

Votes

New South Wales.

No. 1.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER, 1947.

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 Twenty-seventh day of August, 1947.

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
"(L.S.) } Bath, Member of the Royal Victorian Order,
"J. NORTHCOTT, } Governor of the State of New South Wales and its
"Governor. } Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia.

"WHEREAS the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of the State of New South Wales now stand prorogued to Thursday, the eleventh day of September, 1947: Now, I, Lieutenant-General JOHN NORTHCOTT, in pursuance of the power and authority in me vested as Governor of the said State, do hereby further prorogue the said Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly to Tuesday, the twenty-third day of September, 1947: 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 twenty-third day of September, 1947, 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 twenty-seventh day of August, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-seven, and in the eleventh year of His Majesty's Reign.

"By His Excellency's Command,
"JAMES MCGIRR.

"GOD SAVE THE KING!"

2. SPEAKER'S COMMISSION TO ADMINISTER THE OATH OR AFFIRMATION OF ALLEGIANCE:—Mr. Speaker reported that His Excellency the Governor had been pleased to issue a Commission, under the Public Seal of the State, empowering him, as Speaker, to administer, from time to time as occasion may require, to any

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Member of the Legislative Assembly to whom the same shall not have been previously administered, the Oath or Affirmation of Allegiance to His Majesty the King, which Commission was as follows:—

“By 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.

“To all to whom these presents shall come,—

“Greeting:

“In pursuance of the authority in me vested in that behalf, I, Lieutenant-General JOHN NORTHCOTT, as Governor of the State of New South Wales, do, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, hereby authorise the Honourable William Henry Lamb, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the said State, to administer, from time to time as occasion may require, to any Member of the said Legislative Assembly to whom the same shall not have been previously administered, 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 twenty-fourth day of June, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-seven, and in the eleventh year of His Majesty’s Reign.

“J. NORTHCOTT,
“Governor.

“By His Excellency’s Command,
“JAMES MCGIRR.”

3. MEMBER SWORN:—Lieutenant-Colonel Ewan Murray Robson, D.S.O., B.A., LL.B., 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 Vacluse.
4. RETIREMENT OF MR. F. B. LANGLEY FROM OFFICE OF CLERK OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, AND APPOINTMENT OF MR. HARRY ROBBINS, M.C., AS HIS SUCCESSOR:—Mr. Speaker informed the House that, as Mr. F. B. Langley, the former Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, had reached the age of retirement, approval had been granted by the Governor and Executive Council for his retirement, his last day of service being 29th August, 1947.
Mr. Speaker also informed the House of the appointment by the Governor and Executive Council of Mr. Harry Robbins, M.C., formerly Clerk Assistant, as Clerk of the Legislative Assembly as from 30th August last.
The Oath of Allegiance and the Oath of Office had been duly administered to Mr. Robbins by His Excellency the Governor on 27th August last.
5. THE SERJEANT-AT-ARMS:—Mr. Speaker reported that he had received a Commission in favour of Mr. Hubert St. Pierre Scarlett, who had been appointed by His Excellency the Governor and the Executive Council, Serjeant-at-Arms of the Legislative Assembly, in the room of Mr. Ivor Percy Kidd Vidler, promoted. Mr. Speaker added that His Excellency the Governor had already administered to Mr. Scarlett the Oaths of Allegiance and of Office, respectively, as Serjeant-at-Arms of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales.
6. 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 Twelve minutes before One o'clock, p.m., until Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at the hour named.

7. DEPUTY-SPEAKER'S COMMISSION TO ADMINISTER THE OATH OR AFFIRMATION OF ALLEGIANCE:—Mr. Speaker reported that he had received a Commission, under the Public Seal of the State, signed by His Excellency the Governor, empowering George Booth, Esquire, Chairman of Committees of the Legislative Assembly, in the absence of the Honourable the Speaker, to administer, from time to time as occasion may require, to any Member of the Legislative Assembly to whom the same shall not have been previously administered, the Oath or Affirmation of Allegiance to His Majesty the King, which Commission was as follows:—

“By 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.

“To all to whom these presents shall come,—

“Greeting:

“IN pursuance of the authority in me vested in that behalf, I, Lieutenant-General JOHN NORTHCOTT, as Governor of the State of New South Wales, do, with the advice of the Executive Council thereof, hereby authorise George Booth, Esquire, Chairman of Committees of the Legislative Assembly of the said State, in the absence of the Honourable the Speaker of the said Legislative Assembly, to administer, from time to time as occasion may require, to any Member of the said Legislative Assembly to whom the same shall not have been previously administered, 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 twenty-fourth day of June, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-seven, and in the eleventh year of His Majesty's Reign.

*“J. NORTHCOTT,
“Governor.*

*“By His Excellency's Command,
“JAMES MCGIRR.”*

8. 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.

9. PAPER:—Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Twenty-seventh Annual Report of the State Superannuation Board, being for the year ended 30th June, 1946.

Ordered to be printed.

10. URGENCY—NATIONALISATION OF BANKING:—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 nationalisation of Banking throughout Australia with the setting up of a Governmental banking monopoly is harmful to the interests of all sections of the people of New South Wales, imperils personal freedom, and will destroy liberty of the individual.*
- (2.) That the Federal Government should withhold any legislation to nationalise banking until the question has been submitted to, and approved by the people at a referendum.*
- (3.) That if the Federal Government introduces legislation to nationalise banking without first taking a referendum of the people, this Government, in order to protect the people of New South Wales, should itself hold a referendum of the electors in this State on the issues involved.*
- (4.) That this resolution be communicated by the Premier to the Prime Minister of Australia.*

Question put.

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The House divided.

Mr. Jack Beale	Ayes, 33.	
Mr. Brain	Mr. Howarth	Lieut.-Col. Robson
Lieut.-Col. Brunner	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Rose
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Storey
Mr. Darby	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Kendall	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dickson	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Medcalf	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Morton	Mr. Jeff Bate
Mr. Frith	Mr. Padman	Mr. Black
Mr. Gollan	Mr. John Reid	
	Mr. Richardson	

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Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Gorman	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Booth	Mr. Graham	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Currey	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Davidson	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Dring	Mr. Knight	Mr. Tonge
Captain Dunn	Mr. Lang	Mr. Tully
Mr. Entieknapp	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Evatt	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Weir
Mr. Finnan	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. C. E. Martin	Captain Arthur
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Geraghty
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Noble	
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Nott	

And so it passed in the negative.

11. *Pro Formâ* BILL—LAW OF EVIDENCE BILL:—Mr. James McGirr 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.

12. ADMISSION TO THE BODY OF THE HOUSE:—Mr. James McGirr (*with the unanimous concurrence of the House*) moved, That the Right Honourable the Viscount Addison, a Member of the House of Lords and Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations in the British Cabinet (now present), be invited to take a chair on the floor of the House.

The motion having been seconded by Mr. Treatt,—

Question put and passed.

Whereupon the Right Honourable the Viscount Addison entered the Chamber, and took a seat at the right hand of Mr. Speaker.

13. LEAVE OF ABSENCE:—

(1.) Mr. McGrath moved (*by consent*), without Notice, That leave of absence for the present Session be granted to Daniel Olyne, Esquire, Member for King, 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 Abram Landa, Esquire, Member for Bondi, 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 Arthur John Leonard Williams, Esquire, Member for George's River, on account of illness.

Question put and passed.

(4.) Mr. Brain moved (*by consent*), without Notice, That leave of absence for the present Session be granted to Henry Basil Turner, Esquire, Member for Gordon, on account of absence from the State.

Question put and passed.

(5.) Mr. Frith 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 illness.

Question put and passed.

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14. THE GOVERNOR'S OPENING SPEECH:—Mt. 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,—

It is with pleasure that I call you together for the discharge of your important duties in the Second Session of the Thirty-fifth Parliament of New South Wales.

Since I last addressed you, the General Elections have been held, at which the previous administration was returned to office. My advisers have interpreted this as an endorsement of the policy which they placed before the people. Broadly this was a policy of progressive development, leading to greater prosperity, a higher standard of living, and full employment. Since the elections my advisers have formulated administrative and legislative plans to implement this policy.

I feel that I share with you, and with all members of the community, deep concern because of the sequence of events that has culminated in the economic crisis now confronting our kinsfolk in the United Kingdom. In common with her sister Dominions, Australia has responded spontaneously in support of the home country and my Ministers have co-operated with the Government of the Commonwealth in measures designed to relieve the burden on the British people. It is in times of stress such as that now facing the Motherland that the unity of all members of our Commonwealth of Nations is evidenced and the strength which that unity brings and our determination to play our part will, I am confident, enable Britain to emerge victorious from the present difficulties of the peace as she has emerged from the trials of war.

Reconstruction of the nation's economy on a sound peace-time footing, a problem which engages the earnest attention of all countries, depends largely upon the coal, iron and steel industries. In this respect we are fortunate, for output in these industries has been maintained well above pre-war levels, the difficulties that have been experienced being due to the increase in demand following upon vast industrial expansion.

My Ministers are pleased to advise that with employment at an unprecedented peak, industrial disputes have been greatly reduced. This harmony in industry is due in large measure to the industrial policy of this State as evidenced in the passage through these Houses of the enactment conferring a forty-hour working week upon all employees engaged under State awards.

I have been concerned to hear that adverse seasonal conditions have created difficulties in the primary industries. My Ministers inform me, however, that in recent years the capacity of producers to triumph over such adversity has been greatly increased and that every effort will be made to maintain their position. Though the quantity of wool offered for sale during 1946-47 was exceptionally small, the value realised was the highest on record for any season. Indications are that returns for the current trading period will be on a similar high level. Under the influence of a world food shortage which will continue for some time, the area sown with wheat is the highest for several years. It is gratifying that recent rains have alleviated the dry conditions which prevailed in many parts of the State, and while in some parts further relief is required, the prospects for the forthcoming season have been much improved.

A Ministry of Building Materials has been established with the responsibility of stimulating the production and facilitating the distribution of essential building materials. The Ministry is proceeding with the utmost energy with a view to increasing the supply of materials, fittings and equipment to meet the housing needs of the community and an ever-increasing rate of home construction may be expected.

My advisers inform me that State forestry activities have been greatly intensified and every effort is being made to meet the unprecedented demand for timber.

A fund of £50,000 has been established so that the Soil Conservation (Amendment) Act, 1947, may be implemented. This Act provides for the granting of financial and technical assistance to land owners wishing to carry out soil conservation and erosion mitigation works.

Generous financial relief has been extended to primary producers whose returns have been adversely affected by seasonal conditions. £1,000,000 was distributed by way of grants from a Commonwealth-State fund to cereal growers

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whose crops wholly or partially failed during the 1946-47 season, and during the last financial year the Commonwealth and State Governments provided £300,000 for drought relief to dairy farmers in New South Wales.

The establishment of a Citrus Research Station in the Gosford district at a cost of £14,000 has been approved by my Ministers. Maintenance of soil fertility, control of erosion and supplementary irrigation are amongst the more important subjects to be studied at this Station.

In keeping with the rapid industrial progress of the State, my advisers have been active in extending the facilities for technical education. Many new courses of instruction have been inaugurated to meet present-day requirements in such fields as illumination, personnel science, wood technology, plastics, food, marine engineering, and radio engineering.

The State is continuing to co-operate with the Commonwealth Government in the rehabilitation and training of ex-service personnel. There are at present 35,000 students receiving instruction at New South Wales educational institutions under the Commonwealth Reconstruction Training Scheme.

A new Teachers' College was opened at Wagga Wagga recently and more than 2,000 teachers will be trained annually at the four institutions now in operation. Scholarship allowances have also been increased and it is anticipated that the shortage of teachers will be rapidly overcome.

MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,—

My Ministers advise me that the financial position of the State continues to be sound. Last financial year, a surplus was achieved on the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the sixth successive year, and although the operations of the State's transport undertakings—the Departments of Railways and Road Transport and Tramways—resulted in deficiencies, adjustments in fares, freights, and other charges have now been made to enable these undertakings to meet increased costs and to place them on a sounder financial basis. The approval of the Loan Council has been obtained to the provision of loan funds for the reinstatement of Trust Funds which were used during the war years to finance loan works and services and which are now required for the purposes for which they were created. The Budget for the now current financial year will shortly be placed before you, and you will be asked to vote funds for the Public Services of the State. The Estimates of expenditure from the General Loan Account and the amounts it is proposed should be appropriated for essential works throughout the State will also be submitted for your consideration.

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

In the Session now commencing my Ministers will submit for your consideration a programme of legislation to implement the policy recently endorsed by the electors.

Alive to the housing needs of the people, administrative and legislative measures to achieve the utmost expansion of home building have been and will continue in the forefront of my advisers' endeavours.

Legislation will be brought forward to increase the maximum amount of advances by the Housing Commission for home building purposes; to enable advances to be granted up to 100 per cent. of the value of the security; and to raise substantially the income limit in respect of persons eligible for advances.

A slum clearance scheme is also to be undertaken to replace slum dwellings with modern buildings set in garden surroundings with children's playgrounds and similar amenities.

An important measure to be placed before you is designed to encourage and increase the production of building materials, and at the same time extend the control over these materials and building operations generally to ensure that the materials available will be devoted to meeting the most urgent needs of the community.

To increase the production of roofing tiles and bricks urgently required for home building purposes, my Ministers have decided to proceed with the establishment of a Tile Works. Legislation to authorise this undertaking will be submitted to you.

You will be asked early in the Session to consider measures of importance in the field of local government. My advisers will submit to you Bills to give effect to proposals for the regrouping of local government areas in the County of Cumberland, and to provide for compulsory voting at municipal elections.

Another measure to effect general amendments to the Local Government Act will be placed before you, as well as a Bill to extend the provisions of the Local Government (Superannuation) Act to certain employees not now covered by that Act.

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My Ministers feel that the home delivery of goods should be restored without further delay, at least to the extent operating prior to the war, and a Bill to enable steps to be taken in this direction will be submitted for your consideration.

Measures to give effect to various proposals affecting primary producers and rural dwellers will be presented during the Session. These will include Bills to authorise the acquisition and disposal of single-unit farms under the War Service Land Settlement Scheme; to extend the period for receipt of applications for Stay Orders under the Farmers' Relief Act; and to authorise further withdrawals from large leaseholds in the Western Division of the State for the promotion of new settlement.

Another important measure will be a Conservation and Land Utilisation Bill, to establish a Conservation Authority of New South Wales to co-ordinate the activities of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Commission, the Forestry Department and the Soil Conservation Service.

A Timber Conservation Bill will be presented which is designed to encourage landholders in establishing and maintaining timber on their properties, and to avoid soil erosion by preventing the indiscriminate destruction of timber.

A Bill will be submitted to consolidate the law relating to Bush Fires and to provide further measures for protection against this menace.

My advisers feel that the time is not yet opportune for the conduct of week-day race meetings, and legislation will be introduced to continue the present restriction in this regard until 1949, and should my advisers deem it necessary, beyond that date.

The further postponement of the maturity date of moratorium barred mortgages is considered necessary by my Ministers and an amending Bill will provide accordingly.

A Bill amending the Jury Act will be presented under which provision will be made for all electors, including women, to serve on juries.

Another measure will provide for removal of the present disabilities of women in regard to property rights. The Legal Assistance Act will be amended to extend the facilities available thereunder.

In accordance with the undertaking given to the electors, an important measure contemplated by my Ministers is one to simplify the arbitration machinery and expedite the consideration of industrial matters. Review of the Workers' Compensation Act is also proceeding and proposals in this connection will be submitted to you.

Many other important measures, some of which are now receiving the consideration of my advisers, will be brought before you during the Session.

I now leave you to the discharge of your important duties with the earnest prayer that under Divine guidance your labours may conduce to the welfare and happiness of all sections of the community.

Mr. Wattison moved, and Mr. Noble 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 NORTHICOTT, 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 Service 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. Treatt moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.
Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next and take precedence of other business.

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15. SUPPLY BILL:—

(1.) The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. James McGirr, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 1.

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 1947-1948.

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Ordered to be referred to the Committee of Supply.

(2.) URGENCY:—Mr. McGirr moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the appointment forthwith of the Committees of Supply and of Ways and Means, and the introduction and passing of the Supply Bill through all its stages in one day.

Question put and passed.

(3.) SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—Mr. McGirr moved, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the appointment forthwith of the Committees of Supply and of Ways and Means, and the introduction and passing of the Supply Bill through all its stages in one day.

Question put and passed.

16. COMMITTEE OF SUPPLY:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That this House will, at a later hour of the Day, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

Question put and passed.

17. COMMITTEE OF WAYS AND MEANS:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That this House will, at a later hour of the Day, resolve itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Question put and passed.

18. SUPPLY (*Supply 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 the Committee of Supply.

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

The Temporary 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) A sum not exceeding £4,572,500, 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, 1948, to be expended at the rates which have been sanctioned for the financial year ended 30th June, 1947, subject to the rate of any reduction that may hereafter be made in the expenditure of the year 1947-1948.

(b) A sum not exceeding £4,931,000, 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, 1948, to be expended at the rates which have been sanctioned for the financial year ended 30th June, 1947, subject to the rate of any reduction that may hereafter be made in the expenditure of the year 1947-1948.

(c) A sum not exceeding £113,400, 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, 1948, to be expended at the rates which have been sanctioned for the financial year ended 30th June, 1947, subject to the rate of any reduction that may hereafter be made in the expenditure of the year 1947-1948.

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- (d) A sum not exceeding £957,900, 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, 1948, to be expended at the rates which have been sanctioned for the financial year ended 30th June, 1947, subject to the rate of any reduction that may hereafter be made in the expenditure of the year 1947-1948.
- (e) A sum not exceeding £102,200, 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, 1948, to be expended at the rates which have been sanctioned for the financial year ended 30th June, 1947, subject to the rate of any reduction that may hereafter be made in the expenditure of the year 1947-1948.
- (f) A sum not exceeding £205,900, 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, 1948, to be expended at the rates which have been sanctioned for the financial year ended 30th June, 1947, subject to the rate of any reduction that may hereafter be made in the expenditure of the year 1947-1948.

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

19. WAYS AND MEANS (*Supply 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 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 Service of the financial year 1947-1948, the sum of £10,882,900 be granted, viz.:—£4,572,500 out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, £4,931,000 out of the Government Railways Fund, £113,400 out of the Road Transport and Traffic Fund, £957,900 out of the Metropolitan Transport Trust General Fund, £102,200 out of the Newcastle and District Transport Trust General Fund, and £205,900 out of the Sydney Harbour Trust Fund.

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

20. SUPPLY BILL:—

- (1.) Ordered, on motion of Mr. James McGirr, that a Bill be brought in, founded on Resolution of Ways and Means (No. 1), 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 1947-1948.

- (2.) Mr. McGirr then presented a Bill, intituled "*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 1947-1948*",—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. McGirr, the Report was adopted.

- (4.) Mr. McGirr moved, That the Bill be now read a third time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a third time.

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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 1947-1948,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 23rd September, 1947.*

21. ECONOMIC STABILITY AND WAR-TIME PROVISIONS CONTINUANCE (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) URGENCY:—Mr. Baddeley moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that the Economic Stability and War-time Provisions Continuance (Amendment) Bill be brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.

Question put and passed.

(2.) SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—Mr. Baddeley moved, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the Economic Stability and War-time Provisions Continuance (Amendment) Bill being brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(3.) Mr. Baddeley moved, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to extend the period during which Part VII of the Economic Stability and War-time Provisions Continuance Act, 1946, shall have effect; for this purpose to amend the said Act; and for purposes connected therewith."

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(4.) Mr. Baddeley then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to extend the period during which Part VII of the Economic Stability and War-time Provisions Continuance Act, 1946, shall have effect; for this purpose to amend the said Act; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

(5.) 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 the Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

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

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 extend the period during which Part VII of the Economic Stability and War-time Provisions Continuance Act, 1946, shall have effect; for this purpose to amend the said Act; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 23rd September, 1947.*

22. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Baddeley 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 Six minutes before Six o'clock, p.m., until Tuesday next, 30th September, 1947, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 2.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 30 SEPTEMBER, 1947.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PETITIONS—SATURDAY MORNING SHOPPING FACILITIES:—The following Petitions protesting against any proposal to close shops on Saturday mornings or to curtail shopping facilities beyond the present five-and-a-half days per week of forty hours—Saturday morning presenting the only opportunity during the week convenient to workers in rural areas for the obtaining of food and other commodities—and praying that the present facilities be retained,—were presented by the Members named:—

- (1.) By Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner—From certain residents of the Electoral District of Tenterfield.
(2.) By Mr. Chaffey—From certain residents of the Electoral District of Tamworth.

Petitions received.

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

- (1.) Supply Bill:—

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 1947-1948,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 24th September, 1947.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

- (2.) Economic Stability and War-time Provisions Continuance (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to extend the period during which Part VII of the Economic Stability and War-time Provisions Continuance Act, 1946, shall have effect; for this purpose to amend the said Act; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 24th September, 1947.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

30th September, 1947.

3. 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, 1947, 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.

4. PAPERS:—

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Report of the Department of Police for 1946.
- (2.) Report by the Public Service Board into the general working of the Department of Public Works and the Department of Labour and Industry, with particular reference to the supply and distribution of Bricks by the State Brickworks.
- (3.) Report of the Royal Commission of Inquiry into the reasons for and the circumstances surrounding the transfer of Sergeant Second-class Alfred John Keogh from Peak Hill to Bathurst, ordered on or about the 28th day of March, 1947.
- (4.) Amended Rules under the Police Regulation Act, 1899, as amended.
- (5.) Amended Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1902.
- (6.) Amended By-law under the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1924-1945.
- (7.) Regulations and amended Regulations under the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900-1941.
- (8.) Amended Regulation under the Navigation Act, 1901-1941.
- (9.) Amended Regulation under the Co-operation Act, 1923-1947.
- (10.) Statement of Receipts and Payments of the Police Supranumeration and Reward Fund for the year ended 30th June, 1947.
- (11.) Statement of Expenditure from the Government Railways Fund in excess of that appropriated by Parliament during the year ended 30th June, 1947.
- (12.) Amended Rules and Regulations under the Totalisator Act, 1916-37.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointments, on probation, of Mr. J. Pitkeathly, as Inspector of Collieries, and Mr. C. L. Adamson, as Assistant Geologist, Department of Mines.
- (2.) Report and Balance-sheet of the Mine Subsidence Board for the year ended 30th June, 1947.
- (3.) Balance-sheets of Art Unions under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act 1901, as amended, in aid of—
 - (a) Ryde District Sub-branch of the R.S.S.A.I.L.A.
 - (b) Dee Why Amateur Swimming Club's "Clubroom" Fund.
 - (c) Railway Unit Reunion Association.
 - (d) Fairfield Citizens Boys' Club.
 - (e) A.A.S.C. All Electric £1,000.
 - (f) Camden Ambulance Building Fund.
 - (g) Red Cross Christmas Card.
 - (h) Manning District Ambulance.
 - (i) 113 (Concord) Nurses' Memorial.
- (4.) Amended Regulations under the Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act, 1935-1942.
- (5.) Report of the Aborigines Welfare Board for the year ended 30th June, 1946.
- (6.) Minute of suspension or variation of Statutes administered by the Chief Secretary's Department during the year ended 30th June, 1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Reports of the Public Library of New South Wales for the years ended 30th June, 1942, 30th June, 1943, and 30th June, 1944.
- (2.) Lists respecting the appointment, on probation, of certain persons as Teachers, Department of Public Instruction.
- (3.) Amended By-laws under the University and University Colleges Act, 1900, as amended.
- (4.) Notifications of resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of the Public Instruction Act, 1880, at—

(a) Auburn.	(e) Birmingham Gardens.
(b) Bankstown South.	(f) Birrong.
(c) Belrose.	(g) Blakehurst.
(d) Berridale.	(h) Caringbah.

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| (i) Castle Hill. | (gg) Merrylands. |
| (j) Chatswood West. | (hh) Mona Vale. |
| (k) Coledale. | (ii) Moruya. |
| (l) Como West. | (jj) Mount Lewis. |
| (m) Cooma. | (kk) Narrabri. |
| (n) Corrimal. | (ll) Narrabri High. |
| (o) Curl Curl North. | (mm) New Lambton Heights. |
| (p) Dulwich Hill. | (nn) Panania (2). |
| (q) East Hills. | (oo) Punchbowl. |
| (r) Ettalong. | (pp) Revesby West. |
| (s) Geurie. | (qq) Rosebery. |
| (t) Gilgandra. | (rr) Sans Souci. |
| (u) Grenfell. | (ss) Sharpe Street, Belmore. |
| (v) Guildford. | (tt) Shellharbour. |
| (w) Granville. | (uu) Shortland. |
| (x) Gulgong. | (vv) Sutherland. |
| (y) Hill End. | (ww) Sydney Technical College. |
| (z) Kandos. | (xx) Taren Point. |
| (aa) Katoomba. | (yy) Tooleybuc. |
| (bb) Kingsgrove. | (zz) Tumut. |
| (cc) Kirrawee. | (aaa) Wagga Teachers' College. |
| (dd) Kurnell. | (bbb) Wentworth. |
| (ee) Lithgow. | (ccc) Woy Woy. |
| (ff) Manly. | (ddd) Wyong. |

(5.) Report of the Bursary Endowment Board for the year ended 30th June, 1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Report of the Public Accountants Registration Board for 1946.
- (2.) Return of Transactions under Statutes administered by the Registrar-General for 1946.
- (3.) Amended Regulations under the Conveyancing Acts, 1919-1943.
- (4.) Amended Regulations under the Auctioneers, Stock and Station and Real Estate Agents Act, 1941-1946.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board, respecting the appointments, on probation, of Mr. R. H. B. Roe and Mr. W. G. Haigh, as Engineering Assistants, Department of Labour and Industry and Social Welfare.
- (2.) Amended Regulations under the Rural Workers' Accommodation Act, 1926.
- (3.) Amended Regulations under the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1940, as amended.
- (4.) Amended scheme under the Workmen's Compensation (Broken Hill) Act, 1920-45.
- (5.) Extension of effective period of the Regulations under 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.) Accounts of the Sydney County Council Electricity Undertaking (audited by the Auditor-General) for 1946.
- (2.) Certified copy of Supplementary Agreement between Cessnock Municipal Council and Caledonian Collieries Limited, relating to a franchise under the Local Government Act, 1919, granted by the Council to the said Caledonian Collieries Limited for the supply of electric current for street and private lighting and for power within the Municipality.
- (3.) Report of Mr. H. W. Dane, appointed to inquire into a proposal to unite the Municipality of Blackheath, the City of Katoomba and the Shire of Blue Mountains.
- (4.) Amended Regulations under the Valuation of Land Act, 1916.
- (5.) Amended By-laws under the Sydney Corporation Act, 1932-42.
- (6.) New and amended Ordinances under the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended.
- (7.) Copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointments, on probation, of Mr. M. S. Smith, as Architect, and Mr. W. McL. S. Steven, as Assistant Engineer, Department of Public Works.
- (8.) Amended By-law under the Broken Hill Water and Sewerage Act, 1938-46.
- (9.) Report of the Electricity Authority of New South Wales for the period 31st January, 1946, to 30th June, 1946.

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(10.) Notification of acquisition of land and easements resumed under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the following purposes:—

- (a) Bankstown Court House.
- (b) Dareton Police Station.
- (c) Enfield Police Station.
- (d) Holroyd Stormwater Drainage.
- (e) Hurstville Stormwater Drainage.
- (f) Lidcombe-Auburn Stormwater Drainage.
- (g) Lidcombe Stormwater Drainage.
- (h) Maitland-Kearsley Stormwater Drainage.
- (i) Southern Electricity Supply of New South Wales (4).

(11.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended, in the following areas:—

- (a) Bulli Shire.
- (b) Canterbury Municipality (2).
- (c) Condoulin Municipality.
- (d) Glebe Municipality.
- (e) Granville Municipality.
- (f) Greater Newcastle City.
- (g) Ku-ring-gai Municipality (3).
- (h) Lake Macquarie Shire (2).
- (i) Mascot Municipality.
- (j) Mosman Municipality.
- (k) Newtown Municipality.
- (l) Randwick Municipality.
- (m) Rockdale Municipality.
- (n) Ryde Municipality.
- (o) Sutherland Shire (2).
- (p) Sydney County Council.
- (q) Tamworth City Council.
- (r) Tintenbar Shire.
- (s) Warringah Shire.

(12.) Notifications of acquisition of easements under the Hunter District Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1938-1945, for the Throsby Creek Stormwater Drainage (2).

(13.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Hospitals Act, 1929-1940, for the Maitland Hospital.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Amended Regulations under the Venereal Diseases Act, 1918.
- (2.) Amended Regulation under the Public Hospitals Act, 1929-43.
- (3.) Copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. M. F. E. Walker, M.B., B.S., as Medical Officer, Department of Public Health.
- (4.) Report of the Pharmacy Board of New South Wales for 1946.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Regulation under the Plant Diseases Act, 1924.
- (2.) Substituted Schedule and amended Regulation under the Stock Diseases Act, 1923-34.
- (3.) Report of the New South Wales Dairy Products Board for the year ended 30th June, 1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Return of expenditure under section 13 of the Forestry Act, 1916-46, during the year ended 30th June, 1947.
- (2.) Copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointments, on probation, of—
 - (a) Mr. S. Edwards, Architect,
 - (b) Miss M. A. E. Elliott, Technical Assistant,
 - (c) Mr. A. J. K. Hutchinson, Technical Assistant,
 - (d) Mr. R. G. L. Canaway, Research Officer,
 - (e) Mr. B. O. Healey, Engineer,
 - (f) Mr. T. R. Brabin, Divisional Officer,

Forestry Commission of New South Wales, Department of Conservation.

- (3.) Regulations under the Irrigation Act, 1912-46.
- (4.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the construction of Dams across (a) Hunter River at Glenbawn; (b) Namoi River at Kecipit.
- (5.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, in connection with (a) Tullakool Irrigation Area; (b) Medgun Provisional Flood Control and Irrigation District.
- (6.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, and the Murrumbidgee Area Resumption Act, 1910, as amended, for the purposes of the Murrumbidgee Irrigation Act, 1910, and the Irrigation Act, 1912.

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- (7.) Notifications of acquisitions of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the construction of Weirs in the Barwon and Darling Rivers (4).
 (8.) Regulations and amended Regulation under the Irrigation Act, 1912, as amended.
 (9.) Copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. L. A. H. McCaffrey, as Soil Conservationist, 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 Commissioner for Railways for the quarter ended 31st March, 1947.
 (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 Railways Act, 1912, as amended, during the months of April, May, June and July, 1947.
 (3.) Notifications of appropriation and resumption 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 Newcastle—New Bridge across Dora Creek.
 (b) Sydney and Albury—Provision of new Railway Carriage Works at Yennora.
 (c) Sydenham and Botany—Goods Yard at Cook's River.
 (d) Sydney and Newcastle—Quadruplication of the line between Strathfield and Hornsby (2).
 (e) Sydney and Queensland Border—Improved Traffic Facilities at Macksville.
 (f) Sydney and Bourke—Quadruplication of Railway between Lidcombe and Penrith.
 (g) Redfern and Tempe—Additional Railway Tracks at Erskineville.
 (4.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of confirming the Commissioner for Railways' title to such land at Woolooware.
 (5.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the provision of an Electric Sub-station at Blackheath in connection with the Electric Transmission Line from Lawson to Lithgow.
 (6.) By-laws under the Government Railways Act, 1912-45.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Amended Regulations under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, Closer Settlement Acts, and Returned Soldiers Settlement Act, 1916.
 (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.) Notification of resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of a Public Recreation Ground at Earlwood.
 (4.) Regulations for the management of the Baradine Racecourse and Show-ground under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
 (5.) *Gazette* Notices setting forth the mode in which it is proposed to deal with certain Crown Lands under section 25 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
 (6.) Amended Schedule of Fees and Charges, Mudgee General Cemetery.
 (7.) Report of the National Park Trust for the year ended 30th June, 1946.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

5. 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. Wattison, 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.

30th September, 1947.

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 Service 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. Dewley 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.

6. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Baddeley moved, That this House do now adjourn until To-morrow at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.
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. 3.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 1 OCTOBER, 1947.

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. James McGirr,—

- (1.) Supply Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 2.

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 1947-1948,*"—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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- (2.) Economic Stability and War-time Provisions Continuance (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 3.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to extend the period during which Part VII of the Economic Stability and War-time Provisions Continuance Act, 1946, shall have effect; for this purpose to amend the said Act; 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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By Mr. Cahill,—

(3.) Ryde Mental Hospital Construction Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
*Governor.**Message No. 4.*

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 Mental Hospital at Ryde in the Sydney Metropolitan Area; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 30th September, 1947.*

(4.) State Tileworks Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
*Governor.**Message No. 5.*

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 establishment, management and control of State Tileworks and the acquisition of lands for that purpose; to define the functions of the State Tileworks; to make provision for and in relation to the keeping of certain accounts in the Special Deposits Account in the Treasury for the purposes of the State Tileworks; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 30th September, 1947.*

2. PAPERS:—

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—

- (a) Newcastle Sub-branch, Australian Legion Ex-Servicemen and Women.
- (b) Six Hour Day.
- (c) Wentworthville and District Memorial Carnival.
- (d) Bondi Junction Centre, Rachel Forster Hospital.
- (e) Ex-Naval Men's Association of Australia, New South Wales Section.

(2.) Regulation and amended Regulations, under the Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act, 1935-42.

(3.) Amended Schedules under the Careless Use of Fire Act, 1912-46.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

Argenton.	Crow's Nest.
Armidale.	Dee Why (4).
Auburn (2).	Dundas (4).
Balgowlah (2).	Dungog.
Bantry Bay.	East Hills.
Bass Hills (6).	East Orange.
Bass Hills, Chullora, Parry Park, Chester Hill, Villawood.	Eastwood.
Belmore.	Ermington (6).
Beverly Hills.	Fairfield (2).
Blackalls.	Fairfield, Villawood and Yennora.
Blakehurst.	Fairy Meadow.
Botany and Pagewood.	Gilgandra.
Brighton-le-Sands.	Gloucester.
Cabramatta (2).	Goulburn.
Cardiff.	Grafton.
Carlingford.	Granville (4).
Condell Park (2).	Granville and Merrylands.
Chatswood West (2).	Grenfell.
Chester Hill.	Gynea (2).
Como.	Harbord.
Concord.	Homebush (2).
Crookwell.	Homebush West.

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Kirrawee.	Putney.
Kurri Kurri.	Quirindi.
Kyogle.	Redfern.
Lambton.	Revesby (5).
Landsdowne.	Rhodes.
Lismore.	Rydalmere (5).
Liverpool.	St. Marys.
Macksville.	Sefton.
May's Hill (3).	Seven Hills (2).
Miranda.	South Strathfield.
Moss Vale.	Sutherland.
Narrandera (2).	Sylvania.
Normanburst.	Temora.
North Bankstown.	Toongabbie (2).
Northmead (2).	Turrumurra North.
North Sydney.	Tweed Heads.
Paddington.	Waitara.
Padstow.	Warren.
Panania (3).	Wentworthville (3).
Parkes.	West Epping.
Parramatta North (2).	West Ryde.
Parramatta West.	Windsor.
Parry Park.	Wingham (2).
Peakhurst (2).	Villawood (2).
Pendle Hill.	Yagoona.
Port Kembla (3).	Yass.
Punchbowl.	Young.

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, adding to list of fees payable in Prothonotary's Office.
- (2.) Rules made by the Judge of the Land and Valuation Court, pursuant to the provisions of the Water Act, 1912, as amended by the Irrigation and Water (Amendment) Act, 1946.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Kelly laid upon the Table,—Copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointments, on probation, of—

- (a) Mr. L. A. Langley, M.B., B.S. (Melb.), D.P.M. (Sydney), as Deputy Medical Superintendent,
- (b) Mr. H. J. Prior, M.B., B.S., Medical Officer,
- (c) Mr. J. R. Kicly, M.B., Medical Officer,

Division of Mental Hygiene, Department of Public Health.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

(1.) Copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointments, on probation, of—

- (a) Mr. W. F. Owen, B.Sc. (Agr.), Economics Research Officer,
- (b) Mr. R. J. Flynn, Agronomist,
- (c) Mr. C. R. Graham, Livestock Officer,
- (d) Mr. J. R. Blake, Fruit Officer,
- (e) Mr. A. A. Clemson, Livestock Officer,
- (f) Mr. H. M. Greaves, Junior Livestock Officer,

Department of Agriculture.

- (2.) Regulations and Form under the Dairy Industry Act, 1915-40.
- (3.) Repeal and new Regulation under the Veterinary Surgeons Act, 1923.
- (4.) Substituted Regulations and Schedules under the Agricultural Seeds Act, 1921.
- (5.) Amended Regulation under the Marketing of Primary Products Act, 1927-40.

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 Railways Act, 1912, as amended, during the month of August, 1947.
- (2.) By-law respecting the re-issue of Merchandise and Live Stock Rates as from 1st October, 1947, under the Government Railways Act, 1912-45.

1st October, 1947.

(3.) Notifications of appropriation and resumption 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 Newcastle—Provision of new bridge at Woy Woy.
- (b) Dungog and Gloucester—Prevention of erosion, Mammy Johnson's Creek, near Dewrang.
- (c) Sydenham and Botany—Provision of a Goods Yard at Cook's River.

(4.) Amended Regulations under the Transport Act, 1930-45, and the Transport (Divisions of Functions) Act, 1932-43.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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. Wattison, 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 Service 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. 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.

4. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Cahill 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 Twenty-three 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. 4.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 2 OCTOBER, 1947.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—

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

(1.) Copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. K. J. Gould, as Engineering Draftsman, Department of Public Works.

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

Hurstville Stormwater Drainage (2).
Kenmore Mental Hospital Extension.
Kogarah Stormwater Drainage.
Port Kembla and Sydney Electricity Supply Systems.
Punchbowl Police Station.
Public Offices—Bridge and Phillip Streets, Sydney.
Quandialla Police Station.
Southern Electricity Supply of New South Wales (2).
Thirroul Police Station.

(3.) Notifications of acquisition of land and easements under the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended, in the following areas:—

Albury City.	Ku-ring-gai Municipality (3).
Ashfield Municipality.	Lake Macquarie Shire (2).
Bathurst City (2).	Lidcombe Municipality.
Bowral Municipality (2).	Manly Municipality (2).
Bulli Shire.	Nattai Shire.
Canterbury Municipality (5).	North Sydney Municipality (2).
Concord Municipality.	Redfern Municipality.
Coonabarabran Shire (2).	Rockdale Municipality.
Cootamundra Municipality (2).	Ryde Municipality (8).
Drummoyne Municipality.	Rylstone Shire.
Enfield Municipality.	Sutherland Shire (5).
Goulburn City.	Tamworth City.
Hornsby Shire.	Warringah Shire.
Hurstville Municipality (6).	Waverley Municipality.
Ingleburn Municipality.	Willoughby Municipality.
Kiama Municipality.	

(4.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1924-43, at (a) Central Illawarra; (b) Liverpool.

(5.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Milk Act, 1931-42, for the following purpose:—Employee's residence, Municipality of Dungog.

(6.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Soil Conservation Act, 1938, for the following purpose:—Soil Conservation Experiment Area, Parish of Wallarah.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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Mr. Weir laid upon the Table Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the construction of the works of the Medgun Provisional Flood Control and Irrigation District.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

(1.) Regulations under the Building Operations and Building Materials Control Act, 1945.

(2.) Proclamation amending Schedule One of the Building Operations and Building Materials Control Act, 1945.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. DISALLOWANCE OF AMENDMENT OF ORDINANCE UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1919:—

Mrs. Fowler moved, pursuant to Notice, That, in pursuance of section 577 (2) of the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended, this House disallows the amendments (4) (a) (i) and (4) (b) of Ordinance No. 9, respecting the issuing of postal ballot-papers in Contested Elections of Aldermen or Councillors, as set forth in the notice appearing in the *Government Gazette* of 25th July, 1947, a copy of which was laid upon the Table of the House on 30th September, 1947.

And Mrs. Fowler proceeding to address the House,—

Point of Order:—Mr. Tully submitted that the motion moved by the Honourable Member for Newtown was out of order inasmuch as the House last night directed that the resumption of the debate on the Address-in-Reply should take precedence over other business.

Mr. Speaker said that the Point of Order taken by the Honourable Member for Goulburn was of considerable importance. As far as he was aware, it had never been taken in this House before, presumably because an appropriate occasion had never previously arisen.

Mr. Speaker said that the motion had been moved in accordance with Standing Order 113A which provided that a motion thereunder which sought to disallow any regulation, rule, ordinance, by-law, proclamation or instrument should be forthwith set down to be considered upon the next sitting day; that such motions should have priority on such day in the order in which notice was given, and if not moved on that day, would lapse.

It had been the practice of the House over a very long period to give priority to motions which related to the business of the House, and for such motions to take precedence over the motion for the adoption of the Address-in-Reply, without Suspension of the Standing Orders.

It was, therefore, not inconsistent with the order of the House, for motions under Standing Order 113A to be dealt with before the resumption of the debate upon the motion for the adoption of the Address-in-Reply for the following reasons:—Action to disallow a regulation, ordinance, etc., under Standing Order 113A was taken by an Honourable Member in accordance with statutory provision, and the Standing Order itself provided that such motions, with certain specified exceptions, should take precedence over all other business on the day on which they were set down.

He therefore ruled that the motion was properly before the House.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

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. Wattison, 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 Service will be made in due course.

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"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. Stephens moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Wednesday next and take precedence of other business.

4. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Hamilton Knight moved, That this House do now adjourn until Wednesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Thirteen minutes after Five 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. 5.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 8 OCTOBER, 1947.

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.) Amended Regulations under the Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act, 1935-42.
- (2.) Amended Regulations under the Careless Use of Fire Act, 1912-1946.
- (3.) Balance-sheet of Art Union under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of New South Wales Institution for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind.

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 the construction of a Dam across the Macquarie River at Burrendong.
- (2.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of the Works in connection with the Pilliga Bore Water Trust.

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. Wattison, 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 Service will be made in due course.

8th October, 1947.

"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. 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.

3. CO-OPERATION (FURTHER 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. 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 amend the Co-operation Act, 1923-1947; to validate certain matters and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 7th October, 1947.*

4. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Baddeley 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 Fourteen 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. 6.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 9 OCTOBER, 1947.

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. Evatt,—

- (1.) Housing (Amendment) Bill:—

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 amend the Housing Act, 1912, the Public Works Act, 1912, and the Housing Act, 1941, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 9th October, 1947.*

By Mr. C. E. Martin,—

- (2.) Jury (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 8.

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 in certain respects the law relating to juries; to amend the Jury Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 9th October, 1947.*

2. PAPER:—Mr. Knight laid upon the Table copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. C. P. R. Sheehy, as Clerk, Department of Labour and Industry and Social Welfare.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

9th October, 1947.

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. Wattison, That the following Address-in-Reply to the Governor's Opening Speech be now adopted by this House:—

"To His Excellency Lieutenant-General JOHN NORTHGOTT, 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 Service 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.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Currey, That the Honourable Member for Wollondilly, Mr. Jeff Bate, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Debate continued.

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

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next and take precedence of other business.

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

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-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. 7.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 14 OCTOBER, 1947.

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.) Balance-sheet of Art Union under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of Leichhardt Social Services.
 - (2.) Amended Regulation under the Aborigines Protection Act, 1909-1943.
- Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Report of the New South Wales Ambulance Transport Service Board for the year ended 30th June, 1947.
- (2.) Report of the Inspector-General of Mental Hospitals for the year ended 30th June, 1946.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Amended Regulation under the Pastures Protection Act, 1934-1943.
- (2.) Amended Regulations under the Farm Produce Agents Act, 1926-1932.
- (3.) Amended Regulations under the Stock Diseases Act, 1923-1934.
- (4.) Copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Miss D. M. Cuneo, as Shorthandwriter and Typist, Department of Agriculture.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Amended Regulations under the Sydney Harbour Bridge (Administration) Act, 1932.
- (2.) By-law under the Government Railways Act, 1912-1945.
- (3.) Amended Regulations under the Motor Traffic Act, 1909-1945.
- (4.) Amended Regulations under the Metropolitan Traffic Act, 1900, as amended.
- (5.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of confirming the Commissioner for Railways' title to land at Wickham.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

14th October, 1947.

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. Wattison, 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 Service 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.

Question put and passed.

Mr. James McGirr 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 Half-past Three o'clock, p.m., on Thursday, 16th October, at Government House.

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

F. R. JORDAN,

Message No. 9.

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 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 convert and constitute as municipalities certain shires; 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.

State Government House,

Sydney, 14th October, 1947.

4. CO-OPERATION (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. James McGirr moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Co-operation Act, 1923-1947; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. McGirr then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend the Co-operation Act, 1923-1947; 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. POLICE REGULATION (APPEALS) AMENDMENT BILL:—

(1.) Mr. James McGirr moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Police Regulation (Appeals) Act, 1923-1944, and the Police Regulation Act, 1899-1944, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. McGirr then presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend the Police Regulation (Appeals) Act, 1923-1944, and the Police Regulation Act, 1899-1944, 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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6. HOUSING (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. Evatt moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Housing Act, 1912, the Public Works Act, 1912, and the Housing Act, 1941, 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 amend the Housing Act, 1912, the Public Works Act, 1912, and the Housing Act, 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.

7. JURY (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. C. E. Martin moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend in certain respects the law relating to juries; to amend the Jury Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith. Debate ensued. Question put and passed.
- (2.) Mr. Martin then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend in certain respects the law relating to juries; to amend the Jury Act, 1912, 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. STATE TILEWORKS BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. Cahill moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the establishment, management and control of State Tileworks and the acquisition of lands for that purpose; to define the functions of the State Tileworks; to make provision for and in relation to the keeping of certain accounts in the Special Deposits Account in the Treasury for the purposes of the State Tileworks; and for purposes connected therewith. Debate ensued. Question put and passed.
- (2.) Mr. Cahill then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to provide for the establishment, management and control of State Tileworks and the acquisition of lands for that purpose; to define the functions of the State Tileworks; to make provision for and in relation to the keeping of certain accounts in the Special Deposits Account in the Treasury for the purposes of the State Tileworks; 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. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (AREAS) BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. Cahill moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill 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 convert and constitute as municipalities certain shires; 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. Debate ensued. And the House continuing to sit after Midnight,—

WEDNESDAY, 15 OCTOBER, 1947, A.M.

Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 39.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Nott
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Booth	Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Knight	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Davidson	Mr. Lang	Mr. Weir
Mr. William Davies	Mr. James McGirr	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Dring	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Currey
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Freeman
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Matthews	
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Noble	

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Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Howarth	Lieut.-Col. Robson
Mr. Black	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Rose
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Stephens
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Storey
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Cutler	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Darby	Mr. Morton	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Padman	Mr. Dickson
Mr. Drummond	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Hearnshaw
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Richardson	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

(2.) Mr. Cahill then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill 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 convert and constitute as municipalities certain shires; 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,*"—which was read a first time.

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

10. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Cahill moved, That this House do now adjourn until Half-past Two o'clock, p.m., This Day.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Fifteen minutes before One o'clock, a.m., until Half-past Two o'clock, p.m., This Day.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 8.

