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**VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.**

**FIRST SESSION OF THE THIRTY-SIXTH PARLIAMENT.**

**WEDNESDAY, 12 JULY, 1950.**

1. **Opening of Parliament:** The House met at Twelve o'clock at Noon, pursuant to a Proclamation of His Excellency the Governor, bearing date the seventh day of July, 1950, of which a copy was read by Harry Robbins, Esquire, M.C., Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, as follows:

   "**NEW SOUTH WALES,**
   
   "To Whom It May Concern:
   
   "By His Excellency Sir John Northcott, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Member of the Royal Victorian Order, Lieutenant-General on the Retired List of the Australian Military Forces, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia:
   
   "In pursuance of the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the State of New South Wales by virtue of an Act passed in the second year of the reign of His late Majesty King Edward the Seventh, being an Act to consolidate the Acts relating to the Constitution, I do hereby proclaim that a Session of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly for the State of New South Wales for the despatch of business shall commence and be held on Wednesday, the twelfth day of July, 1950, at 12 o'clock noon, in the buildings known as the Legislative Council Chambers, in Macquarie-street, in the City of Sydney; and Members of the said Legislative Council and 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 seventh day of July 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!"

2. **Writs of Election:** The Clerk announced that he had received, through the Honourable the Colonial Secretary, a correct list, without any omission, certified by His Excellency the Governor, of the names of the several persons returned for the Electoral Districts set against such names, respectively, at the General Election of Members to serve in the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, which was held on the 17th day of June, 1950, and further certifying that the several Writs of Election, being ninety-four in number, were duly returned before the day on which they were legally returnable:

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*2nd July, 1950.*
Names of Members returned.

Tonge, Arthur
Treast, Vernon Haddon
Tully, Laurence John
Turner, Henry Basil
Vincent, Roy Stanley
Watson, William Ernest
Weir, George
Wetherell, Ernest
Williams, Arthur John Leonard
Wiley, Eric Archibald
Wingfield, Cecil Gordon
Wyatt, Stanislaus

Electoral Districts for which returned.

Canterbury.
Woollahra.
Goulburn.
Raleigh.
Sturt.
Dulwich Hill.
Cobar.
George's River.
Earlwood.
Clarence.
Lakemba.

3. MESSAGE FROM THE COMMISSIONERS:—The Usher of the Black Rod being admitted, delivered a Message, that "The Commissioners request the immediate attendance of this Honourable House, in the Legislative Council Chamber, to hear the Commission for Opening of Parliament read."

The House went, and the Members of both Houses being seated at the request of the President, on behalf of the Commissioners,—

The President said,—

"Honourable Members of the Legislative Council, and Members of the Legislative Assembly,—His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to cause a Commission to be issued under the Great Seal of the State, constituting us Commissioners to do on behalf of His Majesty, all things necessary to be done in the name of His Majesties, or in the name of His Excellency the Governor of the State in and about the opening and holding of this Parliament, to deliver a Message to the Legislative Assembly, and to do all such other things as may be specially necessary to enable Parliament to perform acts which admit of no delay, as will more fully appear by the Commission itself, which must now be read."

Whereupon the Commission was read by the Clerk of the Parliaments, as follows:—

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

Greeting:

