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BY THE KING
A PROCLAMATION

GEORGE R.

WHEREAS Our Parliament stands prorogued to Tuesday, the twenty-fourth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and fifty, We, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, hereby issue Our Royal Proclamation, and publish and declare that the said Parliament be further prorogued to Tuesday, the fourteenth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and fifty.

Given at Our Court at Sandringham this twenty-first day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty, and in the fourteenth year of Our Reign.

GOD SAVE THE KING

BY THE KING
A PROCLAMATION

For dissolving the present Parliament, and declaring the calling of another

GEORGE R.

WHEREAS We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, to dissolve this present Parliament which stands prorogued to Tuesday, the Fourteenth day of February instant: We do, for that End, publish this Our Royal Proclamation, and do hereby dissolve the said Parliament accordingly: And the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and the Knights, Citizens, and Burgesses, and the Commissioners for Shires and Burghs, of the House of Commons, are discharged from their Meeting and Attendance on the said Tuesday, the Fourteenth day of February instant: And We being desirous and resolved, as soon as may be, to meet Our People, and to have their Advice in Parliament, do hereby make known to all Our loving Subjects Our Royal Will and Pleasure to call a new Parliament: And do hereby further declare, that, by and with the advice of Our Privy Council, We have given Order that Our Chancellor of Great Britain and Our Governor of Northern Ireland do respectively, upon Notice thereof, forthwith issue out Writs, in due Form and according to Law, for calling a new Parliament: And We do hereby also, by this Our Royal Proclamation under Our Great Seal of Our Realm, require Writs forthwith to be issued accordingly by Our said Chancellor and Governor respectively, for causing the Lords Spiritual and Temporal and Commons who are to serve in the said Parliament to be duly returned to, and give their Attendance in, Our said Parliament on Wednesday the First day of March next, which Writs are to be returnable in due course of Law.

Given at Our Court at Sandringham, this Third day of February, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and fifty, and in the Fourteenth year of Our Reign.

GOD SAVE THE KING
The Parliament begun and held at the City of Westminster, on Wednesday, the first day of March, in the fourteenth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord GEORGE, by the Grace of God of Great Britain, Northern Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith; and in the year of our Lord 1950.

ON which day, being the first day of the meeting of this Parliament, pursuant to a Proclamation (hereunto annexed), at half an hour after Two of the clock Sir Frederic William Metcalfe, K.C.B., Clerk of the House of Commons, and Edward Abdy Fellowes, Esquire, C.B., M.C., and Douglas John Gordon, Esquire, Clerks Assistant, attending in the House, and the other Clerks attending, according to their duty, Sir Albert Napier, K.C.B., Clerk of the Crown in Chancery in Great Britain, delivered to the said Sir Frederic William Metcalfe, K.C.B., a Book, containing a List of the Names of the Members returned to serve in this Parliament:

Several of the Members repaired to their Seats.

A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-General Sir Brian Horrocks, K.C.B., K.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Members of the House of Commons,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly, the House went up to the House of Peers; where the Lord Chancellor and other Lords named in the Commission, sitting on a Form between the Throne and the Woolsacks:

The Lord Chancellor said,

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons,

We are commanded by His Majesty to let you know that, it not being convenient for Him to be present here this Day in his Royal Person, He hath thought fit, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal, to empower His Royal Highness the Duke of Gloucester, and several Lords therein named, to do all things in His Majesty's Name which are to be done on His Majesty's part in this Parliament, as by the Letters Patent will more fully appear.

Then the said Letters Patent were read; and are as follow:

GEORGE R.

GEORGE THE SIXTH, by the Grace of God of Great Britain, Northern Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas King, Defender of the Faith; To all to whom these presents shall come, greeting: Whereas by the advice of Our Council, for certain arduous and urgent affairs concerning Us, the state and defence of Our United Kingdom, and the Church, We have ordered a certain Parliament to be held at Our city of Westminster on Wednesday the first day of March now next following: And forasmuch as for divers causes and considerations We cannot conveniently be present in Our Royal Person in Our said Parliament upon the said Wednesday the first day of March: Know ye, that We, trusting in the fidelity, discretion, and care of Our most dear and entirely beloved Brother and most faithful Counsellor Henry William Frederick Albert Duke of Gloucester; The Most Reverend Father in God and Our faithful Counsellor Geoffrey Francis Archbishop of Canterbury, Primate of All England and Metropolitan; Our most dear Cousin and Counsellor William Allen Viscount Jowitt Chancellor of Great Britain; and others Our Counsellors hereinafter mentioned, by the advice of Our said Council, do give and grant by the tenor of these presents unto the said Henry William Frederick Albert Duke of Gloucester, Geoffrey Francis Archbishop of Canterbury, William Allen Viscount Jowitt
1st March 1950


BY THE KING HIMSELF,

Signed with His own Hand.

NAPIER.

And then the Lord Chancellor said,

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons,

We have it in Command from His Majesty to let you know that, as soon as the Members of both Houses shall be sworn, the causes of His Majesty's calling this Parliament will be declared to you; and it being necessary a Speaker of the House of Commons should be first chosen, it is His Majesty's pleasure that you, Members of the House of Commons, repair to the place where you are to sit, and there proceed to the choice of some proper person to be your Speaker; and that you present such person whom you shall so choose, here, to-morrow, at half past Two of the o'clock for His Majesty's Royal approval.

And the House having returned; The Right Honourable David Kirkwood Colonel Clifton Brown (Chosen Speaker. House directed to choose a Speaker.) stood up, and addressing himself to the Clerk of the House (Lord Writing, pointed to him and then sat down) proposed to the House for their Speaker Colonel the Right Honourable Douglas Clifton Brown, and moved, That
Colonel the Right Honourable Douglas Clifton Brown do take the Chair of this House as Speaker, which Motion was seconded by Colonel Sir Charles MacAndrew.

The House then unanimously calling Colonel the Right Honourable Douglas Clifton Brown to the Chair, he stood up in his place, and expressed the sense he had of the honour proposed to be conferred upon him, and submitted himself to the House.

The House then having again unanimously called Colonel the Right Honourable Douglas Clifton Brown to the Chair, he was taken out of his place and conducted to the Chair by Mr. Kirkwood and Sir Charles MacAndrew, and, standing on the upper step, he expressed his sincerest acknowledgment to the House of the great honour which the House had been pleased to confer upon him, and sat down in the Chair.

Then the Mace (which before lay under the Table) was placed upon the Table.

Whereupon the Prime Minister, Mr. Churchill, Mr. Clement Davies and Mr. Macloy congratulated Mr. Speaker-elect, and Mr. Herbert Morrison moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Mr. Speaker-elect thereupon put the Question, which being agreed to;

The House adjourned accordingly at eighteen minutes after Three of the clock, until to-morrow, and Mr. Speaker-elect went away without the Mace before him.

A MESSAGE was delivered by Lieutenant-General Sir Brian Horrocks, K.C.B., K.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker-elect,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker-elect, with the House, went up to the House of Peers, where he was presented to the said Lords Commissioners for His Majesty's Royal approbation.

Then the Lord Chancellor, one of the said Lords Commissioners, signified His Majesty's approbation of Mr. Speaker-elect.

The House having returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House had been in the House of Peers; where His Majesty was pleased, by His Majesty's Commissioners, to approve of the choice the House had made of him to be their Speaker; and that he had, in their name and on their behalf, by humble Petition to His Majesty made claim to all their ancient and undoubted rights and privileges, particularly to freedom of speech in debate, freedom from arrest, freedom of access to His Majesty whenever occasion may require; and that the most favourable construction should be placed upon all their proceedings; which he said His Majesty, by His said Commissioners, had been pleased to allow and confirm to them in as ample a manner as they had ever been granted or confirmed by His Majesty, or any of His Majesty's Royal Predecessors.

And then Mr. Speaker repeated his very respectful acknowledgments and grateful thanks to the House for the great honour they had conferred upon him.

Mr. Speaker then put the House in mind that the first thing to be done was to take and subscribe the Oath required by Law.

Thereupon Mr. Speaker first, alone, standing upon the upper step of the Chair, took and subscribed the Oath.

Then the following Members took and subscribed the Oath, or made and subscribed the Affirmation required by Law:


The Right Honourable Sir Edward Hugh John Neale Dalton, for Bishop Auckland.

The Right Honourable James Chuter Ede, for South Shields.

The Right Honourable George Alfred Isaacs, for Southwark.

The Right Honourable Emanuel Shinwell, for Easington.

The Right Honourable Thomas Williams, for Don Valley.

The Right Honourable George Tomlinson, for Farnworth.

The Right Honourable William Whiteley, for Blaydon.

The Right Honourable James Griffiths, for Llanelli.

The Right Honourable James Harold Wilson, O.B.E., for Huyton.

The Right Honourable Philip John Noel-Baker, for Derby, South.

Wing Commander the Right Honourable John Strachey, for Dundee, West.

The Right Honourable George Russell Strauss, for Lambeth, Vauxhall.

The Right Honourable Arthur Henderson, K.C., for Rotherham and Tipton.

The Right Honourable Alfred John Barnes, for East Ham, South.

The Right Honourable Hilary Adair Marquand, for Middlesbrough, East.

Robert John Taylor, Esquire, for Morpeth.

The Right Honourable Maurice Webb, for Bradford, Central.

Captain Robert Michael Maitland Stewart, for Fulham, East.

Douglas Patrick Thomas Jay, Esquire, for Battersea, North.

Alfred Robens, Esquire, for Blyth.

George Alfred Brown, Esquire, for Belper.

Charles James Simmons, Esquire, for Brierley Hill.

Squadron Leader Geoffrey Stanley de Freitas, for Lincoln.

Arthur George Bottomley, Esquire, for Rochester and Chatham.

Mr. Speaker takes the Oath.
Frank Collindridge, Esquire, for Barnsley.
Ernest Popplewell, Esquire, for Newcastle-upon-Tyne, West.
The Right Honourable Ness Edwards, for Caerphilly.
The Right Honourable Edith Summerskill, for Fulham, West.
The Right Honourable Patrick Christien Gordon-Walker, for Smethwick.
William Albert Wilkins, Esquire, for Bristol, South.
Charles Rider Hobson, Esquire, for Keighley.
Thomas Fraser, Esquire, for Hamilton.
Frederick Lee, Esquire, for Newton.
Major John Freeman, m.b.e., for Watford.
Flying Officer Herbert William Bowden, for Leicester, South-West.
Lieutenant Leonard James Callaghan, for Cardiff, South-East.
David Rennie Hardman, Esquire, for Darlington.
Harry Bernard Taylor, Esquire, for Mansfield.
The Right Honourable John Thomas Wheatley, k.c., for Edinburgh, East.
Tom Cook, Esquire, for Dundee, East.
James Edward Glanville, Esquire, for Consett.
William Hannan, Esquire, for Glasgow, Maryhill.
Captain Hugh James Delargy, for Thurrock.
Lieutenant-Colonel Douglas Johnston, k.c., for Paisley.
Captain Arthur Blenkinsop, for Newcastle-upon-Tyne, East.
Charles Rosle, Esquire, for Salford, West.
Major the Right Honourable Richard Rapier Stokes, m.c., for Ipswich.
The Right Honourable Aneurin Bevan, for Ebbw Vale.
Arthur Pearson, Esquire, for Pontypridd.
The Right Honourable Winston Spencer Churchill, o.m., c.h., for Woodford.
Major the Right Honourable Robert Anthony Eden, m.c., for Warwick and Leamington.
The Right Honourable Edward, Earl Winterton, for Horsham.
The Right Honourable Oliver Lyttelton, d.s.o., m.c., for Aldershot.
The Right Honourable Richard Austin Butler, for Saffron Walden.
The Right Honourable Maurice Harold Macmillan, for Bromley.
Captain the Right Honourable Harry Frederick Comfort Crookshank, for Gainsborough.
Patrick George Thomas Buchan-Hepburn, Esquire, for Beckenham.
The Right Honourable Walter Elliot Elliot, m.c., for Glasgow, KELvingrove.
The Right Honourable Robert Spear Hudson, c.m., for Southport.
The Right Honourable Sir David Patrick Maxwell Fyfe, k.c., for Liverpool, West Derby.
The Right Honourable Osbert Peake, for Leeds, North.
The Right Honourable Malcolm Stewart McCorquodale, for Epsom.
The Right Honourable Duncan Sandys, for Wandsworth, Streatham.
Reginald Edward Manningham-Buller, Esquire, k.c., for South Northants.
Alan Tindal Lennox-Boyd, Esquire, for Mid-Bedfordshire.
The Right Honourable Geoffrey William Lloyd, for Birmingham, King's Norton.
Commander Thomas Dunlop Galbraith, for Glasgow, Pollok.
The Right Honourable Richard Kidston Law, for Kingston-upon-Hull, Haltemprice.
Major Sir Thomas Lionel Dugdale, Baronet, for Richmond (Yorks).
Robert Williers Grimston, Esquire, for Westbury.
Major Sir Arthur Stewart Leslie Young, Baronet, for Glasgow, Scotstoun.
The Right Honourable James Stuart, m.v.o., m.c., for Moray and Nairn.
James Purdon Lewis Thomas, Esquire, for Hereford.
Cedric Drew, Esquire, for Hinton.
Major Roger John Edward Conant, for Rutland and Stamford.
Major Harry Grey Studholme, for Tavistock.
Major Mervyn James Wheatley, c.b.e., for Poole.
Major Kenelm Simon Digby Wingfield Digby, for West Dorset.
Lieutenant-Colonel Walter Henry Bromley-Davenport, for Knutsford.
Brigadier Harry Riplcy Macksen, for Folkestone and Hythe.
Captain the Right Honourable Charles Waterhouse, for Leicester, South-East.
Gerard Spencer Summers, Esquire, for Aylesbury.
The Right Honourable Arthur Greenwood, c.h., for Wakefield.
Major the Right Honourable James Milner, m.c., t.d., for Leeds, South-East.
The Right Honourable William George Glenvil Hall, for Colne Valley.
The Right Honourable Arthur Woodburn, for East Stirlingshire.
Captain the Right Honourable Frederick John Bellenger, for Bassetlaw.
Wilfrid Andrew Burke, Esquire, for Burnley.
Robert Donald Scott, Esquire, for Penrith and the Border.
The Right Honourable Clement Edward Davies, k.c., for Montgomery.
The Right Honourable George Mathers, for West Lothian.
George Samuel Lindgren, Esquire, for Wellingborough.
Ernest Thurtle, Esquire, for Shoreditch and Finsbury.
The Right Honourable John Burns Hynd, for Sheffield, Attercliffe.
JoHn James Robertson, Esquire, for Berwick and East Lothian.
Sir Herbert Gerard Williams, for Croydon, East.
The Right Honourable David Kirkwood, for East Dunbartonshire.
Henry George Strauss, Esquire, k.c., for Norwich, South.
The Right Honourable Charles William Key, for Poplar.
Alexander Frederick Douglas Home, commonly called Lord Dunsglass, for Lanark.
Samuel Philip Viant, Esquire, for Willesden, West.
John Parker, Esquire, for Dagenham.
Robert Richards, Esquire, for Wrexham.
Hamilton William Kerr, Esquire, for Cambridge.
Samuel Sydney Silverman, Esquire, for Nelson and Colne.
Charles Frederick Grey, Esquire, for Durham.
Emsys Hughes, Esquire, for South Ayrshire.
Thomas George Thomas, Esquire, for Cardiff, West.
James Dixon Murray, Esquire, for North-West Durham.
Thomas Judson Brooks, Esquire, M.B.E., for Normanton.
Thomas Reid, Esquire, C.M.G., for Swindon.
Elizabeth Margaret Braddock, for Liverpool, Exchange.
Henry Norman Smith, Esquire, for Nottingham, South.
Walter Henry Ayles, Esquire, for Hayes and Harlington.
John Kinley, Esquire, for Bootle.
Norman Noel Doidds, Esquire, for Dartford.
The Right Honourable Ernest Bevin, for Woolwich, East.
The Reverend George Saville Woods, for Reading, North.
Leslie Maurice Lever, Esquire, for Manchester, Ardwick.
John Cooper, Esquire, for Delford.
Michael Mackintosh Foot, Esquire, for Plymouth, Devonport.
Charles William Gibson, Esquire, for Wandsworth, Clapham.
Margaret Heribson, for North Lanarkshire.
Lieutenant-Colonel Marcus Lipton, O.B.E., for Lambeth, Brixton.
Archibald Foster Brookway, Esquire, for Eton and Slough.
Walter Ernest Padley, Esquire, for Ogmore.
Ronald William Gordon Mackay, Esquire, for Reading, North.
John Hamilton McKie, Esquire, for Galloway.
Major Sir Jocelyn Morton Lucas, Baronet, M.C., for Portsmouth, South.
Wing Commander Henry Reginald Spence, O.B.E., for West Aberdeenshire.
John McGovern, Esquire, for Glasgow, Shettleston.
William Gordon Bennett, Esquire, for Glasgow, Woodside.
John MacLeod, Esquire, for Ross and Cromarty.
Rupert De la Bère, Esquire, for South Worcestershire.
James Carmichael, Esquire, for Glasgow, Bridgeton.
Major Peter Geoffrey Roberts, for Sheffield, Heeley.
Major Charles Stuart Taylor, for Eastbourne.
Colonel Colin Norman Thornton-Kemsley, O.B.E., for North Angus and Mearns.
Charles Williams, Esquire, for Torquay.
Major Christopher York, for Harrogate.

Greville Reginald Howard, Esquire, for St. Ives.
Martin Alexander Lindsay, Esquire, D.S.O., for Solihull.
Squadron Leader Maurice Christopher Hollis, for Devices.
Lieutenant-Commander Reginald Frederick Brittain Bennett, for Gosport and Fareham.
Percy Morris, Esquire, for Swansea, West.
James Hindle Hudson, Esquire, for Ealing, North.
James McInnes, Esquire, for Glasgow, Central.
David Johnstone Prudy, Esquire, for Midlothian and Peebles.
Alice Cullen, for Glasgow, Gorbals.
Jean Mann, for Coatbridge and Airdrie.
Archibald Clark Manuel, Esquire, for Central Ayre.
Maurice Orbach, Esquire, for Willesden, East.
Thomas Frederick Hubbard, Esquire, for Kirkcaldy Burghs.
James Clunie, Esquire, for Dunfermline Burghs.
Captain William Winter Hamilton, for West Fife.
Hector Samuel James Hughes, Esquire, K.C., for Aberdeen, North.
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Andrew Gilzean, Esquire, for Edinburgh, Central.
Dryden Brook, Esquire, for Halifax.
Major William Ross, for Kilmarnock.
Frederick Arthur Cobb, Esquire, for Brigg and Spennithorpe.
Richard Howard Stafford Cossman, Esquire, for Coventry, East.
William Thomas Williams, Esquire, for Hammersmith, South.
Daniel Granville West, Esquire, for Pontypool.
Barnett Janner, Esquire, for Leicester, North-West.
Harold Anthony Nuting, Esquire, for Melton.
Captain Robert Edward Dudley Ryder, V.C., for Merton and Morden.
Colonel Alan Gomme-Duncan, M.C., for Perth and East Perthshire.
Walter Fletcher, Esquire, C.B.E., for Bury and Radcliffe.
Major John Archibald Boyd-Carpenter, for Kingston-upon-Thames.
Brigadier Otho Leslie Prior-Palmer, D.S.O., for Worthing.
Commander Douglas Marshall; for Bodmin.
Lieutenant-Colonel Robert Hugh Turton, M.C., for Thirsk and Malton.
Brigadier Austin Richard William Low, C.B.E., D.S.O., for Blackpool, North.
William Robson-Brown, Esquire, for Esher.
Samuel Storey, Esquire, for Stretford.
Henry Alfred Price, Esquire, for Lewisham, West.
Colonel Cyril Banks, for Pudsey.
Geoffrey Audus Nicholson Hirst, Esquire, for Shipley.
Lieutenant-Colonel Cuthbert James McCall, Alport, for Colchester.
Lieutenant-Commander Peter Henry Berry, Onway Smithers, for Winchester.
Gerald Wills, Esquire, for Bridgewater.
Frederick Frank Arthur Burden, Esquire, for Gillingham.
Captain Malcolm Bullock, M.B.E., for Crosby.
Major William Whitehead Hicks-Beech, for Cheltenham.
Colonel Claude Granville Lancaster, for South Fylde.
Lieutenant-Colonel Connolly Hugh Gage, for Belfast, South.
Major John Cyril Maude, k.c., for Exeter.
Brigadier Sir George Steven Harvie Watt, k.b.e., t.d., for Richmond (Surrey).
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Lieutenant Edward Carson, commonly called the Honourable Edward Carson, for the Isle of Thanet.
Brigadier Anthony Henry Head, c.b.e., m.c., for Carshalton.
Lieutenant-Colonel Harford Montgomery Hyde, for Belfast, North.
Frederick Seymour Hynde, Esquire, for Rushcliffe.
Major Quintin McGarel Hogg, commonly called the Honourable Quintin McGarel Hogg, for Oxford.
Flown Joan Viscountess Davidson, o.b.e., for Hemel Hempstead.
Captain George Burnaby Drayson, for Skipton.
William Smith Guthrie, Esquire, o.b.e., for Banff.
Frederick Walter Harris, Esquire, for Croydon, North.
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Harman Nicholls, Esquire, for Peterborough.
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Martin Redman, Esquire, for Rushcliffe.
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Captain Arthur Christopher John Soames, for Bedford.
Claude Nigel Byam Davies, Esquire, for Epping.
Gordon Cosmo Touché, Esquire, for Dorking.
Charles Ian Orr-Ewing, Esquire, for Hendon, North.
Lieutenant-Colonel John Hugh Hare, commonly called the Honourable John Hugh Hare, for Sudbury and Woodbridge.
Wing Commander John Roland Robinson, for Blackpool, South.
Ronald Stanley Russell, Esquire, for Wembling, South.
Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Thomas Cecil Russell Moore, c.b.e., for Ayr.
John Albert Hay, Esquire, for Henley.
Major James Richard Edwards Harden, d.s.o., m.c., for Armagh.
David Treharne Llewellyn, Esquire, for Blackpool, South.
Captain Lawrence Percy Story Orr, for South Down.
William Johnson Taylor, Esquire, for Bradford, North.
Kenneth Hugh Thompson, Esquire, for Liverpool, Walton.
George Richard Hodges Nugent, Esquire, for Guildford.
Major Quintin McGarel Hogg, commonly called the Honourable Quintin McGarel Hogg, for Oxford.
Moss Turner-Samuels, Esquire, k.c., for Gloucester.
David Gilbert Logan, Esquire, c.b.e., for Liverpool, Scotland.
Captain Geoffrey Henry Cecil Bing, for Hornchurch.
John Rankin, Esquire, for Glasgow, Tradeston.
Arthur Moyle, Esquire, for Oldbury and Halesowen.
Edward Arthur Hardy, Esquire, for Salford, East.
Harold Boardman, Esquire, for Leigh.
Arthur Joseph Champion, Esquire, for South-East Derbyshire.
Walter Monslow, Esquire, for Barrow-in-Furness.
Barbara Anne Castle, for Blackburn, East.
Captain George Roland Chetwynd, for Stockton-on-Tees.
Captain Thomas Frederick Peart, for Workington.
James Johnson, Esquire, for Rugby.

Commander Edward Arthur Alexander Shackleston, O.B.E., for Preston, South.
Harry Thorneycroft, Esquire, for Manchester, Clayton.

Hervey Rhodes, Esquire, for Ashton-under-Lyne.
Sidney Dye, Esquire, for South-West Norfolk.
William Thomas Paling, Esquire, for Dewsbury.

John Scott Pargiter, Esquire, for Southall.
Percy Henry Collick, Esquire, for Birkenhead.

Squadron Leader Emrys Owain Roberts, for Ashton-under-Lyne.
Percy Laurence Wells, Esquire, for Finchley.

Lieutenant-Colonel Donald Kaberry, Rhys Hopkin Morris, John Scott Maclay, for West Renfrewshire.
Squadron Leader Emrys Owain Roberts, for Ashton-under-Lyne.

William Arthur Colegate, Esquire, for Burton.
Thomas Charles Pannell, Esquire, for Leeds, North-West.

William Henry Mainwaring, Esquire, for Rhondda, East.

Henry White, Esquire, for North-East Derbyshire.
Mark Hewitson, Esquire, for Kingston-upon-Hull, Central.

Ronw Moelwyn Hughes, Esquire, k.c., for Islington, North.

Charles Leslie Hale, Esquire, for Oldham, West.

Frank Harold Heyman, Esquire, for Falmouth and Camborne.
Sir Arnold Babh Gridley, k.b.e., for Stockport, South.

Alfred Charles Bosson, Esquire, for Maidstone.

Lieuutenant Colonel Donald Kaberry, for Leeds, North-West.
William Arthur Steward, Esquire, for Acton, Woolwich, West.

Lieutenant-Commander Richard Hilton Marler Thompson, for Croydon, West.
Herbert Walter Butcher, Esquire, for Holland with Boston.

James Henderson Stewart, Esquire, for East Fife.

Squadron Leader Emlyn Hugh Garner-Evans, for Denbigh.
Cyril Wilson Black, Esquire, for Wimbledon.

Edward George McBride, Esquire, for Epsom.

Major Ernest Guy Richard Lloyd, m.c., for East Renfewshire.

Alexander Victor Edward Paulet Montagu, Esquire, commonly called Viscount Hinchingbrooke, for South Dorset.
Michael Langhorne Astor, Esquire, commonly called The Honourable Michael Langhorne Astor, for East Surrey.

William McNair Snadden, Esquire, for Kinross and West Perthshire.

Commander Allan Herbert Percy Noble, d.s.o., d.s.c., for Chelsea.

Capaian John Frederick Ellenborough Crowder, for Finchley.

Frederick Petre Crowder, Esquire, for Ruislip—Northwood.

Captain Leonard David Gammons, for Hornsey.

Professor Douglas Lloyd Savory, for South Antrim.

Ian Leslie Orr-Ewing, Esquire, for Weston-super-Mare.

Henry Lennox D'Aubigne Hopkinson, Esquire, c.m.g., for Taunton.

Thomas Galloway Dunlop Galbraith, Esquire, for Glasgow, Hillhead.

Norman Adolph Henry Bower, Esquire, for Harrow, West.

Lieutenant—Colonel Anthony Alfred Harmsworth Marlowe, for Hove.

Major Howard Sydney Johnson, for Brighton, Kemptown.

Somerset Struben de Chair, Esquire, for Paddington, South.

Colonel Oliver Eyre Crosthwaite-Eyre, for New Forest.

Cyril Osborne, Esquire, for Louth.

The Right Honourable Sir Ronald Hibbert Cross, Baronet, for Ormskirk.

David Llewelyn Mort, Esquire, for Swansea, East.

Major Gilbert Richard Mitchison, k.c., for Kettering.

Joseph Slater, Esquire, b.e.m., for Sedgefield.

Frederick Messer, Esquire, for Tottenham.

Percy Laurence Wells, Esquire, for Faversham.

Patrick Bartley, Esquire, for Chester-le-Street.

Edward Warner Moeran, Esquire, for South Belfordshire.

Albert Edward Davies, Esquire, for Stoke-on-Trent, North.

George Porter, Esquire, for Leeds, Central.

Henry George McGhee, Esquire, for Penistone.

Desmond Louis Donnelly, Esquire, for Pembroke.

Victor Francis Yates, Esquire, for Birmingham, Ladywood.

Henry Hynd, Esquire, for Accrington.

Percy Daines, Esquire, for East Ham, North.

William Henry Oldfield, Esquire, for Manchester, Gorton.

Thomas Charles Pannell, Esquire, for Leeds, West.

Kenneth Robinson, Esquire, for St. Pancras, North.

Austen Harry Albu, Esquire, for Edmonton.
Barnett Stross, Esquire, for Stoke-on-Trent, Central.
Edwin George Gooch, Esquire, for North Norfolk.
Frances Elaine Burton, for Coventry, South.
Stanley Norman Evans, Esquire, for Wednesbury.
Maurice Edelman, Esquire, for Coventry, North.
George Craddock, Esquire, for Bradford, South.
Richard Emanuel Winterbottom, Esquire, for Sheffield, Brightside.
George Henry Rowland Rogers, Esquire, for Kensington, North.
Gilbert McAllister, Esquire, for Rotherglen.
Santo Wayburn Jeger, Esquire, for Holborn and St. Pancras, South.
Squadron Leader Ernest Kinghorn, for Yarmouth.
Sir Waldran Smithers, for Orpington.
Kenneth William Murray Pickthorn, Esquire, for Carlton.
Margaret Patricia Hornsby-Smith, for Chislehurst.
Archer Ernest Baldwin, Esquire, m.c., for Billericay.
Lieutenant-Commander Ronald McMillan Bell, for South Buckinghamshire.
Major Dennis Forwood Vosper, for Runcorn.
Walter Richard Austen Hudson, Esquire, for Kingston-upon-Hull, North.
John Henderson, Esquire, for Glasgow, Cathcart.
Jack Nixon Browne, Esquire, for Glasgow, Govan.
Stephen James McAdden, Esquire, for Southend, East.
Bernard Richard Baine, Esquire, for Billericay.
Alexander Cadwalladar Mainwaring Spearman, Esquire, for Scarborough and Whitby.
David McAdam Eccles, Esquire, for Chippendale.
George William Odey, Esquire, c.b.e., for Beverley.
Air Commodore Arthur Vere Harvey, for Macclesfield.
Colonel Ralph Stephens Clarke, for East Grinstead.
Sir John Serocold Paget Mellor, Baronet, for Sutton Coldfield.
Sir Patrick Spens, k.b.e., k.c., for Kensington, South.
Percy Belgrave Lucas, Esquire, for Brentford and Chiswick.
Major John Baker White, for Canterbury.
Sidney Horatio Marshall, Esquire, for Sutton and Cheam.
Angus Edmund Upton Maude, Esquire, for Ealing, South.
Eveline Hill, for Manchester, Wythenshawe.
Sir Ronald Deane Ross, Baronet, m.c., for New Londoinderry.
Major Charles Edward Mott-Radclyffe, for Windsor.
Sir David Robertson, for Caithness and Sutherland.
Henry Channon, Esquire, for Southend, West.
Joseph Alfred Sparks, Esquire, for Acton.
William Coldrick, Esquire, for Bristol, North-East.
George Oscar Sylvester, Esquire, Pontefract.
Horace Edwin Holmes, Esquire, d.c.m., for Hemsworth.
Captain Raymond Jones Gunter, for Doncaster.
Stephen Owen Davies, Esquire, for Merthyr Tydfil.
David Emlyn Thomas, Esquire, for Abergavenny.
David James Williams, Esquire, for Neath.
Captain Julian Ward Snow, for Lichfield and Tamworth.
Caroline Selina Ganley, for Battersea, South.
Sydney Scholefield Allen, Esquire, k.c., for Crewe.
Robert Joseph Mellish, Esquire, for Bermondsey.
Roy Harris Jenkins, Esquire, for Birmingham, Stechford.
Charles Anthony Raven Crostald, Esquire, for South Gloucestershire.
Albert Evans, Esquire, for Islington, South-West.
George Jeger, Esquire, for Goole.
David Griffiths, Esquire, for Rother Valley.
Harold Neal, Esquire, for Bolsover.
Arthur Johnstone Moody, Esquire, for Gateshead, East.
Alexander Anderson, Esquire, for Motherwell.
Harry Wright Wallace, Esquire, for Walthamstow, East.
The Reverend Gordon Lang, for Stalybridge and Hyde.
James Hutchinson Hoy, Esquire, for Edinburgh, Leith.
Frederick William Mulley, Esquire, for Sheffield, Park.
Joseph Reeves, Esquire, for Greenwich.
Eric Martin Smith, Esquire, for Grantham.
Colonel Sir Ralph George Campbell Glyn, for Northampton.
Lieutenant-Commander Harold Arthur Watkinson, for Woking.
Major Edward Alexander Henry Legge-Bourke, for the Isle of Ely.
James Lachlan Clyde, Esquire, k.c., for Edinburgh, North.
Brigadier John George Smyth, v.c., m.c., for Lambeth, Norwood.
Lieutenant-Commander Harold Arthur Watkinson, for Woking.
Major Edward Alexander Henry Legge-Bourke, for the Isle of Ely.
James Lachlan Clyde, Esquire, k.c., for Edinburgh, North.
John Michael Clifford Higgs, Esquire, for Bromsgrove.
Anthony Richard Hard, Esquire, for Newbury.
Irene Mary Bewick Ward, c.b.e., for Tynemouth.
Captain Richard Oliver Stanley, commonly called the Honourable Richard Oliver Stanley, for North Fylde.
William David Ormsby-Gore, Esquire, commonly called the Honourable William David Ormsby-Gore, for Oswestry.
Julian Amery, Esquire, for Preston, North.
Brigadier Fitzroy Hew Royle Maclean, C.B.E., for Lancaster.
Reginald Maudling, Esquire, for Barnet.
Morgan Phillips Price, Esquire, for West Gloucestershire.
Horace Maybray King, Esquire, for Southampton, Test.
Roderick Rhys Thomas, Esquire, for Rhondda, West.
Thomas James Brown, Esquire, for Ince.
Arthur Cecil Allen, Esquire, for Bosworth.
Mont Follick, Esquire, for Loughborough.
Ernest Fernyhough, Esquire, for Jarrow.
Major Malcolm MacPherson, for Stirling and Falkirk Burghs.
John McKay, Esquire, for Wallsend.
Richard Ewart, Esquire, for Sunderland, South.
Alfred Balfour, Esquire, for West Stirlingshire.
William John Irving, Esquire, for Wood Green.
William Reid Blyton, Esquire, for Houghton-le-Spring.
John Thomas Hall, Esquire, for Gateshead, West.
Major Wilfrid Foulston Vernon, for Camberwell, Dulwich.
Major Kenneth Gilmour Younger, commonly called the Honourable Kenneth Gilmour Younger, for Grimsby.
Octavius George Willey, Esquire, for Clevedon.
Julius Silverman, Esquire, for Birmingham, Erdington.
Squadron Leader Albert Edward Cooper, M.B.E., for Ilford, South.
Colonel Frederick James Erroll, for Altrincham and Sale.
Squadron Leader Sir Peter Drummond Macdonald, K.B.E., for the Isle of Wight.
Group Captain George Reginald Ward, commonly called the Honourable George Reginald Ward, for Worcester.
Richard Fort, Esquire, for Clitheroe.
William Francis Deedes, Esquire, for Ashford.
Wing Commander Geoffrey Paul Stevens, for Portsmouth, Langstone.
Major David Lockhart-Murdoch Renton, for Huntingdonshire.
Major Tafton Victor Hamilton Beamish, M.C., for Lewes.
Lieutenant-Colonel Edward Herbert Keeling, M.C., for Twickenham.
Gerald David Nunes Nabarro, Esquire, for Kidderminster.
Harold Roberts, Esquire, for Birmingham, Handsworth.
Sir Austin Uvedale Morgan Hudson, Baronet, for Lewisham, North.
Lieutenant-Colonel John Dudley Robert Tarleton Tilney, for Liverpool, Wavertree.
Sir Peter Frederick Blaker Bennett, O.B.E., for Birmingham, Edgbaston.
John Dennis Profumo, Esquire, M.B.E., for Stratford.
Major Hugh Charles Patrick Joseph Fraser, commonly called the Honourable Hugh Charles Patrick Joseph Fraser, for Stafford and Stone.
Lieutenant-Colonel John Adrian Hope, commonly called Lord John Adrian Hope, for Edinburgh, Pentlands.

Captain Sir Harold Roper, C.B.E., M.C., for North Cornwall.
Sir William Young Darling, C.B.E., M.C., for Edinburgh, South.
James Harrison, Esquire, for Nottingham, East.
Clifford Kenyon, Esquire, for Chorley.
Ian Winterbottom, Esquire, for Nottingham, Central.
Ivor Owen Thomas, Esquire, for The Wrekin.
William James Field, Esquire, for Paddington, North.
Flight Lieutenant Frank Beswick, for Uskbridge.
Reginald William Scrase, Esquire, for Leyton.
Ralph Morley, Esquire, for Southampton, Itchen.
John David Mack, Esquire, for Newcastle-under-Lyme.
Harold Josiah Finch, Esquire, for Bedwellty.
Ronald Watkins Williams, Esquire, for Wigan.
Edward Lancelot Malalieu, Esquire, for Brigg.
Lieutenant William Griffiths, for Manchester, Exchanges.
James Eugene MacColl, Esquire, for Widnes.
Percy Holman, Esquire, for Bethnal Green.
Alfred Booth, Esquire, for Bolton, East.
Joseph Hale, Esquire, for Rochdale.
George Deer, Esquire, for Newark.
Rhys John Davies, Esquire, for Westhoughton.
Somerville Hastings, Esquire, for Barking.
Frank Anderson, Esquire, for Whitehaven.
William George Cove, Esquire, for Aberavon.
Edward Evans, Esquire, for Lowestoft.
David Weitzman, Esquire, for Stoke Newington and Hackney North.
Herbert William Butler, Esquire, for Hackney, South.
Flight Lieutenant Aidan Derrocks, for Buckingham.
John Henry Jones, Esquire, for Rotherham.
Colonel Leonard Roper, M.C., T.D., for Barkston Ash.
Richard Reader Harris, Esquire, for Heston and Isleworth.
Brigadier Terence Hugh Clarke, C.B.E., for Portsmouth, West.
Leonard Robert Carr, Esquire, for Mitcham.
Major Iain Norman MacLeod, for Enfield, West.
Gilbert James Morley Longden, Esquire, for South-West Hertfordshire.
Lieutenant-Colonel John Cutts Lockwood, for Romford.
Robert Fisher Crouch, Esquire, for North Dorset.
Lieutenant-Colonel Dennis Coleridge Boles, for Wells.
Godfrey Nicholson, Esquire, for Farnham.
Charles Hill, Esquire, for Luton.
Lieutenant-Colonel Evelyn Nigel Chetwode Birch, for West Flint.
Hugh Nicholas Linstead, Esquire, O.B.E., for Windsors, Patney.
Arthur Hugh Elsdale Molson, Esquire, for High Peak.
Lieutenant-Colonel John Kenyon Vaughan-Morgan, for Reigate.
John Charles Rodgers, Esquire, for Sevenoaks.
Lieutenant-Colonel Edward Richard George Heath, M.B.E., for Bexley.
Lieutenant William Stanley Shepherd, for Cheadle.
Thomas O'Brien, Esquire, for Nottingham, North-West.
George Benson, Esquire, for Chesterfield.
Captain John Baird, for Wolverhampton, North-East.
Lieutenant-Colonel Sir William Jocelyn Ian Fraser, C.B.E., for Morecambe and Lonsdale.
The Right Honourable Brendan Bracken, for Bournemouth, East and Christchurch.
Brigadier Frank Medlicott, for Central Norfolk.
Henry Brooke, Esquire, for Hampstead.
Reginald Thomas Pughe, Esquire, K.C., for Northampton.
Albert Raymond Blackburn, Esquire, for Birmingham, Northfield.
Hyacinth Bernard Wenceslaus Morgan, Esquire, for Warrington.
Brigadier John Galway Foster, for Northwich.
Roland Jennings, Esquire, for Sheffield, Hallam.
Wing Commander Geoffrey Cooper, for Middlesbrough, West.

Adjourment.
Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.
—(Mr. Robert Taylor.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till five minutes before Seven of the clock, adjourned till tomorrow.

[No. 3]
Friday, 3rd March, 1950.
The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

A MESSAGE was delivered by Lieutenant-General Sir Brian Horrocks, K.C.B., K.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., Gentleman Usher of the Rod:

Mr. Speaker,
The Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers.
Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And having returned;
Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where the Lord Chancellor, by Command of His Majesty, had said:
My Lords and Members of the House of Commons,
We have it further in Command from His Majesty to acquaint you that the causes of His Majesty's calling this Parliament will be declared to you in the Chamber assigned to the House of Commons as their temporary place of sitting, and not in the present Parliament Chamber, and that, for this purpose, His Majesty has directed that on Monday the 6th day of this instant March the Chamber assigned to the House of Commons as their temporary place of sitting be made ready for the House of Peers and St. Stephen's Hall for the House of Commons. And we have it further in Command from His Majesty to declare that it is His Majesty's pleasure that as soon as may be after the causes of the calling of this Parliament have been declared, the Chamber assigned to the House of Commons as their temporary place of sitting be again made ready for the House of Commons for the better and more convenient transacting of their business and that His Majesty has been pleased to give directions accordingly.

The following Members took and subscribed the Oath, or made and subscribed the Affirmation required by Law:

Walter James Edwards, Esquire, for Stepney.
The Right Honourable John Dugdale, for West Bromwich.
Ernest Albert John Davies, Esquire, for Enfield, East.
Colonel the Right Honourable Oliver Frederic George Stanley, M.C., for Bristol, West.
John Paton, Esquire, for Norwich, North.
Ellis Smith, Esquire, for Stoke-on-Trent, South.
Lucy Annie Middleton, for Plymouth, Sutton.
John Percival William Mallalieu, Esquire, for Huddersfield, East.
Commander Harry Pursey, for Kingston-upon-Hull, East.
Francis George Bowles, Esquire, for Nuneaton.
Terence Norbert Donovan, Esquire, K.C., for Leicester, North-East.
John Diamond, Esquire, for Manchester, Blackley.
John Lewis, Esquire, for Bolton, West.
Frederick John Wise, Esquire, for King's Lynn.
George Harold Oliver, Esquire, for Ilkeston.
Alfred Davies Devonshire Broughton, Esquire, for Batley and Morley.
Major Frederick Elwyn Jones, for West Ham, South.
Arthur William John Lewis, Esquire, for West Ham, North.
Eric George Molyneux Fletcher, Esquire, for Islington, East.
Harold Davies, Esquire, for Leek.
Arthur James Irvine, Esquire, for Liverpool, Edge Hill.
Frank Tomney, Esquire, for Hammersmith, North.
Major Lyall Wilkes, for Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Central.
Hubert Ashton, Esquire, M.C., for Chelmsford.
Harry Braustyn Hylton Hylton-Foster, Esquire, K.C., for York.
William Traven Atken, Esquire, for Bury St. Edmunds.
Squadron Leader Patrick William Donner, for Basingstoke.
Adjournment.

Sittings of the House.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. —(Mr. Robert Taylor.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.

The House met at Eleven of the clock in St. Stephen's Hall.

PRAYERS.

A MESSAGE from His Majesty, by Lieutenant-General Sir Brian Horrocks, K.C.B., K.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The King Commands this Honourable House to attend His Majesty immediately, in the House of Peers.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to attend His Majesty:—And having returned:

Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Order of the House made upon the 3rd day of this instant March, resumed the Chair at Four of the clock and forthwith adjourned the House, without a Question first put, to the Chamber appointed for the use of the Commons.

The following Members took and subscribed the Oath, or made and subscribed the Affirmation required by Law:—

The Right Honourable Hector McNeil, for Greenock.

The Right Honourable Hugh Todd Naylor Gaiteskell, C.B.E., for Leeds, South.

The Right Honourable William Shepherd Morrison, M.C., K.C., for Cirencester and Tewkesbury.

Percy Lionel Edward Shurmer, Esquire, for Birmingham, Sparkbrook.

Lieutenant-Colonel Derek Coleclough Walker-Smith, for Hertford.

Arthur Beverley Baxter, Esquire, for Southgate.

Brigadier Ralph Rayner, M.B.E., for Tonnes.

Walter Robert Dempster Perkins, Esquire, for Stroud and Thornbury.

Henry Charles Osborne, Esquire, for Birmingham, Yardley.

Gerald Wellington Williams, Esquire, for Tonbridge.

Ian Mikardo, Esquire, for Reading, South.

Alan John McKibbin, Esquire, for Belfast, East.

Commander John Francis Whitaker Maitland, for Horncastle.

Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Hugh Vere Huntly Duff Lucas-Tooth, Baronet, for Hendon, South.

Fred Longden, Esquire, for Birmingham, Small Heath.

Peter Freeman, Esquire, for Newport.

Major Niall Malcolm Stewart Macpherson, for Dumfries.

Alfred Ernest Marples, Esquire, for Wallasey.

Richard Frederick Wood, Esquire, commonly called the Honourable Richard Frederick Wood, for Bridlington.

Lieutenant-Commander John Markham Baldock, for Harborough.

Peter Arthur David Baker, Esquire, for South Norfolk.

Edwin Hartley Cameron Leather, Esquire, for North Somerset.

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Ordered, That all Members who are returned for two or more places in any part of the United Kingdom do make their Election for which of the places they will serve, within one week after it shall appear that there is no question upon the Return for that place; and if any thing shall come in question touching the Return or Election of any Member, he is to withdraw during the time the matter is in debate; and that all Members returned upon double Returns do withdraw till their Returns are determined.

Resolved, That no Peer of the Realm, except such Peers of Ireland as shall for the time being be actually elected, and shall not have declined to serve, for any county, city, or borough of Great Britain, hath any right to give his vote in the Election of any Member to serve in Parliament.

Resolved, That if it shall appear that any person hath been elected or returned a Member of this House, or endeavoured so to be, by Bribery, or any other corrupt practices this House will proceed with the utmost severity against such persons as shall have been wilfully concerned in such Bribery or other corrupt practices.

Resolved, That if it shall appear that any person hath been tampering with any Witness, in respect of his evidence to be given to this House, or any Committee thereof, or directly or indirectly hath endeavoured to deter or hinder any person from appearing or giving evidence, the same is declared to be a high crime and misdemeanour; and this House will proceed with the utmost severity against such offender.

Resolved, That if it shall appear that any person hath given false evidence in any case before this House, or any Committee thereof, this House will proceed with the utmost severity against such offender.

Ordered, That the Commissioner of the Police of the Metropolis do take care that during the Session of Parliament the passages through the streets leading to this House be kept free and open and that no obstruction be permitted to hinder the passage of Members to and from this House, and that no disorder be allowed in Westminster Hall, or in the passages leading to this House, during the Sitting of Parliament, and that there be no annoyance therein or thereabouts; and that the Serjeant at Arms attending this House do communicate this Order to the Commissioner aforesaid.

Ordered, That the Votes and Proceedings of this House be printed, being first perused by Mr. Speaker; and that he do appoint the printing thereof; and that no person but such as he shall appoint do presume to print the same.

Ordered, That a Committee of Privileges be appointed.

A Bill for the more effectual preventing Clandestine Outlawries was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time.

Ordered, That the Journal of this House, from the end of the last Session to the end of the present Session, with an Index thereto, be printed.

Ordered, That the said Journal and Index be printed by the appointment and under the direction of Sir Frederic William Metcalfe, K.C.B., the Clerk of this House.

Ordered, That the said Journal and Index be printed by such person as shall be licensed by Mr. Speaker, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

Ordered, That Major Milner be Chairman of Ways and Means and Sir Charles MacAndrew be Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.—(The Prime Minister.)

The following Papers, presented by His Majesty's Command after the Prorogation of Parliament on the 16th day of December 1949, and before the Dissolution of Parliament, and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office, pursuant to the Standing Order (Presentation of Command Papers), were ordered to lie upon the Table:

2. Copy of the Report of the Committee on the Awards for the Grant of Honours, Decorations and Medals on the Royal Observer Corps Medal.
3. Copy of a Memorandum submitted to the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation relating to Economic Affairs in the period from 1950 to 1952.
4. Copy of a Statement showing the Civil Staffs of Government Departments on the 1st day of January 1950, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.
5. Copy of a Loan Agreement, dated 26th December 1949, between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Export-Import Bank of Washington (supplementary to the Agreements concluded on the 26th day of October 1948 and the 16th day of February 1949) with the Text of the Promissory Note and a Letter of Notification, dated 20th January 1950, addressed by the Economic Co-operation Administration to His Majesty's Ambassador at Washington.
6. Copy of a Declaration by the Chancellor of the Exchequer and the Foreign Ministers of Denmark, Norway and Sweden, approving Recommendations for closer economic Co-operation between their respective Countries (with Report and Appendix), signed at Paris on the 30th day of January 1950.
7. Copy of a Loan Agreement, dated 26th January 1950, between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Export-Import Bank of Washington (supplementary to the Agreements concluded on the 26th day of October 1948 and the 16th day of February 1949) with the Text of the Promissory Note and a Letter of Notification, dated 20th January 1950, addressed by the Economic Co-operation Administration to His Majesty's Ambassador at Washington.
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13. Copy of a Memorandum submitted to the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation relating to Economic Affairs in the period from 1950 to 1952.
14. Copy of a Statement showing the Civil Staffs of Government Departments on the 1st day of January 1950, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.
of Members of the Armed Forces of the Brussels Treaty Powers (with Appendices), signed at London on the 21st day of December 1949 (This Agreement has not been ratified by His Majesty).

Copy of Amendments to the Schedule of the International Whaling Convention signed at Washington on the 2nd day of December 1946, adopted at the first meeting of the International Whaling Commission held at London between the 30th day of May and the 7th day of June 1949.

Copy of Notes exchanged at London on the 27th day of October 1949 between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Royal Netherlands Government further amending the Anglo-Netherlands Monetary Agreement of the 7th day of September 1948.

Copy of Notes exchanged at London on the 30th day of November 1949 between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Belgian Government further prolonging until the 31st day of March 1950 the Monetary Agreement of the 14th day of November 1947.

Copy of a Supplementary List of Ratifications, Accessions, Withdrawals, &c., 1949.

Copy of the Index to Treaty Series, 1949.

Copy of Notes exchanged at London between the 1st and 10th days of December 1949 between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Royal Netherlands Government extending the Visa Abolition Agreement of the 21st day of March 1947 to certain British Overseas Territories, with Annex.

Copy of a Monetary Agreement between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Sweden, signed at London on the 30th day of December 1949.

Copy of Notes exchanged at Washington on the 19th day of September 1949 between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the United States of America for the settlement of certain outstanding matters relating to the Establishment of the United States Air Force Base in Trinidad, with Agreement, Schedules, Maps and annexes.

Copy of a Protocol, signed at Paris on the 19th day of November 1948, bringing under International Control Drugs outside the scope of the Convention of the 13th day of July 1931 for limiting the Manufacture and regulating the Distribution of Narcotic Drugs, as amended by the Protocol of the 11th day of December 1946.


Copy of a Trade Agreement between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia, with Schedules, Notes exchanged and Appendices, signed at Belgrade on the 26th day of December 1949.

Copy of a Memorandum of Understanding relative to the application to the Western Sectors of Berlin of the Agreement on Most-Favoured-Nation Treatment for the Areas of Western Germany under Military Occupation, signed at Annecy on the 13th day of August 1949.

Copy of Notes exchanged at Rome on the 16th day of December 1949 between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Italian Government, further extending the Sterling Payments Agreement of the 26th day of November 1948.