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SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 15 OCTOBER, 1947.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PROPOSED ALTERATION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARIES:—Mr. McCaw presented a Petition from certain residents and ratepayers of the Municipality of Lane Cove, registering their protest against any alteration of Local Government boundaries and/or amalgamation of areas without the approval of the electors concerned as expressed by a referendum, and praying that no legislation be passed concerning alteration of Local Government boundaries and/or amalgamation of areas without reference to the electors concerned by way of referendum. Petition received.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. Knight laid upon the Table Regulations under the Factories and Shops Act, 1912-1946.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Report of the Valuer-General for the year ended 30th June, 1947.
(2.) Amended Ordinances under the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended.
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 the purpose of the Works in connection with the Deniboota Provisional Domestic and Stock Water Supply and Irrigation District.
(2.) Notifications of acquisition of land and easement under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the construction of a Weir across the Cudgong River.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE:—Mr. Speaker informed the House that, in accordance with section 16 of the Audit Act, 1902, he had received from the Colonial Treasurer the nominations of,—

The Hon. D. H. Drummond,
Mr. J. L. Geraghty,
Mr. F. H. Hawkins,
Mr. C. G. Robertson, and
Mr. V. H. Treatt,

for election and appointment as members of the Public Accounts Committee, constituted under that Act, and it would be his duty to submit these names, one by one, in alphabetical order, to the House for decision by open voting, which he would do after Formal Business had been disposed of on Tuesday, 21st October, 1947.

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4. BUSINESS DAYS, HOURS OF SITTING, AND PRECEDENCE OF BUSINESS (*Sessional Order*):—Mr. James McGirr 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. 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 precedence 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.

Question put and passed.

5. CLOSER SETTLEMENT—COREE PARK, GRIMER DOWNS, KENYU, MURPHY'S, MARAGLE NANGUS AND TINTALDRA 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 private lands comprised in the following Estates:—

(a) Coree Park Estate, owned by Michael Lawrence Forrest and the Estate of Richard Terence Forrest, deceased, situated between Finley and Jerilderie, comprising an area of about 5,367 acres.

(b) Grimer Downs Estate, owned by the Executor of the Will of Alexander Philip, deceased, situated between Barham and Wakool, comprising an area of about 5,778 acres.

(c) Part Kenyu Estate, owned by Kenyu Pastoral Company Proprietary Limited, situated near Boorowa, comprising an area of about 8,583 acres.

(d) Murphy's Estate, owned by the Executrix of the Will of John Widdis, deceased, Charles Arthur Widdis and Executors of Will of George Martley Davis, deceased, situated near Moulamein, comprising an area of about 3,583 acres.

(e) Maragle Estate, owned by Maragle Pastoral Company Proprietary Limited, situated near Tooma and Tumbarumba, comprising an area of about 14,320 acres.

(f) Part Nangus Estate, owned by Nangus Pastoral Company Proprietary Limited, situated near Gundagai, comprising an area of about 5,891 acres.

(g) Tintaldra Estate, owned by Tintaldra Proprietary Limited, situated in the Upper Murray District about 30 miles from Tumbarumba, comprising an area of about 3,006 acres.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

6. CLOSER SETTLEMENT—EUROPAMBELA, ROACHDALE AND WALLINGTON 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 purchasing by agreement with the owners, the private lands comprised in the following Estates, at the prices stated:—

(a) Part Europambela Estate, owned by Europambela Grazing Company Proprietary Limited, situated near Walcha, comprising an area of about 6,920 acres at the rate of £4 4s. 0d. per acre on a freehold basis.

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- (b) Part Roachdale Estate, owned by David James Roach, situated near Holbrook, comprising an area of about 5,162 acres at the rate of £7 18s. 8d. per acre on a freehold basis.
- (c) Part Wallington Estate, owned by the Estate of the late Arthur Thomas Fenwicke, situated near Walcha, comprising about 4,870 acres at the rate of £4 0s. 0d. per acre on a freehold basis.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

7. LEGAL ASSISTANCE (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. C. E. Martin and read by Mr. Speaker:—

F. R. JORDAN,

Message No. 10.

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 the Legal Assistance Act, 1943, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,

Sydney, 14th October, 1947.

8. HOUSING (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Evatt moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Evatt (*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.
9. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (AREAS) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Cahill moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Treatt moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.
Question put and passed.
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.
10. STATE TILEWORKS BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Cahill moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
Mr. Treatt moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.
Question put and passed.
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.
11. CO-OPERATION (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, 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 Chairman reported progress and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.
12. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr 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 October, 1947, 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. 9.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 16 OCTOBER, 1947.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. **STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE** (*Sessional Order*):—Mr. James McGirr 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 the Mover, 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.
2. **HOUSE COMMITTEE** (*Sessional Order*):—Mr. James McGirr moved, pursuant to Notice, That the House Committee for the present Session consist of Mr. Speaker, Mrs. Quirk, Mr. Fowles, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Nott, Mr. G. O. Gollan, Mr. Howarth, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Wingfield, and the Mover, with authority to act in matters of mutual concernment with any Committee appointed for similar purposes by the Legislative Council.
Question put and passed.
3. **LIBRARY COMMITTEE** (*Sessional Order*):—Mr. James McGirr moved, pursuant to Notice,—
 - (1.) That the Library Committee for the present Session consist of Mr. Speaker, Mr. Robert Cameron, Mr. Carlton, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Gorman, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Jackett, Mr. John Reid, Mr. Stephens, and the Mover, 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.
4. **PRINTING COMMITTEE** (*Sessional Order*):—Mr. James McGirr moved, pursuant to Notice,—
 - (1.) That the Printing Committee for the present Session consist of Mr. Noble, Mr. Wattison, Mr. Fowles, Mr. Currey, Mr. W. McC. Gollan, Mr. Stanley, Mr. Hearnshaw, Mr. Jack Beale, Mr. Dickson, and the Mover, 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

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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.

5. CO-OPERATION (FURTHER 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 without amendment.

On motion of Mr. James McGirr the Report was adopted.

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

6. HOUSING (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. Jackett (*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.

7. 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 Service 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 October, 1947.

8. HOUSING (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.

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 progress and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

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. 10.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 21 OCTOBER, 1947.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table amended By-law under the Sydney Corporation Act, 1932-1942.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Evatt laid upon the Table notifications of resumption and acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Housing Act, 1912, as amended, at Bexley North, Caringbah, and Ermington.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

(1.) Closer Settlement—Particulars respecting the resumption by the Government of—

- Coree Park Estate, between Finley and Jerilderie.
- Grimer Downs Estate, between Barham and Wakool.
- Part Kenyu Estate, near Boorowa.
- Murphy's Estate, near Moulamein.
- Maragle Estate, near Tooma and Tumbarumba.
- Part Nangus Estate, near Gundagai.
- Tintaldra Estate, in the District of the Upper Murray.

(2.) Closer Settlement—Particulars respecting the purchase by the Government of—

- Part Europambela Estate, near Walcha.
- Part Roachdale Estate, near Holbrook.
- Part Wallington Estate, near Walcha.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Finn'an, *on behalf of* 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. R. A. Hill and Mr. J. J. F. Huston, as Soil Conservationists, Department of Conservation.

(2.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the construction of Weirs in the Barwon and Darling Rivers and of a Dam across the Macquarie River at Burrendong.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Speaker, before proceeding with the election of Members to serve on the Public Accounts Committee, read to the House subsection (6) of section 16 of the Audit Act, 1902, as amended, which lays down the procedure to be adopted in the election and appointment of members of the Committee, and stated that he would submit the names to the House one by one in alphabetical order, no debate being allowed.

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- (1.) Question,—That The Honourable David Henry Drummond be appointed a Member of the Public Accounts Committee,—put and passed.
- (2.) Question,—That Mr. James Leo Geraghty be appointed a Member of the Public Accounts Committee,—put and passed.
- (3.) Question,—That Mr. Francis Harold Hawkins be appointed a Member of the Public Accounts Committee,—put and passed.
- (4.) Question,—That Mr. Clarence Gordon Robertson be appointed a Member of the Public Accounts Committee,—put and passed.
- (5.) Question,—That Mr. Vernon Haddon Treatt be appointed a Member of the Public Accounts Committee,—put and passed.
3. ROAD ACCIDENT CASUALTIES:—Lieut.-Colonel Robson moved, pursuant to Notice,—
- (1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon means of minimising the appalling road accident casualty rate.
- (2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. O'Sullivan, Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Chaffey and the Mover.
- (3.) That such Committee be given leave to sit during the sittings or any adjournment of the House.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Carlton, That the Honourable Member for Vacluse, Lieut.-Colonel Robson, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Debate ensued.

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

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

And it being Six o'clock, p.m., Government Business proceeded with, under Sessional Order adopted on 15th October, 1947.

4. CO-OPERATION (FURTHER AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion 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 Co-operation Act, 1923-1947; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 21st October, 1947.

5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (AREAS) 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 it being 10.20 o'clock, p.m., the Debate stood adjourned, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th October, 1947.

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. 11.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 22 OCTOBER, 1947.

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.) Notifications of resumption and acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for Public Recreation Purposes (a) as addition to the Kosciusko State Park and (b) at Collaroy.
- (2.) Report of the Trustees of Ku-ring-gai Chase for the year ended 30th June, 1947.
- (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.

2. POLICE REGULATION (APPEALS) AMENDMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, 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 Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. McGirr the Report was adopted.

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

3. STATE TRANSPORT (CO-ORDINATION) AMENDMENT BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. O'Sullivan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the State Transport (Co-ordination) Act, 1931, the Transport (Division of Functions) Act, 1932, the Air Navigation Act, 1938, 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 amend the State Transport (Co-ordination) Act, 1931, the Transport (Division of Functions) Act, 1932, the Air Navigation Act, 1938, 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.

22nd October, 1947.

4. HOUSING (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 at a later hour of the Day.
5. MORATORIUM (AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. Evatt moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Moratorium Act, 1932-1946, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (AREAS) 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. Howarth moved, That the Honourable Member for Mosman, Mr. Morton, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Question put.
The House divided.

Ayes, 26.

Mr. Brain
Mr. Cutler
Mr. Dewley
Mr. Dickson
Mr. Drummond
Mrs. Fowler
Mr. Frith
Mr. Gollan
Mr. Howarth
Mr. Hunter

Mr. Jackett
Mr. Jackson
Mr. Lang
Mr. McCaw
Mr. Morton
Mr. John Reid
Mr. Richardson
Lieut.-Col. Robson
Mr. Rose
Mr. Stephens

Mr. Storey
Mr. Treatt
Mr. Vincent
Mr. Wingfield
Tellers,
Mr. Jeff Bate
Mr. Darby

Noes, 42.

Captain Arthur
Mr. Baddeley
Mr. Booth
Mr. Fred Cahill
Mr. Cahill
Mr. Robert Cameron
Mr. Carlton
Mr. Clyne
Mr. Cunningham
Mr. Currey
Mr. Davidson
Captain Dunn
Mr. Enticknap
Mr. Evatt
Mr. Finnan

Mr. Fowles
Mr. Geraghty
Mr. W. McC. Gollan
Mr. Gorman
Mr. Hamilton
Mr. Hawkins
Mr. Roy Heferen
Mr. Heffron
Mr. Kelly
Mr. Lawrence Kelly
Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. James McGirr
Mr. McGrath
Mr. C. E. Martin
Mr. Matthews

Mr. Noble
Mr. O'Sullivan
Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Shannon
Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Stanley
Mr. Tonge
Mr. Wattison
Tellers,
Mr. Freeman
Mr. Robertson

And so it passed in the negative.

Debate continued.

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

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

7. MORATORIUM (AMENDMENT) BILL:—Mr. Evatt, pursuant to leave granted This Day, presented a Bill, intituled "A Bill to amend the *Moratorium Act, 1932-1946, 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.

8. 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. 12.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 23 OCTOBER, 1947.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table:—Report of the Broken Hill Water Board for 1946.

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.

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

(1.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of confirming the Commissioner of Railways' title to land at Stanwell Park.

(2.) Notifications of appropriation and resumption 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 line between Lidcombe and Penrith.

(b) Redfern and Tempe—Additional Railway Tracks at Erskineville.

(3.) Amended Regulations under the Motor Vehicles (Third Party Insurance) Act, 1942.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. POLICE REGULATION (APPEALS) AMENDMENT BILL (*Formal Order of the Day*):—

Bill, on motion 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 Police Regulation (Appeals) Act, 1923-1944, and the Police Regulation Act, 1899-1944, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence,

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 23rd October, 1947.

23rd October, 1947.

3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (AREAS) 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. Hunter moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.
Question put and passed.
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.
4. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Noble, *on behalf of* the Chairman, brought up the First Report from the Printing Committee.
5. HOUSING (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 Mr. Carlton, Temporary Chairman, reported progress and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

6. 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. 11.

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 Francis Daniel Kelly.

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 October, 1947.*

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 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,
"Emperor of India.*

*"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 FRANCIS DANIEL KELLY 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 FRANCIS DANIEL KELLY resigned
"his seat in the Legislative Council on the fifteenth day of October, one thousand
"nine hundred and forty-seven: 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 FRANCIS DANIEL KELLY 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*

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“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 FRANCIS DANIEL KELLY: And in this Our Writ the third day of November, one thousand nine hundred and forty-seven, 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 eleventh day of November, one thousand nine hundred and forty-seven, 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 twelfth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and forty-seven, 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 FRANCIS DANIEL KELLY as aforesaid and direct and appoint that the said third day of November, one thousand nine hundred and forty-seven, 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 twelfth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and forty-seven.

“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-third day of October, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-seven, and in the eleventh 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 the 23rd October, 1947, viz., 11th November, 1947.

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

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7. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Evatt 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 October, 1947, 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. 13.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 23 OCTOBER, 1947.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—(1.) Mr. Knight laid upon the Table Regulations under the Factories and Shops Act, 1912-1946.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

- (2.) Mr. Graham laid upon the Table Report of the New South Wales Dairy Products Board for the year ended 30th June, 1947.

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. Sheahan and read by Mr. Speaker:—

- (1.) Farmers' Relief (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 12.

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 Farmers' Relief Act, 1932-1945, in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 17th October, 1947.

- (2.) Kosciusko State Park (Amendment) Bill:—

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 Kosciusko State Park Act, 1944, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 17th October, 1947.

3. ROAD ACCIDENT CASUALTIES:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Lieut.-Colonel Robson,—

“(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon means of minimising the appalling road accident casualty rate.

“(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. O'Sullivan, Lieut.-Colonel Bruzner, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Chaffey and the Mover.

“(3.) That such Committee be given leave to sit during the sittings or any adjournment of the House.”

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

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

Motion amended (*by consent*) by inserting after the words "Mr. Chaffey" the words "Mr. McGrath, Mr. Wattison, Mr. Jack Beale",—

And Lieut.-Colonel Robson having spoken in reply,—

Original Question (*as amended by consent*),—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon means of minimising the appalling road accident casualty rate.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. O'Sullivan, Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Chaffey, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Wattison, Mr. Jack Beale and the Mover.

(3.) That such Committee be given leave to sit during the sittings or any adjournment of the House,—put and passed.

General Business having been disposed of, Government Business proceeded with.

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

(1.) Co-operation (Further Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Co-operation Act, 1923-1947; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 28th October, 1947.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(2.) Police Regulation (Appeals) Amendment Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Police Regulation (Appeals) Act, 1923-1944, and the Police Regulation Act, 1899-1944, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 28th October, 1947.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

V. FARMERS' RELIEF (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Sheahan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Farmers' Relief Act, 1932-1945, in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Sheahan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Farmers' Relief Act, 1932-1945, 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.

KOSCIUSKO STATE PARK (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Sheahan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Kosciusko State Park Act, 1944, 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 Kosciusko State Park Act, 1944, 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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7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (AREAS) 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. Black 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.
And it being 10.30 o'clock, p.m., Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th October, 1947, adjourned the House until To-morrow at 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.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 29 OCTOBER, 1947.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPER:—Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. W. C. Anderson, as Inspector of Collieries, Department of Mines.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
2. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT:—Mr. Hamilton Knight made a Ministerial Statement respecting his resignation as Member for the Electoral District of Hartley, and expressed his appreciation of the co-operation of all Honourable Members and of the services rendered by the officers of his Department.
Mr. Treatt and Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner also addressed the House.
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (AREAS) 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. Gollan 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, Mrs. Fowler, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Freeman, Mr. Morton, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Shannon, Mr. Storey, and the Mover.
"(3) That the Committee have leave to sit during the sittings of and any adjournment of the House,"—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 October, 1947.
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.

SECRET

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No. 15.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 30 OCTOBER, 1947.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. VACANT SEAT—ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF HARTLEY:—Mr. Speaker informed the House that on the 29th October, 1947, he had received a letter from the Honourable Hamilton Knight, resigning his seat as Member for the Electoral District of Hartley.
- Whereupon Mr. James McGirr moved,—That the seat of the Honourable Hamilton Knight, Member for the Electoral District of Hartley, hath become, and is now, vacant by reason of the resignation thereof by the said the Honourable Hamilton Knight.
- Question put and passed.

2. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT:—Mr. James McGirr informed the House that following upon the resignation of the Honourable Hamilton Knight as Minister for Labour and Industry and Social Welfare, and pending permanent arrangements, his colleague the Honourable John Marcus Baddeley had been appointed to that office in addition to his existing portfolios.

3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (AREAS) 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. Gollan had 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, Mrs. Fowler, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Freeman, Mr. Morton, Mr. Robertson, Mr. Shannon, Mr. Storey and the Mover.

"(3.) That the Committee have leave to sit during the sittings of and any 'adjournment of the House',—instead thereof."

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. McGrath moved, That the Question be now put.

Question put,—"That the Question be now put."

The House divided.

Ayes, 38.

Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Sciffert
Mr. Booth	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Weir
Mr. Currey	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Williams
Mr. William Davies	Mr. G. E. Martin	
Mr. Dring	Mr. Matthews	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Noble	Captain Arthur
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Nott	Mr. Gorman
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mrs. Quirk	
Mr. Graham	Mr. Robertson	

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Noes, 23.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Storey
Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Kendall	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Lang	Mr. Black
Mr. Dewley	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Darby
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Morton	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Richardson	
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,"—

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

Ayes, 38.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Graham	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Booth	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Currey	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Williams
Mr. William Davies	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Dring	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Fred Cahill
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Noble	
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Nott	
Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk	

Noes, 23.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Storey
Mr. Black	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Kendall	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Darby	Mr. Lang	Mr. Jack Beale
Mr. Dewley	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Chaffey
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Morton	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Richardson	
Mr. Hearnshaw	Lieut.-Col. Robson	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question proposed,—That this Bill be now read a second time,—

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

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 38.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Graham	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Booth	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Carlton	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Weir
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Williams
Mr. Currey	Mr. C. E. Martin	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Freeman
Mr. Dring	Mr. Noble	Mr. Roy Heferen
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Nott	
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mrs. Quirk	
Mr. Gorman	Mr. Robertson	

Noes, 23.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Gollan	Lieut.-Col. Robson
Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Black	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackett	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Kendall	Mr. Hearnshaw
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Lang	Mr. Storey
Mr. Darby	Mr. McCaw	
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Morton	
Mrs. Fowler	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. Cahill having spoken in reply,—

Question put,—That this Bill be now read a second time.

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The House divided.

Ayes, 36.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Graham	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Booth	Mr. Roy Hefferon	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hefferon	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Weir
Mr. William Davies	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Williams
Mr. Dring	Mr. C. E. Martin	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Currey
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Noble	Mr. Shannon
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Nott	
Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk	

Noes, 19.

Mr. Black	Mr. Hearnshaw	Lieut.-Col. Robson
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Storey
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Jakkett	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Darby	Mr. Lang	Mr. Jeff Bate
Mr. Dewley	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Morton
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Richardson	

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. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Cahill 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. 16.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 4 NOVEMBER, 1947.

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 Accounts of the Maritime Services Board of New South Wales for the year ended 30th June, 1947.

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, 1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Graham laid upon the Table Copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. J. J. Slater, Mr. R. T. Laffan, Mr. R. G. Irvine, Mr. G. R. Jago, as Dairy Officers, and Miss M. D. Tindale, M.Sc., as Botanist, and Mr. M. H. Keefer, as Livestock Officer, Department of Agriculture.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. BUSINESS DAYS—HOURS OF SITTING—PRECEDENCE OF BUSINESS (*Amended Sessional Order*):—

(1.) URGENCY:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider the following motion, viz.:—"That, during the remainder of the present Session, unless otherwise ordered,—

- (a) Government Business shall take precedence of General Business on Tuesday in each week;
- (b) the provisions of paragraphs (2), (3) and (4) of the Sessional Order adopted on 15th October, 1947, shall not apply to the sittings of the House on Thursday in each week; and
- (c) the House shall meet for the despatch of business on Friday in each week at 11 o'clock, a.m., and Government Business only shall be dealt with."

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 36.

Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Graham	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Booth	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Landa	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Williams
Mr. William Davies	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Dring	Mr. Matthews	Captain Arthur
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Noble	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Nott	
Mr. Freeman	Mr. O'Sullivan	

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Noes, 29.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Rose
Mr. Black	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Storey
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Darby	Mr. Lang	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dickson	Mr. McCaw	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Morton	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Frith	Mr. Padman	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Richardson	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

(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 the following motion, viz.:—“That, during the remainder of the present Session, unless otherwise ordered,—

- (a) Government Business shall take precedence of General Business on Tuesday in each week;
- (b) the provisions of paragraphs (2), (3) and (4) of the Sessional Order adopted on 15th October, 1947, shall not apply to the sittings of the House on Thursday in each week; and
- (c) the House shall meet for the despatch of business on Friday in each week at 11 o'clock, a.m., and Government Business only shall be dealt with.”

Debate ensued.

And the Debate having exceeded one hour, Mr. Speaker (under Standing Order No. 395) put the Question.

The House divided.

Ayes, 36.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Graham	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Booth	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Landa	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Clyne	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Williams
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Freeman
Mr. Dring	Mr. Noble	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Nott	
Mr. Finnan	Mr. O'Sullivan	

Noes, 28.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Gollan	Mr. Richardson
Mr. Black	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Rose
Mr. Brain	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Storey
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Lang	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Darby	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Medcalf	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Morton	Mr. Hearnshaw
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Padman	Mr. Jackett
Mr. Frith	Mr. John Reid	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

(3.) Mr. McGirr moved, That, during the remainder of the present Session, unless otherwise ordered,—

- (a) Government Business shall take precedence of General Business on Tuesday in each week;
- (b) the provisions of paragraphs (2), (3) and (4) of the Sessional Order adopted on 15th October, 1947, shall not apply to the sittings of the House on Thursday in each week; and
- (c) the House shall meet for the despatch of business on Friday in each week at 11 o'clock, a.m., and Government Business only shall be dealt with.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Treatt moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out paragraph (a).

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 negated.

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Original Question, as amended,—That, during the remainder of the present Session, unless otherwise ordered,—

- (a) The provisions of paragraphs (2), (3) and (4) of the Sessional Order adopted on 15th October, 1947, shall not apply to the sittings of the House on Thursday in each week; and
- (b) the House shall meet for the despatch of business on Friday in each week at 11 o'clock, a.m., and Government Business only shall be dealt with,—put and passed.

3. SOLDIERS' LAND SETTLEMENT:—Mr. Fred Cahill moved, pursuant to Notice, That, in the opinion of this House, in view of the frustration and delay occasioned to intending soldier settlers, in all cases of conflict between Commonwealth and State experts as to suitability and location of farm areas to be acquired for that purpose, the Minister for Lands in the State concerned should have the power of final decision thereon.

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

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday, 25th November.

And it being Six o'clock, p.m., Government Business proceeded with, under Sessional Order adopted on 15th October, 1947.

4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (AREAS) 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.

5. 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 October, 1947, 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. 17.

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SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 5 NOVEMBER, 1947.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (AREAS) 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.
2. 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 October, 1947, 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. 18.

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SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 6 NOVEMBER, 1947.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. AMENDMENT OF DIVORCE LAW:—Mr. L. J. Tully presented a Petition from certain residents of the Electoral District of Goulburn, and certain other Electoral Districts, praying that the existing law be amended to make lunacy a ground for divorce.
Petition received.
2. PAPERS:—Mr. Weir laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
 - (1.) Amended Regulations under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
 - (2.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of the Works in connection with the Deniboota Provisional Domestic and Stock Water Supply and Irrigation District.
 - (3.) Report of the Water Conservation and Irrigation Commission for the year ended 30th June, 1947.
 Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (AREAS) 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 with amendments.
Mr. Cahill moved, "That" the Report be now adopted.
Mr. Shannon 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 Clauses 9, 16 and 28,"—instead thereof.
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.
Question then,—That the Bill be recommitted for the reconsideration of Clauses 9, 16 and 28,—put and passed.
On motion of Mr. Cahill, Mr. Speaker left the Chair, and the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole accordingly.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported the Bill 2° with further amendments.
On motion of Mr. Cahill, the Report was adopted
And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third-reading being taken forthwith,—
Mr. Cahill moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.
Question put,—That this Bill be now read a third time.

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The House divided.

Ayes, 36.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Graham	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Hamilton	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Booth	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Landa	Mr. Weir
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Williams
Mr. William Davies	Mr. James McGirr	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Dring	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Freeman
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Noble	
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Nott	

Noes, 27.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Rose
Mr. Black	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Storey
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Lang	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Darby	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Medcalf	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Padman	Mr. Hearnshaw
Mr. Drummond	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Morton
Mr. Frith	Mr. Richardson	
Mr. Gollan	Lieut.-Col. Robson	

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 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 convert and constitute as municipalities certain shires; 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,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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Sydney, 6th November, 1947.*

4. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Wattison, as Acting Chairman, brought up the Second Report from the Printing Committee.

5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ELECTORAL PROVISIONS) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Cahill moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for compulsory voting at elections in local government areas and in the City of Sydney; for this and certain other purposes to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1932, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 34.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Landa	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Lang	Mr. Tonge
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Williams
Mr. Evatt	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Roy Heferen
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Noble	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Graham	Mr. Nott	

Noes, 24.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Jackett	Lieut.-Col. Robson
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Kendall	Mr. Storey
Mr. Dickson	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Medcalf	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Frith	Mr. Morton	Mr. Black
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Padman	Mr. Darby
Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Hunter	Mr. Richardson	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

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(2.) Mr. Cahill then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to provide for compulsory voting at elections in local government areas and in the City of Sydney; for this and certain other purposes to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1932, 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. MORATORIUM (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, 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 Mr. John Reid, Temporary-Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

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

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

7. HOUSING (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. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Carlton, Temporary-Chairman, reported the Bill with an amendment.

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

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

8. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next, at Twenty-five minutes after Four o'clock, p.m.

Question put and passed.

9. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Notice was taken that there was not a Quorum present.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker counted the House, and there being only seven Members present, exclusive of Mr. Deputy-Speaker, viz.,—Mr. Carlton, Mr. Jeff Bate, Mr. Darby, Mr. Heffron, Mr. Lang, Mr. McGrath, and Mr. Morton,—

Mr. Deputy-Speaker adjourned the House at Twenty-five minutes after Six o'clock, p.m., until *Tuesday next at Twenty-five minutes after Four o'clock, p.m.*

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No. 19.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
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SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 11 NOVEMBER, 1947.

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 IN PLACE OF THE HONOURABLE FRANCIS DANIEL KELLY, RESIGNED—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 23rd October, 1947, for the commencement of the taking of the votes of Members, Mr. Speaker declared the ballot open, and the taking of 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. 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. URGENCY—PROPOSAL FOR A REFERENDUM ON FEDERAL BANKING LEGISLATION:—
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 overwhelming verdict of the people at the Victorian elections was a vote for the preservation of personal freedom against dictatorial Government and a denunciation of Federal banking legislation which would deprive both the people and State Governments of their existing rights to bank with the trading banks thereby diminishing their financial independence.
(2.) That the Government of New South Wales as a step towards the protection of the democratic right of the people of this State to choose their own way of life should now hold a referendum of the electors in New South Wales on the issues involved in the Federal Government's banking legislation.
(3.) That the Government of New South Wales as a co-ordinate and independent unit under the Federal system should safeguard the constitutional and sovereign rights of this State by joining with the Governments of Victoria, South Australia and Western Australia in their proposed challenge to the Federal Government's banking legislation as soon as it becomes law."

Point of Order: Mr. Sheahan submitted that the motion was out of order on the ground that it sought to deal with matters outside the Constitutional limits of the Parliament of New South Wales, inasmuch as the banking

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legislation referred to was a matter entirely within the jurisdiction of the Federal Parliament in accordance with the terms of the Federal Constitution.

Mr. Speaker pointed out that the motion before the House was a motion of urgency only, and that the Point of Order should have been more properly taken on the substantive motion, if and when that motion were reached. In that eventuality he would rule that the first of the three paragraphs of the motion was out of order, as it referred to matters which were the right and function of the Federal Parliament to determine.

If, however, the substantive motion were amended by the Leader of the Opposition (with the consent of the House) by the omission of paragraph (1), and if paragraph (2) were amended by the addition of certain words, the motion could then be properly submitted to the House.

For the reasons indicated, he proposed to leave the Motion of Urgency in its present form to the determination of the House, and stated that if an affirmative vote were registered, and the Point of Order were subsequently taken on the substantive motion, he would certainly uphold the point of order to the extent he had indicated.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 32.

Mr. Jeff Bate
Mr. Black
Mr. Brain
Lt.-Colonel Brukner
Mr. Cutler
Mr. Darby
Mr. Dewley
Mr. Dickson
Mr. Drummond
Mr. Fitzgerald
Mr. Frith
Mr. Gollan

Mr. Howarth
Mr. Hunter
Mr. Jackett
Mr. Jackson
Mr. Jordan
Mr. Kendell
Mr. McCaw
Mr. Medcalf
Mr. Morton
Mr. Padman
Mr. John Reid
Mr. Richardson

Lt.-Colonel Robson
Mr. Rose
Mr. Storey
Mr. Treatt
Mr. Vincent
Mr. Wingfield

Tellers,

Mr. Jack Beale
Mr. Chaffey

Noes, 42.

Captain Arthur
Mr. Baddeley
Mr. Booth
Mr. Cahill
Mr. Robert Cameron
Mr. Carlton
Mr. Clyne
Mr. Currey
Mr. William Davies
Mr. Dring
Mr. Enticknap
Mr. Evatt
Mr. Finnan
Mrs. Fowler
Mr. Fowles

Mr. Freeman
Mr. Geraghty
Mr. W. McC. Gollan
Mr. Gorman
Mr. Graham
Mr. Hamilton
Mr. Hawkins
Mr. Roy Heferen
Mr. Heffron
Mr. Kelly
Mr. Lawrence Kelly
Mr. James McGirr
Mr. McGrath
Mr. C. E. Martin
Mr. Matthews

Mr. Noble
Mr. Nott
Mr. O'Sullivan
Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Robertson
Mr. Shannon
Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Stanley
Mr. Wattison
Mr. Weir

Tellers,

Mr. Fred Cahill
Mr. Renshaw

And so it passed in the negative.

3. PAPERS:—

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

- (1.) Amended Schedule of Fees and Charges for Burial Grounds at Dubbo.
- (2.) Additional Regulation for the management of Public Recreation Ground and Resting Place at Blaxland's Crossing, Wallacia.

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 the construction of a Dam across the Hunter River at Glenbawn.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Co-operation (Further Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 14.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Co-operation Act, 1923-1947; 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,

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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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(2.) Police Regulation (Appeals) Amendment Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 15.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Police Regulation (Appeals) Act 1923-1944, and the Police Regulation Act, 1899-1944, 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, 10th November, 1947.*

(3.) Parliamentary Allowances and Salaries Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 16.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the 40th 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 with regard to the allowances to Members of the Legislative Assembly, and the salaries of Ministers of the Crown and of certain other persons; to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Parliamentary Allowances and Salaries Act, 1938, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 7th November, 1947.*

(4.) Supply Bill (No. 2):—

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 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 1947-1948.

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Sydney, 10th November, 1947.*

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of Supply.

5. **REPORTING OF EVIDENCE TAKEN BEFORE SELECT COMMITTEES:**—Mr. Speaker informed the House that, in view of the fact that recently a Select Committee had been appointed for the first time since the cessation of hostilities, he had given consideration to the method of recording evidence before such Committees. He had found that on 21st August, 1941, Mr. Speaker Clyne had announced to the House his decision that evidence taken before Select Committees should be recorded in the "narrative" form. Mr. Speaker Clyne had said that his decision was actuated largely by the urgent need for economy in printing costs and the acute shortage of paper, both of which factors had arisen as a result of the war, and had thus rendered it essential that some method of condensing the evidence before Select Committees be adopted. Mr. Speaker said that, with the conclusion of the war, these matters were no longer so pressing, and, while he was in favour of economy at all times, he felt that it should not be achieved at the expense of the correct and accurate recording of the sworn evidence of witnesses. Mr. Speaker added that he was personally associated with the only Select Committee which sat after the "narrative" form was adopted, and had found that there was considerable dissatisfaction among both witnesses and members in regard to the manner in which the evidence was recorded. It was often suggested that the "narrative" form had the effect of misrepresenting and distorting the evidence, and while that might or might not be so, it was disturbing that the method was open to question, and for that reason alone he considered it to be most unsatisfactory.

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Mr. Speaker also pointed out that Standing Order 362, which deals with the examination of witnesses before Select Committees, is so worded that, to his mind, it is the intention that the "question and answer" form of recording evidence should be followed, and he had, therefore, given instructions that morning that the Parliamentary Reporting Staff revert immediately to that form, which was invariably used by this Parliament prior to 1941, and from which the British Parliament had never deviated, even during the war years.

6. 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, the Public Works Act, 1912, and the Housing Act, 1941, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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Sydney, 11th November, 1947.

7. MORATORIUM (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Bill, on motion 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 Moratorium Act, 1932-1946, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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Sydney, 11th November, 1947.

8. SUPPLY (*Supply Bill (No. 2)*):—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:—

(2.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty:—

- (a) A sum not exceeding £2,286,300, payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, to defray the expenses of the various Departments and Services of the State during the month of December, or following month of the financial year ending 30th June, 1948, to be expended at the rates which have been sanctioned for the financial year ended 30th June, 1947, subject to the rate of any reduction that may hereafter be made in the expenditure of the year 1947-1948.
- (b) A sum not exceeding £2,465,500, 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 month of December, or following month of the financial year ending 30th June, 1948, to be expended at the rates which have been sanctioned for the financial year ended 30th June, 1947, subject to the rate of any reduction that may hereafter be made in the expenditure of the year 1947-1948.
- (c) A sum not exceeding £56,700, 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 month of December, or following month of the financial year ending 30th June, 1948, to be expended at the rates which have been sanctioned for the financial year ended 30th June, 1947, subject to the rate of any reduction that may hereafter be made in the expenditure of the year 1947-1948.
- (d) A sum not exceeding £479,000, 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 month of December, or following month of the financial year ending 30th June, 1948, to be expended at the rates which have been sanctioned for the financial year ended 30th June, 1947, subject to the rate of any reduction that may hereafter be made in the expenditure of the year 1947-1948.

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- (e) A sum not exceeding £51,100, 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 month of December, or following month of the financial year ending 30th June, 1948, to be expended at the rates which have been sanctioned for the financial year ended 30th June, 1947, subject to the rate of any reduction that may hereafter be made in the expenditure of the year 1947-1948.
- (f) A sum not exceeding £103,000, 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 month of December, or following month of the financial year ending 30th June, 1948, to be expended at the rates which have been sanctioned for the financial year ended 30th June, 1947, subject to the rate of any reduction that may hereafter be made in the expenditure of the year 1947-1948.

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

9. WAYS AND MEANS (*Supply Bill (No. 2)*):—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:—

- (2.) *Resolved*,—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the Service of the financial year 1947-1948, the sum of £5,441,600 be granted, viz.:—£2,286,300 out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, £2,465,500 out of the Government Railways Fund, £56,700 out of the Road Transport and Traffic Fund, £479,000 out of the Metropolitan Transport Trust General Fund, £51,100 out of the Newcastle and District Transport Trust General Fund, and £103,000 out of the Sydney Harbour Trust Fund.

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

10. SUPPLY BILL (No. 2):—

- (1.) Ordered, on motion of Mr. Baddeley, That a Bill be brought in, founded on Resolution of Ways and Means (No. 2), 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 1947-1948.

- (2.) Mr. Baddeley, on behalf of Mr. James McGirr, then presented a Bill, intituled "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 1947-1948,"—which was read a first time.

Ordered (*by consent*), 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 (*by consent*), 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 1947-1948,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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11. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ELECTORAL PROVISIONS) 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 10.20 o'clock, p.m., the Debate stood adjourned, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th October, 1947.

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 Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

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No. 20.

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SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 12 NOVEMBER, 1947.

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 Copy of the Certificate of the Returning Officer under the Constitution (Legislative Council Elections) Act, 1932-1937, respecting the election of William Robert Coulter, Esquire, as a Member of the Legislative Council, together with *Gazette* Notices.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table Proclamation declaring certain land to be private land for the purposes of the Mining Act, 1906-1946.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

Bankstown.	Penrith (2).
Bexley North.	Port Kembla.
Gladesville.	Punchbowl.
May's Hill.	Revesby.
Moss Vale.	Sylvania.
Northmead.	Thornleigh.
North Ryde.	Turrumurra North.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. ADDRESS TO HER ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCESS ELIZABETH ON THE OCCASION OF HER MARRIAGE:—Mr. James McGirr moved (*by consent*), without Notice,—

(1.) That the following Address to Her Royal Highness the Princess Elizabeth be adopted:—

To Her Royal Highness the Princess Elizabeth,—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR ROYAL HIGHNESS,—

We, the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament assembled, desire to convey to Your Royal Highness our sincere good wishes upon the occasion of your marriage with Lieutenant Philip Mountbatten, R.N.

We express the earnest hope that, under Divine Providence, you may both long be spared to enjoy a full measure of health and happiness.

(2.) That His Excellency the Governor be requested to forward the above Address to Her Royal Highness.

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

Question put and passed.

12th November, 1947.

3. LEGAL ASSISTANCE (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. C. E. Martin moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Legal Assistance Act, 1943, 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 Legal Assistance Act, 1943, 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. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ELECTORAL PROVISIONS) 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 it being 10.20 o'clock, p.m., the Debate stood adjourned, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th October, 1947.

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. 21.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 13 NOVEMBER, 1947.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ELECTORAL PROVISIONS) BILL:—

(1.) 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.

The House divided.

Ayes, 45.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Geraghty	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Booth	Mr. Gorman	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Graham	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Landa	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Lang	Mr. Wattison
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Dring	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Williams
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Evatt	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Currey
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Freeman
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Noble	
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Nott	

Noes, 29.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Hearnshaw	Lieut.-Col. Robson
Mr. Brain	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Rose
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Storey
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dewley	Mr. McCaw	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Jack Beale
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Morton	Mr. Darby
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Padman	
Mr. Frith	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Richardson	

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. Baddeley the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith.—

Mr. Baddeley moved, That this Bill be now read a third time.

Question put,—That this Bill be now read a third time.

13th November, 1947.

The House divided.

Ayes, 44.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Freeman	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Geraghty	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Booth	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Graham	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Landa	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Currey	Mr. Lang	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Dring	Mr. James McGirr	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Gorman
Mr. Evatt	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Matthews	
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Noble	
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Nott	

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Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Richardson
Mr. Brain	Mr. Howarth	Lieut.-Col. Robson
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Storey
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Treant
Mr. Darby	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Jordan	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Dickson	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Rose
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Morton	
Mr. Frith	Mr. Padman	
Mr. Gollan	Mr. John Reid	

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 provide for compulsory voting at elections in local government areas and in the City of Sydney; for this and certain other purposes to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1932, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 13th November, 1947.*

2. JURY (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 with amendments.

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.

3. PHYSIOTHERAPISTS REGISTRATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. C. E. Martin *on behalf of* Mr. Kelly moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Physiotherapists Registration Act, 1945-1946, 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 Physiotherapists Registration Act, 1945-1946, 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.

4. LEGAL ASSISTANCE (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.

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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. Martin the Report was adopted.

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

5. STATE TRANSPORT (CO-ORDINATION) 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.

Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner (*speaking*) moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

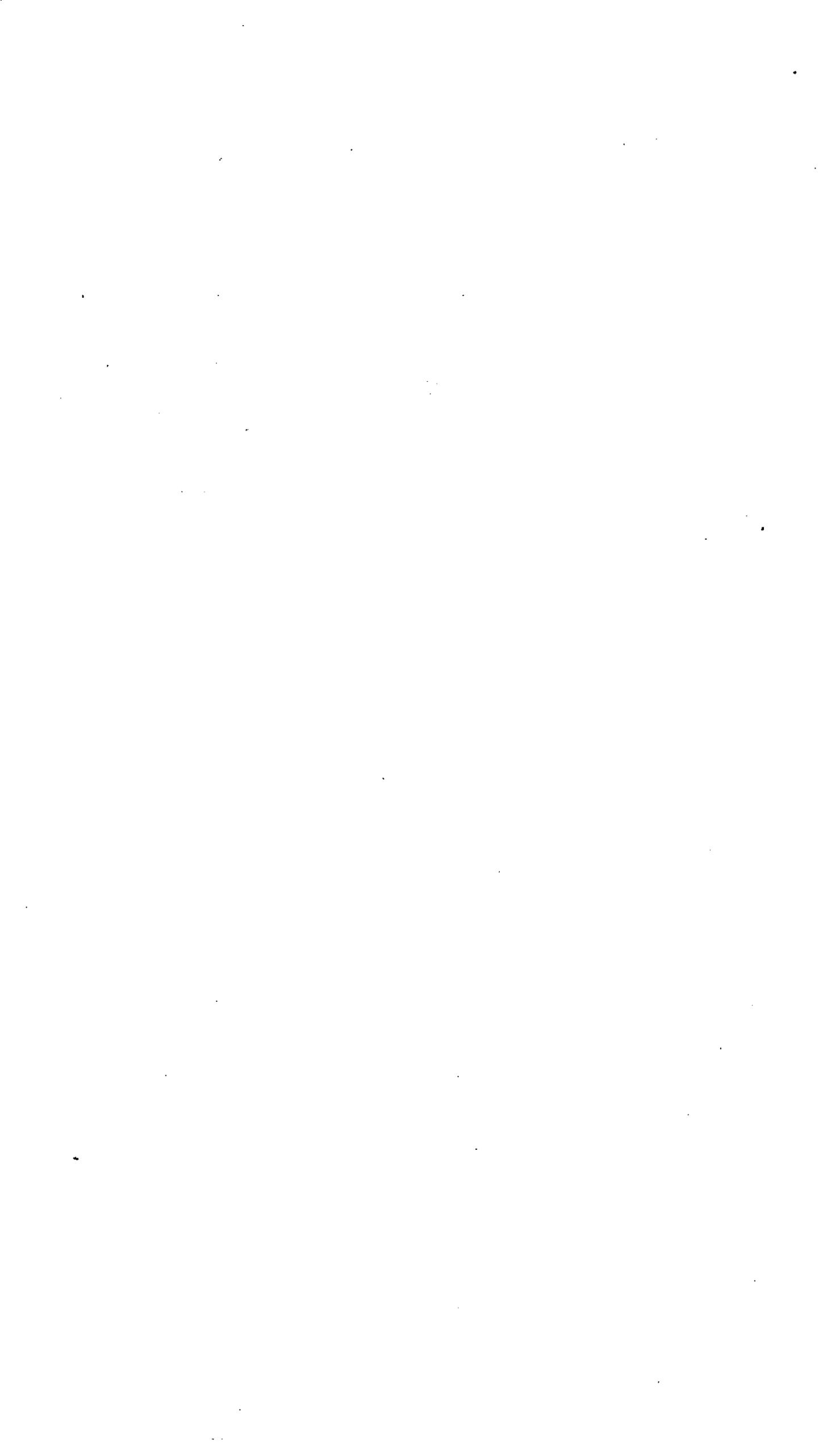
6. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Tuesday next at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned at Nine 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. 22.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
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SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 18 NOVEMBER, 1947.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—

Mr. Heffron laid upon the Table amended, substituted and new By-laws under the University and University Colleges Act, 1900-37.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

(1.) Report of the Commissioner of Railways for the year ended 30th June, 1947.

(2.) Report of the Commissioner of Road Transport and Tramways for the year ended 30th June, 1947.

Ordered to be printed.

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 the dedication of certain land in accordance with the provisions of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

(3.) Papers relating to Glenrock Estate, part of which is the subject of a Promotion Application under the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. CLOSER SETTLEMENT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Sheahan and read by Mr. Speaker:—

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; for these and other purposes to amend the Closer Settlement Acts, as amended by subsequent Acts, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 17th November, 1947.*

18th November, 1947.

3. DECENTRALISATION OF EDUCATION:—Mr. Darby moved, pursuant to Notice,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the problem of Decentralisation of Education in New South Wales and matters pertaining thereto.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Heffron, Captain Arthur, Mr. Fred. Cahill, Mr. Dring, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Hearnshaw, Mr. Padman 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. Freeman, That the Honourable Member for Ashburnham, Mr. Dring, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of Twenty minutes.

Debate continued.

Mr. Dring (*speaking*) moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday, 9th December.

And it being Six o'clock, p.m., Government Business proceeded with under Sessional Order adopted on 15th October, 1947.

4. JURY (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 in certain respects the law relating to juries; to amend the Jury Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 18th November, 1947.*

5. LEGAL ASSISTANCE (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 Legal Assistance Act, 1943, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 18th November, 1947.*

6. 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; for these and other purposes to amend the Closer Settlement Acts, as amended by subsequent Acts, in certain respects; 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 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; for these and other purposes to amend the Closer Settlement Acts, 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.

7. FARMERS' RELIEF (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Sheahan moved, That this 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,—

- (2.) 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 Farmers' Relief Act, 1932-1945, 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, 18th November, 1947.*

8. KOSCIUSKO STATE PARK (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) 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,—

- (2.) 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 Kosciusko State Park Act, 1944, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 18th November, 1947.*

9. PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE:—Mr. Hawkins, as Chairman, brought up the First Report, during the currency of the Thirty-fifth Parliament, of the Public Accounts Committee.

Ordered to be printed.

10. STATE TILEWORKS 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 the Question be amended by leaving out the word "now" with a view of adding the words "this day one month".

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

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

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

11. 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 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. 23.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 19 NOVEMBER, 1947.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPER:—Mr. Heffron laid upon the Table Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for 1946.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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. O'Sullivan,—

- (1.) George's River Bridge (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 amend the George's River Bridge Act, 1923, the Main Roads Act, 1924-1945, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 18th November, 1947.*

By Mr. Matthews,—

- (2.) Building Operations and Building Materials Control (Amendment) 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 amend the Building Operations and Building Materials Control Act, 1945, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 19th November, 1947.*

3. SUPPLY BILL (No. 2):—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 1947-1948," returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 18th November, 1947.*

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

19th November, 1947.

4. PARLIAMENTARY ALLOWANCES AND SALARIES BILL:—

(1.) Mr. James McGirr moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make further provision with regard to the allowances to Members of the Legislative Assembly, and the salaries of Ministers of the Crown and of certain other persons; to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Parliamentary Allowances and Salaries Act, 1938, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. McGirr then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to make further provision with regard to the allowances to Members of the Legislative Assembly, and the salaries of Ministers of the Crown and of certain other persons; to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Parliamentary Allowances and Salaries Act, 1938, 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. POLICE OFFENCES (FIREARMS) AMENDMENT BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Baddeley moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make further provision relating to firearms and other lethal weapons; for these purposes to amend the Police Offences Act, 1901-1946; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Baddeley then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to make further provision relating to firearms and other lethal weapons; for these purposes to amend the Police Offences Act, 1901-1946; 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. GEORGE'S RIVER BRIDGE (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. O'Sullivan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the George's River Bridge Act, 1923, the Main Roads Act, 1924-1945, 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 George's River Bridge Act, 1923, the Main Roads Act, 1924-1945, 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. BUILDING OPERATIONS AND BUILDING MATERIALS CONTROL (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Matthews moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Building Operations and Building Materials Control Act, 1945, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Matthews then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Building Operations and Building Materials Control Act, 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.