WHEREAS by Proclamation made on the seventh day of July, 1950, His Excellency Sir John Northcott, Knight Commander of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Member of Our Royal Victorian Order, Lieutenant-General on the Retired List of Our Australian Military Forces, Our Governor of Our State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia, did, in pursuance of the power and authority vested in him as Governor of Our said State, by virtue of an Act passed in the second year of the reign of His late Majesty King Edward the Seventh, being "an Act to consolidate the Acts relating to the Constitution," proclaim that a Session of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly for the said State should commence and be held on Wednesday, twelfth day of July, 1950, "at the time and place mentioned in the said Proclamation: And whereas, for certain causes, Our said Governor cannot conveniently be present in person at the opening of the said Session of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Our said State: Now know ye, that we, trusting in the discretion, fidelity, and care of Our trusty and well-beloved the Honourable Ernest Henry Farrar, President of the said Legislative Council, the Honourable Robert Reginald Downing, Minister of Justice and Vice-President of Our Executive Council of Our said State, and Lieutenant-Colonel the Honourable Thomas Steele, Chairman of Committees, Members of the Legislative Council, do, with the advice of Our Executive Council of Our said State, give and grant by the tenor of these presents unto the said Ernest Henry Farrar, Robert Reginald Downing, and Thomas Steele, or any two of them, full power in Our name to open and hold the said Session of the said Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly on the said twelfth day of July, 1950; or subsequent day, on Our behalf to do all things necessary to be done in Our name, or in the name of "Our Governor of Our said State in and about the opening and holding of the said Parliament, to deliver Messages to the Legislative Council and to the
"Legislative Assembly, and to do all such things as may be specially necessary to enable Parliament or the said Legislative Council or the said Legislative Assembly to perform acts which admit of no delay: Commanding also by the tenor of these presents all whom it concerns to meet in the said Parliament, that to the said Ernest Henry Farrar, Robert Reginald Downing and Thomas Steele, or any two of them, they diligently attend in the premises in the form aforesaid.

"In testimony whereof, we have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of Our said State to be hereunto affixed.

"Witness Our Trusty and Well-beloved Sir JOHN NORTHCOTT, Knight Commander of Our Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of Our Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Member of Our Royal Victorian Order, Lieutenant-General on the Retired List of Our Australian Military Forces, Governor of Our State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia, at Sydney, in Our said State, this seventh day of July, 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."

The President then said,—

"Members of the Legislative Assembly,—

"We have it in command from the Governor to let you know that, it being necessary that a Speaker of the Legislative Assembly be chosen, it is His Excellency's pleasure that you, Members of the Legislative Assembly, repair to your Chamber, and there, after Members shall have been sworn, proceed to the election of one of your number to be your Speaker!"

And the House having returned,—

4. COMMISSION TO ADMINISTER THE OATH OF ALLEGIANCE:—The Clerk informed the House that he had received, through the office of the Premier, the following Commission:—

"By His Excellency Sir John Northcott, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Member of the Royal Victorian Order, Lieutenant-General on the Retired List of the Australian Military Forces, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia.

"To all to whom these presents shall come,—

"Greeting:

"In pursuance of the authority in me vested in that behalf, I, Sir JOHN NORTH
cott, as Governor of the State of New South Wales, do, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, hereby authorize the Honourable James McGirr, Premier and Colonial Treasurer, the Honourable John Joseph Cahill, Deputy-Premier, Secretary for Public Works and Minister for Local Government, and the Honourable Clive Raleigh Evans, Colonial Secretary, Minister for Co-operative Societies and Assistant Treasurer, or any one or more of them, to administer to all or any Members or Member of the Legislative Assembly of the said State, the Oath or Affirmation of Allegiance to His Majesty the King, required by law to be taken or made and subscribed by every such Member before he shall be permitted to sit or vote in the said Legislative Assembly.

"Given under my hand and the Public Seal of the State, at Sydney, in the State of New South Wales aforesaid, this seventh day of July, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty, and in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's Reign.

"J. NORTHCOTT, Governor.

"By His Excellency's Command,
"JAMES McGIRR."
5. Members Sworn:—The Honourable James McGirr took and subscribed the Oath of Allegiance before Mr. Cahill and administered the same to the two other Commissioners, the Honourable John Joseph Cahill and the Honourable Olave Ralph Evatt, and then the Commissioners respectively signed the Roll of the House, and administered the Oath to all the other Members present,—the Clerk producing the several writs returning them, and the Members signing the Roll as they were severally called to the Table, viz.:—