Copy of Notes exchanged at London on the 28th day of December 1949 between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Finland constituting an Agreement relating to Insurance and Re-insurance Contracts (with Annex).

Copy of the Seventy-third Annual Report of Explosives, His Majesty's Inspectors of Explosives, for 1948.

Copies of Reports by the Advisory Council on Education in Scotland on—

1. Pupils who are defective in Hearing, and
2. Pupils who are defective in Vision.

Copy of a Statement of proposed Action by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom on certain Conventions relating to Conditions of Labour in Non-Metropolitan Territories, which were adopted at the Thirtieth Session of the International Labour Conference, 1947.


Copy of an Agreement between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Ceylon for Air Services between and beyond their respective Territories, signed at Colombo on the 5th day of August 1949 (with Notes exchanged).

Copy of Agreements signed at Bermuda on the 21st day of December 1945 and at Ottawa on the 17th day of July 1947 and the 19th day of August 1949, and Notes exchanged on the 31st day of January and the 1st day of February 1947, on the 7th day of July 1948, and the 31st day of March and the 1st day of February 1949, bringing under International Control Drugs outside the scope of the Convention of the 13th day of July 1931 for limiting the Manufacture and regulating the Distribution of Narcotic Drugs, as amended by the Protocol of the 11th day of December 1946.


Copy of a Housing Return for England and Housing, Wales, dated 31st December 1949.

Copy of a Housing Return for Scotland, dated 31st December 1949.


Copy of an Agreement between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Ceylon for Air Services between and beyond their respective Territories, signed at Colombo on the 5th day of August 1949 (with Notes exchanged).

Copy of Agreements signed at Bermuda on the 21st day of December 1945 and at Ottawa on the 17th day of July 1947 and the 19th day of August 1949, and Notes exchanged on the 31st day of January and the 1st day of February 1947, on the 7th day of July 1948, and the 31st day of March and the 1st day of February 1949, bringing under International Control Drugs outside the scope of the Convention of the 13th day of July 1931 for limiting the Manufacture and regulating the Distribution of Narcotic Drugs, as amended by the Protocol of the 11th day of December 1946.

Copy of an Agreement between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia, with Schedules, Notes exchanged and Appendices, signed at Belgrade on the 26th day of December 1949.
of Civil Air Services between the United Kingdom and the Union, signed at Pretoria on the 29th day of October 1945.


Parliamentary
Papers.

The following Papers, presented by His Majesty's Command on or after Wednesday the 1st day of this instant March, being the day on which this Parliament was appointed to meet, and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office, pursuant to the Standing Order (Presentation of Command Papers), were ordered to lie upon the Table:


- Copy of a Statement on Defence, 1950.

- Copy of Regulations, dated 16th December 1949, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) Order, 1949.

- Copy of Regulations, dated 19th December 1949, entitled the Purchased Hardwood Prices (Revocation) Order, 1949.

- Copy of an Order, dated 19th December 1949, entitled the Imported Hardwood Prices (Revocation) Order, 1949.

- Copy of Rules, dated 16th December 1949, entitled the Import Duties (Consolidation) Order, 1949.

- Copy of Rules, dated 17th December 1949, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) Order, 1949.

- Copy of Regulations, dated 17th December 1949, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) Order, 1949.

- Copy of Regulations, dated 19th December 1949, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) Order, 1949.

- Copy of Orders, dated 16th December 1949, entitled the Import Duties (Amendment) Order, 1949.

- Copy of Orders, dated 16th December 1949, entitled the Purchase Tax (No. 5) Order, 1949.

- Copy of Regulations, dated 17th December 1949, entitled the Collective Defence under the Brussels and North Atlantic Treaties.

- Copy of Regulations, dated 19th December 1949, entitled the Stockfeed Potatoes (Amendment) Regulations, 1949.

- Copy of Regulations, dated 16th December 1949, entitled the Knoll Buoy Colchester (Revocation) Order, 1949.

- Copy of Regulations, dated 16th December 1949, entitled the National Health Service (Travelling Allowances, etc.) Scotland) Regulations, 1949.

- Copy of Regulations, dated 16th December 1949, entitled the National Health Service (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) Amendment (No. 3) Regulations, 1949.

- Copy of Regulations, dated 15th December 1949, entitled the Knoll Buoy Colchester (Revocation) Order, 1949.

Parliamentary
Papers (Recess).

The following Papers, required by an Act of Parliament to be laid before the House and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on the undermentioned dates during the last Parliament, pursuant to the Standing Order (Presentation of Statutory Instruments), were ordered to lie upon the Table:

- 16th December 1949:
  - Copy of an Order in Council, dated 15th December 1949, entitled the Gold Coast Colony and Ashanti (Legislative Council) (Amendment No. 2) Order in Council, 1949.
  - Copy of Regulations, dated 15th December 1949, entitled the National Parks and Access to the Countryside (National Parks Commission) Regulations, 1949.

- 21st December 1949:
  - Copy of Regulations, dated 19th December 1949, entitled the Local Government (Grants and Payments) Regulations, 1949.
  - Copy of Regulations, dated 19th December 1949, entitled the Local Government (Grants and Payments) Regulations, 1949.

- 22nd December 1949:
  - Copy of an Order in Council, dated 21st December 1949, entitled the Transfer of Functions (Timber) Order, 1949.
  - Copy of an Order in Council, dated 21st December 1949, entitled the Defence Regulations (No. 3) Order, 1949.
  - Copy of an Order, dated 20th December 1949, entitled the Defence Regulations (No. 4) Order, 1949.
  - Copy of an Order, dated 21st December 1949, entitled the Defence Regulations (No. 5) Order, 1949.
  - Copy of an Order, dated 21st December 1949, entitled the Defence Regulations (No. 6) Order, 1949.
  - Copy of an Order, dated 21st December 1949, entitled the Defence Regulations (No. 7) Order, 1949.
  - Copy of an Order, dated 21st December 1949, entitled the Defence Regulations (No. 8) Order, 1949.
  - Copy of an Order, dated 21st December 1949, entitled the Defence Regulations (No. 9) Order, 1949.
  - Copy of an Order, dated 21st December 1949, entitled the Defence Regulations (No. 11) Order, 1949.
  - Copy of an Order, dated 21st December 1949, entitled the Defence Regulations (No. 12) Order, 1949.
  - Copy of an Order, dated 21st December 1949, entitled the Defence Regulations (No. 15) Order, 1949.
  - Copy of an Order, dated 21st December 1949, entitled the Defence Regulations (No. 16) Order, 1949.
  - Copy of an Order, dated 21st December 1949, entitled the Defence Regulations (No. 18) Order, 1949.
  - Copy of an Order, dated 21st December 1949, entitled the Defence Regulations (No. 20) Order, 1949.
  - Copy of an Order, dated 21st December 1949, entitled the Defence Regulations (No. 21) Order, 1949.
  - Copy of an Order, dated 21st December 1949, entitled the Defence Regulations (No. 22) Order, 1949.
Supplies and Services (Food). Copies of Orders, dated 22nd December 1949, entitled—
(1) the Rye (Control of Mills and Products) (Revocation) Order, 1949, and
(2) the Pearl Barley (Revocation) Order, 1949.

Supplies and Services (Food Rationing). Copy of an Order, dated 21st December 1949, entitled the Sugar (Rationing) (No. 2) Order, 1949.


Supplies and Services (Coal Distribution). Copy of an Order, dated 20th December 1949, entitled the Coal Distribution (Restriction) (Amendment) Direction, 1949.

Supplies and Services (Coal Tar). Copy of an Order, dated 20th December 1949, entitled the Coal Tar (Control and Prices of Products) (Revocation) Order, 1949.


Supreme Court (Procedure). Copy of Rules of Court, dated 21st December 1949, entitled the Rules of the Supreme Court (No. 3) 1949.

Agriculture (Scotland). Copy of Regulations, dated 17th December 1949, entitled the Agriculture (Scotland) Regulations, 1949.

India. Copy of an Order in Council, dated 21st December 1949, entitled the India (Consequential Provision) Order, 1949.

Goods and Services (Price Control). Copy of an Order, dated 22nd December 1949, entitled the Utility Cloth and Utility Household Textiles (Maximum Prices) (Amendment No. 5) Order, 1949.

Supplies and Services (Apparel and Textiles). Copy of an Order, dated 22nd December 1949, entitled the Gloves (Manufacture and Supply) (Amendment No. 3) Order, 1949.


Supplies and Services (Utility Mark and Apparel and Textiles). Copy of an Order, dated 22nd December 1949, entitled the Utility Mark and Apparel and Textiles (General Provisions) (Amendment No. 5) Order, 1949.

Supplies and Services (Food Rationing). Copy of an Order, dated 23rd December 1949, entitled the Rationing (Personal Points) (Amendment) Order, 1949.


Supply and Services (Food). Copy of an Order, dated 28th December 1949, entitled the Wartime Potatoes (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1949.

Purchase Tax. Copy of an Order, dated 28th December 1949, entitled the Purchase Tax (No. 7) Order, 1949.

Supplies and Services (Raw Materials). Copy of an Order, dated 29th December 1949, entitled the Newsprint (Prices) (Amendment No. 6) Order, 1949.

National Health Service. Copy of Regulations, dated 28th December 1949, entitled the National Health Service (Executive Councils) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations, 1949.

(3) the Woven Cloth (Cotton, Rayon and Linen) (Amendment No. 10) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 6th January 1950, entitled the Control of Paint (Revocation) Order, 1950.

9th January 1950:—

Pensions.

Copy of Regulations, dated 7th January 1950, entitled the Increase of Pensions (Calculation of Income) (Supplemental) Regulations, 1950.

10th January 1950:—

Pensions.

Copy of an Order, dated 9th January 1950, entitled the Superannuation (Appointment of End of War Period) Order, 1950.

Fire Services.

Copy of Regulations, dated 9th January 1950, entitled the Fire Services (Ranks and Conditions of Service) Regulations, 1950.

Goods and Services (Price Control).

Copy of an Order, dated 9th January 1950, entitled the Hire-Purchase and Credit Sale Agreements (Maximum Prices and Charges) Order, 1950.

Highways.

Copies of Orders, dated 9th January 1950, entitled—

(1) the Stopping up of Highways (Alfenham, Hertfordshire) (Revocation) Order, 1950,
(2) the Stopping up of Highways (Barnsley, West Riding of Yorkshire) (Revocation) Order, 1950,
(3) the Stopping up of Highways (Chilwell, Nottinghamshire) (Revocation) Order, 1950,
(4) the Stopping up of Highways (Goldenhill, Staffordshire) (Revocation) Order, 1950,
(5) the Stopping up of Highways (Harrow, Middlesex) (Revocation) Order, 1950,
(6) the Stopping up of Highways (Hobson, Durham) (Revocation) Order, 1950,
(7) the Stopping up of Highways (Von, Denbigshire) (Revocation) Order, 1950, and
(8) the Stopping up of Highways (Yatton, Wiltshire) (Revocation) Order, 1950.

11th January 1950:—

Supplies and Services (Apparel and Textiles).

Copy of an Order, dated 10th January 1950, entitled the Household Textiles (Marking and Manufacturers’ Prices) Order, 1950.

Supplies and Services (Food).

Copy of an Order, dated 11th January 1950, entitled the Milk (Great Britain) (General Licence) Order, 1950.

12th January 1950:—

Supplies and Services (Soap).

Copy of an Order, dated 12th January 1950, entitled the Soap (Prices) (Amendment) Order, 1950.

Education.


16th January 1950:—

Factory.

Copy of Regulations, dated 16th January 1950, entitled the Pottery (Health and Welfare) Special Regs., 1950.

17th January 1950:—

Goods and Services (Price Control).

Copies of Orders, dated 16th January 1950, entitled—

(1) the Domestic Pottery (Maximum Prices) (Amendment No. 3) Order, 1950, and
(2) the Limoleum and Printed Felt Base (Maximum Prices and Charges) Order, 1950.

18th January 1950:—

Copy of Regulations, dated 16th January 1950, entitled the Local Government (Conferences) (Scotland) Regulations, 1950.

19th January 1950:—

Copy of Regulations, dated 16th January 1950, entitled the Licensing of Bulls (Scotland) Regulations, 1950.


Copy of an Order, dated 19th January 1950, entitled the Flour Confectionery (Amendment) Order, 1950.

20th January 1950:—

Copy of Regulations, dated 16th January 1950, entitled the Coal Mines (Mining Qualifications Board) General Regulations, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 18th January 1950, entitled the Gas (Conversion Date) (No. 12) Order, 1950.


23rd January 1950:—

Copy of an Order, dated 19th January 1950, entitled the Purchase Tax (No. 1) Order, 1950.


Copy of an Order, dated 23rd January 1950, entitled the Cheese (Amendment) Order, 1950.

24th January 1950:—

Copies of Orders, dated 23rd January 1950, entitled—

(1) the Utility Cloth and Utility Household Textiles (Maximum Prices) (Amendment No. 6) Order, 1950, and
(2) the Carpets (Maximum Prices) Order, 1950.

25th January 1950:—

Copy of an Order, dated 23rd January 1950, entitled the Purchase Tax (No. 2) Order, 1950.

26th January 1950:—


Copy of a Scheme, dated 26th January 1950, entitled the Grass and Forage Crop Drying (Loans) (England and Wales) Amendment Scheme, 1950.


Copies of Orders,—

(1) dated 25th January 1950, entitled the Flour (Amendment) Order, 1950,
(2) dated 25th January 1950, entitled the Ships’ Stores Order, 1950, and
(3) dated 26th January 1950, entitled the Biscuits (Amendment) Order, 1950.
The following Papers, required by an Act of Parliament to be laid before the House and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office, pursuant to the Standing Order (Presentation of Statutory Instruments), on or after Wednesday the 1st day of this instant March, being the day on which this Parliament was appointed to meet, were ordered to lie upon the Table:—

1st March 1950:—


Copy of an Order in Council, dated 3rd Emergency February 1950, entitled the Defence Regulations (No. 4) Order, 1950.


Copies of Orders, dated 26th January 1950, entitled—
(1) the Bacon (Rationing) (Amendment) Order, 1950, and
(2) the Rationing (Personal Points) (Amendment) Order, 1950.

27th January 1950:—


Copies of Orders, dated 26th January 1950, entitled—
(1) the Feeding Stuffs (National Pigeon Mixture) (General Licence) Order, 1950,
(2) the Feeding Stuffs (Licensing) Order, 1950, and
(3) the Feeding Stuffs (Licensing) (General Licence) Order, 1950.

28th January 1950:—

Copy of Rules, dated 27th January 1950, entitled the Superannuation (Transfers between the Civil Service and Local Government) Rules, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 27th January 1950, entitled the Utility Apparel (Industrial Overalls and Merchant Navy Uniforms) (Manufacture and Supply) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 27th January 1950, entitled the Paper (Prices) Order, 1950.

30th January 1950:—

Copy of Regulations, dated 27th January 1950, entitled the Further Education Grant Amending Regulations No. 3, 1950.

Copy of Regulations, dated 27th January 1950, entitled the National Health Service (Executive Councils) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations, 1950.

Copy of Regulations, dated 26th January 1950, entitled the Public Health (Aircraft) (Scotland) Regulations, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 27th January 1950, entitled the Utility Apparel (Maximum Prices and Charges) Order, 1949 (Amendment No. 5) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 27th January 1950, entitled the Knitted Goods (Manufacture and Supply) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950.


31st January 1950:—

Copy of an Order, dated 30th January 1950, entitled the Miscellaneous Goods (Maximum Prices) (Amendment No. 8) Order, 1950.


Copy of an Order, dated 27th January 1950, entitled the Further Education Grant Amending Regulations No. 3, 1950.

Copies of Orders, dated 26th January 1950, entitled—
(1) the Bacon (Rationing) (Amendment) Order, 1950, and
(2) the Rationing (Personal Points) (Amendment) Order, 1950.

1st February 1950:—

Copy of an Order, dated 28th January 1950, entitled the Purchase Tax (No. 3) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 31st January 1950, entitled the Bedding (Manufacture and Supply) Order, 1950.

Copy of Regulations, dated 31st January 1950, entitled the Control of Rams (Amendment) Regulations, 1950.

2nd February 1950:—

Copy of an Order, dated 2nd February 1950, entitled the Import Duties (Drawback) (No. 1) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 2nd February 1950, entitled the Control of Paper (Economy) (Amendment) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order dated 1st February 1950, entitled the Gas (Conversion Date) (No. 13) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 30th January 1950, entitled the Quarries (Opencast Coal) Order, 1950.

The following Papers, required by an Act of Parliament to be laid before the House and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office, pursuant to the Standing Order (Presentation of Statutory Instruments), on or after Wednesday the 1st day of this instant March, being the day on which this Parliament was appointed to meet, were ordered to lie upon the Table:—

1st March 1950:—


Copy of an Order in Council, dated 3rd Emergency February 1950, entitled the Defence Regulations (No. 4) Order, 1950.


Copies of Orders, dated 26th January 1950, entitled—
(1) the Defence Regulations (No. 1) Order, 1950,
(2) the Defence Regulations (No. 2) Order, 1950, and
(3) the Defence Regulations (No. 3) Order, 1950.

Copies of Orders, dated 6th February 1950, entitled—
(1) the Imported Carpets (Maximum Prices) Order, 1950, and
(2) the Perambulators (Maximum Prices) Order, 1950.


1st February 1950:—

Copy of an Order, dated 28th January 1950, entitled the Purchase Tax (No. 3) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 31st January 1950, entitled the Bedding (Manufacture and Supply) Order, 1950.

Copy of Regulations, dated 31st January 1950, entitled the Control of Rams (Amendment) Regulations, 1950.
Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Communications declaring that Copies of the undermentioned Statutory Instruments had yet to be laid before Parliament, and explaining why such copies had not been so laid before the Instruments came into operation (pursuant to the Standing Order (Notification in respect of certain Statutory Instruments):—

Orders, dated 11th February 1950, Purchase Tax, entitled—

1. (1) the Purchase Tax (No. 4) Order, 1950, and
2. (2) the Purchase Tax (No. 5) Order, 1950.

Order in Council, dated 3rd February 1950, entitled the Defence Regulations (No. 1) Order, 1950.

Orders, dated 6th February 1950, entitled—

1. (1) the Imported Carpets (Maximum Prices) Order, 1950, and
2. (2) the Perambulators (Maximum Prices) Order, 1950.

Order, dated 3rd February 1950, entitled the Utility Apparel (Men's and Boys' Shirts, Underwear and Nightwear) (Manufacture and Supply) Order, 1950.

Orders,—

1. (1) dated 10th February 1950, entitled the Control of Paper (Magazines) (Economy) (Revocation) Order, 1950, and
2. (2) dated 22nd February 1950, entitled the Cotton Waste Prices (Amendment) Order, 1950.


Order, dated 17th February 1950, authorising the Landing of certain Pedigree Swine from Australia at the Port of Liverpool.

Orders,—

1. (1) dated 6th February 1950, entitled the Chocolate, Sugar Confectionery and Cocoa Products (Amendment) Order, 1950,
2. (2) dated 8th February 1950, entitled the Feeding Stuffs (Prices) (Amendment No. 5) Order, 1950,
3. (3) dated 17th February 1950, entitled the Ware Potatoes (Amendment Order, 1950,
4. (4) dated 24th February 1950, entitled the Food (Points Rationing) (Amendment) Order, 1950,
5. (5) dated 27th February 1950, entitled the Cheese (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950,
6. (6) dated 28th February 1950, entitled the Nut Kernels (Amendment) Order, 1950,

Order, dated 24th February 1950, entitled the Rationing (Personal Points) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950.

Order, dated 21st February 1950, entitled the Control of Iron and Steel (No. 77) Order, 1950.

Mr. Jay presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of further Sums required to be voted for the Service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1950.

Estimates for the Civil and Revenue Departments for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, with a Memorandum.

Estimate showing the several Services for which a Vote on Account is required for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951.
Copy of the Sixth Report on Operations under the Agreement between the Governments of the United Kingdom and the United States of America, covering the fourth quarter of 1949.

Mr. Jay also presented, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of the 4th day of March 1879—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 19th December 1949, authorising the temporary application of Surpluses on certain Navy Votes for the year ended the 31st day of March 1949 to meet Deficits on other Navy Votes for the same year.

Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 16th February 1950, authorising the temporary application of Surpluses on certain Army Votes for the year ended the 31st day of March 1949 to meet Deficits on other Army Votes for the same year.

Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 9th February 1950, authorising the temporary application of Surpluses on certain Air Votes for the year ended the 31st day of March 1949 to meet Deficits on other Air Votes for the same year.

Mr. Jay also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on the 29th day of December 1949, on loans proposed to be raised by the British Overseas Airways Corporation.

Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 10th January 1950, relative to the fiduciary note issue.

Appropriation Accounts of the sums granted by Parliament for the Civil Services (Class XI) for the year ended the 31st day of March 1949, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and upon certain Store Accounts.

Account of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Duchy of Lancaster for the period begun the 22nd day of December 1948 and ended the 29th day of September 1949: also a separate Account of the Capital to the same date.

Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on the 12th day of January 1950, on loans proposed to be raised by the British Electricity Authority.

Accounts and Balance Sheets of Trading or Commercial Services conducted by Government Departments in the year ended the 31st day of March 1949, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.


Account of Securities transferred, and Money paid, to the National Debt Commissioners, and Annuities and Insurances granted in the year ended the 5th day of January 1950, under the Government Annuities Act, 1929.

Appropriation Account of the Sums granted by Parliament for Navy Services for the year ended the 31st day of March 1949, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and upon other Navy Accounts.

Accounts of (1) Ship building and Ship repairing in His Majesty's Dockyards and by Contract, and of other Dockyard transactions, and (2) Production at other Establishments, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1949, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Statement of Guarantee given by the Transport, Treasury on the 10th day of January 1950, No. 20, on Stock issued by the British Transport Commission under the Transport Act, 1947.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table, and that the said Estimates and the Papers relating to Public Accounts, Air Navigation, Bank Notes, Civil Appropriation Accounts, Electricity, Government Departments, Navy Appropriation Account (1948-49), Navy (Dockyard and Production Accounts) and Transport be printed.

Mr. Secretary Ede presented, pursuant to Inebriates, the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of the Report of the Inspector under the Inebriates Acts, 1879-1900, for 1949.

Account of Moneys received and paid by the Metropolitan Chamberlain of the City of London in relation to the Metropolitan Cattle Market, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1949; also an Account of Extraordinary Works executed, other than General Repairs, for the same period.

Report as to the Expulsion, Registration and Prohibition Orders made during the period from the 1st day of October to the 31st day of December 1949.


Copy of a Draft Order in Council entitled Summer Time, the Summer Time Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order, made by the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland on the 10th day of January 1950, entitled the Control of Building Operations (Northern Ireland) Order, 1950, No. 15.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His Treaty Series Majesty's Command,—Copy of a General Convention of the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on the 13th day of February 1946.

Copy of Notes exchanged at Budapest on Treaty Series the 3rd day of July 1947 between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Hungarian Government amending the Anglo-Hungarian Payments Agreement of the 12th day of August 1946.

Copy of Notes exchanged at London, between Treaty Series the 9th and 12th days of November 1948, between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the United States of America, regarding Visas.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. James Griffiths presented, pursuant to Turks and Caicos Islands, the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Rules, made and approved by the Commissioner of the Turks and Caicos Islands on the 21st day of October 1949, entitled the Prison (Remission of Sentence) Rules, 1949.
Copy of Rules relating to St. Vincent, made and approved by the Governor of the Windward Islands in Council on the 23rd day of September 1949, entitled the Prison (Amendment) Rules, 1949.  

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, —Copy of Regulations, dated 11th February 1950, entitled the Marking of Preserved Eggs (Scotland) Amendment Regulations, 1950.

Report by the Secretary of State for Scotland of his Proceedings under the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, and the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, Amendment Act, as applied by Section 5 of the Harbours, Piers, and Ferries (Scotland) Act, 1937, in the year ended the 31st day of January 1950.

Copies of Schemes made by the aforementioned local authorities and approved by the Secretary of State for Scotland under the Local Government Superannuation (Scotland) Act, 1937:—

(1) Arbroath Town Council.  
(2) Clackmannan County Council.  
(3) County Council of the Stewartry of Kirkcudbright.

Copies of University Court Ordinances—

(1) No. 259 (No. 47 of the University Court of the University of St. Andrews) (Foundation of the James Mackenzie Chair of Child Health),
(2) No. 260 (No. 48 of the University Court of the University of St. Andrews) (Foundation of the James Mackenzie Chair of Public Health and Social Medicine), and
(3) No. 261 (No. 66 of the University Court of the University of Glasgow) (Institution of Degrees in Veterinary Medicine and Surgery and Relative Regulations).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Callaghan presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Estimate for the Army for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1950.

Mr. Secretary Henderson presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Estimates for the Air Services for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951.

Mr. Secretary Henderson also presented, Air Force pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 6th December 1949, amending in certain respects the Regulations appended to His Majesty’s Order, dated 22nd December 1948, and included in Part I of a Volume entitled Regulations for the Royal Auxiliary Air Force, the Royal Auxiliary Air Force Reserve (including the Royal Auxiliary Air Force Reserve of Officers) and County Associations.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Estimates be printed.

Copies of Orders in Council,—  

Navy (Pay, Pensions, &c.). —

(1) dated 15th December 1949, approving an Admiralty Memorial for sanction to certain Proposals for the Recovery of Judgment Debts incurred by former Members of the Naval and Marine Forces, and
(2) dated 3rd February 1950, approving an Admiralty Memorial for sanction to revised Regulations governing the Qualifications of Officers of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines acting as Interpreters.

Copies of Orders in Council,—

Navy (Pensions). —

(1) dated 5th December 1950, amending the Statutes of the College, 
(2) made by the University of Oxford, on the 6th day of August 1949, amending the Statutes of the University, 
(3) made by the Governing Body of Pembroke College, Cambridge, on the 1st day of December 1949, amending the Statutes of the College, 
(4) made by the Governing Body of Merton College, Oxford, on the 4th day of November 1949, amending the Statutes of the College, 
(5) made by the University of Oxford, on the 15th day of November 1949, amending the Statutes of the University, 
(6) made by the Governing Body of Exeter College, Cambridge, on the 1st day of December 1949, amending the Statutes of the College, 
(7) made by the Governing Body of Oriel College, Oxford, on the 5th day of December 1949, amending the Statutes of the College, and
(8) made by the University of Oxford, on the 7th day of December 1949, amending the Statutes of the University.
Copy of a Statute made by the University of Durham on the 31st day of May 1949, amending the Statutes of the University. 

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of a Summary of Statements of Assurance Business deposited with the Board of Trade during 1949.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented the following Papers:

1. Mr. Bevan also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, Copy of an Order, dated 24th February 1950, entitled the Dewsbury (Repeal of Local Enactments) Order, 1950, with a Certificate by the Minister of Health under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945.
2. Copies of Schemes made by the undermentioned local authorities and approved by the Minister of Health under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937:—
   (1) Accrington Town Council.
   (2) Bangor Town Council.
   (3) Beeston and Stapleford Urban District Council.
   (4) Berkshire County Council.
   (5) Carlton Urban District Council.
   (6) Chislehurst and Sidcup Urban District Council.
   (7) Colne Town Council.
   (8) Congleton Town Council.
   (9) Eastleigh Town Council.
   (10) Enfield Urban District Council.
   (11) Gloucester City Council.
   (12) Heywood Town Council.
   (14) Malling and Hollingbourn Superannuation Joint Committee.
   (15) Northumberland (Local Authorities) Superannuation Joint Committee.
   (16) Penge Urban District Council.
   (17) Port Talbot Town Council.
   (18) Rawtenstall Town Council.
   (19) Skegness Urban District Council.
   (20) Swindon Town Council.
   (21) West Hartlepool Town Council.
   (22) West Sussex County Council.
   (23) Wrexham Town Council.

Copy of the Registrar-General’s Statistical Review of England and Wales for 1944 (New Annual Series, No. 24), Tables, Part II, Civil.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Thomas Williams presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Report by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries of his proceedings in Session 1948-49 under the General Pier and Harbour Acts, 1861 to 1915.

Report by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries of his proceedings under Part III of the Sea Fisheries Act, 1868, during 1949.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Barnes presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Report by the Minister of Transport of his proceedings in Session 1948-49 under the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, and the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, Amendment Act.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Noel-Baker presented, pursuant to the Cost Mines, directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Reports of His Majesty’s Inspectors of Mines—

1. (1) for the East Midland Division for 1947.
2. (2) for the East Midland Division for 1948.
3. (3) for the North Western Division for 1947.
4. (4) for the Scottish Division for 1947.
5. (5) for the Scottish Division for 1948.
6. (6) for the South Western Division for 1948.
7. (7) for the West Midland and Southern Division for 1947.
8. (8) for the West Midland and Southern Division for 1948.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Shinwell presented, by His Majesty’s Ministry of Defence, a Defence Estimate for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951.

Ordered, That the said Estimate do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Copy of all Applications made by the First Bank of England.

Copy of all Applications made by the Exchequer to the Governor and Deputy Governor of the Bank of England for Advances to Government authorised by Parliament, from the 6th day of January 1949 to the 5th day of January 1950, and the Answers of the said Court thereto.

Copy of a Report to the Lord Chancellor of Lunacy, the Number of Visits made, the Number of Patients seen, and the Number of Miles travelled by the Visitors of Lunatics between the 1st day of April and the 30th day of September 1949.

Schedules containing Lists and Particulars Public Records, of certain Classes of Documents existing or accruing in the undermentioned offices, which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office:—

1. Ministry of Supply.
2. National Assistance Board.
3. Tithe Redemption Commission.

Statement of the Funds of the Museum of Soane’s the late Sir John Soane on the 5th day of January 1950.


The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of a Measure, were also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Schemes for the rearrangement of the pastoral supervision—

(1) of the Parishes of Saint Luke, Pallion, Saint Andrew, Depford, Saint Stephen, Ayres Quay, Saint Mary Magdalene, Millfield, Saint Mark, Millfield, Saint Hilda, Millfield, and Saint Gabriel, Bishopwearmouth, all in the diocese of Durham, and

(2) of the parish of the Cathedral Benefice of Sheffield, in the diocese of Sheffield.

Ordered, That the Paper relating to the Tithe Redemption Commission be printed.

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House had, this day, attended His Majesty in the House of Peers, when His Majesty was pleased to make a most Gracious Speech from the Throne to both Houses of Parliament; of which Mr. Speaker said he had, for greater accuracy, obtained a copy; which he read to the House, as followeth:

MY LORDS AND MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS:

I am proud to recognise that My people, by a sustained endeavour, have increased industrial and agricultural production and thereby helped our country forward to greater prosperity. In this task they have been greatly assisted by the help and co-operation of the Governments and peoples of other parts of the Commonwealth.

The world shortage of dollars, in which this country has shared, has again been eased by generous help from the United States of America and Canada. Renewed efforts will, however, be required to secure a balance in the country's overseas trade and, in particular, to increase earnings in North America.

My Government will maintain their whole-hearted support of the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation, through which it is hoped to work out a new European payments scheme.

I look forward with great pleasure to the visit of the President of the French Republic and Madame Auriol.

My Government in the United Kingdom warmly welcomed the opportunity provided by the recent meeting of Commonwealth Ministers in Colombo for a valuable exchange of views on foreign affairs. In accordance with the recommendations of the meeting, My Ministers look forward to co-operating with other Commonwealth Governments in matters of common interest in South and South-East Asia.

My Government welcome the inauguration on the 27th December last of the Republic of the United States of Indonesia as an independent sovereign state, with whom diplomatic relations have been established.


On the 7th February My Government granted recognition to the States of Viet Nam, Laos and Cambodia, as associate states within the French Union.

My Government will continue to give full support to the United Nations, for it is only through an effective system of security that world peace can be assured. In particular, they will use their utmost endeavours, through the United Nations, to assist in finding a durable solution of the tremendous problem of atomic energy so that international agreement for adequate control and supervision of the production of atomic energy may be secured.

My Government will do their utmost to ensure the success of the Council of Europe.

The formation of a Federal German Government has made possible a progressive transfer of responsibilities from the Western Allies to the Germans. As a result My Government have been able to make substantial reductions in the cost of their administration of Germany.

My Ministers will maintain the closest relations with the other Powers signatory to the North Atlantic and Brussels Treaties, and will play their due part, in collaboration with the other Powers, in strengthening common means of defence. My Government will continue to take all necessary steps to ensure that My Armed Forces are ready to meet their responsibilities in all parts of the world. The new organisation of Civil Defence will be developed.

My Government are actively promoting the economic and social development of the Colonial territories, and the Colonial Development Corporation is proving a useful instrument to this end.

MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS:

The Estimates for the public services will be laid before you in due course.

You will be asked to approve orders making certain changes in the Customs Tariff arising from the agreements which My Government concluded last summer at the meeting at Annecy, at which the Governments of the Commonwealth were represented.

MY LORDS AND MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS:

The economic difficulties of this country have emphasised the need for renewed effort to expand the production of food from our own soil, and My Government will continue to take all practical steps to encourage our agricultural population to increase output by every efficient means and to make better use of marginal land. The improvement of water supplies, particularly in rural areas, will continue to occupy the attention of My Ministers and preparatory steps will be taken with a view to the introduction of legislation as soon as circumstances permit.

In view of the restricted time available and the heavy volume of financial business to be transacted, My Government propose only a limited programme of legislation for the present Session. Nevertheless, should other measures prove in their view to be immediately necessary for the maintenance of full employment and the national well-being, My Ministers will not hesitate to submit them to Parliament, even though they may seem likely to prove contentious.

Bills will be laid before you to amend the law relating to allotments in England and Wales and in Scotland.

A Bill will be laid before you to amend the Medical Acts so as to raise the standard of
The following Members took and subscribed the Oath, or made and subscribed the Affirmation required by law:—

Harold Sutcliffe, Esquire, for Heywood and Royton.

Frederick Thomas Willey, Esquire, for Sunderland, North.

Major John Reginald Bevins, for Liverpool, Toxteth.

Adam Storey McKinlay, Esquire, for West Dunbartonshire.

George Daggar, Esquire, for Abertillery.

Flying Officer Norman Harold Lever, for Manchester, Cheetham.

Lieutenant-Commander Lancelot William Joyson-Hicks, commonly called the honourable Lancelot William Joyson-Hicks, for Chichester.

Major William Thomas Wells, for Walsall.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bills, from the Counsel to Mr. Speaker, That, in accordance with Standing Order 81 relating to Private Business (Division of Bills between this House and House of Lords), he had conferred with the Counsel to the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords, for the purpose of determining in which House of Parliament the respective Private Bills should be first considered, and they had determined that the Bills contained in the following List should originate in the House of Lords, viz.:

- Bath Extension.
- Carlisle Extension.
- City of London (Various Powers).
- Derby Corporation.
- Doncaster Corporation.
- Dover Corporation.
- Dover Harbour.
- Faculty of Homeopathy.
- Gateshead and District Tramways.
- German Potash Syndicate Loan.
- Gloucester Extension.
- Gun Barrel Proof.
- Leicester City Extension.
- Leyton Corporation.
- London County Council (Woolwich Subsides).
- Mersey Docks and Harbour Board.
- Middlesex County Council.
- Norwich Extension.
- Plymouth Extension.
- Prescelly Water.
- Saint John's Chapel Beverley.
- Surbiton Corporation.
- Tees Conservancy.
- Tyne Improvement.
- Wakefield Extension.
- Wisbech Corporation.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report Private Bill from the Examiners of Petitions for Private Petitions. Bills, That, in the case of the Petitions for the following Bills, the Standing Orders have been complied with, viz.:

- Aycliffe Development Corporation (District Heating).
- Bootle Extension.
- Bristol Corporation.
- British Transport Commission.
- Bury Extension.
- Cardiff Extension.
- Company of Watermen and Lightermen.
- Eton Rural District Council.
- Ilford Corporation.
- Ilford Corporation (Drainage).
- Ipswich Dock.
- Lee Conservancy Catchment Board.
- London County Council (General Powers).
- Luton Corporation.
Manchester Corporation.
Manchester Ship Canal.
Mid Southern Utility.
Newcastle upon Tyne Extension.
Newport Extension.
Oldham Extension.
Port of London.
South Shields Extension.
South Staffordshire Water.
Sunderland Extension.
Thames Conservancy.
Towyn Trewan Common.
Wolverhampton Corporation.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in respect of the Bills comprised in the Report laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker, it is intended to originate in the House of Lords, they have certified that the Standing Orders have been complied with in the following cases, viz.:—

- Bath Extension.
- Carlisle Extension.
- City of London (Various Powers).
- Derby Corporation.
- Doncaster Corporation.
- Dover Corporation.
- Dover Harbour.
- Faculty of Homoeopathy.
- Gateshead and District Tramways.
- German Potash Syndicate Loan.
- Gloucester Extension.
- Gun Barrel Proof.
- Leicester City Extension.
- Leyton Corporation.
- London County Council (Woolwich Subsidies).
- Mersey Docks and Harbour Board.
- Middlesex County Council.
- Norwich Extension.
- Plymouth Extension.
- Preselby Water.
- Saint John’s Chapel Beverley.
- Surbiton Corporation.
- Tees Conservancy.
- Tyne Improvement.
- Wakefield Extension.
- Wisbech Corporation.

Mr. Thomas Williams presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries under the Surrey County Council Act, 1936, to amend the Land Drainage (Surrey County Council (Hogsmill River Improvement)) Provisional Order Confirmation Act, 1942: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Appropriation Account of the Sums granted by Parliament for Air Services for the year ended the 31st day of March 1949, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and upon other Air Services Accounts.

Account of the Annual Salaries of the Registrars, Clerks, and all others holding Offices in the Probate Division of the High Court in Northern Ireland, with an Account of all Fees and Stamps received, in 1949.

Copy of an Order, dated 3rd March 1950, entitled the Purchase Tax (No. 6) Order, 1950.

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- (1) the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Israei) Order, 1950.
- (2) the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Fiji) Order, 1950.
- (3) the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony) Order, 1950.
- (4) the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (British Solomon Islands Protectorate) Order, 1950, and
- (5) the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (North Borneo) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Appropriation Account be printed.

Mr. Callaghan presented, by His Majesty’s Order,—List of Exceptions to the King’s Regulations as to Pay, Non-effective Pay, and Allowances. Allowances during the year ended the 31st day of March 1949, sanctioned by the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, with the approval of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Henderson presented, by His Air Estimates, 1950-51.

Mr. Secretary Henderson also presented, Air Force, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Memorandum by the Secretary of State for Air to accompany the Air Estimates, 1950-51.

Mr. Callaghan presented, by His Majesty’s Order,—List of Exceptions to the King’s Regulations as to Pay, Non-effective Pay, and Allowances.

Mr. Herbert Morrison presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Statutes—

- (1) made by the Governing Body of Magdalen College, Oxford, on the 8th day of December 1949, amending the Statutes of the College, and
- (2) made by the University of Oxford on the 13th day of December 1949, amending the Statutes of the University.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Orders, dated 7th March 1950, entitled—

- (1) the Utility Cloth and Utility Household Textiles (Maximum Prices) (Amendment No. 7) Order, 1950, and
- (2) the Utility Handkerchiefs (Maximum Prices) (Amendment No. 4) Order, 1950.

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- (1) the Household Textiles (Marking and Manufacturers’ Prices) (Amendment No. 1) Order, 1950.
- (2) the Utility Curtain Cloth (Amendment) Order, 1950.
- (3) the Utility Handkerchiefs (Marking and Manufacturers’ Prices) (Amendment No. 5) Order, 1950.
Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 2nd March 1950, entitled the Harrogate (Amendment of Local Enactment) Order, 1950, with a Certificate by the Minister of Health under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Dr. Summerskill presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 7th March 1950, substituted by the Minister of National Insurance (Claims and Payments) Amendment Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Reports by the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords and the Chairman of Ways and Means in the House of Commons, under Section 3 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945, that no Petition has been presented against—

(1) the East Flintshire and East Denbighshire (Conservation of Water) Order, 1949, and
(2) the Wath-upon-Dearne (Conservation of Water) Order, 1949.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Accounts of the House of Commons Members' Fund for the year ended the 30th day of September 1949, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon. Schedule containing a List and Particulars of certain Classes of Documents of the Local Government Boundary Commission which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

Ordered, That the said Accounts be printed.

Ordered, That until the Adjournment of the House for Easter Government Business shall have precedence at every Sitting, and that no Bills other than Government Bills be introduced in anticipation of the ballot.—(Mr. Herbert Morrison.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed yesterday, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, as followeth:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament;

And the Question being again proposed:—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And it being Ten of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed tomorrow.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.—(Mr. Hannan.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes after Ten of the clock, adjourned till tomorrow.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

Prayers.

The following Member took and subscribed Member takes the Oath:—

John Selwyn Brooke Lloyd, Esquire, C.B.E., K.C., for Wirral.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table, pursuant to the Standing Order (Notification in respect of certain Statutory Instruments).—Communications declaring that copies of the undermentioned Statutory Instruments had yet to be laid before Parliament, and explaining why such copies had not been so laid before the Instruments came into operation.

Regulations, dated 16th December 1949, National Health Service (Scotland), entitled:—

(1) the National Health Service (Travelling Allowances, etc.) (Scotland) Regulations, 1949, and
(2) the National Health Service (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) (Scotland) (Amendment No. 3) Regulations, 1949.

Regulations, dated 16th December 1949, National Health Service, entitled:—

(1) the National Health Service (Travelling Allowances, etc.) Regulations, 1949, and
(2) the National Health Service (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations, 1949.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Appropriations in Aid Treasury Minutes, dated 27th January 1950,—

(1) directing the application of certain Receipts of the Minister of Agriculture
under the Agriculture Act, 1947, as Appropriations in Aid of the appropriate Vote of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, and
(2) directing the application of certain Receipts of the Minister of Agriculture, under the Agricultural Holdings Act, 1948, as Appropriations in Aid of the appropriate Vote of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules, dated 28th December 1949, entitled the Detention of Prisoners (Scotland) Rules, 1949.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Henderson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 6th March 1950, entitled the Stopping up of Highways (Air Ministry) (Revocations) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Isaac presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 6th March 1950, entitled the National Service (Part-time Service) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Account, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Account of the Wheat Fund showing the Revenue and Expenditure attributable to the year ended the 31st day of July 1949, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Account be printed.

Mr. Secretary Bevin, supported by Mr. Herbert Morrison, Mr. Younger and Mr. Ernest Davies, presented a Bill to amend the Diplomatic Privileges (Extension) Act, 1944:

And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time tomorrow, and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 6th day of this instant March, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, as followeth:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament;

And the Question being again proposed:—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And it being Ten of the clock, the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, till to-morrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—

(Mr. Hannan): And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the Question having been proposed at Ten of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, till to-morrow.

[No. 7.]

Thursday, 9th March, 1950.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

P R A Y E R S .

The following Member took and subscribed the Oath:—

Sir William Wavell Wakefield, for St. Marylebone.

A Bill to confer powers upon the Aycliffe Development Corporation with reference to the supply of heat; and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to extend the boundaries of the Borough of Bootle; and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to authorise the Lord Mayor Aldermen and Burgess of the City of Bristol to supply hot water and heat by means of hot water or steam; to make further provision for the health improvement local government and finances of the City; to enact provisions with respect to the superannuation of certain officers and servants; and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to empower the British Transport Commission to construct works and to acquire lands; to extend the time for the compulsory purchase of certain lands the completion of certain works and the exercise of certain powers; to confer further powers on the Commission; and for other purposes, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to extend the boundaries of the county borough of Bury; and for purposes incidental thereto, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to extend the boundaries of the City and County Borough of Cardiff; and for purposes incidental thereto, was presented, and read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.
Canal Bill.  
Manchester Ship Corporation Bill.  
Corporation Luton Powers) Bill. (General council (Drainage) Bill.  
Ilford Corporation Bill.  
Board Bill.  
Conservancy Lee Bill.  
be read a second time.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the direc-

Local Government Superannuation.
authorities and approved by the Minister of Health under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937:—
(1) Bexley and Swanscombe (Superannuation) Joint Committee.
(2) Birmingham Tame and Rea District Drainage Board.

Copy of Regulations, dated 8th March 1950, entitled the National Assistance (Exchequer Contributions) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 9th March 1950, entitled the Cheese (Amendment No. 3) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Noel-Baker presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 7th March 1950, entitled the Road Tar Prices (Revocation) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Ness Edwards, supported by Mr. Jay, presented a Bill to provide for raising further money for the development of the postal, telegraphic and telephonic systems and the repayment to the Post Office Fund of money applied thereout for such development, to amend the enactments relating to Post Office accounts and for purposes connected therewith:—And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next, and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 6th day of this instant March, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, as followeth:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament; and the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding, at the end thereof, the words:—

"But humbly regret that the Gracious Speech contains no reference to the future of the Iron and Steel Industry and that in a time of rising world competition this vital industry will be kept in a state of anxiety and suspense."—(Mr. Lyttelton.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there added;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,
Mr. Buchan-Hepburn, 296.
Mr. Drew, 310.

Tellers for the Noes,
Mr. Whiteley, 296.
Mr. Robert Taylor: 310.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being again proposed:—And a Debate arising thereupon;
And it being after Ten of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Popplewell):—And a Debate arising thereupon:

And the Question having been proposed after Ten of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then seventeen minutes before Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.
Mr. Harold Wilson presented,—Return to an Order yesterday for a Return relating to Trade and Navigation.

Mr. Harold Wilson also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 10th March 1950, entitled the Cinematograph Films (Quotas) Amendment Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Return be printed.

Mr. Isaacs presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 10th March 1950, entitled the Control of Engagement (Revocation) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 9th March 1950, entitled—

(1) the Meat (Maximum Retail Prices) (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order, 1950,
(2) the Meat (Maximum Retail Prices) (Amendment) Order, 1950,
(3) the Eggs (Great Britain and Northern Ireland) (General Licence) Order, 1950, and
(4) the Eggs (Great Britain and Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Dr. Summerskill presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 10th March 1950, entitled the National Insurance (Contributions) Amendment Regulations, 1950.

Report of the National Insurance Advisory Committee on the National Insurance (Contributions) Amendment Regulations, 1950, in accordance with sub-section (4) of Section 77 of the National Insurance Act, 1946, preceded by a Statement made by the Minister of National Insurance in accordance with that Act.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Report be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 6th day of this instant March, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, as followeth:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament;

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

And it being Four of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

The Committee of Public Accounts was nominated of Mr. Assheton, Mr. Benson, Colonel Crosthwaite-Eyre, Mr. Cuthbert, Mr. Holmes, Mr. Hoy, Mr. Jay, Mr. Jennings, Sir John Mellor, Mr. Malchair, Mr. Nicholson, Mr. George Thomas, Mr. Thurlow, Mr. Vane and Mr. Frederick Willey.—(Mr. Adams.)

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider every Statutory Instrument laid or laid in draft before the House, being an Instrument or Draft of an Instrument upon which proceedings may be or might have been taken in either House in pursuance of any Act of Parliament, with a view to determining whether the special attention of the House should be drawn to it on any of the following grounds:

(i) that it imposes a charge on the public revenues or contains provisions requiring payments to be made to the Exchequer or any Government Department or to any local or public authority in consideration of any licence or consent, or of any services to be rendered, or prescribes the amount of any such charge or payments;
(ii) that it is made in pursuance of an enactment containing specific provisions excluding it from challenge in the courts, either at all times or after the expiration of a specified period;
(iii) that it appears to make some unusual or unexpected use of the powers conferred by the Statute under which it is made;
(iv) that it purports to have retrospective effect where the parent Statute confers no express authority so to provide;
(v) that there appears to have been unjustifiable delay in the publication or in the laying of it before Parliament;
(vi) that there appears to have been unjustifiable delay in sending a notification to Mr. Speaker under the proviso to sub-section (1) of section four of the Statutory Instruments Act, 1946, where an Instrument has come into operation before it has been laid before Parliament;
(vii) that for any special reason its form or purport calls for elucidation;

and if they so determine, to report to that effect.

And the Committee was nominated of Lieutenant-Colonel Boles, Mr. Eric Fletcher, Mr. Anthony Greenwood, Mr. Hector Hughes, Mr. Murray, Mr. Nicholson, Mr. Renton, Mr. Scott, Mr. Sydney Silverman, Brigadier Thorp and Mr. Frederick Willey.

Ordered, That the Committee have the assistance of the Counsel to Mr. Speaker.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to sit notwithstanding any adjournment of the House, to report from time to time, and to report the Minutes of their Proceedings from time to time.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to require any Government Department concerned to submit a memorandum explaining any Instrument or Draft which may be under their consideration or to depute a representative to appear before them as a Witness for the purpose of explaining any such Instrument or Draft.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum of the Committee.
Ordered. That it be an Instruction to the Committee, That before reporting that the special attention of the House be drawn to any Instrument or Draft the Committee do afford to any Government Department concerned therewith an opportunity of furnishing orally or in writing such explanations as the Department think fit.

Ordered. That the Committee have power to report to the House from time to time any memoranda submitted or other evidence given to the Committee by any Government Department in explanation of any Instrument or Draft.

Ordered. That the Committee have power to take evidence, written or oral, from His Majesty's Stationery Office, relating to the printing and publication of any Instrument.—(Mr. Adams)

Adjourment

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Adams):—And a Debate arising thereupon:

And the Question having been proposed after Four of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-eight minutes before Five of the clock, till Monday next.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The following Member took and subscribed the Oath:—

The Right Honourable Florence Horsbrugh, C.B.E., for Manchester, Moss Side.

Parliamentary Papers (Adjournment).

The following Papers, required by an Act of Parliament to be laid before the House and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on the 11th day of this instant March, pursuant to the Standing Order (Presentation of Statutory Instruments), were ordered to lie upon the Table:


Copy of Regulations, dated 9th March 1950, entitled—

(1) the Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) Regulations, 1950, and
(2) the Motor Vehicles (International Circulation) (Amendment) Regulations, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 10th March 1950, entitled the Dyeing and Cleaning (Control) (Revocation) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 10th March 1950, entitled the Plywood Prices (Amendment) Order, 1950.

Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 10th March 1950, relative to the Gift to the Government of Australia of Destroyers at present on Loan.


Copy of an Agreement between His Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Italian Government relating to Air Services between their respective Territories (with Schedules and Notes exchanged), signed at Rome on the 25th day of June 1948.

Copy of a Memorandum, signed at Paris on the 1st day of December 1949, regarding the Disposal of Unused Drawing Rights for France established under the Agreement for Intra-European Payments and Compensations of the 16th day of October 1948.

Copy of a Memorandum, signed at Paris on the 15th day of December 1949, regarding the Disposal of Unused Drawing Rights for the Bizone and French Zone of Germany established under the Agreement for Intra-European Payments and Compensations of the 16th day of October 1948.