8. STATE TELEWORKS 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. Treacy had moved, "That the Question be amended by leaving out the word 'now' with a view of adding the words 'this day one month',"—

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. Carlton moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

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

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9. BUDGET PAPERS, 1947-1948:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. James McGirr, and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 21.

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 1947-1948.
- (2) *Consolidated Revenue Fund*: Statement of Payments from the Vote "Advance to Treasurer" 1946-1947—submitted for Parliamentary appropriation in adjustment of the Advance Vote.
- (3) *Consolidated Revenue Fund*: Statement of Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense" to 30th June, 1947.
- (4) *Government Railways Fund*: Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1947-1948.
- (5) *Government Railways Fund*: Statement of Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense" to 30th June, 1947.
- (6) *Road Transport and Traffic Fund*: Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1947-1948.
- (7) *Road Transport and Traffic Fund*: Statement of Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense" to 30th June, 1947.
- (8) *Metropolitan Transport Trust General Fund*: Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1947-1948.
- (9) *Metropolitan Transport Trust General Fund*: Statement of Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense" to 30th June, 1947.
- (10) *Newcastle and District Transport Trust General Fund*: Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1947-1948.
- (11) *Newcastle and District Transport Trust General Fund*: Statement of Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense" to 30th June, 1947.
- (12) *Sydney Harbour Trust Fund*: Estimates of Expenditure for the year 1947-1948.
- (13) *Sydney Harbour Trust Fund*: Statement of Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense" to 30th June, 1947.
- (14) *Closer Settlement Fund*: Estimates of the Expenditure of the Government of New South Wales for the year 1947-1948.

State Government House,
Sydney, 10th November, 1947.

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

10. 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:—

(3.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty a sum not exceeding £1,508 as Supplement to the Schedules to the Constitution Act for the year 1947-48.

On motion of Mr. James McGirr, the Resolution was agreed to.

11. 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.

12. PAPER—FINANCIAL STATEMENT (*Budget Speech for Financial Year 1947-1948*):—

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table the Financial Statement delivered by the Honourable James McGirr, M.L.A., Premier and Colonial Treasurer, This Day.

Ordered to be printed.

19th November, 1947.

13. STATE TILEWORKS BILL:—

(1.) 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. Treatt had moved, "That the Question be amended by leaving out the word 'now' with a view of adding the words 'this day one month'."

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, 43.

Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Freeman	Mr. Noble
Mr. Booth	Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Nott
Mr. F. J. Cahill	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Graham	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Cameron	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Currey	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lang	Mr. Tully
Mr. Dring	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Evatt	Mr. James McGirr	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Finnan	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Gorman
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	

Noes, 24.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Gollan	Lt.-Colonel Robson
Mr. Black	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Rose
Mr. Brain	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Storey
Lt.-Colonel Bruxner	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jackson	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Cutler	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Darby
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Morton
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Padman	
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Richardson	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question put,—That this Bill be now read a second time.

The House divided.

Ayes, 43.

Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Noble
Mr. Booth	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. F. J. Cahill	Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Graham	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Cameron	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Cunnigham	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Currey	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lang	Mr. Tully
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Finnan	Mr. James McGirr	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Dring
Mr. Fowles	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Nott
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Matthews	

Noes, 26.

Mr. Black	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Rose
Mr. Brain	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Stephens
Lt.-Colonel Bruxner	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Storey
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Cutler	Mr. McCaw	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Darby	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Jeff Bate
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Morton	Mr. Dewley
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Padman	
Mr. Frith	Mr. Richardson	
Mr. Gollan	Lt.-Colonel 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. Cahill 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. 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 provide for the establishment, management and control of State Tileworks and the acquisition of lands for that purpose; to define the functions of the State Tileworks; to make provision for and in relation to the keeping of certain accounts in the Special Deposits Account in the Treasury for the purposes of the State Tileworks; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 19th November, 1947.*

14. PHYSIOTHERAPISTS REGISTRATION (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. 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,—
(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 amend the Physiotherapists Registration Act, 1945-1946, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 19th November, 1947.*

15. 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 it being 10.20 o'clock, p.m., the Debate stood adjourned, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th October, 1947.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

16. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Sheahan 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 October, 1947, 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. 24.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
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SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 20 NOVEMBER, 1947.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—

Mr. Kelly laid upon the Table Proclamations under the Milk Act, 1931-1942, constituting the "Blue Mountains-Lithgow Milk Distributing District."

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table 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, as amended, for the month of September, 1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. 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.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at One o'clock, p.m., until Half-past Seven o'clock, p.m. this day.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at the hour named.

Debate continued.

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. Sheahan the Report was adopted.

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

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

(1.) Moratorium (Amendment) Bill:—

MR. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Moratorium Act, 1932-1946, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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Sydney, 20th November, 1947.

THOS. STEELE,
Deputy-President,

20th November, 1947.

(2.) Housing (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Housing Act, 1912, the Public Works Act, 1912, and the Housing Act, 1941, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,

Sydney, 20th November, 1947.

THOS. STEELE,

Deputy-President.

(3.) Local Government (Electoral Provisions) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled, "An Act to provide for compulsory voting at elections in local government areas and in the City of Sydney; for this and certain other purposes to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1932, and 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, 20th November, 1947.

THOS. STEELE,

Deputy-President.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ELECTORAL PROVISIONS) BILL.

Schedule of the amendments referred to in Message of 20th November, 1947.

W. K. CHARLTON,

Clerk of the Parliaments.

No. 1.—Pages 2 and 3, clause 3. *Omit* the whole of clause 3.No. 2.—Page 3, clause 4, line 30. *Omit* the word "further".No. 3.—Page 3, clause 4, lines 35 and 36. *Omit* the words "whose place of living is within the area and".No. 4.—Page 11, clause 4, line 6. *Omit* the words "whose place of living is within the area and".No. 5.—Pages 13 and 14, clause 6. *Omit* the whole of clause 6.No. 6.—Page 14, clause 7, line 26. *Omit* the word "further".No. 7.—Page 14, clause 7, lines 30 and 31. *Omit* the words "whose place of living is within the city and".No. 8.—Page 22, clause 7, line 40. *Omit* the words "whose place of living is within the city and".No. 9.—Page 30, clause 7, lines 5 to 7 inclusive. *Omit* all words on these lines.

Examined,—

GEO. S. ARCHER,

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.

4. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Fowles, as Chairman, brought up the Third Report from the Printing Committee.

5. GEORGE'S RIVER BRIDGE (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. O'Sullivan moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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.

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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 amend the George's River Bridge Act, 1923, the Main Roads Act, 1924-1945, 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, 20th November, 1947.*

6. BUILDING OPERATIONS AND BUILDING MATERIALS CONTROL (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Matthews moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

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

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

7. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, without Notice, 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 Twenty minutes before Eleven 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. 25.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 25 NOVEMBER, 1947.

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 by Mr. E. H. Swift on certain matters concerning the administration and management of the Tramway and Omnibus Services in New South Wales.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table Regulation under the Co-operation Act, 1923-1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

Arncliffe.	Ermington.
Blakehurst.	Lidcombe.
Casino.	Maroubra.
Cootamundra.	North Sydney.
Corowa.	Peak Hill.
East Maitland.	

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

(1.) Report of the State Coal Mines Control Board for the year ended 30th June, 1947.

(2.) Copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment on probation of Mr. R. F. Doyle, Electrical Inspector of Collieries, Department of Mines.

(3.) Amendments of Regulations under the Factories and Shops Act, 1912-1946.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table amendments of Ordinances under the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended.

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 the purpose of the Works in connection with the Deniboota Provisional Domestic and Stock Water Supply and Irrigation District.

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.

25th November, 1947.

2. CLOSER SETTLEMENT (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 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; for these and other purposes to amend the Closer Settlement Acts, 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, 25th November, 1947.*

3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ELECTORAL PROVISIONS) 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 compulsory voting at elections in local government areas and in the City of Sydney; for this and certain other purposes to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1932, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.*"

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 25th November, 1947.*

4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ELECTIONS) BILL:—

(1.) URGENCY:—Mr. Cahill moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that the Local Government (Elections) 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 Local Government (Elections) Bill being brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.
Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(3.) Mr. Cahill moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the postponement of certain elections of aldermen and councillors of certain municipalities and shires and of aldermen of the City of Sydney; for this and certain other purposes to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1932, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(4.) Mr. Cahill then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to provide for the postponement of certain elections of aldermen and councillors of certain municipalities and shires and of aldermen of the City of Sydney; for this and certain other purposes to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1932, and certain other Acts; 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.

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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(6.) 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 provide for the postponement of certain elections of aldermen and councillors of certain municipalities and shires and of aldermen of the City of Sydney; for this and certain other purposes to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1932, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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Sydney, 25th November, 1947.

5. POLICE OFFENCES (FIREARMS) 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 the Chairman reported progress and obtained leave to sit again 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. 26.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 26 NOVEMBER, 1947.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT:—Mr. C. E. Martin made a Ministerial statement relating to the winding-up of the Lord Mayor's Patriotic and War Fund of New South Wales.

2. SUPPLY BILL (No. 2):—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. James McGirr and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 22.

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 1947-1948,*"—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, 25th November, 1947.

3. STATE TRANSPORT (CO-ORDINATION) AMENDMENT 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.

Lieut.-Colonel Robson moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

4. PARLIAMENTARY ALLOWANCES AND SALARIES 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.

Mr. Treatt moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word "That" with a view of inserting the words "the Bill be referred to a Select Committee for consideration and report.

"(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Brain, Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner, Captain Dunn, Mr. Helfron, Mr. James McGirr, Mr. McGrath and the Mover."

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"(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.

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 45.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Gorman	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Graham	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Booth	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Benshaw
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Sciffert
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Currey	Mr. Landa	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lang	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Dring	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. James McGirr	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Finnan	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Fred Cahill
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Freeman
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Noble	
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Nott	

Noes, 26.

Mr. Beale	Mr. Howarth	Lieut.-Col. Robson
Mr. Black	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Storey
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Kendell	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Cutler	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Jeff Bate
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Darby
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Morton	
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Padman	
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. John Reid	

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. 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 make further provision with regard to the allowances to Members of the Legislative Assembly, and the salaries of Ministers of the Crown and of certain other persons; to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Parliamentary Allowances and Salaries Act, 1938, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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5. COMMITTEE OF 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.) State Tileworks Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for the establishment, management and control of State Tileworks and the acquisition of lands for that purpose; to define the functions of the State Tileworks; to make provision for and in relation to the keeping of

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certain accounts in the Special Deposits Account in the Treasury for the purposes of the State Tileworks; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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Sydney, 26th November, 1947.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(2.) Farmers' Relief (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Farmers' Relief Act, 1932-1945, in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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Sydney, 26th November, 1947.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(3.) Kosciusko State Park (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Kosciusko State Park Act, 1944, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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Sydney, 26th November, 1947.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(4.) Physiotherapists Registration (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Physiotherapists Registration Act, 1945-1946, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 26th November, 1947.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(5.) Legal Assistance (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Legal Assistance Act, 1943, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 26th November, 1947.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(6.) Local Government (Elections) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for the postponement of certain elections of aldermen and councillors of certain municipalities and shires and of aldermen of the City of Sydney; for this and certain other purposes to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1932, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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Sydney, 26th November, 1947.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(7.) Closer Settlement (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to 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; for these and other purposes to amend the Closer Settlement Acts, as amended by subsequent Acts, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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Sydney, 26th November, 1947.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

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(8.) Jury (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to amend in certain respects the law relating to juries; to amend the Jury Act, 1912, and 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.

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Sydney, 26th November, 1947.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

JURY (AMENDMENT) BILL.

Schedule of the amendments referred to in Message of 26th November, 1947.

W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

No. 1.—Page 5, clause 4. *After line 7 insert—*

"(b) by omitting from the heading of Part V the words 'AND SPECIAL JURORS' LISTS'".

No. 2.—Page 15, clause 5, line 22. *Omit the word "criminal".*

No. 3.—Page 16, clause 5. *After line 25 insert—*

"(5) Where, pursuant to the provisions of subsection two of this section, the court has ordered that an employee be reimbursed the wages lost by him, the amount of the wages so lost shall be specified in the order, and such order shall operate as an order against the employer 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 as so amended.

"(6) Any employer who neglects or fails to comply with an order, made pursuant to the provisions of subsection two of this section, directing reinstatement of an employee, shall be liable on summary conviction to a penalty not exceeding ten pounds for each day such neglect or failure continues.

"The amount of wages which would have been payable to the employee in respect of the period of such neglect or failure if he had been reinstated in accordance with the terms of the order aforesaid shall be recoverable, as a debt due to the employee by the employer, in any court of competent jurisdiction."

Examined,—

THOS. 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.

STATE TRANSPORT (CO-ORDINATION) AMENDMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day for the resumption of the adjourned Debate having been fixed for To-morrow,—Mr. O'Sullivan asked that the consent of the House be granted to the Order of the Day being now read.

And there being no objection,—

And the Order of the Day having been read,—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 October, 1947.

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. 27.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 27 NOVEMBER, 1947.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. STATE TRANSPORT (CO-ORDINATION) AMENDMENT BILL:—

(1.) 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. Carlton moved, That the Question be now put.

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 42.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Freeman	Mr. Nott
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Geraghty	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Booth	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Gorman	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Kelly	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Currey	Mr. Landa	Mr. Wattison
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Dring	Mr. James McGirr	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Entieknep	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Lawrence Kelly
Mr. Evatt	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Matthews	
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Noble	

Noes, 26.

Mr. Black	Mr. Hunter	Lieut.-Col. Robson
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Stephens
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Storey
Mr. Darby	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Lang	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Drummond	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Cutler
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Morton	
Mr. Hearnshaw	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,"—

And Mr. O'Sullivan 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.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Carlton, 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 amend the State Transport (Co-ordination) Act, 1931, the Transport (Division of Functions) Act, 1932, the Air Navigation Act, 1938, 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, 27th November, 1947.

2. POLICE OFFENCES (FIREARMS) 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.

On motion of Mr. Baddeley the Report was adopted.

Ordered by Mr. Speaker, That the third reading stand an Order of the Day for a later hour of the Day.

3. COMMITTEE OF 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.

4. POLICE OFFENCES (FIREARMS) 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 provision relating to firearms and other lethal weapons; for these purposes to amend the Police Offences Act, 1901-1946; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 27th November, 1947.

5. BUILDING OPERATIONS AND BUILDING MATERIALS CONTROL (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Matthews, "That this Bill be now read a second time,"—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Lieut.-Colonel Bruzner 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 Eighteen minutes before Eleven o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Half-past Ten o'clock, a.m.

FRIDAY, 28 NOVEMBER, 1947, A.M.

Mr. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair at the hour named.

6. BUILDING OPERATIONS AND BUILDING MATERIALS CONTROL (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Matthews, "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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And Mr. Matthews having spoken in reply,—

Question put,—That this Bill be now read a second time.

The House divided.

Ayes, 39.

Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Booth	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Sciffert
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Clyue	Mr. Landa	Mr. Sheshan
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Lang	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Currey	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Tonge
Mr. William Davies	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Evatt	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Fowles	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Weir
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Matthews	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Noble	Mr. Fred Cahill
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan	Mr. Gorman
Mr. Hamilton	Mrs. Quirk	
Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Renshaw	

Noes, 20.

Mr. Black	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Storey
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Treatt
Lieut.-Col. Bruzner	Mr. Kendall	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Jeff Bato
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Morton	Mr. Dickson
Mr. Drummond	Mr. John Reid	
Mr. Gollan	Lieut.-Col. Robson	
Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stephens	

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 with amendments.

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.

The House adjourned at Five minutes after 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. 28.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 2 DECEMBER, 1947.

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 Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers' Pensions Tribunal, together with Statement of Accounts and Balance-sheets, for the year ended 30th June, 1947.

(2.) Balance-sheets of Art Unions under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of—

War Veterans' Home.

Gunnedah District Ambulance Service.

The Hornsby War Memorial Committee.

Destitute Chinese War Orphans.

Liverpool District Ambulance.

St. George District Ambulance.

The Australian Red Cross Society, R.S.S. & A.I.L.A. and Tumut Agricultural and Pastoral Association.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

(1.) Report of the Commissioner for Railways for the quarter ended 30th June, 1947.

(2.) By-law and Schedule of Passenger Fares and Coaching Rates as from 1st December, 1947, under the Government Railways Act, 1912-45.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

(3.) Report of the Department of Main Roads for the year ended 30th June, 1947.

Ordered to be printed.

1. INCREASE IN PETROL TAX ALLOCATION:—Mr. Enticknap moved, pursuant to Notice,—

(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a greater sum of money should be made available by the Commonwealth Government from the petrol tax to enable the lag in road construction and maintenance created throughout the State during the war years to be overcome.

(2.) That this Resolution be conveyed to the Commonwealth Government.
Debate ensued.

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

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

2nd December, 1947.

The House divided.

Ayes, 24.

Mr. Jack Beale
Mr. Black
Mr. Brain
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner
Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Cutler
Mr. Dickson
Mr. Drummond
Mr. Fitzgerald

Mr. Frith
Mr. Gollan
Mr. Hunter
Mr. Medcalf
Mr. Morton
Mr. Padman
Mr. John Reid
Lieut.-Col. Robson
Mr. Rose

Mr. Stephens
Mr. Storey
Mr. Treatt
Mr. Wingfield
Tellers,
Mr. Dewley
Mr. Hearnshaw

Noes, 41.

Captain Arthur
Mr. Baddeley
Mr. Fred Cahill
Mr. Cahill
Mr. Robert Cameron
Mr. Clyne
Mr. Cunningham
Mr. Currey
Mr. Davidson
Mr. William Davies
Mr. Enticknap
Mr. Evatt
Mr. Finnan
Mr. Freeman
Mr. Geraghty

Mr. Gorman
Mr. Graham
Mr. Hamilton
Mr. Roy Heferen
Mr. Heffron
Mr. Kelly
Mr. Lawrence Kelly
Mr. Landa
Mr. Lang
Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. James McGirr
Mr. McGrath
Mr. C. E. Martin
Mr. Matthews
Mr. Noble

Mr. O'Sullivan
Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Robertson
Mr. Sciffert
Mr. Shannon
Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Tonge
Mr. L. J. Tully
Tellers,
Mr. Hawkins
Mr. Stanley

And so it passed in the negative.

Debate continued.

And it being Six o'clock, p.m., Debate interrupted pursuant to Sessional Order.

Ordered, That the Debate stand adjourned until To-morrow.

3. GEORGE'S RIVER BRIDGE (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 George's River Bridge Act, 1923, the Main Roads Act, 1924-1945, 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, 2nd December, 1947.*

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

4. BUILDING OPERATIONS AND BUILDING MATERIALS CONTROL (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 amend the Building Operations and Building Materials Control Act, 1945, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 2nd December, 1947.*

5. COMMITTEE OF 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 GOVERNOR:—The following Messages from His Excellency the Governor were delivered by Mr. James McGirr and read by Mr. Speaker:—

- (1.) Local Government (Elections) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 23.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the postponement of certain elections of aldermen and councillors of certain municipalities and shires and of aldermen of the City of Sydney; for this and certain other purposes to*

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amend the Local Government Act, 1919, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1932, 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, 28th November, 1947.

(2.) Local Government (Electoral Provisions) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 24.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to provide for compulsory voting at elections in local government areas and in the City of Sydney; for this and certain other purposes to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, the Sydney Corporation Act, 1932, 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, 28th November, 1947.

The House adjourned at Ten 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. 29.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 3 DECEMBER, 1947.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. ERECTION OF FLATS AT HENLEY:—Mr. McCaw presented a Petition from certain residents of the suburb of Henley, in the Municipality of Hunter's Hill, representing the undesirability of the proposal to erect a block of single-bedroom flats in Dick-street, Henley, and praying that the proposal be deferred pending investigation with the object of abandoning the whole project.
Petition received.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table amendment of Regulation under the Weights and Measures Act, 1915, as amended.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table amendment of By-Law under the Sydney Corporation Act, 1932-1942.

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. James McGirr and read by Mr. Speaker:—

(1.) Moratorium (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,

Message No. 25.

Governor.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Moratorium Act, 1932-1946, 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, 2nd December, 1947.

(2.) Loan Estimates, 1947-1948:—

J. NORTHCOTT,

Message No. 26.

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 an Estimate of the Expenditure of the Government of New South Wales on account of Public Works and Other Services for the year 1947-1948, proposed to be made from the General Loan Account.

State Government House,

Sydney, 2nd December, 1947.

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

3rd December, 1947.

4. PARLIAMENTARY ALLOWANCES AND SALARIES 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 with regard to the allowances to Members of the Legislative Assembly, and the salaries of Ministers of the Crown and of certain other persons; to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Parliamentary Allowances and Salaries Act, 1938, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney 2nd December, 1947.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

5. SUPPLY (*Loan Estimates 1947-1948*):—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.

6. 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 Mr. L. J. Tully, Temporary Chairman, reported progress.

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

- (1.) State Transport (Co-ordination) Amendment Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the State Transport (Co-ordination) Act, 1931, the Transport (Division of Functions) Act, 1932, the Air Navigation Act, 1938, 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, 3rd December, 1947.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

- (2.) Police Offences (Firearms) Amendment Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to make further provision relating to firearms and other lethal weapons; for these purposes to amend the Police Offences Act, 1901-1946; 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, 3rd December, 1947.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

POLICE OFFENCES (FIREARMS) AMENDMENT BILL.

Schedule of the Amendment referred to in Message of 3rd December, 1947.

W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

Page 4, clause 2, line 10. Omit the word "two" and insert in lieu thereof the word "four".

Examined,—

THOS. 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.

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

A. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 30.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 4 DECEMBER, 1947.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. HOUSING (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. 27.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Housing Act, 1912, the Public Works Act, 1912, and the Housing Act, 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, 4th December, 1947.

2. PAPER:—Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table Report on the Practice and Procedure of the House of Commons by Mr. L. E. Walcott, First Clerk and Clerk of Records of the Legislative Assembly.

Ordered, That the document be printed.

3. PAPER:—Mr. Evatt laid upon the Table notification of resumption of Land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Housing Act, as amended, at—

Bass Hills.
Coerwull.
Cooma.
Ermington.
Lakemba.

Manly Vale.
Kingsgrove.
Sefton.
Wiley Park.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. 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:—

3. *Resolved*.—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the Services of the financial year 1947-48, there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the sum of £1,508 as Supplement to the Schedules to the Constitution Act for the year 1947-48.

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

4th December, 1947.

5. SUPPLY (*Estimates 1947-1948*):—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:—

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND.

THE LEGISLATURE.

- (4.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £63,783 for The Legislature, for the year 1947-48.

THE PREMIER.

- (5.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £2,535,860, for Premier, for the year 1947-48.

MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT.

- (6.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £115,469, for Minister for Transport, for the year 1947-48.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

- (7.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £350,031, for Colonial Secretary, for the year 1947-48.

MINISTER FOR HEALTH.

- (8.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £6,963,571, for Minister for Health, for the year 1947-48.

COLONIAL TREASURER.

- (9.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £4,954,185, for Colonial Treasurer, for the year 1947-48.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL AND MINISTER OF JUSTICE.

- (10.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,335,640, for Attorney-General and Minister of Justice, for the year 1947-48.

SECRETARY FOR LANDS.

- (11.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £624,144, for Secretary for Lands, for the year 1947-48.

SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC WORKS.

- (12.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,396,856, for Secretary for Public Works, for the year 1947-48.

MINISTER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

- (13.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £355,209, for Minister for Local Government, for the year 1947-48.

MINISTER FOR HOUSING.

- (14.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £10,567, for Minister for Housing, for the year 1947-48.

MINISTER FOR EDUCATION.

- (15.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £9,860,254, for Minister for Education, for the year 1947-48.

MINISTER FOR MINES.

- (16.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £373,235, for Minister for Mines, for the year 1947-48.

MINISTER FOR LABOUR AND INDUSTRY AND SOCIAL WELFARE.

- (17.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £856,920, for Minister for Labour and Industry and Social Welfare for the year 1947-48.

MINISTER FOR BUILDING MATERIALS.

- (18.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £79,218, for Minister for Building Materials, for the year 1947-48.

MINISTER FOR CONSERVATION.

- (19.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £676,067, for Minister for Conservation, for the year 1947-48.

4th December, 1947.

MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE.

(20.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,239,348, for Minister for Agriculture, for the year 1947-48.

MINISTER FOR TOURIST ACTIVITIES AND IMMIGRATION.

(21.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £256,539, for Minister for Tourist Activities and Immigration, for the year 1947-48.

STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS MADE DURING THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1947, FROM THE VOTE "ADVANCE TO TREASURER," 1946-47, ON ACCOUNT OF SERVICES OF THE YEAR 1946-47.

(22.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £200,000, in adjustment of the Vote "Advance to Treasurer," 1946-47.

STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS "UNAUTHORISED IN SUSPENSE" TO 30TH JUNE, 1947, FOR URGENT CLAIMS ON ACCOUNT OF SERVICES OF THE YEAR 1946-47.

(23.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £2,444,934 15s. 4d. (Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense") for Services of the year 1946-47.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS FUND.

(24.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £35,125,000, for Department of Railways, for the year 1947-48.

STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS "UNAUTHORISED IN SUSPENSE" TO 30TH JUNE, 1947, FOR URGENT CLAIMS ON ACCOUNT OF SERVICES OF THE YEAR 1946-47.

(25.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,318,401 14s. 9d. (Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense") for the year 1946-47.

ROAD TRANSPORT AND TRAFFIC FUND.

(26.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £750,000, for Department of Road Transport and Tramways, for the year 1947-48.

STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS "UNAUTHORISED IN SUSPENSE" TO 30TH JUNE, 1947, FOR URGENT CLAIMS ON ACCOUNT OF SERVICES OF THE YEAR 1946-47.

(27.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £3,759 17s. 6d. (Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense") for the year 1946-47.

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORT TRUST GENERAL FUND.

(28.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £7,320,270, for Department of Road Transport and Tramways, for the year 1947-48.

STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS "UNAUTHORISED IN SUSPENSE" TO 30TH JUNE, 1947, FOR URGENT CLAIMS ON ACCOUNT OF SERVICES OF THE YEAR 1946-47.

(29.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £40,672 6s. 3d. (Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense") for Services of the year 1946-47.

NEWCASTLE AND DISTRICT TRANSPORT TRUST GENERAL FUND.

(30.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £769,487, for Department of Road Transport and Tramways, for the year 1947-48.

STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS "UNAUTHORISED IN SUSPENSE" TO 30TH JUNE, 1947, FOR URGENT CLAIMS ON ACCOUNT OF SERVICES OF THE YEAR 1946-47.

(31.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £5,324 11s. 4d. (Payments "Unauthorised in Suspense") for Services of the year 1946-47.

SYDNEY HARBOUR TRUST FUND.

(32.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £1,339,383, for Maritime Services Board of New South Wales, for the year 1947-48.

STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS "UNAUTHORISED IN SUSPENSE" TO 30TH JUNE, 1947, FOR URGENT CLAIMS ON ACCOUNT OF SERVICES OF THE YEAR 1946-47.

(33.) *Resolved.*—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £15,000 (Payment "Unauthorised in Suspense") for services of the year 1946-47.

4th December, 1947.

CLOSER SETTLEMENT FUND.

(34.) *Resolved*.—That there be granted to His Majesty, a sum not exceeding £34,083, on account of Services to be provided for out of Closer Settlement Fund.

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

6. **WAYS AND MEANS** (*Estimates* 1947-1948):—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:—

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

(a) For the Service of the financial year 1947-48, the sum of £32,046,946 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

(b) In adjustment of the Vote "Advance to Treasurer," 1946-47, for Services of the financial year 1946-47, the sum of £200,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

(c) For Services of the financial year 1946-47, "Unauthorised in Suspense," the sum of £2,444,934 15s. 4d. be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

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

(a) For the Service of the financial year 1947-48, the sum of £35,125,000 be granted out of the Government Railways Fund.

(b) For Services of the financial year 1946-47, "Unauthorised in Suspense," the sum of £1,318,401 14s. 9d. be granted out of the Government Railways Fund.

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

(a) For the Service of the financial year 1947-48, the sum of £750,000 be granted out of the Road Transport and Traffic Fund.

(b) For Services of the financial year 1946-47, "Unauthorised in Suspense," the sum of £3,759 17s. 6d. be granted out of the Road Transport and Traffic Fund.

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

(a) For the Service of the financial year 1947-48, the sum of £7,320,270 be granted out of the Metropolitan Transport Trust General Fund.

(b) For Services of the financial year 1946-47, "Unauthorised in Suspense," the sum of £40,672 6s. 3d. be granted out of the Metropolitan Transport Trust General Fund.

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

(a) For the Service of the financial year 1947-48, the sum of £769,487 be granted out of the Newcastle and District Transport Trust General Fund.

(b) For Services of the financial year 1946-47, "Unauthorised in Suspense," the sum of £5,324 11s. 4d. be granted out of the Newcastle and District Transport Trust General Fund.

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

(a) For the Service of the financial year 1947-48, the sum of £1,339,383 be granted out of the Sydney Harbour Trust Fund.

(b) For Services of the financial year 1946-47, "Unauthorised in Suspense," the sum of £15,000 be granted out of the Sydney Harbour Trust Fund.

(10.) *Resolved*.—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for Services, the sum of £34,083 be granted out of the Closer Settlement Fund.

On motion of Mr. Evatt the Resolutions were agreed to.

7. APPROPRIATION BILL:—

(1.) **URGENCY**:—Mr. Evatt 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.

4th December, 1947.

(2.) SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—Mr. Evatt 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.

(3.) Ordered, on motion of Mr. Evatt, That a Bill be brought in, founded on Resolutions of Ways and Means (Nos. 4 to 10), for the Appropriation Act, 1947.

(4.) Mr. Evatt 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, 1947, and ending on the 30th day of June, 1948, both dates inclusive, and for charges supplementary or 'Unauthorised in Suspense' from certain Funds for the year from the first day of July, 1946, to 30th day of June, 1947, both dates inclusive; 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 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.

(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, for the Appropriation Act, 1947,—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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Sydney, 4th December, 1947.*

8. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. S. D. Dickson, as Acting Chairman, brought up the Fourth Report from the Printing Committee.

9. 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 Twenty-one minutes after 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. 31.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 9 DECEMBER, 1947.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. ADMISSION TO THE BODY OF THE HOUSE:—Mr. James McGirr (*with the unanimous concurrence of the House*) moved, That the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Lichfield, a Member of the House of Lords (now present), be invited to take a chair on the floor of the House.

The motion having been seconded by Mr. Treatt,—

Question put and passed.

Whereupon the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Lichfield entered the Chamber, and took a seat on the right hand of Mr. Speaker.

2. URGENCY—BAN ON WOOL SHIPMENTS:—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 the opinion,—

“(1.) That the ban imposed by a sectional group of the Clerks’ Union on the handling of wool in the Port of Sydney, has caused serious hardship to workers in New South Wales and by obstructing overseas trade will mean the loss of jobs to thousands of workers and valuable trade to Australia;

“(2.) That while the Government should see that the best possible legal machinery is available to citizens who seek to improve their conditions of work by lawful means, it is recreant to its duty if it does not afford the fullest protection to workers against dictatorial tyranny of Communist union leaders;

“(3.) That as a first step towards protecting the people of this State against the small band of revolutionaries whose avowed object is to wreck the economy of this country, the Government should immediately take all necessary action to enable rank and file members of the Shipping Section of the Federated Clerks’ Union to express their views by secret ballot.”

Point of Order:—Mr. Sheahan submitted that the motion was out of order on the ground that matters relating to the ban at present operating on the shipment of wool from Sydney were *sub judice*.

And Mr. Speaker having inquired from the Premier and Attorney-General as to whether the question was in fact *sub judice*,—

And such an assurance not being immediately forthcoming,—

Mr. Speaker said that, in the circumstances, he would allow the Motion of Urgency to be determined by the House. If necessary, he would give further consideration to the point raised, should the substantive motion be reached.

Question put.

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The House divided.

Ayes, 22.

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. Dewley	Mr. McCaw	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Morton	
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Darby
Mr. Frith	Lieut.-Col. Robson	Mr. Hearnshaw

Noes, 42.

Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Noble
Mr. Booth	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Currey	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lang	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Dring	Mr. Lazzarini	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. James McGirr	
Mr. Finnan	Mr. McGrath	Captain Arthur
Mr. Fowles	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Sciffert
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Matthews	

And so it passed in the negative.

3. PAPERS:—

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Minute of variation of Statute (Stamp Duties Act, 1920-1940) in respect of policies taken out with the Government Insurance Office by the Life Saving Clubs of New South Wales.
- (2.) Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of the New South Wales State Lotteries for the year ended 30th June, 1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. J. G. S. Moffatt, as Clerk, Department of Labour and Industry and Social Welfare.
- (2.) Report of the Workers' Compensation Commission for the year ended 30th June, 1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table new By-Laws under the Sydney Corporation Act, 1932-1942.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Kelly laid upon the Table amendment of Regulation under the Opticians Act, 1930-1946.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Amendment of Regulations under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, Closer Settlement Acts, and the Returned Soldiers Settlement Act, 1916.
- (2.) Amended Schedule of Fees and Charges, Ulladulla General Cemetery.
- (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.

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. James McGirr,—

- (1.) Farmers' Relief (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 28.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Farmers' Relief Act, 1932-1945, 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

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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 December, 1947.*

(2.) Kosciusko State Park (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 29.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Kosciusko State Park Act, 1944, 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, 5th December, 1947.*

(3.) Closer Settlement (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 30.

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; for these and other purposes to amend the Closer Settlement Acts, as amended by subsequent 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, 5th December, 1947.*

(4.) Rural Bank of New South Wales (General Banking) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 31.

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 Rural Bank of New South Wales to conduct General Banking business; to create a General Bank Department in the said Bank; to merge the Rural Bank Department, Advances for Homes Department and Personal Loans Department in the General Bank Department so created; to amend the Government Savings Bank Act, 1906, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

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By Mr. Baddeley,—

(5.) Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers (Pensions) Further Amendment Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 32.

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 payment of a subsidy to certain coal and oil shale mine workers incapacitated by reason of the inhalation of dust; for this purpose to amend the Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers (Pensions) Act, 1941-1947; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 4th December, 1947.*

5. DECENTRALISATION OF EDUCATION:—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 problem of Decentralisation of Education in New South Wales and "matters pertaining thereto"

9th December, 1947.

"(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Heffron, Captain Arthur, Mr. Fred Cahill, Mr. Dring, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Hearnshaw, Mr. Padman 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. Heffron, 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. Heffron, That the Honourable Member for Hamilton, Captain Arthur, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Debate continued.

Captain Arthur moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words from the word "problem" down to and including the word "thereto" in paragraph (1) with a view to inserting the following words:—"need and the "means for the provision of additional funds including financial grants to "education in this State by the Federal Government to enable a comprehensive "developmental programme of education to be carried out, particularly in respect "to—

"(a) decentralisation of Education in New South Wales and matters pertaining thereto;

"(b) the provision of adequate and modern accommodation;

"(c) the extension of education in the pre-school field and post-school education for youth and adults;

"(d) the extension of recruitment and training of teachers;

"(e) the reduction of class loads in Primary and Secondary Schools;

"(f) education for handicapped children;

"(g) special adaptation of Education for rural areas and isolated children;

"and any other matters which in the opinion of the Committee are pertinent "to a comprehensive developmental plan."

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

Debate continued.

Mr. L. J. Tully moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, 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 October, 1947.

6. RURAL BANK OF NEW SOUTH WALES (GENERAL BANKING) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. James McGirr moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorise the Rural Bank of New South Wales to conduct General Banking business; to create a General Bank Department in the said Bank; to merge the Rural Bank Department, Advances for Homes Department and Personal Loans Department in the General Bank Department so created; to amend the Government Savings Bank Act, 1906, and certain other Acts 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 authorise the Rural Bank of New South Wales to conduct General Banking business; to create a General Bank Department in the said Bank; to merge the Rural Bank Department, Advances for Homes Department and Personal Loans Department in the General Bank Department so created; to amend the Government Savings Bank Act, 1906, 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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7. COAL AND OIL SHALE MINE WORKERS (PENSIONS) FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Baddeley moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the payment of a subsidy to certain coal and oil shale mine workers incapacitated by reason of the inhalation of dust; for this purpose to amend the Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers (Pensions) Act, 1941-1947; 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 provide for the payment of a subsidy to certain coal and oil shale mine workers incapacitated by reason of the inhalation of dust; for this purpose to amend the Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers (Pensions) Act, 1941-1947; 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. POLICE OFFENCES (FIREARMS) AMENDMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. Baddeley, 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. Baddeley, 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 relating to firearms and other lethal weapons; for these purposes to amend the Police Offences Act, 1901-1946; and for purposes connected therewith.*"

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 9th December, 1947.*

9. JURY (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 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, and made a further amendment in the Bill.

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

Mr. Martin moved,—That the following Message be 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 in certain respects the law relating to juries; to amend the Jury Act, 1912, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.*"

The Legislative Assembly, however, proposes to further amend the Bill on page 11, clause 5, line 36 by the insertion after the word "additions" of the words "and places of abode" because,—

- (1) some doubt has arisen as to the correct meaning of the word "additions" on line 36 and the words proposed to be added will make it clear that "additions" means only the adding to a man's name of a description as to his title and occupation;
- (2) this doubt as to the meaning of the word "additions" would raise serious administrative difficulties if particulars appearing on the jurors' cards were only those of names, titles and occupations; and
- (3) it is essential that places of abode appear on the jurors' cards which are seen only by authorised persons to enable challenges to the jury to be properly determined.

In asking the Legislative Council to agree to the proposed further amendment, the Legislative Assembly wishes to emphasise that the proposed amendment is not in derogation of the principles incorporated in the Bill, and that it does not desire that its action be drawn into a precedent by either House.

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Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

Message to the Legislative Council sent accordingly.

9th December, 1947.

10. SUPPLY (*Loan Estimates 1947-1948*):—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.
11. 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 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. 32.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 10 DECEMBER, 1947.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—

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

(1.) Reports of the Colonial Treasurer respecting Agreements entered into by him with the Co-operative Building Societies under section 17A of the Co-operation Act, 1923-1945, during the quarters commencing 1st January, 1947, 1st April, 1947, and 1st July, 1947, and Statements relating to Agreements entered into prior to the commencement of such quarters and subsisting as at 31st March, 30th June and 30th September, 1947.

(2.) Copy of Report of the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Board for the year ended 30th June, 1947, together with Annexures.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table copy of Report by Mr. M. S. Wilson, Commissioner for Transport, Tasmania, and Mr. S. M. Richardson, late Manager, Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramway Board, into the administration and operation of the tramway and omnibus services in the Sydney Metropolitan and Newcastle areas.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill laid upon the Table copy of Report of the Department of Public Works for the year ended 30th June, 1946.

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. J. M. Logan as Soil Conservationist, Soil Conservation Service, Department of Conservation.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir, *on behalf of* Mr. Graham, laid upon the Table amendment of Regulations and new Regulations under the Marketing of Primary Products Act, 1927-1940.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. APPOINTMENT OF GOVERNMENT WHIP:—Mr. James McGirr stated that, in view of the provisions of the Parliamentary Allowances and Salaries Act, 1947, relating to the payment of an allowance to the Government Whip, he desired to inform the House that the Honourable Member for Rockdale had been appointed Government Whip prior to the 1st July, 1947, and had occupied the position continuously since that date.

10th December, 1947.

3. APPOINTMENT OF OPPOSITION WHIP:—Mr. Treatt informed the House that the Honourable Member for Willoughby had been appointed Opposition Whip prior to 1st July, 1947, and had occupied the position continuously since that date.

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. James McGirr,—

(1.) Parliamentary Allowances and Salaries Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 33.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to make further provision with regard to the Allowances to Members of the Legislative Assembly, and the Salaries of Ministers of the Crown and of certain other persons; to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Parliamentary Allowances and Salaries Act, 1938, 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.

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Sydney, 9th December, 1947.

(2.) Legal Assistance (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 34.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Legal Assistance Act, 1943, 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, 9th December, 1947.

(3.) Physiotherapists Registration (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 35.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Physiotherapists Registration Act, 1945-1946, 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.

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Sydney, 9th December, 1947.

(4.) State Tileworks Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 36.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the establishment, management and control of State Tileworks and the acquisition of lands for that purpose; to define the functions of the State Tileworks; to make provision for and in relation to the keeping of certain accounts in the Special Deposits Account in the Treasury for the purposes of the State Tileworks; 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, 1947.

10th December, 1947.

By Mr. Heffron,—

(5.) Married Women (Lecturers and Teachers) Acts Repeal Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 37.

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 repeal the Married Women (Lecturers and Teachers) Act, 1932, and the Married Women (Lecturers and Teachers) Amendment Act, 1935; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 9th December, 1947.*

5. REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY ON THE SENATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY:—Mr. James McGirr moved, pursuant to Notice, That the Honourable Clarence Edward Martin, M.Ec., LL.B., A.A.I.S., Attorney-General, and Honourable Member for Waverley, be elected as representative of the Legislative Assembly on the Senate of the University of Sydney in pursuance of the provisions of section 8 of the University and University Colleges Act, 1900-1936.

Question put and passed.

6. CLOSER SETTLEMENT—BEDFORD PARK AND TONDEBURINE, GOBA CREEK, KING'S PLAINS AND KYWONG 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 private lands comprised in the following Estates:—

- (a) Bedford Park and Tondeburine Estates, owned by The Squatting Investment Company Limited, situated near Gulargambone and Tooreweenah, comprising an area of about 25,015 acres.
- (b) Part Goba Creek Estate, owned by Dr. Boyd Dunlop, Sydney M. Stokes, Joyce Margaret Miller, John Boyd Dunlop McClintock and Jean Roxburgh McClintock, situated near Boorowa, comprising an area of about 10,650 acres.
- (c) Part King's Plains Estate, owned by George Arthur Vivers, situated near Glen Innes and Inverell, comprising an area of about 23,434 acres.
- (d) Kywong Estate, owned partly by Kywong Station Proprietary Limited and partly by Mrs. Audrey Heron, deceased, situated near Lockhart, comprising an area of about 9,613 acres.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

7. CLOSER SETTLEMENT—BOYD, CARRAWBITTY, INVERELL, AND TOM'S PARK AND WOOMARGAMA 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 private lands comprised in the following Estates:—

- (a) Boyd Estate, owned by J. E. and H. C. Robertson, situated adjacent to the village of Garema and 15 miles southerly from Forbes, comprising an area of about 11,080 acres.
- (b) Carrawobitty Estate, owned by Reginald William Coward and Aileen Beryl Coward, situated about 8½ miles westerly of Forbes, comprising an area of about 6,055 acres.
- (c) Part Inverell Estate, owned by Ida Violet Augusta Campbell, Frederick Spencer Clifford Butler and Perpetual Trustee Co. Ltd., Executrix and Executors of Will of the late Colin James Campbell, Neville Campbell Body, Alec Frederick Avern, Marion Pearson Body and Ida Violet Augusta Campbell, comprising an area of about 15,098 acres.
- (d) Tom's Park and Part Woomargama Estates, owned by Olive Prell Fairbairn, situated near Holbrook, comprising an area of about 3,280 acres.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

10th December, 1947.

8. CLOSER SETTLEMENT—KINROSS 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 purchasing by agreement with the owner, the private lands comprised in the following Estate, at the price quoted:—

Part Kinross Estate, owned by David Ross, situated near Holbrook, comprising an area of about 1,500 acres at the rate of £7 10s. 0d. per acre on a freehold basis.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

9. COAL AND OIL SHALE MINE WORKERS (PENSIONS) FURTHER AMENDMENT BILL:—
The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Baddeley 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 a later hour of the Day.

10. URGENCY—SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—

- (1.) Mr. James McGirr moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that the following Bills, viz.:—

General Loan Account Appropriation Bill;
Married Women (Lecturers and Teachers) Acts Repeal Bill; and
Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Bill,—

be brought in and passed through all their stages in one day.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. McGirr moved, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the following Bills, viz.:—

General Loan Account Appropriation Bill;
Married Women (Lecturers and Teachers) Acts Repeal Bill; and
Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Bill,—

being brought in and passed through all their stages in one day.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

11. COAL AND OIL SHALE MINE WORKERS (PENSIONS) FURTHER 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.

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.

And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

- (2.) 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 provide for the payment of a subsidy to certain coal and oil shale mine workers incapacitated by reason of the inhalation of dust; for this purpose to amend the Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers (Pensions) Act, 1941-1947; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 10th December, 1947.

10th December, 1947.

12. MARRIED WOMEN (LECTURERS AND TEACHERS) ACTS REPEAL BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Heffron moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to repeal the Married Women (Lecturers and Teachers) Act, 1932, and the Married Women (Lecturers and Teachers) Amendment Act, 1935; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Heffron then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to repeal the Married Women (Lecturers and Teachers) Act, 1932, and the Married Women (Lecturers and Teachers) Amendment Act, 1935; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

Mr. Heffron moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(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. Heffron 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 repeal the Married Women (Lecturers and Teachers) Act, 1932, and the Married Women (Lecturers and Teachers) Amendment Act, 1935; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 10th December, 1947.*

13. RURAL BANK OF NEW SOUTH WALES (GENERAL BANKING) 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.

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 authorise the Rural Bank of New South Wales to conduct General Banking business; to create a General Bank Department in the said Bank; to merge the Rural Bank Department, Advances for Homes Department and Personal Loans Department in the General Bank Department so created; to amend the Government Savings Bank Act, 1906, 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, 1947.*

14. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, 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. 33.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 11 DECEMBER, 1947.

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

Mr Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPERS:—

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

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Baddeley 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, for 1946.

Ordered to be printed.

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

(1.) New Regulations under the Electricity Development Act, 1945.

(2.) Copy of Statement of Accounts of the Sydney Municipal Council City Fund for 1946, audited by the Auditor-General.

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. James McGirr and read by Mr. Speaker:—

(1.) Police Offences (Firearms) Amendment Bill:—

F. R. JORDAN,

Message No. 38.

By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to make further provision relating to firearms and other lethal weapons; for these purposes to amend the Police Offences Act, 1901-1946; 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, 10th December, 1947.

(2.) George's River Bridge (Amendment) Bill:—

F. R. JORDAN,

Message No. 39.

By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

A Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the George's River Bridge Act, 1923, the Main Roads Act, 1924-1945, 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, 10th December, 1947.

11th December-18th December, 1947.

(3.) State Transport (Co-ordination) Amendment Bill:—

F. R. JORDAN,

Message No. 40.

By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the State Transport (Co-ordination) Act, 1931, the Transport (Division of Functions) Act, 1932, the Air Navigation Act, 1938, 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, 10th December, 1947.*

3. 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, 1932-1945, 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, 1932-1945, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"— which was read a first time.

And the Standing Orders having been suspended (10th December, 1947),—

Mr. Martin moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (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. Martin 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 amend the Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Act, 1932-1945, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,**Sydney, 11th December, 1947.*4. SUPPLY (*Loan Estimates, 1947-1948*):—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:—

- (35.) *Resolved*,—That there be granted to His Majesty for the year 1947-48, a sum not exceeding £17,670,000 for Public Works and other Services.

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

5. WAYS AND MEANS (*Loan Estimates, 1947-1948*):—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 Public Works and other Services, a sum not exceeding £17,670,000 be granted out of the General Loan Account.

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

11th December—18th December, 1947.