John Clerk Adamson, Esquire.
Kenneth McColl Anderson, Esquire.
The Hon. Joshua George Arthur.
Robin William Askin, Esquire.
Ivan Carlisle Black, Esquire, LL.B.
George Booth, Esquire.
Lient.-Colonel the Hon. Michael Frederick Brunner, D.S.O.
Frederick Joseph Cahill, Esquire.
Robert Cameron, Esquire.
George Glover Campbell, Esquire.
William Adolphus Chaffey, Esquire.
James Chalmers, Esquire.
The Hon. Daniel Clyde.
Reginald Francis Xavier Connor, Esquire.
Frederick George Cooke, Esquire.
George Robertson Crawford, Esquire, D.C.M.
John William Crook, Esquire.
Douglas Donald Cross, Esquire.
Charles Benjamin Cuthler, Esquire.
Evelyn Donald Darby, Esquire, B.Sc.
Bernard Sydney Llewellyn Deane, Esquire.
Robert Charles Devier, Esquire.
Samuel Douglas Dickson, Esquire.
Edgar Percy Dring, Esquire.
Kevin Ellis, Esquire, LL.B., B.Sc.
Ambrose George Enticknap, Esquire.
The Hon. Francis Joseph Finnan.
Raymond Leo Fitzgerald, Esquire.
Howard Thomas Foxles, Esquire.
John Stanley Freeman, Esquire.
William Frith, Esquire.
James Leo Geraghty, Esquire.
The Hon. George Charles Gollan.
William McCulloch Gollan, Esquire.
The Hon. Edgar Hugh Graham.
Frederick Green, Esquire.
The Hon. Francis Harold Hawkins.
The Hon. Robert James Heffron.
Waiter Arthur Harrex Howarth, Esquire.
Davis Hughian, Esquire, B.Sc.
David Benjamin Hunter, Esquire.
Harry Gordon Jackett, Esquire.
Harold Ernest Jackson, Esquire.

6. Election of Speaker:—Mr. Dring, addressing himself to the Clerk (who, standing up, pointed to him, and then sat down), moved, That William Henry Lamb, Esquire, do take the Chair of this House as Speaker,—which motion was seconded by Mr. Chalmers.

And Mr. Lamb, standing in his place, informed the House that he accepted nomination.
Question,—That William Henry Lamb, Esquire, do take the Chair of this House as Speaker,—put by the Clerk and passed.

Whereupon Mr. Dring and Mr. Chalmers conducted Mr. Lamb to the Chair, where, standing on the upper step, he returned his acknowledgments to the House for the great honour they had been pleased to confer upon him,—

And thereupon sat down in the Chair.

Mr. James McGirr, Mr. Treatt, and Lieut.-Colonel Braxner congratulated Mr. Speaker.

Mr. McGirr then informed the House that he had ascertained that His Excellency the Governor would receive their Speaker at Government House at Three o'clock, p.m., This Day.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at Twenty-nine minutes before Two o'clock, p.m. until Fifteen minutes before Three o'clock, p.m.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at the hour named.

7. PRESENTATION OF SPEAKER:—The House then proceeded to Government House to present their Speaker to His Excellency the Governor,—

And having returned,—Mr. Speaker reported that the Assembly had been to Government House, where he informed the Governor that, immediately after the opening of Parliament to-day, the Legislative Assembly, in the exercise of their undoubted rights, had proceeded to the election of their Speaker, that the choice had fallen upon him, and that he had now to present himself to His Excellency as their Speaker,—whereupon His Excellency was pleased to offer to him his congratulations. That he had then, in the name and on behalf of the House, laid claim to all their undoubted rights and privileges, particularly to freedom of speech in debate, to free access to His Excellency when occasion should require, and that the most favourable construction should on all occasions, be put upon their language and proceedings; to all of which His Excellency had readily assented.

Mr. Speaker again expressed his appreciation for the honour the House had been pleased to confer upon him.

S. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT:—Mr. James McGirr informed the House that on 30th June, with a view to reconstructing the Ministry, he submitted his resignation as Premier and Colonial Treasurer to His Excellency the Governor, an action which involved the resignation of the whole of his colleagues. His Excellency immediately commissioned him to form a new Ministry, and on the same date, the following gentlemen had been appointed by His Excellency as Members of the Executive Council and to the offices indicated:—


The Honourable John Joseph Cahill, M.L.A., Deputy Premier, Secretary for Public Works and Minister for Local Government.

The Honourable Clive Raleigh Evatt, K.C., LL.B., M.L.A., Colonial Secretary, Minister for Co-operative Societies and Assistant Treasurer.

The Honourable Robert James Hetfron, MLA., Minister for Education.

The Honourable Christopher Augustus Kelly, MLA., Secretary for Mines and Minister for Immigration.