Copy of Notes exchanged at Rangoon on the 24th day of December 1949, between His Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Union of Burma regulating Commercial Relations pending the Conclusion of a new Treaty of Commerce and Navigation.

Copy of an Agreement, signed at Ankara on the 25th day of January 1949, between His Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Turkish Republic to establish Drawing Rights in favour of Turkey for the purpose of the European Payments Agreement of the 16th day of October 1948 (with Notes exchanged) (The Agreement was ratified by His Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom on the 20th day of April 1949).

Ordered. That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of an Agreement, signed at Paris on the 15th day of December 1949, regarding the Disposal of Unused Drawing Rights for France established under the Agreement for Intra-European Payments and Compensations of the 16th day of October 1948.

Ordered. That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Regulations entitled the National Health Service (Scotland) (Superannuation) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered. That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Jay also presented, pursuant to the pensions directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 11th March 1950, entitled the Superannuation (Control Service for Germany and Austria—Unestablished Civilian Service) (Amendment) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered. That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Jay presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of an Agreement, signed at Paris on the 28th day of January 1950, between His Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the French Republic regarding the Reciprocal Application of the Social Security Schemes of France and Northern Ireland (with Protocols).

Ordered. That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Adams also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 10th March 1950, entitled the Superannuation (Control Service for Germany and Austria—Unestablished Civilian Service) (Amendment) Regulations, 1950.
Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copies of Schemes made by the aforementioned local authorities and approved by the Minister of Health under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937:—

(1) Bournemouth County Borough Council.
(2) High Wycombe Town Council.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 6th day of this instant March, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty as followeth:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament;

And the Question being again proposed:

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding, at the end thereof, the words—

"But humbly regret that the Gracious Speech makes no reference to the grievous and growing distress in town and country arising out of the continuing decline in the number of new houses built each year and contains no indication that the Government intend to take more effective measures to deal with the situation."—(Mr. Elliot.)

And the Question being put; That those words be there added;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the

Mr. Buchan-Hepburn
Mr. Drewe

289.

Tellers for the

Mr. Whiteley
Mr. Robert Taylor

314.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being put;

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, as followeth:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Majesty by such Members of this House as are of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of His Majesty's Household.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

Ordered, That the several Estimates presented on the 6th day of this instant March be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Ways and Means for raising the Supply to be granted to His Majesty.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to control the arrangements for the Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms in the department of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Seventeen Members:—The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Alexander Anderson, Miss Bacon, Mr. Boothby, Mr. Burke, Mr. Coldrick, Mr. Daines, Sir William Darling, Mr. Edward Evans, Mr. Walter Fletcher, Mrs. Hill, Mr. Howard, Mr. Keeling, Sir Ronald Ross, Mr. Thurtle, Mr. Viant, Mr. Watkins and Major Whealey.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers and records.—(Mr. Robert Taylor.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That Three be the Quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Robert Taylor):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being after Ten of the clock, and objection being taken to further Proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question Adjournment. being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Popplewell):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the Question having been proposed after Ten of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then thirteen minutes before Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 10.]

Tuesday, 14th March, 1950.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Private Bill petitions.

Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the Petition for the following Bill, originating in the Lords, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

Runcorn-Widnes Bridge [Lords].

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Standing Orders Committee.

Ordered, That the Bootle Extension Bill be Bootle Extension Bill, read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Bristol Corporation Bill was read a second time, and committed.

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Ordered, That the Bury Extension Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Cardiff Extension Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Eton Rural District Council Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Ilford Corporation Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Ilford Corporation (Drainage) Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Ipswich Dock Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Lee Conservancy Catchment Board Bill was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the London County Council (General Powers) Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Luton Corporation Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

The Manchester Corporation Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Manchester Ship Canal Bill was read a second time, and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Newport Extension Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Port of London Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the South Shields Extension Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Thames Conservancy Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Twyn Trenan Common Bill was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the Wolverhampton Corporation Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the said Accounts do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Ede presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of an Order, dated 10th March 1950, entitled the County of Derby (Coroners’ Districts) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 13th March 1950, entitled the Temporary Workers in Agriculture (Minimum Wages) (Scotland) Order, 1950.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Scheme made by the Sittingbourne and Milton Urban District Council and approved by the Minister of Health under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Barnes presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 13th March 1950, entitled the Road Vehicles and Drivers (Amendment) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Tomlinson presented, by His Majesty’s Education Command,—Copy of a Memorandum on the Ministry of Education Estimates, 1950-51.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Stokes presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Regulations entitled the Audley End Grounds Regulation, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords was read a second time, and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills. A Motion being made, and the Question to which the Lords message had been brought from the Lords being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (Mr. Whiteley);—That it is desirable that in the present Session all Consolidation Bills, Statute Law Revision Bills and Bills presented under the Consolidation of Enactments (Procedural) Act, 1949, together with the Memoranda laid and any representations made with respect thereto under the Act, be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords communicate that they have Consolidation, come to the following Resolution, viz.:—That the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Adjournment.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left;

Tellers for the (Mr. Whiteley, Mr. Robert Taylor); 308.
Tellers for the (Mr. Buchan-Hepburn, Mr. Drew); 289.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
And the Main Question being again proposed:—And a Debate arising thereupon; And it being after Ten of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Committee of Privileges do consist of Ten Members:—The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Assheton, Mr. Attorney General, Mr. Cocks, Captain Crookshank, Mr. Clement Davies, Mr. Edward Davies, Mr. Grenfell, Mr. Herbert Morrison, Mr. William Morrison and Earl Winterton.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Robert Taylor.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed yesterday. That Three be the Quorum of the Select Committee on Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

A Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Pearson):—And a Debate arising thereupon; And the Question having been proposed after Ten of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without continuing for half an hour, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Eton Rural District Council Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ilford Corporation (Drainage) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London County Council (General Powers) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Port of London Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Thames Conservancy Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament.—Statement of No. 28. Guarantee given by the Treasury on the 6th day of March 1950, on loans proposed to be raised by the British Electricity Authority.
Copy of an Order, dated 14th March 1950, entitled the Import Duties (Drawback) (No. 2) Order, 1950.

Order. That the said Paper do lie upon the Table;

Mr. Secretary Ede presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, extending Section 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, to—

(1) the Urban District of Failsworth,
(2) the Urban District of Hitchin,
(3) the Borough of Leigh,
(4) the Urban District of Malton,
(5) the Borough of Middlesbrough,
(6) the Urban District of Norton,
(7) the Urban District of Ormskirk, and
(8) the Urban District of Potters Bar.

Ordered. That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 14th March 1950, entitled the Molasses (Revocation) Order, 1950.

Ordered. That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Reports to the Minister of Transport by the Corporations of several Acts of Parliament, of Irish Lights of their Inspection of Local Lighthouses, &c., in 1948.

Ordered. That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Barnes presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Reports by the Minister of Transport of the Cases in which he has exercised his Powers under Section 78 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1906, during 1949.

Ordered. That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

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Ordered. That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Dalton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 14th March 1950, entitled the Central Land Board (Register of Dealings in Land) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered. That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. (In the Committee)

Civil Estimates, Estimates for Revenue Departments and Estimate for the Ministry of Defence, 1950-51 (Vote on Account).

£855,595,000, on account, for Civil and Revenue Departments and for the Ministry of Defence.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered. That the Report be received to-morrow.

Resolved. That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Resolved. That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment. (Mr. Pearson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes after Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.:—

Land Drainage (Surrey County Council (Hogsmill River Improvement) (Amendment) Provisional Order Bill.

Ordered. That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Aycliffe Development Corporation (District Heating) Bill;

Ordered. That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the British Transport Commission Bill;

Ordered. That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Eton Rural District Council Bill;

Ordered. That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ilford Corporation (Drainage) Bill;

Ordered. That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.
British Museum.

A Petition of the Trustees of the British Museum, being offered to be presented: Mr. Secretary Ede, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the contents of the said Petition, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the said Petition was brought up, and read. The only Funds belonging to the Petitioners for the support of the British Museum consist of Thirty Thousand Pounds two and a half per cent. Consolidated Annuities, the annual proceeds whereof amount to about Seventy-two Pounds; of a Bequest of the late James Rose Vallentin the annual proceeds of which amount to about Seventy-six Pounds; of a Bequest of the late Honourable Nathaniel Charles Rothschild the annual proceeds of which amount to about One Hundred and Fifty Pounds, and of a Bequest under the Will of the late Dr. Walter Ewing Crum the annual proceeds of which amount to about Twenty-four Pounds; of a Bequest of the late Mrs. Margery Kathleen Mew the annual proceeds of which amount to about One Hundred and Forty-four Pounds; of a Bequest of the late Henry Louis Florence, the annual proceeds of which amount to about Seventy-six Pounds; of a Bequest of Lord Farnborough the annual proceeds of which amount to about Seventy-two Pounds; of a Bequest of the late Mrs. Margery Kathleen Coldwell, the annual proceeds of which amount to about Twenty-four Pounds; of a Bequest of the late Mrs. Mery Kathleen Coldwell, the annual proceeds of which amount to about Twenty-four Pounds; of a Bequest of the late Dr. Walter Ewing Crum the annual proceeds of which amount to about One Hundred and Fifty Pounds; of a Bequest of the late William C. Hazlitt the annual proceeds of which amount to about Two Hundred and Twelve Pounds; that the Establishment is necessarily attended with an expense far beyond the annual proceeds of the above mentioned sums and the Trust cannot with benefit to the Public be carried on without the aid of Parliament; and praying the House to grant them such further support towards enabling them to carry on the execution of the Trust reposed in them by Parliament for the general benefit of learning and useful knowledge as to the House shall seem meet.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The Order made upon the 7th day of this instant March, That the Paper relating to the National Health Service do lie upon the Table, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the said Paper be withdrawn.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and upon other Army Accounts.

Army Appropriation Account, No. 34.

Transport, No. 31.

Statement of Guarantee, given by the Treasury on the 20th day of February 1950, on Stock issued by the British Transport Commission under the Transport Act, 1947.

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Statement of Guarantee, given by the British Treasury on the 6th day of March 1950, on Stock issued by the British Transport Commission under the Transport Act, 1947.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His Majesty's Command, a Copy of a Memorandum Agreement between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Austrian Federal Government, signed at Vienna on the 26th day of January 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directtions of an Act of Parliament, a Copy of an Order, dated 15th March 1950, entitled the Alkali, &c., Works Order, 1950.

Order, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


Copy of Draft Regulations entitled the National Health Service (Supernannuation) Service Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.


Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, a Copy of an Order, dated 16th March 1950, entitled the Shredded Suet (Revocation) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Schedule containing a List and Particulars of some Classes of Documents existing or accruing in the Offices of the Licensing Authorities for Public Service Vehicles and Goods Vehicles which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

Mr. Nicholson reported from the Select Statutory Committee on Statutory Instruments, the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee.

Ordered, That the said Minutes do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
Ordered, That this day Business other than the Business of Supply may be taken before Ten of the clock.-(The Prime Minister.)

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Motion relating to the Statement on Defence be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House) for one hour after Ten of the clock.-(The Prime Minister.)

Mr. Robert Taylor reported from the Committee of Supply yesterday, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Civil Estimates, Estimates for Revenue Departments and Estimate for the Ministry of Defence, 1950-51 (Vote on Account).

That a sum, not exceeding £855,595,000, be granted to His Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the charges for the following:

Civil and Revenue Departments and for the Ministry of Defence for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, viz.:—

Civil Estimates

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The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House takes note of Defence, the Statement on Defence (Command Paper No. 7895).—(Mr. Shinwell.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of this instant March, That Three be the Quorum of the Select Committee on Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till to-morrow.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.—(Mr. Popplewell.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 13.]

Friday, 17th March, 1950.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Land Drainage (Surrey County Council (Hogsmill River Improvement (Amendment)) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Mr. Isaacs presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 15th March 1950, entitled the Grinding of Cutlery and Edge Tools (Amendment) Special Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts in the last Session of the last Parliament on the 1st and 8th days of December 1949.—(Mr. Assheton.)

The Diplomatic Privileges (Extension) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Royle.)

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the Post Office and Tele-
graph (Money) Bill;
And a Motion being made, and the Quest-
on being proposed, That the Bill be now
read a second time:—And a Debate arising
thereupon ;
And it being Four of the clock, the Debate
stood adjourned.
Ordered, That the Debate be further
adjourned till Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for re-
suming the adjourned Debate on the Question
proposed upon the 13th day of this instant
March, That Three be the Quorum of the
Select Committee of both Houses of Parliament,
Room (House of Commons);
Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon
Monday next.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be
appointed to examine such of the Estimates
presented to this House as may seem fit to the
Committee, and to suggest the form in which
the Estimates shall be presented for examina-
tion, and to report what, if any, economies
consistent with the policy implied in those
Estimates may be effected therein.

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of
Thirty-six Members:—The Committee was
accordingly nominated of Mr. Albu, Mr.
Arthur Allen, Mr. Amory, Mr. Alexander
Anderson, Mr. Awbery, Mr. Birch, Mr.
Champion, Mr. Geoffrey Cooper, Viscountess
Davidson, Sir Ralph Glyn, Mr. Gunter,
Viscount Hinchingbrooke, Wing Commander
Hulbert, Mr. John Lewis, Mr. Selwyn Lloyd,
Mr. Low, Sir Hugh Lascelles-Tooth, Mr. Niall
Macpherson, Mr. Manningham-Buller, Mrs.
Middleton, Mr. Hopkin Morris, Mr. Thomas
Reid, Mr. Ross, Mr. Sydney Silverman,
Mr. Norman Smith, Mr. Snow, Mr. Spearman,
Mr. Summers, Mr. Turton, Miss Ward, Captain
Waterhouse, Mr. William Wells, Mr. West,
Mr. Frederick Willey, Mr. Yates and Mr.
York.

Ordered, That Seven be the Quorum of the
Committee.

Ordered, That the Committee have power
to send for persons, papers and records; to
sit notwithstanding any Adjournment of the
House; to adjourn from place to place; and
to report from time to time.
Ordered, That the Committee have power
to appoint Sub-Committees and to refer to
such Sub-Committees any of the matters re-
ferred to the Committee.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum of
every such Sub-Committee.

Ordered, That every such Sub-Committee
have power to send for persons, papers and
records; to sit notwithstanding any Adjourn-
ment of the House; and to adjourn from place
to place.

Ordered, That the Committee have power
to report from time to time Minutes of
Evidence taken before Sub-Committees.—(Mr.
Adams.)

Ordered, That a Select Committee be
appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in arrange-
ments for the reporting and publishing of
Debates and in regard to the form and distri-
bution of the Notice Papers issued in connec-
tion with the Business of the House; and to
inquire into the expenditure on stationery and
printing for the House and the public services
generally:—And the Committee was
nominated of Mr. Driberg, Mr. Foster, Mr.
Holman, Mr. Keeling, Mr. Messer, Mr. Nally,
Mr. Storey, Dr. Stross, Mr. Thornton-Kemsley,
Mrs. White and Mr. Gerald Williams.

Ordered, That the Committee have power
to send for persons, papers and records.
Ordered, That the Committee have power
to report from time to time.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum of the
Committee.—(Mr. Adams.)

Ordered, That a Select Committee be a
Public Petitions, appointed to whom shall be referred all Peti-
tions presented to the House, with the excep-
tion of such as are deposited in the Private Bill
Office, and that such Committee do classify
and prepare abstracts of the same in such form
and manner as shall appear to them best
suited to convey to the House all requisite
information respecting their contents, and do
report the same from time to time to the
House; and that the Reports of the Committee
do set forth, in respect of each Petition, the
number of signatures which are accompanied
by addresses, and which are written on sheets
headed in every case by the prayer of the Peti-
tion, or on the back of such sheets, provided
that on every sheet after the first the prayer
may be reproduced in print or by other
mechanical process; and that such Committee
do have power to direct the printing in extenso
of such Petitions, or of such parts of Petitions,
as shall appear to require it:—And the Com-
mittee was nominated of Mr. Duggar, Mr. de
Chair, Mr. Erroll, Mr. Grey, Mr. Hubbard,
Mr. James Hudson, Mr. Johnson, Dr. King,
Mr. Lambert, Colonel Lancaster, Major Legge-
Bourke, Mr. McGhee, Mr. John Morrison,
Mr. Raikes and Mr. Viant.

Ordered, That the Committee have power
to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum of the
Committee.—(Mr. Adams.)

Ordered, That the Lords Message of the Consolidation,
14th day of this instant March communicating
the Resolution, That it is desirable that in the
present Session all Consolidation Bills, Statute
Law Revision Bills and Bills presented under
the Consolidation of Enactments (Procedure)
Act, 1949, together with the Memoranda laid
and any representations made with respect
thereto under the Act, be referred to a Joint
Committee of both Houses of Parliament, be
now taken into consideration.—(Mr.
Adams):—The House accordingly proceeded
to take the said Message into consideration.

Resolved, That this House doth concur with
the Lords in the said Resolution.—(Mr.
Adams.)

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the
Lords to acquaint them therewith: And that
the Clerk do carry the said Message.
Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—

(Mr. Adams)—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the Question having been proposed after Four of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-seven minutes before Five of the clock, till Monday next.

MEMORANDUM.

Friday, 17th March, 1950.

Mr. Speaker, in pursuance of Order (Deputy Speaker and day nominated the following Members to be the Chairmen’s Panel during the Session:

Mr. Frank Anderson
Mr. Bowles
Mr. Butcher
Mr. Diamond
Colonel Gomme-Duncan
Sir Austin Hudson
Mr. Joynson-Hicks
Mr. Lang
Mr. Mathers
Mr. McLeavy
Colonel Ropner and
Mr. Touche.

MR. Speaker made the following communication to the House:

I regret to have to inform the House of the death of Adam Storey McKinlay, Esquire, Member for West Dunbartonshire, and I desire on behalf of the House to express our sense of the loss we have sustained and our sympathy with the relatives of the honourable Member.

The following Papers, required by an Act of Parliament to be laid before the House and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on the 18th day of this instant March, pursuant to the Standing Order (Presentation of Statutory Instruments), were ordered to lie upon the Table:

Copy of an Order, dated 17th March 1950, entitled the Utility Apparel (Men’s and Boys’ Shirts, Underwear and Nightwear) (Manufacture and Supply) (Amendment) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 17th March 1950, entitled the Cotton Waste Prices (Revocation) Order, 1950.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Duchy of Cornwall in 1949.

Copy of Rules, dated 17th March 1950, entitled the Superannuation (Joint Colonial and Civil Service) Rules, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His Majesty’s Command, a Convention, (Miscellaneous, signed at Paris on the 7th day of November 1949, between the Governments of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Belgium, France, Luxembourg and the Netherlands to extend and co-ordinate Social Security Schemes in their application to the Nationals of the Parties to the Brussels Treaty (the Convention has not yet been ratified by His Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 20th March 1950, entitled the Citrus Fruit (Amendment and Revocation) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Noel-Baker presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 17th March 1950, entitled the Coal Industry Nationalisation (Superannuation) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Return to an Order dated the 17th day of this instant March for a Return relating to Public Accounts.

The following Paper, pursuant to the Report of the Select Committee on Expiring Laws in the Session of 1866, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Register of Temporary Laws for the Fifth Temporary Session, Thirty-eighth Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Account of the Acquisition of Guaranteed Securities Fund for the year ended the 31st day of March 1949, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Accounts of the management and the farming of land by the Agricultural Land Commission and the Welsh Agricultural Sub-Commission for the year ended the 31st day of March 1949, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.
Account of the War Risks (Commodities) Insurance Fund for the year ended the 31st day of March 1949, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Return be referred to the Committee of Public Accounts; and that the Papers relating to Temporary Laws and the Agricultural Land Commission be printed.

Ordered, That this day the Business of Supply may be taken after Ten of the clock and shall be exempted from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution. The Question being put; the said Resolution was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair: The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word “That” to the end of the Question, and adding the words “this House considers that every effort must be made to encourage a larger number of volunteers to join units of the Territorial Army before the National Service Men are posted to the Territorial Army; and with a view to getting recruits therefore calls upon the Government to improve its publicity and the conditions of service and amenities in the Territorial Army and to ensure that up-to-date equipment is allotted to each unit with proper arrangements for storage and maintenance”—(Lieutenant-Colonel Tilney),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

In the Committee.

Army Estimates, 1950-51.

Vote A. Number of Land Forces.

Resolved, That a number of Land Forces, not exceeding 467,000 all ranks, be maintained for the safety of the United Kingdom and the defence of the possessions of His Majesty’s Crown, during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Robert Taylor.)

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means also acquainted the House, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Robert Taylor); And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning:

Tuesday, 21st March, 1950:

And the Question being put; Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-one minutes after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.
Mr. Harold Wilson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 20th March 1950, entitled the Sewing Cottons and Threads (Maximum Prices) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Instrument, dated 20th March 1950, entitled the Nurses (Amendment) Rules, Approval Instrument, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Report by the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords and the Chairman of Ways and Means in the House of Commons under sub-section (5) of Section 3 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945, That Petitions against the Northumberland and Tynesside River Board Order, 1949, have been presented by the Newcastle upon Tyne Corporation—

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Asheton reported from the Committee Public Accounts, That they had made Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That this day the Business of Business of the House Supply may be taken after Ten of the clock and shall be exempted from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(The Prime Minister.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply [5th allotted Day.]

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.—(Mr. Secretary Henderson):

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "consistent" the words "this House considers that continued efforts must be made to secure the best servicing and maintenance procedure in the Royal Air Force consistent with the economical use of trained manpower."—(Squadron Leader Kinghorn),—instead thereof.
And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn. And the Main Question being again proposed; And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 22nd March, 1950:
And the Question being put;
Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)


Vote A. Number for Air Force Service.

1. Resolved, That a number of Officers, Airmen and Airwomen, not exceeding 215,000, all ranks, be maintained for Air Force Service, during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951.


2. £52,850,000, for Pay, &c., of the Air Force.

Vote 2. Reserve and Auxiliary Services.

3. £1,442,900, for Reserve and Auxiliary Services (to a number not exceeding 56,000, all ranks, for the Royal Air Force Reserve and 20,000, all ranks, for the Royal Auxiliary Air Force).

Vote 7. Aircraft and Stores.

4. £78,000,000, for Aircraft and Stores.

Vote 8. Works and Lands.

5. £26,440,000, for Works and Lands.


6. £4,345,000, for Non-effective Services.

Vote 11. Additional Married Quarters.

7. £100, for certain Additional Married Quarters.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of this instant March, That Three be the Quorum of the Select Committee on Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons);

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

The Question was amended, by leaving out the word " Three" and inserting the word " Four".—(Sir Herbert Williams),—instead thereof.

And the Question, so amended, being put;
Ordered, That Four be the Quorum of the Select Committee on Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons).

Mr. Jay presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Statement of the Sum required to be voted in order to make good an Excess on the Grant for Osborne for the year ended the 31st day of March 1949.

Ordered, That the said Paper be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Popplewell):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the Question having been proposed after Ten of the clock on Tuesday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty minutes before One of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.
Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations, dated 21st March 1950, entitled—

(1) the Milk (Special Designation) (Pasteurised and Sterilised Milk) (Amendment) Regulations, 1950, and

(2) the Milk (Special Designation) (Raw Milk) (Amendment) Regulations, 1950.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Noel-Baker presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Certificate regarding the Rate of Preference for British Hydrocarbon Oils during 1949.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Reports by the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords and the Chairman of Ways and Means in the House of Commons, under Section 3 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945, That no Petition has been presented against—

(1) the Dewsbury (Repeal of Local Enactments) Order, 1950, and

(2) the Harrogate (Amendment of Local Enactments) Order, 1950.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Mathers reported from the Committee of Selection, That, in pursuance of sub-section (3) of Section 1 of the Parliament Act, 1911, (Parliament Act, 1911), they had appointed from the Chairman's Panel Mr. Mathers and Mr. Touche to be the two Members whom Mr. Speaker shall consult, if practicable, before certifying a Bill to be a Money Bill.

Mr. Mathers further reported from the Committee, That they had appointed the following Sixteen Members to be the Panel of Members to serve on Committees on Unopposed Bills under Standing Order 132 relating to Private Business (Committee on Unopposed Bills):

Mr. Brooks, Mr. Carson, Mr. Erroll, Squadron Leader Garner-Evans, Major Hicks-Beach, Mr. Hubbard, Wing Commander Hubber, Mr. Janner, Mr. Linstead, Mr. Logan, Mr. Fred Longden, Mr. Marlowe, Mr. Hopkin Morris, Mr. Mott-Kadlytje, Mr. Murray and Mr. Goronwy Roberts.

Mr. Mathers further reported from the Committee, That they had appointed the following Eight Members to be the Panel of Members to serve on the Standing Orders Committee under Standing Order 103 relating to Private Business (Standing Orders Committee) :

Mr. Ayles, Mr. Bowles, Mr. Butcher, Mr. Clement Davies, Colonel Gomme-Duncan, Mr. Mathers, Colonel Ropner and Mr. Charles Williams.

Mr. Mathers further reported from the Committee, That, in pursuance of Standing Order 228 relating to Private Business (Committee of Selection to choose Parliamentary Panel), they had selected the following Twenty-two Members to form the Parliamentary Panel of Members of this House to act as Commissioners under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936:

Mr. Alexander...
**Anti-submarine Warfare.**

Mr. Harold Wilson, supported by Mr. Secretary McNeice, Mr. Dalton, Mr. Isaacs, Mr. Jay and Mr. Bottomley, presented a Bill to make further provision for the acquisition of land, creation of easements and carrying out of work in development areas; to authorise the Board of Trade to make grants in exceptional cases in connection with the establishment in, or transfer to, development areas of industrial undertakings, and to make grants or loans to housing associations for the provision of dwellings in development areas; and to extend section five of the Employment and Training Act, 1948, in relation to persons transferred for employment in industrial undertakings established in, or transferred to, development areas: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow, and to be printed.

**Business of the House (Supply).**

Ordered. That this day the Business of Supply may be taken after Ten of the clock and shall be exempted from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).

(Mr. Whiteley.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair—(Mr. Callaghan);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "That" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House considers it essential that there should be a sufficient force of vessels capable of dealing with modern submarines; that it should be suitably supported from the air, and possess an efficient minesweeping organisation and that research should be prosecuted diligently in order to improve and develop these forces"—(Sir Ronald Ross).—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put:

Ordered. That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

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**Supply (6th allotted Day).**

Ordered that the Report do lie upon the Table.

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Mr. Mathers further reported from the Committee of Selection, a Resolution, which was read, as followeth: That, after a Bill has been under consideration in a Standing Committee, no application for changes in the composition of that Committee in respect of that Bill will be entertained by this Committee.

Ordered. That the Report do lie upon the Table.

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**Selection (Standing Committees).**

Division of Industry Bill. (To be proceeded with under S.O. Committees.)

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**22nd March 1950**

**Naval Estimates, 1950-51.**

**Vote A. Numbers.**

1. Resolved, That 143,000 Officers, Seamen, Boys and Royal Marines, borne on the books of His Majesty's Ships and at the Royal Marine Divisions, and members of the Women's Royal Naval Service and the Naval Nursing Service, be employed for the Sea Service, for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951.

Vote 1. Pay, &c., of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines.

2. £34,844,000, for Pay, &c., of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines.

Vote 2. Victualling and Clothing for the Navy.

3. £12,083,000, for Victualling and Clothing for the Navy, including the cost of victualling establishments at home and abroad.

Vote 4. Civilians employed on Fleet Services.

4. £5,880,000, for Civilians employed on Fleet Services.


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Vote 10. Works, Buildings and Repairs at Home and Abroad.

6. £8,310,000, for Works, Buildings and Repairs at Home and Abroad, including the cost of superintendence, purchase of sites, grants and other charges connected therewith.

Vote 11. Miscellaneous Effective Services.

7. £4,963,900, for various Miscellaneous Effective Services.


8. £15,185,000, for Non-effective Services.

Vote 15. Additional Married Quarters.

9. £100, for certain Additional Married Quarters at home.

Navy Supplementary Estimate, 1949-50.

10. £10 (Supplementary), for Navy Services.

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Resolutions to be reported.
Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received tomorrow.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Popplewell); And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Thursday morning;

Thursday, 23rd March, 1950:

And the Question being put;

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eleven minutes after Twelve of the clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

[No. 17.]

Thursday, 23rd March, 1950.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the examiners of petitions for private Bills, that in the case of the following Bills referred on the second reading thereof, the standing orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:

Mid Southern Utility Bill.
South Staffordshire Water Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be committed.

The order of the day being read, for the second reading of the British Transport Commission Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next at Seven of the clock.

The order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Eton Rural District Council Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Mr. Secretary McNeill presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of regulations, dated 18th March 1950, entitled the fire services (conditions of service) (Scotland) regulations, 1950.

Copy of an order, dated 21st March 1950, entitled the rats and mice (revocation) (Scotland) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Callaghan presented, pursuant to the Naval Prize directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account showing the receipts and expenditure of Naval Prize, bounty, salvage and other moneys between the 1st day of April 1948 and the 31st day of March 1949.

Ordered, That the said account do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Thomas Williams presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an order, dated 21st March 1950, entitled the Colorado beetle (Amendment) order of 1950.

Copy of regulations, dated 23rd March 1950, entitled the prevention of damage by pests (infestation of food) regulations, 1950.

Copy of an order, dated 23rd March 1950, supplies and entitled the Infestation (Amendment) order, services (Food), 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an order, dated 23rd March 1950, entitled the feeding stuffs (Prices) order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Noel-Baker presented, pursuant to the gas directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an order, dated 21st March 1950, entitled the gas (Conversion Date) (No. 15) order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That this day Business other than Business of the third kind be taken before Business of the House (Supply). Ten of the clock.—(The Prime Minister.)

Ordered, That the proceedings of the Committee of Ways and Means be exempted, at this day’s sitting, from the provisions of the standing order (sittings of the house).—(The Prime Minister.)

The House, according to order, resolved Supply [7th allotted day].

(In the Committee.)

Civil Estimates and Estimates for Revenue Departments, Supplementary Estimate, 1949-50.

Class II.

Vote 2. Diplomatic and Consular establishments, &c.

1. Motion made, and question proposed, That a Supplementary sum, not exceeding £1,010,355, be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1950, for the expenses in connection with His Majesty’s embassies, missions and consular establishments abroad; certain special grants and payments, including grants in aid; and sundry other services.

Whereupon Motion made, and question proposed, That subhead DD, short-term aid to Burma (Loan), be reduced by £100.—(Mr. Erroll.)

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original question again proposed.
Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed. That Subhead E.B., Compensation Payment to the Burmah Oil Company Limited, be reduced by £5.—(Mr. Erroll.)

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Class VI.

Vote 16. Ministry of Civil Aviation.

1. £10 (Supplementary) for the Salaries and Expenses of the Ministry of Civil Aviation, including certain grants and subsidies.

Class IX.

Vote 2. Ministry of Food.

3. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum, not exceeding £133,511,600, be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1950, for the salaries and expenses of the Ministry of Food; the cost of trading services, including certain subsidies; and sundry other services.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That subhead H, Trading Services (Net), be reduced by £100.—(Mr. Thornton Kemsley.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the 'Mr. Studdholme,'
Yeas, 240.

Tellers for the 'Mr. Pearson,'
Nees, 288.

And it being after half-past Nine o'clock, the Chairman proceeded, pursuant to the Standing Order (Business of Supply), to put the Question necessary to dispose of the Vote then under consideration.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

The Chairman then proceeded forthwith to put severally the Questions, That the total amounts of the Votes outstanding in such Estimates for the Army Services for the coming financial year as have been put down on at least one previous day for consideration in the Committee of Supply on an allotted day, and the total amounts of all outstanding Estimates supplementary to those of the current financial year as have been presented seven clear days, and of the outstanding Excess Vote, be granted for the Services defined in that Estimate, those Supplementary Estimates and that Statement of Excess.

Army Estimates, 1950-51

4. That a sum, not exceeding £137,577,100, be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, for expenditure in respect of the Army Services, viz.:

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<td>Reserve Forces (to a number not exceeding 35,000, all ranks, for the Regular Reserve and 27,000, all ranks, for the Supplementary Reserve), Territorial Army (to a number not exceeding 142,000, all ranks, for the Territorial Army) and Cadet Forces</td>
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8. Works, Buildings and Lands | £25,345,000 |
10. Non-effective Services | £16,557,000 |
11. Additional Married Quarters | 100 |

£137,577,100.

Question put, and agreed to.

Civil Estimates and Estimates for Revenue Departments, Supplementary Estimate, 1949-50

5. That a Supplementary sum, not exceeding £133,511,600, be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1950, for expenditure in respect of the following Supplementary Estimates, viz.:—

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Class I.

4. Treasury and Subordinate Departments | £10 |
13. The Mint | £10 |
23a. American Aid Counter-part Funds | £300,000 |

Class II.

4. United Nations | £20,000 |
6. Commonwealth Relations Office | £19,000 |
7. Commonwealth Services | £151,510 |

Class III.

12. Development and Welfare (Colonies, &c.) | £5,950,000 |
13. Development and Welfare (South African High Commission Territories) | £59,400 |

Class IV.

1. Ministry of Education | £10,000 |
10. Grants for Science and the Arts | £10,000 |
13. Festival of Britain, 1951 | £174,000 |
14. Public Education, Scotland | £10,000 |

Class V.

2. National Health Service, England and Wales | £89,400,000 |
7. Ministry of National Insurance | £1,605,000 |
11. Ministry of Health Town and Country Planning | £10,000 |
13. Department of Health for Scotland | £10,000 |
14. National Health Service, Scotland | £9,330,000 |

Class VI.

1. Board of Trade | £10,000 |
9. Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries (Food Production Services) | £2,600,000 |

Class VII.

4. Public Buildings Overseas | £175,000 |
7. Miscellaneous Works Services | £10,000 |
8. Rates on Government Property | £10,000 |

Class VIII.

2. Ministry of Pensions | £1,100,000 |
4. Superannuation and Retired Allowances | £650,000 |

Class IX.

1. Ministry of Supply | £16,000,000 |
6. Administration of Certain African Territories | £10,000 |
7. Advances to Allies, &c. | £600,000 |
House of Commons Members' Fund in pursuance of section two of the House of Commons Members' Fund Act, 1939.—(Mr. Popplewell.)

A Motion was made, and the Question Adjournment being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Popplewell);

And it being Ten of the clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without a Question being put.

A Motion was made, and the Question Adjournment being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Bowden):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the Question having been proposed at Ten of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, till to-morrow.

[No. 18.]

Friday, 24th March, 1950.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of the 4th day of March 1879.—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 24th March 1950, regarding the application of Surpluses on certain Army Votes for the year ending the 31st day of March 1950, to meet Deficits on other Army Votes for the same year.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copy of an Order, dated 23rd March 1950, entitled the County of Lincoln, Parts of Lindsey Review Order, 1936 (Amendment) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Thomas Williams presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Orders, dated 23rd March 1950, entitled—

(1) the Eggs (Minimum Prices for 1950-51 and 1951-52) Order, 1950.
(2) the Fat Stock (Minimum Prices for 1950-51 and 1951-52) Order, 1950, and
(3) the Milk (Minimum Prices for 1950-51 and 1951-52) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Barnes presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 22nd March 1950, entitled the London Traffic (Goat Road Bridge, Carshalton and Beddington and Wallington) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Tomlinson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 23rd March 1950, entitled the Primary and Secondary Schools (Grant Conditions) Amending Regulations No. 9, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Post Office and Telegraph (Money) Bill.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty in pursuance of the provisions of Section 2 of the Summer Time Act, 1947, praying that the Summer Time Order, 1950, be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on the 6th day of this instant March.—(Mr. Secretary Ede.)

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Majesty by such Members of this House as are of His Majesty’s Most Honourable Privy Council or of His Majesty’s Household.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 17th day of this instant March, That the Post Office and Telegraph (Money) Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate;

And the Question being put; Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Popplewell.)

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Post Office and Telegraph (Money).

Mr. Ness Edwards, by His Majesty’s Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Post Office and Telegraph (Money) proposed to be moved, under the Standing Order (Money Committee), in a Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House:—Whereupon the House, pursuant to the said Standing Order, resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for raising further money for the development of the postal, telegraphic and telephonic systems and the repayment to the Post Office Fund of money applied thereout for such development, it is expedient—

(i) to authorise the payment out of the Consolidated Fund of such sums, not exceeding in the whole seventy-five million pounds, as may be required for the purposes of such development or of such repayment;

(ii) to authorise the Treasury to borrow, for the purpose of providing money for sums so authorised to be issued, or for repaying to the Consolidated Fund all or any part of the sums so issued, and to authorise payment into the Exchequer of any sums so borrowed;

(iii) to provide for the payment of such terminable annuities out of moneys provided by Parliament for the service of the Post Office, or, if those moneys are insufficient, out of the Consolidated Fund.—(Mr. Ness Edwards.)

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved Diplomatic Privileges itself into a Committee on the Diplomatic Privileges (Extension) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Amendments of 7 & 8 Geo. 6. c. 44.)

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 22, to leave out from the word "representatives" to the end of l. 24, and insert the words "to the Consultative Assembly of the Council of Europe and their substitutes."—(Mr. Manningham-Buller.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 26, at the end, to add the words—

“Provided that no Order in Council made under the said Act of 1944 in relation to the said Consultative Assembly shall confer any exemption from taxes or rates upon any person who is a British subject and whose usual place of abode is in the United Kingdom.”—(Mr. Powell.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added.

And it being Four o’clock, the Chairman left the Chair to Report Progress and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and moved, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Adams):—And a Debate arising thereupon:

And the Question having been proposed after Four of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-nine minutes before Five of the clock, till Monday next.
Mr. Speaker made the following communication to the House:—

I regret to have to inform the House of the death of Frederick Arthur Cobb, Esquire, Member for Brighouse and Spenborough, and I desire on behalf of the House to express our sympathy with the relatives of the honourable Member.

The following Papers, required by an Act of Parliament to be laid before the House and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on the 25th day of this instant March, pursuant to the Standing Order (Presentation of Statutory Instruments), were ordered to lie upon the Table:

Copies of Regulations, dated 24th March 1950, entitled the National Health Service (Hospital Endowments Fund—Discharge of Liabilities) Regulations, 1950.

Copies of Orders, dated 24th March 1950, entitled—
(1) the Milk Powder (Prices) (Amendment) Order, 1950,
(2) the Feeding Stuffs (Licensing) (Amendment) Order, 1950,
(3) the Home-Grown Apples (Amendment) Order, 1950,
(4) the barley (Great Britain and Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order, 1950, and
(5) the Dredge Corn (Great Britain and Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order, 1950.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Income Tax (Employments) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Further Amendment to the Schedule of the International Whaling Convention signed at Washington on the 2nd day of December 1946, adopted at the First Meeting of the International Whaling Commission held at London from the 30th day of May to the 7th day of June 1949.

Ordered, That the said Paper lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 18th March 1950, entitled the Agricultural (Scotland) Regulations, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 18th March 1950, entitled the Agricultural Orders (Revocation) (Scotland) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Herbert Morrison presented, pursuant Medical to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Accounts of the Income and Expenditure of the General Medical Council, and of the Branch Councils, and Apportionments of the Amounts payable to the General Council by the Branch Councils for 1949.

Copy of a Scheme made by Corpus Christi Colleges, Oxford, for administering certain Funds of the College.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 24th March 1950, entitled—
(1) the Utility Apparel (Men's, Youths' and Boys' Outerwear) (Manufacture and Supply) Order, 1950,
(2) the Gloves (Manufacture and Supply) (Amendment No. 4) Order, 1950,
(3) the Upholstery Cloth (Utility) (Amendment No. 5) Order, 1950,
(4) the Utility Curtain Cloth (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950,
(5) the Utility Woven Cloth (Cotton, Rayon and Linen) (Amendment) Order, 1950, and
(6) the Household Textiles (Marking and Manufacturers' Prices) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 24th March 1950, entitled the Sulphuric Acid (Prices) (Amendment) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, by His Majesty's Health Command,—Copy of the Report of the Ministry of Health for the year ended the 31st day of March 1949, including the Report of the Chief Medical Officer on the State of the Public Health for 1948.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Beswick presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Report of the Air Transport Advisory Council for 1949, and a Statement by the Minister of Civil Aviation.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table ; and be printed.

The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of a Measure, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Scheme for the rearrangement of the pastoral supervision of the parishes of Christ Church, St Luke's, and St. Mary's, Kingston upon Hull, in the diocese of York.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Public Accounts, Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord Reith to attend to be examined as a Witness before the Committee of Public Accounts.—(Mr. Ashteton.)

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Ordered, That this day Business other than that Business of the Business of Supply may be taken before the House (Supply) Ten of the clock.—(Mr. Secretary Ede.)
Mr. Robert Taylor reported from the Committee of Supply of the 22nd day of this instant March, several Resolutions which were read, as follow:


Vote A. Numbers.

1. That 143,000 Officers, Seamen, Boys and Royal Marines, borne on the books of His Majesty's Ships and at the Royal Marine Divisions, and members of the Women's Royal Naval Service and the Naval Nursing Service, be employed for the Sea Service, for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951.

Vote 1. Pay, &c., of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines.

2. That a sum, not exceeding £34,844,000, be granted to His Majesty, to defray the expense of the pay, &c., of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951.

Vote 2. Victualling and Clothing for the Navy.

3. That a sum, not exceeding £12,083,000, be granted to His Majesty, to defray the expense of victualling and clothing for the Navy, including the cost of victualling establishments at home and abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951.

Vote 4. Civilians employed on Fleet Services.

4. That a sum, not exceeding £5,880,000, be granted to His Majesty, to defray the expense of civilians employed on fleet services, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951.


5. That a sum, not exceeding £8,697,000, be granted to His Majesty, to defray the expense of scientific services, including a Grant in Aid to the National Institute of Oceanography, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951.

Vote 10. Works, Buildings and Repairs at Home and Abroad.

6. That a sum, not exceeding £8,310,000, be granted to His Majesty, to defray the expense of works, buildings and repairs at home and abroad, including the cost of superintendence, purchase of sites, grants and other charges connected therewith, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951.

Vote 11. Miscellaneous Effective Services.

7. That a sum, not exceeding £4,963,900, be granted to His Majesty, to defray the expense of various miscellaneous effective services, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951.


8. That a sum, not exceeding £15,185,000, be granted to His Majesty, to defray the expense of non-effective services, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951.

Vote 15. Additional Married Quarters.

9. That a sum, not exceeding £100, be granted to His Majesty, to defray the expense of certain additional married quarters at home, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951.

Navy Supplementary Estimate, 1949-50.

10. That a Supplementary sum, not exceeding £10, be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1950, for expenditure beyond the sum already provided in the grants for Navy Services for the year.

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The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. Popplewell reported from the Committee of Supply of the 20th day of this instant March, a Resolution; which was read, as follow:

Army Estimates, 1950-51.

Vote A. Number of Land Forces.

1. That a number of Land Forces, not exceeding 467,000, all ranks, be maintained for the safety of the United Kingdom and the defence of the possessions of His Majesty's Crown, during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. Adams reported from the Committee of Supply of the 21st day of this instant March, several Resolutions; which were read as follow:


Vote A. Number for Air Force Service.

1. That a number of officers, airmen and airwomen, not exceeding 215,000, all ranks, be maintained for Air Force Service, during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.
Vote 2. Reserve and Auxiliary Services.

3. That a sum, not exceeding £1,442,900, be granted to His Majesty, to defray the expense of the reserve and auxiliary services to a number not exceeding 56,000, all ranks, for the Royal Air Force Reserve and 20,000, all ranks, for the Royal Auxiliary Air Force, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951.

Vote 7. Aircraft and Stores.

4. That a sum, not exceeding £78,000,000, be granted to His Majesty, to defray the expense of aircraft and stores, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951.

Vote 8. Works and Lands.

5. That a sum, not exceeding £26,440,000, be granted to His Majesty, to defray the expense of works and lands, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951.


6. That a sum, not exceeding £4,345,000, be granted to His Majesty, to defray the expense of non-effective services, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951.

Vote 11. Additional Married Quarters.

7. That a sum, not exceeding £100, be granted to His Majesty, to defray the expense of certain additional married quarters, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide, during twelve months, for the discipline and regulation of the Army, and the Air Force, and to repeal certain enactments relating thereto; and that Mr. Secretary Strachey, Mr. Secretary Henderson, Mr. Callaghan, Mr. Michael Stewart and Mr. Crawley do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Michael Stewart accordingly presented a Bill to provide, during twelve months, for the discipline and regulation of the Army and Air Force, and to repeal certain enactments relating thereto: And the same was read the First Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. Bowden reported from the Committee of Supply of the 23rd day of this instant March, several Resolutions; which were read, as follows:

Diplomatic and Consular Establishments, &c. (Supplementary).

1. That a Supplementary sum, not exceeding £1,010,355, be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1950, for the expenses in connection with His Majesty's Embassies, Missions and Consular Establishments abroad; certain special grants and payments, including grants in aid; and sundry other services.

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Mr. Pearson reported from the Committee of Ways and Means [23rd March], a Report.

1. That, towards making good the Supply Consolidated Fund granted to His Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1949, the sum of £611 ls. 5d. be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

2. That, towards making good the Supply Consolidated Fund granted to His Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1950, the sum of £148,402,375 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

3. That, towards making good the Supply Consolidated Fund granted to His Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, the sum of £1,246,213,100 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the Consolidated Fund Bill. Mr. Jay accordingly presented a Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the years ending on the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine, one thousand nine hundred and fifty and one thousand nine hundred and fifty-one: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow, and to be printed.

Resolved, That the Order, entitled the Import Duties (Consolidation) Order, 1949 (Consolidation) (S.I., 1949, No. 2354), a copy of which was laid before this House on the 19th day of December 1949 in the last Parliament, be approved.—(Mr. Jay.)

Resolved, That the Order, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 4) Order, 1949 (S.I., 1949, No. 2355), a copy of which was laid before this House on the 19th day of December 1949 in the last Parliament, be approved.—(Mr. Jay.)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment. (Mr. Pearson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-three minutes after Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

The first four Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Fifth Resolution, being read a second time:

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the said Resolution, by leaving out "£133,511,600," and inserting "£133,511,500"—(Mr. Manningham-Buller)—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That "£133,511,600" stand part of the Resolution:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Resolution was agreed to.

Then the remaining Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.
The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Jay presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of the Economic Survey for 1950.

Mr. Jay also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of an Order, dated 27th March 1950, entitled the Timber (Charges) (No. 11) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Ede presented, pursuant to Fire Services, the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of an Order, dated 27th March 1950, entitled the Fire Services (Transfer of Pension Assets) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, by His Majesty’s Command.—Copy of the Final Report of the Committee of Inquiry into the Tenure of Shops and Business Premises in Scotland.

Mr. Secretary McNeil also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 24th March 1950, entitled the Supplemental Allowances (Scottish Scholars at English Universities) (Amendment No. 1) Regulations, 1950.

Summary of Local Taxation Returns for Scotland for the year ended the 31st day of May 1946.

Copy of Regulations, dated 27th March, 1950, entitled the National Health Service (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Herbert Morrison presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Statute made by the Governing Body of the Queen’s College, Oxford, on the 25th day of January 1950, amending the Statutes of the College.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Schemes, made by the undermentioned local authorities and approved by the Minister of Health under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937:—

(2) Middlesex County Council.
(3) Ossett Town Council.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Barnes presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Twenty-fourth Annual Report of the London and Home Counties Traffic Advisory Committee, for the year ended the 30th day of September 1949.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Chairmen's Panel, several &c., Bills. Consolidation, &c., Bills. Consolidated Fund Bill. The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Chairmen's Panel, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:—
1. That where, on two successive sittings of a Standing Committee called for the Consideration of a particular Bill, the Committee has to be adjourned by reason of the absence of a Quorum within the first twenty minutes of the time for which the said Committee was summoned, the Chairman do instruct the Clerk to place the particular Bill at the bottom of the list of Bills then waiting Consideration of that Committee, and that the Committee shall forthwith be convened to consider the other Bill or Bills then waiting.
2. That if, during the Consideration of a Bill before one of the Standing Committees, it shall appear that the business would be expedited by postponing the further Consideration of the Bill in hand until the Bill next on the list has been reported, and if the Member in charge of the Bill rises and makes a Motion to that effect, the Chairman will be in order in proposing such a Question.
3. That whenever the Chairman of a Standing Committee adjourns the Committee without Question put, the Debate on any Question then under discussion, or further Consideration of the Bill shall be resumed at the next sitting of the Committee.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:
The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable proper financial provision to be made for the carrying out by the Law Society of the purposes of the Solicitors Acts, 1932 to 1941; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
The Lords have appointed a Committee of six Lords to join with a Committee of the Commons as a Joint Committee to consider all Consolidation Bills, Statute Law Revision Bills and Bills presented under the Consolidation of Enactments (Procedure) Act, 1949, together with the Memoranda laid and any representations made with respect thereto under the Act, in the present Session; and they request the Commons to appoint an equal number of their members to be joined with the said Lords.
The Lords give leave to the Lord Reith to attend to be examined as a Witness before the Committee of Public Accounts, if his Lordship think fit.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Consolidated Fund Bill:
And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;
And the House having continued to sit till Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning:
Wednesday, 29th March, 1950:
Mr. Whiteley rose in his place, and claimed to move, That the Question be now put—
And the Question being put, That the Question be now put:
The House divided. The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the Mr. Popplewell, Yeas, Mr. Delargy; 
Mr. Mikardo, Noes, Mr. Grimond;
198, 80.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
And the Question being accordingly put;
Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.
The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.
Resolved, That the Purchase Tax (No. 5) Purchase Tax. Order, 1949 (S.I., 1949, No. 2358), dated 16th December 1949, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 20th day of December 1949, is in the last Parliament, be approved.
—(Mr. Jay.)
Resolved, That the Purchase Tax (No. 7) Purchase Tax. Order, 1949 (S.I., 1949, No. 2443), dated 28th December 1949, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 30th day of December 1949, is in the last Parliament, be approved.
—(Mr. Jay.)
Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.
—(Mr. Popplewell.)
And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-six minutes before Two of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

MEMORANDUM.
Tuesday, 28th March, 1950.
Mr. Speaker having, in pursuance of the Act 24 Geo. 3, c. 26, made his appointment of Members of the House of Commons, for the issuing of Warrants to the Clerk of the Crown, in the cases therein mentioned, the same is here entered in pursuance of the directions of the said Act; and is, as followeth:
By virtue of an Act passed in the twenty-fourth year of the reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, intituled, An Act to repeal so much of the two Acts made in the tenth and fifteenth years of the reign of His present Majesty as authorises the Speaker of the House of Commons to issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown for making out Writs for the Election of Members to serve in Parliament, in the manner therein provided, and for substituting other provisions for the like purposes;
I do hereby nominate, appoint, and authorise—
The Right Honourable the Earl Winterton, Captain the Right Honourable Harry Frederick Comfort Crookshank, The Right Honourable Arthur Greenwood, C.H., Frederick Messer, Esquire, C.B.E., and Ernest Thurtle, Esquire, being Members of the House of Commons, or any one or more of them, to execute all and singular the powers given to the Speaker of the House of Commons for the
time being, for issuing Warrants to the Clerk of the Crown, in the cases as in the Act specified.