6. GENERAL LOAN ACCOUNT APPROPRIATION BILL:—

(1.) Ordered, on motion of Mr. Baddeley, *on behalf of* Mr. James McGirr, that a Bill be brought in, founded on Resolution of Ways and Means (No. 11), 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 (10th December, 1947),—

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 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, 11th December, 1947.*

7. PAPER:—Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table copy of Report of the Rural Reconstruction Board, for the year ended 30th June, 1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at Twenty-two minutes after Four o'clock, p.m., until Thursday next, 18th December, 1947, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

THURSDAY, 18 DECEMBER, 1947.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at the hour named.

8. 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 a Bill for the Appropriation Act, 1947,—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 16th December, 1947.*

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(2.) 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, 16th December, 1947.*

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

11th December—18th December, 1947.

(3.) Married Women (Lecturers and Teachers) Acts Repeal Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to repeal the Married Women (Lecturers and Teachers) Act, 1932, and the Married Women (Lecturers and Teachers) Amendment Act, 1935; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 16th December, 1947.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(4.) Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers (Pensions) Further Amendment Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the payment of a subsidy to certain coal and oil shale mine workers incapacitated by reason of the inhalation of dust; for this purpose to amend the Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers (Pensions) Act, 1941-1947; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 16th December, 1947.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(5.) Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Act, 1932-1945, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 16th December, 1947.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(6.) Rural Bank of New South Wales (General Banking) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to authorise the Rural Bank of New South Wales to conduct General Banking business; to create a General Bank Department in the said Bank; to merge the Rural Bank Department, Advances for Homes Department and Personal Loans Department in the General Bank Department so created; to amend the Government Savings Bank Act, 1906, 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, 16th December, 1947.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(7.) Jury (Amendment) Bill:—Mr. Speaker reported and read the following Message from the Legislative Council:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having had under consideration the Legislative Assembly's Message, dated 9th December, 1947, agreeing to the Council's amendments in the Jury (Amendment) Bill, but proposing to further amend a portion of the Bill with which the Council had already signified its concurrence,—

Agrees to such further amendment for the reasons advanced and on the understanding—as set out in the Assembly's Message—that such agreement be not drawn into precedent.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 16th December, 1947.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

9. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Fowles, as Chairman, brought up the Fifth Report from the Printing Committee.

10. PAPERS:—

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table Report, together with Statement of Accounts and Balance-sheets, of the Government Insurance Office of New South Wales for the year ended 30th June, 1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

11th December—18th December, 1947.

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) St. Michael's and St. Brigid's, Parramatta.
- (b) Tweed District Ambulance.
- (c) Cessnock Police and Citizens Boys' Club Appeal.
- (d) Macleay Returned Servicemen's League.
- (e) Grafton District Boy's Band.
- (f) Albury-Corowa District Ambulance Service.
- (g) Sydney County Council Employees' Food for Britain Appeal.
- (h) Kempsey District Ambulance Service.
- (i) Enfield-Croydon Park Sub-Branch R.S.S. and A.I.L.A. Christmas Box.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Report of the Child Welfare Department for the year ended 30th June, 1947.

Ordered to be printed.

- (2.) Notifications of resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Public Instruction Act, 1880, at—

Adamstown Heights.	Baulkham Hills.
Cessnock.	Corrimal East.
Gulargambone.	Homeville.
The Meadows.	Mudgee.
Nabiac.	Orange.
Unanderra.	Young.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Closer Settlement—Particulars respecting the resumption by the Government of—

- (a) Bedford Park and Tondeburine Estates, in the Coonamble District.
- (b) Part Goba Creek Estate, in the Boorowa District.
- (c) Part King's Plains Estate, in the Inverell District.
- (d) Kywong Estate, in the Narrandera and Wagga Wagga Districts.

- (2.) Closer Settlement—Particulars respecting the resumption by the Government of—

- (a) Boyd Estate, in the Forbes District.
- (b) Carrawobitty Estate, in the Forbes District.
- (c) Part Inverell Estate, in the Armidale District.
- (d) Tom's Park and Part Woomargama Estates, in the Albury District.

- (3.) Closer Settlement—Particulars respecting the purchase by the Government of—

Part Kinross Estate, in the Albury District.

- (4.) *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, 1919.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Notification of appropriation and resumption 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 Wallangarra, by the provision of an Additional Siding at Muswellbrook.

- (2.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for Transport Services (Electric Sub-station) at Double Bay.

- (3.) 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, as amended, for the month of October, 1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

11. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Wednesday, 10th March, 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 the hour of meeting.

Question put and passed.

12. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twenty-five minutes after Three o'clock, p.m., until *Wednesday, 10th March, 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. 34.

VOYES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 10 MARCH, 1948.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. VACANT SEAT—ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF HARTLEY:—

(1.) *Issue and Return of Writ*:—Mr. Speaker informed the House that, upon the passing of the resolution of 30th October, 1947, declaring vacant the seat of the Honourable Hamilton Knight, resigned, he issued a Writ on 14th November, 1947, for the election of a Member to serve in the room of the said the Honourable Hamilton Knight, and that such Writ had been duly returned, with a certificate endorsed thereon by the Returning Officer, of the election of James Chalmers, Esquire, to serve as Member for the Electoral District of Hartley.

(2.) *Member Sworn*:—James Chalmers, 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 Hartley.

2. LEAVE OF ABSENCE:—Mr. McGrath moved, (*by consent*) without Notice, That leave of absence for the remainder of the present session be granted to Raymond George Hamilton, Esquire, Member for Namoi, on account of absence from the State.

Question put and passed.

3. MINISTERIAL STATEMENT—CHANGES IN MINISTRY:—Mr. James McGirr informed the House that on the 9th March, 1948, His Excellency the Governor accepted the resignations of the Honourable J. M. Baddeley, M.L.A., as Minister for Labour and Industry and Social Welfare; the Honourable W. E. Dickson, M.L.C., as Assistant Minister; the Honourable F. J. Finnan, M.L.A., as Minister for Tourist Activities and Immigration; and the Honourable C. H. Matthews, M.L.A., as Minister for Building Materials, and was pleased to make the following appointments:—

The Hon. W. E. Dickson, M.L.C., as Minister for Building Materials;

The Hon. F. J. Finnan, M.L.A., as Minister for Labour and Industry and Social Welfare; and

The Hon. C. H. Matthews, M.L.A., as Minister for Tourist Activities and Immigration.

4. PAPERS:—

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Copy of Report of the Public Service Board for the year ended 30th June, 1947.

(2.) Copy of the Proceedings of the Conference of Commonwealth and State Ministers held at Canberra, 19th, 20th and 21st August, 1947.

(3.) Report of the Colonial Treasurer respecting Agreements entered into by him with the Co-operative Building Societies under section 17A of the Co-operation Act, 1923-45, during the quarter commencing 1st October, 1947, and Statement relating to Agreements entered into prior to the commencement of such quarter and subsisting as at 31st December, 1947.

10th March, 1948.

- (4.) Report of the Commissioners of the Rural Bank of New South Wales, together with Balance-sheets, Profit and Loss Accounts and Appendices for the year ended 30th June, 1947.
- (5.) Report of the Hunter District Water Board for the year ended 30th June, 1947.
- (6.) Amendment of Regulation under the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900-1941.
- (7.) Amendment of Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1902.
- Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

Auburn.	Kandos.
Balgownie.	Kiama.
Balmain.	Kingsford.
Bass Hills.	Liverpool.
Beverly Hills (2).	Maroubra (2).
Blayney.	Mays Hill.
Booragul.	Moorefields.
Canley Vale (2).	Moree.
Caringbah.	Newcastle.
Chullora.	North Ryde.
Como.	North Wollongong.
Coniston.	Parramatta North.
Corrimal (2).	Pendle Hill and Wentworthville.
Croydon.	Pennant Hills.
Dubbo.	Penrith.
Dundas.	Port Kembla (2).
East Hills (2).	Revesby (2).
East Maitland (2).	Telarah (2).
East Orange.	Temora.
Ermington (2).	Villawood (2).
Erskineville.	Wagga Wagga (2).
Gilgandra.	Waitara.
Granville (2).	Wauchope.
Gulgong.	West Kempsey.
Gynea Bay (2).	West Wyalong.
Hargrave Park.	Yennora (2).

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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—
- Tenterfield District Ambulance.
 - War Veterans' Appeal "Miss Australia" Quest.
 - Bellingen District Ambulance Service.
 - Kogarah War Memorial Hall.
 - Warnock Park Children's Playground.
 - Gundagai District War Memorial.
 - I.O.O.F. Home Fund.
 - The Entrance and Long Jetty Sub-branch, R.S.S.A.I.L.A.
 - Hurstville Child Care Committee.
 - Anti-T.B. Association of New South Wales, and the Police Boys' Camp, Kurrajong.
 - Casino War Memorial.
- (2.) Copy of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. John Sneddon, Safety Officer, and Mr. Harold Tylour, Inspector of Mines, Department of Mines.
- (3.) Proclamations declaring certain land to be private land for the purposes of the Mining Act, 1906-1946.
- (4.) Substituted Regulation under the Mining Act, 1906-1946.
- (5.) Regulations under the Inflammable Liquid Act, 1915-46.
- (6.) Regulation under the Mines Rescue Act, 1925.
- (7.) Substituted Rule and amendment of Rule under the Mines Inspection Act, 1901-1945.
- (8.) Return of Authorities to Mine issued since January, 1882, under the Mining Act, 1874.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Amendments of Regulations under the Auctioneers, Stock and Station and Real Estate Agents Act, 1941-1946.
- (2.) Amendments of Regulation and Form under the Public Accountants Registration Act, 1945.
- (3.) Copy of Report on the working of the Companies Act, 1936, for 1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Report of the Trustees of the Australian Museum for the year ended 30th June, 1947.
Ordered to be printed.
- (2.) Amendment of By-laws under the University and University Colleges Act, 1900-1937.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Ordinance and amendments of Ordinances under the Local Government Act, 1919.
- (2.) Regulations under the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-46.

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 Berriquin and Gumly Provisional, Domestic and Stock Water Supply and Irrigation Districts.
- (2.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for works in connection with the Jemalong Domestic and Stock Water Supply and Irrigation District.
- (3.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of the erection of an Office for the Water Conservation and Irrigation Commission at Deniliquin.
- (4.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the construction of a Dam across the Macquarie River at Burrendong.
- (5.) Regulations under the Irrigation Act, 1912-1946.
- (6.) Regulations under the Soil Conservation Act, 1938-1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Amendments of Regulations under the Motor Traffic Act, 1909-1945.
- (2.) Amendments of Regulations under the Metropolitan Traffic Act, 1900, as amended.
- (3.) Amendments of Regulations under the Transport Act, 1930-1945, and Transport (Division of Functions) Act, 1932-1943.
- (4.) By-laws under the Government Railways Act, 1912-1945.
- (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, as amended, for the months of November and December, 1947.
- (6.) Notifications of appropriation and resumption of easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the construction for Railway purposes of Electric High-tension Transmission Lines between—

Hamilton and Dungog.

Taree and Kempsey.

Lithgow and Orange.

Sydney and Newcastle.

- (7.) Notifications of appropriation and resumption of land or easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of maintaining traffic on the existing lines of Railway between—

(a) Sydney and Newcastle—Quadruplication of the line between Strathfield and Hornsby.

(b) Redfern and Tempe, by the provision of Additional Railway Tracks at St. Peters.

(c) Sydney to Orange, by widening of existing Cutting and improving existing Drainage at Huntley.

(d) Sydney and Bourke, by remodelling Traffic Yard at Blayney.

(e) Sydney and Bourke, by the provision of Water Supply Facilities at Penrith.

10th March, 1948.

(8.) Notifications of appropriation and resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of—

- (a) The authorised line of Railway from Sandy Hollow, via Gulgong to Maryvale.
- (b) Erecting a Railway Platform Attendant and Gatekeeper's Residence at Glennie's Creek.
- (c) Erecting a Railway Station Master's Residence at George's Plains.

(9.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of confirming the Commissioner for Railways' title to land at Emu Plains.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

5. POSTPONEMENT:—The Order of the Day, "Decentralisation of Education; "resumption of the adjourned Debate (*Mr. L. J. Tully*) on the motion of "Mr. Darby,—

"(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon "the 'problem of Decentralisation of Education in New South Wales and "matters pertaining thereto.'

"(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Heffron, Captain Arthur, Mr. Fred "Cahill, Mr. Dring, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Hearnshaw, Mr. "Padman 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;—

"Upon which Captain Arthur had moved, 'That the Question be amended by "leaving out all the words from the word 'problem' down to and including "word 'thereto' in paragraph (1) with a view of inserting the words:—'need "and the means for the provision of additional funds including financial "grants to education in this State by the Federal Government to enable a "comprehensive development programme of education to be carried out, "particularly in respect to—

"(a) decentralisation of Education in New South Wales and matters "pertaining thereto;

"(b) the provision of adequate and modern accommodation;

"(c) the extension of education in the pre-school field and post-school "education for youth and adults;

"(d) the extension of recruitment and training of teachers;

"(e) the reduction of class loads in Primary and Secondary Schools;

"(f) education for handicapped children;

"(g) special adaptation of Education for rural areas and isolated children;

"and any other matters which in the opinion of the Committee are pertinent "to a comprehensive development plan,'—instead thereof"—postponed, on the motion of Mr. Darby, until Tuesday, 16th March.

6. RYDE MENTAL HOSPITAL 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 construction of a Mental Hospital at Ryde in the Sydney Metropolitan Area; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919; 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 construction of a Mental Hospital at Ryde in the Sydney Metropolitan Area; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919; 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. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Baddeley moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Six minutes after Four 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. 35.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 11 MARCH, 1948.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. VOTE OF CENSURE—INDUSTRIAL DISRUPTION—RAILWAY WORKERS' BAN ON THE CARRIAGE OF GOODS:—

(1.) URGENCY:—Mr. Treatt 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 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 Notice of Motion No. 1 of General Business, on the Notice Paper for To-day.
Question put and passed.

(3.) Mr. Treatt moved, pursuant to Notice,—

(1.) That because of—

- (a) its failure to take action necessary to assure that the State-owned railways are operated in the interests of the whole community;
- (b) its acquiescence in the illegal ban imposed by a small group of industrial bosses on the carriage of goods on the State railways, thereby encouraging further industrial irresponsibility and the abandonment of fellow Australians as victims of industrial lawlessness;
- (c) its abject failure to meet the challenge to the authority of Government by persons who are not the representatives of the people of New South Wales;

the Government no longer possesses the confidence of this House.

(2.) That the foregoing resolution be communicated by Address to His Excellency the Governor.

Debate ensued.

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

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 40.

Mr. Daddley	Mr. Freeman	Mr. Noble
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. Renshaw
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Currey	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Davidson	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Wattison
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Williams
Captain Dunn	Mr. James McGirr	
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Evatt	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Dring
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Tongo

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Noes, 28.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Gollan	Lieut.-Col. Robson
Mr. Black	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Storey
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Kendall	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Lang	Mr. Turner
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Medcalf	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Morton	Mr. Cutler
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Padman	Mr. Darby
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,"—

And Mr. Treatt having spoken in reply,—

Original Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 29.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Storey
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Kendall	Mr. Turner
Mr. Darby	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dewley	Mr. McCaw	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Black
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Morton	Mr. Hearnshaw
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Padman	
Mr. Frith	Mr. Richardson	
Mr. Gollan	Lieut.-Col. Robson	

Noes, 45.

Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Fowles	Mr. Nott
Mr. Booth	Mr. Freeman	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Cahill	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Gorman	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Graham	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Currey	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Davidson	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Wattison
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lang	Mr. Weir
Mr. Dring	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Williams
Captain Dunn	Mr. James McGirr	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Fred Cahill
Mr. Evatt	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Geraghty
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Matthews	
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Noble	

And so it passed in the negative.

2. PAPER:—Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table the following Papers:—Closer Settlement—Particulars respecting the resumption by the Government of—

(a) Ellerslie Estate, in the Gundagai, Tumut and Wagga Wagga Land Districts.

(b) Part Tooma Estate, in the Tumbarumba Land District.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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. McGirr 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, 42.

Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Fowles	Mr. Nott
Mr. Booth	Mr. Freeman	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Geraghty	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Cahill	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Gorman	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Graham	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Currey	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Weir
Mr. Davidson	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Williams
Mr. William Davies	Mr. James McGirr	<i>Tellers,</i>
Captain Dunn	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Dring
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Matthews	
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Noble	

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

11th March, 1948.

Noes, 28.

Mr. Black	Mr. Gollan	Mr. Richardson
Mr. Brain	Mr. Hearnshaw	Lieut.-Col. Robson
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Darby	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Turner
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dickson	Mr. McCaw	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Drummond	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Jeff Bate
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Morton	Mr. Lang
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 and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Nine minutes before 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. 36.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 16 MARCH, 1948.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PETITION—CONSTRUCTION OF AN OVERHEAD BRIDGE OR AN UNDERGROUND SUBWAY AT THE JUNCTION OF REGATTA-ROAD AND PARRAMATTA-ROAD, FIVE DOCK WEST:—
Mr. Dewley presented a Petition from certain residents of the suburb of Five Dock in the Municipality of Drummoyne, representing that a "death trap" for pedestrians (particularly school children) exists at the junction of Regatta-road and Parramatta-road, Five Dock West, and praying that immediate steps be taken by the Government to construct (a) an overhead bridge, or (b) an underground subway, at this road junction for the use of pedestrian traffic. Petition received.
2. 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—
Grafton District Ambulance Service.
The Mater Misericordiae General Hospital.
Lane Cove Sub-branch R.S.S.A.I.L.A. Children's Xmas Tree.
St. Anthony's New Catholic School, Picton.
Corowa Branch, Australian Red Cross Society.
Campsie Returned Soldiers' Building Fund.
Burwood Sub-branch R.S.L. Building Fund.
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 Justices Act, 1902-1947.
(2.) Substituted Regulations under the Liquor Act, 1912.
(3.) Amendment of Regulation under the Legal Practitioners Act, 1898-1936.
(4.) Report of the Council of the Auctioneers, Stock and Station and Real Estate Agents for the year ended 30th June, 1947.
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, 1947.
(2.) Copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointments, on probation, of Mr. C. P. Fleming, and Mr. A. F. Murray, as Fruit Officers; Mr. J. S. Madsen, and Mr. O. C. Shelley, as Junior Fruit Officers; Mr. D. J. MacRae, Live Stock Officer; Mr. F. H. Gruen, as Assistant Economics Research Officer; and Mr. B. D. Ament, as Agronomist, Department of Agriculture.
(3.) Amendment of Regulation under the Dairy Products Act, 1933-1938.
(4.) Amendment of Regulation under the Plant Diseases Act, 1924.
(5.) Amendment of Regulation under the Stock Diseases Act, 1923-1934.
(6.) Amendment of Regulation under the Agricultural Seeds Act, 1921.
(7.) Regulation under the Noxious Insects Act, 1934.
(8.) Report on the further Suspension of the Horse-breeding Act, 1940.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
- Mr. Kelly laid upon the Table the following Papers:—
(1.) Copy of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointments, on probation, of Mr. V. I. Matchett, M.B. B.S., Medical Officer, Mr. J. W. G. Neuhaus, Analyst, and Mr. E. A. Sanbrook, M.B., Ch.M., Medical Officer, Department of Public Health.

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(2.) Statements of Accounts of the Metropolitan Meat Industry Commissioner for the year ended 30th June, 1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

(1.) Notifications of resumption and acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of the Housing Act, 1912, as amended, at—

Bankstown.	Jannali.
Bass Hills.	North Ryde.
Belmont.	Panania.
Bexley North.	Punchbowl.
Cabramatta.	Revesby.
Chester Hill.	Telarah.
Croydon.	Temora.
Earlwood.	West Wyalong.
Homebush West.	Woonona.

(2.) Copy of Report of the Housing Commission of New South Wales, for the year ended 30th June, 1946.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Finnan laid upon the Table amendment of Regulation under the Factories and Shops Acts, 1912-1946.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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.) 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.) Substituted Regulation under the Closer Settlement Acts.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. DECENTRALISATION OF EDUCATION:—

(1.) 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 ‘problem of Decentralisation of Education in New South Wales and ‘matters pertaining thereto.’

“(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Heffron, Captain Arthur, Mr. Fred Cahill, Mr. Dring, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Hearnshaw, Mr. Padman 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,—

Upon which Captain Arthur had moved, “That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words from the word ‘problem’ down to and including the word ‘thereto’ in paragraph (1) with a view of inserting the words:—‘need and the means for the provision of additional funds including financial grants to education in this State by the Federal Government to enable a comprehensive developmental programme of education to be carried out, particularly in respect to—

“(a) decentralisation of Education in New South Wales and matters pertaining thereto;

“(b) the provision of adequate and modern accommodation;

“(c) the extension of education in the pre-school field and post-school education for youth and adults;

“(d) the extension of recruitment and training of teachers;

“(e) the reduction of class loads in Primary and Secondary Schools;

“(f) education for handicapped children;

“(g) special adaptation of Education for rural areas and isolated children;

“and any other matters which in the opinion of the Committee are pertinent to a comprehensive developmental plan,—instead thereof.”

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

16th March, 1948.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Hawkins, That the Honourable Member for Ashburnham, Mr. Dring, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of ten minutes.

Debate continued.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Hawkins, That the Honourable Member for Ashburnham, Mr. Dring, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of ten minutes.

Mr. Hawkins (*speaking*) moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.
Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday, 13th April.

And it being Six o'clock, p.m., Government Business proceeded with, under Sessional Order adopted on 15th October, 1947.

4. TRANSPORT (OFFICERS GRATUITIES) AMENDMENT BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. O'Sullivan and read by Mr. Speaker:—

Message No. 41.

J. NORTHCOTT,
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 and in respect to the payment of gratuities to certain officers of The Commissioner for Road Transport and Tramways; for this purpose to amend the Transport Act, 1930-1945, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 8 March, 1948.*

5. CLOSER SETTLEMENT—ELLERSLIE AND PART TOOMA ESTATES:—

(1.) 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 private lands comprised in the following Estates:—

- (a) Ellerslie Estate, owned by the New Zealand and Australian Land Company Limited, situated between Adelong and Tarcutta, comprising an area of about 34,365 acres.
(b) Part Tooma Estate, owned by Mr. A. S. O'Keefe, situated in the Upper Murray Valley about 22 miles from Tumbarumba, comprising an area of about 2,360 acres.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

6. CROWN LANDS (CONDITIONAL PURCHASE TRANSFER) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Sheahan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make certain provisions in respect of the proposed transfer of certain conditional purchases from Martha Marcella McLeod, administratrix of the Estate of Murdo McLeod, deceased, to the Australian Chilling and Freezing Company Limited; for this purpose to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Sheahan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to make certain provisions in respect of the proposed transfer of certain conditional purchases from Martha Marcella McLeod, administratrix of the Estate of Murdo McLeod, deceased, to the Australian Chilling and Freezing Company Limited; for this purpose to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, 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. MONEY-LENDERS AND INFANTS LOANS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. C. E. Martin moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Money-lenders and Infants Loans Act, 1941-1946, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

16th March, 1948.

- (2.) Mr. Martin then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Money-lenders and Infants Loans Act, 1941-1946, 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.

8. ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH COMMUNITIES' LANDS (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. C. E. Martin moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave to given to bring in a Bill to amend the Roman Catholic Church Communities' Lands Act, 1942-1943, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.
Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. Martin then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Roman Catholic Church Communities' Lands Act, 1942-1943, 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. STOCK (ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION) BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. Graham moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision with respect to the control and regulation of the artificial insemination of stock; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. Graham then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to make provision with respect to the control and regulation of the artificial insemination of stock; 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. RIVERS AND FORESHORES (IMPROVEMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. Weir moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the carrying out of works for the removal of obstructions from and the improvement of rivers and foreshores and the prevention of erosion of lands by tidal and non-tidal waters; to make provision as to payments to be made by owners of lands benefited by such works; to constitute a Rivers and Foreshores Improvement Board; to amend the Water Act, 1912-1946, and certain other Acts 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 provide for the carrying out of works for the removal of obstructions from and the improvement of rivers and foreshores and the prevention of erosion of lands by tidal and non-tidal waters; to make provision as to payments to be made by owners of lands benefited by such works; to constitute a Rivers and Foreshores Improvement Board; to amend the Water 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.

11. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. James McGirr moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Friendly Societies Act, 1912-1942, in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. McGirr then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Friendly Societies Act, 1912-1942, 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.

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

Debate ensued.

Disorder: By direction of Mr. Speaker the Honourable Member for Wollondilly, Mr. Jeff. Bate, was removed from the Chamber by the Serjeant-at-Arms under Standing Order No. 392.

Debate continued.

And it being 10.30 o'clock, p.m., Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th October, 1947, 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. 37.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 17 MARCH, 1948.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. DISORDER—REMOVAL OF MEMBER FROM CHAMBER—PRESS STATEMENTS RELATING THERETO:—Mr. Speaker said that he deemed it necessary to refer to the incident which took place in the House a few minutes before 10.30 o'clock last night and which primarily concerned the Honourable Member for Wollondilly. Considerable publicity had attached to what would ordinarily have been a relatively unimportant happening. However, as Speaker, it was his duty, not only to protect the rights and privileges of the House against incorrect statements published in the Press, but also to correct any false impression which might still exist in the minds of Honourable Members. It was also his duty to preserve the dignity and decorum of the House—a responsibility which was also shared by every Honourable Member.

It would be recalled that the Honourable the Premier had moved the motion for the adjournment of the House at approximately 10.20 p.m., whereupon the Leader of the Opposition had obtained the call to discuss certain matters relating to the road carriage of goods to Queensland. In accordance with the custom applicable to such circumstances, the Premier had vacated the Minister's chair to enable the Minister for Transport to occupy it in order that he, as the responsible Minister, would have been in a position to answer the Leader of the Opposition. The Leader of the Opposition had been scrupulously fair in his general attitude to the Minister, and he (the Speaker) had noted that the Leader of the Opposition had concluded his remarks within three or four minutes, obviously for the purpose of enabling the Minister for Transport to make his reply. Immediately upon the Leader of the Opposition resuming his seat, the Minister for Transport and several other Members had risen to obtain the call. In accordance with the invariable practice of the House in such circumstances, it was the duty of the Chair to give precedence to the Minister, but even if this had not been so, the Minister rose first, and had therefore been entitled to the call in any case. For the information of the Honourable Member for Wollondilly in particular, Mr. Speaker said that he would point out that the calling of the Minister did not (as stated by the Hon. Member for Wollondilly) conclude the debate, as the motion for the adjournment of the House had been moved by the Premier. Therefore, if the Minister for Transport had concluded his remarks before 10.30 p.m. (at which hour the House was bound, under the Sessional Orders, to adjourn) it would have been perfectly correct for the Honourable Member for Wollondilly to have again sought the call from the Chair.

Upon the Minister for Transport receiving the call, the Member for Wollondilly had persisted in an effort to claim that he was entitled to "the call" before the Minister. This resulted in some remarks being made by several

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Members which had not been clearly audible. The Member for Wollondilly had assumed a defiant attitude and gesticulated to the Chair. An Honourable Member on the Government benches had then called "Throw him out"; whereupon the Honourable Member for Wollondilly had angrily declared "He's not damn well game to throw me out." Thereupon, as Speaker, he had called the Honourable Member to order, and, for the information of the House, had repeated his remark thus, "The Honourable Member for Wollondilly says, I am damn well not game to throw him out. I now call upon the Serjeant to remove the Honourable Member for Wollondilly". A perusal of the *Hansard* record of the incident would show that it corroborates this statement.

In justice to the Honourable Member for Wollondilly Mr. Speaker said he thought he should inform the House that this morning the Honourable Member intimated (through the Speaker's Personal Attendant) that he desired to see him in the Speaker's room for the purpose of offering an apology. However, he declined to grant the Honourable Member an interview as he considered that his behaviour (and the unwarranted publicity given to it) constituted an affront to the House, and not only to the Chair. Therefore, as Speaker, he considered that the House, as well as the Chair, was entitled to an apology by the Honourable Member for Wollondilly, and that such apology should be publicly offered and not made to the Speaker in the privacy of his room.

Mr. Speaker said he felt that he should remind the Honourable Member that his explanation of the incident (as published in the morning Press) did not accord with what he (the Speaker) actually heard him say—upon that point he was quite definite.

Another, and perhaps an even more serious aspect of the incident to which he had referred, concerned the attitude of the Press. While at all times he, as Speaker, appreciated the importance of the correct reporting of facts, he took strong exception to Press paragraphs which were not only grossly unfair to the House and to the Chair, but were not in accordance with the facts. He referred particularly to a report in this morning's *Daily Telegraph* in relation to the incident, in which he was reported by that paper as having called out, as though the words originated with him, "I am damn well game to throw the Honourable Member out and I am going to show him that I am. I order the Serjeant-at-Arms to remove the Honourable Member for Wollondilly." That report was a mis-statement of the facts, and was calculated to bring both the House and the Chair into disrepute. Except for the entire unimportance of the incident, which had given rise to these remarks, he would have been tempted to take other and very much more effective action than merely offering this rebuke from the Chair. He trusted, however, that not only would the Editor of the *Daily Telegraph* take note of his remarks and ensure that any future report by that paper of the proceedings of this Parliament was in accordance with the facts, but that he would take immediate steps to correct the false report which appeared in this morning's issue of his journal which, by its terms, was calculated to mislead the public and to bring the Speakership into contempt.

Mr. Speaker said that he deplored the whole incident, and regarded it as being entirely contrary to the traditions of Parliament.

Whereupon the Honourable Member for Wollondilly made a personal explanation.

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

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

Canterbury-Hurstville Stormwater Drainage.

Corrimal Police Station.

Cowra Aboriginal Station.

Cronulla Police Station.

Fish River Water Supply Scheme (4).

Hornsby Stormwater Drainage.

Lidcombe Stormwater Drainage.

Moree Sewerage.

Mount Penang Training School.

Public Offices, Phillip-street, Sydney.

Rural Bank of New South Wales, Wollongong.

Southern Electricity Supply of New South Wales (3).

Yass Aborigines Reserve.

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(2.) Notifications of acquisition of land and easements under the Local Government Act, 1919, in the following areas:—

Auburn Municipality.	Kogarah Municipality (2).
Bankstown Municipality (3).	Ku-ring-gai Municipality (2).
Baulkham Hills Shire (2).	Lake Macquarie Shire (2).
Bexley Municipality (3).	Lane Cove Municipality.
Blue Mountains County.	Lithgow City.
Bourke Municipality.	Lower Hunter Shire.
Canterbury Municipality.	Marrickville Municipality.
Clarence River County.	Moree Municipality.
Cobar Municipality.	North Sydney Municipality (2).
Cockburn Shire.	Ryde Municipality (3).
Condoulin Municipality.	Stroud Shire.
Crookwell Shire.	Sutherland Shire (3).
Dubbo Municipality.	Wagga Wagga City.
Enfield Municipality.	Warringah Shire.
Gosford Shire.	Waverley Municipality.
Greater Newcastle City (3).	Wilcannia Municipality.
Hurstville Municipality.	Willoughby Municipality.
Jamberoo Municipality.	Windsor Municipality.

(3.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1924-1943, in the following areas:—

Annandale.	Waterloo.
Holroyd.	Wollongong.

(4.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Hunter District Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1938-1941, for an additional Reservoir Site, Lookout Reservoir, New Lambton.

(5.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Hospitals Act, 1916-1943, for Marrickville District Hospital—Extension.

(6.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Forestry Act, 1916-1935, for the following State Forests:—

Bellangry.	Goonoo.
Biblewindi.	Jack's Creek.
Glenugie.	

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. James McGirr and read by Mr. Speaker:—

(1.) Appropriation Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 42.

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, 1947, and ending on the 30th day of June, 1948, both dates inclusive, and for charges supplementary or 'Unauthorised in Suspense' from certain Funds for the year from the first day of July, 1946, to 30th day of June, 1947, 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, 19th December, 1947.

(2.) Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers (Pensions) Further Amendment Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 43.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the payment of a subsidy to certain Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers incapacitated by reason of the inhalation of dust; for this purpose to amend the Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers (Pensions) Act, 1941-1947; 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, 19th December, 1947.

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(3.) General Loan Account Appropriation Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 44.

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, 19th December, 1947.

(4.) Jury (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 45.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend in certain respects the law relating to juries; to amend the Jury Act, 1912, 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, 19th December, 1947.

(5.) Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 46.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Act, 1932-1945, 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, 19th December, 1947.

(6.) Married Women (Lecturers and Teachers) Acts Repeal Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 47.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to repeal the Married Women (Lecturers and Teachers) Act, 1932, and the Married Women (Lecturers and Teachers) Amendment Act, 1935; 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, 19th December, 1947.

(7.) Rural Bank of New South Wales (General Banking) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 48.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to authorise the Rural Bank of New South Wales to conduct General Banking business; to create a General Bank Department in the said Bank; to merge the Rural Bank Department, Advances for Homes Department and Personal Loans Department in the General Bank Department so created; to amend the Government Savings Bank Act, 1906, 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, 19th December, 1947.

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4. TRANSPORT (OFFICERS GRATUITIES) 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 to the payment of gratuities to certain officers of the Commissioner for Road Transport and Tramways; for this purpose to amend the Transport Act, 1930-1945, 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 make provision for and in respect to the payment of gratuities to certain officers of the Commissioner for Road Transport and Tramways; for this purpose to amend the Transport Act, 1930-1945, 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.

5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (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, as amended by subsequent 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 Act, 1919, 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.

6. RYDE 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.

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.

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

7. MONEY-LENDERS AND INFANTS LOANS (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.

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.

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

8. ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH COMMUNITIES' LANDS (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.

17th March, 1948.

9. RIVERS AND FORESHORES (IMPROVEMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Weir 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 October, 1947.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

10. 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 Eleven o'clock, a.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 38.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 18 MARCH, 1948.

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.) Copy of Report of the Registrar of Co-operative Societies for the year ended 30th June, 1945.

(2.) Minute respecting an arrangement with the Broken Hill Proprietary Company Limited in regard to rebate of Harbour rates at Newcastle.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table copy of Report of the Trustees of Captain Cook's Landing Place for the year ended 30th June, 1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table amendments of Regulations under the Irrigation Act, 1912, as amended.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. MONEY-LENDERS AND INFANTS LOANS (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 Money-lenders and Infants Loans Act, 1941-1946, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 18th March, 1948.*

3. ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH COMMUNITIES' LANDS (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 Communities' Lands Act, 1942-1943, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 18th March, 1948.*

18th March, 1948.

4. RYDE 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 to provide for the construction of a Mental Hospital at Ryde in the Sydney Metropolitan Area; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 18th March, 1948.*

5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (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.

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

6. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Fowles, as Chairman, brought up the Sixth Report from the Printing Committee.

7. RIVERS AND FORESHORES (IMPROVEMENT) 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.

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

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

8. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Wednesday, 7th April, 1948, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

Question put and passed.

9. 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 Six o'clock, p.m., until Wednesday, 7th April, 1948, at Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 39.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 7 APRIL, 1948.

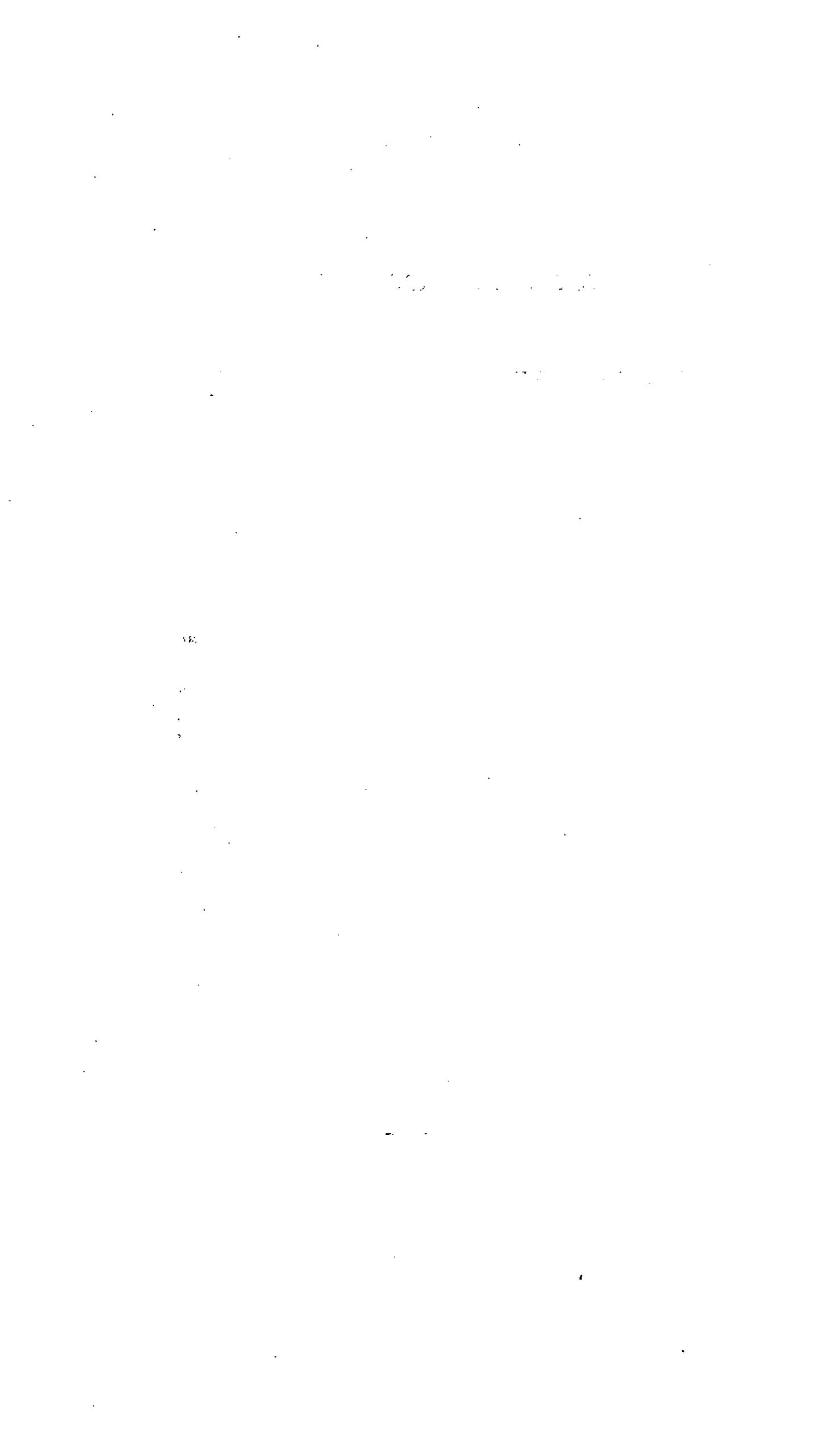
The House met pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Speaker took the Chair.

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. DEATH OF LUCIEN LAWRENCE CUNNINGHAM, ESQUIRE, MEMBER FOR COOGEE:—*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 Lucien Lawrence Cunningham, Esquire, Member for Coogee.
- (2.) That Mr. Speaker be requested to communicate to Mrs. Cunningham and the family of the deceased the above resolution, together with an expression of 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 To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.
- The motion having been seconded by Mr. Treatt and supported by Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner, Mr. Davidson, Captain Dunn, Lieut.-Colonel Robson, Mr. W. McC. Gollan, Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Renshaw and Mrs. Fowler,—
- Question put and carried unanimously,—Members and Officers of the House standing.
- The House adjourned accordingly, at Seven 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. 40.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
 OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 8 APRIL, 1948.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. VACANT SEAT—ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF COOGEE:—

- (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 23rd March, 1948, of Lucien Lawrence Cunningham, Esquire, lately serving in the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales as Member for the Electoral District of Coogee.
- (2.) Mr. James McGirr moved, That the seat of Lucien Lawrence Cunningham, Esquire, lately serving in this House as Member for the Electoral District of Coogee, hath become, and is now, vacant by reason of the death of the said Lucien Lawrence Cunningham.
 Question put and passed.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table copy of Report of the Committee of Inquiry appointed to investigate claims made by Mr. J. Braund respecting the cure of cancer.
 Ordered to be Printed.

Mr. O. E. Martin laid upon the Table amendment and substitution of Rules made by the Judges of the Supreme Court.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Finnan laid upon the Table Regulation 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.) New Regulation under the War Service Land Settlement Act, 1941.
- (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.) Notification of resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for Public Recreation Purposes at Abbotsford Point.
- (4.) Amended Schedule of Fees and Charges for the Church of England Portions of (a) General Cemetery at Quirindi and (b) various General Cemeteries in the Diocese of Goulburn.
- (5.) Regulations for the management of Denominational Burial Grounds within the General Cemetery at Bellawongarah.
- (6.) Regulations for the management of the Racecourse at Collarenebri.
- (7.) Regulations for the management of the Grafton Racecourse and Public Recreation Ground.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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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—

Cronulla Surf Life Saving Club.
 Engadine Literary Institute and Recreation Club.
 Sutherland United Services Club.
 Food for Britain.
 War Veterans.
 Six-Hour Day.
 Police Citizens Boys Clubs and Anti T.B. Association of New South Wales Youth Campaign.
 Lithgow Six-Hour Day Demonstration.
 Renwick Children's Hospital, Spastic Centre and Local Charities.
 Catholic Church Building Fund, Chatswood.
 Miss Australia, 1947, Quest.
 Kyogle District Ambulance Service Funds.

(2.) Statement of Receipts and Disbursements of the National Relief Fund of New South Wales for 1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

(1.) Copy of Report of the Senate of the University of Sydney for 1945.

(2.) Notifications of resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of the Public Instruction Act, 1880, at—

Albury West.	Kyle Bay.
Auburn.	Merrylands.
Bega.	Moruya.
Bookham.	Nabiac.
Casino.	Narooma.
Condell Park.	Newport.
Cronulla North.	Old Guildford.
Dee Why West.	Pilliga.
Gordon East.	Sutherland North.
Harbord.	Yennora.

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 Mr. George Eric Henry Shepherd, B.V.Sc., as Veterinary Officer, Department of Agriculture.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. COMMUNIST PARTY IN NEW SOUTH WALES—CURTAILMENT OF ACTIVITIES:—

(1.) URGENCY:—Mr. Treatt moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider the following Motion, viz.:—“That because the Government has failed to combat the disruptive activities of the Communist Party and as a consequence the security and economic stability of the community are being seriously endangered and in view of the Federal Labour Government's refusal to take any action against the Communist Party, this House is of the opinion—

“(1) that the existing law of treason, sedition and criminal conspiracy should be enforced;

“(2) that with a view to preventing the fomenting of class hatreds, unrest and the overthrow of democratic, parliamentary government in New South Wales in accordance with the dictates of a foreign power, the Government should take all action necessary to ensure that Communists shall be excluded from holding positions in the State Public Service and that election to executive office in all trade unions registered under the Industrial Arbitration Act shall be by secret ballot;

“(3) that in order to free rank and file workers from the domination of Communist agitators in respect of strike issues the Government should amend the provisions of the Industrial Arbitration Act relating to the taking of secret ballots so as to give to workers an effective secret ballot on all strike issues free from intimidation; and

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"(4) that for the purpose of investigating the full range of all activities of the Communist Party, the Government should forthwith set up a Royal Commission to carry out such investigation and to determine—

"(a) whether the law relating to treason and sedition is adequate to preserve the security and stability of the State, and

"(b) if the law is found to be inadequate, make recommendations to the Government for such alterations as are deemed to be necessary."

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 because the Government has failed to combat the disruptive activities of the Communist Party and as a consequence the security and economic stability of the community are being seriously endangered and in view of the Federal Labour Government's refusal to take any action against the Communist Party, this House is of the opinion—

"(1) that the existing law of treason, sedition and criminal conspiracy should be enforced;

"(2) that with a view to preventing the fomenting of class hatreds, unrest and the overthrow of democratic, parliamentary government in New South Wales in accordance with the dictates of a foreign power, the Government should take all action necessary to ensure that Communists shall be excluded from holding positions in the State Public Service and that election to executive office in all trade unions registered under the Industrial Arbitration Act shall be by secret ballot;

"(3) that in order to free rank and file workers from the domination of Communist agitators in respect of strike issues the Government should amend the provisions of the Industrial Arbitration Act relating to the taking of secret ballots so as to give to workers an effective secret ballot on all strike issues free from intimidation; and

"(4) that for the purpose of investigating the full range of all activities of the Communist Party, the Government should forthwith set up a Royal Commission to carry out such investigation and to determine—

"(a) whether the law relating to treason and sedition is adequate to preserve the security and stability of the State, and

"(b) if the law is found to be inadequate, make recommendations to the Government for such alterations as are deemed to be necessary."

Question put and passed.

(3.) Mr. Treatt moved, "That" because the Government has failed to combat the disruptive activities of the Communist Party and as a consequence the security and economic stability of the community are being seriously endangered and in view of the Federal Labour Government's refusal to take any action against the Communist Party, this House is of the opinion—

(1) that the existing law of treason, sedition and criminal conspiracy should be enforced;

(2) that with a view to preventing the fomenting of class hatreds, unrest and the overthrow of democratic, parliamentary government in New South Wales in accordance with the dictates of a foreign power, the Government should take all action necessary to ensure that Communists shall be excluded from holding positions in the State Public Service and that election to executive office in all trade unions registered under the Industrial Arbitration Act shall be by secret ballot;

(3) that in order to free rank and file workers from the domination of Communist agitators in respect of strike issues the Government should amend the provisions of the Industrial Arbitration Act relating to the taking of secret ballots so as to give to workers an effective secret ballot on all strike issues free from intimidation; and

(4) that for the purpose of investigating the full range of all activities of the Communist Party, the Government should forthwith set up a Royal Commission to carry out such investigation and to determine—

(a) whether the law relating to treason and sedition is adequate to preserve the security and stability of the State, and

(b) if the law is found to be inadequate, make recommendations to the Government for such alterations as are deemed to be necessary.

Debate ensued.

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Mr. James McGirr moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word "That" (firstly occurring) with a view to the insertion of the following words:—"in the opinion of this House the Government has at all times upheld the law of the land.

"(2.) That this House invites the Leader of the Opposition, the Leader of the Country Party and any other Members of the House to supply in the form of Statutory Declarations, any evidence they may have of treason, sedition or criminal conspiracy against any Member of the Communist Party of Australia or any other individual.

"(3.) That provided such evidence, in the opinion of the Crown Law authorities, establishes a *prima facie* case, criminal proceedings should, in the opinion of this House, be commenced forthwith."

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

Debate continued.

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

Debate continued.

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

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 39.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Freeman	Mr. Matthews
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Noble
Mr. Booth	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Graham	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Roy Heferon	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Currey	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Dring	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Weir
Captain Dunn	Mr. Landa	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Evatt	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Finnan	Mr. McGrath	
Mr. Fowles	Mr. C. E. Martin	

Noes, 23.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Storey
Mr. Brain	Mr. Lang	Mr. Treatt
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Turner
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Medcalf	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Morton	Mr. Jack Beale
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Black
Mr. Frith	Mr. Richardson	
Mr. Gollan	Lieut.-Col. Robson	
Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stephens	

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,—

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 22.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Storey
Mr. Black	Mr. Lang	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Brain	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Turner
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Medcalf	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Dewley
Mr. Frith	Mr. Richardson	Mr. Morton
Mr. Gollan	Lieut.-Col. Robson	

Noes, 40.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Freeman	Mr. Noble
Mr. Booth	Mr. Geraghty	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Graham	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Roy Heferon	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Currey	Mr. Heffron	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Dring	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Wattison
Captain Dunn	Mr. Landa	Mr. Weir
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Lazzarini	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Evatt	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Gorman
Mr. Finnan	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Robertson
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. C. E. Martin	

And so it passed in the negative.