The Honourable Francis Harold Hawkins, M.L.A., Minister without portfolio.

9. LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION:—Mr. Treatt informed the House of his re-appointment as Leader of the Opposition and the re-appointment of Mr. Howarth as Deputy-Leader.

10. LEADER OF THE COUNTRY PARTY:—Lieut.-Colonel Bruen informed the House of his re-appointment as Leader of the Country Party.

11. APPOINTMENT OF GOVERNMENT WHIP:—Mr. James McGirr informed the House that Mr. J. F. McGrath had been re-appointed to the position of Government Whip.

12. APPOINTMENT OF OPPOSITION WHIP:—Mr. Treatt informed the House that Mr. G. W. Brain had been re-appointed to the position of Opposition Whip.

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

(1.) Dairy Industry (Amendment) Bill:—
J. NORTHCOTT, Government.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Dairy Industry Act, 1915-1940, 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.

(2.) Camperdown Cemetery (Amendment) Bill:—
J. NORTHCOTT, Governor.
A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Camperdown Cemetery Act, 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.

(3.) Bread Manufacture and Delivery Bill:—
J. NORTHCOTT, Governor.
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,"—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, 10th May, 1950.

(4.) Government Railways and Transport (Amendment) Bill:—
K. W. STREET, Governor.
By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.
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 Tramsways; 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,"—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 May, 1950.

(5.) Liverpool Cemetery Bill:

K. W. STREET,

By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

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,"—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 May, 1950.

(6.) Factories and Shops (Hairdressers) Amendment Bill:

K. W. STREET,

By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

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 other purposes to amend the Factories and Shops Act, 1912-1948; 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, 15th May, 1950.

(7.) Co-operation (Amendment) Bill:

K. W. STREET,

By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

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,"—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 May, 1950.

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

K. W. STREET,

By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

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
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12th July, 1950.

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 May, 1950.

(9.) Coal Mining Industry Long Service Leave Bill:—

K. W. STREET,
By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

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,"—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 May, 1950.

(10.) Electricity Commission Bill:—

K. W. STREET,
By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

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,"—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 May, 1950.

(11.) Parliamentary Electorates and Elections (Amendment) Bill:—

K. W. STREET,
By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to repeal section 151a and to amend section 151b of the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912-1949; 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, 16th May, 1950.

(12.) Workmen's Compensation (Broken Hill) Amendment Bill:—

K. W. STREET,
By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Workmen's Compensation (Broken Hill) Act, 1920-1948, 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 May, 1950.

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(13.) Meat Industry (Amendment) Bill:—
K. W. STREET,

By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

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,"—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 May, 1950.

14. Pro forma Bill—Law of Evidence Bill:—Mr. James McGirr presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend the Law of Evidence," and moved, pro forma, That this Bill be now read a first time.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a first time.

15. Message from the Commissioners:—Mr. Speaker reported that the House had this day attended the Commissioners in the Legislative Council Chamber, where a Commission for opening Parliament was read, and a Message to the Assembly delivered, which Message he read to the House as follows:—

Members of the Legislative Assembly,—

We have it in command from the Governor to let you know that, it being necessary that a Speaker of the Legislative Assembly be chosen, it is His Excellency's pleasure that you, Members of the Legislative Assembly, repair to your Chamber, and there, after Members shall have been sworn, proceed to the election of one of your number to be your Speaker.

16. Chairman of Committees:—

(1.) Urgency:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider a Motion for the appointment of a Chairman of Committees of the Whole House.

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 consideration forthwith of a Motion for the appointment of a Chairman of Committees of the Whole House.

Question put and passed.

(3.) Mr. Seifert moved, That George Booth, Esquire, be Chairman of Committees of the Whole House,—which Motion was seconded by Mr. Fowler.

Question put and passed.

Whereupon Mr. Booth made his acknowledgments to the House.