Given under my Hand and Seal this twenty-eighth day of March in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty.

D. CLIFTON BROWN, Speaker.

[No. 21.]

Wednesday, 29th March, 1950.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Aycliffe Development Corporation (District Heating) Bill ; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Aycliffe Development Corporation (District Heating) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London County Council (General Powers) Bill ; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Thames Conservancy Bill ; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to Dundee Corporation (Administration and General Powers) : And the same was ordered (under Section 7 of the Act) to be taken into consideration to-morrow. Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

The Prime Minister presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of the Report of the Committee on Intermediaries. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of the 4th day of March, 1879, — Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 28th March 1950, regarding the Application of Surpluses on certain Navy Votes for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1950, to meet Deficits on other Navy Votes for the same year. Mr. Jay also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Account of all Moneys received on Account of Contracts for the Grant of Deferred Life Annuities and for Payments on Death, under the provisions of the Government Annuities Act, 1929, and of the Disposal thereof, and of the Contracts made for 1949. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table ; and that the said Treasury Minute be printed.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, pursuant Local Government Superannuation (Scotland), to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of a Scheme made by the Renfrew County Council and approved by the Secretary of State for Scotland under the Local Government Superannuation (Scotland) Act, 1937. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the direct Supplies and Regulations, 1950, entitled the Importation of Pedigree Animals Animals. (No. 2) Order, 1950. Copy of a Scheme, dated 27th March 1950, entitled the Dried Fruits (Amendment) Order, 1950, and the Oats (Great Britain and Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order, 1950. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Beswick presented, by His Majesty’s Civil Aviation. Majesty’s Command, — Copy of an Agreement between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Pakistan relating to Air Services, signed at Karachi on the 27th day of July 1949. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Dr. Summerskill presented, pursuant to the Workmen’s Directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of Compensation Regulations, dated 29th March 1950, entitled the Byssinosis (Benefit) Scheme (Modification) Regulations, 1950. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to Standing Order 158 relating to Private Business (Report by Attorney General in case of Bill affecting any Charity or Educational Foundation), — Report by him on the London County Council (General Powers) Bill. Report by him on the Saint John's Chapel Beverley Bill [Lords]. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Frederick Willey reported from the Select Committee on Estimates, That they had made Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereon to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Standing Orders Committee, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That in the case of the Runcorn-Widnes Bridge [Lords], Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with:—That the parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Consolidated Fund Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 4 agreed to.

The House divided.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords and desire their concurrence (the third time), and passed.

Mr. Speaker reported the Bill to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next at Seven of the clock.

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Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.
Newport Extension Bill. The Order for reading a second time, upon Tuesday next, the Newport Extension Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Public Accounts (Air Votes, 1949-50). No. 43.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of the 4th day of March 1879.—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 30th March 1950, relating to the Application of Surpluses on certain Air Votes for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1950, to meet the Deficits on other Air Votes for the same year.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Nurses (Scotland).

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Instrument, dated 30th March 1950, entitled the Nurses (General Nursing Council for Scotland Election Scheme) Rules, Approval Instrument, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Pests.

Copy of an Order, dated 23rd March 1950, entitled the Importation of Raw Cherries (Scotland) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Police (Scotland).

Copy of Draft Regulations entitled the Police Pensions (Scotland) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Companies.

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the General Annual Report on Companies by the Board of Trade for 1948.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Housing.

Mr. Bevan presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of a Housing Summary, dated 28th February 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Education.

Mr. Tomlinson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Draft Scheme entitled the Teachers Superannuation (Foreign Office (German Section)) Amending Scheme, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Pensions.

Copy of Rules, dated 28th March 1950, entitled the Superannuation (Teaching and Health Education) Rules, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Supplies and Services (Food).

Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 30th March 1950, entitled the Proprietary Infant Milk Food (Revocation) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund Bill, without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Consolidated Fund Bill.

The Army and Air Force (Annual) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Robert Taylor.)

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Cinematograph Films (Quotas) Amendment Order, 1950, dated 10th March 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 10th day of this instant March, be approved.—(Mr. Harold Wilson); and accordingly put.

A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-General Sir Brian Horrocks, K.C.B., K.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod.

Mr. Speaker, The Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty’s Commission, for declaring His Royal Assent to an Act agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And having returned, Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty’s Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the Act therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorised, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Act, as followeth:

Consolidated Fund Act, 1950.

And the Question being put;—Resolved, That the Cinematograph Films (Quotas) Amendment Order, 1950, dated 10th March, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 10th day of this instant March, be approved.

A Motion being made, That the several Standing Orders to Standing Orders relating to Private Business hereinafter stated in the Schedule be made:—

Resolved, That the Cinematograph Films Schedule shall be:

Standing Order 156A, 1. 5, leave out from “ that ” to “ Exchequer ” in 1. 8, and insert “ any provision of the Bill—
(a) constituting a new county borough or in Scotland a large burgh;
(b) altering the boundaries of the area of a local authority; or
(c) authorising expenditure by a local authority, would or might operate to increase the sums payable by way of—
Standing Order 156B, 1, 2, leave out from “ authorising ” to “ have ” in 1. 6, and insert “ expenditure by a local authority which would or might operate to increase the sums payable by way of Exchequer Equalisation Grant under Part I or Part II of the Local Government Act, 1948, and the Standing Orders and practice of this House relating to provisions authorising charges upon the Public Revenue.”

Standing Order 169, 1, 11, leave out from “ it ” to end of 1. 15, and insert “ contains any such provision as is mentioned in Standing Order 156A (Modification of practice as to charges on Public Revenue).”
Standing Order 191, l. 10, leave out paragraph (c), and insert—
(c) the sums payable by way of Exchequer Equalisation Grant under Part I or Part II of the Local Government Act, 1948.

Standing Order 228A, l. 16, leave out from “Act” to end of l. 20.—(Mr. Jay.)

Mr. Herbert Morrison, by His Majesty’s Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The British Transport Commission Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

Resolved, That the Draft National Health Service (Superannuation) Regulations, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 16th day of this instant March, be approved.—(Mr. Blenkinsop.)

Resolved, That the Draft National Health Service (Scotland) (Superannuation) Regulations, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 13th day of this instant March, be approved.—(Miss Herbison.)

Ordered, That so much of the Lords Message of the 28th day of this instant March as relates to the appointment of a Committee on Consolidation Bills, Statute Law Revision Bills and Bills presented under the Consolidation of Enactments (Procedure) Act, 1949, be now taken into consideration.—(Mr. Royle):—The House accordingly proceeded to take so much of the Lords Message into consideration.

Ordered, That a Select Committee of Six Members be appointed to join with the Committee appointed by the Lords to consider all Consolidation Bills, Statute Law Revision Bills and Bills presented under the Consolidation of Enactments (Procedure) Act, 1949, together with the Memoranda laid and any representations made with respect thereto under the Act, in the present Session.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Captain Duncan, Mr. Forman, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Janner, Mr. Oliver and Mr. Proctor.  

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Royle.)

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them that this House hath appointed a Committee of Six Members, of whom Three shall be a Quorum, with power to send for persons, papers and records, to join with the Committee appointed by their Lordships to consider all Consolidation, &c., Bills in the present Session: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Resolved, That the Order extending Section 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, to the Urban District of Hitchin, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 15th day of this instant March, be approved.—(Mr. de Freitas.)

Resolved, That the Order extending Section 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, to the Borough of Leigh, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 15th day of this instant March, be approved.—(Mr. de Freitas.)

Resolved, That the Order extending Section 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, to the Urban District of Malton, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 15th day of this instant March, be approved.—(Mr. de Freitas.)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

—(Mr. Royle.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit until twenty-eight minutes before Twelve of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

**Prayers.**

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

Mr. Bevan presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Minister of Health relating to the Colne Valley Sewerage Board: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Bevan presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Minister of Health relating to the South-West Middlesex Crematorium Board: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament,—Statement of Guarantee, given by the Treasury on the 20th day of March 1950, on Stock issued by the British Transport Commission under the Transport Act, 1947.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
Mr. Secretary Strachey presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament—Copy of Regulations, dated 28th March 1950, entitled the Police (Overseas Service) (British Element Trieste Force) Regulations, 1950.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament—Summary of Returns made to the Minister of Health of the Income and Expenditure of Local Authorities in England and Wales for the year ended the 31st day of March 1948.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Barnes presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament—Copies of Regulations, dated 29th March 1950, entitled—
(1) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 5) Regulations, 1950,
(2) the London Traffic (Parking Places) (Amendment) Regulations, 1950,
and (3) the London Traffic (Restriction of Waiting) (Watford) Regulations, 1950.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
The Chairman of Ways and Means presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament—Report by the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords and the Chairman of Ways and Means in the House of Commons under Section 2 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, That they have taken into consideration the Provisional Orders for which Petitions were presented to one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State on or before the 28th day of November 1949, namely, the Aberdeen Harbour Order, the Clyde Navigation Order, the Edinburgh Corporation Order, the Falkirk Burgh Extension, &c., Order, the Forth Road Bridge Order, the Glasgow Corporation Sewage Order, the Granton Harbour Order, the Greenock Port and Harbours Order, the Inverness County Council (Armadale Pier and Harbour, &c.) Order, the Island of Arran Piers Order, the Kirkcaldy Burgh Extension, &c., Order, the Leith Harbour and Docks Order, and the Merchants House of Glasgow (Crematorium) Order, and are of opinion that the Orders be allowed to proceed, subject to such recommendations as they may hereafter make with respect to the said Orders.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that he will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return of the Expenses of each Candidate at the General Election of February 1950, in Great Britain and Northern Ireland, as transmitted to the Returning Officers pursuant to the Representation of People Act, 1948, and of the number of votes polled by each candidate, the number of polling districts and stations, the number of electors, and the number of persons entitled to vote by post.—(Mr. de Freitas.)

Mr. Barnes, supported by Mr. Secretary Merchant, Mr. Neil, Mr. Isaacs, Mr. Thomas Williams and Mr. Callaghan, presented a Bill to provide for regulating crew accommodation in fishing boats and for amending the Merchant Shipping Acts, 1894 to 1949, with respect to the engagement and discharge of crews, the review of punishments imposed by naval courts, fishing boats engaged in the Newfoundland cod fisheries, and proceedings in summary courts in Northern Ireland; and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next, and to be printed.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Diplomatic Privileges (Extension) Bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.
Mr. Robert Taylor reported from the Committee on Post Office and Telegraph [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:
That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for raising further money for the development of the postal, telegraphic and telephonic systems and the repayment to the Post Office Fund of money applied thereout for such development, it is expedient—
(i) to authorise the payment out of the Consolidated Fund of such sums, not exceeding in the whole seventy-five million pounds, as may be required for the purposes of such development or of such repayment;
(ii) to authorise the Treasury to borrow, by means of terminable annuities, for the purpose of providing money for sums so authorised to be issued, or for repaying to the Consolidated Fund all or any part of the sums so issued, and to authorise payment into the Exchequer of any sums so borrowed.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Post Office and Telegraph (Money) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 3 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence thereto; and, if the Lords have been endorsed by Mr. Speaker with the following Certificate:

I hereby certify that this Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

D. CLIFTON BROWN, Speaker.

Resolved, That the Order extending Section 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, to the Borough of Mossley, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 15th day of this instant March, be approved. (Mr. de Freitas.)

Resolved, That the Order extending Section 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, to the Urban District of Norton, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 15th day of this instant March, be approved. (Mr. de Freitas.)

Resolved, That the Order extending Section 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, to the Urban District of Ormskirk, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 15th day of this instant March, be approved. (Mr. de Freitas.)

Resolved, That the Order extending Section 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, to the Urban District of Potters Bar, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 15th day of this instant March, be approved. (Mr. de Freitas.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Sparks):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Royles):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Sparks):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the Question having been proposed at Four of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, till Monday next.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for West Dunbartonshire in the room of Adam Storey McKinlay, Esquire, deceased. (Mr. Whiteley.)

The following Papers, required by an Act of Parliament to be laid before the House and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on the 1st day of this instant April, pursuant to the Standing Order (Presentation of Statutory Instruments), were ordered to lie upon the Table:

Copy of an Order, dated 31st March 1950, entitled the Paper (Prices) (Amendment) Order, 1950.


Copy of an Order, dated 31st March 1950, entitled the Kitchen Waste Order, 1950.


Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Abstract Account of the Receipts of, and Payments by, the Treasury Solicitor in 1949, in the Administration of Estates on behalf of the Crown, and the Alphabetical List of Estates in respect of which Letters of Administration were granted to the Treasury Solicitor as Crown's Nominee, and of other cases (partialIntestacies, &c.) in which Accounts were opened in the Books of the Treasury Solicitor in the same year in respect of Moneys received by him as Crown's Nominee. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, by His Majesty's Command, Certified Copy of the Report of the Secretary of State on Education in Scotland, 1949.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Herbert Morrison presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order in, Council, dated 31st March 1950, entitled the Copyright (Rome Convention) (Israel) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order in Council, dated 31st March 1950, entitled the Diplomatic Privileges (General Amendment) Order in Council, 1950.

Copy of an Order in Council, dated 31st March 1950, entitled the Gold Coast Colony (General Amendment) Order in Council, 1950.


Copy of an Order in Council, dated 31st March 1950, entitled the Defence Regulations Amendment (Scotland) Order, 1950.


Copy of a Report and Statement of Accounts of the Raw Cotton Commission for the year ended the 31st day of July 1949.

Copy of an Order in Council, dated 31st March 1950, entitled the Trinidad and Tobago (Constitution) Order in Council, 1950.

Copy of an Order in Council, dated 31st March 1950, entitled the Weights and Measures (Verification and Stamping Fees) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts of the Raw Cotton Commission for the year ended the 31st day of July 1949.

(1) the Utility Apparel (Maximum Prices and Charges) Order, 1949 (Amendment No. 7) Order, 1950, and
(2) the Imported Carpets (Maximum Prices) (No. 2) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relating to Cotton be printed.

Mr. Thomas Williams presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 3rd April 1950, entitled the Prevention of Damage by Pests (Compensation) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Stokes presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 31st March 1950, entitled—
(1) the Stopping up of Highways (Various) (Revocation) (No. 1) Order, 1950, and
(2) the Stopping up of Highways (Various) (Revocation) (No. 2) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to Standing Order 158 relating to Private Business (Report by Attorney General in case of Bill affecting any charity or educational foundation),—Report by him on the Faculty of Homoeopathy Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:


A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That—
(1) save as provided in paragraph (2) of this Order, Government Business shall have precedence at every sitting for the reminder of this Session, and no Public Bills other than Government Bills shall be introduced;
(2) unofficial Members' Notices of Motions shall have precedence over Government Business on Friday the 5th day of May next, Friday the 12th day of May next, Friday the 19th day of May next, Friday the 26th day of May next, and Friday the 33rd day of June next; and no Notices of Motions shall be handed in for any of these Fridays in anticipation of the ballots under paragraph (3) of this Order; and
(3) ballots for precedence of unofficial Members' Notices of Motions shall be held after Questions on Wednesday the 19th day of this instant April, Wednesday the 26th day of this instant April, Wednesday the 3rd day of May next, Wednesday the 10th day of May next, Wednesday the 24th day of May next and Wednesday the 31st day of May next—(Mr. Herbert Morrison);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 5 by inserting, after the second word "Bills," the words "or Bills introduced under the provisions of the Standing Order (Motions for leave to bring in bills and nomination of select committees at commencement of public business)."—(Mr. Charles Taylor.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 20, by leaving out the words "after Questions."—(Mr. Keeling.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words "after Questions" stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put:
Ordered, That—
(1) save as provided in paragraph (2) of this Order, Government Business shall have precedence at every sitting for the remainder of this Session, and no Public Bills other than Government Bills shall be introduced;
(2) unofficial Members' Notices of Motions shall have precedence over Government Business on Friday the 5th day of May next, Friday the 12th day of May next, Friday the 19th day of May next, Friday the 26th day of May next, and Friday the 3rd day of June next; and no Notices of Motions shall be handed in for any of these Fridays in anticipation of the ballots under paragraph (3) of this Order; and
(3) ballots for precedence of unofficial Members' Notices of Motions shall be held after Questions on Wednesday the 19th day of this instant April, Wednesday the 26th day of this instant April, Wednesday the 3rd day of May next, Wednesday the 24th day of May next and Wednesday the 14th day of June next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Army and Air Force (Annual) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 11 agreed to.

A Clause (Increase of period of re-engagement) (Earl Winterton) brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Schedules Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report whether the election of the Reverend James Godfrey MacManaway to this Parliament as Member for Belfast, West, is void by reason of the provisions of the House of Commons (Clergy Disqualification) Act, 1801.

And the Committee was nominated of Mr. Bellenger, Mr. Cocks, Mr. Donovan, Mr. Foster, Mr. Hopkin Morris, Mr. Mott-Radcliffe, Mr. Oliver, Sir Patrick Spens, Mr. Thurtle and Captain Waterhouse.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Herbert Morrison.)

The London County Council (General Powers) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Regulations, dated 6th March 1950, entitled the National Service (Part-time Service) Regulations, 1950 (S.I., 1950, No. 308), a copy of which was laid before this House on the 8th day of March last, be annulled.—(Mr. Boyd-Carpenter):—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment. —(Mr. Adams.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes after Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 25.]
Tuesday, 4th April, 1950.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Order of the day being read, for the Bootle Extension Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Bury Extension Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 19th day of this instant April.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ilford Corporation Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 19th day of this instant April.

The Order of the day being read, for the Luton Corporation Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 19th day of this instant April.

The Oldham Extension Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the South Shields Extension Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Sunderland Extension Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Thames Conservancy Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.
The Order for reading a second time, to-morrow at Seven of the clock, the Aycliffe Development Corporation (District Heating) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 19th day of this instant April.

The order of the day being Notices of Motions on Public Business, the House adjourned at Twelve of the clock.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of Receipts and Payments in respect of the Land Registry for the year ended the 31st day of March 1950.

Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Bevin, presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Statement on Industrial Relations in Germany from 1945 to 1949.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McNeil, presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Memorandum explanatory of the North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Board—Constructional Scheme No. 19 (Aberdeen-Dundee Transmission Line).

Mr. Secretary McNeil also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 28th March 1950, entitled the North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Board (Constructional Scheme No. 19) Confirmation Order, 1950.

Copy of a Scheme, approved by the Secretary of State for Scotland, entitled the Peebles, Roxburgh and Selkirk Superannuation (Amendment) Scheme, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Henderson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 17th March 1950, relating to the Powers of Command to be exercised by Women Officers and Women Non-Commissioned Officers of the Royal Air Force over Members of His Majesty's Naval and Military Forces.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Herbert Morrison presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 31st March 1950, entitled the Air Navigation (Amendment) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Harold Wilson, presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 3rd April 1950, entitled—

1. the Candles (Maximum Prices) Order, 1950,
2. the Utility Bedding (Maximum Prices) Order, 1950,
3. the Hire-Purchase and Credit Sale Agreements (Maximum Prices and Charges) (Amendment) Order, 1950, and
4. the Utility Quilts (Maximum Prices) Order, 1950.

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Copy of an Order, dated 3rd April 1950, entitled the Utility Quilts (Manufacture and Supply) (Amendment) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 3rd April 1950, entitled—

1. the Milk (Great Britain) (General Licence No. 2) Order, 1950,
2. the Use of Milk (Suspension of Restriction) Order, 1950,
3. the Preserves (Revocation) Order, 1950,
4. the Pulse (Amendment) Order, 1950,
5. the Fruit Pulp (Revocation) Order, 1950,
6. the Fish (Revocation of Controls) Order, 1950, and
7. the Fish (Returnable Containers) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Schedule containing a List and Particulars of certain Classes of Documents existing or accruing in the Accountant and Comptroller General's Office of the Commissioners of Customs and Excises, which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

Mr. Nicholson reported from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, the Minutes of the further Proceedings of the Committee.

Ordered, That the said Minutes do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords propose that the Joint Committee on Consolidation, in a Committee of the whole House, do meet in the Committee Room A on Thursday the 20th day of this instant April, at Eleven of the clock.

Mr. Secretary Strachey, supported by Mr. Royal Patriotic Fund Corporation Mr. Callaghan and Mr. Michael Stewart, presented a Bill to make further provision as respects the application of certain funds under the management of the Royal Patriotic Fund Corporation: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow, and to be printed.

The Distribution of Industry Bill was, Distribution of Industry Bill, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Sparks.)

Resolved. That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Harold Wilson, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Distribution of Industry (Money) proposed to be moved, under the Standing Order (Money Committees), in a Committee of the whole House, E
Adjournment.

Insurance.

National drawn. annulled (Sir Herbert Williams): The said Regulations, dated 7th March 1950, entitled arising thereupon; adjourn (Mr. Popplewell): And a Debate being proposed, That this House do now Motion was, with leave of the House, with- House on the 7th day of March last, be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Resolution. A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address beported, That the Committee had come to a

Mr. Harold Wilson.) Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received tomorrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed. That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Regulations, dated 7th March 1950, entitled the National Insurance (Claims and Payments) Amendment Regulations, 1950 (S.I., 1950, No. 297), a copy of which was laid before this House on the 7th day of March last, be annulled—(Sir Herbert Williams)—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed. That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Popplewell)—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the Question having been proposed after Ten of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then ten minutes after Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

Wednesday, 5th April, 1950.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Bootle Extension Bill was, according Bootle to Order, read a second time, and Bill committed.

The South Shields Extension Bill was, South Shields according to Order, read a second time, and Bill committed.

The Sunderland Extension Bill was, Sunderland according to Order, read a second time, and Bill committed.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions Death Duties. of several Acts of Parliament,—Statement showing Transfers of Property accepted in satisfaction of Death Duties during the year ended the 31st day of March 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 3rd April 1950, Supplies and entitled the Fish Sales (Charges) Order, 1948—(Revocation) Order, 1950. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His United Nations Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Report on the Proceeding of the Fourth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations held at New York from the 20th day of September to the 10th day of December 1949 (with Annexes). Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, pursuant to the Bankruptcy and Companies directions of an Act of Parliament,—Report of His Majesty's Inspector of Mines for the North Eastern Division for 1948. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Noel-Baker presented, pursuant to the Coal Mines, directions of an Act of Parliament,—Report of His Majesty's Inspector of Mines for the Table.
Ordered, That the Committee on the Land Drainage (Surrey County Council (Hogsmill River Improvement) (Amendment)) Provisional Order Bill have leave to make a Special Report.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee, That they had agreed to a Special Report relative to the Bill, which they had directed him to make to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Land Drainage (Surrey County Council (Hogsmill River Improvement) (Amendment)) Provisional Order Bill, That they had considered the Order contained in the Bill; that they were of opinion that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Mr. Viant reported from the Committee on Public Petitions, That they had examined the Petition presented upon the 28th day of March last, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to provide for varying the rights and interests of the holders of Bonds securing the Loan known as The Potash Syndicate of Germany 25-year Sinking Fund Gold Loan; to empower the Royal Exchange Assurance, being the Trustees under the Trust Deeds constituting and securing the said Loan, to negotiate and become party to such arrangements and to take proceedings with respect thereto; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make further provision with respect to the rates tolls dues sums and charges leviable respectively by the River Wear Commissioners and the Commissioners of the River Wear Watch; to confer further powers upon the River Wear Commissioners; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confer further powers upon the Tees Conservancy Commissioners with respect to the rates tolls dues sums and charges; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confer further powers upon the Master Wardens and Society of the Mystery of Gun-makers of the City of London and the Guardians of the Birmingham Proof House; to amend the Gun Barrel Proof Act, 1868; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Newfoundland (Consequential Provisions) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 18th day of this instant April, and to be printed.

The Midwives (Amendment) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 18th day of this instant April, and to be printed.

The German Potash Syndicate Loan Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Wear Navigation and Sunderland Dock Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Tees Conservancy Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Saint John’s Chapel Beverley Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Gun Barrel Proof Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Lords Message of the 4th day of this instant April relating to the place and time of meeting of the Joint Committee on Consolidation, &c., Bills be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Message into consideration.

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Ordered, That the Committee appointed by this House do meet the Lords Committee as proposed by their Lordships.—(Mr. Oliver.)

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them therewith: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Mr. Noel-Baker, supported by Mr. Herbert Morrison, Mr. Secretary McNeil, Mr. Jay and Mr. Robens, presented a Bill to provide for the carrying out of repairs and the making of payments in respect of damage affecting certain dwellings-houses and caused by subsidence resulting from the working and getting of coal and other minerals worked with coal, and for the execution of works to prevent or reduce such damage; and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow, and to be printed.

Resolved, That this House do meet to-morrow at Eleven of the clock; that no Questions be taken after Twelve of the clock; and that at Five of the clock Mr. Speaker do adjourn the House without putting any Question.—(The Prime Minister.)

Resolved, That this House, at its rising to-morrow, do adjourn till Tuesday the 18th day of this instant April.—(The Prime Minister.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair—(Mr. Whiteley):

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "in the opinion of this House the fullest possible measure of voluntary cooperation between management and workpeople is essential if productivity is to be increased and good industrial relations maintained as the national interest requires, and this House urges the Government to continue its efforts through the national organisations of employers and workers to encourage the practice of joint consultation on matters of common interest to management and workpeople in the factory and workshop and the development of appropriate joint consultative machinery"—(Mr. Fernyhough),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

And it being Seven of the clock, and there being Private Business set down by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means under the Standing Order (Time for taking Private Business), further Proceeding stood postponed.

The Wolverhampton Corporation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The House resumed the postponed Proceeding on the Amendment to the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being again proposed:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Ten of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.—(Mr. Sparks.)

And accordingly, the House having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes after Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 27.]

Thursday, 6th April, 1950.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

A Bill to regulate the expenditure on capital account and lending of money by the London County Council during the financial period from the first day of April one thousand nine hundred and fifty to the thirtieth day of September one thousand nine hundred and fifty-one and for other purposes was presented, and read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Five-eighty Annual Report of the Trustee Savings Banks Inspection Committee, for the year ended the 20th day of November 1949.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 3rd April 1950, entitled the Coast Protection (Scotland) Regulations, 1950.

Copy of Regulations, dated 1st April 1950, entitled the School Meals Premises (Reimbursement of Minister of Works) (Scotland) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts of the National Film Finance Corporation for the year ending the 31st day of March 1950, with a Statement of Accounts of the National Film Finance Company Limited at the 11th day of April 1949.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Supplies and Services (Food). Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copies of Orders:

(1) dated 5th April 1950, entitled the Import of Canned Fish (Maximum Prices) Order, 1950, and
(2) dated 6th April 1950, entitled the Cheese (General Licence and Amendment No. 4) Order, 1950. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Copies of Rules of Court, dated 3rd April 1950, entitled—

(1) the Matrimonial Causes (Amendment) Rules, 1950, and
(2) the Rules of the Supreme Court (No. 1), 1950.

Mr. Mathers reported from the Committee of Selection, That, in pursuance of Standing Order 228 relating to Private Business (Committee of Selection to choose Parliamentary Panel), they had appointed the following additional Member to be a Member of the Parliamentary Panel of Members of this House to act as Commissioners under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936: Mr. Niall Macpherson.

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. (Mr. Whiteley.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute before Five of the clock, adjourned till Tuesday the 18th day of this instant April, pursuant to the Resolution of the House yesterday.

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Tuesday, 18th April, 1950.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The following Member took and subscribed the Oath:— Lieutenant-Colonel William Henry Kingsmill, for Yeovil.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a New Writ for the electing of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for Brighouse and Spenborough in the room of Frederick Arthur Cobb, Esquire, deceased.— (Mr. Whiteley.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders not previously inquired into are applicable thereto, viz.:

Saint John's Chapel Beverley Bill [Lords].
Tees Conservancy Bill [Lords].
Wear Navigation and Sunderland Dock Bill [Lords].
German Potash Syndicate Loan Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the Petition originating in the Lords, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

Gloucester Extension Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Standing Orders Committee.

The following Papers, presented by His Majesty's Command and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office during the Adjournment, pursuant to the Standing Order (Presentation of Command Papers), were ordered to lie upon the Table:

Copy of a Statement on the United Kingdom Balance of Payments for the years 1946 to 1949 (No. 2).
Copy of a Statement of National Income and Expenditure of the United Kingdom for the years 1946 to 1949.
Copy of Notes exchanged at Lima on the Treaty Series No. 31, 1950.
Copy of Notes exchanged at London on the Treaty Series No. 23, 1950.
Copy of a Memorandum explanatory of the Hydro-Electric Development of Scotland.
Copy of a Return to the Lord Chancellor Lunacy, of the Number of Visits made and the Number of Patients seen by the several Commissioners of the Board of Control during the six months ended the 31st day of December 1949.

The following Papers, required by an Act of Parliament to be laid before the House and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on the undermentioned dates, pursuant to the Standing Order (Presentation of Statutory Orders not previously inquired into, applicable).

No Standing Orders (No. 1), 1950.
Prayer (Donation) Bill [Lords].
Private Bills (No. 12, 1950).
Instruments) were ordered to lie upon the Table:—

11th April 1950:—
Copies of Orders,—
(1) dated 5th April 1950, entitled the Utility Cloth and Utility Household Textiles (Maximum Prices) (Amendment No. 8) Order, 1950, and
(2) dated 6th April 1950, entitled the Women’s and Maids’ Nylon Hose (Maximum Prices) Order, 1950.

Emergency Laws
(Food Standards).

Copy of an Order, dated 6th April 1950, entitled the Food Standards (Fish Cakes) Order, 1950.

Supplies and Services (Food).

Copy of an Order, dated 6th April 1950, entitled the Butter (Amendment) Order, 1950.

13th April 1950:—
Copy of an Order, dated 5th April 1950, entitled the North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Board (Constructional Scheme No. 17) Confirmation Order, 1950.

Supplies and Services (Food).

Copy of an Order, dated 12th April 1950, entitled the Soft Drinks (Amendment) Order, 1950.

14th April 1950:—
Copy of Regulations, dated 13th April 1950, entitled the National Health Service (Authorisation of Subscriptions) Regulations, 1950.

17th April 1950:—
Copy of a Scheme, dated 12th April 1950, entitled the Calf-Rearing Subsidy (Scotland) Scheme, 1950.

National Health Service.

Copy of an Order, dated 12th April 1950, entitled the National Health Service (Executive Councils) (Variation of Constitutions) (Scotland) Order, 1950.

17th April 1950:—
Copies of Orders, dated 15th April 1950, entitled—
(1) the Newsprint (Prices) Order, 1950, and
(2) the Paper (Prices) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950.

Supplies and Services (Waste Paper and Waste Fibrous Materials).


Supplies and Services (Food).

Copies of Orders, dated 17th April 1950, entitled—
(1) the Nut Kernels (Revocation) Order, 1950,
(2) the Eggs (Great Britain and Northern Ireland) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950,
(3) the Bananas (Amendment) Order, 1950,
and
(4) the Coffee (Amendment) Order, 1950.

Supplies and Services (Food. Rationing).

Copies of Orders, dated 17th April 1950, entitled—
(1) the Sugar (Rationing) (Amendment) Order, 1950, and
(2) the Bacon (Rationing) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950.

Supplies and Services (Soap).

Copy of an Order, dated 17th April 1950, entitled the Soap (Prices) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950.

Appropriations in Aid.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 17th April 1950, directing the Application of certain Receipts as Appropriations in Aid of the Vote for Roads, &c.

Account of the Receipts and Payments of the Commissioners of the Royal Hospital Chelsea (for Services other than those voted by Parliament) in the year ended the 31st day of March 1949, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

List of Pensions granted during the year ended the 31st day of March 1950.

Account up to the 31st day of March 1950, of the total Sums issued from the Consolidated Fund in fulfilment of Guarantees given under Section 1 of the Development (Loan Guarantees and Grants) Act, 1929, and of the Sums paid in or towards Repayment of any Sums so issued.

Statement of Guarantees given by the Treasury during the year ended the 31st day of March 1950 on loans proposed to be raised by the North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Board: also, Account up to the 31st day of March 1950 of the total Sums issued out of the Consolidated Fund for the purpose of Guarantees given by the Treasury under subsection (1) of Section 14 of the Hydro-Electric Development (Scotland) Act, 1943, or received by way of Repayment of any Sums so issued.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relating to Chelsea Hospital and Hydro-Electric Development (Scotland) be printed.

Mr. Secretary Ede presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 17th April 1950, entitled the Fire Services (Appointments and Promotion) Regulations, 1950.

Report by the Secretary of State for the Home Department as to the Expulsion, Registration and Prohibition Orders made during the period from the 1st day of January to the 31st day of March 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Griffiths presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Act, passed in the General Legislative Council of the Leeward Islands on the 14th day of December 1949, cited as the Prisons (Amendment) Act, 1949.

Statement of Pensions, &c., granted under the Pensions (Governors of Dominions, &c.) Acts, 1911 to 1947, during the year ended the 31st day of March 1950 (in respect of Colonies, &c.).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Gordon-Walker presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Statement of Pensions, &c., granted under the Pensions (Governors of Dominions, &c.) Acts, 1911 to 1947, during the year ended the 31st day of March 1950 (in respect of Dominions).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of the Reports of the Department of Health for Scotland and of the Scottish Health Services Council for 1949.
Mr. Secretary McNeil also presented,—
Copy of the Forty-third Report to the
Secretary of State for Scotland by the Board
of Trustees for the National Galleries
of Scotland, for 1949.
Ordered. That the said Papers do lie upon
the Table.

Dover Harbour Bill.

Mr. Callaghan presented, pursuant to
Standing Order 144 relating to Private Busi-
ness (Reports by Departments).—Report by
the Admiralty on the Dover Harbour Bill.
Ordered. That the said Paper do lie upon
the Table.

Goods and
Services (Price Control).

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, pursuant to
the directions of an Act of Parliament,—
Copies of Orders, dated 17th April 1950, en-
titled—
(1) the General Apparel (Distributors’
Maximum Prices) Order, 1950, and
(2) the Yarn and Cloth (Wool and Animal
Fibre) (Maximum Prices and Charges)
(Reservation) Order, 1950.

Supplies and
Services (Apparel
and Textiles).

Copy of an Order, dated 15th April 1950,
entitled the Utility Woolen Cloth (Wool and
Animal Fibre) (Marking, Supply and Manu-
facturers’ Prices) Order, 1950.

Supplies and
Services (Utility Mark
and Apparel
and Textiles).

Copy of an Order, dated 15th April 1950,
entitled the Utility Mark and Apparel and
Textiles (General Provisions) (Amendment
No. 6) Order, 1950.
Ordered. That the said Papers do lie upon
the Table.

Local Government
Superannuation.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the
directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of
Schemes made by the undermentioned
local authorities and approved by the
Minister of Health under the Local Govern-
ment Superannuation Act, 1937:—
(1) Leyton Town Council.
(2) Orpington Urban District Council.
Ordered. That the said Papers do lie upon
the Table.

London Traffic.

Mr. Barnes presented, pursuant to the
directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of
Regulations, dated 14th April 1950,
entitled the London Traffic (Prescribed
Routes) (No. 6) Regulations, 1950.

Copies of Regulations, dated 14th April
1950, entitled—
(1) the Road Vehicles Lighting Regula-
tions, 1950, and
(2) the Road Vehicles Lighting (Special
Exemption) (Amendment) Regulations,
1950.
Ordered. That the said Papers do lie upon
the Table.

Education.

Mr. Tomlinson presented, pursuant to the
directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of
Regulations, dated 15th April 1950, entitled—
(1) the State Scholarships (Mature Students)
Amending Regulations No. 3, 1950,
(2) the Technical State Scholarships Amend-
ing Regulations No. 2, 1950, and
(3) the Science Awards Regulations, 1950.
Ordered. That the said Papers do lie upon
the Table.

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nineteen hundred and fifty, there shall be an increase of ninepence a gallon—
(a) in the rate of the duty of customs on hydrocarbon oils; and
(b) in each of the rates of the rebate allowed on the delivery for home consumption of hydrocarbon oils other than light oils;
and for the purposes of section two of the Finance Act, 1935 (heavy oils used as road fuel), the rebate shall be treated as having been repaid unless either it has been repaid before that hour or it has been repaid at the rate for the time being in force for the oils in question.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

The Chairman put the Question thereupon forthwith, pursuant to the Standing Order (Ways and Means Motions and Resolutions). Question agreed to.

The Chairman then proceeded successively to put forthwith the Question on each further Motion made by a Minister of the Crown, save the last Motion.

Hydrocarbon Oils (Excise).

2. Motion made, That—
(a) a duty of excise shall be charged on all hydrocarbon oils produced in the United Kingdom, if so produced on or after the nineteenth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifty, or if stored on or after that date in a refinery or on other premises in the United Kingdom used for the production of hydrocarbon oils or on premises containing any bonded storage for hydrocarbon oils;
(b) the rate of the duty shall be the rate at which the duty of customs on hydrocarbon oils is for the time being chargeable, less ninepence a gallon or such other amount per gallon as may from time to time be directed by order of the Treasury;
(c) in the case of oils which are not light oils and are not intended for use as road fuel, there shall be allowed from the duty a rebate at the rate for the time being in force for the duty;
(d) the duty and any rebate therefrom shall be charged or allowed in the case of any oils when they are first (on or after the said nineteenth day of April) either—
(i) delivered for home consumption from a refinery or from other premises used for the production of hydrocarbon oils or from premises containing any bonded storage for hydrocarbon oils; or
(ii) removed to a refinery which it appears to the Commissioners of Customs and Excise is not primarily used for the production of hydrocarbon oils and which is for the time being specified in a direction given by those Commissioners for this purpose; or
(iii) used in a refinery in such circumstances that an allowance is payable in respect thereof under subsection (4) of section eight of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1945;
and shall be charged or allowed according to the quantity so delivered or removed or the quantity treated for the purposes of the said section eight as so used, as the case may be;
(e) in this Resolution the expressions "hydrocarbon oils," "light oils" and "refinery" have the same meanings as for the purposes of the customs duty on hydrocarbon oils, but this Resolution does not apply to oils on which the duty is chargeable or to any such oils as are exempted from that duty by subsection (5) of section six of the Finance Act, 1935 (solid or semi-solid substances);
(f) in this Resolution the expression "road fuel" means fuel for any engine with which a road vehicle is equipped, whether for the propulsion of the vehicle or not, and for the purposes of this definition the expression "road vehicle" means any mechanically propelled vehicle constructed or adapted for use on roads, being a vehicle within the meaning of section two of the Finance Act, 1935, as amended by any subsequent enactment;
(g) references in this Resolution to the production of hydrocarbon oils include references to the obtaining of one description of hydrocarbon oils from another description thereof and to the subjecting of hydrocarbon oils to any process of purification or blending, as well as references to the obtaining of hydrocarbon oils from other substances or from any natural source.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question put, and agreed to.

Petrol substitutes (Excise).

3. Motion made, That as from the nineteenth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifty, there shall be charged a duty of excise on any petrol substitute which is sent out from the premises of a person producing or dealing in petrol substitutes and was not acquired by him with the duty paid, and the rate of the duty shall be the same as that at which any duty of excise on hydrocarbon oils is for the time being chargeable.

In this Resolution the expression "petrol substitute" means any liquid intended to take the place of petrol as fuel for internal combustion engines, being neither a hydrocarbon oil (within the meaning of that term for the purpose of customs duty) nor power methylated spirits.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question put, and agreed to.

Power methylated spirits (Rate of Excise Duty).

4. Motion made, That as from the nineteenth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifty, there shall be an increase of ninetepence a gallon in the rate of the duty of excise on spirits used for making power methylated spirits.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question put, and agreed to.

Beer (Customs and Excise).

5. Motion moved, That as from the nineteenth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifty, the rates specified in the First Schedule to the
Finance Act, 1949, for the duties on beer and the drawbacks thereof shall be altered by substituting for any duty on beer a specific gravity of 1,030 degrees for a specific gravity of 1,027 degrees, and by subtracting half a crown from each of the rates so specified, except any rate so specified for additional degrees of specific gravity in excess of 1,027 degrees:

Provided that this Resolution shall not apply to reduce any drawback in respect of beer as to which it is shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioners of Customs and Excise that duty was paid at the rate in force before the said nineteenth day of April.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question put, and agreed to.

Spirits (Allowances on Export, &c.).

6. Motion made, That in section eleven of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1945 (which abolished certain allowances in respect of spirits exported or otherwise disposed of, any saving for spirits warehoused or distilled before the beginning of the year nineteen hundred and forty-six shall cease to have effect as from the first day of May, nineteen hundred and fifty.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question put, and agreed to.

Pool Betting Duty.

7. Motion made, That the pool betting duty shall be extended so as to make duty chargeable whenever a number of persons make, or are to be treated as making, bets on the basis that the winners or their winnings (whether pecuniary or not) shall, to any extent, be at the discretion of the person with or through whom they bet or some other person; and this Resolution shall apply to bets made before or after the passing thereof by reference to any event taking place on or after the first day of August, nineteen hundred and fifty.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question put, and agreed to.

Road Vehicles (Purchase Tax).

8. Motion made, That the enactments relating to purchase tax shall be amended so that (subject to the power of the Treasury to make orders under section twenty-one of the Finance Act, 1948)—

(a) as from the first day of May, nineteen hundred and fifty, the road vehicles mentioned below shall be chargeable goods, and the rate of tax chargeable in respect of them shall be the first rate; and

(b) as from the nineteenth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifty, any road vehicles which would otherwise be chargeable at the second rate shall be chargeable at the first rate; and any Act giving effect to this Resolution may contain provisions incidental to or consequential on those amendments.

The road vehicles referred to in paragraph (a) above are any vehicles constructed or adapted for use for the carriage or haulage of goods or burden of any description not forming part of the vehicle or necessary for its propulsion or equipment, being either mechanically propelled vehicles or vehicles designed for use as trailers with a mechanically propelled vehicle or as components of a composite vehicle which is mechanically propelled.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question put, and agreed to.

War memorials (Purchase Tax).

9. Motion made, That further provision shall be made for the exemption of war memorials from purchase tax.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question put, and agreed to.

Supply of goods to H.M. Ships (Customs and Excise).

10. Motion made, That the Treasury shall be authorized to make regulations for the purpose of giving relief from customs and excise duties where goods are supplied to or intended for ships of the Royal Navy or naval establishments; and on the coming into force of any such regulations sections one hundred and twenty-one to one hundred and twenty-five of the Customs Consolidation Act, 1876, shall cease to have effect.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question put, and agreed to.

Repayments on destruction of imported goods (Customs and Purchase Tax).

11. Motion made, That the law relating to customs shall be amended so as to authorize repayment of duty where goods imported in pursuance of a contract of sale are destroyed unused, being not in accordance with the contract or being damaged in transit; and that the amendment shall have effect also for the purpose of the law relating to purchase tax.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question put, and agreed to.

INCOME TAX, PROFITS TAX AND EXCESS PROFITS TAX.

Charge of Income Tax.

12. Motion made, That—

(a) income tax for the year 1950-51 shall be charged at the standard rate of nine shillings in the pound, and, in the case of an individual whose total income exceeds two thousand pounds, at such higher rates in respect of the excess over two thousand pounds as Parliament may hereafter determine;

(b) all such enactments as had effect with respect to the income tax charged for the year 1949-50 shall have effect with respect to the income tax charged for the year 1950-51.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question put, and agreed to.
Higher Rates of Income Tax for 1949-50.

13. Motion made, That—
(a) in subsection (2) of section forty of the Finance Act, 1927 which, as amended by section seventeen of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1945, and section twenty-eight of the Finance Act, 1948, provides for the relief from income tax commonly known as the reduced rate relief, the words "thirteen-eighneenths" shall throughout be substituted for the words "two-thirds" and the words "four-ninths" shall throughout be substituted for the words "one-third";
(b) in subsection (2) of section nineteen of the Finance Act, 1935 which, as amended by subsequent enactments, limits the tax on incomes exceeding one hundred and thirty-five pounds to three-tenths of the excess (the words "one-quarter" shall be substituted for the words "three-tenths";
Provided that the additional relief afforded by this Resolution for the year 1950-51 shall not affect the amount of tax deductible or repayable before the eighth of June, nineteen hundred and fifty.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)
Question put, and agreed to.
Income Tax; reduced rate relief, &c.

14. Motion made, That—
(a) any payment of rent to which this Resolution applies which does not exceed two pounds ten shillings per year—
(i) may, if the payer so elects, be treated as not affected by so much of subsection (1) of the said section twenty-one as provides that the rent shall, for the purpose of such of the provisions of the Income Tax Acts as refer to royalties paid in respect of the user of a patent, be treated as if it were such a royalty; and
(ii) shall in that event be made without deduction of tax accordingly; and
(b) any payment of rent to which this Resolution applies which is made without deduction of tax (whether by virtue of the preceding provisions of this proviso or otherwise) shall, unless tax is assessed thereon under Rule 21 of the General Rules, be chargeable to tax under Case III of Schedule D as if it were mentioned in Rule 1 of the Rules applicable to that Case;
(2) this Resolution shall be deemed always to have had effect and references to the said section twenty-one in any provisions of the Income Tax Acts (including the reference in subsection (2) of the said section twenty-one itself) shall be construed as including, and as having always included, references to that section as extended by this Resolution;
Provided that where, before the nineteenth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifty, any payment of any rent to which paragraph (1) of this Resolution applies has been made without deduction of tax, nothing in this Resolution shall affect—
(a) any determination of any Commissioners made before the said date as respects the chargeability of that payment to tax; or
(b) any appeal from or case stated in respect of any such determination; or
(c) any agreement which, under section fifty-one of the Finance Act, 1949, has the effect of such a determination; or
(d) any appeal against any assessment the effect of which is to charge that payment to tax, if notice of the appeal was given before that date, and the appeal remains undetermined at that date;
(3) in this Resolution the expressions "rent" and "easement" have the same meanings as in the said section twenty-one, and the reference to easements enjoyed in connection with
any electric, telegraphic or telephonic wire or cable includes (without prejudice to the generality of that expression) references to easements enjoyed in connection with any pole or pylon supporting any such wire or cable or with any apparatus used in connection with any such wire or cable, including any transformer so used.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question put, and agreed to.

Income Tax; Northern Ireland superannuation contributions.

17. Motion made, That—

(1) relief from income tax shall not be allowed to any person under section thirty-two of the Income Tax Act, 1918 (which provides relief for, amongst other things, contributions to secure deferred annuities to widows and provision for children) or under any other provision of the Income Tax Acts providing for relief for income tax purposes, in respect of any contributions made by him under any enactments of the Parliament of Northern Ireland corresponding to Parts I and II of the Superannuation Act, 1949, and, in particular, under Parts I and II of the Superannuation Act (Northern Ireland), 1949;

(2) this Resolution shall have effect, and be deemed always to have had effect, for the purposes of income tax for the year 1949-50 and all subsequent years of assessment.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question put, and agreed to.

Income Tax; married women.

18. Motion made, That the extent and incidence of income tax shall be varied so as to give effect to provisions—

(a) defining the cases in which, the purposes for which and the extent to which sums which would otherwise be treated as income of a woman are to be treated as her husband's income;

(b) amending the law as to reliefs from income tax in its relation to married persons;

(c) rendering a woman, her trustee, guardian, tutor, curator or committee, or her executors or administrators, liable in certain cases for amounts of unpaid income tax assessed (whether before or after the passing of this Act and for whatever year of assessment, including a year before the year 1950-51) on her husband, his trustee, guardian, tutor, curator or committee, or his executors or administrators, and for interest thereon.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question put, and agreed to.

Income Tax; enemy debts, &c.

19. Motion made, That the extent and incidence of income tax (including income tax for years of assessment before 1950-51), shall be varied so as to give effect to provisions as to cases where a recovery is made of or in respect of—

(a) any debt owed by, or actual or contingent claim on, an enemy or ex-enemy State or Sovereign or a person resident or carrying on business in territory which is or has been enemy or enemy-occupied territory;

(b) property which was in or believed to be in such territory or under or believed to be under the control of an enemy or ex-enemy Power,

being a debt, claim or property which had been wholly or partly written off for income tax, profits tax, or excess profits tax purposes, or the position of which had been treated as a reason for leaving income tax, profits tax, or excess profits tax uncollected.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question put, and agreed to.

Profits Tax.

20. Motion made, That the extent and incidence of the profits tax (including profits tax for past chargeable accounting periods) shall be varied so as to give effect to provisions extending the period for which relief from income tax can be given under section fifteen of the Finance Act, 1937, and provisions as to cases where a recovery is made of or in respect of—

(a) any debt owed by, or actual or contingent claim on, an enemy or ex-enemy State or Sovereign or a person resident or carrying on business in territory which is or has been enemy or enemy-occupied territory;

(b) property which was in or believed to be in such territory or under or believed to be under the control of an enemy or ex-enemy Power,

being a debt, claim or property which had been wholly or partly written off for income tax, profits tax, or excess profits tax purposes, or the position of which had been treated as a reason for leaving income tax, profits tax, or excess profits tax uncollected.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question put, and agreed to.

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Excess Profits Tax.

21. Motion made, That the extent and incidence of excess profits tax for all chargeable accounting periods shall be varied so as to give effect to provisions as to cases where a recovery is made of or in respect of—

(a) any debt owed by, or actual or contingent claim on, an enemy or ex-enemy State or Sovereign or a person resident or carrying on business in territory which is or has been enemy or enemy-occupied territory;

(b) property which was in or believed to be in such territory or under or believed to be under the control of an enemy or ex-enemy Power,

being a debt, claim or property which had been wholly or partly written off for income tax, profits tax, or excess profits tax purposes, or the position of which had been treated as a
reason for leaving income tax, profits tax, or excess profits tax uncollected. (Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question put, and agreed to.

Estate Duty.

Miscellaneous amendments of Estate Duty Law.

22. Motion made, That as respects persons dying after the eighteenth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifty, the enactments relating to estate duty shall be amended—

(a) so as to make further provision for charging duty where an interest limited to cease on a death has been disposed of or has been determined after becoming an interest in possession, and as to the persons accountable for the duty in any such case;

(b) so as to make further provision for charging duty on property disposed of during the life-time of the deceased in favour of a relative of his or certain companies;

(c) so as to make section forty of the Finance Act, 1930 (which exempts objects of national, scientific, historic or artistic interest) have effect subject to conditions for the retention in the United Kingdom and preservation of the objects exempted or otherwise, and to charge duty on those objects if the conditions are not observed.

(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question put, and agreed to.

General.

Amendment of Law.