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Question put,—That the words proposed to be inserted in place of the words left out be so inserted.

The House divided.

Ayes, 40.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Noble
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Booth	Mr. Gorman	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Graham	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Sciffert
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Currey	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Dring	Mr. Landa	Mr. Wattison
Captain Dunn	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. James McGirr	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Evatt	Mr. McGrath	Mrs. Fowler
Mr. Finnan	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Freeman
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	

Noes, 22.

Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Black	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Storey
Mr. Brain	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Treatt
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Turner
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Morton	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Jeff Bate
Mr. Frith	Mr. Richardson	Mr. Lang
Mr. Gollan	Lieut.-Col. Robson	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

Question, as amended, put,—That in the opinion of this House the Government has at all times upheld the law of the land.

(2.) That this House invites the Leader of the Opposition, the Leader of the Country Party and any other Members of the House to supply in the form of Statutory Declarations any evidence they may have of treason, sedition or criminal conspiracy against any member of the Communist Party of Australia or any other individual.

(3.) That, provided such evidence, in the opinion of the Crown Law authorities, establishes a *prima facie* case, criminal proceedings should, in the opinion of this House, be commenced forthwith.

The House divided.

Ayes, 40.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Freeman	Mr. Noble
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Booth	Mr. Geraghty	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Gorman	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Graham	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Sciffert
Mr. Currey	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Dring	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. L. J. Tully
Captain Dunn	Mr. Landa	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Evatt	Mr. James McGirr	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Finnan	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Fred Cahill
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Roy Heferen
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Matthews	

Noes, 22.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Hunter	Lieut.-Col. Robson
Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Black	Mr. Lang	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Brain	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Turner
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Medcalf	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Morton	Mr. Fitzgerald
Mr. Frith	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Storey
Mr. Gollan	Mr. Richardson	

And so it was resolved in the affirmative.

4. STATUTORY SALARIES ADJUSTMENT 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. 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 expenses in connection with a Bill to increase the salaries of the Judges of the Supreme Court and District Courts and of certain other judges

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and of the holders of certain other statutory offices; for this purpose to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts Act, 1900, the District Courts Act, 1912, the Public Service Act, 1902, the Forestry Act, 1916, the Irrigation Act, 1912, the Western Lands Act of 1901, the Valuation of Land Act, 1916, and certain other Acts, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 5th April, 1948.*

5. LISMORE CITY COUNCIL (NIELSON PARK EXCHANGE) BILL:—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 vest certain land freed and discharged from all trusts affecting the same in the Council of the City of Lismore; to empower the said Council to exchange the said land; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919; 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, 7th April, 1948.*

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

Bill read a first time.

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

6. 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.

The House adjourned at Twenty-eight minutes after 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. 41.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 13 APRIL, 1948.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

I. WHEAT INDUSTRY IN NEW SOUTH WALES:—

(1.) URGENCY:—Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider the following motion, viz.:—

“(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, immediate steps should be taken by the Government to examine the general position of the Wheat Industry of this State in the light of the experience gained from the unsatisfactory handling of the 1947-1948 crop, and that special attention should be paid by it to the following matters:—

- (a) Silo management and control.
- (b) Grain elevator system and its capacity.
- (c) Operations of the Railway Department in handling wheat.
- (d) Supply of cornsacks and their distribution.
- (e) Availability of shipping.
- (f) Employment of labour in handling wheat.
- (g) Relationship between the Wheat Board and licensed receivers with particular reference to receiving agents at country centres.
- (h) Relationship between the Commonwealth and the State in the handling of wheat both on home and export markets, and the terms of any agreements entered into for the disposal overseas of our surplus wheat.

“(2.) That the Government take such action as may be considered necessary to rectify existing deficiencies in the system of handling wheat.”

Question put and passed.

(2.) SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner moved, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the consideration forthwith of the following motion, viz.:—

“(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, immediate steps should be taken by the Government to examine the general position of the Wheat Industry of this State in the light of the experience gained from the unsatisfactory handling of the 1947-1948 crop, and that special attention should be paid by it to the following matters:—

- (a) Silo management and control.
- (b) Grain elevator system and its capacity.
- (c) Operations of the Railway Department in handling wheat.
- (d) Supply of cornsacks and their distribution.
- (e) Availability of shipping.
- (f) Employment of labour in handling wheat.
- (g) Relationship between the Wheat Board and licensed receivers with particular reference to receiving agents at country centres.
- (h) Relationship between the Commonwealth and the State in the handling of wheat both on home and export markets, and the terms of any agreements entered into for the disposal overseas of our surplus wheat.

“(2.) That the Government take such action as may be considered necessary to rectify existing deficiencies in the system of handling wheat.”

Question put and passed.

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(3.) Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner moved,—

(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, immediate steps should be taken by the Government to examine the general position of the Wheat Industry of this State in the light of the experience gained from the unsatisfactory handling of the 1947-1948 crop, and that special attention should be paid by it to the following matters:—

- (a) Silo management and control.
- (b) Grain elevator system and its capacity.
- (c) Operations of the Railway Department in handling wheat.
- (d) Supply of cornsacks and their distribution.
- (e) Availability of shipping.
- (f) Employment of labour in handling wheat.
- (g) Relationship between the Wheat Board and licensed receivers with particular reference to receiving agents at country centres.
- (h) Relationship between the Commonwealth and the State in the handling of wheat both on home and export markets, and the terms of any agreements entered into for the disposal overseas of our surplus wheat.

(2.) That the Government take such action as may be considered necessary to rectify existing deficiencies in the system of handling wheat.

Debate ensued.

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

Debate continued.

Mr. Graham (*speaking*) moved, That this Debate be now adjourned.

Question put and passed.

Ordered, 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 October, 1947.

2. PAPERS:—

Mr. Finnan laid upon the Table Statistics supplementary to the Report of the Workers' Compensation Commission for the year ended 30th June, 1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Heffron laid upon the Table Report of the Trustees of the Museum of Technology and Applied Science for 1947.

Ordered to be printed.

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

(1.) Report by Mr. R. M. Baxter upon the operation and administration of the Villawood Prefabrication Factory, together with appendices.

(2.) Copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. A. H. Lucas as Engineering Assistant, Department of Public Works.

(3.) Amendments of Ordinances under the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended.

(4.) Report of the Town and Country Planning Advisory Committee for the year ended 30th June, 1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

(1.) Amendment of Regulation under the Opticians Act, 1930-1946.

(2.) Copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Miss A. M. Henderson, M.B., B.S., Medical Officer, and Mr. Stephen Benedek, M.B., B.S., Medical Officer, Department of Public Health.

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 the construction of dams across (a) the Macquarie River at Burrendong, and (b) the Hunter River at Glenbawn.

(2.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for works in connection with the Wakool Domestic and Stock Water Supply and Irrigation District.

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(3.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for works in connection with the Deniboota Provisional Domestic and Stock Water Supply and Irrigation District.

(4.) Statement of Receipts and Payments of the Curlwaa (Wentworth) Irrigation Area, for 1947.

(5.) Statement of Receipts and Payments of the Hay Irrigation Area, 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 provisions of section 24 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

(2.) Notification of resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the establishment of a Children's Playground for Cobargo.

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, as amended.

(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, as amended, during the months of January and February, 1948.

(3.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of extending the Railway Electric Substation at Orange.

(4.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the provision of Railway Station Master's residence at Robertson.

(5.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the maintenance of traffic on the existing line of Railway between Sydney and Strathfield by the provision of protection to the railway cutting at Lewisham.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. 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.) Superannuation (Amendment) Bill:—

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 increase the amount payable by way of pension to employees under the Superannuation Act, 1916, as amended by subsequent Acts; to extend the scale of pension units in respect of which contributions may be made; to make certain provisions in relation to the State Superannuation Fund; for these and other purposes to amend the said Act, as so amended, the Superannuation (Amendment) Act, 1930, and certain other Acts; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.

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(2.) Government Guarantees (Amendment) Bill:—

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 amend the Government Guarantees Act, 1934-1943, in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.

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By Mr. Weir,—

(3.) Rivers and Foreshores (Improvement) 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 provide for the carrying out of works for the removal of obstructions from and the improvement of rivers and foreshores and the prevention of erosion of lands by tidal and non-tidal waters; to make provision as to payments to be made by owners of lands benefited by such works; to constitute a Rivers and Foreshores Improvement Board; to amend the Water Act, 1912-1946, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,**Sydney, 12th April, 1948.*

4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (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, 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, 13th April, 1948.*

5. 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) Acts, 1941-1947, 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 Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers (Pensions) Acts, 1941-1947, 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.

6. FACTORIES AND SHOPS (HOME DELIVERIES) AMENDMENT BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Finnan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make certain provisions relating to the home delivery of certain commodities; for this purpose to amend the Factories and Shops Acts, 1912-1946; 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 relating to the home delivery of certain commodities; for this purpose to amend the Factories and Shops Acts, 1912-1946; 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. RIVERS AND FORESHORES (IMPROVEMENT) 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.

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

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

The House adjourned at Eighteen 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. 42.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 14 APRIL, 1948.

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.) Minute respecting exemption from stamp duty of receipts issued by the Agricultural Societies' Council of New South Wales, and affiliated Societies.
- (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 and Wages Tax for the year ended 30th June, 1947.
- (3.) Reports of the Registrar of Friendly Societies for the years ended 30th June, 1945, and 30th June, 1946.
- (4.) Report of the Public Trustee, together with Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the year ended 30th June, 1947.
- (5.) Amendment of By-law under the Hunter District Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1938-1945.
- (6.) Regulation and Forms under the Stamp Duties Act, 1920-1940.
- (7.) Amendments of Regulation under the Sydney Harbour Trust Act, 1900-1941.
- (8.) Amendments of By-law under the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1924-1945.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Substituted Rule under the Mines Inspection Act, 1901-1945.
- (2.) Balance-sheets of Art Unions under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of—

Furlough House.

Temora District Ambulance.

Bungendore War Memorial Fund.

Tweed District Ambulance Service.

The New South Wales Institution for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind.

Y.C.W. Extension Association.

Tarbutth Jewish National Fund.

St. Aloysius' College Building Fund.

St. Vincent's Maternity Hospital.

Miss Australia Quest (The Australian Guild of Fashion Designers).

Miss Australia Quest (Speedway).

The R. Bray and J. Hackett Benefit Appeal.

Newcastle Sub-Branch R.S.S.A.I.L.A. Building Fund.

Anti-T.B. Association and Princess of Youth Campaign.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table notification, under Part II of the Water Act, 1912-1946, prescribing the rivers and lakes and sections of rivers to which section 26D shall apply.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

14th April, 1948.

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. Sheahan,—

(1.) Closer Settlement Validation 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 validate the vesting of certain land in the Crown for the purposes of closer settlement under the Closer Settlement Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 14th April, 1948.*

By Mr. Finnan,—

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

J. NORTHCOTT,
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 increase the amounts payable by way of compensation under the Workmen's Compensation (Broken Hill) Act, 1920-1945; to amend the said Act in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

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Sydney, 14th April, 1948.*

3. STATUTORY SALARIES ADJUSTMENT BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. James McGirr moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to increase the salaries of the Judges of the Supreme Court and District Courts and of certain other judges and of the holders of certain other statutory offices; for this purpose to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts Act, 1900, the District Courts Act, 1912, the Public Service Act, 1902, the Forestry Act, 1916, the Irrigation Act, 1912, the Western Lands Act of 1901, the Valuation of Land Act, 1916, and certain other Acts 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 increase the salaries of the Judges of the Supreme Court and District Courts and of certain other judges and of the holders of certain other statutory offices; for this purpose to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts Act, 1900, the District Courts Act, 1912, the Public Service Act, 1902, the Forestry Act, 1916, the Irrigation Act, 1912, the Western Lands Act of 1901, the Valuation of Land Act, 1916, 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.

4. GOVERNMENT GUARANTEES (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. James McGirr moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Government Guarantees Act, 1934-1943, in certain respects; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. McGirr then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Government Guarantees Act, 1934-1943, 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. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION (BROKEN HILL) AMENDMENT BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. Finnan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to increase the amounts payable by way of compensation under the Workmen's Compensation (Broken Hill) Act, 1920-1945; to amend the said Act in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

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- (2.) Mr. Finnan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to increase the amounts payable by way of compensation under the Workmen's Compensation (Broken Hill) Act, 1920-1945; to amend the said Act 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. CLOSER SETTLEMENT VALIDATION BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. Sheahan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to validate the vesting of certain land in the Crown for the purposes of closer settlement under the Closer Settlement Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. Sheahan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to validate the vesting of certain land in the Crown for the purposes of closer settlement under the Closer Settlement 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. CROWN LANDS (CONDITIONAL PURCHASES TRANSFER) BILL:—

- (1.) 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,—

- (2.) 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 certain provisions in respect of the proposed transfer of certain conditional purchases from Martha Marcella McLeod, administratrix of the Estate of Murdo McLeod, deceased, to the Australian Chilling and Freezing Company Limited; for this purpose to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 14th April, 1948.*

8. STOCK (ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Graham moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Howarth 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 and negatived.

Debate continued.

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

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

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

- (1.) Roman Catholic Church Communities' Lands (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Roman Catholic Church Communities' Lands Act, 1942-1943, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

*Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 14th April, 1948.*

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

14th April, 1948.

(2.) Money-lenders and Infants Loans (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Money-lenders and Infants Loans Act, 1941-1946, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 14th April, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(3.) Ryde Mental Hospital Construction 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 Mental Hospital at Ryde in the Sydney Metropolitan Area; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 14th April, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

10. COAL AND OIL SHALE MINE WORKERS (PENSIONS) 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 October, 1947.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

11. 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 October, 1947, 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. 43.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 15 APRIL, 1948.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

Disorder during Question Time:—By direction of Mr. Speaker, the Honourable Member for Neutral Bay, Mr. Black, was removed from the Chamber by the Serjeant-at-Arms, under Standing Order No. 392.

1. PAPERS:—

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

- (1.) Proclamation under the Police Offences (Amendment) Act, 1908, as amended.
- (2.) Amendment of Regulation under the Police Offences (Amendment) Act, 1908, as amended.
- (3.) Amendments of Regulations under the Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act, 1935-1942.

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, 1947.

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 the construction of a Dam across the Hunter River at Glenbawn.
- (2.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for works in connection with the Berriquin Provisional Domestic and Stock Water Supply and Irrigation District.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. CAMPERDOWN 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. 55.

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 part of the Camperdown Cemetery land as a public park and to provide for the appointment of trustees thereof; to vest the remainder of the land in the Church of England Property Trust Diocese of Sydney; to authorise the removal of human remains, headstones, grave enclosures, and other surface structures from parts of the land; to provide for the reinterment of such remains; to make provision for the erection of a parish hall on part of the land; to provide for the redesign and reconstruction

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of a cemetery area within part of the land; to provide for the payment of certain moneys to the Church of England Property Trust Diocese of Sydney; to repeal the Camperdown Cemetery Trust Act of 1871; and for purposes connected therewith.

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Sydney, 14th April, 1948.*

3. SUPERANNUATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. C. E. Martin moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to increase the amount payable by way of pension to employees under the Superannuation Act, 1916, as amended by subsequent Acts; to extend the scale of pension units in respect of which contributions may be made; to make certain provisions in relation to the State Superannuation Fund; for these and other purposes to amend the said Act, as so amended, the Superannuation (Amendment) Act, 1930, 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 increase the amount payable by way of pension to employees under the Superannuation Act, 1916, as amended by subsequent Acts; to extend the scale of pension units in respect of which contributions may be made; to make certain provisions in relation to the State Superannuation Fund; for these and other purposes to amend the said Act, as so amended, the Superannuation (Amendment) Act, 1930, 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.

4. CAMPERDOWN CEMETERY BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Sheahan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to dedicate part of the Camperdown Cemetery land as a public park and to provide for the appointment of trustees thereof; to vest the remainder of the land in the Church of England Property Trust Diocese of Sydney; to authorise the removal of human remains, headstones, grave enclosures, and other surface structures from parts of the land; to provide for the reinterment of such remains; to make provision for the erection of a parish hall on part of the land; to provide for the redesign and reconstruction of a cemetery area within part of the land; to provide for the payment of certain moneys to the Church of England Property Trust Diocese of Sydney; to repeal the Camperdown Cemetery Trust Act of 1871; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Sheahan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to dedicate part of the Camperdown Cemetery land as a public park and to provide for the appointment of trustees thereof; to vest the remainder of the land in the Church of England Property Trust Diocese of Sydney; to authorise the removal of human remains, headstones, grave enclosures, and other surface structures from parts of the land; to provide for the reinterment of such remains; to make provision for the erection of a parish hall on part of the land; to provide for the redesign and reconstruction of a cemetery area within part of the land; to provide for the payment of certain moneys to the Church of England Property Trust Diocese of Sydney; to repeal the Camperdown Cemetery Trust Act of 1871; 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. INDUSTRIAL ARBITRATION (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. 56.

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 Industrial Commission, the conciliation commissioners and conciliation committees; for these and other purposes to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1940-1947; and for purposes connected therewith.

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6. COAL AND OIL SHALE MINE WORKERS (PENSIONS) 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.

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

On motion of Mr. Baddeley the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

- (2.) 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 amend the Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers (Pensions) Act, 1941-1947, 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, 15th April, 1948.*

7. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION (BROKEN HILL) 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 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 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 increase the amounts payable by way of compensation under the Workmen's Compensation (Broken Hill) Act, 1920-1945; to amend the said Act in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 15th April, 1948.*

8. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Fowles, as Chairman, brought up the Seventh Report from the Printing Committee.

9. CLOSER SETTLEMENT VALIDATION BILL:—

- (1.) 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. 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 without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Sheahan the Report was adopted.

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And Mr. Deputy Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

(2.) 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 the vesting of certain land in the Crown for the purposes of closer settlement under the Closer Settlement Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 15th April, 1948.*

10. FACTORIES AND SHOPS (HOME DELIVERIES) 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 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,—

(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 make certain provisions relating to the home delivery of certain commodities; for this purpose to amend the Factories and Shops Acts, 1912-1946; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 15th April, 1948.*

11. STOCK (ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION) BILL:—

(1.) 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.

And Mr. Graham 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. Graham the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

(2.) 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 provision with respect to the control and regulation of the artificial insemination of stock; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 15th April, 1948.*

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12. SWINE COMPENSATION TAXATION BILL:—

- (1.) The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Graham and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 57.

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 a stamp duty on certain records required to be kept under the Swine Compensation Act, 1928-1935, in lieu of that imposed by the Swine Compensation Taxation Act, 1945; and for purposes connected therewith.

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

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means.

- (2.) URGENCY:—Mr. Graham moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that the Swine Compensation Taxation Bill be brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.
Question put and passed.
- (3.) SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—Mr. Graham moved, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the Swine Compensation Taxation Bill being brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.

13. WAYS AND MEANS (*Swine Compensation Taxation*):—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:—

(12.) *Resolved*,—That towards making good the supply granted to His Majesty there shall be charged, levied, collected and paid under and subject to the provisions of the Stamp Duties Act, 1920-1940, stamp duties of the amount hereunder specified for credit of the Swine Compensation Fund established under the Swine Compensation Act, 1928-1935, and in lieu of the duty imposed by the Swine Compensation Taxation Act, 1945—

£ s. d.

Upon every entry relating to the delivery of a pig for slaughter, made on or after the first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight, by the person in charge of an abattoir pursuant to the provisions of the Swine Compensation Act, 1928-1935—

for each pig referred to in the entry 0 2 0

and the person on whose behalf the pig is delivered shall be the person primarily liable for the payment of the duty.

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

14. SWINE COMPENSATION TAXATION BILL:—

- (1.) Ordered, on motion of Mr. Graham, that a Bill be brought in, founded on Resolution of Ways and Means (No. 12), to impose a stamp duty on certain records required to be kept under the Swine Compensation Act, 1928-1935, in lieu of that imposed by the Swine Compensation Taxation Act, 1945; and for purposes connected therewith.
- (2.) Mr. Graham then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to impose a stamp duty on certain records required to be kept under the Swine Compensation Act, 1928-1935, in lieu of that imposed by the Swine Compensation Taxation Act, 1945; 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. Graham, the report was adopted.
Ordered, That the Bill be now read a third time.

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(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 a stamp duty on certain records required to be kept under the Swine Compensation Act, 1928-1935, in lieu of that imposed by the Swine Compensation Taxation Act, 1945; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 15th April, 1948.*

15. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Graham 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 Twenty-three minutes after 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. 44.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 20 APRIL, 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.) Statistical Returns prepared by Edward Bennetts, Electoral Commissioner, in connection with the General Elections held on 3rd May, 1947, under the provisions of the Parliamentary Electorates and Elections Act, 1912-1946.

Ordered to be printed.

(2.) Report of the Aborigines Welfare Board for the year ended 30th June, 1947.

(3.) Copy of Report of the Department of Fisheries of New South Wales for the year ended 30th June, 1947.

(4.) Balance-sheet of Art Union under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of the Grafton District Boys' Band.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. C. E. Martin laid upon the Table amendments of Forms and Rules made by the Judges of the Supreme Court.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Kelly laid upon the Table copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointments, on probation, of Mr. E. A. Sanbrook, M.B., Ch.M., as Medical Officer, and Mr. B. S. McMullen, as Surveyor, Department of Public Health.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Matthews, *on behalf of* 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.

2. POSTPONEMENT:—The Order of the Day,—“Wheat Industry in New South Wales; resumption of the adjourned Debate (*Mr. Graham*) on the motion of Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner,—

“(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, immediate steps should be taken by the Government to examine the general position of the Wheat Industry of this State in the light of the experience gained from the unsatisfactory handling of the 1947-48 crop, and that special attention should be paid by it to the following matters:—

“(a) Silo management and control.

“(b) Grain elevator system and its capacity.

“(c) Operations of the Railway Department in handling wheat.

“(d) Supply of consacks and their distribution.

“(e) Availability of shipping.

“(f) Employment of labour in handling wheat.

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- “(g) Relationship between the Wheat Board and licensed receivers with particular reference to receiving agents at country centres.
- “(h) Relationship between the Commonwealth and the State in the handling of wheat both on home and export markets and the terms of any agreements entered into for the disposal overseas of our surplus wheat.
- “(2.) That the Government take such action as may be considered necessary to rectify existing deficiencies in the system of handling wheat.”—postponed, on the motion of Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner, until Tuesday, 27th April, 1948.

3. UNIVERSITY AND UNIVERSITY COLLEGES (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. 58.

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 amount payable yearly by way of permanent endowment for the University of Sydney; for this purpose to amend the University and University Colleges Act, 1900-1937; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.

State Government House,
Sydney, 11th March, 1948.

4. FOOD AID FOR BRITAIN—NEED FOR POPULATION RE-DISTRIBUTION AND ECONOMIC PLANNING:—Mr. Turner moved, pursuant to Notice,—

(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the situation of Britain calls for an immediate drastic and far-reaching plan—

- (a) to aid the Homeland with food, including the rationing of foodstuffs in Australia;
- (b) to settle part of her population in the British Dominions and possessions beyond the seas; and
- (c) to conserve the unity and strength of the British peoples by bringing about a closer economic and political integration between them.

(2.) That to this end the Prime Minister be respectfully urged—

- (a) to summon a conference of Federal and State Parliamentary leaders of all parties to determine what part Australia can play in such a plan; and
- (b) to approach the British Government with a view to its summoning an Imperial Conference to settle the lines of such a policy.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Darby, That the Honourable Member for Gordon, Mr. Turner, be allowed to continue his speech for a further period of twenty minutes.

Debate ensued.

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

Question put and passed.

Ordered, 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 October, 1947.

5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (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 Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent Acts, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

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Sydney, 20th April, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

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6. SUPREME COURT AND CIRCUIT COURTS (PROTHONOTARY) AMENDMENT BILL:—The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. C. E. Martin and read by Mr. Speaker:—

J. NORTHCOTT,

*Message No. 59.**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 further provision in relation to the office of Prothonotary of the Supreme Court, and for the appointment from time to time of an Acting Prothonotary; to amend the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts Act, 1900, the Public Service Act, 1902, the Superannuation Act, 1916, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 12th April, 1948.*

7. SUPERANNUATION (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.

And it being 10.20 o'clock, p.m., the Debate stood adjourned, pursuant to Sessional Order adopted on 15th October, 1947.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

8. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. C. E. Martin 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 October, 1947, 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. 45.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 21 APRIL, 1948.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPER:—Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table Minute of the Colonial Treasurer respecting the exemption from stamp duty of Insurance Policies and Bills of Lading in respect of food parcels despatched abroad by the "Food for Britain" Fund.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.
2. SUPERANNUATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—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. Deputy-Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Carlton, Temporary-Chairman, reported the Bill with amendments.
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 a later hour of the Day.
3. HOUSING—RESUMPTION OF LAND, DEVONSHIRE STREET, SYDNEY:—Mr. Evatt moved, pursuant to Notice, That, pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Housing Act, 1912, this House approves of the Governor resuming from the owners the private lands, the value of which exceeds £20,000, being All that piece or parcel of land situate in the City of Sydney, parish of Alexandria, county of Cumberland; Commencing on the southern side of Devonshire Street at its intersection with the western side of Clisdell Street and thence bounded on the north by the southern side of Devonshire Street aforesaid, generally easterly to its intersection with the eastern side of Marlborough Street, on the south-east by that side of that street south-westerly to a point right angularly opposite the north-eastern corner of the land embraced in Certificate of Title registered volume 2265 folio 103, on the south-west by a line to that north-eastern corner of that land and by the north-eastern boundary of that land and part of the north-eastern boundary of the land embraced in Certificate of Title registered volume 4729 folio 24 generally westerly to a point on the southerly prolongation of the south-eastern boundary of the land shown in plan attached to Real Property Application No. 5352 in the Registrar-General's Office, Sydney, thence on the west by that prolongation of that boundary and that south-eastern boundary of that land generally northerly to its intersection with the southern side of Lansdowne Street, again on the south-west by that side of that street westerly to its intersection with the eastern side of Riley Street, again on the south-east by that side of that street south-westerly to the south-western

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corner of the land shown in plan attached to Real Property Application No. 5352 aforesaid, again on the south-west by a line generally westerly to the southern-most corner of the land shown in plan attached to Real Property Application No. 154 in the Registrar-General's Office, Sydney, by the south-west boundary of that land and the southern extremity of Pottery Street, to its intersection with the western side of that street, on the south by a line generally westerly to the intersection of the western side of Wilton Street with the southern side of Belvoir Street, and by the latter to its intersection with the southerly prolongation of the western side of Clisdell Street, and on the west by that prolongation and the western side of Clisdell Street, generally northerly to the point of commencement.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Morton (*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.

4. SUPERANNUATION (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 increase the amount payable by way of pension to employees under the Superannuation Act, 1916, as amended by subsequent Acts; to extend the scale of pension units in respect of which contributions may be made; to make certain provisions in relation to the State Superannuation Fund; for these and other purposes to amend the said Act, as so amended, the Superannuation (Amendment) Act, 1930, 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, 21st April, 1948.*

5. HOUSING—RESUMPTION OF LAND, DEVONSHIRE STREET, SYDNEY:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Evatt, "That, pursuant and subject to the provisions of the "Housing Act, 1912, this House approves of the Governor resuming from the "owners the private lands, the value of which exceeds £20,000, being All that "piece or parcel of land situate in the City of Sydney, parish of Alexandria, "county of Cumberland; Commencing on the southern side of Devonshire Street "at its intersection with the western side of Clisdell Street and thence bounded "on the north by the southern side of Devonshire Street aforesaid, generally "easterly to its intersection with the eastern side of Marlborough Street, on the "south-east by that side of that street south-westerly to a point right angularly "opposite the north-eastern corner of the land embraced in Certificate of Title "registered volume 2265 folio 103, on the south-west by a line to that north- "eastern corner of that land and by the north-eastern boundary of that land and "part of the north-eastern boundary of the land embraced in Certificate of Title "registered volume 4729 folio 24 generally westerly to a point on the southerly "prolongation of the south-eastern boundary of the land shown in plan attached "to Real Property Application No. 5352 in the Registrar-General's Office, Sydney, "thence on the west by that prolongation of that boundary and that south-eastern "boundary of that land generally northerly to its intersection with the southern "side of Lansdowne Street, again on the south-west by that side of that street "westerly to its intersection with the eastern side of Riley Street, again on "the south-east by that side of that street south-westerly to the south-western "corner of the land shown in plan attached to Real Property Application No. 5352 "aforesaid, again on the south-west by a line generally westerly to the southern- "most corner of the land shown in plan attached to Real Property Application "No. 154 in the Registrar-General's Office, Sydney, by the south-west boundary "of that land and the southern extremity of Pottery Street, to its intersection "with the western side of that street, on the south by a line generally westerly to "the intersection of the western side of Wilton Street with the southern side "of Belvoir Street, and by the latter to its intersection with the southerly "prolongation of the western side of Clisdell Street, and on the west by that "prolongation and the western side of Clisdell Street, generally northerly to "the point of commencement."

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

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

Question put and passed.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

21st April, 1948.

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

(1.) Crown Lands (Conditional Purchases Transfer) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to make certain provisions in respect of the proposed transfer of certain conditional purchases from Martha Marcella McLeod, administratrix of the Estate of Murdo McLeod, deceased, to the Australian Chilling and Freezing Company Limited; for this purpose to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 21st April, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(2.) 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) Acts, 1941-1947, 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, 21st April, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

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

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 Workmen's Compensation (Broken Hill) Act, 1920-1945; to amend the said Act in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 21st April, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(4.) Closer Settlement Validation Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to validate the vesting of certain land in the Crown for the purposes of closer settlement under the Closer Settlement 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, 21st April, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

CLOSER SETTLEMENT VALIDATION BILL.

Schedule of the amendment referred to in Message of 21st April, 1948.

W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

Page 2, clause 2. After line 28 insert new subclause:—

"(4) Nothing in this Act shall render unlawful anything done by the parties to the said agreement or any of them or by any other person before the commencement of this Act which would have been lawful if this Act had not been enacted."

Examined,—

T. STEELE,—

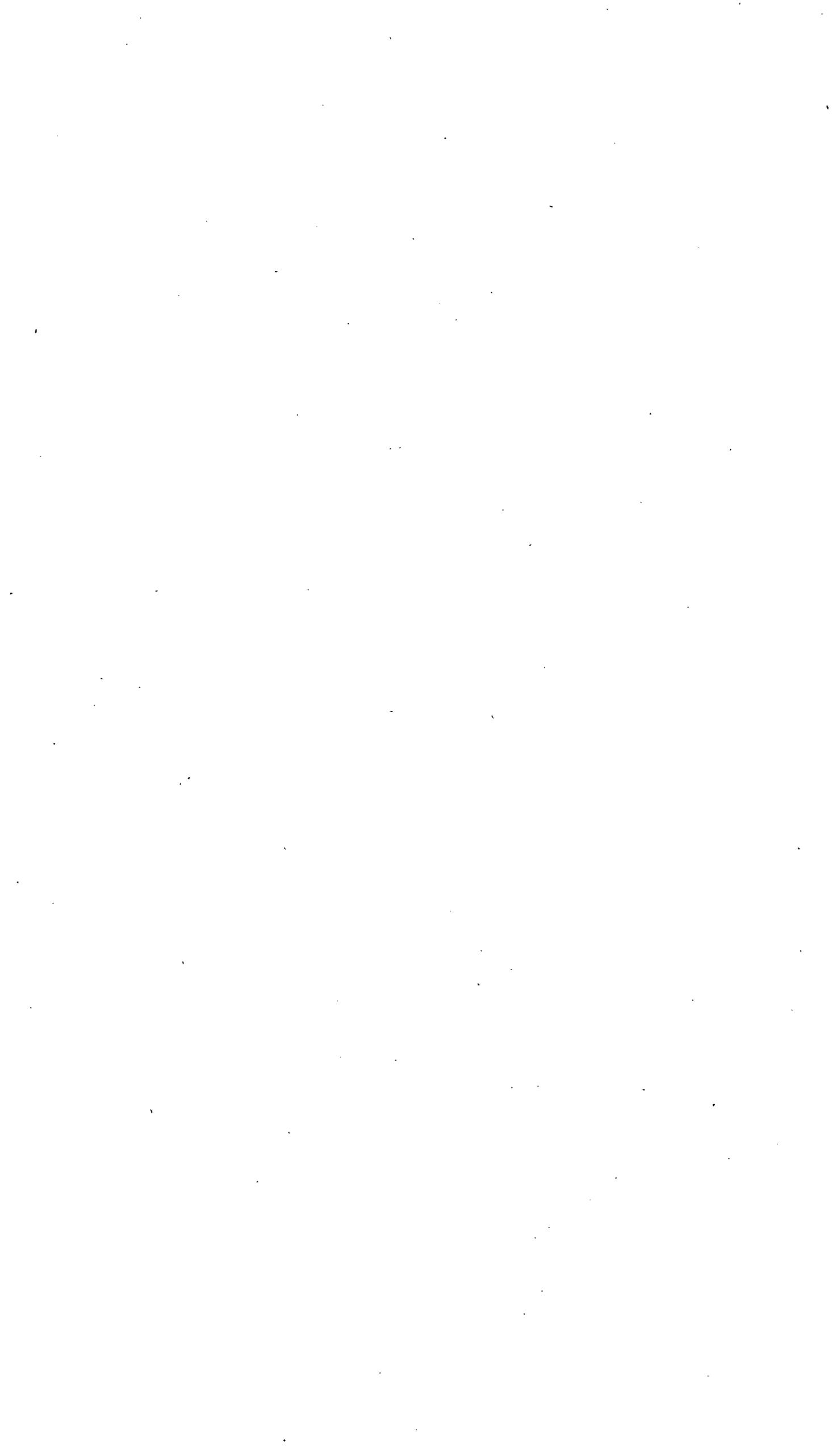
Chairman of Committees.

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

The House adjourned at Seventeen 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. 46.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 22 APRIL, 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 notification of appropriation and resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of providing Railway Refreshment Room Staff quarters at Blayney.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Finnan laid upon the Table Regulation and Forms under the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1940-1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. DEBATE ON THE ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Speaker said that for some time past he had been concerned as to the tendency exhibited in recent years to restrict debate on the motion for the Adjournment of the House, and his concern had been emphasised after dealing with the case which had arisen on Tuesday last.

It was clear that the curtailment of debate on the motion for the Adjournment had been deemed necessary by his predecessors because of the imposition of time limits under the Sessional Orders which provided for the automatic termination of the sittings of the House—usually resulting in a period of only ten minutes being left for discussion.

Prior to 1940 there had been considerable latitude allowed to Honourable Members when speaking on the Adjournment, and discussion had been permitted on a wide range of subjects.

In most cases, the questions raised had affected the constituency or constituents of an Honourable Member, but there had been other occasions when the matter had affected not only other electorates but sometimes the whole State. Honourable Members would appreciate that at any time the Leader of the Opposition or Leader of the Country Party might desire to bring under notice matters of importance, not only to their particular electorates, but probably to the State as a whole. Mr. Speaker said he did not think it would be fair in such circumstances to limit the Leader of the Opposition and Leader of the Country Party to the confines of their own electorates.

Proper opportunities should be afforded Members for the ventilation of such genuine grievances as to them might seem justified.

Therefore, the type of debate which he would allow in future must relate primarily to matters affecting an Honourable Member's constituents, or his constituency generally, but in appropriate circumstances he would be prepared to permit discussion upon matters of wider and more general importance provided they were not of such a nature as to promote general debate.

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3. CROWN LANDS (IRRIGATION AREAS SERVICEMEN SETTLEMENT) AMENDMENT BILL:—
The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Weir and read by Mr. Speaker:—

F. R. JORDAN,

Message No. 60.

By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the forty-sixth 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 irrigation areas of members of His Majesty's naval, military or air forces and other eligible persons; for this purpose to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, the Irrigation Act, 1912, and the War Service Land Settlement Act, 1941, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 22nd April, 1948.*

4. HOUSING—RESUMPTION OF LAND AT DEVONSHIRE-STREET, SYDNEY:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Mr. Evatt,—“That, pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Housing Act, 1912, this House approves of the Governor resuming from the owners the private lands, the value of which exceeds £20,000, being All that piece or parcel of land situate in the City of Sydney, parish of Alexandria, county of Cumberland; “Commencing on the southern side of Devonshire Street at its intersection with “the western side of Clisdell Street and thence bounded on the north by the southern side of Devonshire Street aforesaid, generally easterly to its intersection “with the eastern side of Marlborough Street, on the south-east by that side of “that street south-westerly to a point right angularly opposite the north-eastern “corner of the land embraced in Certificate of Title registered volume 2265 folio “103, on the south-west by a line to that north-eastern corner of that land and by “the north-eastern boundary of that land and part of the north-eastern boundary “of the land embraced in Certificate of Title registered volume 4729 folio 24 “generally westerly to a point on the southerly prolongation of the south-eastern “boundary of the land shown in plan attached to Real Property Application “No. 5352 in the Registrar-General's Office, Sydney, thence on the west by that “prolongation of that boundary and that south-eastern boundary of that land “generally northerly to its intersection with the southern side of Lansdowne “Street, again on the south-west by that side of that street westerly to its “intersection with the eastern side of Riley Street, again on the south-east by “that side of that street south-westerly to the south-western corner of the land “shown in plan attached to Real Property Application No. 5352 aforesaid, “again on the south-west by a line generally westerly to the southernmost corner “of the land shown in plan attached to Real Property Application No. 154 in “the Registrar-General's Office, Sydney, by the south-west boundary of that “land and the southern extremity of Pottery Street, to its intersection with “the western side of that street, on the south by a line generally westerly to “the intersection of the western side of Wilton Street with the southern side “of Belvoir Street, and by the latter to its intersection with the southerly “prolongation of the western side of Clisdell Street, and on the west by that “prolongation and the western side of Clisdell Street, generally northerly to the “point of commencement.”

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Question put and passed.

5. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Fowles, as Chairman, brought up the Eighth Report from the Printing Committee.

6. UNIVERSITY AND UNIVERSITY COLLEGES (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. James McGirr *on behalf of* Mr. Heffron moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to increase the amount payable yearly by way of permanent endowment for the University of Sydney; for this purpose to amend the University and University Colleges Act, 1900-1937; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.

Question put and passed.

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- (2.) Mr. McGirr then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to increase the amount payable yearly by way of permanent endowment for the University of Sydney; for this purpose to amend the University and University Colleges Act, 1900-1937; 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. REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES (AMENDMENT) BILL:—
- (1.) Mr. C. E. Martin moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages Act, 1899, the Marriage Act, 1899, and certain other Acts, in certain respects; to remove doubts as to the validity of 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 Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages Act, 1899; the Marriage Act, 1899, and certain other Acts, in certain respects; to remove doubts as to the validity of 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. SUPREME COURT AND CIRCUIT COURTS (PROTHONOTARY) AMENDMENT BILL:—
- (1.) Mr. C. E. Martin moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make further provision in relation to the office of Prothonotary of the Supreme Court, and for the appointment from time to time of an acting Prothonotary; to amend the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts Act, 1900, the Public Service Act, 1902, the Superannuation Act, 1916, 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 in relation to the office of Prothonotary of the Supreme Court, and for the appointment from time to time of an acting Prothonotary; to amend the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts Act, 1900, the Public Service Act, 1902, the Superannuation Act, 1916, 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.
9. INDUSTRIAL ARBITRATION (AMENDMENT) BILL:—
- (1.) Mr. Finnan moved, pursuant to Notice, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make further provisions in relation to the Industrial Commission, the Conciliation Commissioners and Conciliation Committees; for these and other purposes to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1940-1947; and for purposes connected therewith.
- Debate ensued.
- Question put and passed.
- (2.) Mr. Finnan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to make further provisions in relation to the Industrial Commission, the conciliation commissioners and conciliation committees; for these and other purposes to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1940-1947; 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. CROWN LANDS (IRRIGATION AREAS SERVICEMEN SETTLEMENT) AMENDMENT BILL:—
- (1.) Mr. Weir 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 irrigation areas of members of His Majesty's naval, military or air forces and other eligible persons; for this purpose to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, the Irrigation Act, 1912, and the War Service Land Settlement Act, 1941, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.
- Debate ensued.
- Question put and passed.
- (2.) Mr. Weir then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to make further provision for and in relation to the settlement on irrigation areas of members of His Majesty's naval, military or air forces and other eligible persons; for this purpose to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, the Irrigation Act, 1912, and the War Service Land Settlement Act, 1941, 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.

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11. RIVERS AND FORESHORES (IMPROVEMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) 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,"—
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. Weir the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

- (2.) 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 carrying out of works for the removal of obstructions from and the improvement of rivers and foreshores and the prevention of erosion of lands by tidal and non-tidal waters; to make provision as to payments to be made by owners of lands benefited by such works; to constitute a Rivers and Foreshores Improvement Board; to amend the Water 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, 22nd April, 1948.

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

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

F. R. JORDAN,

Message No. 61.

By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to increase the amounts payable by way of compensation under the Workmen's Compensation (Broken Hill) Act, 1920-1945; to amend the said Act 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, 22nd April, 1948.

- (2.) Ryde Mental Hospital Construction Bill:—

F. R. JORDAN,

Message No. 62.

By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to sanction and to provide for the construction of a Mental Hospital at Ryde in the Sydney Metropolitan Area; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919; 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, 22nd April, 1948.

- (3.) Money-lenders and Infants Loans (Amendment) Bill:—

F. R. JORDAN,

Message No. 63.

By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Money-lenders and Infants Loans Act, 1941-1946, 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, 22nd April, 1948.

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(4.) Roman Catholic Church Communities' Lands (Amendment) Bill:—

F. R. JORDAN,

Message No. 64.

By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Roman Catholic Church Communities' Lands Act, 1942-1943, 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, 22nd April, 1948.*

(5.) Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers (Pensions) Amendment Bill:—

F. R. JORDAN,

Message No. 65.

By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers (Pensions) Acts, 1941-1947, 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, 22nd April, 1948.*

(6.) Crown Lands (Conditional Purchases Transfer) Bill:—

F. R. JORDAN,

Message No. 66.

By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to make certain provisions in respect of the proposed transfer of certain conditional purchases from Martha Marcella McLeod, administratrix of the Estate of Murdo McLeod, deceased, to the Australian Chilling and Freezing Company Limited; for this purpose to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, 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 to the Legislative Council, to be numbered and forwarded to the proper Officer for enrolment, in the manner required by law.

*Government House,**Sydney, 22nd April, 1948.*

(7.) Local Government (Amendment) Bill:—

F. R. JORDAN,

Message No. 67.

By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended by subsequent 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, 22nd April, 1948.*

13. CLOSER SETTLEMENT VALIDATION BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. Baddeley, *on behalf 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. Baddeley, 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 validate the vesting of certain land in the Crown for the purposes of closer settlement under the Closer Settlement Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 22nd April, 1948.

22nd April, 1948.

14. STATUTORY SALARIES ADJUSTMENT BILL:—

(1.) 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 Mr. Carlton, Temporary Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Baddeley the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

(2.) 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 increase the salaries of the Judges of the Supreme Court and District Courts and of certain other judges and of the holders of certain other statutory offices; for this purpose to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts Act, 1900, the District Courts Act, 1912, the Public Service Act, 1902, the Forestry Act, 1916, the Irrigation Act, 1912, the Western Lands Act of 1931, the Valuation of Land Act, 1916, 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, 22nd April, 1948.

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

(1.) Swine Compensation Taxation Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to impose a stamp duty on certain records required to be kept under the Swine Compensation Act, 1928-1935, in lieu of that imposed by the Swine Compensation Taxation Act, 1945; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,

Sydney, 22nd April, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,

President.

(2.) Factories and Shops (Home Deliveries) Amendment Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to make certain provisions relating to the home delivery of certain commodities; for this purpose to amend the Factories and Shops Act, 1912-1946; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,

Sydney, 22nd April, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,

President.

(3.) Stock (Artificial Insemination) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to make provision with respect to the control and regulation of the artificial insemination of stock; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,

Sydney, 22nd April, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,

President.

16. CAMPERDOWN CEMETERY BILL:—

(1.) The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Matthews, *on behalf of 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. Matthews the Report was adopted.

22nd April, 1948.

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 dedicate part of the Camperdown Cemetery land as a public park and to provide for the appointment of trustees thereof; to vest the remainder of the land in the Church of England Property Trust Diocese of Sydney; to authorise the removal of human remains, headstones, grave enclosures, and other surface structures from parts of the land; to provide for the reinterment of such remains; to make provision for the erection of a parish hall on part of the land; to provide for the redesign and reconstruction of a cemetery area within part of the land; to provide for the payment of certain moneys to the Church of England Property Trust Diocese of Sydney; to repeal the Camperdown Cemetery Trust Act of 1871; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 22nd April, 1948.*

17. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Weir 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.

18. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Weir moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Seventeen minutes after 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. 47.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 27 APRIL, 1948.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. CONGRATULATORY ADDRESS TO THEIR MAJESTIES THE KING AND QUEEN ON THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR MARRIAGE:—Mr. James McGirr moved (*by consent*), without Notice, That this House agrees to the following Address to the King, conveying the congratulations of Parliament to Their Majesties on the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage, 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 the King's Most Excellent Majesty,—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MAJESTY,—

We, the Members of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales, in Parliament assembled, desire to approach Your Majesty, and to offer our loyal and heartfelt congratulations to Your Majesty and Our Most Gracious Queen upon the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of your marriage.

Question put and carried unanimously.

2. PAPERS:—

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

Abbotsford.	Parramatta (2).
Balmain.	Peakhurst.
Dapto.	Penrith (3).
Dundas (2).	Randwick.
Ermington.	Revesby (3).
Finley (2).	Richmond.
Granville.	Seven Hills (2).
Hurstville.	South Belmore (2).
Lithgow.	Waterloo.
Miranda.	Wentworthville (4).

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 appointments, on probation, of Mr. B. Higginbotham, Junior Livestock Officer, and Mr. H. K. C. Mair, B.Sc., Assistant Botanist, Department of Agriculture.
- (2.) Report of the Dried Fruits Board of New South Wales, together with Statement of Accounts and Appendices, for 1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

27th April, 1948.

Mr. Matthews, on behalf of Mr. Sheahan, laid upon the Table notification of resumption and acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for Public Recreation purposes at Kosciusko State Park.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

3. SUPERANNUATION (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 increase the amount payable by way of pension to employees under the Superannuation Act, 1916, as amended by subsequent Acts; to extend the scale of pension units in respect of which contributions may be made; to make certain provisions in relation to the State Superannuation Fund; for these and other purposes to amend the said Act, as so amended, the Superannuation (Amendment) Act, 1930, 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.

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Sydney, 22nd April, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

SUPERANNUATION (AMENDMENT) BILL.

Schedule of the amendment referred to in Message of 22nd April, 1948.

W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

Clause 4, page 12, line 34. Omit "fifty" insert "forty".

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.

4. WHEAT INDUSTRY IN NEW SOUTH WALES:—The Order of the Day having been read for the resumption of the adjourned Debate, on the motion of Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner,—

"(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, immediate steps should be taken by the Government to examine the general position of the Wheat Industry of this State in the light of the experience gained from the unsatisfactory handling of the 1947-1948 crop, and that special attention should be paid by it to the following matters:—

"(a) Silo management and control.

"(b) Grain elevator system and its capacity.

"(c) Operations of the Railway Department in handling wheat.

"(d) Supply of cornsacks and their distribution.

"(e) Availability of shipping.

"(f) Employment of labour in handling wheat.

"(g) Relationship between the Wheat Board and licensed receivers with particular reference to receiving agents at country centres.