17. Papers:—

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table Regulations and amendments of Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1902.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Kelly 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—

Ballina.  Lismore.
Binalong.  Liverpool.
Coodaholin.  North Ryde.
Dubbo.  North Turramurra.
Dungog.  Newra.
Fairfield.  Pagewood.
Gloucester.  Peakhurst.
Goolagong.  Punchbowl.
Hay.  Redfern.
Hurstville.  Taree.
Junes.  West Bankstown.
Jerilderie.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
Mr. Graham laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Amendment of Regulation under the Stock Diseases Act, 1923-1934.
(2.) Amendment of Regulation under the Stock Foods and Medicines Act, 1940.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
Ordered to be printed.
(2.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for works in connection with the construction of Dam across the Macquarie River at Burrendong.
(3.) Copy Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointments, on probation, of Messrs. N. H. Monteith and R. E. McCormac, Department of Conservation.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Finnan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Consolidated Regulations under the Scaffolding and Lifts Act, 1912-1948.
(2.) Regulations under the Factories and Shores Act, 1912-1950.
(3.) Amendment Scheme under the Workers' Compensation Act, 1926-1948.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Sheahan 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 March and April, 1950.
(3.) Notifications of acquisition of land and/or easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the following Railway purpose of:
   (a) Maintaining traffic on the existing lines of Railway between—
      (i) Sydney and Albury—at Yennora.
      (ii) Sydney and Bourke—between Lidcombe and Penrith.
      (iii) Sydney to Wallangarra—at Whittingham.
      (iv) Wardell-road to Glebe Island—at Leichhardt.
   (b) Confirming the Commissioner for Railways' title to land at (i) Paddington and (ii) Trangiecluse East.
   (c) Electricity Power Station at Wangi Wangi, Lake Macquarie.
   (d) Accommodating Railway Electric Transmission Lines at Carlingford.
   (e) Underground Electrical Cables from White Bay to Ultimo Power Station.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

18. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Thursday, 27th July, 1950, at Eleven o'clock, a.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.
And Mr. McGirr having spoken in Reply,—
Question put and passed.

19. DEATH OF THE HONOURABLE ERNEST ALBERT BUTTENSHAW, A FORMER MINISTER OF THE CROWN:—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 Ernest Albert Buttenshaw, a former Minister of the Crown in the State of New South Wales.
12th July, 1950.

(2.) That Mr. Speaker be requested to communicate to Mrs. Buttenshaw 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. Trestt and supported by Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner, Mr. Cahill, Mr. Lazzarini and Mr. Hunter,—

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

20. DEATH OF WILLIAM ROY CLIFFORD BAGNALL, 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 William Roy Clifford Bagnall, formerly a Member of the Legislative Assembly.

(2.) That Mr. Speaker be requested to communicate to Mrs. Bagnall 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. Trestt and supported by Mr. Vincent and Mr. Cahill,—

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

21. FLOODS IN NEW SOUTH WALES.—Mr. James McGirr (by consent) moved, without Notice, That this House desires to express its deepest sympathy with all who suffered bereavement or sustained loss and damage as a result of the recent disastrous floods in this State, and records its admiration of the endurance and courage displayed by those affected, and by all who so readily assisted in the work of rescue and the alleviation of distress.

Debate ensued.

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

22. ADJOURNMENT.—Mr. Cahill moved, That, as a tribute of respect, this House do now adjourn.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Half-past Five o'clock, p.m., until Thursday, 27th July, 1950, at Eleven o'clock, a.m., unless an earlier day and/or hour be fixed in accordance with the terms of the Resolution adopted at this Sitting.

H. ROBBINS, W. H. LAMB, 
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly. Speaker.
SUPPLEMENT TO THE
Government Gazette
OF THE STATE OF
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No. 120.] WEDNESDAY, 26 JULY. [1950.

PROCLAMATION.

By His Excellency Sir John Northcott, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Member of the Royal Victorian Order, Lieutenant-General on the Retired List of the Australian Military Forces, Governor of the State of New South Wales and its Dependencies in the Commonwealth of Australia.

WHEREAS the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of the State of New South Wales now stand adjourned to Thursday, the twenty-seventh day of July, 1950: Now I, Sir 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 Thursday, the twenty-fourth day of August, 1950.

Given under my Hand and Seal, at Sydney, this nineteenth day of July, 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!

SYDNEY:
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Legislative Assembly Office,
Sydney, 16th July, 1950.

R. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.
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Legislative Assembly Office,
Sydney, 19th July, 1950.

H. Robbins,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.