23. Motion made, and Question proposed, That it is expedient to amend the law with respect to the National Debt and the public revenue, and to make further provision in connection with finance, so, however, that this Resolution shall not extend to the making of amendments of the law relating to purchase tax except amendments, if any, reducing the first, second or third rate of the tax generally for all goods to which the rate applies—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Question put, and agreed to.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Chairman of Ways and Means also reported, that the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again—(Mr. Pearson), put, and agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for the Merchant Shipping Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Royal Patriotic Fund Corporation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Distribution of Industry Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on Distribution of Industry (Money);

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Coal Mining (Subsidence) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Newfoundland (Consequential Provisions) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Midwives (Amendment) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till six minutes before Seven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Wednesday, 19th April, 1950.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

Prayers.

The Order of the day being read, for the Aycliffe Development Corporation (District Heating) Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 27th day of this instant April.

The Bury Extension Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ilford Corporation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read for the Second Reading of the Luton Corporation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Land Drainage (Surrey County Council (Hogsmill River Improvement) (Amendment) Provisional Order Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

Mr. Secretary Ede presented, by His Majesty's Command, Copy of the Report of the Committee on Celuloid Storage.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His Majesty's Command, Copy of an Agreement between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Union of Burma for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with respect to Taxes on Income, signed at Rangoon on the 13th day of March 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Wakefield Extension Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The City of London (Various Powers) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by His [Money].

Ordered, That the said Address be presented, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Finance proposed to be moved, under the Standing Order (Money Committees), in a Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Whereupon, Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Israel) Order, 1950, be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on the 7th day of March last.—(Mr. Jay.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Fiji) Order, 1950, be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on the 7th day of March last.—(Mr. Jay.)

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Majesty by such Members of this House as are of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of His Majesty's Household.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony) Order, 1950, be made in the form of the draft laid
before this House on the 7th day of March last.—(Mr. Jay.)

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Majesty by such Members of this House as are of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of His Majesty's Household.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (British Solomon Islands Protectorate) Order, 1950, be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on the 7th day of March last.—(Mr. Jay.)

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Majesty by such Members of this House as are of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of His Majesty's Household.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (North Borneo) Order, 1950, be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on the 7th day of March last.—(Mr. Jay.)

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Majesty by such Members of this House as are of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of His Majesty's Household.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Regulations, dated 24th March 1950, entitled the National Health Service (Hospital Endowments Fund—Discharge of Liabilities) Regulations, 1950 (S.1., 1950, No. 438), a copy of which was laid before this House on the 25th day of March last, be annulled.—(Sir John Mellor).—It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Bowden.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-four minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 30.]

Thursday, 20th April, 1950.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ilford Corporation Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next, at Seven of the clock.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Luton Corporation Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next, at Seven of the clock.

The Land Drainage (Surrey County Council (Hogsmill River Improvement) (Amendment)) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Memorandum explanatory of North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Board—Constructional Scheme No. 53 (Kirkwall Generating Station).

Mr. Secretary McNeil also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 17th April 1950, entitled the North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Board (Constructional Scheme No. 53) Confirmation Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.


Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Oliver reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills, That they had considered the Statute Law Revision Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, and had agreed to a Report in respect thereof, which they had directed him to make to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Post Office and Telegraph (Money) Bill, without any Amendment.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means. (In the Committee.)

Amendment of Law.

Question again proposed, That it is expedient to amend the law with respect to the National Debt and the public revenue, and to make further provision in connection with finance, so, however, that this Resolution shall not extend to the making of amendments of the law relating to purchase tax except amendments, if any, reducing the first, second or third rate of the tax generally for all goods to which the rate applies.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Sparks),—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

National Health Service.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Regulations, dated 16th December 1949, entitled the National Health Service (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations, 1949 (S.I., 1949, No. 2341), a copy of which was laid before this House on the 16th day of December 1949 in the last Parliament, be annulled—(Mr. Linstead):—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. (Mr. Pearson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eleven minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 31.]

Friday, 21st April, 1950.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account up to the 31st day of March 1950 of Sums issued out of the Consolidated Fund in fulfilment of Guarantees given by the Treasury under Section 25 of the Finance Act, 1934. Account up to the 31st day of March 1950 of the total Sums issued from the Consolidated Fund in fulfilment of Guarantees given under the Trade Facilities Acts, and of the Sums paid in or towards Repayment of any Sums so issued. Ordered, That the said Accounts do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Insurance.

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules, dated 20th April 1950, entitled the Assurance Companies (Amendment) Rules, 1950. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

London Traffic.

Mr. Barnes presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 19th April 1950, entitled the London Traffic (Prohibition of Waiting) (Leatherhead) Regulations, 1950. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Supplies and Services (Food).

Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 20th April 1950, entitled the Feeding Stuffs (Rationing) (General Licence) Order, 1950. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Supplies and Services (Food Rationing).

Copy of an Order, dated 20th April 1950, entitled the Fats, Cheese and Tea (Rationing) (Amendment) Order, 1950. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved Ways and Means into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.) Amendment of Law.

Question again proposed, That it is expedient to amend the law with respect to the National Debt and the public revenue, and to make further provision in connection with finance, so, however, that this Resolution shall not extend to the making of amendments of the law relating to purchase tax except amendments, if any, reducing the first, second or third rate of the tax generally for all goods to which the rate applies.

And it being Four o’clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. DeputY Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and moved, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment. (Mr. Royle.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes after Four of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.

[No. 32.]

Monday, 24th April, 1950.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The following Member took and subscribed the Oath:—Frank Fairhurst, Esquire, for Oldham, East.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the South Staffordshire Water Bill, Staffordshire Water Bill, as amended in the Committee. Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The German Potash Syndicate Loan Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Gun Barrel Proof Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Saint John’s Chapel Beverley Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Tees Conservancy Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The Wear Navigation and Sunderland Dock Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.
Parliamentary Papers (Adjournment).

The following Papers, required by an Act of Parliament to be laid before the House and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on the 22nd day of this instant April, pursuant to the Standing Order (Presentation of Statutory Instruments), were ordered to lie upon the Table:

Copy of an Order, dated 21st April 1950, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 1) Order, 1950.

Copies of Orders, dated 21st April 1950, entitled—
1. the Paper (Use in Betting Schemes) (Amendment) Order, 1950, and
2. the Veneer (Birch and Maple) Prices Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 20th April 1950, entitled the Food (Points Rationing) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 21st April 1950, entitled the Benzole and Allied Products (Control) (Amendment) Order, 1950.

Copy of a Direction, dated 20th April 1950, entitled the Coal Distribution (Restriction) Direction, 1950.

Treaty Series (No. 25, 1950).

Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of the Constitution of the International Refugee Organization (with Annexes), signed at New York on the 15th day of December 1946 (The Constitution was accepted by His Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom on the 5th day of February 1947).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

National Health Service (Scotland).

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of the Report of the Committee on Poaching and Illegal Fishing of Salmon and Trout in Scotland.

National Health Service (Scotland).

Mr. Secretary McNeil also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 24th April 1950, entitled the National Health Service (General Dental Services Fees) (Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Imperial Standards,

Mr. Wilson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of a Report on the Comparisons of the Parliamentary Copies of the Imperial Standards with the Imperial Standard Yard and the Imperial Standard Pound and with each other during 1947 and 1948.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Supplies and Services (Apparel and Textiles).

Copy of an Order, dated 21st April 1950, entitled the Utility Apparel (Women’s and Maids’ Underwear and Nightwear) (Manufacture and Supply) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Agriculture.

Mr. Thomas Williams presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 20th April 1950, entitled—
1. the Hill Cattle Subsidy Payment (England and Wales) Order, 1950.
2. the Hill Sheep Subsidy Payment (England and Wales) Order, 1950, and
3. the Hops Marketing Scheme (Amendment) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Tomlinson presented, pursuant to the Education, directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 20th April 1950, entitled the Local Education Authorities (Recoupment) Amending Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to Standing Order 158 relating to Private Bill Business (Report by Attorney General in case of Bills affecting any charity or educational foundation),—Report by him on the Carlisle Extension Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved Ways and Means. (In the Committee.)

Ordered, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

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Ordered, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, was, and the House, according to Order, resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Resolved, That the House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

—Mr. Popplewell.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-two minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Tuesday, 25th April, 1950.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRIVATE BILLS

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.:—

Private Bills (No Standing Orders applicable thereto).

London County Council (Money) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders, not previously inquired into, are applicable thereto, viz.:—

Lords.

Wakefield Extension Bill.

City of London (Various Powers) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:—

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Colne Valley Sewerage Board) Bill.

Ministry of Health Provisional Order (South-West Middlesex Crematorium Board) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Secretary Ede presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 24th April 1950, entitled the Miscellaneous Goods (Maximum Prices) (Amendment No. 9) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 24th April 1950, entitled the National Health Service (General Dental Services) Fees (Amendment) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


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Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to Standing Order 158 relating to Private Business (Report by Attorney General in case of Bill affecting any charity or educational foundation),—Report by him on the Manchester Corporation Bill.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Nicholson reported from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, That they had made Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with an Appendix: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

The Coal Mining (Subsidence) Bill was, Coal Mining (Subsidence) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.-(Mr. Sparks.)

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That Mr. Frederick Willey be discharged from the Select Committee on Estimates; and that Mr. Diamond be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Robert Taylor.)

A Motion was made, and the Question of being put, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Order, dated 16th December 1949, entitled the Safeguarding of Industries (Reduction of Rates) Order, 1949 (S.I., 1949, No. 2352), a copy of which was laid before House this House on the 19th day of December 1949 in the last Parliament, be annulled.—(Mr. Lennox-Boyd).—It passed in the Negative.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Orders, dated 24th April 1950, entitled the Provisional Order (Colne Valley Sewerage Board) Bill.

Prayers were read.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

The Coal Mining (Subsidence) Bill was, Coal Mining (Subsidence) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.-(Mr. Sparks.)

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That Mr. Frederick Willey be discharged from the Select Committee on Estimates; and that Mr. Diamond be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Robert Taylor.)

A Motion was made, and the Question of being put, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Order, dated 16th December 1949, entitled the Safeguarding of Industries (Reduction of Rates) Order, 1949 (S.I., 1949, No. 2352), a copy of which was laid before House this House on the 19th day of December 1949 in the last Parliament, be annulled.—(Mr. Lennox-Boyd).—It passed in the Negative.
A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Popplewell)—And a Debate arising thereupon:

And the Question having been proposed after Ten of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then ten minutes after Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

Mr. Secretary Ede presented, pursuant to Metropolitan the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Accounts of the Metropolitan Police Fund, showing the Sums received and expended for the purposes of the Metropolitan Police and Police Courts between the 1st day of April 1949 and the 31st day of March 1950 and the Receipts and Payments of the Metropolitan Police Loan Account from the 1st day of April 1935 to the 31st day of March 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of an Agreement between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Republic of Paraguay relating to Trade and Payments signed at London on the 3rd day of April 1950 (This Agreement has not yet been ratified by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom).

Ordered, That the said Accounts do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Herbert Morrison presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 25th April 1950, entitled the Vestry of St. Giles Without Cripplegate (Resumption of Elections) Order, 1950.

Copies of Orders in Council, dated 25th April 1950, entitled—
(1) the Special Constables (Pensions) Order, 1950, and
(2) the Special Constables (Pensions) (Scotland) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Schemes made by the mentioned local authorities and approved by the Minister of Health under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937:—
(1) Coulsdon and Purley Urban District Council.
(2) Malden and Coombe Town Council.
(3) Southport and District Water Board.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Copies of Regulations, dated 24th April 1950, entitled—
(1) the Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment) Regulations, 1950, and
(2) the Public Service Vehicles (Conditions of Fitness) (Amendment) Regulations, 1950. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 25th April 1950, entitled—
(1) the Home-Canned Fruit and Vegetables Order, 1950, and
(2) the Imported Canned Fruit Order, 1950. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by the Table.

The Lords have agreed to the Army and Air Force (Annual) Bill, without any Amendment.

The High Court and County Court Judges Bill [Lords]. The High Court and County Court Judges Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow, and to be printed.

Business of the House (Private Business).

Ordered, That, notwithstanding anything in the Standing Order (Time for taking Private Business), any Private Business set down for consideration at Seven of the clock this evening, by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means, may be taken after Nine of the clock. (The Prime Minister.)

Mr. Robert Taylor reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 18th day of this instant April, several Resolutions; which were read as follow:

CUSTOMS, EXCISE AND PURCHASE TAX.

Hydrocarbon oils (Rate of Customs Duty and Rebate).

1. That as from six o’clock in the evening of the eighteenth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifty, there shall be an increase of ninepence a gallon—
(a) in the rate of the duty of customs on hydrocarbon oils; and
(b) in each of the rates of the rebate allowed on the delivery for home consumption of hydrocarbon oils other than light oils; and for the purposes of section two of the Finance Act, 1955 (heavy oils used as road fuel), no rebate shall be treated as having been repaid unless either it has been repaid before that hour or it has been repaid at the rate for the time being in force for the oils in question.

2. That—
(a) a duty of excise shall be charged on all hydrocarbon oils produced in the United Kingdom, if so produced on or after the nineteenth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifty, or if stored on or after that date in a refinery or on other premises in the United Kingdom used for the production of hydrocarbon oils or on premises containing any bonded storage for hydrocarbon oils;
(b) the rate of the duty shall be the rate at which the duty of customs on hydrocarbon oils is for the time being chargeable, less ninepence a gallon or such other amount per gallon as may from time to time be directed by order of the Treasury;
(c) in the case of oils which are not light oils and are not intended for use as road fuel, there shall be allowed from the duty a rebate at the rate for the time being in force for the duty;
(d) the duty and any rebate therefrom shall be charged or allowed in the case of any oils when they are first (on or after the said nineteenth day of April) either—
(i) delivered for home consumption from a refinery or from other premises used for the production of hydrocarbon oils or from premises containing any bonded storage for hydrocarbon oils; or
(ii) removed to a refinery which it appears to the Commissioners of Customs and Excise is not primarily used for the production of hydrocarbon oils and which is for the time being specified in a direction given by those Commissioners for this purpose; or
(iii) used in a refinery in such circumstances that an allowance is payable in respect thereof under subsection (4) of section eight of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1945; and shall be charged or allowed according to the quantity so delivered or removed or the quantity treated for the purposes of the said section eight as so used, as the case may be;
(e) in this Resolution the expressions “hydrocarbon oils,” “light oils” and “refinery” have the same meanings as for the purposes of the customs duty on hydrocarbon oils, but this Resolution does not apply to oils on which duty is chargeable or to any such oils as are exempted from that duty by subsection (5) of section six of the Finance Act, 1933 (solid or semi-solid substances);
(f) in this Resolution the expression “road fuel” means fuel for any engine with which a road vehicle is equipped, whether for the propulsion of the vehicle or not, and for the purposes of this definition the expression “road vehicle” means any...
mechanically propelled vehicle constructed or adapted for use on roads, being a vehicle within the meaning of section two of the Finance Act, 1935, as amended by any subsequent enactment; (g) references in this Resolution to the production of hydrocarbon oils include references to the obtaining of one description of hydrocarbon oils from another description thereof and to the subjecting of hydrocarbon oils to any process of purification or blending, as well as references to the obtaining of hydrocarbon oils from other substances or from any natural source.

Petrol substitutes (Excise).

3. That as from the nineteenth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifty, there shall be charged a duty of excise on any petrol substitute which is sent out from the premises of a person producing or dealing in petrol substitutes and was not acquired by him with duty paid, and the rate of the duty shall be the same as that at which any duty of excise on hydrocarbon oils is for the time being chargeable.

In this Resolution the expression "petrol substitute" means any liquid intended to take the place of petrol as fuel for internal combustion engines, being neither a hydrocarbon oil (within the meaning of that term for the purpose of customs duty) nor power methylated spirits.

Power methylated spirits (Rate of Excise Duty).

4. That as from the nineteenth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifty, there shall be an increase of nineteneight a gallon in the rate of the duty of excise on petrol substitutes used for making power methylated spirits.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Beer (Customs and Excise).

5. That as from the nineteenth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifty, the rates specified in the First Schedule to the Finance Act, 1949, for the duties on beer and the drawbacks thereon of shall be altered by substituting for all purposes a specific gravity of 1.030 degrees for a specific gravity of 1.027 degrees, and by subtracting half a crown from each of the rates so specified, except any rate so specified for additional degrees of specific gravity in excess of 1.027 degrees:

Provided that this Resolution shall not apply to any drawback in respect of beer as to which it is shown to the satisfaction of the Commissioners of Customs and Excise that duty was paid at the rate in force before the said nineteenth day of April.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Spirits (Allowsances on Export, &c.).

6. That in section twenty-one of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1945 (which abolished certain allowances in respect of spirits exported or otherwise disposed of), any saving for spirits warehoused or distilled before the beginning of the year nineteen hundred and forty-six shall cease to have effect as from the first day of May, nineteen hundred and fifty.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Pool Betting Duty.

7. That the pool betting duty shall be extended so as to make duty chargeable whenever a number of persons make, or are to be treated as making, bets on the basis that the winners or their winnings (whether pecuniary or not) shall, to any extent, be at the discretion of the person with or through whom they bet or some other person; and this Resolution shall apply to bets made before or after the passing thereof by reference to any event taking place on or after the first day of August, nineteen hundred and fifty.

Road vehicles (Purchase Tax).

8. That the enactments relating to purchase tax shall be amended so that (subject to the power of the Treasury to make orders under section twenty-one of the Finance Act, 1948) (a) as from the first day of May, nineteen hundred and fifty, the road vehicles mentioned below shall be chargeable goods, and the rate of tax chargeable in respect of them shall be the first rate; and (b) as from the nineteenth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifty, any road vehicles which would otherwise be chargeable at the second rate shall be chargeable at the first rate; and any Act giving effect to this Resolution may contain provisions incidental to or consequential on those amendments.

The road vehicles referred to in paragraph (a) above are any vehicles constructed or adapted for use for the carriage or haulage of goods or burden of any description not forming part of the vehicle necessary for its propulsion or equipment, being either mechanically propelled vehicles or vehicles designed for use as trailers with a mechanically propelled vehicle or as components of a composite vehicle which is mechanically propelled.

War memorials (Purchase Tax).

9. That further provision shall be made for the exemption of war memorials from purchase tax.

Supply of goods to H.M. Ships (Customs and Excise).

10. That the Treasury shall be authorized to make regulations for the purpose of giving relief from customs and excise duties where goods are supplied to or intended for ships of the Royal Navy or naval establishments; and on the coming into force of any such regulations sections one hundred and twenty-one to one hundred and twenty-five of the Customs Consolidation Act, 1876, shall cease to have effect.
Repayments on destruction of imported goods (Customs and Purchase Tax).

11. That the law relating to customs shall be amended so as to authorize repayment of duties where goods imported in pursuance of a contract of sale are destroyed unused, being not in accordance with the contract or being damaged in transit; and that the amendment shall have effect also for the purpose of the law relating to purchase tax.

INCOME TAX, PROFITS TAX AND EXCESS PROFITS TAX.

Charge of Income Tax.

12. That—
(a) income tax for the year 1950-51 shall be charged at the standard rate of nine shillings in the pound, and, in the case of an individual whose total income exceeds two thousand pounds, at such higher rates in respect of the excess over two thousand pounds as Parliament may hereafter determine;
(b) all such enactments as had effect with respect to the income tax charged for the year 1949-50 shall have effect with respect to the income tax charged for the year 1950-51.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Higher Rates of Income Tax for 1949-50.

13. That income tax for the year 1949-50 shall be charged in the case of an individual whose total income exceeded two thousand pounds, at the same higher rates in respect of the excess over two thousand pounds as Parliament may hereafter determine;

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Income Tax; reduced rate relief, &c.

14. That—
(a) in subsection (2) of section forty of the Finance Act, 1927 which, as amended by section seventeen of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1945, and section twenty-eight of the Finance Act, 1948, provides for the relief from income tax commonly known as the reduced rate relief, the words "thirteen-eighteenths" shall throughout be substituted for the words "two-thirds" and the words "four-ninths" shall throughout be substituted for the words "one-third";
(b) in subsection (2) of section nineteen of the Finance Act, 1935 (which, as amended by subsequent enactments, limits the tax on incomes exceeding one hundred and thirty-five pounds but less than one hundred and sixty pounds to three-tenths of the excess) the words "one-quarter" shall be substituted for the words "three-tenths".

Provided that the additional relief afforded by this Resolution for the year 1950-51 shall not affect the amount of tax deductible or repayable before the eighth day of June, nineteen hundred and fifty.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Income Tax; payments for restrictive covenants, &c.

15. That—
(a) where an individual who holds, has held or is about to hold an office or employment gives an undertaking, whether absolute or qualified and whether legally valid or not, the tenor or effect of which is to restrict him as to his conduct or activities, and any sum is paid or valuable consideration given to him or to any other person in respect of the giving or total or partial fulfilment of that undertaking, such additional surtax shall be charged in respect of the income of that individual as may be determined by any Act giving effect to this Resolution;
(b) this Resolution shall be retrospective but tax shall not be charged by virtue thereof for any year before 1949-50.

Income Tax; electricity wayleaves.

16. That—
(1) subsection (1) of section twenty-one of the Finance Act, 1934 (which, amongst other things, charges certain rents to tax under Schedule D and provides for the deduction of tax therefrom by the person paying the rent) shall apply to rent in respect of any easement enjoyed in the United Kingdom in connection with any electric, telegraphic or telephonic wire or cable (not being such an easement as is mentioned in that section) as it applies to rent in respect of easements enjoyed in connection with any of the concerns specified in Rules 1, 2, and 3 of No. III of Schedule A, not being rent rendered in produce of the concern:

Provided that—
(a) any payment of rent to which this Resolution applies which does not exceed two pounds ten shillings per year—

(i) may, if the payer so elects, be treated as not affected by so much of subsection (1) of the said section twenty-one as provides that the rent shall, for the purpose of such of the provisions of the Income Tax Acts as refer to royalties paid in respect of the use of a patent, be treated as if it were such a royalty; and
(ii) shall in that event be made without deduction of tax accordingly; and

(b) any payment of rent to which this Resolution applies which is made without deduction of tax (whether by virtue of the preceding provisions of this proviso or otherwise) shall, unless tax is assessed thereon under Rule 21 of the General Rules, be chargeable to tax under Case III of Schedule D as if it were mentioned in Rule 1 of the Rules applicable to that Case;

(2) This Resolution shall be deemed always to have had effect and references to the said section twenty-one in any provisions of the Income Tax Acts (including the reference in
subsection (2) of the said section twenty-one itself shall be construed as including, and as having always included, references to that section as extended by this Resolution:

Provided that where, before the nineteenth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifty, any payment of any rent to which paragraph (1) of this Resolution applies has been made without deduction of tax, nothing in this Resolution shall affect—

(a) any determination of any Commissioners made before the said date as respects the chargeability of that payment to tax; or

(b) any appeal from or case stated in respect of any such determination; or

(c) any agreement which, under section fifty-one of the Finance Act, 1949, has the effect of such a determination; or

(d) any appeal against any assessment the effect of which is to charge that payment to tax, if notice of the appeal was given before that date, and the appeal remains undetermined at that date;

(3) in this Resolution the expressions "rent" and "easement" have the same meanings as in the said section twenty-one; and the reference to easements enjoyed in connection with any electric, telegraphic or telephonic wire or cable includes (without prejudice to the generality of that expression) references to easements enjoyed in connection with any pole or pylon supporting any such wire or cable or with any apparatus used in connection with any such wire or cable, including any transformer so used.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Income Tax; Northern Ireland superannuation contributions.

17. That—

(1) relief from income tax shall not be allowed to any person under section thirty-two of the Income Tax Act, 1918 (which provides relief for, amongst other things, contributions to secure deferred annuities to widows and provision for children) or under any other provision of the Income Tax Acts providing for relief for income tax purposes, in respect of any contributions made by him under any enactments of the Parliament of Northern Ireland corresponding to Parts I and II of the Superannuation Act, 1949, and, in particular, under Parts I and II of the Superannuation Act (Northern Ireland), 1949;

(2) this Resolution shall have effect, and be deemed always to have had effect, for the purposes of income tax for the years 1949-50 and all subsequent years of assessment.

And it is hereby declared that it is expedient in the public interest that this Resolution should have statutory effect under the provisions of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Income Tax; married women.

18. That the extent and incidence of income tax shall be varied so as to give effect to provisions—

(a) defining the cases in which, the purposes for which, and the extent to which sums which would otherwise be treated as income of a woman are to be treated as her husband's income;

(b) amending the law as to reliefs from income tax in its relation to married persons;

(c) rendering a woman, her trustee, guardian, tutor, curator or committee, or her executors or administrators, liable in certain cases for amounts of unpaid income tax assessed (whether before or after the passing of this Act and for whatever year of assessment, including a year before the year 1950-51) on her husband, his trustee, guardian, tutor, curator or committee, or his executors or administrators, and for interest thereon.

Income Tax; enemy debts, &c.

19. That the extent and incidence of income tax (including income tax for years of assessment before 1950-51), shall be varied so as to give effect to provisions as to cases where a recovery is made of or in respect of—

(a) any debt owed by, or actual or contingent claim on, an enemy or ex-enemy State or Sovereign or a person resident or carrying on business in territory which is or has been enemy or enemy-occupied territory; or

(b) property which was in or believed to be in such territory or under or believed to be under the control of an enemy or ex-enemy Power,

being a debt, claim or property which had been wholly or partly written off for income tax, profits tax, or excess profits tax purposes, or the position of which had been treated as a reason for leaving income tax, profits tax, or excess profits tax uncollected.

Profits Tax.

20. That the extent and incidence of the Profits Tax, profits tax (including profits tax for past chargeable accounting periods) shall be varied so as to give effect to provisions extending the period for which relief from income tax can be given under section fifteen of the Finance Act, 1937, and provisions as to cases where a recovery is made of or in respect of—

(a) any debt owed by, or actual or contingent claim on, an enemy or ex-enemy State or Sovereign or a person resident or carrying on business in territory which is or has been enemy or enemy-occupied territory; or

(b) property which was in or believed to be in such territory or under or believed to be under the control of an enemy or ex-enemy Power,

being a debt, claim or property which had been wholly or partly written off for income tax, profits tax, or excess profits tax purposes, or the position of which had been treated as a reason for leaving income tax, profits tax, or excess profits tax uncollected.
Excess Profits Tax.

21. That the extent and incidence of excess profits tax for all chargeable accounting periods shall be varied so as to give effect to provisions as to cases where a recovery is made of or in respect of—

(a) any debt owed by, or actual or contingent claim on, an enemy or ex-enemy State or Sovereign or a person resident or carrying on business in territory which is or has been enemy or enemy-occupied territory; or

(b) property which was in or believed to be in such territory or under or believed to be under the control of an enemy or ex-enemy Power,

being a debt, claim or property which had been wholly or partly written off for income tax, profits tax, or excess profits tax purposes, or the position of which had been treated as a reason for leaving income tax, profits tax, or excess profits tax uncollected.

Motions and Resolutions), That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution: — It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Third Resolution being read a second time;

And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to the Standing Order (Ways and Means Motions and Resolutions), That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution: — It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Fourth Resolution being read a second time;

And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to the Standing Order (Ways and Means Motions and Resolutions), That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution: — It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Fifth Resolution being read a second time;

And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to the Standing Order (Ways and Means Motions and Resolutions), That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution: — It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Sixth Resolution being read a second time;

And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to the Standing Order (Ways and Means Motions and Resolutions), That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution: — It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Seventh Resolution being read a second time;

And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to the Standing Order (Ways and Means Motions and Resolutions), That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution: — It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Eighth Resolution being read a second time;

And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to the Standing Order (Ways and Means Motions and Resolutions), That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution: — It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Ninth Resolution being read a second time;

And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to the Standing Order (Ways and Means Motions and Resolutions), That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution: — It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Mr. Drewe, Mr. Pearson, Mr. Studholme:
Yea, Mr. Robert Taylor: 304.
Tellers for the Mr. Drewe, Mr. Collindridge:
Nee, Mr. Studholme: 299.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Second Resolution being read a second time;

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The Tenth Resolution being read a second time; And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to the Standing Order (Ways and Means Motions and Resolutions), That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Eleventh Resolution being read a second time; And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to the Standing Order (Ways and Means Motions and Resolutions), That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Twelfth Resolution being read a second time; And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to the Standing Order (Ways and Means Motions and Resolutions), That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Thirteenth Resolution being read a second time; And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to the Standing Order (Ways and Means Motions and Resolutions), That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Fourteenth Resolution being read a second time; And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to the Standing Order (Ways and Means Motions and Resolutions), That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Fifteenth Resolution being read a second time; And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to the Standing Order (Ways and Means Motions and Resolutions), That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Sixteenth Resolution being read a second time; And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to the Standing Order (Ways and Means Motions and Resolutions), That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Seventeenth Resolution being read a second time; And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to the Standing Order (Ways and Means Motions and Resolutions), That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Eighteenth Resolution being read a second time; And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to the Standing Order (Ways and Means Motions and Resolutions), That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Nineteenth Resolution being read a second time; And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to the Standing Order (Ways and Means Motions and Resolutions), That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Twentieth Resolution being read a second time; And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to the Standing Order (Ways and Means Motions and Resolutions), That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Twenty-first Resolution being read a second time; And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to the Standing Order (Ways and Means Motions and Resolutions), That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. Robert Taylor reported from the Committee on Finance [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to authorise the issue out of the Consolidated Fund of the sum of four hundred and ninety million pounds for the permanent annual charge for the National Debt for the current financial year, instead of the sum of three hundred and fifty-five million pounds.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. Robert Taylor reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 24th day of this instant April, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Amendment of Law.

That it is expedient to amend the law with respect to the National Debt and the public revenue, and to make further provision in connection with finance, so, however, that this Resolution shall not extend to the making of amendments of the law relating to purchase tax except amendments, if any, reducing the first, second or third rate of the tax generally for all goods to which the rate applies.

The said Resolution being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution and upon the other Resolutions reported from the Committee of Ways and Means and the Resolution reported from the Committee on Finance [Money], and
Finance Bill, Bill 17.

Mr. Jay accordingly presented a Bill to grant certain duties and alter other duties, to make certain amendments of the law relating to purchase tax, to amend the law relating to other branches of the public revenue or to the National Debt, and to make further provision in connection with Finance. And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow, and to be printed.

Mr. Robert Taylor reported from the Committee on Distribution of Industry [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session (hereinafter referred to as "the new Act") to make further provision for the acquisition of land, creation of easements and carrying out of work in development areas; to authorise the Board of Trade to make grants in connection with the establishment in or transfer to development areas of industrial undertakings, and to make grants or loans to housing associations; and to extend the provisions of section five of the Employment and Training Act, 1948, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any increase in the sums payable out of such moneys under the Distribution of Industry Act, 1945, being an increase attributable to expenditure by the Board of Trade under the new Act in—

(i) the acquisition of land,
(ii) the creation of easements,
(iii) the carrying out of work,
(iv) the making of grants in connection with the establishment in or transfer to development areas of industrial undertakings, and
(v) the making of grants or loans to housing associations;

(b) the payment into the Exchequer of any increase in the moneys so payable under the said Act of 1945, being an increase attributable to the provisions of the new Act;

(c) the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the provisions of the new Act in the sums payable out of such moneys under the Employment and Training Act, 1948.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Distribution of Industry Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Acquisition of land and creation of easements).

Amendment proposed in p. 2, l. 4, to leave out the word "Board," and insert the words "Lands Tribunal established under the Lands Tribunal Act, 1949."—(Mr. Lyttelton.)

Question proposed, That the word "Board," stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 12, at the end, to insert the words—

"Provided also that the Board of Trade shall not by virtue of this section or of the principal Act require compulsorily any land adjoining or adjacent to an industrial building in any case where on an objection made as aforesaid it is shown to the satisfaction of the said Tribunal that such land is reasonably required or likely to be required in connection with the use or extension of that building, being a building occupied as aforesaid."—(Mr. Manningham-Buller.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 12, at the end, to insert the words—

"Provided also that this section shall not apply to any land which in any development plan approved or made under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947, and in force for the time being is allocated for use for any purpose or purposes other than industrial purposes."

—(Mr. Lyttelton.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 25, at the end, to insert the words "and the Board shall in respect of such compulsory purchase pay and discharge the proper scale costs of any solicitor acting for and engaged by the vendor of any land so acquired for the purposes of the principal Act or this Act."—(Mr. Hay.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Further provision for grants and loans).

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

And it being Seven o'clock, the Chairman left the Chair, further Proceeding standing postponed until after the consideration of Private Business set down by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means under the Standing Order (Time for taking Private Business).

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ilford Second Reading of the Ilford Corporation Bill:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Lennox-Boyd rose in his place, and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the Bill be now read a second time;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,
Mr. Hutchinson, Squadron Leader
Cooper: 80.
Tellers for the Noes,
Mr. Ashton, Captain Soames: 278.
So it passed in the Negative.

The Order of the day being read for, the Second Reading of the Luton Corporation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Then the House again resolved itself into a Committee on the Distribution of Industry Bill.

(In the Committee.)
Question again proposed, That Clause No. 3 stand part of the Bill.

And it being after Ten o'clock, and objection being taken to further Proceeding, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and moved, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Sparks):—And a Debate arising thereto upon:

And the Question having been proposed after Ten of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then nine minutes before Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 35.]
Thursday, 27th April, 1950.
The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The South Staffordshire Water Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Aycliffe Development Corporation (District Heating) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 11th day of May next.

Mr. Secretary Ede presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 26th April 1950, entitled the Fire Services (Ranks and Conditions of Service) (No. 2) Regulations, 1950.—Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to Standing Order 158 relating to Private Business (Report by Attorney General in case of Bill affecting any charity or educational foundation)—Report by him on the Cardiff Extension Bill.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Brooks reported from the Committee on Group A of Private Bills, That for the convenience of Parties the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next at Eleven of the clock.

The House, according to Order, resolved Supply itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Estimates, 1950-51.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a further sum, not exceeding £50, be granted to His Majesty, towards defraying the charges for the following services relating to the Fishing Industry in England and Wales and Scotland, for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, namely:

Civil Estimates, 1950-51.

| Class VI., Vote 8, Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries | £10 |
| Class VI., Vote 22, Fisheries, Scotland | £10 |
| Class VI., Vote 23, Herring Industry | £10 |
| Class IX., Vote 3, Ministry of Food | £10 |
| Class VI., Vote 1, Board of Trade | £10 |

Total £50.

Whereupon the Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod being come with a Message, the Chairman left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

A Message was delivered by Admiral Sir Royal Assent, Guy Royle, K.C.B., C.M.G., Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,
The Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, for declaring his Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And having returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to several Acts therin mentioned; And that the Lords, thereby authorised, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:
MR. ISAACS presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—

Copy of Regulations, dated 26th April 1950, entitled the Grinding of Metals (Miscellaneous Industries) (Amendment) Special Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. NOEL-BAKER presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—

Copies of Orders, dated 27th April 1950, entitled—

(1) the Gas (Conversion Date) (No. 16) Order, 1950,

(2) the Gas (Ibstock and Kington) (Transfer) Order, 1950, and

(3) the Gas (Consumers' Deposits) (Rate of Interest) Order, 1950,


Copy of an Order, made by the Ministry of Supplies and Services (Coal) (Temporary Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. GINTER reported from the Committee on Group B of Private Bills, That for the convenience of Parties the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next at Eleven of the clock.

The Royal Patriotic Fund Corporation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time. Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. ROBERT TAYLOR.)

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee. The Merchant Shipping Bill was, according to Order, read a second time. Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. SPARKS.)

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question Adjournment, being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. SPARKS):—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The House, according to Order, resolved Ways and Means.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Merchant Shipping (Payment of Fees into the Exchequer).

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for regulating crew accommodation in fishing boats and for amending the Merchant Shipping Acts, 1894 to 1949, it is expedient to authorise the payment into the Exchequer of any fees received by the Minister of Transport under or by virtue of the said Act or any regulations made thereunder.—(Mr. Barnes.)

Resolution to be reported.
The Newfoundland (Consequential Provisions) Bill [Lords], was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Sparks.)

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Sparks); And it being Four of the clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without a Question being put.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Kenneth Robinson):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the Question having been proposed at Four of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, till Monday next.

The following Papers, required by an Act of Parliament, were ordered to lie upon the Table:

Supplies and Services (Apparel and Textiles).

Supplies and Services (Raw Materials).

Air Navigation.

No. 55.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions with foreign Governments and of distributing any compensation received under any such agreements, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow, and to be printed.

Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 1st May 1950, directing the Application of certain Receipts as Appropriations in Aid of the appropriate Vote for the Army, Navy or Air Services or for Inland Revenue, Post Office, Customs and Excise, or Superannuation and Retired Allowances.

Account of the Public Income and Expenditure of the United Kingdom in the year ended the 31st day of March 1950 with the Balances in the Exchequer on the 1st day of April 1949, the Receipts and Payments (not being Income and Expenditure) in the year ended the 31st day of March 1950; and the Balances in the Exchequer on that day.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relating to Air Navigation and Public Income and Expenditure be printed.

Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Convention between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Kingdom of Denmark for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with respect to Taxes on Income, signed at London on the 27th day of March 1950 (the Convention has not yet been ratified by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom).

Copy of Notes exchanged at Rome between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Italy regarding the Revival of certain Pre-war Treaties.

Copy of Notes exchanged at London on the 20th day of January 1950 between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the United States of America regarding the Provision of additional Funds for the continued Operation of the United States Educational Commission in the United Kingdom.

Ordered, that the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Bill 19.

Mr. Secretary Bevin, supported by Mr. Younger, Mr. Attorney General, Mr. Jay and Mr. Ernest Davies, presented a Bill to provide for the establishment of a Commission for the purpose of registering and determining claims to participate in compensation under agreements with foreign Governments and of distributing any compensation received thereunder, or under any such agreements, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow, and to be printed.

THE City of London (Various Powers) Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

The London County Council (Money) Bill was read a second time, and committed.

The Wakefield Extension Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

The following Papers, required by an Act of Parliament to be laid before the House and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on the 29th day of April last, pursuant to the Standing Order (Presentation of Statutory Instruments), were ordered to lie upon the Table:

Order, dated 1st May 1950, entitled the Meals in Establishments and Meals at Social Functions (Revocation) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Copy of Rules, dated 26th April 1950, directing the Application of certain Receipts as Appropriations in Aid.

Copy of a Money Bill.

Copy of a Bill 19.

Copy of a Bill 19.

Copy of a Bill 19.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Estimates, 1950-51.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a further sum, not exceeding £40, be granted to His Majesty, towards defraying the charges for the following services connected with Anglo-Canadian Trade, for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, namely:—

Civil Estimates, 1950-51.

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Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Class VI.


Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum, not exceeding £1,728,350, be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, for the salaries and expenses of the Ministry of Transport, including expenses of the Transport Tribunal, the Road and Rail Appeal Tribunal and the Transport Arbitration Tribunal, and sundry other services.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That Subhead A. 1, Salaries, &c., be reduced by £1,000.—(Sir David Maxwell Fyfe.)

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Drewe, Brigadier Mackeson; Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Sparks.

Chairman gives casting vote.

Whereupon the Chairman stated that in order that another opportunity might be given to the Committee to consider the matter he declared himself with the Noes.

Original Question again proposed.

And it being after Ten o'clock, and objection being taken to further Proceeding, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and moved, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. —(Mr. P opplewell.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Tuesday, 2nd May, 1950.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Luton Corporation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next at Seven of the clock.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report of the Lord Chancellor and to Mr. Speaker from the Statutory Instruments Reference Committee, That they have considered a notification from the Commissioners of Customs and Excise in accordance with paragraph (3) of Regulation 11 of the Statutory Instruments Regulations, 1947, in respect of the Hydrocarbon Oils (Security for Duty) Regulations, 1950, and the Petrol Substitutes (Security for Duty) Regulations, 1950, and that they have taken no further action in the matter.

Mr. Secretary Ede presented, by His Children, Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Report of the Departmental Committee on Children and the Cinema.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Memorandum and Drafts of Two Orders in Council to be made under Clauses 2 and 7 of the Foreign Compensation Bill.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Housing Return for Scotland, dated 31st March 1950.

Mr. Secretary McNeil also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, entitled the National Assistance (Exchequer Contributions) (Scotland) Regulations, 1950, Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Callaghan presented, pursuant to Standing Order 144 relating to Private Business Bill (Reports by Departments),—Report by the Admiralty on the Ipswich Dock Bill.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Housing Return for England and Wales, dated 31st March 1950.

Mr. Bevan also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copies of Schemes made by the undermentioned local authorities and approved by the Minister of Health under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937:—

(1) Cotswold District Joint Superannuation Committee.

(2) Epsom and Ewell Corporation.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Barnes presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 1st May 1950, entitled the Harbours, Docks and Piers (Increase of Charges) (Revocation) Order, 1950.


Copies of Regulations, dated 1st May 1950, entitled—

(1) the Railways (Additional Charges) Regulations, 1950,
(2) the Harbours, Docks and Piers (Additional Charges) Regulations, 1950, and
(3) the Canals (Additional Charges) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Dalton presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 1st May 1950, entitled the Town and Country Planning (Semi-manufactured and Manufactured Articles) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. George Strauss presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 28th April 1950, entitled the Control of Bolts, Nuts, &c., Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Account of the War Risks (Marine) Insurance Fund for the year ended the 31st day of March 1949, with the Report of the Controller and Auditor General thereon.

The following Paper, pursuant to the direction of a Measure, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Scheme for authorising the Taking down and the Sale of the Site and Materials of the Churches of St. James, East Allington, in the Parish of West Allington with East Allington and Sedgebrook, in the diocese of Lincoln.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Standing Orders Committee, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That the Motion relating to Highways (Provision of Cattle-Grids) (Provision of Cattle-Grids) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Bowden.)

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Barnes, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Highways (Provision of Cattle-Grids) Bill proposed to be moved, under the Standing Order (Money Committee), in a Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House;—Whereupon the House, pursuant to the said Standing Order, resolved itself into a Committee.

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for cattle-grids in highways, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament:

(a) of any increase attributable to the provisions of the said Act in the sums payable out of the Road Fund;
(b) of any increase attributable to the provisions of the said Act in the sums payable out of moneys provided by Parliament under Part I or Part II of the Local Government Act, 1948.—(Mr. Barnes.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Distribution of Industry Bill.

Clause No. 3 (Further provision for grants and loans).

Question again proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

Question put, and agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 4 to 6 agreed to.

A Clause (Modification of definition of industrial building and industrial process)—(Mr. Manningham-Buller)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an Amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.
Resolved, That the Timber (Charges) (No. 11) Order, 1950 (S.I. 1950, No. 472), dated 27th March 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 28th day of March last, be approved.—(Mr. Rhodes.)

Police.

Resolved, That the Draft Police Pensions Regulations, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 21st day of March last, be approved.—(Mr. de Freitas.)

Police (Scotland).

Resolved, That the Draft Police Pensions (Scotland) Regulations, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 30th day of March last, be approved.—(Miss Herbison.)

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Kenneth Robinson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes before Eight of the clock, adjourned till tomorrow.

[No. 39.]

Wednesday, 3rd May, 1950.
The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on the 20th day of April 1950, on Stock issued by the Gas Council under the Gas Act, 1948. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Ede presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of an Order, dated 1st May 1950, entitled the Crop Acreage Payments (Northern Ireland) Order, 1950. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McNeill presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of an Order, dated 3rd May 1950, entitled the Crop Acreage Payments (Scotland) Order, 1950. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of an Order, dated 3rd May 1950, entitled the Eggs (Great Britain and Northern Ireland) (Amendment No. 3) Order, 1950. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to Standing Order 158 relating to Private Business (Report by Attorney General in case of Bill affecting any charity or educational foundation).—Report by him on the Bath Extension Bill [Lords]. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Brooks reported from the Committee on Group A of Private Bills, That they had examined the allegations of the Manchester Ship Canal Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Eton Rural District Council Bill, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the facts as proved by the evidence adduced, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Gun Barrel Proof Bill [Lords], That they had examined the allegations of the Bill and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Mid Southern Utility Bill, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the facts as proved by the evidence adduced, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, do lie upon the Table.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Tees Conservancy Bill [Lords], That they had examined the allegations of the Bill and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.
The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Saint John's Chapel Beverley Bill [Lords], That they had examined the allegations of the Bill and found them to be correct; and had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Colerick reported from the Select Committee on Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons), That they had agreed to a Special Report which they had directed him to make to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Maintenance Orders Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow, and to be printed.

The Colonial and Other Territories (Divorce Jurisdiction) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow, and to be printed.

The High Court and County Court Judges Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Hannan.)

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Attorney General, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Coal Mining (Subsidence) [Money] proposed to be moved, under the Standing Order (Money Committees), in a Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House:—Whereupon the House, pursuant to the said Standing Order, resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for the carrying out of repairs and the making of payments in respect of damage affecting certain dwelling-houses and caused by subsidence resulting from the working and getting of coal and other minerals worked with coal, and for the execution of works to prevent or reduce such damage, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament—

(a) in respect of the period beginning with the passing of the said Act and ending with the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty-two, of grants to the National Coal Board not exceeding one half of the amount of the additional expenditure incurred in that period by the Board by virtue of the said Act in or in connection with the carrying out of repairs and the making of payments in respect of subsidence damage to any dwelling-house to which the said Act applies, or to any building comprising such a dwelling-house and the execution of works to prevent or reduce such damage, or one million five hundred thousand pounds, whichever is the less; 

(b) in respect of any subsequent calendar year, of grants to the National Coal Board not exceeding one half of the additional expenditure so incurred in that year, or two hundred and fifty thousand pounds, whichever is the less; 

(c) of the remuneration of any assessor summoned, or the expense of any remit made, in proceedings under the said Act.

In this Resolution the expression "subsidence damage" means damage caused by the withdrawal of support from land as the result of the working and getting of coal or any other mineral which is worked with coal, and the reference to subsidence damage to any dwelling-house or building shall be construed as including a reference to subsidence damage to any structure, sewer, drain or installation within the curtilage of that dwelling-house or building.—(Mr. Robens.)

Amendment proposed, in l. 27, to leave out the words "one million".—(Mr. Peter Roberts.)

Question, That the words "one million" stand part of the Question, put, and agreed to.
Another Amendment proposed, in l. 43, to leave out from the word "coal" to the end of l. 49.—(Mr. Broacken.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Main Question put, and agreed to.
Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.
Ordered, That the Report be received tomorrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Draft National Assistance (Determination of Need) Amendment Regulations, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 18th day of April last, be approved.—(Dr. Summerskill);

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Thursday morning;

Thursday, 4th May, 1950;
And the Question being put;
Resolved, That the Draft National Assistance (Determination of Need) Amendment Regulations, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 18th day of April last, be approved.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Royle.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes before One of the clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

[No. 40.] Thursday, 4th May, 1950.
The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 2nd May 1950, entitled the Import Duties (Drawback) (No. 3) Order, 1950.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Callaghan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Accounts of the Receipt and Expenditure of the Capital and of the Income derived from the Lands and other Property held for the Benefit of Greenwich Hospital, and the Foundation of Samuel Travers, Esquire, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1949, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.
Ordered, That the said Accounts do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

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Mr. Herbert Morrison presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Statute made by the University of Cambridge on the 14th day of February, 1950, amending the Statutes of the University.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Thomas Williams presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 2nd May 1950, entitled—
(1) the Agriculture Act (Part I) Extension of Period Order, 1950, and
(2) the Crop Acreage Payments (England and Wales) Order, 1950.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Noel-Baker presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 3rd May 1950, entitled the Motor Fuel (Control) (Amendment) Order, 1950.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to the Standing Order 158 relating to Private Business (Report by Attorney General in case of Bill affecting any charity or educational foundation),—Report by him on the Plymouth Extension Bill [Lords].
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Accounts, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Summarised Accounts of Regional Hospital Boards, Boards of Governors of Teaching Hospitals, Hospital Management Committees, Executive Councils (including Joint Pricing Committees) and the Dental Estimates Board, for England and Wales, for the period ended the 31st day of March 1949, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Summarised Accounts of Regional Hospital Boards, Boards of Management, Executive Councils (including Drag Accounts Committee) and the Dental Estimates Board, for Scotland, for the period ended the 31st day of March 1949, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.
Ordered, That the said Accounts be printed.

Mr. Mathers reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated the following Three Members to serve on the Select Committee appointed to join with the Committee of the House of Lords on the Northumberland and Tyneside River Board Area Order, 1949 (Petitions of Newcastle upon Tyne Corporation): Mr. McInnes, Mr. Mort and Six Patrick Spens.

Ordered, That this day the Business of the House (Supply) may be taken after Ten of the clock and shall be exempted from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House) for One hour after Ten of the clock.—(Mr. Herbert Morrison.)
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

CIVIL ESTIMATES, 1950-51.

Motion made, and Question proposed. That a further sum, not exceeding £40, be granted to His Majesty, towards defraying the charges for the following services connected with Education for the year ending on the 31st day of March, 1951, namely:—

Civil Estimates, 1950-51.

Class IV., Vote 1, Ministry of Education ... 10
Class IV., Vote 11, Universities and Colleges, &c., Great Britain ... 10
Class I., Vote 4, Treasury and Subordinate Departments ... ... ... 10
Class VII., Vote 3, Public Buildings, Great Britain ... ... ... ... 10

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Total ... ... ... £40.

And it being Seven o'clock, the Chairman left the Chair, further Proceeding standing postponed until after the consideration of Private Business set down by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means under the Standing Order (Time for taking Private Business).

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Luton Corporation Bill:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time:

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the

Mr. Reader Harris, Yeas;

Mr. Garner-Evans:

84.

Tellers for the

Captain Soames, Noes;

Mr. Nugent:

259.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Question again proposed. That a further sum, not exceeding £40, be granted to His Majesty, towards defraying the charges for the following services connected with Education for the year ending on the 31st day of March, 1951, namely:—

Civil Estimates, 1950-51.

Class IV., Vote 1, Ministry of Education ... 10
Class IV., Vote 11, Universities and Colleges, &c., Great Britain ... 10
Class I., Vote 4, Treasury and Subordinate Departments ... ... ... 10
Class VII., Vote 3, Public Buildings, Great Britain ... ... ... ... 10

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Total ... ... ... £40.

And it being Eleven o'clock, the Chairman left the Chair, to report Progress and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and moved, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment. (Mr. Delargy.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 41.]