"(h) Relationship between the Commonwealth and the State in the handling of wheat both on home and export markets and the terms of any agreements entered into for the disposal overseas of our surplus wheat.

"(2.) That the Government take such action as may be considered necessary to rectify existing deficiencies in the system of handling wheat."—

And the Question being again proposed,—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Renshaw, That the Honourable Member for Liverpool Plains, Mr. Nott, 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.

Ordered, That the Debate stand adjourned until To-morrow.

5. SUPERANNUATION (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.

27th April, 1948.

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 increase the amount payable by way of pension to employees under the Superannuation Act, 1916, as amended by subsequent Acts; to extend the scale of pension units in respect of which contributions may be made; to make certain provisions in relation to the State Superannuation Fund; for these and other purposes to amend the said Act, as so amended, the Superannuation (Amendment) Act, 1930, and certain other Acts; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith.*"

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 27th April, 1948.

6. TRANSPORT (OFFICERS GRATUITIES) AMENDMENT 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. 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 without amendment.

On motion of Mr. O'Sullivan the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Deputy-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 make provision for and in respect to the payment of gratuities to certain officers of The Commissioner for Road Transport and Tramways; for this purpose to amend the Transport Act, 1930-1945, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 27th April, 1948.

7. CROWN LANDS (IRRIGATION AREAS SERVICEMEN SETTLEMENT) AMENDMENT BILL:—

(1.) 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. 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 without amendment.

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

And Mr. Deputy-Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

(2.) 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 make further provision for and in relation to the settlement on irrigation areas of members of His Majesty's naval, military or air forces and other eligible persons; for this purpose to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, the Irrigation Act, 1912, and the War Service Land Settlement Act, 1941, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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Sydney, 27th April, 1948.

27th April, 1948.

8. UNIVERSITY AND UNIVERSITY COLLEGES (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Heffron 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 October, 1947.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until To-morrow.

9. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Heffron 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 Half-past Two o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 48.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 28 APRIL, 1948.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. **ADMISSION TO THE BODY OF THE HOUSE:**—Mr. James McGirr moved (*by consent*) without Notice, That Mr. Eamon de Valera, Leader of the Opposition in Dail Eireann, and a former Prime Minister of Eire, be invited to take a chair on the floor of the House.
Question put and passed.

2. **URGENCY—PRESERVATION OF SOVEREIGN POWERS OF STATE PARLIAMENTS IN RELATION TO PRICE FIXING:**—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 a Federal system of Government which preserves a balance of sovereign powers between the Parliaments of the States and the Commonwealth affords the people a strong safeguard against the establishment of a dictatorial administration by a single centralised authority;

"(2.) that the projected move by the Commonwealth Government to break down our Federal system by further limiting the powers of State Parliaments is not in the best interests of the people;

"(3.) that the State Parliament has ample power under the Constitution to fix the prices of goods produced in New South Wales and those which come into New South Wales from other States; and

"(4.) that this Parliament should give a lead to the people of New South Wales by advocating the immediate introduction of price-fixing legislation and by advising electors to vote 'No' at the forthcoming Referendum."

Point of Order:—Mr. Lazzarini submitted that the motion was out of order on the ground that the question of price-fixing was about to be submitted to the people by way of Referendum, and that the people alone could achieve the aims indicated by the motion.

Mr. Speaker said that an Honourable Member was entitled to bring before the House for discussion any matter which is submitted in accordance with the practice of the House. It was the responsibility of the House to decide whether he should be permitted to do so as a matter of urgency, and he would therefore leave the decision upon urgency to the vote of the House.

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Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 26.

Mr. Jeff Bate
Mr. Brain
Mr. Cutler
Mr. Dewley
Mr. Dickson
Mr. Drummond
Mr. Fitzgerald
Mr. Frith
Mr. Howarth
Mr. Hunter

Mr. Jackett
Mr. Kendell
Mr. Lawson
Mr. McCaw
Mr. Medcalf
Mr. Morton
Mr. Padman
Mr. John Reid
Mr. Rose
Mr. Stephens

Mr. Storey
Mr. Treatt
Mr. Vincent
Mr. Wingfield

Tellers,

Mr. Black
Mr. Chaffey

Noes, 42.

Captain Arthur
Mr. Baddeley
Mr. Booth
Mr. Fred Cahill
Mr. Cahill
Mr. Carlton
Mr. Chalmers
Mr. Clyne
Mr. William Davies
Captain Dunn
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. Roy Heferen
Mr. Heffron
Mr. Kelly
Mr. Lawrence Kelly
Mr. Landa
Mr. Lazzarini
Mr. James McGirr
Mr. McGrath
Mr. C. E. Martin

Mr. Matthews
Mr. Noble
Mr. Nott
Mr. O'Sullivan
Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Shannon
Mr. Tonge
Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Weir

Tellers,

Mr. Dring
Mr. Renshaw

And so it passed in the negative.

3. PAPERS:—

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table Amendment of Regulation under the Navigation Act, 1901-1941.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir laid upon the Table Particulars respecting the acquisition by the Government of North Wakool Estate in the District of Deniliquin, for Closer Settlement purposes.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

(1.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of easement under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the construction, for Railway purposes, of an Electric High-tension Transmission Line between Hamilton and West Maitland.

(2.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of—

- (a) Confirming the Commissioner for Railways' title to land at Bankstown.
- (b) Maintaining the traffic on the existing line of Railway between Muswellbrook and Merriwa by provision of a Road Diversion at Roxburgh.

(3.) Amendment of By-law under the Government Railways Act, 1912-1945.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. UNIVERSITY AND UNIVERSITY COLLEGES (AMENDMENT) 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.

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 Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Heffron 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. 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 increase the amount payable yearly by way of permanent endowment for the University of Sydney; for this purpose to amend the University and University Colleges Act, 1900-1937; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 28th April, 1948.*

5. GOVERNMENT GUARANTEES (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) 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 Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Baddeley the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

(2.) 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 amend the Government Guarantees Act, 1934-1943, 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 April, 1948.*

6. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) 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 Chairman reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Baddeley the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

(2.) 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 amend the Friendly Societies Act, 1912-1942, 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 April, 1948.*

7. REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES (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.

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.

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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 amend the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages Act, 1899, the Marriage Act, 1899, and certain other Acts, in certain respects; to remove doubts as to the validity of certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith;*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 28th April, 1948.*

8. SUPREME COURT AND CIRCUIT COURTS (PROTHONOTARY) 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.

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.

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 further provision in relation to the office of Prothonotary of the Supreme Court, and for the appointment from time to time of an acting Prothonotary; to amend the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts Act, 1900, the Public Service Act, 1902, the Superannuation Act, 1916, 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, 28th April, 1948.*

9. EXTENSION OF PRESENT SITTING:—Mr. Baddeley moved (*by consent*) without Notice, That paragraphs (2), (3) and (4) of the Sessional Order adopted on 15th October, 1947, be suspended for the present sitting.
Question put and passed.

10. PARLIAMENTARY SELECT COMMITTEES ENABLING BILL:—

(1.) URGENCY:—Mr. Cahill moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that the Parliamentary Select Committees Enabling 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 Parliamentary Select Committees Enabling Bill being brought in and passed through all its stages in one day.

Question put and passed.

(3.) The following Message from His Excellency the Governor was delivered by Mr. Cahill and read by Mr. Deputy-Speaker:—

F. R. JORDAN,

Message No. 68.

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 enable certain Parliamentary Select Committees to sit during the adjournment or prorogation of Parliament; and for purposes connected therewith.

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- (4.) Mr. Cahill moved, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable certain Parliamentary Select Committees to sit during the adjournment or prorogation of Parliament; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (5.) Mr. Cahill then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to enable certain Parliamentary Select Committees to sit during the adjournment or prorogation of Parliament; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—which was read a first time.

- (6.) 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. Carlton, Temporary-Chairman, reported the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Cahill the Report was adopted.

- (7.) 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 enable certain Parliamentary Select Committees to sit during the adjournment or prorogation of Parliament; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 28th April, 1948.

11. INDUSTRIAL ARBITRATION (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 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. 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 make further provisions in relation to the Industrial Commission, the conciliation commissioners and conciliation committees; for these and other purposes to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1940-1947; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 28th April, 1948.

12. CLOSER SETTLEMENT—PURCHASE OF PART CARABOST ESTATE:—Mr. Weir moved, pursuant to Notice, That pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts, this House approves of the Governor purchasing by agreement with the owners the private lands comprised in part of "Carabost" Estate owned by the Executors of the Will of R. G. Kiddle, deceased, situated near Humula, comprising an area of about 10,700 acres at the rate of 12s. 6d. per acre for an area of about 790 acres of green timbered freehold land and £4 per acre freehold basis for an area of about 9,910 acres of freehold and Conditional Lease land.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

13. CLOSER SETTLEMENT—RESUMPTION OF NORTH WAKOOL ESTATE:—Mr. Weir 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 private lands comprised in "North Wakool" Estate, owned by the

28th April, 1948.

Trustees, Settlement A. Currie, deceased, situated to the east of and adjoining the Village of Wakool and about thirty-four miles from Deniliquin, comprising an area of about 12,598 acres.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

14. LISMORE CITY COUNCIL (NIELSON PARK EXCHANGE) 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. 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.

And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

(2.) Bill, on motion of Mr. Cahill, 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 vest certain land freed and discharged from all trusts affecting the same in the Council of the City of Lismore; to empower the said Council to exchange the said land; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Council without amendment.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 28th April, 1948.

15. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Wednesday, 12th May, 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.

The House adjourned at Twenty-four minutes before Twelve o'clock, p.m., until Wednesday, 12th May, 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. 49.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 12 MAY, 1948.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. DEATH OF WILLIAM MATTHEW CURREY, ESQUIRE, V.C., MEMBER FOR KOGARAH:—
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 Matthew Currey, Esquire, V.C., Member for Kogarah.

(2.) That Mr. Speaker be requested to communicate to Mrs. Currey 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.

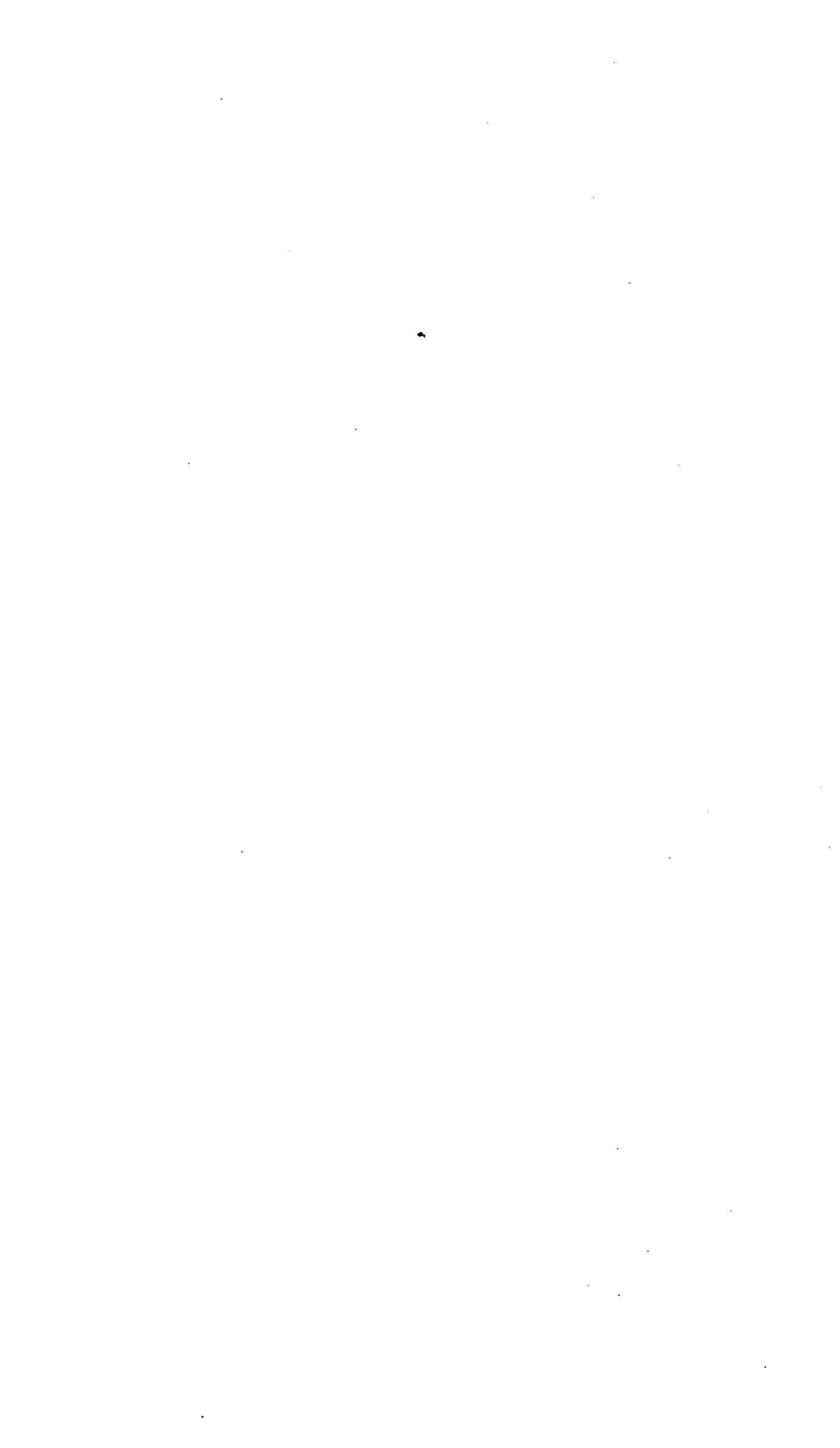
(3.) That, as a tribute of respect, this House do now adjourn until To-morrow at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

The motion having been seconded by Mr. Treatt, and supported by Mr. Vincent, Mr. Evatt, Lieut.-Colonel Robson, Mr. Carlton, Mr. Jeff Bate and Mr. McGrath,—
Question put and carried unanimously,—Members and Officers of the House standing.

The House adjourned accordingly, at 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. 50.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 13 MAY, 1948.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. VACANT SEAT—ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF COOGEE:—

- (1.) *Issue and Return of Writ*:—Mr. Speaker informed the House that, upon the passing of the resolution of 8th April, 1948, declaring vacant the seat of Lucien Lawrence Cunningham, Esquire, deceased, he issued a Writ on 12th April, 1948, for the election of a Member to serve in the room of the said Lucien Lawrence Cunningham, and such Writ had been duly returned, with a certificate endorsed thereon by the Returning Officer of the election of Kevin Ellis, Esquire, to serve as Member for the Electoral District of Coogee.
- (2.) *Member Sworn*:—Kevin Ellis, 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 Coogee.

2. VACANT SEAT—ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF KOGARAH:—

- (1.) Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received from the Registrar-General a certified copy of the certificate of death, which took place on 30th April, 1948, of William Matthew Currey, Esquire, V.C., lately serving in the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales as Member for the Electoral District of Kogarah.
 - (2.) Mr. James McGirr moved, That the seat of William Matthew Currey, Esquire, V.C., lately serving in this House as Member for the Electoral District of Kogarah, hath become, and is now, vacant by reason of the death of the said William Matthew Currey.
- Question put and passed.

3. 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, 1923-1947, during the quarter commencing 1st January, 1948, and statement relating to agreements entered into prior to the commencement of such quarter and subsisting as at 31st March, 1948.
- (2.) Substituted Forms prescribed by Regulation under the Co-operation Act, 1923-1947.
- (3.) Amendment and repeal of and new Regulations under the Public Service Act, 1902.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Copy of Report of the Board of Fire Commissioners of New South Wales for 1947.

Ordered to be printed. (*Appendices I to VI only to be printed.*)

13th May, 1948.

(2.) Balance-sheets of Art Unions under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of—

The Namoi-Walgett District Ambulance.
 Lake Macquarie War Memorial Convalescent Home Appeal.
 Ex-Naval Men's Association.
 Gundagai District War Memorial.
 Lismore District Ambulance.
 Culcairn Catholic Church.
 Miss Australia Quest (Kindergarten and Legacy).

(3.) Amendments of and new 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.) Report of the Electricity Authority of New South Wales for the year ended 30th June, 1947.

Ordered to be printed.

(2.) Regulations under the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1946.

(3.) Amendment of By-law under the Sydney Corporation Act, 1932-1947.

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

(5.) Copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. Eric Grunseit, Engineering Draftsman, Department of Public Works.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

(1.) Report of the Department of Lands, together with the Report of the Western Lands Commission, for the year ended 30th June, 1947.

Ordered to be printed.

(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, *on behalf of* Mr. Weir, laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Reports of the Soil Conservation Service for the years ended 30th June, 1946, and 30th June, 1947.

Ordered to be printed.

(2.) Report of the Department of Conservation for the year ended 30th June, 1947.

Ordered to be printed.

(3.) Notification of resumption and acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for Public Recreation purposes at Kosciuszko State Park.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Kelly laid upon the Table Proclamation under the Milk Act, 1931-1942, extending the Milk Zone to include the Manning and Gloucester Shires, the Municipalities of Taree and Wingham and portion of the Stroud Shire.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill, *on behalf of* Mr. Graham, laid upon the Table copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointments, on probation, of Mr. J. B. Mayne, Assistant Economics Research Officer, Mr. H. E. R. Beattie, B.V.Sc., Veterinary Officer, and Mr. S. J. Wilkins, Livestock Officer, Department of Agriculture.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Finnan, *on behalf of* Mr. O'Sullivan, laid upon the Table notifications of appropriation and resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purposes of—

(a) Providing a Transport Depot at Belmont.

(b) Confirming the Commissioner for Railways' title to land in the Guyra Shire.

(c) Maintaining the traffic on the existing line of Railway between Central and Tempe by the provision of Additional Railway Tracks at Redfern.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

13th May, 1948.

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

(1.) Closer Settlement Validation Bill:—

F. R. JORDAN,

Message No. 69.

By Deputation from His Excellency the Governor.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to validate the vesting of certain land in the Crown for the purposes of closer settlement under the Closer Settlement 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, 29th April, 1948.*

(2.) Stock (Artificial Insemination) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,

Message No. 70.

Governor.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to make provision with respect to the control and regulation of the artificial insemination of stock; 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 April, 1948.*

(3.) Swine Compensation Taxation Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,

Message No. 71.

Governor.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to impose a stamp duty on certain records required to be kept under the Swine Compensation Act, 1928-1935, in lieu of that imposed by the Swine Compensation Taxation 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, 30th April, 1948.*

(4.) Superannuation (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,

Message No. 72.

Governor.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to increase the amount payable by way of pension to employees under the Superannuation Act, 1916, as amended by subsequent Acts; to extend the scale of pension units in respect of which contributions may be made; to make certain provisions in relation to the State Superannuation Fund; for these and other purposes to amend the said Act, as so amended, the Superannuation (Amendment) Act, 1930; 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, 30th April, 1948.*

(5.) Factories and Shops (Home Deliveries) Amendment Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,

Message No. 73.

Governor.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to make certain provisions relating to the home delivery of certain commodities; for this purpose to amend the Factories and Shops Acts, 1912-1946; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—as finally passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, having been presented to the

13th May, 1948.

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, 1948.

(6.) Lismore City Council (Nielson Park Exchange) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,

Governor.

Message No. 74.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to vest certain land freed and discharged from all trusts affecting the same in the Council of the City of Lismore; to empower the said Council to exchange the said land; to amend the Local Government Act, 1919; 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 May, 1948.

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

(1.) Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to make further provisions in relation to the Industrial Commission, the conciliation commissioners and conciliation committees; for these and other purposes to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1940-1947; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 5th May, 1948.

T. STEELE,
Deputy-President.

(2.) Friendly Societies (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Friendly Societies Act, 1912-1942, 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, 4th May, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(3.) Supreme Court and Circuit Courts (Prothonotary) 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 office of Prothonotary of the Supreme Court, and for the appointment from time to time of an acting Prothonotary; to amend the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts Act, 1900, the Public Service Act, 1902, the Superannuation Act, 1916, 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, 4th May, 1948.

T. STEELE,
Deputy-President.

(4.) Transport (Officers' Gratuities) Amendment Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to make provision for and in respect to the payment of gratuities to certain officers of The Commissioner for Road Transport and Tramways; for this purpose to amend the Transport Act, 1930-1945, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 4th May, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.
13th May, 1948.

(5.) Crown Lands (Irrigation Areas Servicemen Settlement) Amendment Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to make further provision for and in relation to the settlement on irrigation areas of members of His Majesty's naval, military or air forces and other eligible persons; for this purpose to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, the Irrigation Act, 1912, and the War Service Land Settlement Act, 1941, as amended by subsequent Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 4th May, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(6.) Government Guarantees (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Government Guarantees Act, 1934-1943, 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, 4th May, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(7.) Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to amend the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages Act, 1899, the Marriage Act, 1899, and certain other Acts, in certain respects; to remove doubts as to the validity of certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 4th May, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(8.) University and University Colleges (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to increase the amount payable yearly by way of permanent endowment for the University of Sydney; for this purpose to amend the University and University Colleges Act, 1900-1937; to validate certain matters; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 4th May, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(9.) Parliamentary Select Committees Enabling Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to enable certain Parliamentary Select Committees to sit during the adjournment or prorogation of Parliament; and for purposes connected therewith,"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 4th May, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(10.) Statutory Salaries Adjustment Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "An Act to increase the salaries of the Judges of the Supreme Court and District Courts and of certain other judges and of the holders of certain other statutory offices; for this purpose to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts Act, 1900, the District Courts Act, 1912, the Public Service Act, 1902, the Forestry Act, 1916, the Irrigation Act, 1912, the Western Lands Act of 1901, the Valuation of Land Act, 1916, 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, 29th April, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(11.) Camperdown Cemetery Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "An Act to dedicate part of the Camperdown Cemetery land as a public park and to provide for the appointment of trustees thereof; to vest the remainder of the land in the Church of England Property Trust Diocese of

13th May, 1948.

Sydney; to authorise the removal of human remains, headstones, grave enclosures, and other surface structures from parts of the land; to provide for the reinterment of such remains; to make provision for the erection of a parish hall on part of the land; to provide for the redesign and reconstruction of a cemetery area within part of the land; to provide for the payment of certain moneys to the Church of England Property Trust Diocese of Sydney; to repeal the Camperdown Cemetery Trust Act of 1871; 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, 29th April, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

CAMPERDOWN CEMETERY BILL.

Schedule of the amendment referred to in Message of 29th April, 1948.

W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

Page 2, clause 4, line 25. Omit "Cemetery Reserve" insert "Memorial Rest Park".

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.

(12.) Rivers and Foreshores Improvement Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "An Act to provide for the carrying out of works for the removal of obstructions from and the improvement of rivers and foreshores and the prevention of erosion of lands by tidal and non-tidal waters; to make provision as to payments to be made by owners of lands benefited by such works; to constitute a Rivers and Foreshores Improvement Board; to amend the Water Act, 1912-1946, 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, 29th April, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

RIVERS AND FORESHORES IMPROVEMENT BILL.

Schedule of the amendments referred to in Message of 29th April, 1948.

W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

No. 1.—Page 6, clause 4, line 18. Omit "enter any" insert "after due notice to the owner of any lands enter such".

No. 2.—Page 10, clause 6, line 9. After "subsection" insert "or in the manner and within the time determined by the Land and Valuation Court upon any appeal against the amount specified in the notification referred to in paragraph (b) of this subsection, as the case may be".

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.

6. CAMPERDOWN CEMETERY 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.

13th May, 1948.

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 dedicate part of the Camperdown Cemetery land as a public park and to provide for the appointment of trustees thereof; to vest the remainder of the land in the Church of England Property Trust, Diocese of Sydney; to authorise the removal of human remains, headstones, grave enclosures, and other surface structures from parts of the land; to provide for the reinterment of such remains; to make provision for the erection of a parish hall on part of the land; to provide for the redesign and reconstruction of a cemetery area within part of the land; to provide for the payment of certain moneys to the Church of England Property Trust Diocese of Sydney; to repeal the Camperdown Cemetery Trust Act of 1871; and for purposes connected therewith.*"

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 13th May, 1948.

7. RIVERS AND FORESHORES IMPROVEMENT BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. Sheahan, *on behalf of Mr. Weir*, 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. Sheahan, 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 carrying out of works for the removal of obstructions from and the improvement of rivers and foreshores and the prevention of erosion of lands by tidal and non-tidal waters; to make provision as to payments to be made by owners of lands benefited by such works; to constitute a Rivers and Foreshores Improvement Board; to amend the Water Act, 1912-1946, and certain other Acts in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.*"

Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 13th May, 1948.

8. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Fowles, as Chairman, brought up the Ninth Report from the Printing Committee.
9. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Thursday, 17th June, 1948, 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 hour of meeting.
Question put and passed.
10. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
The House adjourned accordingly, at Half-past One o'clock, p.m., until *Thursday, 17th June, 1948*, at Eleven o'clock, a.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. 51.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 17 JUNE, 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 Mr. James McGirr and read by Mr. Speaker:—

(1.) Industrial Arbitration (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 75.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to make further provisions in relation to the Industrial Commission, the conciliation commissioners and conciliation committees; for these and other purposes to amend the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1940-1947; 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 May, 1948.

(2.) Camperdown Cemetery Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 76.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to dedicate part of the Camperdown Cemetery land as a public park and to provide for the appointment of trustees thereof; to vest the remainder of the land in the Church of England Property Trust Diocese of Sydney; to authorise the removal of human remains, headstones, grave enclosures, and other surface structures from parts of the land; to provide for the reinterment of such remains; to make provision for the erection of a parish hall on part of the land; to provide for the redesign and reconstruction of a cemetery area within part of the land; to provide for the payment of certain moneys to the Church of England Property Trust Diocese of Sydney; to repeal the Camperdown Cemetery Trust Act of 1871; 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 May, 1948.

17th June, 1948.

(3.) Crown Lands (Irrigation Areas Servicemen Settlement) Amendment Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 77.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to make further provision for and in relation to the settlement on irrigation areas of members of His Majesty's naval, military or air forces and other eligible persons; for this purpose to amend the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913, the Irrigation Act, 1912, and the War Service Land Settlement Act, 1941, 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, 21st May, 1948.

(4.) Friendly Societies (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 78.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Friendly Societies Act, 1912-1942, 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 May, 1948.

(5.) Government Guarantees (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 79.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Government Guarantees Act, 1934-1943, 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 May, 1948.

(6.) Parliamentary Select Committees Enabling Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 80.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to enable certain Parliamentary Select Committees to sit during the adjournment or prorogation of Parliament; 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 May, 1948.

(7.) Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 81.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages Act, 1899, the Marriage Act, 1899, and certain other Acts in certain respects; to remove doubts as to the validity of 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 May, 1948.

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(8.) Rivers and Foreshores Improvement Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 82.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to provide for the carrying out of works for the removal of obstructions from and the improvement of rivers and foreshores and the prevention of erosion of lands by tidal and non-tidal waters; to make provision as to payments to be made by owners of lands benefited by such works; to constitute a Rivers and Foreshores Improvement Board; to amend the Water 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, 21st May, 1948.

(9.) Supreme Court and Circuit Courts (Prothonotary) Amendment Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 83.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to make further provision in relation to the office of Prothonotary of the Supreme Court, and for the appointment from time to time of an acting Prothonotary; to amend the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts Act, 1900, the Public Service Act, 1902, the Superannuation Act, 1916, 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, 21st May, 1948.

(10.) Statutory Salaries Adjustment Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 84.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to increase the salaries of the Judges of the Supreme Court and District Courts and of certain other judges and of the holders of certain other statutory offices; for this purpose to amend the Constitution Act, 1902, the Supreme Court and Circuit Courts Act, 1900, the District Courts Act, 1912, the Public Service Act, 1902, the Forestry Act, 1916, the Irrigation Act, 1912, the Western Lands Act of 1901, the Valuation of Land Act, 1916, 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, 21st May, 1948.

(11.) Transport (Officers Gratuities) Amendment Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 85.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to make provision for and in respect to the payment of gratuities to certain officers of The Commissioner for Road Transport and Tramways; for this purpose to amend the Transport Act, 1930-1945, 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 May, 1948.

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(12.) University and University Colleges (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 86.

A Bill, intituled "*An Act to increase the amount payable yearly by way of permanent endowment for the University of Sydney; for this purpose to amend the University and University Colleges Act, 1900-1937; 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 May, 1948.

2. PAPER:—Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table the following Paper:—Twenty-eighth Annual Report of the State Superannuation Board, being for the year ended 30th June, 1947.
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 Wednesday, 21st July, 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.

Debate ensued.

Mr. Treatt moved, That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words after the word "until" with a view of inserting the words "Tuesday next, 22nd June, at 2.30 o'clock, p.m." instead thereof.

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 passed.

Original Question put and passed.

4. PAPERS:—

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

(1.) Copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. J. V. McAuliffe, B.Sc., Assistant Geologist, Department of Mines.

(2.) Balance-sheets of Art Unions under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of—

Newcastle Hospital War Memorial Ward.

Maitland District Ambulance Service.

Mount Colah Home for Ex-Servicemen.

R.S.S.A.I.L.A., Tumut Sub-Branch, Australian Legion of Ex-Servicemen and Women, Tumut Branch, Tumut District Hospital, Tumut A. & P. Association, and Gundagai-Tumut District Ambulance.

Lake Macquarie District Ambulance.

Red Cross Christmas Appeal.

Segenhoe Social Club.

Police Citizens Boys Club, No. 9 Division.

Liverpool District Ambulance.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

(1.) Copy of Report of the Inspector-General of Mental Hospitals for the year ended 30th June, 1947.

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

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

Argenton.

Bass Hills.

Cobar (2).

Coff's Harbour.

Coerwill.

Corrimal.

Dee Why.

Dundas.

East Bankstown.

Eastwood.

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17th June, 1948.

Granville.	Revesby.
Lilli Pilli.	Ryde (2).
Lismore.	Sutherland.
May's Hill.	Tumut.
Orange.	Wagga Wagga (2).
Pagewood.	Waitara.
Pendle Hill (3).	Waterloo.
Punchbowl.	Yagoona (2).

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, as amended.
- (2.) Amendment of By-Law under the Sydney Corporation Act, 1932-1947.

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 Mr. M. F. Redies, Analyst, Department of Agriculture.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Substituted Regulation and By-law under the Hay Irrigation Act, 1902 as amended.
- (2.) Amendments of Regulations and substituted By-laws under the Wentworth Irrigation Act, as amended.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Heffron, *on behalf of* Mr. C. E. Martin, laid upon the Table the Statistical Return relating to the Referendum on Closing Hours held 15th February, 1947, under the Liquor (Amendment) Act, 1946.

Ordered to be printed.

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

- (1.) Copies of Reports of the Commissioner for Railways for the quarters ended 30th September, 1947, 31st December, 1947, and 31st March, 1948.
- (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, as amended, during the months of March and April, 1948.
- (3.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of maintaining the traffic on the existing lines of Railway from Sydney to Bourke and Blacktown to Richmond by the provision of a loop line at Blacktown connecting the Great Western Railway with the Richmond Line.
- (4.) Amendments of Regulations under the Motor Traffic Act, 1909-1945.
- (5.) Amendments of Regulation under the Metropolitan Traffic Act, 1900, as amended.
- (6.) Amendments of Regulations under the Motor Vehicles (Third Party Insurance) Act, 1942.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Amendment of Regulation under the Factories and Shops Act, 1912-1948.
- (2.) Amendments of Regulations under the Rural Workers' Accommodation Act, 1926.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

5. ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

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

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

The House divided.

Ayes, 38.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Graham	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Booth	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Kelly	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Wattison
Mr. Clyde	Mr. Landa	Mr. Weir
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Williams
Mr. Evatt	Mr. James McGirr	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Finnan	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Dring
Mr. Fowles	Mr. C. E. Martin	Mr. Freeman
Mr. Geraghty	Mr. Matthews	
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Noble	
Mr. Gorman	Mr. Reushaw	

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Noes, 18.

Mr. Black
 Lieut.-Col. Bruzner
 Mr. Dickson
 Mr. Drummond
 Mr. Ellis
 Mr. Fitzgerald
 Mr. Frith

Mr. Howarth
 Mr. Jackson
 Mr. Jordan
 Mr. Lawson
 Mr. John Reid
 Mr. Rose
 Mr. Stephens

Mr. Storey
 Mr. Turner

Tellers,

Mr. Jack Beale
 Mr. Chaffey

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 Six minutes after One o'clock, p.m., until *Wednesday, 21st July, 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. 52.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

WEDNESDAY, 21 JULY, 1948.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. VACANT SEAT—ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF KOGARAH:—

(1.) *Issue and Return of Writ*:—Mr. Speaker informed the House that, upon the passing of the Resolution of 13th May, 1948, declaring vacant the seat of William Matthew Currey, V.C., deceased, he issued a Writ on 11th June, 1948, for the election of a Member to serve in the room of the said William Matthew Currey, V.C., and such Writ had been duly returned, with a certificate endorsed thereon by the Returning Officer of the election of Douglas Donald Cross, Esquire, to serve as Member for the Electoral District of Kogarah.

(2.) *Member Sworn*:—Douglas Donald Cross, 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 Kogarah.

2. CONGRATULATORY ADDRESS TO THEIR MAJESTIES THE KING AND QUEEN ON THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR MARRIAGE:—Mr. Speaker reported the following letter from His Excellency the Governor:—

Government House,
Sydney,
22nd June, 1948.

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 the congratulatory Address adopted by the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales on the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the marriage of Their Majesties the King and Queen:—

"I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No. 33 of the 29th April forwarding an Address from the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly conveying their congratulations to Their Majesties on the anniversary of their marriage.

"Your despatch has been laid before His Majesty the King and I have it in command to request you to convey to the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly an expression of sincere thanks from Their Majesties for the Address."

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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3. INSTALLATION IN THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY CHAMBER OF A SOUND REINFORCEMENT SYSTEM:—Mr. Speaker said that numerous representations had been made to him during his occupancy of the Chair, and similar representations had been made to his predecessors, over a period of years, as to the need for installing some system of voice reinforcement within the Chamber. Having regard to these representations, and the difficulty which Ministers, Honourable Members and Staff alike, experience in hearing debates, and, in particular during Question Time, he had made arrangements for the installation, on trial, of a sound reinforcement system, such trial installation being without cost to the Government.

Mr. Speaker said that the system would operate from to-day for a period of approximately four weeks, with a view to ascertaining the advantages, if any, of installing in the Chamber, on a permanent basis, some such sound reinforcement system. Whether or not such a system would ultimately be installed would be a matter for determination by the Government at the conclusion of the trial period.

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. James McGirr,—

- (1.) Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Bill:—

J. NORTHCOTT,
Governor.

Message No. 87.

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 relating to the control of rents of certain premises and the recovery of possession of certain premises; to repeal the Fair Rents Act, 1939; to amend the Landlord and Tenant Act of 1899, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

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Sydney, 20th July, 1948.*

- (2.) Land Sales Control 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 make provision for regulating and controlling prices payable in respect of certain transactions in land; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 20th July, 1948.*

By Mr. Finnan,—

- (3.) Prices Regulation 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 provision for the regulation of prices and rates of certain goods and services; and for purposes connected therewith.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 20th July, 1948.*

By Mr. James McGirr,—

- (4.) Supply Bill:—

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 expediency of making provision to meet the requisite expenses in connection with a Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated

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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 1948-49.

*State Government House,
Sydney, 15th July, 1948.*

Ordered to be referred to the Committee of Supply.

3. PAPERS:—

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

(1.) Interim Report by the Public Service Board into conditions at Callan Park Mental Hospital.

Ordered to be Printed.

(2.) Repeal of Regulations, and substituted Regulation under the Dentists Act, 1934-1946.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Report of the Police Department, together with Appendices, for 1947.

(2.) Amendments of Rules under the Police Regulation Act, 1890, as amended.

(3.) Amendments of By-laws under the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1924-1945.

(4.) Amendment of Regulations and Rules under the Totalizator Act, 1916-1937.

(5.) Amendment of Regulation under the Harbour and Tonnage Rates Act, 1920-1935.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

(1.) Regulations under the Coal Industry Act, 1946.

(2.) Amendments of Regulations under the Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers (Pensions) Act, 1941-1948.

(3.) Proclamation under the Mining Act, 1906-46.

(4.) Amendment of Regulation under the Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act, 1935-42.

(5.) Balance-sheets of Art Unions under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of—

Hornsby War Memorial Committee.

Cooma District Hospital.

Ballina District War Memorial.

Australian Armoured Corps Association Welfare Fund.

Dominican Convent, Newcastle.

Australian Legion of War Relatives.

North Sydney Police Citizens Boys' Club.

Newcastle Torchbearers for Legacy.

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

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

(1.) Repealed, amended and new Ordinances under the Local Government Act, 1919.

(2.) Amendment of By-laws under the Sydney Corporation Act, 1932-1947.

(3.) Amendment of Regulations under the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-46.

(4.) Accounts of the Sydney County Council Electricity Undertaking for 1947.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Cahill, on behalf of 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, 1948.

(2.) Notifications of appropriation and resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of maintaining the traffic on the existing line of Railway between—

Redfern and Tempe—Additional Railway tracks at Erskineville.

Central and Tempe—Additional Railway tracks at Erskineville.

Central and Tempe (3)—Additional Railway tracks at Redfern.

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Sydney and Bourke—Quadruplication of the line between Lidcombe and Penrith.

Sydney and Newcastle—New Railway Bridge over Wyong Creek and other work.

Sydney and Bourke—Drainage facilities at Toongabbie.

Central and Tempe—Additional Railway tracks at St. Peters.

Sydney and Mudgee—Water supply facilities at Cullen Bullen.

(3.) Notification of appropriation and resumption of easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the construction, for Railway purposes, of Electric High-tension Transmission Line between Lithgow and Orange, in the Shire of Turon.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Amendment of Regulations under the Bursary Endowment Act, 1912.
- (2.) Regulations under the Public Instruction Act, 1880.
- (3.) Notifications of resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of the Public Instruction Act, 1880, at—

Balmain East, Nicholson Street.	Oberon.
Bankstown.	Stroud.
Doonside.	Tumbarumba.
Eden.	Tumut.
Emmaville.	Whitton.
Fairfield Heights.	Young Wallsend.
Milton.	

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Amendment of Regulations under the Stock Diseases Act, 1923-1934.
- (2.) Amendment of Regulation under the Pastures Protection Act, 1934-1943.
- (3.) Regulations and Forms under the Apiaries Act, 1916-1944.
- (4.) Copies of Minutes of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. J. N. Wood, Livestock Officer, Mr. L. G. Williams and Mr. J. F. Macadam, B.V.Sc., as Veterinary Officers, Department of Agriculture.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

- (1.) Notification (2) of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of the works in connection with the Denibootea Provisional Domestic and Stock Water Supply and Irrigation District.
- (2.) Copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointment, on probation, of Mr. L. J. Squires, Soil Conservationist, Department of Conservation.
- (3.) Repeal and substituted Schedule to the Regulations under the Water Act, 1912.
- (4.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the construction of a Dam across the Macquarie River at Burrendong.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Weir, *on behalf of* Mr. C. E. Martin, laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Report of the Public Accountants Registration Board for 1947.
- (2.) Regulations under the Conveyancing Acts, 1919-1943.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Finnan laid upon the Table Amendments of Regulations under the Factories and Shops Act, 1912-1948.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Evatt laid upon the Table Notifications of resumption and acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of the Housing Act, 1912, as amended, at—

Albury.	Botany.
Argenton.	East Orange.
Bega.	Eden.
Berrima.	Ermington and Rydalmer.

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Flemington.	Penrith.
Glebe (2).	Redfern (2).
Holbrook.	Regent's Park.
Kiama.	St. Mary's.
Manly.	Seven Hills.
May's Hill.	Villawood.
Mittagong.	Wagga Wagga.
Narrabri West.	Wiley Park.
Nowra.	Willoughby.
Parramatta North.	

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 lands under section 25 of the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.
- (3.) Regulations for the management of the Methodist Portion of the Culcairn General Cemetery.
- (4.) Amended Schedule of Fees and Charges for the Presbyterian and Church of England portions of the Necropolis.
- (5.) Amended Schedule of Fees and Charges, Kiama Cemetery.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

6. URGENCY—SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—

- (1.) Mr. James McGirr moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider Motions for the introduction of the following Bills:—

- (a) Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Bill,
- (b) Land Sales Control Bill, and
- (c) Prices Regulation Bill.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. James McGirr moved, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the consideration forthwith of Motions for the introduction of the following Bills:—

- (a) Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Bill,
- (b) Land Sales Control Bill, and
- (c) Prices Regulation Bill.

Question put and passed.

7. LANDLORD AND TENANT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. Weir moved, That leave be given to bring in a Bill relating to the control of rents of certain premises and the recovery of possession of certain premises; to repeal the Fair Rents Act, 1939; to amend the Landlord and Tenant Act of 1899, 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 relating to the control of rents of certain premises and the recovery of possession of certain premises; to repeal the Fair Rents Act, 1939; to amend the Landlord and Tenant Act of 1899, 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. LAND SALES CONTROL BILL:—

- (1.) Mr. Weir moved, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision for regulating and controlling prices payable in respect of certain transactions in land; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

- (2.) Mr. Weir then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to make provision for regulating and controlling prices payable in respect of certain transactions in land; 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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9. PRICES REGULATION BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Finnan moved, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make provision for the regulation of prices and rates of certain goods and services; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Finnan then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to make provision for the regulation of prices and rates of certain goods and services; 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. URGENCY—SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS:—

(1.) Mr. Kelly moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that the following Bills, viz.:—

Supply Bill,

Friendly Societies Dispensaries Enabling (Amendment) Bill,—

be brought in and passed through all their stages in one day.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Kelly moved, That so much of the Standing Orders be suspended as would preclude the following Bills, viz.:—

Supply Bill,

Friendly Societies Dispensaries Enabling (Amendment) Bill,—

being brought in and passed through all their stages in one day.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

11. FRIENDLY SOCIETIES DISPENSARIES ENABLING (AMENDMENT) BILL:—

(1.) Mr. Kelly moved, pursuant to Notice,—That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Friendly Societies Dispensaries Enabling Act, 1945; and for purposes connected therewith.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(2.) Mr. Kelly then presented a Bill, intituled "*A Bill to amend the Friendly Societies Dispensaries Enabling Act, 1945; 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. 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 without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Kelly 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 amend the Friendly Societies Dispensaries Enabling Act, 1945; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

Legislative Assembly Chamber,

Sydney, 21st July, 1948.

12. SUPPLY (*Supply Bill*):—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. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Carlton, Temporary 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. 53.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 22 JULY, 1943.

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

Mr. Speaker offered the Prayer.

1. PAPER:—Mr. Baddeley laid upon the Table amendment of Regulation under the Police Offences (Amendment) Act, 1908, as amended.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

2. PRICES REGULATION 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. 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 make provision for the regulation of prices and rates of certain goods and services; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

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Sydney, 22nd July, 1943.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at One minute after Six o'clock, p.m., until Tuesday next at Eleven o'clock, a.m.

TUESDAY, 27 JULY, 1943, A.M.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at the hour named.

3. PAPERS:—

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—

Youth Campaign, 1946.

John Probyn Testimonial Fund.

Bega Hospital and Ambulance Auxiliary and Returned Soldiers' League.

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- (2.) Amendments of Regulations under the Weights and Measures Act, 1915.
 (3.) Amendments of Regulations under the Theatres and Public Halls Act, 1908-1946.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. LAND SALES CONTROL BILL:—

- (1.) The Order of the Day having been read, Mr. Weir moved, That this Bill be now read a second time.
 Debate ensued.

And the House continuing to sit after Mid-day,—

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Debate continued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 37.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Booth	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Landa	Mr. Wattison
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lang	Mr. Weir
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Williams
Mr. Evatt	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Finnan	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Freeman
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Noble	Mr. Gorman
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mrs. Quirk	

Noes, 30.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Rose
Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Brain	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Treatt
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Turner
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Medcalf	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Morton	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Padman	Mr. Black
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. John Reid	Mr. Cutler
Mr. Frith	Mr. Richardson	
Mr. Howarth	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 with an amendment.

On motion of Mr. Weir the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

- (2.) 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 make provision for regulating and controlling prices payable in respect of certain transactions in land; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
 Sydney, 27th July, 1948.*

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

Mr. Treatt 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 Thirteen minutes after Ten o'clock, p.m., until To-morrow at Two o'clock, p.m.

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WEDNESDAY, 28 JULY, 1948.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at the hour named.

6. PAPERS:—Mr. O'Sullivan laid upon the Table Notifications of appropriation and resumption of easements under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for Railway purposes as follow:—

- (a) Construction of an Electric High-tension Transmission Line between Lithgow and Orange, in the Shire of Turon.
 (b) Provision of Underground Electrical Cables between Ultimo and White Bay Power Stations.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

7. LANDLORD AND TENANT (AMENDMENT) 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.
 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	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Booth	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Renshaw
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Roy Heferen	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Landa	Mr. Wattison
Mr. William Davies	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Weir
Mr. Dring	Mr. James McGirr	Mr. Williams
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. McGrath	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Evatt	Mr. Matthews	Captain Arthur
Mr. Freeman	Mr. Noble	Mr. Fowles
Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mr. Nott	
Mr. Gorman	Mr. O'Sullivan	

Noes, 30.

Mr. Jeff Bate	Mr. Hearnshaw	Lieut.-Col. Robson
Mr. Brain	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Rose
Lieut.-Col. Bruxner	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Stephens
Mr. Cross	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Jackson	Mr. Turner
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Kendell	Mr. Vincent
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Lang	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Ellis	Mr. McCaw	Mr. Jack Beale
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. Morton	Mr. Chaffey
Mr. Frith	Mr. Padman	
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. Weir 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.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman reported progress and obtained leave to sit again To-morrow.

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

THURSDAY, 29 JULY, 1948, A.M.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at the hour named.

- LANDLORD AND TENANT (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.

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And the Committee continuing to sit after Mid-day,—

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

On motion of Mr. Weir the Report was adopted.

And Mr. Speaker having consented to the third reading being taken forthwith,—

(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 relating to the control of rents of certain premises and the recovery of possession of certain premises; to repeal the Fair Rents Act, 1939; to amend the Landlord and Tenant Act of 1899, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 29th July, 1948.*

9. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Fowles, as Chairman, brought up the Tenth Report from the Printing Committee.

10. 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:—

(36.) *Resolved*.—That there be granted to His Majesty:—

- (a) A sum not exceeding £3,012,200, 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, November and December, or following month of the financial year ending 30th June, 1949, to be expended at the rates which have been sanctioned for the financial year ended 30th June, 1948, subject to the rate of any reduction that may hereafter be made in the expenditure of the year 1948-1949.
- (b) A sum not exceeding £8,781,300, 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, November and December, or following month of the financial year ending 30th June, 1949, to be expended at the rates which have been sanctioned for the financial year ended 30th June, 1948, subject to the rate of any reduction that may hereafter be made in the expenditure of the year 1948-1949.
- (c) A sum not exceeding £187,500, 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, November and December, or following month of the financial year ending 30th June, 1949, to be expended at the rates which have been sanctioned for the financial year ended 30th June, 1948, subject to the rate of any reduction that may hereafter be made in the expenditure of the year 1948-1949.
- (d) A sum not exceeding £1,830,100, 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, November and December, or following month of the financial year ending 30th June, 1949, to be expended at the rates which have been sanctioned for the financial year ended 30th June, 1948, subject to the rate of any reduction that may hereafter be made in the expenditure of the year 1948-1949.
- (e) A sum not exceeding £192,400, 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, November

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and December, or following month of the financial year ending 30th June, 1949, to be expended at the rates which have been sanctioned for the financial year ended 30th June, 1948, subject to the rate of any reduction that may hereafter be made in the expenditure of the year 1948-1949.

