTER OF PUBLIC BILLS ORIGINATED IN THE ASSEMBLY DURING THE SESSION OF 1948-49-50—continued.

Short Titles.	By whom initiated.	Message from Government recommending passage.	Ordered.	Presented and read 1 st .	Proceeded with under Standing Order.	Read 2 nd and 3 rd times.	Recommitted.	Reported.	Report adopted.	Read 3 rd , passed, and sent to Council for concurrence.	Agreed to by Council without amendment.	Agreed to by Council with amendment.	Council's Amendments agreed to.	Council's Amendments disagreed to.	Order of the Day withdrawn.	Bill dropped or laid aside.	Assent reported.	No. of Act.	Remarks.
Motor Vehicles (Taxation)	Mr. O'Sullivan	1949. 25 Oct.	1949. 26 Oct.	1949. 26 Oct.	.....	1949. 26 Oct.	.....	1949. 26 Oct.	1949. 26 Oct.	1949. 26 Oct.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1950. 22 Feb.	1949. 33	Urgency.—Standing Orders suspended—to bring in and pass through all stages in one day, 26 October, 1949. Founded on Resolution of Ways and Means, 29 October, 1949. Mr. Speaker consented to 3 rd forthwith.
Motor Vehicles Taxation Management (Amendment)	Mr. O'Sullivan	19 Oct.	20 Oct.	20 Oct.	.....	25 Oct.	.....	25 Oct.	25 Oct.	25 Oct.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22 Feb. 1949. 18 May	34	.....
New South Wales University of Technology and Technical Education (changed from Technical Education and New South Wales University of Technology). Electorates and Elections (Amendment).	Mr. Baddeley on behalf of Mr. James McGillivray	1950. 23 Feb.	23 Feb.	23 Feb.	.....	1 Mar.	.....	1 Mar.	1 Mar.	1 Mar.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1950. 23 Mar.	1950. 3	.....
Parliamentary Electorates and Elections (Amendment).	Mr. Baddeley	1949. 14 June	1949. 14 June	1949. 14 June	.....	22 June	.....	23 June	23 June	23 June	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1949. 31 Aug.	1949. 23	Amendment to refer to Select Committee reworded, 22 June, 1949. Mr. Speaker consented to 3 rd forthwith.
Parliamentary Electorates and Elections (Amendment).	Mr. Matthews	.....	23 April	23 April	.....	4 May	.....	4 May	4 May	4 May	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1950. 25	Title amended in Committee.
Pastures Protection (Amendment)	Mr. Graham	1949. 7 Sept.	1949. 7 Sept.	1949. 7 Sept.	.....	8 June	.....	8 June	8 June	8 June	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1949. 30 June	1949. 18	.....
Prices Regulation (Amendment)	Mr. Finnan	1948. 7 Sept.	1948. 7 Sept.	1948. 7 Sept.	.....	8 Sept.	.....	14 Sept.	14 Sept.	14 Sept.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1948. 14 Sept.	1948. 24	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 rd forthwith.
Public Accountants Registration (Amendment)	Mr. C. E. Martin	.....	19 Nov.	19 Nov.	.....	11 Nov.	.....	11 Nov.	11 Nov.	11 Nov.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 Dec.	1948. 32	.....
Public Instruction (Amendment)	Mr. Heffron	1949. 15 Mar.	1949. 15 Mar.	1949. 15 Mar.	.....	19 Oct.	.....	19 Oct.	19 Oct.	19 Oct.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1949. 9 Nov.	1949. 20	Mr. Deputy-Speaker fixed the 3 rd for a later hour of the day.
Public Service (Amendment)	Mr. Baddeley on behalf of Mr. James McGillivray	1948. 25 Nov.	1948. 25 Nov.	1948. 25 Nov.	.....	17 Mar.	.....	17 Mar.	17 Mar.	17 Mar.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14 April a.m.	1948. 5	.....
Racing (Amendment)	Mr. Matthews	1949. 27 Oct.	1949. 27 Oct.	1949. 27 Oct.	.....	23 Oct.	.....	23 Oct.	23 Oct.	23 Oct.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1948. 23 Feb.	1948. 39	Mr. Speaker fixed the 3 rd for a later hour of the day. *Including consequential amendments in the Title.
Reorganised Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Trust Property.	Mr. C. E. Martin	.....	17 Mar.	17 Mar.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1950. 22 Feb.	1949. 42	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 rd forthwith. Stopped by prorogation.
River Murray Waters (Amendment)	Mr. Cahill	1950. 16 Mar.	1950. 16 Mar.	1950. 16 Mar.	.....	23 Mar.	.....	23 Mar.	23 Mar.	23 Mar.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1949. 18 May	1950. 6	.....
Roman Catholic Church Trust Property (Amendment).	Mr. C. E. Martin	28 Feb.	28 Feb.	2 Mar.	2 Mar.	2 Mar.	2 Mar.	23 Mar.	1950. 5