Friday, 5th May, 1950.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Secretary Henderson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 25th April 1950, making provision for the Disbandment of the Polish Resettlement Corps (Royal Air Force).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 3rd May 1950, entitled the Use of Vehicles during Harvesting Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Barnes presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 3rd May 1950, entitled the Use of Vehicles during Harvesting Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Tomlinson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Eleventh Annual Report of the National Camps Corporation Limited, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Order made upon the 19th day of April Bury Extension Bill last, That the Bury Extension Bill be committted, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Resolved, That in the opinion of this House, there should be the fullest development and utilisation of Britain's exceptional scientific resources and manpower, with a view to ensuring effective progress in the development of our industry, agriculture and Colonies, and a material improvement of our economic position in the world.-(Mr. Philips Price.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjournment proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Kenneth Robinson);
And it being Four of the clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without a Question being put.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.
—(Mr. Kenneth Robinson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes after Four of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.

[No. 42.]

Monday, 8th May, 1950.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Gun Barrel Proof Bill [Lords].

The Gun Barrel Proof Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Saint John's Chapel Beverley Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Tees Conservancy Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.


Parliamentary Papers (Adjournment).

Supplies and Services (Raw Materials).

Double Taxation Relief.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Draft Order in Council, entitled the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Denmark) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of a European Regional Convention for the Maritime Mobile Radio Service (with Copenhagen Plan, Statements, Resolution and Recommendations), signed at Copenhagen on the 17th day of September 1948 (This Convention was ratified by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom on the 15th day of December 1949).

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Copy of a European Broadcasting Convention (with Copenhagen Plan, Protocols, Statements, Recommendation, Resolutions and Opinion), signed at Copenhagen on the 15th day of September 1948 (This Convention was ratified by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom on the 15th day of December 1949).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Twelfth Report of the Cinematograph Films Council, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The following Accounts, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Accounts of the National Insurance Fund, the National Insurance (Reserve) Fund, the Industrial Injuries Fund and the National Insurance (Existing Pensioners) Fund for the period from the 5th day of July 1948 to the 31st day of March 1949, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor-General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Accounts be printed.

Mr. Brooks reported from the Committee on Group A of Private Bills, that they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Manchester Corporation Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the facts as proved by the evidence adduced, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto, and had amended the Title, as followeth: A Bill to empower the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the city of Manchester to acquire and develop lands in the borough of Middleton and to guarantee the interest upon loans of the Manchester Ship Canal Company; and to make further provision in reference to the water transport and markets undertakings of the city and for the health, local government and improvement of the city; and for other purposes; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Lewis John Edwards, Esquire, Member for Brighouse and Spenborough, was sworn.

The Foreign Compensation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Royle.)

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Attorney General, by His Majesty's Foreign Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Foreign Compensation [Money] proposed to be moved,
under the Standing Order (Money Committees), in a Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House:—Whereupon the House, pursuant to the said Standing Order, resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for the establishment of a Commission for the purpose of registering and determining claims to participate in compensation under agreements with foreign Governments and of distributing any compensation received under any such agreements, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of the expenses of the Commission constituted under the said Act, including the remuneration and allowances of the members, officers and servants of the Commission;

(b) the payment into the Exchequer by the Commission of the amount of such of the said expenses as may be directed by Order in Council under the said Act. 

(Mr. Attorney General.)

Resolution to be reported.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House:—(Mr. Robert Taylor.)

Resolved, That the Report be referred to the Standing Orders Committee.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. Frederick Willey be discharged from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments; and that Mr. Alexander Anderson be added to the Committee. 

(Mr. Robert Taylor.)

A Motion was made, and the Question Adjournment. being proposed, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment. 

And it being Ten of the clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without a Question being put.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment. 

(Mr. Pearson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes after Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 43.]

Tuesday, 9th May, 1950.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

M. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the following Bill the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:—

Lee Conservancy Catchment Board Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Standing Orders Committee.
Ordered, That Mr. John Robertson be added to the Committee of Selection.—(Mr. Robert Taylor.)

Mr. Secretary McNeill presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of University Court Ordinance No. 264 (No. 88 of the University Court of the University of Edinburgh) (Regulations for Degrees in Science in Agriculture).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 28th March 1950, entitled the South Devon Water Order, 1950, with a Certificate by the Minister of Health under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


Copy of an Order, dated 8th May 1950, entitled the Town and Country Planning (Landscape Areas Special Development) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Thursday next, the Aycliffe Development Corporation (District Heating) Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Mr. Renton reported from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, that they had made further Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with an Appendix; And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the boundaries of the city of Carlisle; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords propose that the Joint Committee on the Northumberland and Tyneside River Board Area Order, 1949 (Petitions of Newcastle upon Tyne Corporation) do meet in Committee Room No. 4 on Tuesday the 23rd day of this instant May, at Eleven of the clock.

The Public Registers and Records (Scotland) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next, and to be printed.

The Statute Law Revision Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next, and to be printed.

The Faculty of Homoeopathy Bill [Lords] Faculty of Homoeopathy Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Carlisle Extension Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The House proceeded to take into consideration so much of the Lords Message this day as relates to the time and place of meeting of the Joint Committee on the Northumberland and Tyneside River Board Area Order, 1949 (Petitions of Newcastle upon Tyne Corporation).

Ordered, That the Committee appointed by this House do meet the Lords Committee as proposed by their Lordships.—(Mr. Robert Taylor.)

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them therewith: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Resolved, That this House welcomes the intention of His Majesty's Government to combine with other Commonwealth countries in providing a loan for internal expenditure to the Government of the Union of Burma.—(Mr. Younger.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being Electricity, proposed, That the Draft Electricity (Commissioners and Others) (Compensation) Regulations, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 16th day of December 1949 in the last Parliament, be approved.—(Mr. Thomas Williams):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Bracken moved, That the Debate be Mr. Deputy Speaker declines to propose the Question (Abuse of Rules).

And the Question being put;

Resolved, That the Draft Electricity (Commissioners and Others) (Compensation) Regulations, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 16th day of December 1949 in the last Parliament, be approved.
A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Order, dated 6th April 1950, entitled the Cheese (General Licence Amendment No. 4) Order, 1950 (S.I., 1950, No. 583), a copy of which was laid before this House on the 6th day of April last, be annulled—(Mr. Renton):—It passed in the Negative.

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Sparks); And it being Ten of the clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without a Question being put.

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Collindridge):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the Question having been proposed at Ten of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, till to-morrow.

Mr. Barnes presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account of the Receipts and Payments under the Seamen’s Fund Winding-up Act, 1851, for 1949.


Copy of the Twenty-eighth Annual Report Transport, of the Transport Tribunal, for 1949.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Noel-Baker presented, pursuant to the Coal Industry, directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 9th May 1950, entitled the Coal Mines (Certificates of Competency) General Regulations, 1950.

Copy of Regulations, dated 9th May 1950, Gas, entitled the Gas (Pension Scheme) (Amendment) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to increase the borrowing powers of and to enact further financial provisions with respect to the Tyne Improvement Commissioners; to amend the enactments relating to the period of office nomination appointment election and co-option of those Commissioners and the auditors of their accounts; to make further provision with respect to the rates and charges leviable by the Commissioners; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the City of London Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to return to this House the City of London (Various Powers) Bill [Lords], the same not having been read the third time in this House and having been taken to the House of Lords by mistake.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords return the City of London (Various Powers) Bill [Lords], as requested in the Commons Message this day.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to increase the borrowing powers of and to enact further financial provisions with respect to the Tyne Improvement Commissioners; to amend the enactments relating to the period of office nomination appointment election and co-option of those Commissioners and the auditors of their accounts; to make further provision with respect to the rates and charges leviable by the Commissioners; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Tyne Improvement Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Minister of Health Provisional Order (South-West Middlesex Crematorium Board) Bill, That they had considered the Order contained in the Bill; that they were of opinion that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.
The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Colne Valley Sewerage Board) Bill, That they had considered the Order contained in the Bill; that they were of opinion that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

London County Council (Money) Bill.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the London County Council (Money) Bill, That they had examined the allegations of the Bill and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto; and they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

German Potash Syndicate Loan Bill [Lords].

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the German Potash Syndicate Loan Bill [Lords], That they had examined the allegations of the Bill and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

City of London (Various Powers) Bill [Lords].

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the City of London (Various Powers) Bill [Lords], That they had examined the allegations of the Bill and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Newfoundland (Consequential Provisions) Bill [Lords].

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Newfoundland (Consequential Provisions) Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 4 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

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Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Mr. Royle reported from the Committee on the High Court and County Court Judges Bill [Lords], That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for increasing the number of puisne judges of the High Court and the number of judges of county courts it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment out of the Consolidated Fund of any increase attributable to the provisions of the said Act in the sums which, under the Supreme Court of Judicature (Consolidation) Act, 1925, or the County Courts Act, 1934, are payable out of that Fund; and

(b) the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any increase so attributable in the sums which, under the said Act of 1925 or the said Act of 1934, are payable out of moneys so provided.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the High Court and County Court Judges Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.

Clause No. 3 amended, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an Amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with an Amendment; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Transport, put, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Regulations, dated 1st May 1950, entitled the Railways (Additional Charges) Regulations, 1950 (S.I., 1950, No. 701), a copy of which was laid before this House on the 2nd day of this instant May, be annulled—[Sir David Maxwell Fyfe];

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,

Major Conant, 283.

Major Wheatley, 306.

Tellers for the Noes,

Mr. Whiteley, 283.

Mr. Robert Taylor: 306.

So it passed in the Negative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjournment, proposed, That this House do now adjourn—[Mr. Popplewell];—And a Debate arising thereupon;
And the Question having been proposed after Ten of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then a quarter of an hour before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 45.]

Thursday, 11th May, 1950.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

P R A Y E R S.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (South-West Middlesex Crematorium Board) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Colne Valley Sewerage Board) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules, dated 8th May 1950, entitled the Superannuation (Allocation of Pension) Rules, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Scheme made by the South-West Lancashire Superannuation Joint Committee and approved by the Minister of Health under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Isaacs presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of a Statement of proposed Action by His Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom on certain Conventions and Recommendations adopted at the Thirty-second Session of the International Labour Conference, 1949.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Gilzean reported from the Committee on the Wolverhampton Corporation Bill, That for the convenience of Parties the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at Eleven of the clock.

Mr. Thomas Williams, supported by Mr. Webb and Mr. George Brown, presented a Bill to amend the law relating to allotments and to abolish restrictions on the keeping of hens and rabbits: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow, and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved Supply [13th allotted Day].

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and moved, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-seven minutes after Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

MEMORANDUM.

Thursday, 11th May, 1950.

In pursuance of the Standing Order (Public Bills relating exclusively to Scotland), Mr. Speaker this day certified that, in his opinion, the provisions of the Public Registers and Records (Scotland) Bill [Lords] relate exclusively to Scotland.
THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Eton Rural District Council Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Herbert Morrison presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Statute made by the University of Oxford on the 21st day of February 1950, amending the Statutes of the University.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 12th May 1950, entitled the Chocolate, Sugar Confectionery and Cocoa Products (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Dr. Summerskill presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 11th May 1950, entitled the National Insurance (Classification) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations, 1950.

Report of the National Insurance Advisory Committee on the National Insurance (Classification) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations, 1950, in accordance with sub-section (4) of Section 77 of the National Insurance Act, 1946, preceded by a Statement made by the Minister of National Insurance, in accordance with that Act.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table ; and that the said Report be printed.

Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to Standing Order 158 relating to Private Business (Report by Attorney General in case of Bill affecting any charity or educational foundation).—Report by him on the Bootle Extension Bill.

Report by him on the South Shields Extension Bill.

Report by him on the Sunderland Extension Bill.

Report by him on the Towyn Trewan Common Bill.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, concerned with the hardships imposed on consumers by the present system of State trading in imported food stuffs, urges His Majesty's Government, whilst maintaining long term agreements with Colonial and Dominion producers, to restore to the private traders the right to purchase food stuffs in overseas markets—(Mr. Turton);—

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question by leaving out from the word "House" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "recognises the value of His Majesty's Government's long term agreements with Colonial and Dominion producers and acknowledges that by this means Britain has not only assisted the producers in the Dominions and Colonial territories, but has materially lowered costs; and urges the maintenance of this method as being vital to the best interests of our home producers and consumers."—(Mr. Dye),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Turton: 93.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Dye: 131.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the proposed words be added after the word "House" in the Main Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put:

Resolved, That this House recognises the value of His Majesty's Government's long term agreements with Colonial and Dominion producers, and acknowledges that by this means Britain has not only assisted the producers in the Dominions and Colonial territories, but has materially lowered costs; and urges the maintenance of this method as being vital to the best interests of our home producers and consumers.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment. (Mr. Kenneth Robinson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-four minutes before Five of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.

THE City of London (Various Powers) Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The German Potash Syndicate Loan Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.
The House proceeded to take into consideration the Manchester Ship Canal Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Mid Southern Utility Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The following Papers, required by an Act of Parliament to be laid before the House and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on the 13th day of this instant May pursuant to the Standing Order (Presentation of Statutory Instruments), were ordered to lie upon the Table:

Copy of an Order, dated 10th May 1950, entitled the Bacon (Control and Prices) Order, 1950.

Supplies and Services (Raw Materials).

Copies of Orders,—
(1) dated 10th May 1950, entitled the Control of Iron and Steel (Scrap) Order, 1950, and
(2) dated 12th May 1950, entitled the Iron and Steel Prices Order, 1950.


Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. George Strauss presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copy of an Order, dated 15th May 1950, entitled the Control of Machine Tools (No. 17) (Termination) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Distribution of Industry Bill, as amended in the Committee. An Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 19, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words—

“(3) The Board of Trade shall cause an account to be prepared and transmitted to the Comptroller and Auditor General for examination, on or before the thirtieth day of September in every year, showing the payments in respect of grants and loans made under this section and the receipts by way of interest on and repayments of principal of such loans in the financial year ending on the thirty-first day of March preceding, and the Comptroller and Auditor General shall certify and report upon the same, and such account and report shall be laid before Parliament on or before the thirty-first day of January in the following year if Parliament is then sitting, and if Parliament is not then sitting then within one week after Parliament is next assembled.” —(Mr. Lyttelton.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—

The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Robert Taylor reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 28th day of April last, a Resolution; which was read, as Report followeth:

Merchant Shipping (Payment of Fees into the Exchequer).

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for regulating crew accommodation in fishing boats and for amending the Merchant Shipping Acts, 1894 to 1949, it is expedient to authorise the payment into the Exchequer of any fees received by the Minister of Transport under or by virtue of the said Act or any regulations made thereunder.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Merchant Shipping Bill.

Clause No. 1 (Regulations with respect to crew accommodation in fishing boats).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 34, at the end, to insert the words—

“Provided that any regulations made in respect of paragraph (b) of this subsection shall have regard to existing general traditions of design.”—(Commander Galbraith.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 2 to 8 agreed to.

A Clause (Amendment of Merchant Shipping Act, 1894) —(Mr. Nield) brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Schedule No. 1.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 28, at the end, to insert the words, “being a complaint which in the opinion of the surveyor is reasonable.”—(Commander Galbraith.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 9, l. 3, at the end, to insert the words—

“8. Where the owner of any fishing boat in respect of which a certificate has been given to the registrar under the preceding paragraph contends that that fishing boat complies with the regulations an appeal shall lie to a Court...”
of Survey under section four hundred and eighty-seven of the principal Act."—(Mr. Nield.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Schedule, as amended, agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an Amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Royle reported from the Committee on Midwives (Amendment) [Money], a Resolution which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the law relating to midwives (hereinafter referred to as "the new Act"), it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of

(a) any increase in the sums payable out of such moneys under section fifty-three of the National Health Service Act, 1946, or section fifty-three of the National Health Service (Scotland) Act, 1947, being an increase attributable to—

(i) expenditure incurred under the new Act by local supervising authorities in providing, improving or furnishing residential accommodation for women undergoing courses of training with a view to obtaining certificates under the Midwives Act, 1902, or the Midwives (Scotland) Act, 1915, or in acquiring land for the purpose of the provision of such accommodation; or

(ii) any provision of the new Act empowering the Central Midwives Board and the Central Midwives Board for Scotland to pay to their members sums in respect of losses or expenses suffered or incurred by them for the purpose of enabling them to perform duties as members of those Boards; and

(b) any increase attributable to the provisions of the new Act in the sums payable out of such moneys under Part I or II of the Local Government Act, 1948.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 41, to leave out from the word "midwives" to the end of l. 42.—(Mr. Ross.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 7 agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 9 to 12 agreed to.

Clause No. 14 amended, and agreed to.

A Clause (Fees for examinations and certificates)—(Mr. Blenkinsop)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Another Clause (Power of local supervising authorities to provide residential accommodation for pupil midwives)—(Mr. Blenkinsop)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Another Clause (Expenses)—(Mr. Blenkinsop)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Another Clause (Repeals)—(Mr. Blenkinsop)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Another Clause (Members of Parliament not to be remunerated for sitting on either of the Boards)—(Mr. Blenkinsop)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Schedules Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.

Schedule No. 3 amended, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being National Health proposed, that an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Regulations, dated 24th April 1950, entitled the National Health Service (General Dental Services) Fees (Amendment) Regulations, 1950 (S.I., 1950, No. 663), a copy of which was laid before this House on the 25th day of April last, be annulled.—(Mr. Baird):—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.—(Mr. Kenneth Robinson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-seven minutes after Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table, — Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders, not previously inquired into, are applicable thereto, viz.: —

Faculty of Homoeopathy Bill [Lords].
Carlisle Extension Bill [Lords].
Tyne Improvement Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

The Eton Rural District Council Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Manchester Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on the 1st day of May 1950, on Stock issued by the British Electricity Authority under the Electricity Act, 1947.

Copy of a Warrant, dated 12th May 1950, entitled the British Commonwealth and Foreign Post Amendment (No. 3) Warrant, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relating to Electricity be printed.

Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Report on the Proceedings of the Third Session of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe, held at Strasbourg from the 30th day of March to the 1st day of April 1950 (with Appendix).

Copy of an Agreement between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Swiss Federal Government for Air Services between and beyond their respective Territories (with Annex and Notes exchanged) signed at London on the 5th day of April 1950 (this Agreement has not yet been ratified by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Griffiths presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Report on Colonial Territories for the year ended the 31st day of March 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 12th May 1950, entitled the National Health Service (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) (Scotland) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Herbert Morrison presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies—

1 of Two Statutes made by the University of Oxford on the 7th day of March 1950, amending the Statutes of the University, and
2 of a Statute made by the Governing Body of Exeter College, Oxford, on the 27th day of February 1950, amending the Statutes of the College.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 15th May 1950, entitled the Laundry (Maximum Charges) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 15th May 1950, entitled the Horse-hides (Revocation) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Gunter reported from the Committee of Group B of Private Bills, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bristol Corporation Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Mr. Mainwaring reported from the Committee on Group C of Private Bills, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the British Transport Commission Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Diplomatic Privileges (Extension) Bill, with Amendments to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the High Court and County Court Judges Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make further provision in reference to the improvement health local government and finances of the borough of Leyton; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Diplomatic Privileges (Extension) Bill, Bill 26.

The Leyton Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Finance Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Statute Law Revision Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Delargy.)

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Delargy):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 17th May, 1950:

And the Question having been proposed after Ten of the clock on Tuesday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour. Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then five minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Scheme made by Middlesbrough Town Council and approved by the Minister of Health under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Tomlinson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 16th May 1950, entitled the Education (Local Education Authorities) Amending Grant Regulations No. 4, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Coldrick reported from the Select Committee on Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons), That they had agreed to a Special Report which they had directed him to make to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee of the 19th day of April last, and the 3rd and 17th days of this instant May, be printed.
Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, that a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:—

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the boundaries of the city and county borough of Bath; and for purposes incidental thereto; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confer powers upon the London County Council with respect to the control of the use and occupation of certain lands in the Metropolitan Borough of Woolwich where subsidence is likely to occur; and to make provision for matters in connection therewith; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the powers of the Gateshead and District Tramways Company to run public service vehicles; to repeal the powers of the Company to run trolley vehicles; to make further provision with respect to the abandonment of the tramways of the Company; to change the name of the Company; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the time for the acquisition of lands by the Cheshire County Council and the Lancashire County Council under the Cheshire and Lancashire County Councils (Runcom—Widnes Bridge &c.) Act 1947; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Bath Extension Bill [Lords], was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The London County Council (Woolwich Subsideses) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Gateshead and District Tramways Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Runcorn-Widnes Bridge Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Gunter reported from the Committee on Group D of Private Bills, that they had examined the allegations contained in the Pre-amble of the Sunderland Extension Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the facts as proved by the evidence adduced, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Mr. Robert Taylor reported from the Committee on Coal Mining (Subsidence) [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as follows:—

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for the carrying out of repairs and the making of payments in respect of damage affecting certain dwelling-houses and caused by subsidence resulting from the working and getting of coal and other minerals worked with coal, and for the execution of works to prevent or reduce such damage, and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament—

(a) in respect of the period beginning with the passing of the said Act and ending with the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty-two, of grants to the National Coal Board not exceeding one half of the amount of the additional expenditure incurred in that period by the Board by virtue of the said Act in or in connection with the carrying out of repairs and the making of payments in respect of subsidence damage to any dwelling-house to which the said Act applies or to any building containing such a dwelling-house and the execution of works to prevent or reduce such damage, or one million five hundred thousand pounds, whichever is the less;

(b) in respect of any subsequent calendar year, of grants to the National Coal Board not exceeding one half of the additional expenditure so incurred in that year, or two hundred and fifty thousand pounds, whichever is the less;

(c) of the remuneration of any assessor summoned, or the expense of any remit made, in proceedings under the said Act.

In this Resolution the expression “subsidence damage” means damage caused by the withdrawal of support from land as the result of the working and getting of coal or any other mineral which is worked with coal, and the reference to subsidence damage to any dwelling-house or building shall be construed as including a reference to subsidence damage to any structure, sewer, drain or installation within the curtilage of the dwelling-house or building.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Coal Mining (Subsidence) Bill.

Clause No. 1 (Duty of National Coal Board to carry out repairs and make payments in respect of subsidence damage to dwelling-houses).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 7, at the end, to insert the words "apparent on or."

(Sir Patrick Spens.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Debate arising;

Mr. Whiteley rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but the Chairman withheld his assent, and declined then to put that Question, as it appeared to him that the Motion was unnecessary.

Question, That the proposed words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 14, to leave out from the word "dwelling" to the end of l. 15.—(Mr. Redmayne.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "thirty-two" in l. 15, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, 1. 4, to leave out paragraph (c), and insert the words—

"(c) any hereditament which was constructed or has been structurally adapted for use in part as a private dwelling and part of which is so used and which hereditament has a rateable value not exceeding seventy-five pounds."—(Mr. Higgs.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 25, at the end, to insert the words—

"An order under this subsection shall not have the effect of excluding from the dwelling-houses to which this Act applies any dwelling-house which immediately before the date of the order was included therein."—(Mr. Powell.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 34, at the end, to insert the words "or of any person other than the person to whom the compensation is payable."—(Sir Hugh Lucas-Tooth.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Nature of obligations of National Coal Board).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 42, to leave out from the word "such" to the end of l. 44, and insert the words "repairs as will make good that damage to the reasonable satisfaction of the owner of such dwelling-house."—(Sir Hugh Lucas-Tooth.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 5, to leave out from the word "the" to the end of l. 7, and insert the words "reasonable cost of such repairs."—(Colonel Crosthwaite-Eyre.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 8, to leave out subsection (3).—(Mr. Higgs.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "the" in l. 12, stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 12, after the word "Board," to insert the words "by agreement with the owner or any person entitled to a payment under this subsection."—(Mr. Phillips Price.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 22, at the end, to add the words—

"(5) The amount (if any) by which any sum received under this section by a person who is the owner but not the occupier of the dwelling-house exceeds the cost already incurred by him of repairs to the dwelling-house required in consequence of the subsidence damage shall be applied by him in effecting such repairs."—(Mr. Pickthorn.)

Question, That those words be there added, put, and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Popplewell.)

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question Adjournment, being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Popplewell); and it being Ten of the clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without a Question being put.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjournment, proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Sparks):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the Question having been proposed at Ten of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, till to-morrow.
Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had sent the following telegram to the Speaker, House of Commons, Ottawa, Canada:

The whole House of Commons is grieved at the sufferings of the City of Winnipeg caused by the present disastrous floods. The generosity and brave friendship of your country have warmed our hearts on many occasions not far distant; and to you, Mr. Speaker, to the afflicted citizens of Winnipeg, and to the whole Canadian people we send our heartfelt sympathy.

D. CLIFTON BROWN, Speaker.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Resolved, That the Committee had come to a Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of the National Debt Commissioners, showing the amount issued from the Exchequer and applied in the year ended the 31st day of March 1950 in respect of the Old Sinking Fund and of the New Sinking Fund (1928). Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Ede presented, pursuant to Sunday Cinematograph Entertainments, No. 67, Copies of Orders made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department extending Section 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, to—

(1) the Rural District of Bagshot,
(2) the Urban District of Barnoldswick,
(3) the Rural District of the Isle of Wight, and
(4) the Urban District of Lees.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Herbert Morrison presented, pursuant Navy (Pay to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Pensions, &c.), Copies of Orders in Council, dated 10th May 1930, approving Admiralty Memorials for sanction to—

(1) the Payment of Retired Pay at a revised Rate to Instructor Rear Admiral Sir Arthur Hall, and
(2) the Introduction of the Rank of Lieutenant (Shore Wireless Service).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

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Mr. Barnes presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 17th May 1950, entitled—

(1) the Stopping up of Highways (Various) (Revocation) (No. 3) Order, 1950, and
(2) the Stopping up of Highways (Various) (Revocation) (No. 4) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.


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Mr. Bellenger reported from the Select Committee on the Election of a Member (Clergyman of the Church of Ireland). That they had agreed to a Special Report, which they had directed him to make to the House, with Minutes of Evidence and Appendices: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Standing Orders Committee, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That in the case of the Lee Conservancy Catchment Board Bill, Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with:—That the parties be permitted to insert their additional Provision, if the Committee on the Bill think fit.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. Rankin reported from the Committee on the Bootle Extension Bill, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Port of London Bill, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Thames Conservancy Bill, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the facts as proved by the evidence adduced, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the London County Council (General Powers) Bill, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the facts as proved by the evidence adduced, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Mr. Gilzean reported from the Committee on the Wolverhampton Corporation Bill, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the facts for the convenience of Parties the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next at Eleven of the clock.

Mr. Robert Taylor reported from the Committee on Highways (Provision of Cattle-Grids) Bill, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.
ways, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament—
(a) of any increase attributable to the provisions of the said Act in the sums payable out of the Road Fund ;
(b) of any increase attributable to the provisions of the said Act in the sums payable out of moneys provided by Parliament under Part I or Part II of the Local Government Act, 1948.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Highways (Provision of Cattle-Grids) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Provision of cattle-grids and by-passes).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 6, to leave out from the word "road" to the word "subject" in l. 7, and insert the words "or to the owner and occupier of any agricultural land adjacent to a road expedient to prevent or control the passage of animals along the road, and the authority may after consultation with such owners and occupiers and."—(Viscount Hinchingbrooke.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 12, after the word "gate," to insert the words "with an automatic lock."—(Mr. Gerald Williams.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, to leave out l.l.18 to 22.—(Mr. Hopkinson.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, to leave out l. 6 to 13.—(Mr. Hopkinson.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "the" in l. 10, stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 10, after the word "road," to insert the words "or where the road passes through an existing gate in a fence dividing one unenclosed common from another unenclosed common."—(Mr. Vane.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 28, to leave out from the word "way" to the first word "for" in l. 29.—(Viscount Hinchingbrooke.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 47, at the end, to insert the words—
"Provided that the powers given by this subsection shall not be exercised until after complying with the provisions of the Schedule to this Act."—(Viscount Hinchingbrooke.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

(Clause agreed to.)

Clause No. 3 (Repair of cattle-grids and by-passes in England).

Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 7, at the end, to insert the words—
"(4) Notwithstanding any rule of law, the appropriate authority shall be liable to pay damages to any person who suffers injury, loss or damage, whether through the misfeasance or nonfeasance of the appropriate authority by reason of the failure of the appropriate authority to put or keep in repair a cattle-grid or by-pass provided in pursuance of this Act."—(Mr. Hay.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 7, at the end, to insert the words—
"Provided that such gate or gates shall on demand be replaced at any time after the cattle-grid is removed."—(Brigadier Peto.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 4 and 5 agreed to.

Clause No. 6 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 7 (Supersession of gates by cattle-grids).

Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 33, at the end, to insert the words—
"Provided that such gate or gates shall on demand be replaced at any time after the cattle-grid is removed."—(Brigadier Peto.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 8 agreed to.

Clause No. 9 (Agreements for use of land for cattle-grids or by-passes).

Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 15, to leave out the words "or by-pass", and insert the words "by-pass or traffic sign."—(Viscount Hinchingbrooke.)

Question proposed, That the words "or by-pass" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 23, at the end, to insert the words "and by way of contribution towards expenditure incurred by the person making the agreement."—(Mr. John Morrison.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 42, to leave out the words "or county borough," and insert the words "or borough or county district,"—(Mr. Barnes.)

Question proposed, That the words "or county borough" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.
Resolved, That theCrop Acreage Payments Agriculture (Scotland) Order, 1950, dated 3rd May 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 3rd day of this instant May, be approved.—

(Mr. Thomas Fraser.)

Resolved, That the Crop Acreage Payments Agriculture (Northern Ireland) Order, 1950, dated 1st May 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 3rd day of this instant May, be approved.—(Mr. de Freitas.)

The House, according to Order, resolved the Statute Law Revision Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 6 agreed to.

Schedules Nos. 1 to 3 agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

(Mr. Kenneth Robinson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nineteen minutes after Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

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Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received the following telegram (Floods), from the Speaker of the House of Commons, Ottawa, Canada, which he read to the House, as follows:—

Your telegram of sympathy to the Canadian people and the citizens of Winnipeg reached me shortly after the opening of our session this afternoon and was read by me immediately to an attentive and silent House which broke into prolonged applause at its conclusion. I am sending you for your record a copy of to-day's Hansard.

The Manchester Corporation Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.
The House proceeded to take into consideration the London County Council (Money) Bill, as amended in the Committee. Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Robert Taylor reported from the Committee on Lee Conservancy Catchment Board [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to extend the periods limited by the Lee Conservancy Catchment Board Act, 1938, for the exercise by the Lee Conservancy Catchment Board of the powers therein contained for the compulsory purchase of land and the construction of works for the drainage of the Catchment Area of the said Board and for the prevention of floods therein, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any sums which may become payable thereout by reason of the application by the said Act of 1938 of the provisions of the Land Drainage Act, 1930, in relation to works authorised by the said Act of 1938 as if those works had been the improvement of existing works and the construction of new works under the said Act of 1930.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. Robert Taylor reported from the Committee on Towyn Trewan Common [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session providing for the extinguishment of common and commanable rights and rights of way and other rights over, and the enclosure of, part of Towyn Trewan Common in the County of Anglesey and the use by the public of a road known as the Burma Road and of a track adjoining the said Common, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of such sums as may be necessary to enable the Secretary of State for Air to meet such expenses as may be incurred in defraying:

the compensation (together with interest thereon) in respect of the extinguishment of such rights; the costs charges and expenses incurred in or in connection with the determination of the persons entitled to such compensation and their respective rights and shares therein and of disputes as to the right or title of persons to such common or commanable or other rights; the expenses incurred in maintaining and repairing the said Burma Road or otherwise in connection therewith or in connection with the said track; the costs charges and expenses incurred in repaying to the Conservators of the Common the costs charges and expenses incurred by them, in or in connection with the promotion of the Bill for the said Act; and any other expenses incurred under the said Act.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders,—

(1) dated 12th May 1950, entitled the Bacon (Rationing) Order, 1950,
(2) dated 12th May 1950, entitled the Meat (Rationing) Order, 1950,
(3) dated 15th May 1950, entitled the Sugar (Rationing) Order, 1950,
(4) dated 16th May 1950, entitled the Rationing (Personal Points) Order, 1950,
(5) dated 18th May 1950, entitled the Fats, Cheese and Tea (Rationing) Order, 1950, and

Copy of an Order, dated 17th May 1950, entitled the Soap (Licensing of Manufacturers and Rationing) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, that this House deplores the continued failure of His Majesty's Government to make available adequate supplies of petrol at a time when large petroleum resources exist both outside and inside the sterling area—(Mr. Arbuthnot);—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:

The House divided. The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Arbuthnot, Mr. Leslie Hale;—141. Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Ronald Williams;—187.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being proposed, That the proposed words be there added:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being after Four of the clock, and objection being taken to further Proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Kenneth Robinson);—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the Question having been proposed after Four of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then eighteen minutes before Five of the clock, till Monday next.
Mr. Secretary Ede presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Twenty-first Annual Report and Accounts of the Racecourse Betting Control Board, for 1949.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Notes exchanged at Lisbon between the 7th and 22nd days of February and on the 14th day of April 1950 between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Portuguese Government modifying and prolonging the Monetary Agreement of the 16th day of April 1946.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules, dated 18th May 1950, entitled the Superannuation (Civil Servants and Teachers) (Scotland) Rules, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Herbert Morrison presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Statutes—

(1) made by the Governing Body of Corpus Christi College, Oxford, on the 8th day of March 1950, amending the Statutes of the College, and

(2) made by the Governing Body of Trinity College, Cambridge, on the 24th day of February 1950, amending the Statutes of the College.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, by His Wool Disposals, Majesty's Command,—Copy of Accounts of United Kingdom—Dominion Wool Disposals Limited (Joint Organisation) for the year ended the 30th day of June 1949, with Reports by the Chairman and Directors and an Explanatory Note by the Board of Trade.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Thomas Williams presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Report of an Order, dated 17th May 1950, authorising the Landing of one European Bison at the Port of Harwich.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of a Measure, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Mr. Secretary Jay presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Return showing Transactions connected with the National Debt for the years 1938/39 to 1949/50.

Mr. Jay also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 17th May 1950, directing that Mr. Norman Francis Rowe shall be subject to the provisions of sub-section (1) of Section 2 of the Superannuation Act, 1946.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

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Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, supported by Mr. Secretary Ede and Mr. Jay, presented a Bill to make further provision for a temporary increase in the Civil Contingencies Fund, to authorise loans to the Government of Northern Ireland, to give statutory authority for the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of grants in respect of the expenses of police forces in England and Wales, and to wind up the Czecho-Slovak Financial Claims Fund: And the same was the first read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow, and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Estimates, 1950-51.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a further sum, not exceeding £60, be granted to His Majesty towards defraying the charges for the following services connected with the Building Industry for the year ending on the 31st day of March, 1951, namely:—

Civil Estimates, 1950-51

Class VII., Vote 1, Ministry of Works £5
Class V., Vote 1, Ministry of Health ... 10
Class V., Vote 14, Department of Health for Scotland ... 10
Class IX., Vote 1, Ministry of Supply ... 10
Class V., Vote 6, Ministry of Labour and National Service ... 10
Class VI., Vote 1, Board of Trade ... 10
Total ... ... ... £60.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Item Class V, Vote 1, Ministry of Health, be reduced by £5. (Miss Hornbrugh.)

And it being ten o'clock, the Chairman proceeded to interrupt the Business.

Whereupon Mr. Buchan-Hepburn rose in his place, and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question, That the Question be now put, put, and agreed to.

Question put accordingly, That Item Class V, Vote 1, Ministry of Health, be reduced by £5.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 
Mr. Drew. 293.
Mr. Studholme: 293.
Mr. Rober Taylor. 299.
Mr. Collindridge: 299.

Original Question again proposed:

And objection being taken to further Proceeding, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and moved, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Regulations, dated 26th April 1950, entitled the Fire Services (Ranks and Conditions of Service) (No. 2) Regulations, 1950 (S.I., 1950, No. 686), a copy of which was laid before this House on the 27th day of April last, be annulled—(Sir John Mellor):—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

(—Mr. Popplewell.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes before Twelve of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders, not previously inquired into, are applicable thereto, viz.:—

Bath Extension Bill [Lords].
London County Council (Woolwich Subsidies) Bill [Lords].
Gateshead and District Tramways Bill [Lords].
Runcorn—Withes Bridge Bill [Lords].
Leyton Corporation Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Bristol Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the British Transport Commission Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the British Transport Commission Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the London County Council (General Powers) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Sunderland Extension Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Barnes presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Minister of Transport under the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, relating to Hartlepool: And the same was read the first time.

Bill 27.

Supply [14th allotted Day].
Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, by His Majesty's Command.—Copy of the First Report of the Scottish Local Government Manpower Committee.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Strachey presented, by His Majesty's Command.—List of Exceptions to the Army Regulations as to Pay, Non-effective Pay and Allowances.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 22nd May 1950, entitled—
(1) the Utility Curtain Cloth (Amendment No. 3) Order, 1950,
(2) the Upholstery Cloth (Utility) (Amendment No. 6) Order, 1950, and
(3) the Utility Handerkerchiefs (Marking and Manufacturers' Prices) (Amendment No. 6) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to Standing Order 138 relating to Private Business (Report by Attorney General in case of Bill affecting any charity or educational foundation).—Report by him on the Ilford Corporation (Drainage) Bill.

Report by him on the Oldham Extension Bill.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Report by the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords and the Chairman of Ways and Means in the House of Commons under Section 3 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945, That no Petition has been presented against the South Devon Water Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Copy of a Report to the Lord Chancellor of the Number of Visits made, the Number of Patients seen, and the Number of Miles travelled by the Visitors of Lunatics during the six months ended the 31st day of March, 1950.

Mr. Gunter reported from the Committee on Group B of Private Bills, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Pre-amble of the Cardiff Extension Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the facts as proved by the evidence adduced, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House. And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Sir Patrick Spens reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords to whom Petitions for Amendment of the Northumberland and Tyneside River Board Area Order, 1949, were referred, pursuant to Section 4 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945, That they had considered the said Petitions and had heard Counsel in support thereof, and had heard Counsel in favour of the said Order against the said Petitions; and had directed him to report the Order, without Amendment, to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence do lie upon the Table.

Lieutenant-Colonel Boles reported from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, the Minutes of the further Proceedings of the Committee.

Ordered, That the said Minutes do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Benson reported from the Committee on Public Accounts, That they had made further Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them on the 23rd day of March last, the 20th and 25th days of April last, and the 9th day of this instant May, and Appendices: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on the 1st and 8th days of December 1949 in the last Session of the last Parliament be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the boundaries of the city and county of the city of Norwich; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before him on the 23rd day of March last, the 20th and 25th days of April last, and the 9th day of this instant May, and Appendices: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts on the 1st and 8th days of December 1949 in the last Session of the last Parliament be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the boundaries of the borough of Doncaster and for purposes incidental thereto; to confer further powers on the Corporation of that borough in regard to lands; to authorise the supply of hot water and of heat; to make further provision in reference to the health improvement local government
The Medical Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next, and to be printed.

The Norwich Extension Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Doncaster Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Diplomatic Privileges (Extension) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Coal Mining (Subsidence) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 3 (Payments in respect of buildings comprising dwelling-houses).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 32, to leave out from the word " Act " to the word " the " in l. 34.—(Mr. Geoffrey Lloyd.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 4 agreed to.

Clause No. 5 (Notice of subsidence damage and repairs to be given to National Coal Board).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 40, to leave out from the word " damage " to the word " and " in l. 41, and insert the words " within such time not being less than six months after the occurrence of the damage as may be prescribed stating the date on which the damage occurred, the nature of such damage and the interest of the owner in such dwelling-house. "—(Mr. Higgs.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 2, to leave out the word " fifty " and insert the word " fifty-one. "—(Mr. Powell.)

Question proposed, That the word " fifty " stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Question proposed, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:—Debate arising;

Mr. Delargy rose in his place, and claimed to move, That the Question be now put:—

Question, That the Question be now put, Question put, and agreed to.

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Question, That the Question be now put, Question put, and agreed to.

Question, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:—Debate arising;

Mr. Delargy rose in his place, and claimed to move, That the Question be now put:—

Question, That the Question be now put, Question put, and agreed to.
Resolved, That the Order extending Section 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, to the Rural District of Bagshot, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 18th day of this instant May, be approved.—(Mr. de Freitas.)

Resolved, That the Order extending Section 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, to the Rural District of the Isle of Wight, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 18th day of this instant May, be approved.—(Mr. de Freitas.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Direction, dated 20th April 1950, entitled the Coal Distribution (Restriction) Direction, 1950 (S.I., 1950, No. 644), a copy of which was laid before this House on the 22nd day of April last, be annulled.—(Mr. Raikes) : It passed in the Negative.

A Motion was made, and the Question adjournment, being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Royle);

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning:

Wednesday, 24th May, 1950:

And the Question being put;

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till fourteen minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[No. 54.]

Wednesday, 24th May, 1950.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The London County Council (Money) Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Motion being made, That the Wear Navigation and Sunderland Dock Bill [Lords] be now read the third time;

The Chairman of Ways and Means, by His Majesty’s Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty’s interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the British Transport Commission Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Secretary Ede presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules, dated 22nd May 1950, entitled the Summary Jurisdiction (Children and Young Persons) Rules, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His Majesty's Command.—Copy of Notes exchanged at Washington on the 3rd day of January 1950, between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the United States of America constituting an Agreement to amend the Economic Co-operation Agreement signed at London on the 6th day of July 1948.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Report of the Department of Agriculture for Scotland for 1949.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


Copies of Orders, dated 24th May 1950, entitled—

1) the Utility Woven Cloth (Cotton, Rayon and Linen) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950, and
2) the Household Textiles (Marking and Manufacturers' Prices) (Amendment No. 3) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relating to Patents be printed.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 23rd May 1950, entitled the National Assistance (Charges for Accommodation) (Amendment) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. George Strauss presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 23rd May 1950, entitled the Control of Iron and Steel (No. 79) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Dr. Summerskill presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 24th May 1950, entitled the National Insurance (Classification) Amendment (No. 3) Regulations, 1950.

Report of the National Insurance Advisory Committee on the National Insurance (Classification) Amendment (No. 3) Regulations, 1950, in accordance with sub-section (4) of Section 77 of the National Insurance Act, 1946, preceded by a Statement made by the Minister of National Insurance in accordance with that Act.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Report be printed.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Schedule containing a List and Particulars of certain Classes of Documents existing or accruing in the Ministry of Labour and National Service, which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

Mr. Viant reported from the Committee on Public Petitions. Public Petitions, That they had examined the Petition presented upon the 8th day of this Instant May, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords hath been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to repeal and re-enact with amendments the enactments as to the taking of water by the Prescelly Water Board from the Afon Dyfenwy by means of reservoirs on that river and as to the discharge of compensation water from such reservoirs; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make further provision with respect to the rates and charges leviable by the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board to increase the borrowing powers of the Board and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Prescelly Water Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Mersey Docks and Harbour Board Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The House, according to Order, resolved Supply (15th allotted Day).

(Civil Estimates 1950-51; Ministry of Defence Estimate 1950-51; Army Estimates 1950-51; and Air Estimates, 1950-51.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a further sum, not exceeding £70, be granted to His Majesty towards defraying the charges...
for the following services connected with the situation in the Far East and South-East Asia for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, namely:


Class II, Vote 1, Foreign Service 10
Class II, Vote 2, Foreign Office Grants and Services 10
Class II, Vote 6, Commonwealth Relations Office 10
Class II, Vote 9, Colonial Office 10
Ministry of Defence 10
Army Estimates, Vote 3, War Office 10
Air Estimates, Vote 3, Air Ministry 10

Total £70.

And it being Ten o'clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and moved, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Sparks):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the Question having been proposed after Ten of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-two minutes before Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 55.]

Thursday, 25th May, 1950.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

A MOTION being made, That the Thames Conservancy Bill be now read the third time;

The Chairman of Ways and Means, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.
The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Lee Conservancy Catchment Board Bill, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the facts as proved by the evidence adduced, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto; and had amended the Title as follows: A Bill to consolidate with amendments the provisions relating to the constitution of the Lee Conservancy Catchment Board; to extend the time for the execution of works; to make further provision in reference to payments by the Metropolitan Water Board and the increase and application of sums which may be demanded from local authorities, the superannuation of officers and the preservation of the purity of the River Lee; and for other purposes; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Ipswich Dock Bill, That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Towyn Trewan Common Bill, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the facts as proved by the evidence adduced and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Ilford Corporation (Drainage) Bill, That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Oldham Extension Bill, That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Foreign Compensation Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Distribution of compensation under Yugoslav and Czechoslovak agreements.)

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 11, at the end, to insert the words—

"(3) Any Order in Council made under this section shall provide that all established claims for sums under five hundred pounds shall be paid in full as soon as possible and that a sum of five hundred pounds shall be paid as soon as possible in respect of every established claim in excess of that amount; and that all such payments shall be disregarded before providing for the distribution of any further payments."—(Mr. Eric Fletcher.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 3 and 4 agreed to.

Clause No. 5 disagreed to.

Clauses Nos. 6 to 9 agreed to.

A Clause (Enforcement of attendance of witnesses, production of documents and furnishing of information)—(Mr. Attorney General)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Highways (Provision of Cattle-grids) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House in respect of the Amendments to Clause No. 1, p. 2, l. 6, Clause No. 3, p. 4, l. 37 and p. 5, l. 5, Clause No. 7, p. 6, l. 39, Clause No. 9, p. 7, ll. 25 and 44, and of the new Clause (Provision of cattle-grids off roads) and of the Amendments to the Schedule, p. 12, l. 8, and to the Title standing on the Notice Paper in the name of Mr. Barnes, and in respect of the Amendments to Clause No. 1, p. 1, l. 18, Clause No. 2, p. 3, l. 47, Clause No. 9, p. 7, l. 25 and to the Schedule, p. 12, l. 5, standing on the Notice Paper in the name of Viscount Hinchingbrooke.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 amended and agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Removal of cattle-grids and discontinuance of by-passes.)

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 47, at the end, to insert the words—

"Provided that the powers given by this subsection shall not be exercised until after complying with the provisions of the Schedule to this Act."—(Viscount Hinchingbrooke.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 3, 7 and 9 amended, and agreed to.

A Clause (Provision of cattle-grids off roads)—(Mr. Solicitor General)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Schedule amended, and agreed to.

Title amended.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made further Amendments and added a Clause to the Bill, and had amended the Title, as followeth:—A Title amended.

Bill, intituled, An Act to provide for cattle-grids in or in connection with highways, and for purposes connected therewith.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and on re-committal, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

A Clause (Contributions towards expenditure of appropriate authorities)—(Mr. Barnes)—twice read, and made part of the Bill.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Coal Mining (Subsidence) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Another Clause (Onus of proof as to cause of damage)—(Mr. Solicitor General)—brought
Ordered, That Standing Order 205 relating to Private Business (Notice of Third Reading) be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time—(The Chairman of Ways and Means):—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Scheme made by the Chesterfield (Rural) and Staveley (Superannuation) Joint Committee and approved by the Minister of Health under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders,—

(1) dated 24th May 1950, entitled the Dried Fruits (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950,
(2) dated 25th May 1950, entitled the Milk (Great Britain) (Directions) Order, 1950,
(3) dated 25th May 1950, entitled the Eggs (Great Britain and Northern Ireland) (Amendment No. 4) Order, 1950, and
(4) dated 26th May 1950, entitled the Syrup and Treacle Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Noel-Baker presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 26th May 1950, entitled the Motor Fuel (Decontrol) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Dr. Summerskill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Report of the Ministry of National Insurance for the period from the 17th day of November 1944 to the 4th day of July 1949.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. George Strauss presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 26th May 1950, entitled the Iron and Steel Utilization (Records) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Memorandum by the Lord Chancellor proposing corrections and minor improvements in the Adoption of Children (Consolidation of Enactments).
in certain Enactments relating to the Adoption of Children.

Memorandum by the Lord Chancellor proposing corrections and minor improvements in certain Enactments relating to Matrimonial Causes, in the High Court and to Declarations of Legitimacy and of Validity of Marriage and of British Nationality.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Whiteley);

And it being Four of the clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without a Question being put.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Royle):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the Question having been proposed at Four of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, till Tuesday the 13th day of June next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House yesterday.

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Tuesday, 13th June, 1950.
The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

P R A Y E R S.

The following Member took and subscribed the Oath:—

The Reverend James Godfrey MacManaway, M.B.E., for Belfast, West.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders, not previously inquired into, are applicable thereto, viz.:—

Mersey Docks and Harbour Board Bill [Lords].
Prescelly Water Bill [Lords].
Norwich Extension Bill [Lords].
Doncaster Corporation Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:—

Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (Hartlepool) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
Standing Order (Presentation of Statutory Instruments), were ordered to lie upon the Table:—
30th May 1950:—
Copy of an Order, dated 25th May 1950, entitled the Additional Import Duties (No. 1) Order, 1950.
Copy of an Order, dated 26th May 1950, entitled the Utility Bedding (Maximum Prices) (No. 2) Order, 1950.
Copies of Orders, dated 26th May 1950, entitled—
(1) the Bedding (Manufacture and Supply) (Amendment) Order, 1950, and
(2) the Utility Apparel (Women's and Maids' Outerwear) (Manufacture and Supply) Order, 1950.
Copy of an Order, dated 25th May 1950, entitled the Cream Order, 1950.
31st May 1950:—
Copy of Regulations, dated 30th May 1950, entitled the Fire Services (Conditions of Service) (Scotland) (Amendment) Regulations, 1950.
Copy of Regulations, dated 30th May 1950, entitled the Town and Country Planning (Grants) (Scotland) Regulations, 1950.
Copies of Orders, dated 30th May 1950, entitled—
(1) the Hill Cattle Subsidy Payment (Northern Ireland) Order, 1950, and
(2) the Hill Sheep Subsidy Payment (Northern Ireland) Order, 1950.
Copy of an Order, dated 26th May 1950, entitled the Sea-Fishing Industry (Restriction of Fishing in Northern Waters) Suspension Order, 1950.
Copy of an Order, dated 26th May 1950, entitled the Rabbits and Hares (Revocation of Control) Order, 1950.
1st June 1950:—
Copy of an Order, dated 30th May 1950, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 3) Order, 1950.
2nd June 1950:—
Copy of an Order, dated 1st June 1950, entitled the Meat (Rationing) (Amendment) Order, 1950.
3rd June 1950:—
Copy of a Direction, given by the Treasury on the 26th day of May 1950, relating to the Use of Hong Kong Assets in the United Kingdom.
Copy of an Order, dated 1st June 1950, entitled the Coal Distribution (Amendment) (No. 2) Order, 1950.
5th June 1950:—
Copy of an Order, dated 1st June 1950, entitled the Agricultural Contractors (Revocation) Order, 1950.
Copy of an Act of Adjournal, dated 2nd June 1950, entitled the Act of Adjournal (Death Sentence), 1950.
6th June 1950:—
Copy of a Code, dated 2nd June 1950, entitled the Schools (Scotland) Code, 1950.
Copy of an Order, dated 5th June 1950, entitled the Food (Licensing of Wholesalers) (Amendment) Order, 1950.
7th June 1950:—
Copy of Regulations, dated 6th June 1950, entitled the Superannuation (Control Service for Germany and Austria—Unestablished Civilian Service) (Compensation to Reversionary Members of Home Police Forces) Regulations, 1950.
Copy of an Order, dated 5th June 1950, entitled the Agricultural Contractors (Revocation) (Scotland) Order, 1950.
Copies of Orders, dated 6th June 1950, entitled—
(1) the Carpets (Maximum Prices) (Amendment) Order, 1950, and
(2) the Imported Carpets (Maximum Prices) (No. 3) Order, 1950.
Copy of an Order, dated 6th June 1950, entitled the Fertilisers (Prices) (Amendment No. 4) Order, 1950.
8th June 1950:—
Copies of Orders,—
(1) dated 6th June 1950, entitled theWare Potatoes (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950,
(2) dated 6th June 1950, entitled the Potatoes (General Provisions) (Amendment) Order, 1950, and
(3) dated 7th June 1950, entitled the Food Substitutes (Revocation) Order, 1950.
9th June 1950:—
Copies of Instruments, dated 7th June 1950, entitled—
(1) the General Nursing Council for Scotland (Amendment) Rules, 1950, Approval Instrument, 1950, and
(2) the General Nursing Council for Scotland (Amendment) (No. 2) Rules, 1950, Approval Instrument, 1950.
Copy of an Order, dated 9th June 1950, entitled the Town and Country Planning (General Development) (Scotland) Order, 1950.
Copy of Regulations, dated 6th June 1950, entitled the Coal Industry, the Ironstone and Shale Mines (Locomotives) General Regulations, 1950.
Copy of an Order, dated 8th June 1950, entitled the Gas (Conversion Date) (No. 17) Order, 1950.
Copy of Regulations, dated 8th June 1950, entitled the National Assistance (Charges for Assistance, and Accommodation) (Scotland) Regulations, 1950.
10th June 1950:—
Copy of Regulations, dated 7th June 1950, entitled the Coal Industry, the Coal Industry Nationalisation (Options) (Amendment) Regulations, 1950.
12th June 1950:—
Copy of an Order, dated 10th June 1950, entitled the Superannuation (Service in Certain Places Abroad) Order, 1950.
Copy of Regulations, dated 9th June 1950, entitled the Superannuation (Control Service for Germany and Austria—Unestablished Civilian Service) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations, 1950.
Copy of Regulations, dated 8th June 1950, entitled the Water (Adaptation and Modification of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1947) Amendment (Scotland) Regulations, 1950.
Copy of an Order, dated 9th June 1950, entitled the Knitted Goods (Manufacture and Supply) (Amendment No. 4) Order, 1950.