- (f) A sum not exceeding £334,900, 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, November and December, or following month of the financial year ending 30th June, 1949, to be expended at the rates which have been sanctioned for the financial year ended 30th June, 1948, subject to the rate of any reduction that may hereafter be made in the expenditure of the year 1948-1949.

On motion of Mr. James McGirr, the Resolution was agreed to.

11. 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:—

(13.) *Resolved*,—That towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the Service of the financial year 1948-1949, the sum of £19,338,400 be granted, viz.:—£8,012,200 out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, £8,781,300 out of the Government Railways Fund, £187,500 out of the Road Transport and Traffic Fund, £1,830,100 out of the Metropolitan Transport Trust General Fund, £192,400 out of the Newcastle and District Transport Trust General Fund, and £334,900 out of the Sydney Harbour Trust Fund.

On motion of Mr. James McGirr, the Resolution was agreed to.

12. SUPPLY BILL:—

- (1.) Ordered, on motion of Mr. James McGirr, that a Bill be brought in, founded on Resolution of Ways and Means (No. 13), 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.

- (2.) Mr. McGirr then presented a Bill, intituled "*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 1948-1949*,"—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. McGirr, 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 1948-1949*,"—presents the same to the Legislative Council for its concurrence.

*Legislative Assembly Chamber,
Sydney, 29th July, 1948.*

13. PAPERS:—

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

- (1.) Report of the Broken Hill Water Board for 1947.
(2.) Amendments of Regulations under the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1946.
Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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14. 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. 91.

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 George Mullins.

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, 29th July, 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 GEORGE MULLINS 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 GEORGE MULLINS died on the fifth day of July, 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 GEORGE MULLINS 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 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 GEORGE MULLINS: And in this Our Writ the fifth day of August, 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 twelfth day of August, 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 thirteenth day of August, 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

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"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 GEORGE MULLINS as aforesaid and direct and appoint that the said
 "fifth day of August, 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 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 thirteenth day of August, 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, 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-ninth day of July, 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,

"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 the 29th July, 1948, viz., 12th August, 1948.

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

15. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. James McGirr moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Tuesday, 10th August, 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.

The House adjourned at Twenty-one minutes before Seven o'clock, p.m., until Tuesday, 10th August, 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. 54.

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

TUESDAY, 10 AUGUST, 1948.

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.) Supply Bill:—

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 1948-1949,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 5th August, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(2.) Friendly Societies Dispensaries Enabling (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council having this day agreed to the Bill, intituled "*An Act to amend the Friendly Societies Dispensaries Enabling Act, 1945; and for purposes connected therewith,*"—returns the same to the Legislative Assembly without amendment.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 5th August, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

(3.) Prices Regulation Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to make provision for the regulation of prices and rates of certain goods and services; 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, 5th August, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

PRICES REGULATION BILL.

Schedule of the amendments referred to in Message of 5th August, 1948.

W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

No. 1.—Page 10, clause 13. After line 6 insert—

"(6) A person shall not refuse to furnish any information required or to answer any question put to him pursuant to this section on the ground that his so doing might tend to incriminate him or to make him liable to any penalty.

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"(7) Any answer given orally by any person pursuant to any requirement under this section after he has been informed in the manner required by subsection five of this section shall not be admissible in evidence in any proceedings, civil or criminal, against him other than proceedings taken pursuant to subsection four of this section."

No. 2.—Pages 32 and 33, clause 35. *Omit* the whole of clause 35.

No. 3.—Page 44, clause 54. *After* line 15 *insert*—

"(2) In any prosecution for an offence against this Act a certificate under the hand of the Commissioner, an Assistant Commissioner or any person to whom the Commissioner has made a delegation under section fifty-five of this Act that a document annexed to the certificate is a true copy of a letter or notice sent by the Commissioner, Assistant Commissioner, or such person as the case may be, to the defendant shall be prima facie evidence of the matters certified to and that the original letter or notice of which the document purports to be a copy was received by the defendant on or about the time at which it would be delivered in the ordinary course of post if it had been posted on the date borne by the document, and that the signature on the certificate is the signature of the person by whom it purports to have been signed."

No. 4.—Page 45. *After* clause 58 *add* new clause to stand as clause 59:—

"59. This Act shall be administered with a view to—

"(a) the prevention of undue increases in prices and rates for goods and services;

"(b) the regulation so far as is necessary of prices and rates for goods and services which are essential to the life of the community and of goods and services in general use which are in short supply;

"(c) the progressive removal of the control of prices and rates at the earliest possible date consistent with the welfare of the community."

No. 5.—Page 47. *After* clause 61 *add* new clause to stand as clause 62:—

"62. (1) This Act shall remain in force for a period of twelve months after the commencement thereof and no longer.

"(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,—

GEO. S. ARCHER,
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.) Landlord and Tenant (Amendment) Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act relating to the control of rents of certain premises and the recovery of possession of certain premises; to repeal the Pair Rents Act, 1939; to amend the Landlord and Tenant Act of 1899, and 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, 5th August, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

LANDLORD AND TENANT (AMENDMENT) BILL.

Schedule of the amendments referred to in Message of 5th August, 1948.

W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

No. 1.—Page 4, clause 7, lines 7 to 11 inclusive. *After* "that" on line 7, *omit* all words down to and including "months" on line 11, *insert* "such premises are not ordinarily regularly and primarily leased for holiday purposes only".

No. 2.—Pages 5 and 6, clause 8. *Omit* all words on line 31, page 5, down to and including the word "months" on line 15, page 6, *insert* "are ordinarily regularly and primarily leased for holiday purposes only".

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- No. 3.—Page 37, clause 62, line 40. *At end of line insert* “or
“(p) that the lessee has parted with the possession of the premises
being a dwelling-house without the consent or approval of the lessor.”
- No. 4.—Page 38, clause 62, line 6. *Omit* “(n) and (o)” *insert* “(n), (o) and
(p)”.
- No. 5.—Page 38, clause 62. *After line 28 insert*—
“(8) Notice to quit on the ground specified in paragraph (p) of subsection
five of this section shall not be given—
“(a) where the lessee parted with the possession of the premises
before the twenty-first day of July, one thousand nine hundred
and forty-eight;
“(b) where the lease is for a fixed term—unless that term has
expired;
“(c) in the case of a periodic lease—unless the period which was
current at the date on which the parting with possession took
place has expired; or
“(d) where the lease contains any covenant against assigning,
transferring or sub-letting by the lessee.”
- No. 6.—Page 39, clause 65, line 36. *Omit* “two years” *insert* “six months”.
- No. 7.—Page 40, clause 65, lines 1 to 3 inclusive. *After* “purchase” on line 1
omit all words to end of line 3.
- No. 8.—Page 40, clause 66, line 13. *After* “not” *insert* “except by leave of
court”.
- No. 9.—Page 40, clause 66, line 14. *After* “specified” *insert* “or upon any
matter particulars of which have not been given”.
- No. 10.—Page 42, clause 70, lines 1 to 4 inclusive. *Omit* all words on these
lines, *insert* “that suitable accommodation provided by the lessor in lieu
of the prescribed premises, is immediately available for the occupation
of the person occupying the prescribed premises.”
- No. 11.—Page 42, clause 70, line 8. *After* “meaning” *insert* “of Regulation
thirty”.
- No. 12.—Page 42, clause 70, line 15. *At end of line insert* “or
“(c) the court is satisfied that the lessee has sublet or has parted with
the possession of the dwelling-house, and that he was not, at the date of
service of the notice to quit, a bona fide occupant of the dwelling-house
or any part thereof.”
- No. 13.—Page 42, clause 70. *After line 15 insert*—
“Provided further that this subsection shall not apply in the case of
proceedings for the recovery of possession of prescribed premises, being
a dwelling-house, where the proceedings are taken on any of the grounds
specified in paragraph (g) or paragraph (i) of subsection five of section
sixty-two of this Act and the lessor was the owner of the dwelling-house
on the twenty-first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and forty-
eight, or has since that date become the owner thereof pursuant to a
contract of purchase entered into on or before that date.”
- No. 14.—Page 45, clause 77, lines 29 and 30. *Omit* “three years” *insert* “twelve
months”.
- No. 15.—Page 46, clause 77, line 26. *Omit* “(j)” *insert* “(k)”.
- No. 16.—Page 57. *After clause 98 insert* new clause to stand as clause 99—
“99. (1) This Act with the exception of section two shall expire on
the thirty-first day of December, One thousand nine hundred and forty
nine.
“(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,—

GEO. S. ARCHER,
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.

10th August, 1948.

(5.) Land Sales Control Bill:—

Mr. SPEAKER,—

The Legislative Council has this day agreed to the Bill, returned herewith, intituled "*An Act to make provision for regulating and controlling prices payable in respect of certain transactions in land; 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, 5th August, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

LAND SALES CONTROL BILL.

Schedule of the amendments referred to in Message of 5th August, 1948.

W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

No. 1.—Page 5, clause 3, lines 28 to 31 inclusive. *Omit* all words on these lines.

No. 2.—Page 14. *After* clause 17 *add* new clause to stand as clause 18:—

"18. (1) This Act shall remain in force for a period of twelve months from the date of commencement thereof and no longer.

"(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,—

GEO. S. ARCHER,
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.

2. PRECEDENCE OF BUSINESS:—

(1.) URGENCY:—Mr. James McGirr 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. James McGirr 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.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

(3.) Mr. James McGirr moved, That so much of the Standing and 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.

3. PAPERS:—

Mr. Kelly laid upon the Table Report by the Public Service Board upon conditions at Callan Park Mental Hospital, together with Annexures.

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.) Regulation under the Electricity Development Act, 1945.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Graham laid upon the Table New Regulation under the Plant Diseases Act, 1924.

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, 1900-1937.

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.) Amended Schedule of Fees and Charges, General Cemeteries at Woronora and Kiama.

(3.) Notification of resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of establishing a Children's Playground at Wallendbeen.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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Mr. James McGirr laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

- (1.) Statement of Receipts and Payments of the Police Superannuation and Reward Fund for the year ended 30th June, 1948.
 - (2.) Statement of Estimated Expenditure of the Maritime Services Board in excess of that appropriated by Parliament for the year ended 30th June, 1948.
- Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

4. URGENCY—TRANSPORTATION OF THE WHEAT HARVEST TO THE SEABOARD:—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.) Because the Government has failed to take effective action to ensure transportation to the seaboard of the 1947-48 wheat harvest—

- (a) many millions of bushels of wheat at country centres are rapidly deteriorating;
 - (b) the people of Britain and of starving Europe may be denied large quantities of urgently needed foodstuffs; and
 - (c) wheat farmers and taxpayers will suffer serious financial loss.
- (2.) The rationing of railway services following the diminution of coal stocks caused by needless stoppages on the coalfields has made critical the problem of the transport of last year's wheat harvest.
- (3.) As a short-term measure for the purpose of meeting the harvest emergency, the Government should take immediate action to ensure that—
- (a) adequate coal supplies are made available to the railway authorities to enable wheat to be brought to the seaboard with the least possible delay; and
 - (b) assistance is granted to remove from wheat farmers the burden of meeting the financial loss occasioned by—
 - (i) the deterioration of the harvest; and
 - (ii) the excess cost of transport by road.
- (4.) As a long-range plan with a view to overcoming recurring coal shortages, the Government should take action to—
- (a) implement the findings of Mr. Justice Davidson, the Commissioner appointed to inquire into the coal mining industry;
 - (b) steadfastly support the authority exercising conciliatory and arbitral jurisdiction in the New South Wales coal industry; and
 - (c) provide for an effective secret ballot of rank and file unionists on all important industrial and strike issues.”

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes, 32.

Mr. Jack Beale	Mr. Frith	Lieut.-Colonel Robson
Mr. Black	Mr. Gollan	Mr. Rose
Mr. Brain	Mr. Hearnshaw	Mr. Stephens
Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner	Mr. Howarth	Mr. Treatt
Mr. Chaffey	Mr. Hunter	Mr. Turner
Mr. Cross	Mr. Jackett	Mr. Wingfield
Mr. Cutler	Mr. Jackson	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Dewley	Mr. Jordan	Mr. Jeff Bate
Mr. Dickson	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Morton
Mr. Drummond	Mr. McCaw	
Mr. Ellis	Mr. Padman	
Mr. Fitzgerald	Mr. John Reid	

Noes, 46.

Captain Arthur	Mr. Geraghty	Mr. O'Sullivan
Mr. Baddeley	Mr. W. McC. Gollan	Mrs. Quirk
Mr. Booth	Mr. Gorman	Mr. Robertson
Mr. Fred Cahill	Mr. Graham	Mr. Seiffert
Mr. Cahill	Mr. Hamilton	Mr. Shannon
Mr. Robert Cameron	Mr. Hawkins	Mr. Sheahan
Mr. Carlton	Mr. Heffron	Mr. Stanley
Mr. Chalmers	Mr. Kelly	Mr. Tonge
Mr. Clyne	Mr. Lawrence Kelly	Mr. L. J. Tully
Mr. Dring	Mr. Landa	Mr. Wattison
Captain Dunn	Mr. Lang	Mr. Weir
Mr. Enticknap	Mr. Lazzarini	Mr. Williams
Mr. Evatt	Mr. James McGirr	<i>Tellers,</i>
Mr. Finnan	Mr. McGrath	Mr. Freeman
Mrs. Fowler	Mr. Matthews	Mr. Roy Heferen
Mr. Fowles	Mr. Noble	

And so it passed in the negative.

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5. LANDLORD AND TENANT (AMENDMENT) BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. Weir, 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. Weir, 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 relating to the control of rents of certain premises and the recovery of possession of certain premises; to repeal the Fair Rents Act, 1939; to amend the Landlord and Tenant Act of 1899, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.*"

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6. LAND SALES CONTROL BILL:—The Order of the Day having been read, on motion of Mr. Weir, 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. Weir, 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 regulating and controlling prices payable in respect of certain transactions in land; and for purposes connected therewith.*"

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Sydney, 10th August, 1948.

7. PRICES REGULATION 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 make provision for the regulation of prices and rates of certain goods and services; and for purposes connected therewith.*"

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8. CLOSER SETTLEMENT—RESUMPTION OF PART "JEMALONG" ESTATE:—

(1.) URGENCY:—Mr. Sheahan moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider the following Motion, viz.:—"That pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts, this House approves of the Governor resuming from the owner the private lands comprised in part of 'Jemalong' Estate, owned by the New South Wales Pastoral Company Limited, situated near Forbes, comprising an area of about 7,880 acres."

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 following Motion, viz.:—"That pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts, this House approves of the Governor resuming from the owner the private lands comprised in part of 'Jemalong' Estate, owned by the New South Wales Pastoral Company Limited, situated near Forbes, comprising an area of about 7,880 acres."

Question put and passed.

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(3.) Mr. Sheahan moved, That pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Closer Settlement Acts, this House approves of the Governor resuming from the owner the private lands comprised in part of "Jemalong" Estate, owned by the New South Wales Pastoral Company Limited, situated near Forbes, comprising an area of about 7,880 acres.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

9. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Sheahan moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Thursday next at Twenty-five minutes after Four o'clock, p.m.

Question put and passed.

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

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

The House adjourned accordingly, at Twelve minutes after Six o'clock, p.m., until Thursday next at Twenty-five minutes after Four o'clock, p.m.

H. ROBBINS,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

W. H. LAMB,

Speaker.

New South Wales.

No. 55.

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SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT.

THURSDAY, 12 AUGUST, 1948.

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 IN PLACE OF THE HONOURABLE GEORGE MULLINS, DECEASED—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 29th July, 1948, for the commencement of the taking of the votes of Members, Mr. Speaker declared the ballot open, and the taking of 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. 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. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (AREAS) 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 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 convert and constitute as municipalities certain shires; 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.*"—with the amendments, including an amendment in the Title, indicated by the accompanying Schedule, in which amendments the Council requests the concurrence of the Legislative Assembly.

Legislative Council Chamber,
Sydney, 11th August, 1948.

E. H. FARRAR,
President.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (AREAS) BILL.

Schedule of the amendments referred to in Message of 11th August, 1948.

W. K. CHARLTON,
Clerk of the Parliaments.

- No. 1.—Page 1, Title. *Omit* “to convert and constitute as municipalities certain shires;”.
- No. 2.—Page 2, clause 1, line 9. *Omit* “1947” *insert* “1948”.
- No. 3.—Page 2, clause 3, lines 22 and 23. *Omit* “fifth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight” *insert* “first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine”.
- No. 4.—Page 3, clause 6, lines 33 and 34. *Omit* “other than the Council of the Shire of Hornsby”.
- No. 5.—Page 4, clause 7, line 16. *Omit* “eleventh” *insert* “second”.
- No. 6.—Page 4, clause 7, line 22. *Omit* “eleventh” *insert* “second”.
- No. 7.—Pages 4 to 7 inclusive, clauses 8 and 9. *Omit* clauses 8 and 9 (with headings).
- No. 8.—Pages 8 and 9, clause 10, subclauses (2) and (3). *Omit* all words on line 30, page 8, down to end of line 19, page 9.
- No. 9.—Page 10, clause 12, line 5. *Omit* “thirteen” *insert* “eleven”.
- No. 10.—Page 10, clause 12, line 5. *Omit* “fourteen” *insert* “twelve”.
- No. 11.—Page 13, clause 14, line 35. *Omit* “thirteen” *insert* “twelve”.
- No. 12.—Page 13, clause 14, line 35. *Omit* “1947” *insert* “1948”.
- No. 13.—Page 13, clause 15, line 40. *Omit* “ten” *insert* “eight”.
- No. 14.—Page 15, clause 17, line 19. *Omit* “sixteen” *insert* “fourteen”.
- No. 15.—Page 15, clause 17, line 26. *Omit* “sixteen” *insert* “fourteen”.
- No. 16.—Page 18, line 33. *Omit* “and Municipality of Hornsby”.
- No. 17.—Page 18, clause 20, lines 34 to 36 inclusive. *Omit* all words on these lines.
- No. 18.—Page 18, clause 20, line 37. *Omit* “sixth day of March” *insert* “fourth day of December”.
- No. 19.—Page 20, clause 22, lines 28 and 29. *Omit* “twenty-one” *insert* “nineteen”.
- No. 20.—Pages 21 and 22, clause 22, subclause (6). *Omit* all words on line 35, page 21, down to end of line 13, page 22.
- No. 21.—Page 23, clause 24, subclause (2), lines 25 to 29 inclusive. *Omit* all words on these lines.
- No. 22.—Page 23, clause 24, line 33. *Omit* “twenty-two” *insert* “twenty”.
- No. 23.—Page 23, clause 24, lines 34 and 35. *Omit* “or of paragraph (c) of subsection six of that section”.
- No. 24.—Page 24, clause 25, lines 14 to 30 inclusive. *Omit* clause 25 *insert* new clause as follows:—

“(1) The election of aldermen of the City of Sydney directed by the Sydney Corporation Act, 1932, as amended by subsequent Acts, to be held on the first Saturday in December, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight, and the ordinary triennial election of aldermen or councillors of each constituent area directed by the Principal Act to be held on that day shall not be held.

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"(2) The Lord Mayor and aldermen of the City of Sydney, the mayor and aldermen or president and councillors as the case may be of each constituent area who hold office as such immediately before the first Saturday in December, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight, may continue to hold such office until the appointed day, and on that day shall cease to hold office."

No. 25.—Page 27, clause 28, lines 4 to 6 inclusive. *Omit* "fifth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight" *insert* "first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine".

No. 26.—Page 27, clause 23, line 8. *Omit* "1947" *insert* "1948".

No. 27.—Page 33, clause 28, lines 18 to 29 inclusive. *Omit* all words on these lines.

No. 28.—Page 33, clause 28, line 33. *Omit* "1947" *insert* "1948".

No. 29.—Page 34, clause 28, lines 28 to 30 inclusive. *Omit* "fifth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight" *insert* "first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine".

No. 30.—Page 35, clause 28, lines 6 to 10 inclusive. *After* "the" on line 6 *omit* all words to end of line 10, *insert* "City of Sydney and the council of such city."

No. 31.—Page 41, clause 28, lines 19 and 20. *Omit* "fifth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight" *insert* "first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine".

No. 32.—Page 43, clause 28, lines 17 and 18. *Omit* "fifth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight" *insert* "first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine".

No. 33.—Page 52, clause 28, line 21. *Omit* "1947" *insert* "1948".

No. 34.—Page 60, clause 29, lines 23 to 29 inclusive. *Omit* all words on these lines, *insert*—

"Sydney,	Fairfield,	Marrickville,
Parramatta,	Holroyd,	Mosman,
Ashfield,	Hunter's Hill,	North Sydney,
Auburn,	Hurstville,	Randwick,
Bankstown,	Kogarah,	Rockdale,
Botany,	Ku-ring-gai,	Ryde,
Burwood,	Lane Cove,	Strathfield,
Canterbury,	Leichhardt,	Waverley,
Concord,	Liverpool,	Willoughby,
Drummoyne,	Manly,	Woollahra.

Metropolitan Shires.

Baulkham Hills	Hornsby,	Warringah."
Blacktown,	Sutherland,	

No. 35.—Page 60, clause 29, lines 30 and 31. *Omit* all words on these lines.

No. 36.—Page 61, clause 29, line 24. *Omit* "1947" *insert* "1948".

No. 37.—Page 61, clause 30, lines 34 to 37 inclusive. *Omit* all words on these lines.

No. 38.—Page 62, clause 30, line 9. *Omit* "1947" *insert* "1948".

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No. 39.—Pages 63 and 64, clause 31, Second Schedule (line 21, page 63, to line 23, page 64). *Omit* Second Schedule *insert* new Schedule as follows:—

"SECOND SCHEDULE.

Constituencies.	Areas.	Number of members to be elected.
First	{ Sydney } { Marrickville }	1
Second	{ Waverley } { Botany } { Kogarah } { Canterbury } { Woollahra } { Randwick } { Rockdale } { Hurstville }	1
Third	{ Ashfield } { Burwood } { Concord } { Auburn } { Leichhardt } { Strathfield } { Drummoyne } { Bankstown }	1
Fourth	{ Warringah } { Mosman } { Willoughby } { Lane Cove } { Hornsby } { Manly } { North Sydney } { Ku-ring-gai } { Hunter's Hill } { Ryde }	1
Fifth	{ Baulkham Hills } { Colo } { Greater Wollongong } { Liverpool } { Wollondilly } { Parramatta } { Penrith } { Blacktown } { Fairfield } { Camden } { Campbelltown } { Sutherland } { Holroyd } { Windsor }	1
	That part of Shellharbour which is described in a proclamation issued by the Governor under this Act, declaring that part to be within the area of operations of the Board, which proclamation is published in the <i>Gazette</i> Number 19 of 23rd February, 1945."	

No. 40.—Page 64, clause 31, line 27. *Omit* "Act" *insert* "section".

No. 41.—Page 65, clause 31, line 4. *Omit* "both".

No. 42.—Page 65, clause 31, line 4. *Omit* "and the Second".

No. 43.—Page 65, clause 31, line 8. *Omit* "Third" *insert* "Second".

No. 44.—Page 65, clause 31, line 12. *Omit* "Fourth" *insert* "Third".

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- No. 45.—Page 65, clause 31, line 13. *Omit* "and".
- No. 46.—Page 65, clause 31, line 16. *Omit* "Fifth" insert "Fourth".
- No. 47.—Page 65, clause 31. *After* line 17 insert—
 "(v) The Fifth constituency as described in the substituted Schedule shall be deemed to correspond with the Fifth constituency as described in the repealed Schedule."
- No. 48.—Page 65, clause 31, line 26. *Omit* "1947" insert "1948".
- No. 49.—Page 66, clause 31, lines 35 and 36. *Omit* all words on these lines, insert "first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine".
- No. 50.—Page 66, clause 31, line 40. *Omit* "1947" insert "1948".
- No. 51.—Page 67, clause 32, lines 10 and 11. *Omit* "fifth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight" insert "first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine".
- No. 52.—Page 67, clause 32, line 28. *Omit* "May" insert "March".
- No. 53.—Page 67, clause 32, line 29. *Omit* "forty-eight" insert "forty-nine".
- No. 54.—Page 68, clause 32, lines 19 and 20. *Omit* "fifth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight" insert "first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine".
- No. 55.—Page 68, clause 32, lines 23 to 26 inclusive. *After* "persons" on line 23, *omit* all words to end of line 26, insert "one of whom shall be appointed by the Council of the Municipality of Ashfield, one by the Council of the Municipality of Leichhardt, and one jointly by the Councils of the City of Sydney and the Municipality of Marrickville".
- No. 56.—Page 68, clause 32, line 20. *Omit* "that council" insert "one of such councils".
- No. 57.—Page 69, clause 32, lines 6 to 19 inclusive. *Omit* all words on these lines, insert—
 "City of Sydney, except that part which represented the area of the Municipality of Newtown as constituted immediately before 1st January, 1949.
 Auburn.
 Botany.
 Burwood.
 Canterbury.
 Concord.
 Drummoyne.
 Hunter's Hill.
 Ku-ring-gai.
 Lane Cove.
 Leichhardt, except those parts which immediately before 1st January, 1949, were included in the areas as then constituted of the Municipality of Balmain and the Municipality of Leichhardt.
 Marrickville, except that part which immediately before 1st January, 1949, was included in the Municipality of Petersham.
 Mosman.
 North Sydney.
 Parramatta, except those parts which immediately before 1st January, 1949, were included in the areas as then constituted of the City of Parramatta, the Municipality of Granville and the Municipality of Dundas.
 Randwick.
 Ryde, except that part which represented the area of the Municipality of Eastwood, as constituted immediately before 1st January, 1949.
 Strathfield.
 Waverley.
 Willoughby.
 Woollahra."
- No. 58.—Page 69, clause 32, line 22. *Omit* "1947" insert "1948".
- No. 59.—Page 69, clause 32, lines 26 and 27. *Omit* all words on these lines, insert "first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine".
- No. 60.—Page 69, clause 32, line 29. *Omit* "1947" insert "1948".

No. 61.—Page 70, clause 32, Schedule Three, lines 11 to 20 inclusive. *Omit* Schedule Three, *insert* new Schedule—

"SCHEDULE THREE.

Constituencies.	Area.	Number of councillors to be elected.
First ..	City of Sydney	3
Second ..	(Auburn)	2
	(Burwood)	
	(Canterbury)	
	(Concord)	
	(Drummoyne)	
	(Leichhardt)	
	(Marrickville)	
Third ..	(Strathfield)	2
	(Botany)	
	(Randwick)	
	(Waverley)	
Fourth ..	(Woollahra)	2
	(Hunter's Hill)	
	(Ku-ring-gai)	
	(Lane Cove)	
	(Mosman)	
	(North Sydney)	
	(Parramatta)	
(Ryde)		
	(Willoughby")	

- No. 62.—Page 70, clause 32, lines 24 and 25. *Omit* all words on these lines, *insert* "fourth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight".
- No. 63.—Page 70, clause 32, lines 30 and 31. *Omit* "sixth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and forty-seven" *insert* "first Saturday in December, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight".
- No. 64.—Page 70, clause 32, lines 35 and 36. *Omit* "sixth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and forty-seven" *insert* "first Saturday in December, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight".
- No. 65.—Page 70, clause 32, line 39. *Omit* "1947" *insert* "1948".
- No. 66.—Page 71, clause 32, line 13. *Omit* "1947" *insert* "1948".
- No. 67.—Page 72, clause 32, line 9. *Omit* "1947" *insert* "1948".
- No. 68.—Page 74, clause 34, line 12. *Omit* "1947" *insert* "1948".
- No. 69.—Page 74, clause 35, lines 26 and 27. *Omit* all words on these lines, *insert* "fourth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight".
- No. 70.—Page 74, clause 35, lines 31 and 32. *Omit* "sixth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and forty-seven" *insert* "first Saturday in December, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight".
- No. 71.—Page 74, clause 35, line 38. *Omit* "forty-eight" *insert* "forty-nine".
- No. 72.—Page 75, clause 35, lines 4 and 5. *Omit* "fifth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight" *insert* "first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine".
- No. 73.—Page 75, clause 35, lines 26 and 27. *Omit* "fifth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight" *insert* "first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine".
- No. 74.—Page 76, clause 36, lines 5 to 7 inclusive. *Omit* "and the council of the Municipality of Hornsby as constituted under that Part" *insert* "and the councils of the Municipalities of Ashfield, Concord, Hunter's Hill, Kogarah, Mosman, Waverley and of the Shire of Hornsby".
- No. 75.—Page 76, clause 36, lines 7 and 8. *Omit* "fifth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight" *insert* "first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine".

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- No. 76.—Page 76, clause 36, lines 18 and 19. *Omit* "fifth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight" *insert* "first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine".
- No. 77.—Page 76, clause 36, lines 24 to 26 inclusive. *Omit* "of Hornsby and Sutherland as constituted under that Part and the councils of the municipalities of Bankstown and Canterbury" *insert* "and Shires specified in the Sixth Schedule".
- No. 78.—Page 77, clause 36, lines 2 to 4 inclusive. *After* "Act" on line 2 *omit* all words to end of line 4, *insert* "or specified in the Sixth Schedule; and".
- No. 79.—Page 77, clause 36, lines 6 and 7. *Omit* "fifth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight" *insert* "first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine".
- No. 80.—Page 77, clause 37, lines 24 and 25. *Omit* "fifth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight" *insert* "first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine".
- No. 81.—Page 78, clause 39, line 25. *Omit* "1947" *insert* "1948".
- No. 82.—Page 78, clause 39, lines 30 to 32 inclusive. *Omit* "fifth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight" *insert* "first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine".
- No. 83.—Page 80, clause 39, line 8. *Omit* "1947" *insert* "1948".
- No. 84.—Page 81, clause 40, line 16. *Omit* "1947" *insert* "1948".
- No. 85.—Pages 83 and 84, clause 42. *Omit* "or" on line 35 of page 83 and *omit* all words on lines 1 and 2 on page 84.
- No. 86.—Page 84, clause 42, line 5. *Omit* "or of such municipality as the case may be".
- No. 87.—Page 85, clause 45, lines 18 to 36 inclusive. *Omit* clause 45.
- No. 88.—Page 86, clause 46, line 3. *Omit* "forty-eight" *insert* "forty-nine".
- No. 89.—Pages 87 to 93 inclusive, First Schedule. *Omit* First Schedule, *insert* new Schedule as follows:—

"FIRST SCHEDULE.

Grouping of Areas.

Areas.	Name of Group.
<i>First Group.</i>	
City of Sydney, Municipalities of Alexandria, Darlington, Erskineville, The Glebe, Newtown, Paddington, Redfern and Waterloo.	Sydney.
<i>Second Group.</i>	
City of Parramatta, Municipalities of Granville, Dundas and Ermington and Rydalmere.	Parramatta.
<i>Third Group.</i>	
Municipalities of Castlereagh, Penrith, St. Mary's, and "A" Riding of Nepean Shire.	Penrith.
<i>Fourth Group.</i>	
Municipalities of Fairfield and Cabramatta and Canley Vale.	Fairfield.
<i>Fifth Group.</i>	
Municipalities of Campbelltown and Ingleburn.	Campbelltown.
<i>Sixth Group.</i>	
Municipality of Camden and "C" Riding of Nepean Shire.	Camden.
<i>Seventh Group.</i>	
Municipalities of Auburn and Lidcombe.	Auburn.
<i>Eighth Group.</i>	
Municipality of Strathfield and West Ward of Municipality of Enfield.	Strathfield.

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FIRST SCHEDULE—continued.
Grouping of Areas—continued.

Areas.	Name of Group.
<i>Ninth Group.</i>	
Municipality of Burwood and Central Ward and East Ward of Municipality of Enfield.	Burwood.
<i>Tenth Group.</i>	
Municipalities of Marrickville, St. Peters and Petersham.	Marrickville.
<i>Eleventh Group.</i>	
Municipalities of Bexley and Rockdale.	Rockdale.
<i>Twelfth Group.</i>	
Municipalities of Annandale, Leichhardt and Balmain.	Leichhardt.
<i>Thirteenth Group.</i>	
Municipalities of Botany and Mascot.	Botany.
<i>Fourteenth Group.</i>	
Municipalities of Windsor and Richmond.	Windsor.
<i>Fifteenth Group.</i>	
Municipalities of Eastwood and Ryde.	Ryde.
<i>Sixteenth Group.</i>	
Municipalities of Vacluse and Woollahra.	Woollahra.
<i>Seventeenth Group.</i>	
Municipality of Liverpool and "B" Riding of Nepean Shire."	Liverpool.

No. 90.—Pages 94 to 98 inclusive, Second Schedule. Omit Second Schedule, insert new Schedule as follows:—

"SECOND SCHEDULE.

Wards.

Name of United Area.	Number of Wards of United Area.	Name of Wards of United Area.	Number of Aldermen to be elected for each Ward.	Name of Constituent Area and of Ward or Riding of Constituent Area comprising the Wards of United Area.	
1. City of Sydney ..	9	Fitzroy	4	City of Sydney. Municipality of Darlington.	
		Flinders	4		
		Gipps	4		
		Macquarie	4		
		Phillip and Municipality of Darlington	4		
		Glebe	2		Municipality of The Glebe.
		Paddington	2		Municipality of Paddington.
		Redfern	2		Municipality of Redfern.
		Newtown	4		Municipalities of Alexandria, Erskineville, Newtown and Waterloo.
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2. City of Parramatta ..	4	First	9	City of Parramatta.	
		Second	6	Municipality of Granville.	
		Third	4	Municipality of Dundas.	
		Fourth	2	Municipality of Ermington and Rydalmere.	
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Wards—continued.

Name of United Area.	Number of Wards of United Area.	Name of Wards of United Area.	Number of Aldermen to be elected for each Ward.	Name of Constituent Area and of Ward or Riding of Constituent Area comprising the Wards of United Area.
3. Penrith ..	4	First	9	Municipality of Penrith.
		Second	9	Municipality of St. Mary's.
		Third	3	"A" Riding of Shire of Nepean.
		Fourth	3	Municipality of Castlereagh.
			24	
4. Fairfield ..	2	First	9	Municipality of Fairfield.
		Second	9	Municipality of Cabramatta and Canley Vale.
			18	
5. Campbelltown.	2	First	9	Municipality of Campbelltown.
		Second	7	Municipality of Ingleburn.
			16	
6. Camden ..	2	First	9	Municipality of Camden.
		Second	3	"C" Riding of Shire of Nepean.
			12	
7. Auburn ..	2	First	9	Municipality of Auburn.
		Second	9	Municipality of Lidcombe.
			18	
8. Strathfield ..	2	First	12	Municipality of Strathfield.
		Second	3	West Ward of the Municipality of Enfield.
			15	
9. Burwood ..	5	First	4	North Ward of Municipality of Burwood.
		Second	4	South Ward of Municipality of Burwood.
		Third	4	East Ward of Municipality of Burwood.
		Fourth	3	Central Ward of Municipality of Enfield.
		Fifth	3	East Ward of Municipality of Enfield.
			18	
10. Murrickville	10	First	2	North Ward of Municipality of Murrickville.
		Second	2	South Ward of Municipality of Murrickville.
		Third	2	East Ward of Municipality of Murrickville.
		Fourth	2	West Ward of Municipality of Murrickville.
		Fifth	2	Lewisham Ward of Municipality of Petersham.
		Sixth	2	South Kingston Ward of Municipality of Petersham.
		Seventh	3	North Ward and Brompton Ward of Municipality of St. Peters.
		Eighth	3	Bellevue Ward and Tempe Ward of Municipality of St. Peters.
		Ninth	2	Sydenham Ward of Municipality of Petersham.
		Tenth	2	Annandale Ward of Municipality of Petersham.
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Wards—continued.

Name of United Area.	Number of Wards of United Area.	Name of Wards of United Area.	Number of Aldermen to be elected for each Ward.	Name of Constituent Area and of Ward or Riding of Constituent Area comprising the Wards of United Area.
11. Rockdale ..	2	First	6	Municipality of Bexley.
		Second	9	Municipality of Rockdale.
			15	
12. Leichhardt	4	First	4	Municipality of Annandale.
		Second	6	Municipality of Leichhardt.
		Third	3	North-east Ward and South-east Ward of Municipality of Balmain.
		Fourth	3	North Ward and South-west Ward of Municipality of Balmain.
			16	
13. Botany ..	2	First	8	Municipality of Botany.
		Second	9	Municipality of Mascot.
			17	
14. Windsor ..	2	First	9	Municipality of Windsor.
		Second	8	Municipality of Richmond.
			17	
15. Ryde ..	2	First	9	Municipality of Ryde.
		Second	6	Municipality of Eastwood.
			15	
16. Woollahra ..	5	First	3	Piper Ward of Woollahra Municipality.
		Second	3	Edgecliff Ward of Woollahra Municipality.
		Third	3	Bellevue-Rose Bay Ward of Woollahra Municipality.
		Fourth	3	Double Bay Ward of Woollahra Municipality.
		Fifth	3	Municipality of Vaucluse.
			15	
17. Liverpool ..	2	First	9	Municipality of Liverpool.
		Second	3	"B" Riding of Nepean Shire."
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No. 91.—Page 99, line 2. *Omit "1947" insert "1948".*No. 92.—Page 99, Third Schedule, lines 11 and 12. *Omit "for the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-seven" insert "and in force at the date of this my declaration".*No. 93.—Page 99, Third Schedule, lines 17 and 18. *Omit "or in any other ward".*No. 94.—Page 100. *After line 53 add new Schedule to stand as Sixth Schedule:—*

"SIXTH SCHEDULE.

*Municipalities and Shires.**Municipalities.*

Ashfield.
Bankstown.
Canterbury.
Concord.
Drummoyne.

Holroyd.
Hunter's Hill.
Hurstville.
Kogarah.
Ku-ring-gai.

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SIXTH SCHEDULE—continued.

Municipalities and Shires—continued.

Municipalities—continued.

Lane Cove.
Manly.
Mosman.
North Sydney.

Randwick.
Waverley.
Willoughby.
Woollahra.

Shires.

Baulkham Hills.
Blacktown.
Hornsby.

Sutherland.
Warringah".

Examined,—

Geo. S. ARCHER,

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.

3. PAPER:—Mr. Sheahan laid upon the Table Particulars respecting the resumption by the Government of part "Jemalong" Estate in the District of Forbes, for Closer Settlement purposes.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair at Twenty-eight minutes before Seven o'clock, p.m., until Tuesday next, at two o'clock, p.m.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at the hour named.

4. LANDLORD AND TENANT (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. 92.

A Bill, intituled "An Act relating to the control of rents of certain premises and the recovery of possession of certain premises; to repeal the Fair Rents Act, 1939; to amend the Landlord and Tenant Act of 1899, 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, 13th August, 1948.

5. CASE OF CLIFFORD TASMAN THOMPSON:—

(1.) URGENCY:—Mr. Jeff Bate moved, That it is a matter of urgent necessity that this House should forthwith consider the following motion, viz.:—"That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, all official files and papers relating to the case of Clifford Tasman Thompson who was sentenced to death on 28th March, 1945, with particular reference to,—

- (a) the commutation of the sentence to twelve years' penal servitude; and
(b) Thompson's release from prison after serving a little over three years."

Question put and passed.

(2.) SUSPENSION OF STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS:—Mr. Bate moved, That so much of the Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended as would preclude the consideration forthwith of the following motion, viz.:—"That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, all official files and papers relating to the case of Clifford Tasman Thompson, who was sentenced to death on 28th March, 1945, with particular reference to,—

- (a) the commutation of the sentence to twelve years' penal servitude; and
(b) Thompson's release from prison after serving a little over three years."

Question put and passed.

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(3.) Mr. Bate moved, That an Address be presented to the Governor, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid upon the Table of this House, all official files and papers relating to the case of Clifford Tasman Thompson, who was sentenced to death on 28th March, 1945, with particular reference to,—

- (a) the commutation of the sentence to twelve years' penal servitude; and
- (b) Thompson's release from prison after serving a little over three years.

Debate ensued.

Question put and passed.

6. PAPERS:—

Mr. James McGirr 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 Act, 1923-1947, during the quarter commencing 1st April, 1948, and statement relating to Agreements entered into prior to the commencement of such quarter and subsisting as at 30th June, 1948.

(2.) Report of the Registrar of Co-operative Societies for the year ended 30th June, 1946.

(3.) Copy of the Certificate of the Returning Officer under the Constitution (Legislative Council Elections) Act, 1932-1937, respecting the election of James Denis Kenny, Esquire, as a Member of the Legislative Council of New South Wales together with *Gazette* notices.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

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

- Canterbury Stormwater Drainage.
- Cremorne Junction Police Station.
- Emu Plains Prison Farm.
- Fairfield Police Station.
- Fish River Water Supply Scheme.
- Lidcombe Stormwater Drainage.
- Malabar Police Station.
- Randwick Stormwater Drainage (3).
- Rural Bank (4).
- Southern Electricity Supply of New South Wales (3).
- Strathfield Stormwater Drainage.
- Tabulam Aborigines' Reserve.

(2.) Notifications of acquisition of land and easements under the Local Government Act, 1919, in the following areas:—

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| Albury City. | Leichhardt Municipality. |
| Auburn Municipality. | Lismore City (2). |
| Bankstown Municipality (3). | Liverpool Municipality. |
| Bexley Municipality (2). | Maitland City (2). |
| Bland Shire. | Marrickville Municipality. |
| Blue Mountains City. | North Sydney Municipality (4). |
| Cabramatta and Canley Vale Municipality. | Oberon Shire. |
| Coolah Shire. | Randwick Municipality. |
| Goulburn City. | Redfern Municipality. |
| Greater Wollongong City. | Rockdale Municipality. |
| Imlay Shire. | Ryde Municipality (3). |
| Kogarah Municipality (2). | St. Peters Municipality. |
| Ku-ring-gai Municipality (2). | Sutherland Shire (2). |
| Lake Macquarie Shire (4). | Waverley Municipality. |

(3.) Notifications of acquisition of land and easements under the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1924-1945, for the following purposes:—

- Lidcombe Water Pipe Line.
- Newport Water Supply (2).
- Orphan School Creek Stormwater Channel.

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(4.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Public Hospitals Act, 1929-1943, for the purpose of the following hospitals:—

- Auburn District Hospital.
- Gilgandra District Hospital.
- Maitland Hospital.
- Marrickville District Hospital (2).

(5.) Notifications of acquisition of land under the Forestry Act, 1916-1935, for the purposes of the following State Forests:—

- Canobolas.
- Jack's Creek (No. 270).

(6.) Notification of acquisition of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for the purpose of the State Tileworks at Blacktown.

(7.) Notifications of acquisition of lands under the Grafton and South Grafton Water Supply Administration Act, 1915-1946, for the following purposes:—

- Service Reservoir Site, South Grafton.
- Service Reservoir Site, Junction Hill, Grafton.

(8.) Notifications of acquisition of land and easement under the Broken Hill Water and Sewerage Act, 1938, for the following purposes:—

- Service Reservoir Site.
- Broken Hill Water Supply Pipelines.

(9.) Amendments of By-laws under the Sydney Corporation Act, 1932-1947.

(10.) Regulations under the Gas and Electricity Act, 1935-1946.

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 for 1946.

Ordered to be printed.

(2.) Copy of Minute of the Public Service Board respecting the appointments, on probation, of Mr. C. J. Levick, Dairy Officer, Mr. A. N. Sinclair and Mr. G. J. Skillman, Veterinary Officers, Department of Agriculture.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

Mr. Finnan, *on behalf of* Mr. Baddeley, laid upon the Table the following Papers:—

(1.) Minute of suspension or variation of Statutes administered by the Chief Secretary's Department during the year ended 30th June, 1948.

(2.) Balance-sheets of Art Unions under the Lotteries and Art Unions Act, 1901, as amended, in aid of:—

- Roseville Returned Soldiers' League Memorial.
- Tamworth Police and Citizens' Boys' Club.
- Lourdes T.B. Hospital, Killara.
- Gundagai District War Memorial Fund.
- Gunnedah District Ambulance Service.
- Anti-T.B. Association of New South Wales.
- Lockhart Soldiers' Memorial Hall Fund.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

(1.) Amended Schedules of Fees and Charges of the Northern Suburbs General Cemetery and the Roman Catholic Portion of the Necropolis.

(2.) Regulations for the management of the Presbyterian Portion of the General Cemetery at Warren.

(3.) Notification of resumption of land under the Public Works Act, 1912, as amended, for Public Recreation purposes at Tooraweanah.

(4.) *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.

(5.) 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. Weir laid upon the Table Regulations and Forms under the Crown Lands Consolidation Act, 1913.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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Mr. Weir, *on behalf of Mr. C. E. Martin*, laid upon the Table substituted Regulations under the Conveyancing Acts, 1919-1943.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

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

(1.) Amendment of Regulation under the Sydney Harbour Bridge (Administration) Act, 1932.

(2.) Statement of Traffic secured to Railway Transport by the exercise of the powers conferred on the Commissioner for Railways under section 24 (3) and (4) of the Government Railways Act, 1912-1945, for the month of June, 1948.

(3.) By-law under the Government Railways Act, 1912-1945.

Referred by Sessional Order to the Printing Committee.

7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (AREAS) 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, including the amendment in the Title.

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 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,*" including the amendment in the Title.

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

8. PRINTING COMMITTEE:—Mr. Fowles, as Chairman, brought up the Eleventh Report from the Printing Committee.

9. SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT:—Mr. Cahill moved, That, unless otherwise ordered, this House, at its rising This Day, do adjourn until Thursday, 16th September, 1948, 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 hour of meeting.

Question put and passed.

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 Six o'clock, p.m., until Thursday, 16th September, 1948, at Eleven o'clock, a.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.



PROCLAMATION.

NEW SOUTH WALES, TO WIT. (L.S.) J. NORTHCOTT, <i>Governor.</i>	}	By 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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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!

1947-48.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

BUSINESS UNDISPOSED OF AT THE CLOSE OF
THE SESSION.

(PROROGUED, 15TH SEPTEMBER, 1948.)

QUESTIONS:—

1. Rationing of Electricity:—Mr. Landa to ask the Secretary for Public Works and Minister for Local Government:—
- (1.) Is it a fact that electricity blackouts have caused much damage to equipment and loss to business people, particularly in the Eastern Suburbs?
 - (2.) Is he satisfied that the proposed rationing plan is necessary?
 - (3.) Will he inform the House (a) what machinery is necessary to place the County Council in a position to provide all electricity required; (b) whether the machinery has been ordered; (c) if it has, where has it been ordered and when; (d) has the County Council taken all steps of prudent and efficient business men to acquire this machinery; (e) did the County Council order any equipment from the United States of America; (f) if so, would he stipply particulars; (g) is any of the new machinery capable of using oil instead of coal?
 - (4.) Will he consider amending the Act to provide the right of a consumer to sue for damages if equipment is damaged and loss sustained through electricity failures?
 - (5.) Will he hold an inquiry to see whether the Council is being efficiently conducted and to examine the reasons why new and established industries have been able to bring out necessary machinery and the County Council has failed to prepare for the post-war demands?
2. New England University College—Salaries of Lecturers:—Mr. Drummond to ask the Premier and Colonial Treasurer:—
- (1.) Is it a fact that the purchasing power of the £A has dropped 50 per cent. to 60 per cent.
 - (2.) Is it a fact that the lecturers of the University of Sydney have recently received increases in salary made retrospective to the 1st July, 1947?
 - (3.) Is it further a fact that lecturers of the New England University College performing similar work to those at the University of Sydney have not received increases in salary?
 - (4.) If the answer to (3.) above is in the affirmative, can he inform the House (a) whether it is due to reluctance on the part of the Senate of the Sydney University to draw upon funds provided, or (b) whether it is due to the failure of the Government to make provision for the necessary funds?
 - (5.) If the answer to (4.) (a) above is in the affirmative, will he bring down a Bill of Autonomy for the New England University College, making adequate provision for the financial administration thereof?
 - (6.) If the answer to (4.) (b) above is in the affirmative will he grant the abovementioned Autonomy, but in any case give to the New England University College lecturers retrospective salary increases similar to those granted to the lecturers of the Sydney University?