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Short Titles.	By whom Initiated.	Message from Governor recommending provision for.	Ordered.	Presented and read 1 st .	Proceeded with under Standing Order.	Read 2 ^o and Com- mitted.	Recommitted.	Reported.	Report adopted.	Read 3 ^o passed, and sent to Council for concurrence.	Agreed to by Council without Amendment.	Agreed to by Council with Amendment.	Council's Amendments agreed to.	Council's Amendments disagreed to.	Order of the Day discharged and Bill withdrawn.	Bill dropped or laid aside.	Assent reported.	No. of Act.	Remarks.
Scaffolding and Lifts (Amendment) ...	Mr. Finnan	1948. 9 Nov.	1948. 10 Nov.	1948. 10 Nov.	.....	1948. 16 Nov.	.....	1948. 16 Nov.	1948. 16 Nov.	1948. 17 Nov.	.....	1948. 23 Nov.	1948. 2 Dec.	.....	.....	1948. 15 Dec.	1948. 38	
Stamp Duties (Amendment)	Mr. James McGill	1948. 17 Nov.	1948. 20 Oct.	1949. 26 Oct.	.....	1949. 26 Oct.	.....	1949. 26 Oct.	1949. 26 Oct.	1949. 26 Oct.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1949. 22 Feb.	1949. 37	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith.
State Coal Mines (Amendment)	Mr. Baddeley	1948. 17 Nov.	1948. 25 Nov.	1948. 25 Nov.	.....	1948. 9 Dec.	.....	1948. 9 Dec.	1948. 9 Dec.	1948. 9 Dec.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1948. 23 Feb.	1948. 41	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith.
Supply	Mr. Ewart on behalf of Mr. James McGill.	1949. 6 Sept.	1949. 15 Sept.	1949. 15 Sept.	.....	1949. 15 Sept.	.....	1949. 15 Sept.	1949. 15 Sept.	1949. 15 Sept.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1949. 27 Sept.	1949. 25	Urgency—Standing Orders suspended—to bring in and pass through all stages in one day, 7 September, 1949. Founded on Resolution of Ways and Means, 15 September, 1949.
Survey Co-ordination	Mr. Sheahan	21 Sept.	21 Sept.	21 Sept.	.....	22 Sept.	.....	22 Sept.	22 Sept.	27 Sept.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 Nov.	27	
T. B. Sailors and Soldiers' Association of New South Wales Incorporation (Amendment)	Mr. C. E. Martin .....	.....	17 Mar.	17 Mar.	.....	19 May	.....	19 May	19 May	24 May	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22 June	15	
Technical Education (changed to New South Wales University of Technology and Technical Education) .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Technical Education and New South Wales University of Technology (changed from New South Wales University of Technology and Technical Education)	Mr. Helfron	22 Mar.	22 Mar.	22 Mar.	8 April	8 April	8 April	8 April	11	Short Title amended in Committee. Amendment to re-commit on adoption of Report, withdrawn—8 April, 1949. Mr. Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith. † Including amendment in Short Title.
Theatres and Public Halls (Cinematograph Films Censorship)	Mr. Baddeley	1948. 1 Dec.	1948. 2 Dec.	1948. 2 Dec.	Urgency—Standing Orders suspended—to bring in and pass through all stages in one day, 2 December, 1948. Stopped by Prorogation.
The Lakemba Memorial Hall	Mr. C. E. Martin .....	.....	1949. 16 Mar.	1949. 16 Mar.	.....	1949. 17 Mar.	.....	1949. 17 Mar.	1949. 17 Mar.	22 Mar.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1949. 14 April a.m.	1949. 8	
Transport and Highways	Mr. O'Sullivan	1950. 7 Mar.	1950. 7 Mar.	1950. 7 Mar.	.....	16 Mar.	.....	16 Mar.	16 Mar.	28 Mar.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1950. 27 April	1950. 10	Amendment (Mr. Martin) to read a second time "This day six months," negatived 15 March, 1950.
Warkworth Flood Mitigation and Water Conservation	Mr. Weir	28 Feb.	28 Feb.	28 Feb.	.....	2 Mar.	.....	2 Mar.	2 Mar.	7 Mar.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28 Mar.	0	
War Service Land Settlement and Closer Settlement (Amendment)	Mr. Sheahan	30 Nov.	30 Nov.	30 Nov.	.....	9 Dec.	.....	9 Dec.	9 Dec.	10 Dec.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1948. 23 Feb.	1948. 48	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith.
War Service Land Settlement and Closer Settlement (Amendment)	Mr. Sheahan	1950. 3 May	1950. 3 May	1950. 3 May	4 May	4 May	4 May	4 May	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith.
War Service Land Settlement and Closer Settlement Valuation	Mr. Sheahan	28 Mar.	13 April	13 April	.....	20 April	.....	20 April	20 April	20 April	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1950. 4 May	14	Mr. Speaker fixed the 3 ^o for a later hour of the day.
Western Lands (Amendment)	Mr. Sheahan	1949. 21 Sept.	1949. 21 Sept.	1949. 21 Sept.	.....	1 Nov.	.....	1 Nov.	1 Nov.	2 Nov.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1950. 22 Feb.	1949. 45	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith.
Wheat Industry Stabilisation	Mr. Graham	1948. 8 Nov.	1948. 11 Nov.	1948. 11 Nov.	.....	1 Dec.	.....	1 Dec.	1 Dec.	2 Dec.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1948. 23 Feb.	1948. 48	
Workers' Compensation (Amendment)	Mr. Finnan	30 Nov.	30 Nov.	30 Nov.	.....	2 Dec.	.....	2 Dec.	2 Dec.	2 Dec.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1948. 23 Feb.	1948. 40	Mr. Deputy-Speaker fixed the 3 ^o for a later hour of the day.
Workmen's Compensation (Broken Hill) Amendment	Mr. Finnan	1950. 9 May	1950. 9 May	1950. 9 May	.....	9 May	.....	9 May	9 May	9 May	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1950. 9 May	1950. 26	Urgency—Standing Orders suspended—to bring in and pass through all stages in one day, 9th May, 1950.