Mr. Secretary Ede presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Instrument, dated 7th June 1950, entitled the Barbers and Hairdressers Closing Order, 1950 (Macclesfield) Confirmation Instrument, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Documents relating to Anglo-French Discussions, held in May and June 1950, regarding French Proposals for the Western European Coal, Iron and Steel Industries.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Schemes made by the undermentioned local authorities and approved by the Secretary of State for Scotland under the Local Government Superannuation (Scotland), Act, 1937:

(1) Ayr Town Council.
(2) Dunfermline Town Council.

Copies of University Court Ordinances—
(1) No. 265 (No. 52 of the University Court of the University of Aberdeen) (Library Committee—Amendment of Ordinance No. 8; St. Andrews, Aberdeen and Edinburgh No. 1 of the Commissioners under the Universities (Scotland) Act, 1889),
(2) No. 266 (No. 53 of the University Court of the University of Aberdeen) (Foundation of the Chair of German), and
(3) No. 267 (No. 54 of the University Court of the University of Aberdeen) (Abolition of the Degree of Bachelor of Commerce (B.Com.)—Repeal of University Court Ordinance No. 81; Aberdeen No. 9).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Callaghan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Statement of the Estimated Income and Expenditure of Greenwich Hospital and of Travers' Foundation for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Strachey presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amendments to Regulations for the Territorial Army, 1936.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Herbert Morrison presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Statutes—
(1) made by the Governing Body of Christ Church, Oxford, on the 22nd day of February 1950, amending the Statutes of the House, and

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(2) made by the Governing Body of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, on the 18th day of March 1950, amending the Statutes of the College.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.


Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order dated 7th June 1950, entitled the Torquay Corporation Order, 1950, with a Certificate by the Minister of Health under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Thomas Williams presented, pursuant to River Boards, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 20th April 1950, entitled the Lincolnshire River Board Area Order, 1950, with a Certificate by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries and the Minister of Health under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Barnes presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 13th June 1950, entitled the Traffic Signs (Size, Colour and Type) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Tomlinson presented, pursuant to the Endowed Schools, directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Scheme in the Matter of certain Educational Foundations in the County of Hertford.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Noel-Baker presented, pursuant to the Coal Mines, directions of an Act of Parliament,—Reports of His Majesty's Inspectors of Mines for the following divisions for 1949:—

(1) North Eastern Division.
(2) Northern Division.
(3) North Western Division.
(4) Scottish Division.
(5) South Western Division.
(6) West Midland and Southern Division.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
The following Accounts, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Industrial Injuries Fund. No. 75.

Account showing the Nature and Nominal Amount of the Securities held by the National Debt Commissioners, at the 31st day of March 1950, as Investments for Moneys, forming part of the Industrial Injuries Fund, paid over to them under sub-section (3) of Section 58 of the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) Act, 1946.

Account showing the Nature and Nominal Amount of the Securities held by the National Debt Commissioners, at the 31st day of March 1950, as Investments for Moneys forming part of the National Insurance (Existing Pensioners) Fund, transferred to the Fund under the National Insurance and Civil Service (Superannuation) Rules, 1948.

The following Account, pursuant to subparagraph (6) of paragraph 1 of the Fourth Schedule of the National Insurance and Civil Service (Superannuation) Rules, 1948, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Account showing the Nature and Nominal Amount of the Securities held by the National Debt Commissioners, at the 31st day of March 1950, as Investments for Moneys forming part of the National Insurance (Existing Pensioners) Fund, and (b) the National Insurance (Reserve) Fund.

Ordered, That the said Accounts be printed.

Mr. Ashton reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had made further Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the South Staffordshire Water Bill, without any Amendment.

Plymouth Extension Bill [Lords].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the boundaries of the city of Plymouth, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Derby Corporation Bill [Lords].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the boundaries of the borough of Derby; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Wisbech Corporation Bill [Lords].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make further provision with regard to the port and harbour undertaking and the markets undertaking of the Mayor Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Wisbech; to make further provision with respect to the funds of the Corporation and with respect to their income and expenditure; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Dover Harbour Bill [Lords].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorise the Dover Harbour Board to construct new works; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Gloucester Extension Bill [Lords].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the boundaries of the city of Gloucester in the county of the city of Gloucester; and for purposes incidental thereto; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Plymouth Extension Bill [Lords] was read the first time. Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Derby Corporation Bill [Lords] was Derby Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the first time. Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Wisbech Corporation Bill [Lords] was Wisbech Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the first time. Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Dover Harbour Bill [Lords] was Dover Harbour Bill [Lords] was read the first time. Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Gloucester Extension Bill [Lords] was Gloucester Extension Bill [Lords] was read the first time. Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. (In the Committee.)

Civil Estimates, 1950-51.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a further sum, not exceeding £40, be granted to His Majesty towards defraying the charges for the following services connected with Emigration for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, namely:

Civil Estimates, 1950-51

Class II., Vote 6, Commonwealth Relations Office... 10
Class II., Vote 8, Oversea Settlement... 10
Class V., Vote 6, Ministry of Labour and National Service... 10
Class IX., Vote 4, Ministry of Transport (Shipping and War Terminal Services)... 10

Total... £40.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a further sum, not exceeding £30, be granted to His Majesty towards defraying the charges for the following services connected with Town and Country Planning for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, namely:

Civil Estimates, 1950-51

Class V., Vote 12, Ministry of Town and Country Planning... 10
Class V., Vote 14, Department of Health for Scotland... 10
Class V., Vote 13, Central Land Board... 10

Total... £30.

And it being Ten o'clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and moved, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed. That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Regulations, dated 17th April 1950, entitled the Fire Services (Appointments and Promotion) Regulations, 1950 (S.I., 1950, No. 619), a copy of which was laid before this House on the 18th day of April last, be annulled.—(Mr. Bevins):—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Popplewell):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the Question having been proposed after Ten of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then two minutes before Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 58.]

Wednesday, 14th June, 1950.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Ordered, That the South Shields Extension Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next, at Seven of the clock.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Lee Conservancy Catchment Board Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (Hartlepool) Bill was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Barnes presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Minister of Transport under the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, relating to Great Yarmouth: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Barnes presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Minister of Transport under the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, relating to Cattewater: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Barnes presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Minister of Transport under the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, relating to Workington: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Finance Accounts of the United Kingdom for the year ended the 31st day of March 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relating to Finance Accounts and Transport be printed.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Schemes made by the undermentioned local authorities and approved by the Minister of Health under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937:—

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

(Cannock Urban District Council.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the First Annual Report of the Jewellery and Silverware Council.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Colorado Beetle (Amendment) (Scotland) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Barnes presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

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Message from the Lords.

Dover Corporation Bill [Lords].

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the boundaries of the borough of Dover; to make provision with respect to the sale of coke coal and wood fuel; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Dover Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Finance Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Hydrocarbon oils (rate of duties and rebate)).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 17, to leave out subsection (1).—(Mr. Lyttelton.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:— Debate arising;

Mr. Whiteley rose in his place, and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question put, That the Question be now put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the
Mr. Collindridge,
Mr. Sparks;
Yeas, 302.

Tellers for the
Brigadier Mackeson,
Mr. Studholme;
Noes, 289.

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

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the
Mr. Popplewell,
Mr. Kenneth,
Robinson;
Yeas, 302.

Tellers for the
Mr. Studholme,
Mr. Digby;
Noes, 288.

Another Amendment proposed in p. 1, l. 20, at the end, to insert the words " except that in the case of disabled ex-service men and women, who have been provided with a motor vehicle by the Ministry of Pensions, the rate of the duty shall remain at ninetypence a gallon."—(Sir Ian Fraser.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed in p. 1, l. 20, at the end, to insert the words " except that, in the case of aviation spirit supplied for the use of flying and gliding clubs duly authorised and approved by the Minister of Civil Aviation, the rate of duty shall remain at ninetypence a gallon, and the Treasury may make the necessary regulation for giving effect to this exception."—(Mr. Heald.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed in p. 1, l. 20, at the end, to insert the words—

" Provided that the rate of the duty shall remain at ninetypence a gallon for hydrocarbon oils used for the propulsion of invalid chairs driven by disabled persons."—(Mr. Wood.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the
Major Conant,
Mr. Galbraith;
Yea, 281.

Tellers for the
Mr. Popplewell,
Mr. Sparks;
Noes, 294.

Another Amendment proposed in p. 2, l. 37, at the end, to add the words—

" (7) The provisions of subsection (1) of this section shall not apply to:—

(a) any white spirit; and

(b) any light oils, other than white spirit, which are not used as fuel in mechanically propelled vehicles constructed or adapted for use on roads."—(Mr. Lyttelton.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Debate arising;

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Mr. Whiteley rose in his place, and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question put, That the Question be now put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the
Major Conant,
Mr. Galbraith;
Yea, 281.

Tellers for the
Mr. Popplewell,
Mr. Sparks;
Noes, 294.

Another Amendment proposed in p. 2, l. 37, at the end, to add the words—

" (7) The provisions of subsection (1) of this section shall not apply to any light oils used in any aircraft or used in connection with the construction or testing of any engine intended to be fitted in an aircraft or motor vehicle."—(Mr. Erroll.)

Question put, That those words be there added.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the
Brigadier Mackeson,
Mr. Collindridge,
Mr. Kennedy,
Robinson;
Yea, 281.

Tellers for the
Mr. Hannan,
Mr. Collindridge,
Mr. Kennedy,
Robinson;
Noes, 295.

Another Amendment proposed in p. 2, l. 37, at the end, to add the words—

" (7) The provisions of subsection (1) of this section shall not apply to any light oils used in any aircraft or used in connection with the construction or testing of any engine intended to be fitted in an aircraft or motor vehicle."—(Mr. Erroll.)

Question put, That those words be there added.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the
Major Conant,
Mr. Galbraith;
Yea, 281.

Tellers for the
Mr. Popplewell,
Mr. Sparks;
Noes, 294.

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the
Mr. Hannan,
Mr. Royle;
Yea, 294.

Tellers for the
Major Conant,
Mr. Galbraith;
Noes, 281.

Clause No. 2 (Hydrocarbon oils (excise)).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 44, to leave out the word " other," and insert the word " greater."—(Mr. Selwyn Lloyd.)

Question proposed, That the word " other " stand part of the Clause:—Debate arising;
Mr. Whiteley rose in his place, and claimed to move, That the Question be now put. Question put, That the Question be now put. The Committee divided.

Tellers for the

Mr. Bowden, 289.

Mr. Delargy:

Mr. Studholme, 272.

Major Wheatley:

Question put accordingly, That the word "other" stand part of the Clause. The Committee divided.

Tellers for the

Mr. Collindridge, 290.

Mr. Kenneth:

Robinson:

Tellers for the

Mr. Studholme, 271.

Major Wheatley:

Clause agreed to.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Lyttelton):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause Nos. 3 to 5 agreed to.

Clause No. 6 (Beer (Customs and Excise)). Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 9, to leave out the words "Second Schedule," and insert the words "Schedule (Revised rates of beer duty and drawback)."—(Mr. Colegate.)

Question proposed, That the words "Second Schedule" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause Nos. 7 to 11 agreed to.

Clause No. 12 amended, and agreed to.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Lyttelton.)

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Adjourned.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. —(Mr. Popplewell).

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes before Seven of the clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

Ordered, That Standing Order 205 relating to Private Business (Notice of Third Reading) be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Town Trewan Common Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Wolverhampton Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next at Seven of the clock.

Ordered, That in the case of the Bath Extension Bill [Lords] Standing Order 170 relating to Private Business (Interval between First and Second Readings) be suspended.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

A Public Petition was presented, and read ; Public Petitions, Vide Third Report.

Mr. Jay presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 14th June 1950, relating to a gift of Seafire Aircraft to the French Government.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His Social and Medical Assistance (Miscellaneous, No. 6, 1950).—Copy of a Convention between the Governments of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Belgium, France, Luxembourg and the Netherlands concerning Student Employees (with Annex) signed at Brussels on the 17th day of April 1950 (this Convention has not been ratified by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom).

Copy of a Convention between the Governments of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Belgium, France, Luxembourg and the Netherlands concerning Frontier Workers (with Annex) signed at Brussels on the 17th day of April 1950 (this Convention has been ratified by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom).

Copy of a Convention between the Governments of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Belgium, France, Luxembourg and the Netherlands concerning Student Employees (with Annex) signed at Brussels on the 17th day of April 1950 (this Convention has been ratified by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom).

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Copy of a Convention between the Governments of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Belgium, France, Luxembourg and the Netherlands concerning Student Employees (with Annex) signed at Brussels on the 17th day of April 1950 (this Convention has been ratified by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom).
Pilotage.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Draft Order in Council entitled the Census Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Barnes presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Returns from Pilotage Authorities for 1948.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Dr. Summerskill presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Bill to amend the Cinematograph Film Production Act, 1949.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Ness Edwards presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of an Agreement dated 8th June 1950, between His Majesty’s Postmaster General and the British Broadcasting Corporation relating to Ceylon.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Harold Wilson, supported by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Mr. Rhodes, presented a Bill to amend the Cinematograph Film Production (Special Loans) Act, 1949, as respects the permitted maximum aggregate amount of principal outstanding in respect of advances made by the Board of Trade to the National Film Finance Corporation: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next, and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Committee of Supply be discharged from considering the Estimates set out hereunder and that the said Estimates be referred to the Scottish Standing Committee:

Class VI., Vote 20, Department of Agriculture for Scotland.
Class VI., Vote 21, Department of Agriculture for Scotland (Food Production Services).
Class V., Vote 14, Department of Health for Scotland.
Class I., Vote 26, Scottish Home Department.
Class VI., Vote 22, Fisheries, Scotland.
Class VI., Vote 23, Herring Industry.—(Mr. Herbert Morrison.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Tractors, &c. (Excise Licences).

1. Resolved, That, as from the beginning of nineteen hundred and fifty-one, the Vehicles (Excise) Act, 1949, shall be amended—
(a) by increasing to two pounds the five shilling rate of duty applicable to vehicles falling within paragraphs (a) to (d) of subsection (2) of section four of that Act;
(b) by repealing paragraph (e) of that subsection (vehicles chargeable on a scale beginning at twelve pounds) and extending paragraphs (a) and (b) to include vehicles which, for the repeal, would fall within paragraph (e).—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Hydrocarbon oils (Excise Rebate on heavy oils).

2. Resolved, That, as from the beginning of nineteen hundred and fifty-one, section two of the Finance Act, 1935 (which withdraws the customs rebate on heavy oils used for road transport), shall apply to heavy oils used as fuel for tractors, agricultural tractors and agricultural engines not falling within paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section four of the Vehicles (Excise) Act, 1949, as amended by any Act of the present Session relating to Finance.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Hydrocarbon oils (Excise Rebate on heavy oils).

3. Resolved, That any Act of the present Session imposing an excise duty on hydrocarbon oils and applying section two of the Finance Act, 1935, in relation to any rebate of that duty, may apply it with any amendments made in it by the Act for the purposes of the customs rebate.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Income Tax (Double Taxation Provisions).

4. Resolved, That any provisions of any Act of the present Session relating to Finance which amend the law as to the effect for tax purposes of taxation payable under the laws of territories outside the United Kingdom may abolish the relief from income tax given by section twenty-seven of the Finance Act, 1920, and apply, with modifications, Part V of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1945, and the Ninth Schedule to the Finance Act, 1947, to tax payable under the laws of any such territory notwithstanding that there are no arrangements in force under the said Part V with the Government of that territory providing for the granting of credit in respect of that tax against United Kingdom taxes.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Profits Tax (Double Taxation Provisions).

5. Resolved, That any Act of the present Session relating to Finance may vary the extent and incidence of the profits tax for any chargeable accounting period falling wholly or partly after the end of March, nineteen hundred and fifty, so as to give effect to provisions amending the law as to the effect for tax purposes of taxation payable under the laws of territories outside the United Kingdom.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 13 (Road vehicles (purchase tax)).

Amendment proposed, in p. 9, l. 40, to leave out the words "first day of May," and insert the words "nineteenth day of April."—(Mr. Peter Thorneycroft.)

Question put, That the words "first day of May" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Bowden, Mr. Kenneth Robinson: 295.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Studholme, Major Wheatley: 285.

Clause disagreed to.

Clauses Nos. 14 to 18 agreed to.

Clause No. 19 (Increase in reduced rate relief and consequential alteration in marginal relief for small incomes).

Amendment proposed, in p. 12, l. 29, at the end, to insert the words "(3) Subsection (1) of section fifteen of the Finance Act, 1925 (which, as amended by subsequent enactments, provides for a deduction of tax on an amount equal to one-fifth of the amount of earned income but not exceeding four hundred pounds) and subsection (2) of the said section fifteen (which, as amended by subsequent enactments, provides, in a case where an individual or his wife has attained the age of sixty-five years and his total income does not exceed five hundred pounds, for a deduction of tax on an amount equal to one-fifth of his income) shall have effect as if—

(a) the words 'one quarter' were substituted for the words 'one-fifth' in each of those subsections; and

(b) the words 'six hundred and twenty-five pounds' were substituted in the said subsection (1) for the words 'four hundred pounds'; and

(c) the word 'one-half' were substituted in the said subsection (2) for the word 'five-eighths'."—(Captain Crookshank.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Brigadier Mackeson, Mr. Popplewell: 278.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Studholme, Mr. Sparks: 292.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 20 (Surtax to be charged on consideration for certain restrictive covenants, &c.).

Amendment proposed, in p. 12, l. 36, to leave out the word "gives," and insert the words "has after the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and forty-eight, given."—(Mr. Henry Strauss.)

Question proposed, That the word "gives" stand part of the Clause.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. Whiteley)—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjournment, proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Royle):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 16th June, 1950:

And the Question having been proposed after Ten of the clock on Thursday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then six minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, till this day.

[No. 60.]

Friday, 16th June, 1950.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

A MOTION being made, That the Ilford Ilford Corporation (Drainage) Bill be now read Corporation the third time;

(Drainage) Bill.

The Chairman of Ways and Means, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Ipswich Dock Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Wakefield Extension Bill [Lords].

Wakefield Extension Bill [Lords].

as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Secretary Gordon-Walker presented, India, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Draft Order in Council,
Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 15th June 1950, entitled the Prevention of Damage by Pests (Threshing and Dismantling of Stacks) (Scotland) Regulations, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 15th June 1950, entitled the Rats (Revocation) (Scotland) Order, 1950. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 13th June 1950, entitled the National Health Service (Service Committees and Tribunal) Amendment Regulations, 1950. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Barnes presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 15th June 1950, entitled the London Traffic (Prohibition of Waiting) (Harlow) Regulations, 1950. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders,—

(1) dated 15th June 1950, entitled the Milk (Retail Delivery) (Revocation) Order, 1950, and

(2) dated 16th June 1950, entitled the Starch Food Powders (Amendment) Order, 1950. Copies of Orders, dated 15th June 1950, entitled—

(1) the Bacon (Rationing) (Amendment No. 3) Order, 1950, and

(2) the Sugar (Rationing) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House welcomes the Report of the Committee on Resale Price Maintenance and the subsequent statements of the President of the Board of Trade thereon, and in order that the public may reap its benefits urges His Majesty's Government to take all action open to them to deal with the problem—(Mr. William Williams);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 3, by leaving out from the word “ Maintenance ” to the end of the Question, and adding the words “ as a contribution to a complex problem and at the same time, whilst believing in a broadly competitive system over the whole range of industry and commerce as the best protection of the interests both of producers and consumers, nevertheless recognises the valuable function of the mechanism of resale price maintenance, under proper safeguards, in the complicated structure of a modern economic society; it further declares its view that these problems should be handled, over the whole range of industry, whether nationally or privately owned, by the machinery of the Monopolies Commission”—(Mr. Rodgers),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Daines rose in his place, and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Assent withheld.

Mr. Speaker withheld his assent and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.

And it being Four of the clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded to interrupt the Business.

Whereupon Mr. Daines rose in his place, and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being proposed, That the Question be now put:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas—

Mr. Daines; Mr. Coldrick.

Mr. Linstead; Mr. Thornton, Kemsley.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas—

Mr. Daines; Mr. Coldrick.

Mr. Linstead, Mr. Thornton, Kemsley.

Tellers for the Noes—

Mr. Rodgers; Mr. Deedes.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. William Williams claimed, That the Main Question be now put.

And the Main Question being accordingly put;—Main Question put pursuant to S.O. (Closure of Debate).

Resolved, That this House welcomes the Report of the Committee on Resale Price Maintenance and the subsequent statements of the President of the Board of Trade thereon, and in order that the public may reap its benefits urges His Majesty's Government to take all action open to them to deal with the problem.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

(Mr. Kenneth Robinson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Five of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.
Mr. Secretary Henderson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of an Order, dated 25th May 1950, further amending in certain respects the Regulations appened to His Majesty’s Order, dated 11th December 1944, and included in a Volume entitled the King’s Regulations and Air Council Instructions for the Royal Air Force, 1928 (2nd Edition), as amended by subsequent Orders.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of a Scheme made by the Cheshunt Urban District Council and approved by the Minister of Health under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Stokes presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of an Order, dated 15th June 1950, entitled the Control of Building Operations (No. 15) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Nicholson reported from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, the Minutes of the further Proceedings of the Committee.

Ordered, That the said Minutes do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Hannan reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 15th day of this instant June, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Tractors, &c. (Excise Licences).
1. That, as from the beginning of nineteen hundred and fifty-one, the Vehicles (Excise) Act, 1949, shall be amended—
(a) by increasing to two pounds the five shilling rate of duty applicable to vehicles falling within paragraphs (a) to (d) of subsection (2) of section four of that Act;
(b) by repealing paragraph (e) of that subsection (vehicles chargeable on a scale beginning at twelve pounds) and extending paragraphs (a) and (f) to include vehicles which, but for the repeal, would fall within paragraph (e).

Hydrocarbon Oils (Customs Rebate on heavy Oils).
2. That, as from the beginning of nineteen hundred and fifty-one, section two of the Finance Act, 1935 (which withdraws the customs rebate on heavy oils used for road transport), shall apply to heavy oils as used as fuel for tractors, agricultural tractors and agricultural engines not falling within paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section four of the Vehicles (Excise) Act, 1949, as amended by any Act of the present Session relating to Finance.

Hydrocarbon Oils (Excise Rebate on heavy Oils).
3. That any Act of the present Session imposing an excise duty on hydrocarbon oils and applying section two of the Finance Act, 1935,
in relation to any rebate of that duty, may apply it with any amendments made in it by the Act for the purposes of the customs rebate.

Income Tax (Double Taxation Provisions).

4. That any provisions of any Act of the present Session relating to Finance which amend the law as to the effect for tax purposes of taxation payable under the laws of territories outside the United Kingdom may abolish the relief from income tax given by section twenty-seven of the Finance Act, 1920, and apply, with modifications, Part V of the Finance (No. 2) Act, 1945, and the Ninth Schedule to the Finance Act, 1947, to tax payable under the laws of any such territory notwithstanding that there are no arrangements in force under the said Part V with the Government of that territory providing for the granting of credit in respect of that tax against United Kingdom taxes.

Profits Tax (Double Taxation Provisions).

5. That any Act of the present Session relating to Finance may vary the extent and incidence of the profits tax for any chargeable accounting period falling wholly or partly after the end of March, nineteen hundred and fifty, so as to give effect to provisions amending the law as to the effect for tax purposes of taxation payable under the laws of territories outside the United Kingdom.

The First Resolution being read a second time;

And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to the Standing Order (Ways and Means Motions and Resolutions), That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Second Resolution being read a second time;

And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to the Standing Order (Ways and Means Motions and Resolutions), That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Third Resolution being read a second time;

And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to the Standing Order (Ways and Means Motions and Resolutions), That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Fourth Resolution being read a second time;

And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to the Standing Order (Ways and Means Motions and Resolutions), That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Fifth Resolution being read a second time;

And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to the Standing Order (Ways and Means Motions and Resolutions), That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Finance Bill that they have power to make provision therein pursuant to the said Resolutions.

The House, according to Order, resolved Ways and Means by itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Purchase Tax (Road vehicle chassis and road vehicles).

Resolved, That any Act of the present Session relating to Finance may amend the purchase tax law as from the first day of July, nineteen hundred and fifty, so as to subject to any power of the Treasury to make orders to include road vehicle chassis among the classes of goods which are chargeable goods, and among the classes which are relevant to the provisions about chargeable processes, and may in that connection make provision—

(a) for modifying, in the case of road vehicle chassis, the provisions as to the value on which, and the circumstances in which, purchase tax becomes chargeable;

(b) for treating part of a chassis-less vehicle as chassis;

(c) for other incidental matters; and

the Act may also include provision about cases in which contracts may have been affected by a prospective liability thereunder to purchase tax in respect of road vehicles.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved Finance Bill itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 20 (Surtax to be charged on consideration for certain restrictive covenants, &c.).

Amendment proposed, in p. 12, l. 36, to leave out the word "gives," and insert the words "has after the sixth day of April, nineteen hundred and forty-eight, given."

Question again proposed, That the word "gives" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 27, to leave out subsection (3).—(Mr. Marlowe.)

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

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Hannan, Yeas, Mr. Wilkins: 296.

Tellers for the Mr. Keeling, Mr. Astor: 77.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 21 (Payments for wayleaves, etc., for electric lines).

Amendment proposed, in p. 15, l. 8, to leave out subsection (2)—(Mr. Selwyn Lloyd.)
Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 22 and 23 agreed to.

Clause No. 24 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 25 agreed to.

Clause No. 26 (Collection from wife of tax assessed on husband attributable to her income).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 20, l. 29, to leave out the word "result," and insert the words "ratio decidendi."—(Mr. Nield.)

Question proposed, That the word "result" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made:

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 27 and 28 agreed to.

Clause No. 29 (Extension of charities relief to certain bodies as respects past periods.)

Amendment proposed, in p. 22, l. 35, after the word "only," to insert the words "or would in the opinion of the said Commissioners have been so treated if it had been formed before the year 1949-50."—(Mr. Nield.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made:

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 30 agreed to.

Clause No. 31 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 32 (Modification of last preceding section in the case of recoveries by assignee and in certain cases of subsidiary companies.)

Amendment proposed, in p. 29, l. 6, at the end, to add the words—

"If the Commissioners of Inland Revenue are satisfied that no additional tax would fall to be paid or allowed if this and the preceding section were applied in relation to the recovery, they may notify the appropriate person that this and the preceding section shall not apply to the recovery."—(Mr. Manningham-Buller.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 33 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 34 agreed to.

Clause No. 35 (Collection of duty from trustees after disposition or determination of life interest, &c.).

Amendment proposed, in p. 32, l. 29, at the end, to insert the words—

"Provided further that nothing herein contained shall alter or repeal the provisions of subsection (2) of section fifty-nine of the Finance (1909-10) Act, 1910."—(Mr. Joynson-Hicks.)
Bills, referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders are applicable, viz.:

- Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (Catte-water) Bill.
- Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (Great Yarmouth) Bill.
- Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (Workington) Bill.
- Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (Caernarvon) Bill.

**Ordered.** That the Bills be read a second time to-morrow.

**Cardiff Extension Bill.**

A Motion being made, That the Cardiff Extension Bill be now read the third time;

The Chairman of Ways and Means, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit. Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

**Ordered.** That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

**Towyn Trewan Common Bill.**

A Motion being made, That the Towyn Trewan Common Bill be now read the third time;

The Chairman of Ways and Means, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit. Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

**Ordered.** That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

**Bath Extension Bill [Lords].**

Mr. Jay presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Final Report of the Committee on the Form of Government Accounts.

**Ordered.** That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

**Supplies and Services (Agriculture).**

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 19th June 1950, entitled the Threshing of Grain (Revocation) (Scotland) Order, 1950.

**Ordered.** That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

**Supplies and Services.**

Copy of an Order, dated 19th June 1950, entitled the Grass Seed (Growers' Fixed Prices) (Revocation) (Scotland) Order, 1950.

**Ordered.** That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

**Goods and Services (Price Control).**

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 19th June 1950, entitled—

1. the Carpets (Maximum Prices) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950,
2. the Utility Apparel (Maximum Prices and Charges) Order, 1949 (Amendment No. 8) Order, 1950, and
3. the Women's and Maids' Nylon Hose (Maximum Prices) (Amendment) Order, 1950.

**Ordered.** That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 9th May 1950, entitled the Isle of Wight Water Board Order, 1950, with a Certificate by the Minister of Health under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945.

Copy of the Report of the Central Health Services Council for the period ended the 31st day of December 1949, preceded by a statement by the Minister of Health.

**Ordered.** That the said Papers do lie upon the Table ; and that the said Report be printed.

Mr. Noel-Baker presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 16th June 1950, entitled the Control of Petroleum (Amendment) Order, 1950.

**Ordered.** That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 19th June 1950, entitled the Flour (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950.

**Ordered.** That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of a Measure, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

**Schemes.**

1. for authorising the Taking down and Sale of the Site and Materials of the consecrated Church of St. James, Leeds, in the parish of Leeds and diocese of Ripon, and
2. for effecting the Union of the benefice of Wisbech, St. Peter and St. Paul, and the benefice of the Wisbech Chapel of Ease, both in the diocese of Ely, and for authorising the Taking down and Sale of the Site and Materials of the Church of the Wisbech Chapel of Ease.

Mr. Mathers reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated the following Twenty Members to serve on Standing Committee A: Mr. Braine, Mr. Brook, Dr. Broughton, Mr. Chetwynd, Brigadier Clarke, Mr. John Cooper, Mr. Erroll, Mr. Garner-Evans, Mr. Harrison, Squadron Leader Kinghorn, Major Legge-Bourke, Mr. Leslie Lever, Mr. John Morrison, Mr. Naborro, Captain Orr, Mr. Reeves, Mr. Sutcliffe, Mr. George Thomas, Mr. Vaughan-Morgan and Mr. Ian Winterbottom.

Mr. Mathers further reported from the Committee, That they had added the following Thirty Members to Standing Committee A (in respect of the Maintenance Orders Bill [Lords]): Mr. Boyd-Carpenter, Mr. Nigel Davies, Mr. de Freitas, Mr. Donnelly, Mr. Secretary Ede, Mr. Finch, Mr. Forman, Mr. Gage, Mr. Glanville, Mr. Hargreaves, Mr. Hay, Mr. Huyman, Miss Herison, Major Hicks-Beach, Lieutenant-Commander Hutchinson,
Another Clause (Duty free importations for tractor chassis, etc.)—(Mr. Bottomley)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Another Clause (Amendment of powers to allow drawback)—(Mr. Harold Wilson)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Another Clause (Excise licences for tractors, &c.)—(Mr. Gaitskell)—brought up, and read the first and second time.

Amendment proposed, in l. 30, at the end, to insert the words “and woodlands.”—(Mr. Vane.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The Committee divided.

Yeas, Major Conant: 1280.

Noses, Mr. Pearson: 276.

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Another Clause (Amendment of powers to allow drawback)—(Mr. Harold Wilson)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Another Clause (Excise licences for tractors, &c.)—(Mr. Gaitskell)—brought up, and read the first and second time.

Amendment proposed, in l. 30, at the end, to insert the words “and woodlands.”—(Mr. Vane.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The Committee divided.

Yeas, Mr. Royle: 287.

Noses, Mr. Digby: 276.

Another Clause (Reduction in rates of purchase tax) (Mr. Lyttelton)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Reduction of entertainments duty in case of puppet shows) (Lieutenant-Commander Hutchinson)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Exemption from Income Tax Acts of pensions, grants and allowances to war widows) (Mr. Turton)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Colindridge: 266.

Noses, Mr. Bowden: 295.

Another Clause (Exemption from Income Tax Acts of pensions, grants and allowances to war widows) (Mr. Turton)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Debate arising:

Mr. Whiteley rose in his place, and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question put, That the Question be now put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Galbraith: 257.

Noses, Mr. Sparks: 289.

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Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Debate arising:

Mr. Whiteley rose in his place, and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question put, That the Question be now put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Colindridge: 288.

Noses, Mr. Spens: 288.

Another Clause (Exemption from income tax of service allowances)—(Mr. Low)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Galbraith: 257.

Noses, Mr. Sparks: 289.

Another Clause (Reduction in rates of purchase tax) (Mr. Lyttelton)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Debate arising:

Mr. Whiteley rose in his place, and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question put, That the Question be now put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Colindridge: 288.

Noses, Mr. Spens: 288.

Another Clause (Reduction in rates of purchase tax) (Mr. Lyttelton)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Colindridge: 288.

Noses, Mr. Spens: 288.

Another Clause (Reduction in rates of purchase tax) (Mr. Lyttelton)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Colindridge: 288.

Noses, Mr. Spens: 288.
Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Royle);

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 21st June, 1950:

And the Question being put;

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

MEMORANDA.

Tuesday, 20th June, 1950.

In pursuance of the Standing Order (Standing Committees (Constitution and Powers), Mr. Speaker this day appointed Mr. Bowles Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Maintenance Orders Bill [Lords] and Mr. Mathers Chairman of the Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Scottish Estimates referred to that Committee.

[No. 63.]

Wednesday, 21st June, 1950.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Wakefield Extension Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bath Extension Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (Cattewater) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

The Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (Caernarvon) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed.

A Motion being made, that this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorising, for the purpose of any Act of the present Session confirming a Provisional Order relating to Cattewater made by the Minister of Transport under the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of such sums as may be necessary to enable the Cattewater Commissioners to be re-imburased all or part of the expenses reasonably incurred by them in the exercise of powers in relation to vessels sunk stranded or abandoned in Cattewater Harbour—(The Chairman of Ways and Means);

Mr. Barnes, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Barnes presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Minister of Transport under the Darlington Corporation (Transport, &c.) Act, 1925, relating to Darlington trolley vehicles: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of (1) a Communiqué, &c., arising from the Tripartite Talks between the Foreign Ministers of the United States, United Kingdom and France (with Annex), held in London from the 11th to the 13th day of May 1950, and (2) the Proceedings of the Fourth Session of the North Atlantic Council, held in London from the 15th to the 18th day of May 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Herbert Morrison presented, pursuant University of Durham, copy of a Statute made by the University of Durham, on the 14th day of March 1950, amending the Statutes of the University.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 24th April 1950, entitled the Housing (Rate of Interest) Regulations, 1950.

Copy of a Scheme made by the Spennborough Local Urban District Council and approved by the Minister of Health under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Thomas Williams presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of an Order, dated 19th June 1950, entitled the Kitchen Waste (Licensing of Private Collectors) (Extension) Order, 1950.

Ordered. That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, that he will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Return showing the number of Offences relating to Motor Vehicles in England and Wales, the number of persons prosecuted for such offences, the results of the proceedings in Magistrates' Courts, and the number of alleged offences in respect of which written warnings were issued by the police, together with the number of persons concerned, during the year ended the 31st day of December 1949.—(Mr. de Freitas.)

Ordered. That, notwithstanding anything in the Standing Order (Time for taking Private Business), any Private Business set down for consideration at Seven of the clock this evening, by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means, may be taken after Nine of the clock.—(Mr. Herbert Morrison.)

The Public Registers and Records (Scotland) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered. That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Collindridge.)

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Allotments Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Mr. Thomas Williams, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Allotments (Money), proposed to be moved, under the Standing Order (Money Committees), in a Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House:—Whereupon the House, pursuant to the said Standing Order, resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the law relating to allotments and to abolish restrictions on the keeping of hens and rabbits, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of—

(i) any expenses incurred by a Minister of the Crown of government department by way of compensation under the said Act.—(Mr. Thomas Williams.)

(b) the payment into the Exchequer of any sums received by a Minister of the Crown or government department by way of compensation under the said Act.—(Mr. Thomas Williams.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered. That the Report be received to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Medical Bill Second Reading of the Medical Bill [Lords]; [Lords].

Ordered. That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Resolved, That the Order extending Section Sunday 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, to the Borough of Accrington, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 15th day of this instant June, be approved.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

Resolved, That the Order extending Section Sunday 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, to the Rural District of Godstone, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 15th day of this instant June, be approved.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

Resolved, That the Order extending Section Sunday 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, to the Urban District of Uttoxeter, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 15th day of this instant June, be approved.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the British Transport Commission Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That Standing Order 205 relating to Private Business (Notice of Third Reading) be suspended.—(The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

A Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time; Mr. Barnes, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Wolverhampton Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That Standing Order 205 relating to Private Business (Notice of Third Reading) be suspended.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

A Motion was made, That the Bill be now read the third time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Ten of the clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded to interrupt the Business.
Whereupon the Chairman of Ways and Means rose in his place, and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

 Tellers for the [Mr. Baird, Mr. Powell;]
 Tellers for the [Mr. Boyd-Carpenter, Mr. Bell;]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the Bill be now read the third time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

 Tellers for the [Mr. Baird, Mr. lain MacLeod;]
 Tellers for the [Mr. Snow, Mr. Harold Davies;]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

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

Resolved, That the Bill be now read the third time.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put, That the Yeas do now adjourn.

Revolved, That this House do now adjourn.

—(Mr. Popplewell.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eleven minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

PRAYERS.

[No. 64.]

Thursday, 22nd June, 1950.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

South Shields Extension Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the South Shields Extension Bill, as amended in the Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Adjournment.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the South Shields Extension Bill, as amended in the Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Bath Extension Bill [Lords].

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Bath Extension Bill [Lords]:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Cattewater Harbour [Money].

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Cattewater Harbour [Money].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Minister of Transport under the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, to make provision for the removal of wrecks and for other purposes it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament, of such sums as may be necessary to enable the Admiralty and the Minister of Transport to reimburse to the Cattewater Commissioners all or part of the expenses reasonably incurred by the said Commissioners in the exercise by the said Commissioners of powers in relation to certain vessels sunk stranded or abandoned in Cattewater Harbour.

—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Mr. Smith presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on Consolidation, &c., Bills (Joint Committee), International Organisations (Immunities and Privileges) Bill [Lords].

No. 85.

Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Report of the Joint Export-Import Agency for 1947 and 1948.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 20th June 1950, entitled the Education (Scotland) Fund Basketaries Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Stokes presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 21st June 1950, entitled the Stopping up of Highways (Variants) (Revocation) (No. 5) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Oliver reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills (Joint Committee), International Organisations (Immunities and Privileges) Bill [Lords].

No. 86.

Mr. Oliver reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills, That they had considered the Food and Drugs (Milk, Dairies and Artificial Cream) (Consolidation, &c., Bills (Joint Committee), International Organisations (Immunities and Privileges) Bill [Lords]), now pending in the House of Lords, and had agreed to a Report in respect thereof, which they had directed him to make to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Oliver reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills, That they had considered the Food and Drugs (Milk, Dairies and Artificial Cream) (Consolidation, &c., Bills (Joint Committee), International Organisations (Immunities and Privileges) Bill [Lords]), now pending in the House of Lords, and had agreed to a Report in respect thereof, which they had directed him to make to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
Lords, and had agreed to a Report in respect thereof, which they had directed him to make to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Mathers reported from the Committee of Selection, that they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A: Mr. Chetwynd, Major Legge-Bourke and Mr. John Morrison; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Bower, Lieutenant-Colonel Lipton and Mr. Smithers.

Mr. Mathers further reported from the Committee, that they had nominated the following Twenty Members to serve on Standing Committee B: Lieutenant-Colonel Corbett, Mr. George Craddock, Mr. Crosland, Viscountess Davidson, Mr. Drayson, Lord Durham, Mr. Whitehead, Major John Hall, Mr. Hopkinson, Mr. Keenan, Mr. Langford-Holt, Mr. McKibbin, Mrs. Middleton, Mr. Moody, Mr. Morley, Mr. Scott, Mr. Slater, Mr. Vane, Mr. William Williams and Mr. Richard Winterbottom.

Mr. Mathers further reported from the Committee, that they had added the following Thirty Members to Standing Committee B (in respect of the Allotments Bill): Mr. Baldwin, Mr. Brockway, Mr. George Brown, Mr. Thomas Brown, Sir Thomas Dugdale, Mr. Howard, Mr. Hurst, Mr. John Jones, Mr. Kaberry, Mr. Kinley, Major Legge-Bourke, Mr. Lindgren, Mr. Sidney Marshall, Mr. Mooran, Mr. Hopkin Morris, Mr. John Morrison, Mr. Murray, Mr. Nugent, Mr. Oakshott, Mr. Peart, Mr. Sparks, Mr. Henry Strauss, Mr. Forwerth Thomas, Mr. Turton, Mr. Watkins, Mr. Baker White, Mr. Gerald Williams, Mr. Thomas Williams and Mr. Woods.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (Hartlepool) Bill, that they had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Faculty of Homoeopathy Bill [Lords], that they had examined the allegations of the Bill and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Gateshead and District Tramways Bill [Lords], that they had examined the allegations of the Bill and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and had directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Doncaster Corporation Bill [Lords], that they had examined the allegations of the Bill and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Carlisle Extension Bill [Lords], that they had examined the allegations of the Bill and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved Finance Bill, into a Committee on the Finance Bill.

(After Debate.)

Another Clause (Relief of profits tax on reserved profits)—(Mr. Eden)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Debate arising:

Mr. Robert Taylor rose in his place, and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question put, That the Question be now put. The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Hannan, Mr. Wilkins, Lieutenant-Colonel Bromley-Davenport, Major Wheatley; 296.

Tellers for the Noes, 283.

Question put accordingly, That the Clause be read a second time.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,

{ Lieutenant-Colonel Bromley-Davenport,
  Mr. Galbraith: } 284.

Tellers for the Noes,

{ Mr. Hannan,
  Mr. Wilkins: } 295.

Another Clause (Interest on tax in arrear by reason of exchange restrictions)—(Mr. Maudling)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,

{ Major Wheatley,
  Mr. Bowden,
  Mr. Kenneth Robinson: } 276.

Tellers for the Noes,

{ Miss Ward,
  Flying Officer Howard: } 294.

Another Clause (Estate duty on dependant’s pension)—(Mr. Maudling)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Deduction in respect of board and lodging of nursing staff)—(Mr. Turton)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Distrain upon goods not belonging to the taxpayer)—(Miss Ward)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,

{ Miss Ward,
  Mr. Pearson,
  Mr. Sparks: } 274.

Tellers for the Noes,

{ Mr. Howard,
  Mr. Bowden: } 294.

Another Clause (Amendment of s. 28 (3) of Finance Act, 1949)—(Sir Hugh Lucas-Tooth)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Reduction of entertainments duty for British films)—(Mr. Shepherd)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Export allowance)—(Mr. Aitken)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Restriction of balancing charges)—(Mr. Bell)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Amendment of s. 4 of Finance Act, 1949)—(Mr. Russell)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Amendment of s. 6 of Finance (No. 2) Act, 1947)—(Mr. Ian Orr-Ewing)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Valuation of industrial buildings, &c., for estate duty)—(Sir Wavell Wakefield)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Amendment of Tenth Schedule to Finance Act, 1948)—(Mr. Touche)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Amendment of s. 15 of Finance Act 1920)—(Mr. Carr)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Further provisions as to profits tax)—(Lieutenant-Commander Braithwaite)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Amendment of s. 4 of Income Tax Act, 1945)—(Mr. Vane)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Amendment of s. 33 of Income Tax Act, 1945)—(Mr. Sheppard)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Amendment of s. 15 of the Vehicles (Excise) Act, 1949, as amended)—(Mr. Gaitskell)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Another Clause (Double taxation relief)—(Mr. Solicitor General)—brought up, and read the first and second time.
Amendment proposed, in l. 5, to leave out the word "arising," and insert the word "chargeable."—(Mr. Selwyn Lloyd.)

Question, That the words "arising" stand part of the proposed Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Schedule added.

Another Schedule (Purchase tax: supplementary provisions as to road vehicle chassis and road vehicles)—(Mr. Gaitskell)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Schedule be read a second time.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Popplewell, Yeas, Mr. Sparks: 202.

Tellers for the [Mr. Studdholme, Noes, Major Wheatley: 183.

Schedule accordingly read a second time.

Amendment proposed, to leave out l. 20 and 21.—(Mr. Henry Strauss.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Schedule, put, and agreed to.

Proposed Schedule amended in l. 52, by leaving out the words "(but not including headsets).”—(Sir Austin Hudson.)

Another Amendment proposed, in l. 58, at the end, to insert the words "unless such composite vehicle is one of the other excepted vehicles comprised in sub-head (c) of sub-paragraph (2) of paragraph 3 of Part I of this Schedule."—(Mr. Geoffrey Wilson.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in l. 58, at the end, to insert the words—

"(e) battery electric vehicles designed and permanently fitted solely or mainly for the carriage of goods."—(Sir Wavell Wakefield.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in l. 59, at the beginning, to insert the words "agricultural, horticultural."—(Mr. Maudling.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in l. 64, at the end, to insert the words—

"(a) vans and delivery vehicles of not more than twenty hundredweights unladen weight."—(Viscount Hinchingbrooke.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Studdholme, Yeas, Major Count: 175.

Tellers for the [Mr. Bowden, Noes, Mr. Kenneth: 199.

Another Amendment proposed, in l. 64, at the end, to insert the words—

"(a) aircraft refuelling vehicles designed primarily for use only on aerodromes in connection with the refuelling of aircraft."—(Mr. Erroll.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Schedule, as amended, added. Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question Adjournment being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Collindridge):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the Question having been proposed after Ten of the clock on Thursday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then fourteen minutes before Six of the clock on Friday morning, till this day.

MEMORANDA.

Thursday, 22nd June, 1950.

In pursuance of the Standing Order (Standing Committees (Constitution and Powers)), Mr. Speaker this day allocated the Allotments Bill to Standing Committee B.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of the Standing Order (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker this day appointed Colonel Ropner Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Allotments Bill.

[No. 65.]

Friday, 23rd June, 1950.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (Hartlepool) Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Secretary Ede presented,—Return to Offences relating to Motor Vehicles. No. 88.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.


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Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 21st June 1950, entitled the Raw Cocoa (Amendment) Order, 1950. No. 8.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of a Measure, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Scheme for the rearrangement of the pastoral supervision of the parishes of St. Mary, Aston Brook, St. Stephen, Birmingham, and St. George, Birmingham, in the diocese of Birmingham.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, having regard to the greatly increased number of workers now entitled to an annual holiday with pay, and the consequential demand for increased holiday accommodation, particularly for families with limited means, is of the opinion that the Government should take early steps to facilitate the provision of such moderately priced accommodation—(Mr. Shurmer)

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in line 8, by leaving out from the word "to" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "encourage the hotel and boarding house industries by removing the unfair burdens which have been placed upon them"—(Mr. Charles Taylor)—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Four of the clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded to interrupt the Business.

Whereupon, Mr. Shurmer rose in his place, and claimed to move. That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

Tellers for the Yeas, 
Mrs. White, 99. 
Mr. Holman; 62.

Tellers for the Noes, 
Mr. Studholme:

Whereupon Mr. Speaker declared that the Question was not decided in the Affirmative because it was not supported by the majority prescribed by the Standing Order (Majority for Closure); and the Debate stood adjourned.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Kenneth Robinson):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the Question having been proposed after Four of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour. Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-two minutes before Five of the clock, till Monday next.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

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And the Question having been proposed after Four of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour. Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-two minutes before Five of the clock, till Monday next.
Mr. Bowden reported from the Committee on Cattewater Harbour [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Minister of Transport under the General Pier and Harbour Act, 1861, to make provision for the removal of wrecks and for other purposes it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament, of such sums as may be necessary to enable the Admiralty and the Minister of Transport to reimburse to the Cattewater Commissioners all or part of the expenses reasonably incurred by the said Commissioners in the exercise by the said Commissioners of powers in relation to certain vessels sunk, stranded or abandoned in Cattewater Harbour.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to Aberdeen Harbour: And the same was ordered (under Section 7 of the Act) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

The following Papers, required by an Act of Parliament to be laid before the House and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on the 24th day of this instant June pursuant to the Standing Order (Presentation of Statutory Instruments), were ordered to lie upon the Table:

Copy of an Order, dated 22nd June 1950, entitled the Stopping up of Highways (Long Kesh) (Northern Ireland) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 23rd June 1950, entitled the Utility Handkerchiefs (Maximum Prices) (Amendment No. 5) Order, 1950.