3. Building Materials for Devonshire-street Flat Project:—Mr. Chaffey to ask the Minister for Housing:—
- (1.) What quantities of the following materials are estimated to be required for the Devonshire-street flat project proposed by him:—(a) bricks; (b) roofing tiles and/or roofing iron; (c) cement; (d) reinforcing steel; (e) timber; (f) stoves; (g) bath-tubs; (h) water piping; (i) window glass?
- (2.) Will these materials be the subject of a special release by the Department of Building Materials or will the required materials be taken from the regular allocation allowed the Housing Commission?
4. Workmen's Compensation, Broken Hill:—Mr. Davidson to ask the Minister for Labour and Industry and Social Welfare:—
- (1.) Is it a fact that the Workmen's Compensation (Broken Hill) Act is in effect a legal agreement between the Broken Hill mine-owners and the Government?
- (2.) Is it also a fact that the compensation at present payable under the Act was assessed on the basis of the cost of living in 1921 and has not since been altered?
- (3.) Is it further a fact that this has brought about a deplorably low standard of living for those who are beneficiaries under the provisions of the Act?
- (4.) In order to prevent further reductions in the standard of living of beneficiaries, will he confer with the mine-owners with a view of inserting a provision in the Act to provide for adjustment of the amount of compensation payable to accord with the increase in the cost of living?

GOVERNMENT BUSINESS—NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. Mr. CAHILL to move,—

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.

2. Mr. EVATT to move,—

That pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Housing Act, 1912, this House approves of the Governor resuming from the owners the private lands, the value of which exceeds £20,000, being All that piece or parcel of land situate in the Municipality of North Sydney, parish of Willoughby, county of Cumberland, being part of portion 334 (of parish): Commencing at the intersection of the eastern side of Walker-street with the southern side of Mount-street and bounded thence on the north by the said southern side of Mount-street easterly to its intersection with the western side of Arthur-street; on the east by that side of Arthur-street southerly to its intersection with the north-eastern side of the Pacific Highway; on the south-west by that side of the Pacific Highway north-westerly to its intersection with the eastern side of Walker-street aforesaid; and on the west by that side of that street northerly to the point of commencement.

3. Mr. EVATT to move,—

That pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Housing Act, 1912, this House approves of the Governor resuming from the owners the private lands, the value of which exceeds £20,000, being All that piece or parcel of land situate in the City of Sydney, parishes of St. Lawrence and Alexandria, county of Cumberland: Commencing at the intersection of the eastern side of College-street with the southern side of Francis-street, and bounded thence on the north by the southern side of Francis-street aforesaid easterly to its intersection with the western side of Yurong-street; on the east by that western side of Yurong-street southerly to its intersection with the northern side of Liverpool-street; on the south and the south-west respectively by that northern side of Liverpool-street and its north-westerly continuation, westerly and north-westerly to the eastern side of College-street aforesaid; and on the west by that side of that street northerly to the point of commencement.

4. Mr. EVATT to move,—

That pursuant and subject to the provisions of the Housing Act, 1912, this House approves of the Governor resuming from the owners the private lands, the value of which exceeds £20,000, being All those pieces or parcels of land situate in the Municipality of Newtown, parish of Petersham, county of Cumberland, being parts of an area of 240 acres originally granted to William Bligh by Crown Grant dated 10th August, 1806, and being also the whole of Sections 4, 5, 6 and 7 of a subdivision known as O'Connell Town: Commencing

at the intersection of the north-western side of Mechanic-street with the north-eastern side of Church-street, and bounded thence on the south-west by that north-eastern side of Church-street north-westerly to its intersection with the south-eastern side of Prospect-street; on the north-west by that side of that street north-easterly to its intersection with the south-western side of Egan-street; on the north-east by that side of that street south-easterly to its intersection with the north-western side of Mechanic-street aforesaid; and on the south-east by that side of that street south-westerly to the point of commencement, exclusive of any part of Victoria and Hordern streets.

5. **Mr. GRAHAM** to move,—

That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Marketing of Primary Products Act, 1927-1940, in certain respects; and for purposes connected therewith.

6. **Mr. C. E. MARTIN** to move,—

That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the law relating to the capacity, property, liabilities and rights of married women, and the liabilities and rights of husbands; to make further provision with respect to the distribution of estates upon intestacy; for these purposes to amend the Married Women's Property Act, 1901, the Wills, Probate and Administration Act, 1898-1940, the Matrimonial Causes Act, 1899, and certain other Acts; and for purposes connected therewith.

ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Wheat Industry in New South Wales; resumption of the adjourned Debate
2. Ways and Means; resumption of the Committee. [*Mr. James McGirr.*]

GENERAL BUSINESS—ORDERS OF THE DAY:—

1. Wheat Industry in New South Wales; resumption of the adjourned Debate (*Mr. Dring*) on the motion of Lieut.-Colonel Bruxner,—

“(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, immediate steps should be taken by the Government to examine the general position of the Wheat Industry of this State in the light of the experience gained from the unsatisfactory handling of the 1947-1948 crop, and that special attention should be paid by it to the following matters:—

- “(a) Silo management and control.
- “(b) Grain elevator system and its capacity.
- “(c) Operations of the Railway Department in handling wheat.
- “(d) Supply of cornsacks and their distribution.
- “(e) Availability of shipping.
- “(f) Employment of labour in handling wheat.
- “(g) Relationship between the Wheat Board and licensed receivers with particular reference to receiving agents at country centres.
- “(h) Relationship between the Commonwealth and the State in the handling of wheat both on home and export markets and the terms of any agreements entered into for the disposal overseas of our surplus wheat.

“(2.) That the Government take such action as may be considered necessary to rectify existing deficiencies in the system of handling wheat.”

2. Food Aid for Britain—Need for Population Re-distribution and Economic Planning; resumption of the adjourned Debate (*Mr. Gorman*) on the motion of Mr. Turner,—

“(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, the situation of Britain calls for an immediate drastic and far-reaching plan—

- “(a) to aid the Homeland with food, including the rationing of foodstuffs in Australia;
- “(b) to settle part of her population in the British Dominions and possessions beyond the seas; and
- “(c) to conserve the unity and strength of the British peoples by bringing about a closer economic and political integration between them.

“(2.) That to this end the Prime Minister be respectfully urged—

- “(a) to summon a conference of Federal and State Parliamentary leaders of all parties to determine what part Australia can play in such a plan; and
- “(b) to approach the British Government with a view to its summoning an Imperial Conference to settle the lines of such a policy.”

3. Decentralisation of Education; resumption of the adjourned Debate (*Mr. Hawkins*) on the motion of Mr. Darby,—

“(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the ‘problem of Decentralisation of Education in New South Wales’ and ‘matters pertaining thereto.’

“(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Heffron, Captain Arthur, Mr. Fred Cahill, Mr. Dring, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Hearnshaw, Mr. Padman 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,—

Upon which Captain Arthur had moved, “That the Question be amended by leaving out all the words from the word ‘problem’ down to and including the word ‘thereto’ in paragraph (1) with a view of inserting the words:—‘need and the means for the provision of additional funds including financial grants to education in this State by the Federal Government to enable a comprehensive developmental programme of education to be carried out, particularly in respect to—

“(a) decentralisation of Education in New South Wales and matters pertaining thereto;

“(b) the provision of adequate and modern accommodation;

“(c) the extension of education in the pre-school field and post-school education for youth and adults;

“(d) the extension of recruitment and training of teachers;

“(e) the reduction of class loads in Primary and Secondary Schools;

“(f) education for handicapped children;

“(g) special adaptation of Education for rural areas and isolated children;

“and any other matters which in the opinion of the Committee are pertinent to a comprehensive developmental plan,—instead thereof.”

4. Increase in Petrol Tax Allocation; resumption of the adjourned Debate on the motion of Mr. Enticknap,—

“(1.) That, in the opinion of this House, a greater sum of money should be made available by the Commonwealth Government from the petrol tax to enable the lag in road construction and maintenance created throughout the State during the war years to be overcome.

“(2.) That this Resolution be conveyed to the Commonwealth Government.”

5. Soldiers' Land Settlement; resumption of the adjourned Debate (*Mr. Howarth*), on the motion of Mr. Fred. Cahill, “That, in the opinion of this House, in view of the frustration and delay occasioned to intending soldier settlers; in all cases of conflict between Commonwealth and State experts as to suitability and location of farm areas to be acquired for that purpose, the Minister for Lands in the State concerned should have the power of final decision thereon.”

NOTICES OF MOTIONS:—

1. Mr. ENTICKNAP to move,—

(1.) That, in the opinion of this House,—

“(a) there is considerable need for a large increase in production of primary products; and

(b) greater consideration should be given to educational extension services in all primary industries, particularly so far as the application of water to soil is concerned, so as to obtain the greatest use from the water resources available to promote increased primary production.

(2.) That the Commonwealth Government be requested to make funds available to the Department of Agriculture to assist the foregoing objectives.

C 2. Mr. DRUMMOND to move,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon—

(a) The disposal of urban waste, including sewage and garbage.

(b) The use of artificial fertilisers and their inter-relation with farming practice, soil erosion and public health and hospitalisation in New South Wales.

(c) As to whether a Royal Commission of experts should be appointed more fully and comprehensively to inquire into and report upon the subjects of inquiry by the Select Committee.

(d) The type of personnel which should be included in such expert Royal Commission.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Graham, Mr. Enticknap, Mr. Vincent, Mr. Rose, Mr. Morton, Mr. Hearnshaw 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.

C 3. Mr. LANG to move,—

(1.) That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the Administration of the Department of Education with particular reference to the following matters:—

- (a) The circumstances surrounding the granting of special leave of absence to Samuel Phineas Lewis; his re-appointment to the active list of teachers for that purpose and the submissions made to the Public Service Board in connection therewith.
- (b) The Commission granted by the Department of Education to Samuel Phineas Lewis to conduct certain inquiries into educational matters in Europe; his qualifications for such assignment; the relation of such investigations to inquiries previously delegated to the Director-General of Education and the reasons, if any, for such duplication.
- (c) Payments made to the said Samuel Phineas Lewis from the Consolidated Revenue Fund, while engaged in activities which the Minister for Education avers are not on behalf of the New South Wales Department.
- (d) The relationship existing between the Teachers' Federation and the Department of Education, and the influence of the said Teachers' Federation on Departmental policy.
- (e) The activities of the Teachers' Appointments Board with particular reference to the work of the Teachers' Federation representatives thereon and their recommendations affecting certain teachers, particularly those who have supported the Lewis faction and those who have actively opposed it.
- (f) The spread of Communist influence in the teaching service of the State; the pro-Communist activities of the Teachers' Federation Representatives at the A.C.T.U. and whether any steps have been taken by the Department to prevent the Communist indoctrination of the schools under its control.
- (g) Communist penetration of the Parents and Citizens' Association and the activities of certain prominent Communists in the organisation.
- (h) The recognition of the Communist Eureka Youth Movement by the Department in connection with Youth Movement activities.
- (i) The activities of the Communist party generally in relation to Education.

(2.) That such Committee consist of Mr. Heffron, Mrs. Fowler, Mr. Gorman, Lieut-Colonel Bruxner, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Treatt and the Mover.

(3.) That such 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 and to other States of the Commonwealth in connection with the inquiry.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.
NEW SOUTH WALES.

ATTENDANCES OF MEMBERS IN DIVISIONS AND COUNTS-OUT
AND RECORD OF PAIRS DURING THE SESSION OF 1947-48.

Total number of Divisions in the House, 33; Divisions in Committee, 28; Counts-out, 1.

	Divisions in the House.	Divisions in Committee.	Counts- out.	Total Divisions attended.	Number of times paired.
Arthur, Captain Joshua George	27	25	...	52	3
Baddeley, The Hon. John Marcus	31	24	...	55	4
Bate, Henry Jefferson, Esq.	29	26	1	56	5
Beale, Jack Gordon, Esq., A.S.T.C., Mech. Eng., A.M.I.E., Aust.	16	9	...	25	10
Black, Ivan Carlisle, Esq., LL.B.	29	20	...	49	10
Booth, George, Esq. (<i>Chairman of Committees</i>)	31	1	...	32	...
Brain, George William, Esq., F.C.A. (Aust.)	31	27	...	58	2
Bruxner, Lieut.-Colonel The Hon. Michael Frederick, D.S.O.	24	21	...	45	9
Cahill, Frederick Joseph, Esq.	32	26	...	58	1
Cahill, The Hon. John Joseph	27	24	...	51	9
Cameron, Robert, Esq.	24	22	...	46	10
Carlton, William Joseph, Esq. (<i>Temporary Chairman of Committees</i>)	29	19	1	49	2
Chaffey, William Adolphus, Esq.	23	23	...	46	11
(d) Chalmers, James, Esq.	12	7	...	19	...
Clyne, Daniel, Esq.	22	16	...	38	6
(f) Cross, Douglas Donald, Esq.	2	5	...	7	2
(b) Cunningham, Lucien Lawrence, Esq.	22	12	...	34	...
(c) Currey, William Matthew, Esq., V.C.	24	18	...	42	9
Cutler, Charles Benjamin, Esq.	26	25	...	51	1
Darby, Evelyn Douglas, Esq., B.Ec.	22	19	1	42	18
Davidson, Mark Anthony, Esq.	7	2	...	9	37
Davies, William, Esq.	25	25	...	50	5
Dewley, Robert Charles, Esq.	28	15	...	43	12
Dickson, Samuel Douglas, Esq.	23	21	...	44	...
Dring, Edgar Percy, Esq.	28	22	...	50	8
Drummond, The Hon. David Henry	22	18	...	40	20
Dunn, Captain The Hon. William Fraser	11	2	...	13	26
(e) Ellis, Kevin, Esq., LL.B., B.Ec.	4	4	...	8	1
Enticknap, Ambrose George, Esq.	24	16	...	40	14
Evatt, The Hon. Clive Raleigh, K.C., LL.B.	27	21	...	48	10
Finnan, The Hon. Francis Joseph	25	13	...	38	9
Fitzgerald, Raymond Leo, Esq.	23	14	...	37	1
Fowler, Mrs. Lilian	19	11	...	30	...
Fowles, Howard Thomas, Esq.	28	21	...	49	11
Freeman, John Stanley, Esq.	33	28	...	61	...
Frith, William, Esq.	24	14	...	38	19
Geraghty, James Leo, Esq.	23	7	...	30	3
Gollan, George Charles, Esq. (<i>Temporary Chairman of Committees</i>)	29	26	...	55	6
Gollan, William McCulloch, Esq.	28	23	...	51	2
Gorman, Robert Douglas, Esq. (<i>Temporary Chairman of Committees</i>)	29	24	...	53	...
Graham, The Hon. Edgar Hugh	25	17	...	42	16
Hamilton, Raymond George, Esq.	17	13	...	30	22
Hawkins, Francis Harold, Esq.	28	21	...	49	8
Hearnshaw, Eric, Esq., M.M., B.Ec., Dip. Pub. Ad.	20	19	...	39	18
Heferen, Stephen Roy, Esq.	25	24	...	49	4

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Heffron, The Hon. Robert James	29	14	1	44	6
Howarth, Walter Arthur Harrex, Esq.	23	20	...	43	16
Hunter, David Benjamin, Esq.	31	25	...	56	4
Jackett, Harry Gordon, Esq.	27	23	...	50	6
Jackson, Joseph, Esq.	21	16	...	37	12
Jordan, Leslie Charles, Esq., LL.B.	6	2	...	8	11
Kelly, The Hon. Christopher Augustus	27	28	...	55	4
Kelly, Lawrence Borthwick, Esq.	33	27	...	60	...
Kendell, Ebenczer Thomas, Esq.	16	17	...	33	2
(a) Knight, The Hon. Hamilton	2	...	...	2	...
Lamb, The Hon. William Henry (<i>Speaker</i>) ... ..	...	...	...	...	...
Landa, Abram, Esq., LL.B.	19	20	...	39	15
Lang, James Christian, Esq.	30	27	1	58	...
Lawson, Joseph Alexander, Esq.	6	3	...	9	28
Lazzarini, Carlo Camillo, Esq.	31	25	...	56	1
McCaw, Kenneth Malcolm, Esq.	30	28	...	58	2
McGirr, The Hon. James	32	22	...	54	7
McGrath, John Francis, Esq.	33	28	1	62	...
Martin, The Hon. Clarence Edward, M.Ec., LL.B.	25	15	...	40	16
Matthews, The Hon. Claude Hilton	33	27	...	60	...
Medcalf, Robert George, Esq.	22	26	...	48	3
Morton, Philip Henry, Esq.	32	28	1	61	...
Noble, George Walter Henry, Esq.	33	28	...	61	...
Nott, Roger Bode, Esq.	22	23	...	45	12
O'Sullivan, The Hon. Maurice	27	19	...	46	4
Padman, Dudley Gordon, Esq.	21	11	...	32	5
Quirk, Mrs. Mary Lily May	31	24	...	55	6
Reid, John Thomas, Esq. (<i>Temporary Chairman of Committees</i>)	23	15	...	38	19
Renshaw, John Brophy, Esq.	25	19	...	44	10
Richardson, Athol Railton, Esq.	25	21	...	46	14
Robertson, Clarence Gordon, Esq.	24	20	...	44	10
Robson, Lieut.-Colonel Ewan Murray, D.S.O., B.A., LL.B.	29	25	...	54	6
Rose, D'Arcy, Esq.	18	8	...	26	22
Seiffert, John Wesley, Esq.	23	19	...	42	8
Shannon, Thomas John, Esq.	25	21	...	46	8
Sheahan, The Hon. William Francis, LL.B.	28	20	...	48	7
Stanley, Fred, Esq.	26	24	...	50	9
Stephens, Stanley Tunstall, Esq.	25	17	...	42	12
Storey, Sydney Albert Dawson, Esq.	29	22	...	51	7
Tonge, Arthur, Esq.	27	28	...	55	4
Treath, Vernon Haddon, Esq., M.M., K.C., M.A., B.C.L.	29	24	...	53	6
Tully, Laurence John, Esq., B.A., LL.B. (<i>Temporary Chairman of Committees</i>)... ..	23	19	...	42	9
Turner, Henry Basil, Esq., M.A. (Cantab.)	11	7	...	18	31
Vincent, Roy Stanley, Esq.	16	15	...	31	12
Wattison, William Ernest, Esq.	26	19	...	45	6
Weir, The Hon. George, LL.B.	25	25	...	50	7
Williams, Arthur John Leonard, Esq., F.I.I.A. (Aust.), F.F.I.A.	16	17	...	33	21
Wingfield, Cecil Gordon, Esq.	12	7	...	19	13

(a) Resigned, 29th October, 1947.
(c) Deceased, 30th April, 1948.
(e) Elected, 8th May, 1948.

(b) Deceased, 23rd March, 1948.
(d) Elected, 13th December, 1947.
(f) Elected, 17th July, 1948.

Legislative Assembly Office,
Sydney, 15th September, 1948.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

1947-48.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.
NEW SOUTH WALES.

**BUSINESS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NEW SOUTH WALES
DURING THE SESSION OF 1947-48.**

1. New Writs issued	3
2. Select Committees :—	
On Public Matters	1
On Private Matters	
On Private Bills	
On Public Bills	
	1
3. Standing Committees	4
4. Public Bills :—	
Originated in the Assembly—	
Received the Royal Assent	56
Otherwise disposed of	2
	58
Brought from the Council—	
Received the Royal Assent	
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	6
Not Printed	
	6
7. Divisions :—	
In the House	33
In Committee of the Whole	28
	61
8. Sittings (for details see page 2) :—	
Number of Sittings	55
Days of Meeting	61
Hours of Sitting	441 hours 23 minutes.
Hours of Sitting after Midnight	45 minutes.
Daily Average (actual hours per day of meeting)	7 hours 14 minutes.
Adjourned for want of a Quorum—	
Before commencement of Business	
After commencement of Business	1
	1
9. Votes and Proceedings :—	
Entries in Votes and Proceedings—	
Of Business done	458
Daily Average	8
Entries in Question Paper—	
Of Questions	28
Daily Average	1
Entries in Notice Paper—	
Of Notices of Motions	79
Of Orders of the Day	61
Daily Average	140
Daily Average	3
10. Contingent Notice Papers	
11. Orders for Papers	
12. Addresses for Papers	1
13. Other Addresses	3
14. Papers laid upon the Table :—	
By Message	6
By Command or Statute	467
In Returns to Orders	1
In Returns to Addresses	
Reports from Standing Committees	11
Reports from Select Committees	
Reports from Council Select Committees (on Private Bills)	1
Other Papers	14
	500
Ordered to be Printed	90
Not ordered to be Printed	410
	500

15. Sittings of the House:—

Return of the number of days on which the House sat in the Session of 1947-48, stating for each day, the date of the month and the day of the week, the hour of the meeting and adjournment, and the total number of hours occupied in the sittings of the House, and showing the total number of hours on which the House sat each day, and the number of hours after midnight, and the number of entries in each day's *Votes and Proceedings*:—

No.	Date.	Day.	House Met.	House Adjourned.	Hours of Sitting.	Hours after Midnight.	Entries to Votes.	New Motions.	New Orders.	New Questions.	Questions Answered.	Divisions.	No Quorum.		
													Before Commencement.	After Commencement.	
	1947.				h. m.	h. m.									
1	23 September..	Tuesday	12 noon	5-54 p.m.	5 54	...	22	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
2	30 "	Tuesday	2-30 p.m.	10-5 p.m.	7 35	...	6	2	3	...	...	...	...	...	...
3	1 October	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	9-37 p.m.	7 07	...	4	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
4	2 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	5-13 p.m.	6 13	...	4	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
5	8 "	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	10-14 p.m.	7 44	...	4	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
6	9 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	5-34 p.m.	6 34	...	4	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
7	14 "	Tuesday	2-30 p.m.	12-45 a.m.	10 15	0 45	10	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
8	15 "	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	10-30 a.m.	8 00	...	12	1	6	...	...	...	...	...	...
9	16 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	5-17 p.m.	6 17	...	8	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
10	21 "	Tuesday	2-30 p.m.	10-20 p.m.	7 50	...	5	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
11	22 "	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	10-25 p.m.	7 55	...	8	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...
12	23 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	5-30 p.m.	6 30	...	7	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	...
13	28 "	Tuesday	2-30 p.m.	10-30 p.m.	8 00	...	8	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	...
14	29 "	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	10-20 p.m.	7 50	...	3	...	2	1	1	...	...	...	...
15	30 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	5-28 p.m.	6 28	...	4	...	...	...	1	4	...	...	...
16	4 November..	Tuesday	2-30 p.m.	10-30 p.m.	8 00	...	5	2	...	...	1	2	...	...	...
17	5 "	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	10-30 p.m.	8 00	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
18	6 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	6-25 p.m.	7 25	...	9	...	...	1	...	2	...	1	...
19	11 "	Tuesday	2-30 p.m.	10-21 p.m.	7 51	...	11	1	2	1	...	1	...	...	...
20	12 "	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	10-21 p.m.	7 51	...	4	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
21	13 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	10-09 p.m.	11 9	...	6	2	1	1	...	2	...	...	...
22	18 "	Tuesday	2-30 p.m.	10-29 p.m.	7 59	...	11	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...
23	19 "	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	10-30 p.m.	8 00	...	16	3	1	1	1	2	...	...	...
24	20 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	10-40 p.m.	11 40	...	7	1	4	1	...	...	...	...	...
25	25 "	Tuesday	7-30 p.m.	10-20 p.m.	2 50	...	5	2	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
26	26 "	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	10-21 p.m.	7 51	...	7	...	...	3	...	1	...	...	...
27	27 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	(a)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
28	28 "	Friday	...	6-5 p.m.	19 17	...	6	...	1	...	...	2	...	...	...
28	2 December..	Tuesday	2-30 p.m.	10-10 p.m.	7 40	...	6	2	...	...	4	1	...	...	...
29	3 "	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	10-03 p.m.	7 33	...	7	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
30	4 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	11-21 p.m.	12 21	...	9	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...
31	9 "	Tuesday	2-30 p.m.	10-29 p.m.	7 59	...	11	1	...	1	1	1	...	...	...
32	10 "	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	10-16 p.m.	7 46	...	14	6	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
33	11 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	(b)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	18 December..	Thursday	...	3-25 p.m.	6 17	...	12	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
	1948.														
34	10 March	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	4-6 p.m.	1 36	...	7	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
35	11 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	8-51 p.m.	9 51	...	4	10	1	...	...	3	...	...	...
36	16 "	Tuesday	2-30 p.m.	10-30 p.m.	8 00	...	12	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
37	17 "	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	10-29 p.m.	7 59	...	10	2	6	...	...	...	...	...	...
38	18 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	5-56 p.m.	6 56	...	9	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
39	7 April	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	2-53 p.m.	0 23	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
40	8 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	11-28 p.m.	12 28	...	6	...	...	...	1	4	...	...	...
41	13 "	Tuesday	2-30 p.m.	10-18 p.m.	7 48	...	7	5	1	2	...	...	...	...	...
42	14 "	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	10-30 p.m.	8 00	...	11	3	3	1	...	...	...	...	...
43	15 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	11-23 p.m.	12 23	...	15	3	4	...	...	...	...	...	...
44	20 "	Tuesday	2-30 p.m.	10-30 p.m.	8 00	...	8	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
45	21 "	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	10-17 p.m.	7 47	...	6	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
46	22 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	6-17 p.m.	7 17	...	18	1	2	3	...	...	...	...	...
47	27 "	Tuesday	2-30 p.m.	10-25 p.m.	7 55	...	9	...	5	1	...	...	...	...	...
48	28 "	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	11-36 p.m.	9 06	...	15	3	...	...	1	1	...	...	...
49	12 May	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	3-03 p.m.	0 33	...	1	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...
50	13 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	1-30 p.m.	2 30	...	10	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
51	17 June	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	1-06 p.m.	2 06	...	5	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
52	21 July	Wednesday	2-30 p.m.	10-16 p.m.	7 46	...	12	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
53	22 "	Thursday	11-00 a.m.	(c)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	29 "	Thursday	...	6-39 p.m.	35 00	...	15	3	3	...	...	2	...	...	...
54	10 August	Tuesday	2-30 p.m.	6-12 p.m.	3 42	...	10	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	...
55	12 "	Thursday	4-25 p.m.	(d)	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	...
	17 "	Tuesday	...	6-29 p.m.	6 36	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
					441 23	0 45	458	79	61	28	24	33	...	1	...

Mr. Speaker left the Chair for following periods:—

- (a) At 10.42 p.m. on 27th November until 10.30 a.m. on 28th November.
 (b) At 4.22 p.m. on 11th December, until 2.30 p.m. on 18th December.
 (c) At 6.01 p.m. on 22nd July, until 11.00 a.m. on 27th July.
 At 10.13 p.m. on 27th July, until 2.00 p.m. on 28th July.
 At 11.07 p.m. on 28th July, until 11.00 a.m. on 29th July.
 (d) At 6.32 p.m. on 12th August until 2.00 p.m. on 17th August.

Legislative Assembly Office,
 Sydney, 15th September, 1948.

H. ROBBINS
 Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

1947-48.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.
NEW SOUTH WALES.

No. 1.

REGISTER OF PUBLIC BILLS ORIGINATED IN THE ASSEMBLY DURING THE SESSION OF 1947-48.

Short Titles.	By whom initiated.	Message from Government 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.
Appropriation	Mr. Ewart	1947 Nov. 19	1947 Dec. 4	1947 Dec. 4	.....	1947 Dec. 4	.....	1947 Dec. 4	1947 Dec. 4	1947 Dec. 4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1947 Mar. 35	.....	.....
Building Operations and Building Materials Control (Amendment). Campdown Cemetery	Mr. Matthews .. Mr. Sheahan	1948 Nov. 19 1948 Apr. 15	1948 Nov. 19 1948 Apr. 15	1948 Nov. 19 1948 Apr. 15	.....	1948 Nov. 28 1948 Apr. 22	.....	1948 Nov. 28 1948 Apr. 22	1948 Nov. 28 1948 Apr. 22	1948 Dec. 2 1948 Apr. 22	.....	1948 May 13	1948 May 13	.....	.....	.....	1948 June 17 1947 Dec. 9	14 25	.....
Closer Settlement (Amendment)	Mr. Sheahan	1948 Nov. 18	1948 Nov. 18	1948 Nov. 18	.....	1948 Nov. 20	.....	1948 Nov. 20	1948 Nov. 20	1948 Nov. 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1948 Dec. 9	25	.....
Closer Settlement Validation	Mr. Sheahan	1948 Apr. 14	1948 Apr. 14	1948 Apr. 14	.....	1948 Apr. 15	.....	1948 Apr. 15	1948 Apr. 15	1948 Apr. 15	.....	1948 Apr. 21	1948 Apr. 21	.....	.....	.....	1948 May 13	8	.....
Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers (Pensions) Amendment.	Mr. Baddley ..	.....	13 April	13 April	.....	15 April	.....	15 April	15 April	15 April	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22 April	7	.....
Coal and Oil Shale Mine Workers (Pensions) Further Amendment. Co-operation (Further Amendment)	Mr. Baddley .. Mr. James McGirr ..	9 Dec. 8	1947 Dec. 9	1947 Dec. 9	.....	1947 Dec. 10	.....	1947 Dec. 10	1947 Dec. 10	1947 Dec. 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1948 Mar. 17 1947 Nov. 11	39 18	.....
Crown Lands (Conditional Purchases Transfer). Crown Lands (Irrigation Areas Service-men Settlement) Amendment. Economic Stability and War-time Provisions Continuance (Amendment).	Mr. Weir	22 April 22	1947 Apr. 22	1947 Apr. 22	.....	1947 Apr. 27	.....	1947 Apr. 27	1947 Apr. 27	1947 Apr. 27	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1947 June 17 1947 Oct. 1	15 17	.....
Factories and Shops (Home Deliveries) Amendment. Farmers Relief (Amendment)	Mr. Finnan	1947 Oct. 23	1948 Apr. 13	1948 Apr. 13	.....	1948 Apr. 15	.....	1948 Apr. 15	1948 Apr. 15	1948 Apr. 15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1948 May 13 1947 Dec. 9	12 27	.....
Friendly Societies (Amendment)	Mr. James McGirr ..	.....	16 Mar.	16 Mar.	.....	1948 Apr. 28	.....	1948 Apr. 28	1948 Apr. 28	1948 Apr. 28	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1948 June 17	16	.....
Friendly Societies Dispensaries Enabling (Amendment).	Mr. Kelly .....	.....	21 July	21 July	.....	21 July	.....	21 July	21 July	21 July	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1947 July 21	27	.....
General Loan Account Appropriation	Mr. Baddley on behalf of Mr. James McGirr.	3 Dec.	1947 Dec. 11	1947 Dec. 11	1947 Dec. 11	1947 Dec. 11	1947 Dec. 11	1947 Dec. 11	1948 Mar. 17	36

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REGISTER OF PUBLIC BILLS ORIGINATED IN THE ASSEMBLY DURING THE SESSION OF 1947-48.

Short Titles.	By whom initiated.	Message from Governor recommending provision for.	Ordered.	Presented and read 1 st .	Preceded with Standing Order.	Read 2 nd and Committee.	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.
George's River Bridge (Amendment)	Mr. O'Sullivan	19 Nov. 1947	19 Nov. 1947	19 Nov. 1947	.....	1947	1947	1947	20 Nov. 1947	1947	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1947	1947	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 rd forthwith.
Government Guarantees (Amendment)	Mr. James McGill	15 April 1948	14 April 1948	14 April 1948	.....	1948	.....	1948	28 April 1948	1948	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1948	1948	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 rd forthwith.
Housing (Amendment)	Mr. Ewart	9 Oct. 1947	14 Oct. 1947	14 Oct. 1947	.....	1947	.....	1947	6 Nov. 1947	1947	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1947	1947	.....
Industrial Arbitration (Amendment)	Mr. Finnan	15 April 1948	22 April 1948	22 April 1948	.....	1948	.....	1948	28 April 1948	1948	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1948	1948	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 rd forthwith.
Jury (Amendment)	Mr. C. E. Martin	9 Oct. 1947	14 Oct. 1947	14 Oct. 1947	.....	1947	.....	1947	13 Nov. 1947	1947	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1947	1947	Further amendment made by Legislative Assembly 9 December, 1947; agreed to by Legislative Council 18 December, 1947.
Kucushko State Park (Amendment)	Mr. Sheehan	28 Oct. 1947	28 Oct. 1947	28 Oct. 1947	.....	1947	.....	1947	18 Nov. 1947	1947	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1947	1947	Standing Orders suspended—Urgency—to bring in and pass through all stages in one day 10 December, 1947.
Landlord and Tenant (Amendment)	Mr. C. E. Martin	.....	11 Dec. 1947	11 Dec. 1947	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 Dec. 1947	1947	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1948	1948	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 rd forthwith.
Landlord and Tenant (Amendment)	Mr. Weir	21 July 1948	21 July 1948	21 July 1948	.....	1948	.....	1948	29 July 1948	1948	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1948	1948	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 rd forthwith.
Land Sales Control	Mr. Weir	21 July 1947	21 July 1947	21 July 1947	.....	.....	.....	.....	27 July 1947	1947	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1947	1947	.....
Law of Evidence	Mr. James McGill	1947	.....	23 Sept. 1947	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Pro forma Bill.
Legal Assistance Amendment	Mr. C. E. Martin	15 Oct. 1948	12 Nov. 1948	12 Nov. 1948	.....	1948	.....	1948	13 Nov. 1948	1948	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 Dec. 1948	1948	Amendment to refer to Select Committee negative, 30 October, 1947.
Local Government (Amendment)	Mr. Cahill	.....	17 Mar. 1947	17 Mar. 1947	.....	.....	.....	.....	18 Mar. 1947	1947	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22 April 1947	1947	Motion for adoption of Report and Amendment to re-commence, agreed to, 6 November, 1947.
Local Government (Areas)	Mr. Cahill	14 Oct. 1947	15 Oct. 1947	15 Oct. 1947	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 Nov. 1947	1947	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	Reported 2 nd with further amendments, 6 November, 1947.
Local Government (Elections)	Mr. Cahill	.....	25 Nov. 1947	25 Nov. 1947	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 Nov. 1947	1947	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1947	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 rd forthwith.
Local Government (Electoral Provisions)	Mr. Cahill	.....	6 Nov. 1947	6 Nov. 1947	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 Nov. 1947	1947	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22	Standing Orders suspended—Urgency—to bring in and pass through all stages in one day, 25 November, 1947.
Local Government (Electoral Provisions)	Mr. Cahill	.....	6 Nov. 1947	6 Nov. 1947	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 Nov. 1947	1947	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 rd forthwith.
Married Women (Lecturers and Teachers) Acts Repeal	Mr. Heffron	10 Dec. 1948	10 Dec. 1948	10 Dec. 1948	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 Dec. 1948	1948	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	Standing Orders suspended—Urgency—to bring in and pass through all stages in one day, 10 December, 1947.
Money-lenders and Infants Loans (Amendment)	Mr. C. E. Martin	.....	16 Mar. 1947	16 Mar. 1947	.....	.....	.....	.....	17 Mar. 1947	1947	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1948	.....
Moratorium (Amendment)	Mr. Ewart	.....	22 Oct. 1947	22 Oct. 1947	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 Nov. 1947	1947	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1947	.....
Parliamentary Allowances and Salaries	Mr. James McGill	11 Nov. 1947	19 Nov. 1947	19 Nov. 1947	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 Nov. 1947	1947	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23	Amendment to refer to Select Committee negative 26 November, 1947.
Parliamentary Select Committees Enabling	Mr. Cahill	1948	25 April 1948	25 April 1948	.....	.....	.....	.....	28 April 1948	1948	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1948	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 rd forthwith.
Physiotherapists (Amendment)	Mr. C. E. Martin	.....	13 Nov. 1947	13 Nov. 1947	.....	.....	.....	.....	19 Nov. 1947	1947	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1947	.....
Police Officers (Firearms) Amendment	Mr. Baddelay	19 Nov. 1947	19 Nov. 1947	27 Nov. 1947	1947	31	Standing Orders suspended—Urgency—to bring in and pass through all stages in one day, 28 April, 1948.
																		34	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 rd forthwith.

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REGISTER OF PUBLIC BILLS ORIGINATED IN THE ASSEMBLY DURING THE SESSION OF 1947-48.

Short Titles.	By whom initiated.	Message from Government recommending provision.	Ordered.	Presented and read 1 ^o .	Proceeded with under Standing Order.	Read 2 ^o and Committed.	Recommended.	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.
Police Regulation (Appeals) Amendment.	Mr. James McGirr	1947	14 Oct.	1947	14 Oct.	1947	22 Oct.	1947	22 Oct.	1947	23 Oct.	1947	28 Oct.	1947	11 Nov.	1947	1947	10	
Prices Regulation	Mr. Weir	1948	21 July	1948	22 July	1948	22 July	1948	22 July	1948	22 July	1948	22 July	1948	17 June	1948	26	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith.	
Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages (Amendment).	Mr. C. E. Martin		22 April	22 April	28 April	28 April	28 April	28 April	28 April	28 April	28 April	28 April	28 April	28 April	17 June	1948	10	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith.	
Rivers and Foresters Improvement Roman Catholic Church Communities Lands (Amendment).	Mr. Weir	1948	16 Mar.	1948	16 Mar.	1948	17 Mar.	1948	17 Mar.	1948	18 Mar.	1948	18 Mar.	1948	17 June	1948	20	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith.	
Rural Bank of New South Wales (General Banking).	Mr. James McGirr	1947	9 Dec.	1947	9 Dec.	1947	10 Dec.	1947	10 Dec.	1947	10 Dec.	1947	10 Dec.	1947	17 Mar.	1947	38	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith.	
Ryde Mental Hospital Construction.	Mr. Cahill	1948	10 Mar.	1948	10 Mar.	1948	17 Mar.	1948	17 Mar.	1948	18 Mar.	1948	18 Mar.	1948	22 April	1948	1		
State Fireworks	Mr. Cahill	1947	13 Oct.	1947	14 Oct.	1947	17 Nov.	1947	17 Nov.	1947	18 Mar.	1947	14 April	1947	10 Dec.	1947	29	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith.	
State Transport (Co-ordination) Amendment.	Mr. O'Sullivan		22 Oct.	22 Oct.	27 Nov.	27 Nov.	27 Nov.	27 Nov.	27 Nov.	27 Nov.	27 Nov.	27 Nov.	27 Nov.	27 Nov.	11 Dec.	1947	32	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith.	
Statutory Salaries Adjustment.	Mr. James McGirr	1948	8 April	1948	14 April	1948	22 April	1948	22 April	1948	22 April	1948	22 April	1948	17 June	1948	21	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith.	
Stock (Artificial Insemination)	Mr. Graham		16 Mar.	16 Mar.	15 April	15 April	15 April	15 April	15 April	15 April	15 April	15 April	15 April	15 April	13 May	1947	11	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith.	
Supersannation (Amendment)	Mr. C. E. Martin	1948	15 April	1948	15 April	21 April	21 April	21 April	21 April	21 April	21 April	27 April	27 April	27 April	13 May	1947	9		
Supply	Mr. James McGirr	1947	23 Sept.	1947	23 Sept.	1947	23 Sept.	1947	23 Sept.	1947	23 Sept.	23 Sept.	23 Sept.	23 Sept.	1 Oct.	1947	16	Standing Orders suspended—Urgency—to set up Committees of Supply and Ways and Means forthwith and bring in and pass through all stages in one day. Founded on Resolution of Ways and Means, 23 September, 1947. Passed all remaining stages (by consent), 11 November, 1947.	
Supply (No. 2)	Mr. Baddley on behalf of Mr. James McGirr.	1948	11 Nov.	1948	11 Nov.	1948	11 Nov.	1948	11 Nov.	1948	11 Nov.	1948	11 Nov.	1948	26 Nov.	1948	20	Standing Orders suspended—Urgency—to bring in and pass through all stages in one day, 21 July, 1948. Founded on Resolution of Ways and Means, 29 July, 1948.	
Supply	Mr. James McGirr	1948	21 July	1948	29 July	1948	29 July	1948	29 July	1948	29 July	1948	29 July	1948	17 June	1948	22	Mr. Deputy-Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith.	
Supreme Court and Circuit Courts (Prothonotary) Amendment.	Mr. C. E. Martin	20 April	22 April	22 April	28 April	28 April	28 April	28 April	28 April	28 April	28 April	28 April	28 April	28 April	13 May	1948	10	Standing Orders suspended—Urgency—to bring in and pass through all stages in one day. Founded on Resolution of Ways and Means, 15 April, 1948.	
Swine Compensation Taxation	Mr. Graham	15 April	15 April	15 April	15 April	15 April	15 April	15 April	15 April	15 April	15 April	15 April	15 April	15 April	17 June	1948	23	Mr. Deputy-Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith.	
Transport (Officers Gratuities) Amendment.	Mr. O'Sullivan	8 Mar.	17 Mar.	17 Mar.	27 April	27 April	27 April	27 April	27 April	27 April	27 April	27 April	27 April	27 April	17 June	1948	24	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith.	
University and University Colleges (Amendment).	Mr. James McGirr on behalf of Mr. Heffron.	20 April	22 April	22 April	28 April	28 April	28 April	28 April	28 April	28 April	28 April	28 April	28 April	28 April	17 June	1948	24	Mr. Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith.	
Workmen's Compensation (Broken Rully) Amendment.	Mr. Finnan	14 April	14 April	14 April	15 April	15 April	15 April	15 April	15 April	15 April	15 April	15 April	15 April	15 April	22 April	1948	5	Mr. Deputy-Speaker consented to 3 ^o forthwith.	

* Assent not reported during Session.

No. 2.

REGISTER OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE BILLS BROUGHT FROM THE COUNCIL DURING SESSION OF 1947-48.

Short Titles of—	By whom initiated.	Reintroduced under Standing Order.	Brought up and read 1 st .	Read 2 nd and Committed.	Recommitted.	Reported.	Report adopted.	Read 3 rd passed without Amendment, and returned to Council.	Read 2 nd 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 Acts.	Remarks.
.....	Lemore City Council (Nelson Park Exchange).	{ Mr. Frith } { Mr. Cahill }	1948 8 April	1948 28 April	.....	1948 28 April	1948 28 April	1948 28 April	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1948 13 May	.....	Taken up by Government and placed with orders of the day of Government business, 28 April 1948. Mr. Speaker consented to 3 rd forthwith.

RECAPITULATION.

Number of Public Bills originated in the LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY shown on Register No. 1	.....	58
Do do brought from the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL shown on Register No. 2	.....	1
Do Private Bills do do	.....	59
Passed and assented to	.....	52
Passed—Assent not reported	.....	5
Reserved for Royal Assent	.....	1
Pro forma Bill	.....	1
Not returned by Legislative Council	.....	1
Stopped by Prorogation	1
Otherwise disposed of	1
	Public.	51
	Private.	1
	Total.	52
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		59

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Sydney, 15th September, 1948.

H. ROBBINS,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

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1947-48.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.
NEW SOUTH WALES.

REGISTER OF ADDRESSES AND ORDERS FOR PAPERS DURING THE SESSION 1947-48.

WHEN PASSED.		ON WHOSE MOTION.	PAPERS APPLIED FOR.		RETURN TO ADDRESS OR ORDER.	REGISTER NUMBER.	IF TO BE PRINTED.
No.	Date.		By Address.	By Order.			
55	1948. 17 August.....	Mr. Jeff Bate	Case of Clifford Tasman Thompson.....				

REGISTER OF ADDRESSE 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.		By Address.	By Order.			
174	1884. 21 October.....	Mr. W. J. Fergusson	Authorities to Mine issued since January, 1882.....		1948. 10 March.....	1948/16.	

REGISTER OF ADDRESSES (NOT BEING FOR PAPERS) TO THE GOVERNOR DURING THE SESSION 1947-48.

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.	By whom.	No.	Date.	By whom.	No.	Date.	By whom.	No.	Date.	By whom.	
Governor's Opening Speech.....	1	1947. 23 Sept.	14 Mr. Wattison	7	1947. 14 Oct.	2	1947. 16 Oct.	9	1947. 16 Oct.	7	1947. 16 Oct.	9	His Excellency the Governor.
Marriage of Her Royal Highness The Princess Elizabeth	20	12 Nov.	2 Mr. James McGirr...	20	12 Nov.	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of Their Majesties' Marriage	47	1948. 27 April	1 Mr. James McGirr...	47	1948. 27 April	1	1948. 21 July	52	His Excellency the Governor.

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H. ROBBINS,
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1947-48.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

NEW SOUTH WALES.

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES APPOINTED DURING THE SESSION OF 1947-48.

No. of COMMITTEE.	DESIGNATION OF COMMITTEE.	WHEN AND HOW APPOINTED.	MEMBERS.	CHAIRMAN.	No. of MEETINGS.		No. of WITNESSES EXAMINED.	REPORTED.
					Called.	Hold.		
1	Standing Orders*	1947. 16 October, Votes No. 9, Entry 1 (On motion of Mr. James McGirr.)	{ Mr. Speaker, Mr. Clyne, Mr. Shannon, Mr. Booth, Mr. Enticknap, Mr. Treatt, Mr. Brain, Mr. John Reid, Mr. Dickson, Mr. James McGirr.	Mr. Speaker	...	...	.....	.....
2	House†	16 October, Votes No. 9, Entry 2 (On motion of Mr. James McGirr.)	{ Mr. Speaker, Mrs. Quirk, Mr. Fowles, (a) Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Nott, Mr. Gollan, Mr. Howarth, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Wingfield, Mr. James McGirr.	Mr. Speaker	9	9	.....	.....
3	Library‡	16 October, Votes No. 9, Entry 3 (On motion of Mr. James McGirr.)	{ Mr. Speaker, Mr. Robert Cameron, Mr. Carlton, Mr. William Davies, Mr. Gorman, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Jaekett, Mr. John Reid, Mr. Stephens, Mr. James McGirr.	Mr. President	2	2	.....	.....

STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES APPOINTED DURING THE SESSION OF 1947-48—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	1947. 16 October, Votes No. 9, Entry 4 (On motion of Mr. James McGirr.)	{ Mr. Noble, Mr. Wattison, Mr. Fowles, (b) Mr. Currey, Mr. W. McC. Gollan } Mr. Stanley, Mr. Hearnshaw, Mr. Jack Beale, Mr. Dickson, Mr. James McGirr.	Mr. Fowles	11	11	.....	.....
5	Road Accident Casualties	28 October, Votes No. 13 Entry 3 (On motion of Lieut.-Col. Robson.)	{ Mr. O'Sullivan, Lieut. Col. Bruxner } (a) Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Hunter, (b) Mr. Robson.	Lieut.-Col. Robson ...	31	31	28	.....

* Confers on subjects of mutual concernment with a similar Committee of the Legislative Council.
 † Empowered to sit during any adjournment or prorogation of Parliament under Act No. 18, 1948.
 (a) Deceased, 23rd March, 1948.
 (b) Deceased, 30th April, 1948.

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 Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.