* Assent not reported during Session.

No. 2.
REGISTER OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE BILLS BROUGHT FROM THE COUNCIL DURING SESSION OF 1948-49-50.

Short Titles of—		By whom Initiated.	Reintroduced under Standing Order.	Brought up and read 1 ^o .	Read 2 ^o and Committed.	Recommitted.	Reported.	Report adopted.	Read 3 ^o , passed without Amendment, and returned to Council.	Read 3 ^o , passed with Amendment, and returned to Council for concurrence.	Agreed to by Council.	Agreed to by Council with Amendments upon Assembly's Amendments.	Council's Amendments upon Assembly's Amendments agreed to.	Bill dropped or laid aside.	Assent Reported.	No. of Act.	Remarks.	
Public Bills.	Private Bills.																	
.....	Newington College Council (Amendment).	Lieut.-Col. Robson. Mr. Kelly .....	.....	1949 20 Oct. 10 Nov.	1949 26 Oct. 10 Nov.	.....	1949 26 Oct. 10 Nov.	1949 26 Oct. 10 Nov.	1949 26 Oct. 26 Oct. 10 Nov.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1950. 22 Feb. 22 Feb.	..... ..... 47	Read 2 ^o by consent, 26 October, 1949. Mr. Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith. Urgency—Standing Orders suspended—to bring in and pass through all stages in one day, 10 November, 1949.
Tuberculosis																		

RECAPITULATION.

Number of Public Bills originated in the LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY shown on Register No. 1	94																		
Do do brought from the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL shown on Register No. 2	1																		
Do Private Bills do do do	1																		
96 Total.																			
Passed and assent reported	80																		
Passed—Assent not reported	13																		
Reserved for Royal Assent	1																		
Pro forma Bill	1																		
Not returned by Legislative Council	2																		
Stopped by Prorogation	2																		
Otherwise disposed of																		
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1948-49-50.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,
NEW SOUTH WALES.

REGISTER OF ADDRESSES AND ORDERS FOR PAPERS DURING FORMER SESSIONS.

WHEN PASSED.		ON WHOSE MOTION.		PAPERS APPLIED FOR.		RETURN TO ADDRESS OR ORDER.	REGISTER NUMBER.	IF TO BE PRINTED.
No.	Date.	Entry.	By Address.	By Order.				Date of Order.
55	1948 17 August	5	Mr. Jeff Bate	Do	Authorities to Mine issued since January, 1882.....	1948 27 October.	1948/839	.....
174	1884. 21 October	6	Mr. W. J. Ferguson		.....	1949. 15 March	1949/15.	.....
174	1884. 21 October	6	Mr. W. J. Ferguson		.....	1950. 4 May	1950/185.	.....

REGISTER OF ADDRESSES (NOT BEING FOR PAPERS) TO THE GOVERNOR DURING THE SESSION 1948-49-50.

SUBJECT OF ADDRESS.	ORIGINATED IN THE ASSEMBLY.			WHEN PASSED OR AGREED TO.			WHEN AND BY WHOM PRESENTED.			WHEN AND BY WHOM ANSWERED.			REMARKS.		
	Votes.			Votes.			Votes.			Votes.					
	No.	Date.	Entry.	No.	Date.	Entry.	No.	Date.	Entry.	No.	Date.	Entry.		By whom.	
Governor's Opening Speech.....	1	1948. 19 Oct.	10	Mr. Chalme's	8	1948. 9 Nov.	9	11	1948. 16 Nov.	3	Mr. Speaker, accompanied by the House, Mr. Speaker.	11	1948. 16 Nov.	3	His Excellency the Governor.
Birth of a Son to their Royal Highnesses, The Princess Elizabeth, Duchess of Edinburgh, and the Duke of Edinburgh.	11	16 Nov.	1	Mr. Baddeley	11	16 Nov.	1	...	...	...	Mr. Speaker.	22	1949. 23 Feb.	2	His Excellency the Governor.
Deferment of the Royal Visit to New South Wales.	14	23 Nov.	1	Mr. Baddeley	14	23 Nov.	1	Mr. Speaker.	22	23 Feb.	1	His Excellency the Governor.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES APPOINTED DURING THE SESSION OF 1948-49-50

No. of COMMITTEE.	DESIGNATION OF COMMITTEE.	WHEN AND HOW APPOINTED.	MEMBERS.	CHAIRMAN.	No. of MEETINGS.		No. of WITNESSES EXAMINED.	REPORTED.						
					Called.	Held.								
1	Standing Orders*	1948. 10 November, Votes No. 9, Entry 5 (On motion of Mr. Bauddeley.)	<table border="0"> <tr> <td>{</td> <td>Mr. Speaker, Mr. Clyne, Mr. Shannon, Mr. Booth, Mr. Enticknaap.</td> <td>}</td> </tr> <tr> <td>{</td> <td>Mr. Treatt, Mr. Brain, Mr. John Reid, Mr. Dickson, Mr. James McGirr.</td> <td>}</td> </tr> </table>	{	Mr. Speaker, Mr. Clyne, Mr. Shannon, Mr. Booth, Mr. Enticknaap.	}	{	Mr. Treatt, Mr. Brain, Mr. John Reid, Mr. Dickson, Mr. James McGirr.	}	Mr. Speaker
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2	House†	10 November, Votes No. 9, Entry 6 (On motion of Mr. Bauddeley.)	<table border="0"> <tr> <td>{</td> <td>Mr. Speaker, Mrs. Quirk, Mr. Fowles, Mr. Nott, Mr. Chalmers,</td> <td>}</td> </tr> <tr> <td>{</td> <td>Mr. Gollan, Mr. Howarth, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Wingfield, Mr. James McGirr.</td> <td>}</td> </tr> </table>	{	Mr. Speaker, Mrs. Quirk, Mr. Fowles, Mr. Nott, Mr. Chalmers,	}	{	Mr. Gollan, Mr. Howarth, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Wingfield, Mr. James McGirr.	}	Mr. Speaker	4	3
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3	Library†	10 November, Votes No. 9, Entry 7 (On motion of Mr. Bauddeley.)	<table border="0"> <tr> <td>{</td> <td>Mr. Speaker, Mr. Robert Cameron, Mr. Landa, (b) Mr. William Davies, Mr. Gorman,</td> <td>}</td> </tr> <tr> <td>{</td> <td>Mr. Hunter, Mr. Jackett, Mr. John Reid, Mr. Stephens, Mr. James McGirr.</td> <td>}</td> </tr> </table>	{	Mr. Speaker, Mr. Robert Cameron, Mr. Landa, (b) Mr. William Davies, Mr. Gorman,	}	{	Mr. Hunter, Mr. Jackett, Mr. John Reid, Mr. Stephens, Mr. James McGirr.	}	Mr. President	4	4
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STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES APPOINTED DURING THE SESSION OF 1948-49-50—continued.

No. of Committee.	Designation of Committee.	When and how appointed.	Members.	Chairman.	No. of Meetings.		No. of Witnesses Examined.	Reported.
					Called.	Held.		
4	Printing	1948. 10 November, Votes No. 9, Entry 4 ... (On motion of Mr. Baddeley.)	(a) Mr. Noble, Mr. Wattison, Mr. Fowles, Mr. W. McC. Gollan Mr. Lawrence Kelly, Mr. James McGirr.	Mr. Fowles	19	19	.....	.....

* Confers on subjects of mutual concernment with a similar Committee of the Legislative Council.
(a) Deceased, 9th July, 1949.

† Acts in conjunction with a similar Committee of the Legislative Council.
(b) Resigned, 28th October, 1949.

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