Copy of Orders, dated 23rd June 1950, entitled the Newsprint (Prices) (Amendment) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 23rd June 1950, entitled the Paper (Prices) (No. 2) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 23rd June 1950, entitled the Control of Timber (No. 54) Order, 1950, and

Copy of an Order, dated 23rd June 1950, entitled the Plywood Prices (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 23rd June 1950, entitled the Milk Marketing Scheme (Amendment) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 20th June 1950, entitled the Feed-stuffs (Directions) (Northern Ireland) Order, 1950, and

Copy of an Order, dated 22nd June 1950, entitled the Milk Marketing Scheme (Amendment) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order in Council, dated 26th June 1950, entitled the Royal Auxiliary Air Force (No. 2) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order in Council, dated 26th June 1950, entitled the Transfer of Functions (Sale of Food) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order in Council, dated 26th June 1950, entitled the District Registries Order in Council, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Report under sub-section (5) of Section 16 of the Housing (Financial and Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1946.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Ness Edwards presented, pursuant to Telegraphs, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations, dated 21st June 1950, entitled—

(1) the Telegraph (British Commonwealth and Foreign Written Telegram) Regulations, 1950, and

(2) the Telegraph (British Commonwealth and Foreign Written Press Telegram) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Schedule containing a List and Particulars of certain Classes of Documents existing or accruing in the Board of Trade, which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

Mr. Mathers reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A: Mr. Brook; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Ronald Williams.

Mr. Mathers further reported from the Committee, That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A (added in respect of the Maintenance Orders Bill [Lords]): Lieutenant-Colonel Kingsmill; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Charles Orr-Ewing.

Ordered, That this day Business other than Business of the House of Supply may be taken before House (Supply). Ten of the clock.—(The Prime Minister.)

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Business of Motion relating to the Schuman Plan be the House, exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House) for One hour after Ten of the clock.—(The Prime Minister.)

The House, according to Order, resolved Supply itself into the Committee of Supply. [17th allotted Day].

(In the Committee.)

Civil Estimates, 1950-51.

Class II.

Vote 1. Foreign Service.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum, not exceeding £8,326,922, be granted

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to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary
to defray the charge which will come in course of
payment during the year ending on the
31st day of March 1951, for the salaries and
expenses of the Department of His Majesty's
Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs including
His Majesty's Missions and Consulates abroad
and the salary of a Minister of State.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question,
That the Chairman do report Progress, and
ask leave to sit again—(Mr. Whiteley)—put,
and agreed to.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow,
again resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question
being proposed, That this House requests His
Majesty's Government, in the interests of peace
and full employment, to accept the invitation
to take part in the discussions on the Schuman
Plan, subject to the same condition as that
made by the Netherlands Government, namely,
that if the discussions show the plan not to
be practicable, freedom of action is reserved—
(Mr. Eden);

An Amendment was proposed to be made
to the Question, in l. 1, by leaving out from
the word " House " to the end of the Question,
and adding the words " welcomes the initiative
of the French Foreign Minister of 9th May
and, while recognising that it was not possible
for His Majesty's Government to take part in
the international consideration of his pro-
posals on terms which committed them in
advance of such consideration to pool the pro-
duction of coal and steel and to institute a
new high authority whose decisions would
bind the Governments concerned, approves the
declared readiness of His Majesty's Govern-
ment to take a constructive part in the con-
versations with the hope that they may be
able to join in, or associate themselves with,
this common effort "—(Mr. Chancellor of the
Exchequer),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That
the words proposed to be left out stand part
of the Question:—And a Debate arising there-
on:

And it being Eleven of the clock, the Debate
stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-
morrow.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.
—(Mr. Delargy.)

And accordingly the House, having con-
tinued to sit till twenty-nine minutes
after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till
tomorrow.
Mr. Secretary Edes presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Report of His Majesty’s Inspectors of Constabulary for the year ended the 30th day of September 1949.

Copy of an Order, made by the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland on the 15th day of June 1950, entitled the Control of Building Operations (Northern Ireland) (No. 2) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relating to Police ( Counties and Boroughs) be printed.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 21st June 1950, entitled the Housing (Rate of Interest on Repaid Improvement Grants) (Scotland) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Goods and Services (Price Control).

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 26th June 1950, entitled—

(1) the Utility Quilts (Maximum Prices) (No. 2) Order, 1950, and

(2) the General Hollow-ware (Maximum Prices) (Amendment) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Thomas Williams presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 26th June 1950, entitled the Threshing (Revocation) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Local Government Superannuation.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Scheme made by the Godalming Town Council and approved by the Minister of Health under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Emergency Laws (Food Standards).

Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 26th June 1950, entitled the Food Standards (Preserves) (Amendment) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Statutory Orders (Special Procedure).

The Chairman of Ways and Means presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Reports by the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords and the Chairman of Ways and Means in the House of Commons under Section 3 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945, That no Petition has been presented against—

(1) the Lincolnshire River Board Area Order, 1950, and

(2) the Torquay Corporation Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Mathers reported from the Committee of Selection of that Committee, That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B: Mr. Vane: and had appointed in substitution Mr. Deedex.

Mr. Mathers further reported from the Committee of Selection of that Committee, That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee B (added in respect of the Allotments Bill): Mr. Baldwin and Mr. Baker White: and had appointed in substitution Colonel Clarke and Mr. Gilbert Longden.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Distribution of Industry Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Merchant Shipping Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Royal Patriotic Fund Corporation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Wakefield Extension Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Mr. Bowles reported from Standing Committee A, That they had gone through the Maintenance Orders Bill [Lords], and made Amendments thereto, and had amended the Title, as followeth: A Bill, intituled, An Act to enable certain maintenance orders and other orders relating to married persons and children to be made and enforced throughout the United Kingdom.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which was proposed to be made to the Question proposed yesterday, That this House requests His Majesty’s Government, in the interests of peace and full employment, to accept the invitation to take part in the discussions on the Schuman Plan, subject to the same condition as that made by the Netherlands Government, namely, that if the discussions show the plan not to be practicable, freedom of action is reserved.

Which Amendment was, in l. 1, to leave out from the word "House" to the end of the Question, and add the words "welcomes the initiative of the French Foreign Minister of the Netherlands Government, namely, that if the discussions show the plan not to be practicable, freedom of action is reserved;"
in advance of such consideration to pool the production of coal and steel and to institute a new high authority whose decisions would bind the Governments concerned, approves the declared readiness of His Majesty’s Government to take a constructive part in the conversations with the hope that they may be able to join in, or associate themselves with, this common effort;—instead thereof.

And the Question being again proposed, These words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate. And the Question being put; The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the 
Yeas, 289. 
Mr. Grimond: 
Mr. DREW: 
Mr. Grimond: 
Mr. Whitelaw: 
Mr. Robert Taylor: 
Mr. Collindridge: 
Mr. Pearson: 
Mr. Collindridge: 
Mr. Grimond: 
296. 
309.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the proposed words be there added; The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the 
Yeas, 309. 
Mr. Pearson: 
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So it was resolved in the affirmative. Then the main question, so amended, being put; Resolved, That this House welcomes the initiative of the French Foreign Minister of 9th May and, while recognising that it was not possible for His Majesty’s Government to take part in the international consideration of his proposals on terms which committed them in advance of such consideration to pool the production of coal and steel and to institute a new high authority whose decisions would bind the Governments concerned, approves the declared readiness of His Majesty’s Government to take a constructive part in the conversations with the hope that they may be able to join in, or associate themselves with, this common effort.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee on the public registers and records (Scotland) bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to. Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the bill, and directed him to report the same, without amendment.

Ordered, That the bill be now read the third time:—The bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the clerk do carry the bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without amendment.

The Medical Bill [Lords] was, according to medical Bill order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the bill be committed to a committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Sparks.)

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. George Brown reported from the Committee on allotments [money], a resolution;—which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any act of the present session to amend the law relating to allotments and to abolish restrictions on the keeping of hens and rabbits, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of—

(i) any expenses incurred by a Minister of the Crown or government department in paying compensation under the said act; and

(ii) any increase attributable to the passing of the said act in the sums which, under any other enactment, are payable out of moneys so provided; and

(b) the payment into the Exchequer of any sums received by a Minister of the Crown or government department by way of compensation under the said act.

The said resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

A motion was made, and the question being put, That an humble address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the regulations, dated 9th May 1950, entitled the gas (pensions scheme) (amendment) regulations, 1950 (S.I., 1950, No. 742), a copy of which was laid before this House on the 10th day of May last, be annulled.—(Colonel Crosthwaite-Eyre):—It was passed in the negative.

A motion was made, and the question being adjourned, proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Popplewell):—And a debate arising thereupon;

And the question having been proposed after ten of the clock, and the debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then a quarter of an hour after eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.
of such sums as may be necessary to enable the Admiralty and the Minister of Transport to reimburse to the Dover Harbour Board all or part of the expenses reasonably incurred by the said Board in the exercise by the said Board of powers in relation to certain vessels sunk stranded or abandoned in Dover Harbour.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Aberdeen Harbour Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed. Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Darlington Corporation Trolley Vehicles (Additional Routes) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and committed.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account of Revenue and Expenditure in respect of the Duties of the Customs of the Isle of Man, and Accounts of the Accumulated Fund, and of Passenger Tax and Harbour Dues, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1950, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Account of all Deposits received and paid during 1949, with a Statement showing the aggregate amount of the Liabilities of the Government to Depositors in the Post Office Savings Banks on the 31st day of December 1949, and the nature and amounts of the Securities held by the National Debt Commissioners to meet those Liabilities at that date.

Ordered, That the said Accounts do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Report on Prisons in Scotland for 1949.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Draft Order entitled the Census of Distribution (1951) (Restriction on Disclosure) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Scheme made by the Maidstone Rural District Council and approved by the Minister of Health, under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 27th June 1950, entitled—

(1) the Labelling of Food Order, 1950, and
(2) the Milk Marketing Board (Modification of Functions) Order, 1950.

Copies of Orders, dated 27th June 1950, entitled—

(1) the Milk (Great Britain) (General Licence No. 2) (Amendment) Order, 1950, and
(2) the Use of Milk (Suspension of Restriction) (Amendment) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Mainwaring reported from the Committee on the London County Council (Woolwich Subsidences) Bill [Lords], That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (Caernarvon) Bill, That they had considered the Order contained in the Bill; that they were of opinion that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

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Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Middlesex County Council Act, 1944; to confer further powers on the Middlesex County Council and the local authorities in Middlesex in relation to the local government improvement and health of the county; to make further provision for the superannuation of employees; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Middlesex County Council Bill (Lords) was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

The Miscellaneous Financial Provisions Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Royle.)

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Whiteley):—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Miscellaneous Financial Provisions [Money] proposed to be moved, under the Standing Order (Money Committees), in a Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House:—Whereupon the House, pursuant to the said Standing Order, resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make further provision for a temporary increase in the Civil Contingencies Fund, to authorise loans to the Government of Northern Ireland, to give statutory authority for the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of grants in respect of the expenses of police forces in England and Wales, and to wind up the Czecho-Slovak Financial Claims Fund, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the issue out of the Consolidated Fund of any sums required—

(i) for increasing the capital of the Civil Contingencies Fund until the end of the year nineteen hundred and fifty-two by not more than one hundred and twenty-five million pounds; or

(ii) for advancing any sums by way of loan to the Government of Northern Ireland, so however that any sums so advanced and remaining unrepaid at any time shall not exceed fifteen million pounds;

(b) the raising under the National Loans Act, 1939, of any money required for the purpose of providing any sums to be issued as aforesaid—

(c) the payment into the Exchequer of sums repaid out of the Civil Contingencies Fund and sums paid by the Government of Northern Ireland in respect of advances to them, and the issue of such sums out of the Consolidated Fund, and the application of such sums, in so far as they represent principal in redemption or repayment of debt, and in so far as they represent interest in payment of interest otherwise falling to be paid out of the permanent annual charge for the National Debt—

(i) any police force in England or Wales in respect of which grants out of such moneys have been made before the passing of the said Act of the present Session; or

(ii) any combined police force, county police force or borough police force established in England or Wales after the passing of the said Act.—(Mr. Jay.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Depute Speaker resumed the chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution. Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Midwives (Amendment) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

And Amendments were made to the Bill. Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments. Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments: to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships. Resolved, That the Draft Transferred Transport Undertakings (Compensation to Employees) Regulations, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 16th day of March last, be approved.—(Mr. Barnes.)

A Motion was made, and the Question India, being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, in pursuance of Section 309 of the Government of India Act, 1935, praying that the Government of India (Family Pension Funds) (Amendment) Order, 1950, be made in the form of the draft laid before Parliament on the 16th day of this instant June.—(Mr. Secretary Gordon-Walker):

—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.—(Mr. Secretary Gordon-Walker.)

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the South Shields Extension Bill, as amended in the Committee.
A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Compensation to existing officers)—(Mr. MacColl); and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be read a second time:

The House divided
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. MacColl, 223.]
Yea.
Mr. Ewart;
Tellers for the [Mr. Odey, 138.]
Noe.
Mr. Hutchinson.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The said Clause was accordingly read a second time; and made part of the Bill.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

A Motion being made, That Standing Order 205 relating to Private Business (Notice of Third Reading) be suspended and that the Bill be now read the third time—(The Chairman of Ways and Means);

The Chairman of Ways and Means, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And the Question being proposed, That Standing Order 205 relating to Private Business (Notice of Third Reading) be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time:

And a Debate arising thereupon:

Whereupon the Chairman of Ways and Means rose in his place, and claimed to move. That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Question be now put:

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Ewart, 220.]
Yea.
Mr. MacColl;
Tellers for the [Mr. MacColl, 112.]
Noe.
Mr. Odey.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put. That Standing Order 205 relating to Private Business (Notice of Third Reading) be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Sparks):—And a Debate arising thereupon:

And the Question having been proposed after Ten of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty minutes before Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 69.]

Thursday, 29th June, 1950.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

P R A Y E R S.

T H E Order of the day being read, for the Bath Extension Bill [Lords];
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next at Seven of the clock.

The Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (Caernarvon) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (Cattewater) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (Great Yarmouth) Bill as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (Workington) Bill, as Order as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 27th June 1950, entitled the Silk Duties (Drawback) (No. 2) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Ede presented, by His Police Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Report of the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis for 1949.

Mr. Secretary Ede also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Regulations entitled the Civil Defence (Police) (Training) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Convention between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom on their own behalf and on behalf of the Government of Southern Rhodesia and the Government of the Republic of Portugal relative to the Port of Beira and connected Railways (with Schedule and Notes exchanged), signed at Lisbon on the 17th day of June 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Griffiths presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Report on the British Territories in East and Central Africa from 1945 to 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McNeill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Statement of a Programme of Highland Development.

Mr. Secretary McNeill also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Regulations entitled the Civil Defence (Police Training) (Scotland) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Housing Summary, dated 31st May 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Noel-Baker presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts of the National Coal Board for 1949.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 29th June 1950, entitled—

(1) the Cheese Order, 1950, and
(2) the Dried Fruits (Amendment No. 3) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Griffiths presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Report on the British Parks and Access to the Countryside (National Parks and Services (Food Supplies and Rationing)).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McNeill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Report on the London Corporation Improvement Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McNeill presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Statement of a Programme of Highland Development.

Mr. Secretary McNeill also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Regulations entitled the Civil Defence (Police Training) (Scotland) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House:

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, representing that the Select Committee of this House appointed to consider whether the election of the Reverend James Godfrey MacManaway to this Parliament as Member for Belfast, West, is void by reason of the House of Commons (Clergy Disqualification) Act, 1801, have reported that they have heard evidence from various authorities and considered the memoranda laid before them, but that they felt that the arguments on both sides of the question were evenly balanced and that they were unable to arrive at a unanimous decision on their merits; and praying that His Majesty will refer to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council for hearing and consideration the question of law, whether the provisions of the House of Commons (Clergy Disqualification) Act, 1801, so far as they apply to persons ordained to the office of priest or deacon disable from sitting and voting in this House only persons ordained to the office of priest or deacon in the Church of England as by law established, or whether they also disable from so sitting and voting other and, if so, what
persons ordained to those offices and in particular whether, by reason of the fact that the said James Godfrey MacManaway has been ordained as a priest according to the use of the Church of Ireland he is disabled from sitting and voting in this House, in order that the said Judicial Committee may, after hearing argument on both sides (if necessary), advise His Majesty thereon; and further praying that His Majesty, upon receiving the advice of the said Judicial Committee, will be pleased to communicate such advice to this House, in order that this House may take such action as seems to it proper in the circumstances.—(Mr. Herbert Morrison.)

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Majesty by such Members of this House as are of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of His Majesty's Household.

The Cinematograph Film Production (Special Loans) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Royle.)

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee.

Mr. Harold Wilson, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to the Cinematograph Film Production (Special Loans) [Money] proposed to be moved, under the Standing Order (Money Committees), in a Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House:—Whereupon the House, pursuant to the said Standing Order, resolved itself into a Committee.

(in the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the Cinematograph Film Production (Special Loans) Act, 1949, as respects the permitted maximum aggregate amount of principal outstanding in respect of advances made by the Board of Trade to the National Film Finance Corporation, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) any increase attributable to the new Act increasing from five to six million pounds the limit on outstanding loans by the Board of Trade to the National Film Finance Corporation, being an increase in the sums which are by virtue of the said Act of 1949—

(i) to be issued out of the Consolidated Fund; or

(ii) to be raised under the National Loans Act, 1939; or

(iii) to be paid into the Exchequer and issued out and applied, in so far as they represent principal in redemption or repayment of debt, and in so far as they represent interest in payment of interest otherwise falling to be paid out of the permanent annual charge for the National Debt; and

(b) in the case of the dissolution of the Corporation, the cancellation by virtue of the said Act of 1949 of the whole or any part of any liability of the said Corporation to the Board of Trade which is attributable to the passing of the new Act.—(Mr. Harold Wilson.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Resolved, That this House takes note of the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts of the National Film Finance Corporation for the year ended the 31st day of March 1950.—(Mr. Harold Wilson.)

Resolved, That the Agreement, dated 8th June 1950, between His Majesty's Postmaster-General and the British Broadcasting Corporation, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 15th day of this instant June, be approved.—(Mr. Hobson.)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

—(Mr. Bowden.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nine minutes before Twelve of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 70.]

Friday, 30th June, 1950.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (Great Yarmouth) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (Workington) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to Edinburgh Corporation: And the same was read the first time: And ordered (under Section 9 of the Act) to be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of July next.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Control Orders, dated 29th June 1950, entitled

(1) the Exchange Control (Payments) Order, 1950, and

(2) the Exchange Control (Definition of Scheduled Territories) Order, 1950.
Copy of an Order, dated 28th June 1950, entitled the Import Duties (Drawback) (No. 4) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Report under sub-section (5) of Section 14 of the Housing (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Act, 1946.

Copy of the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts of the North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Board for 1949.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Dr. Summerskill presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Regulations entitled the National Insurance Joint Authority under that Act.

Report of the National Insurance Advisory Committee in accordance with sub-section (4) of Section 77 of the National Insurance Act, 1946, on the Draft National Insurance (Seasonal Workers) Regulations, 1950, preceded by a Statement made by the Minister of National Insurance and the National Insurance Joint Authority under that Act.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Report be printed.

Mr. Attorney General presented, by His Majesty's Command, Copy of the Final Report of the Leasehold Committee.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Colonial and Other Territories (Divorce Jurisdiction) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Royle.)

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Kenneth Robinson.)

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Thomas Williams, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) [Money] proposed to be moved, under the Standing Order (Money Committees), in a Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House:—Whereupon the House, pursuant to the said Standing Order, resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of grants in respect of petrol-driven machines used in connection with agriculture and of contributions towards costs of providing fertilisers used for agricultural land, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament—

(a) of grants in respect of petrol-driven machines used for agricultural operations;

(b) of contributions towards costs of providing fertilisers used on land under grass or ploughed up from grass; and

(c) of any expenses of administration incurred by a Minister for the purposes of the said Act of the present Session or of any scheme made under that Act.—(Mr. Thomas Williams.)

And it being Four o'clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and moved, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question adjourned, being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Kenneth Robinson):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the Question having been proposed after Four of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-nine minutes before Five of the clock, till Monday next.

[No. 71.]


The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE Runcorn-Widnes Bridge Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Tyne Improvement Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.
The House proceeded to take into consideration the Carlisle Extension Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The following Papers, required by an Act of Parliament to be laid before the House and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on the undermentioned dates, pursuant to the Standing Order (Presentation of Statutory Instruments), were ordered to lie upon the Table:

30th June 1950:—
Copies of Orders, dated 30th June 1950, entitled—
(1) the Oats (Great Britain) Order, 1950,
(2) the Oats (Northern Ireland) Order, 1950,
(3) the Eggs (Great Britain and Northern Ireland) (Amendment No. 5) Order, 1950,
(4) the barley Order, 1950,
(5) the Dredge Corn (Great Britain and Northern Ireland) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950,
(6) the Rye Order, 1950,
(7) the Wheat (Great Britain and Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order, 1950, and

1st July 1950:—
Copies of Orders, dated 30th June 1950, entitled—
(1) the Gloves (Manufacture and Supply) (Amendment No. 5) Order, 1950, and
(2) the Utility Apparel (Men’s, Youths’ and Boys’ Outerwear) (Manufacture and Supply) (Amendment) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 30th June 1950, entitled the Control of Paper (Contents Posters) Order, 1950.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 27th June 1950, relative to the fiduciary note issue.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of the Report on the Fisheries of Scotland for 1949.

Copy of a Report by the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords and the Chairman of Ways and Means in the House of Commons under Section 2 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, That they have taken into consideration the Provisional Orders for which Petitions were presented to one of His Majesty’s Principal Secretaries of State on or before the 27th day of March 1950, namely, the Airdrie Corporation Order, the Dundee Harbour and Tay Ferries Order, and the Ross and Cromarty County Council (Kyle of Lochalsh Fishery Pier) Order, and are of opinion that the Orders be allowed to proceed, subject to such recommendations as they may hereafter make with respect to the said Orders.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 30th June 1950, entitled the Utility Cloth and Utility Household Textiles (Maximum Prices) (Amendment No. 9) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Scheme made by the Bucklow Superannuation Joint Committee and approved by the Minister of Health under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Thomas Williams presented, pursuant Agriculture, to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 26th June 1950, entitled the Agricultural Goods and Services (Marginal Production) Scheme (England and Wales) Amending Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Nicholson reported from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, the Minutes of the further Proceedings of the Committee.

Ordered, That the said Minutes do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Mathers reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B: Mr. William Williams; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Tomney.

Ordered, That the Finance Bill, as amended in the Committee, may be considered immediately after the re-committal of the Bill and report thereof, notwithstanding the practice of the House as to the interval between the various stages of such a Bill.—(The Prime Minister.)

The Order of the day being read, for taking Business of the House.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Finance Bill, into consideration the Finance Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House in respect of the Amendments to Clause No. 29, p. 27, ll. 7 and 15, and of the new Clause (Right of husband to disclaim liability for tax on deceased wife’s income), standing on the Notice Paper in the name of Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, resolve itself into the said Committee:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 29 amended, and agreed to.

A Clause (Right of husband to disclaim liability for tax on deceased wife’s income)—(Mr. Solicitor General)—brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.
Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair, and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported that the Committee had made further Amendments and added a Clause to the Bill.

Ordered. That the Bill, as amended in the Committee and on re-committal, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

A Clause (Extension of s. 1 (3) of Finance Act, 1935) (Mr. Jay) was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Remission in certain cases of interest on tax in arrear by reason of exchange restrictions) (Mr. Solicitor General) was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Parliamentary settled estates) (Mr. Solicitor General) was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Reduction of full rates of entertainments duty) (Mr. Harold Wilson) was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Reduction in rate of purchase tax) (Mr. Lyttelton) and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be read a second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Yeas,
Mr. Kenneth Robinson;
Mr. Bowden;
Mr. Galbraith;
Mr. Major Wheatley;
Noes,
Mr. Popplewell;
Mr. Royle;
Mr. Digby;
Mr. Studholme;
Mr. Popplewell;
Mr. Spinks;

Mr. Hannan.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Exemption from United Kingdom tax of pay of colonial forces, &c.) (Brigadier Prior-Palmer); and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be read a second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Yeas,
Mr. Spinks;
Mr. Royle;
Mr. Major Wheatley;
Noes,
Mr. Digby;
Mr. Kenneth Robinson;
Mr. Galbraith;
Mr. Major Wheatley;
Mr. Garbutt;

Mr. Hannan.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Temporary business premises in bombed areas) (Mr. Eccles); and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be read a second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Yeas,
Mr. Popplewell;
Mr. Spinks;
Mr. Royle;
Noes,
Mr. Digby;
Mr. Major Wheatley;
Mr. Bowden;
Mr. Galbraith;

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered. That further Consideration of the Bill, as amended, be now adjourned. (Mr. Pearson.)

Ordered. That the Bill, as amended, be read on re-committal, be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Fire Services (Conditions of Service) (Scotland) (Amendment) Regulations, 1950 (S.I., 1950, No. 887), a copy of which was laid before this House on the 31st day of May last, be annulled.—(Colonel Gomme-Duncan):—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolved. That this House do now adjourn. (Adjournment.)—(Mr. Hannan.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till four minutes before Twelve of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

PRAYERS.

[No. 72.]

Tuesday, 4th July, 1950.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.
question of law, whether the provisions of the House of Commons (Clergy Disqualification) Act, 1801, so far as they apply to persons ordained to the office of priest or deacon, are applicable.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Orders, not previously inquired into, are applicable thereto, viz.:—

Middlesex County Council Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, a Petition praying for the concurrence of His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Netherlands, desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time; and to be printed.

Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Cultural Convention between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Netherlands Government (with Notes exchanged), signed at The Hague on the 7th of July 1948 (Ratifications exchanged at The Hague on the 11th day of February 1950).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Copy of an Agreement between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Denmark relating to Trade and Commerce (with Letters exchanged), signed at Aarhus on the 10th day of July 1948 (Ratifications exchanged at The Hague on the 11th day of February 1950).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 3rd July 1950, entitled the Utility Premises (Manufacture and Supply) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 4th July 1950, entitled the Laundry (Maximum Charges) (No. 2) Order, 1950.
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the Yeas, Major Conant: 252.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Collindridge: 275.
So it passed in the Negative.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.
Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 4, l. 34, by leaving out from the word "be" to the end of l. 35, and inserting the words "paid before the Commons House of Parliament after being made and—
(a) if it increases the rate of duty under this section, shall cease to have effect on the expiration of a period of twenty-eight days from the date on which it is made, unless at some time before the expiration of that period it has been approved by a resolution of that House (but without prejudice to anything previously done thereunder or to the making of a new order); and
(b) if it does not increase the rate of duty under this section, shall be subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of that House.

In reckoning any such period of twenty-eight days as aforesaid no account shall be taken of any time during which Parliament is dissolved or prorogued or during which the Commons House is adjourned for more than four days"—(Mr. Jay),—instead thereof.
And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the Yeas, Brigadier Macksen, Lieutenant-Colonel Bromley-Davenport: 244.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Hannan, Mr. Wilkins: 276.
So it passed in the Negative.

And the proposed words were there inserted in the Bill.
Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 8, l. 4, by leaving out the words "delivery of the consignment to," and inserting the words "receipt of the consignment by"—(Mr. Watkinson),—instead thereof.
And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—
It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 9, l. 14, by leaving out subsection (4).—(Mr. Erroll.)
And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—
It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.
Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 11, l. 39, by inserting, after the word "within," the words "a radius of."—(Mr. Macdonald.)
And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the  
Mr. Digby,  
Mr. Galbraith; 251.
Yea,
Tellers for the  
Mr. Popplewell,  
Mr. Kenneth 278.
Noo,
So it passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 39, l. 11, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words "or in excess of the value at the time of accountability of any proper investments held by the trustees in respect of a contingent claim in the amount so certified where the said value is then less than the said amount."—(Mr. Manningham-Buller.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

A Schedule (Entertainments—full rates of duty)—(Mr. Jay)—was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 50, l. 3, by inserting, at the beginning thereof, the words "Agricultural, horticultural."—(Mr. Maudling.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 50, l. 3, by inserting, after the word "trucks," the words " and refuelling vehicles."—(Mr. Erroll.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 50, l. 29, by leaving out from the word "vehicles" to the end of l. 36, and inserting the words "of the following description, that is to say:—roads vehicles constructed or adapted for use for the carriage or haulage of goods or burden of any description not forming part of the vehicle or necessary for its propulsion or equipment, being either mechanically propelled vehicles or vehicles designed for use as components of a composite vehicle which is mechanically propelled, and not being vehicles in respect of which purchase tax has become chargeable nor vehicles of the kinds mentioned in paragraphs (b), (c), (d), (e) and (h) of sub-paragraph (2) of paragraph 3 of Part I of this Schedule;
between that certain vehicles which was provided for by a resolution passed by the Committee of Ways and Means of the House of Commons on budget day "—(Mr. Solicitor General), instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being proposed, That the proposed words be there inserted in the Bill;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Amendment, in l. 16, by leaving out the word "a," and inserting the words "the following"—(Mr. Henry Strauss), instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word "a" stand part of the proposed Amendment:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the proposed words were there inserted in the Bill.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Wilkins reported from the Committee on Cinematograph Film Production (Special Loans) [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the Cinematograph Film Production (Special Loans) Act, 1949, as respects the permitted maximum aggregate amount of principal outstanding in respect of advances made by the Board of Trade to the National Film Finance Corporation, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) any increase attributable to the new Act increasing from five to six million pounds the limit on outstanding loans by the Board of Trade to the National Film Finance Corporation, being an increase in the sums which are by virtue of the said Act of 1949—

(i) to be issued out of the Consolidated Fund; or

(ii) to be raised under the National Loans Act, 1939; or

(iii) to be paid into the Exchequer and issued out and applied, in so far as they represent principal in redemption or repayment of debt, and in so far as they represent interest in payment of interest otherwise falling to be paid out of the permanent annual charge for the National Debt; and

(b) in the case of the dissolution of the Corporation, the cancellation by virtue of the said Act of 1949 of the whole or any part of any liability of the said Corporation to the Board of Trade which is attributable to the passing of the new Act."

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Cinematograph Film Production (Special Loans) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair;
and the Chairman of Ways and Means  
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reported. That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that, on the ratification by the Government of the Kingdom of Denmark of the Convention set out in the draft of an Order in Council entitled the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Denmark) Order, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 8th day of May last, an Order may be made in the form of that Draft.—[Mr. Jay];

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning:

Wednesday, 5th July, 1950:

And the Question being put;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply:

Ordered, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means:

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Medical Bill [Lords]:

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) [Money].

(In the Committee.)

Question again proposed, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of grants in respect of petrol-driven machines used in connection with agriculture and of contributions towards costs of providing fertilisers used for agricultural land, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament—

(a) of grants in respect of petrol-driven machines used for agricultural operations ;
(b) of contributions towards costs of providing fertilisers used on land under grass or ploughed up from grass ; and
(c) of any expenses of administration incurred by a Minister for the purposes of the said Act of the present Session or of any scheme made under that Act.

Question put, and agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjournment, proposed, That this House do now adjourn—[Mr. Royle]:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the Question having been proposed after Ten of the clock on Tuesday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then thirteen minutes before One of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.
The House proceeded to take into consideration the Faculty of Homoeopathy Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Forth Road Bridge Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 4th July 1950, entitled the Control of Timber (No. 55) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Isaacs presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 3rd July 1950, entitled the Youth Employment Committees Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Tomlinson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules, dated 3rd July 1950, entitled the Superannuation (Teaching and Local Government) Rules, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Darlington Corporation Trolley Vehicles (Additional Routes) Provisional Order Bill, that they had examined the Order contained in the Bill, that they were of opinion that the said Order ought to be confirmed; and that they had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Prescelly Water Bill [Lords], that they had examined the allegations of the Bill and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Wisbech Corporation Bill [Lords], that they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Norwich Extension Bill [Lords], that they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Gloucester Extension Bill [Lords], that they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Mr. Mathers reported from the Committee of Selection, that they had added the following six Members to the Panel of Members to serve on Committees on Unopposed Bills under Standing Order 132 relating to Private Business (Committees on Unopposed Bills): Mr. McKay, Mr. Ormsby-Gore, Mr. Rankin, Mr. Shurmer, Mr. Tilney and Mr. Touche.

Mr. Mathers further reported from the Committee, that they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee B: Mr. Walter Fletcher; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Thompson.
Mr. Mathers further reported from the Committee. That they had discharged the following Members from the Scottish Standing Committee (added in respect of the Scottish Estimates referred to that Committee): Mr. Cuthbert, Mr. Hugh Fraser, Mr. Harvey, Mr. Kenyon, Mr. Kinley, Mr. Lindsay, Mr. McKay and Mr. Sylvester; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Ewart, Mr. Hayman, Mr. Hewitson, Mr. Howard, Squadron Leader Kinghorn, Mr. Richard Stanley, Mr. Teeling and Mr. Wood.

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (Colne Valley Sewerage Board) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Health Provisional Order (South-West Middlesex Crematorium Board) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Aberdeen Harbour Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Finance Bill, as amended on re-committal and on Consideration, be printed.

Mr. Bevan, supported by Mr. Blenkinsop, presented a Bill to constitute the Minister of Health the sanctioning authority for all the purposes of Part VII of the London Government Act, 1939: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow, and to be printed.

Ordered, That this day Business other than the Business of Supply may be taken before Ten of the clock.—(The Prime Minister.)

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.—(Mr. Whiteley),—put, and agreed to.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House fully supports the action taken by His Majesty's Government in conformity with their obligations under the United Nations Charter, in helping to resist the unprovoked aggression against the Republic of Korea.—(The Prime Minister)

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in 1. 1, by leaving out from the word “House” to the end of the Question, and adding the words “expresses its deep concern at the alarming situation in Korea, and recognises the possibility of another world conflict arising therefrom. It, therefore, calls upon the Government to withdraw all British naval forces from the affected area; to give, in accordance with the decisions of the Cairo Conference in 1943, and the Moscow Conference in 1945, full recognition to the claim of the Korean people for the unification and independence of their country; to repudiate all British commitments which involve on our part any obligations to maintain the present division of the nations of the world into two powerful and dangerously poised hostile groups, and to declare in conformity with the Government’s socialist principles our determination to give every encouragement to all peoples aspiring for freedom and self-government.”—(Mr. Stephen Dyer),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question; The Clerk Assistant, at the Table, informed Mr. Speaker that the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker for the remainder of this day’s Sitting. Whereupon Major Milner, the Chairman of Ways and Means, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put:—Resolved, That this House fully supports the action taken by His Majesty’s Government in conformity with their obligations under the United Nations Charter, in helping to resist the unprovoked aggression against the Republic of Korea.

A Motion was made, and the Question Adjournment, being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Sparks);—put, and it being Ten of the clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without a Question being put.
Adjournment. A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Sparks):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the Question having been proposed at Ten of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, till to-morrow.

[No. 74.] Thursday, 6th July, 1950.
The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

A MOTION being made, That the Carlisle Extension Bill [Lords] be now read the third time;

The Chairman of Ways and Means, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments. Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Forth Road Bridge Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Darlington Corporation Trolley Vehicles (Additional Routes) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Jay presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of further Sums required to be voted for the Ministry of Defence, for the year ending the 31st day of March 1951.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, by His Criminal Majesty's Command,—Copy of Criminal Statistics for Scotland for 1949.

Mr. Secretary McNeil also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, —Copy of Regulations, dated 6th July 1950, entitled the Representation of the People (Scotland) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Shiwell presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Estimate of the further Sum required to be voted for the Ministry of Defence for the year ending the 31st day of March 1951.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Mr. Herbert Morrison presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order of Council, dated 6th July 1950, entitled the Veterinary Surgeons (University Degrees) (Liverpool) Order of Council, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Barnes presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Report and Abstract of Accounts of the Harwich Harbour Conservancy Board for the year ended the 31st day of March 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Ropner reported from Standing Committee B, That they had gone through the Allotments Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Mr. Brooks reported from the Committee Derby Corporation on the Derby Corporation Bill [Lords], That for the convenience of Members the Committee had adjourned till Wednesday next at Eleven of the clock.

Mr. Oliver reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills (Joint Committee),—Adoption Bill (Lords), now pending in the House of No. 102, Lords, and had agreed to a Report in respect thereof, which they had directed him to make to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

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Mr. Oliver reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills, that they had considered the Matrimonial Causes Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, and that they had agreed to a Report thereof, and that they had directed him to make to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Oliver reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills, that they had considered the Shops Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, and had agreed to a Report in respect thereof, which they had directed him to make to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, that a Message had been brought from the Lords by Mr. Oliver, reporting from the Select Committee on Foreign Compensation Bill, that the Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the law relating to allotments in Scotland and to abolish restrictions on the keeping of hens and rabbits; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Foreign Compensation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Land Drainage (Surrey County Council) (Hogsmill River Improvement) (Amendment) Provisional Order Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the law relating to allotments in Scotland and to abolish restrictions on the keeping of hens and rabbits; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to enact uniform provisions for regulating relations as to apparatus in streets between authorities, bodies and persons having statutory powers to place and deal with apparatus therein, and those having the control or management of streets and others concerned in the exercise of such powers; to render such powers exercisable in land which abuts on a street and is destined for use for road purposes; to make further provision for regulating the closing or restriction of use of roads for the purposes of works and as to the use of alternative routes; and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Land Drainage (Surrey County Council) (Hogsmill River Improvement) (Amendment) Provisional Order Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Allotments (Scotland) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next, and to be printed.
Then the House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Question again proposed. That a sum, not exceeding £116,791,000, be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, for the salaries and expenses of the Post Office, including telegraphs and telephones and a grant in aid.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Class VI.

Vote 16. Ministry of Civil Aviation.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum, not exceeding £14,180,410, be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, for the salaries and expenses of the Ministry of Civil Aviation, including certain grants and subsidies.

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Popplewell.)

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 28th day of June last, That the Appropriation Bill (No. 6) be read the third time, the House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords on the 28th day of June last, praying that the Government of India (Family Pension Funds) (Amendment) Order, 1950, be made in the form of the draft laid before Parliament on the 16th day of this instant June;

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

And the Question being put;

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, in pursuance of Section 309 of the Government of India Act, 1935, praying that the Government of India (Family Pension Funds) (Amendment) Order, 1950, be made in the form of the draft laid before Parliament on the 16th day of this instant June;

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

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Royle): —And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning; Friday, 7th July, 1950;

And the Question having been proposed after Ten of the clock on Thursday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-nine minutes after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, till this day.

MEMORANDUM.

Thursday, 6th July, 1950.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of the Standing Order (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker this day appointed Colonel Gomme-Duncan Chairman of the Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Scottish Estimates referred to that Committee, in place of Mr. Mathers.

[No. 75]

Friday, 7th July, 1950.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Port of London Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Dover Corporation Bill [Lords], as Corporation Order Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Leyton Corporation Bill [Lords], as Corporation Order Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Land Drainage Bill (Surrey County Council (Hogsmill River Improvement)) (Amendment) (Provisional Order) Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.
Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His Majesty’s Command.—Copy of Notes exchanged at Washington on the 28th day of June 1950 between His Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the United States of America regarding Financial Issues arising out of the Bizonal Fusion Agreement of the 2nd day of December 1946 as amended by the Agreement of the 17th day of December 1947.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McNell presented, by His Majesty’s Command.—Copy of the Fifteenth Annual Report of the Herring Industry Board, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.


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Mr. Thomas Williams presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 5th July 1950, entitled the Importation of Pedigree Animals (No. 3) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.


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The International Organisations (Immunities and Privileges) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House. (Mr. Sparks.)

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That the First and Second Special Reports of the Select Committee on Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons) be now taken into consideration.—(Mr. Coldrick.)

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Reports into consideration.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House approves the general recommendations contained in the said Second Special Report.—(Mr. Coldrick);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in l. 1, by leaving out from the word ‘ House ’ to the end of the Question, and adding the words ‘ while recognising the diffi-
culties under which the Refreshment Department operates, instructs the Select Committee—

(a) to seek the services of independent experts to advise them on the efficient running of the Refreshment Department and on its accounting arrangements; House
(b) to reconsider the recommendations of their Second Special Report in the light of the advice so obtained, and to report to the House “—(Mr. Diamond),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question ;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Daines; 55.]

Tellers for the [Mr. Howard; 43.

Mr. Keeling;]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put ;

Resolved, That this House approves the general recommendations contained in the said Second Special Report.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment. (Mr. Bowden.)

And accordingly the House, having con-
tinued to sit till twenty-nine minutes
after Four of the clock, adjourned till
Monday next.

[No. 76.]

Monday, 10th July, 1950.

The House met at half an hour after
Two of the clock.

P R A Y E R S.

T HE Faculty of Homœopathy Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed, with
Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Mersey Docks and Harbour Board Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Prescelly Water Bill [Lords] was read
the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on Government Business be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(Mr. Herbert Morrison).

The Finance Bill was, according to Order, Finance Bill, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence (the Bill having been endorsed by Mr. Speaker with the following Certificate:—

I hereby certify that this Bill is a Money Mr. Speaker's Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

D. CLIFTON BROWN, Speaker.)

Mr. Bowden reported from the Committee on Miscellaneous Financial Provisions [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make further provision for a temporary increase in the Civil Contingencies Fund, to authorise loans to the Government of Northern Ireland, to give statutory authority for the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of grants in respect of the expenses of police forces in England and Wales, and to wind up the Czechoslovak Financial Claims Fund, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the issue out of the Consolidated Fund of any sums required—

(i) for increasing the capital of the Civil Contingencies Fund until the end of the year nineteen hundred and fifty-one by not more than one hundred and twenty-five million pounds; or

(ii) for advancing any sums by way of loan to the Government of Northern Ireland, so however that any sums so advanced and remaining unpaid at any time shall not exceed fifteen million pounds;

(b) the raising under the National Loans Act, 1939, of any money required for the purpose of providing any sums to be issued as aforesaid;

(c) the payment into the Exchequer of sums repaid out of the Civil Contingencies Fund and sums paid by the Government of Northern Ireland in respect of advances to them, and the issue of such sums out of the Consolidated Fund, and the application of such sums, in so far as they represent principal in redemption or repayment of debt, and in so far as they represent interest in payment of interest otherwise falling to be paid out of the permanent annual charge for the National Debt;

(d) the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of grants of such amounts as the Secretary of State may with the approval of the Treasury determine in respect of expenses incurred for the purposes of—

(i) any police force in England or Wales in respect of which grants out...
of such moneys have been made before the passing of the said Act of the present Session; or (ii) any combined police force, county police force or borough police force established in England or Wales after the passing of the said Act.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Miscellaneous Financial Provisions Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Temporary increase in Civil Contingencies Fund).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 17, to leave out the words "one hundred and twenty-five," and insert the word "fifty." — (Mr. Birch.) Question put. That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause. The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Pearson, Yeas, 282. ]
Tellers for the [Mr. Sparks; Noes, 426. ]

Clause agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 2 to 5 agreed to. Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Navy, Army and Air Expenditure, 1948-49.

(In the Committee.)

I. Whereas it appears by the Navy Appropriation Account for the year ended the 31st day of March, 1949, that the aggregate Expenditure on Navy Services has not exceeded the aggregate sum appropriated for those Services and that, as shown in the Schedule hereto appended, the net surplus of the Exchequer Grants for Navy Services over the net Expenditure is £2,483,144.

Total Surpluses: £2,483,144

And whereas the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury have temporarily authorised the application of so much of the said total surpluses on certain Grants for Navy Services as is necessary to make good the said total deficits on other Grants for Navy Services.

1. Resolved, That the application of such sums be sanctioned.—(Mr. Callaghan.)

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Total Deficits: £4,876,490. Total Surpluses: 2,393,346.

Net Surplus: £2,483,144.
II. Whereas it appears by the Army Appropriation Account for the year ended the 31st day of March, 1949, that the aggregate Expenditure on Army Services has not exceeded the aggregate sums appropriated for those Services and that, as shown in the Schedule hereto appended, the net surplus of the Exchequer Grants for Army Services over the net Expenditure is £12,936,166 12s. 1d. viz.:—

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And whereas the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury have temporarily authorised the application of so much of the said total surpluses on certain Grants for Army Services as is necessary to make good the said total deficits on other Grants for Army Services.

2. Resolved, That the application of such sums be sanctioned.—(Mr. Michael Stewart.)

III. Whereas it appears by the Air Appropriation Account for the year ended the 31st day of March, 1949, that the aggregate Expenditure on Air Services has not exceeded the aggregate sums appropriated for those Services and that, as shown in the Schedule hereto appended, the net surplus of the Exchequer Grants for Air Services over the net Expenditure is £5,875,792 11s. 9d. viz.:—

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And whereas the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury have temporarily authorised the application of so much of the said total surpluses on certain Grants for Air Services as is necessary to make good the said total deficits on other Grants for Air Services.

3. Resolved, That the application of such sums be sanctioned.—(Mr. Crawley.)

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Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, that the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received tomorrow.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.—(Mr. Popplewell.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till fourteen minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till tomorrow.

**MEMORANDUM.**

**Monday, 10th July, 1950.**

In pursuance of the Standing Order (Public Bills relating exclusively to Scotland), Mr. Speaker this day certified that, in his opinion, the provisions of the Allotments (Scotland) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee relate exclusively to Scotland.

**ORDERED, That the Gloucester Extension Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.**

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the London County Council (Woolwich Subsidies) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.
Edinburgh Corporation Order Confirmation Bill.


Agricultural Marketing.

Goods and Services (Price Control).

Emergency Laws (Food).

Supplies and Services (Domestic Pottery).

Water.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Edinburgh Corporation Order Confirmation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

Mr. Secretary Ede presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Report by the Secretary of State for the Home Department as to the Expulsion, Registration and Prohibition Orders made during the period from the 1st day of April to the 30th day of June 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of a Convention of the World Meteorological Organisation (with Annexes, Protocol, Ratifications and Accessions) signed at Washington on the 11th day of October 1947 (this Convention was ratified by His Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom on the 14th day of December 1948).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Griffiths presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Return of Schemes made under the Colonial Development and Welfare Acts in the year ended the 31st day of March 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Draft Orders entitled—

(1) the Aberdeen and District Milk Marketing Scheme (Application to Banff) Order, 1950, and
(2) the North of Scotland Milk Marketing Scheme (Application to Moray and Orkney) Order, 1950,

and Statements made by the Secretary of State for Scotland relating thereto.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of an Order, dated 10th July 1950, entitled the Rubber Footwear (Maximum Prices) (Revocation) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Order do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 26th June 1950, entitled the Surrey Area (Conservation of Water) Order, 1950, with a Certificate by the Minister of Health under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Thomas Williams presented, pursuant Agriculture, to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 10th July 1950, entitled the Agriculture Act (Extension of First Schedule) (Wool) Order, 1950.

Copy of a Scheme, dated 10th July 1950, entitled the Tuberculosis (Attested Herds) Scheme, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Dalton presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 11th July 1950, entitled the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order, 1950,


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Gomme-Duncan reported from the Scottish Standing Committee, That they had considered the Estimates to them referred, and had directed him to report accordingly to the House.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords had directed him to report accordingly to the Lords.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Midwives (Amendment) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Faculty of Homeopathy Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Carlisle Extension Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Ordered, That this day Business other than that of the House (Supply) may be taken before Ten of the clock.—(The Prime Minister.)

The House, according to Order, resolved Supply into the Committee of Supply.


Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £2,193,181, be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, for the salaries and other expenses in the Department of His Majesty's Treasury and subordinate departments, including additional salary payable to the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, and the salary of the Minister of State for Economic Affairs.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Whiteley),—put, and agreed to.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the House do now adjourn (Mr. Whiteley):—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolved, That the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

—(Mr. Blenkinsop.)

Census.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Order, dated 18th May 1950, entitled the Fats, Cheese and Tea (Rationing) Order, 1950 (S.I., 1950, No. 796), a copy of which was laid before this House on the 15th day of June last, be annulled—(Sir Herbert Williams);

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 12th July, 1950:

The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. —(Mr. Wilkins.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes before One of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[No. 78.]

Wednesday, 12th July, 1950.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

A MOTION being made, That the Dover Corporation Bill [Lords] be now read the third time, and passed with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, pursuant to Agriculture the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of a Scheme, dated 10th July 1950, entitled the Marginal Agricultural Production (Scotland) (Extension) Scheme, 1950.


Copy of Regulations, dated 11th July 1950, entitled the Town and Country Planning (Development Charge Exemptions) (Scotland) (Scotland), Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, pursuant to Industrial the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Draft Order entitled the Wool Textile Industry (Export Promotion Levy) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the direc- tions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Regulations entitled the Civil Defence (Demolition and Repair Services) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Barnes presented, pursuant to the direc- tions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Regulations entitled the London Traffic Transport. Controlled Bodies (Compensation to Employees) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the direc- tions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders:

(1) dated 11th July 1950, entitled the Ships' Stores (Amendment) Order, 1950, and
(2) dated 12th July 1950, entitled the Egg Products (Amendment) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 12th July 1950, en- titled the Sugar (Rationing) (Amendment No. 3) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The following Account, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Account of the Hospital Endowments Fund for the period from the 5th day of July 1948, to the 31st day of March 1949, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Account be printed.
Sir Ralph Glyn reported from the Select Committee on Estimates, That they had made further Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before Sub-Committee B, and Appendices: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Brooks reported from the Committee on the Derby Corporation Bill [Lords], That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but the same not having been proved to their satisfaction, they had directed him to report the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the London County Council (General Powers) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Allotments (Scotland) Bill [Lords] be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(Mr. Herbert Morrison.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Estimates and Supplementary Estimate, 1950-51.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a further sum, not exceeding £65, be granted to His Majesty towards defraying the charges for the following services connected with Colonial Affairs for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, namely:

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Whereupon the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod being come with a Message the Chairman left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-General Sir Brian Horrocks, K.C.B., K.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, for declaring His Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And having returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorised, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

10. Ministry of Health Provisional Order Confirmation (South-West Middlesex Crematorium Board) Act, 1950.
11. Land Drainage (Surrey County Council (Hogsmill River Improvement) (Amendment)) Provisional Order Confirmation Act, 1950.

Then the House again resolved itself into Supply, the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Question again proposed, That a further sum, not exceeding £65, be granted to His Majesty towards defraying the charges for the following services connected with Colonial
Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.
—(Mr. Popplewell.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eleven minutes after
Evening of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

PRAYERS.
The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That their
Address of the 4th day of this instant July relating to Double Taxation Relief had
been presented to His Majesty; and that His Majesty had been pleased to receive the
same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:
I have received your Address praying that, on the ratification by the Government of the
Kingdom of Denmark of the Convention set out in the Draft Order in Council entitled The
Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Denmark) Order, 1950, a copy of which was
presented on the 8th May, an order may be made in the form of the Draft laid before Par-
lament.
I will comply with your request.

The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That their Address of the 6th day of this instant July relating to India had been presented to His Majesty; and that His Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:
I have received your Address praying that, the Government of India (Family Pension Funds) (Amendment) Order, 1950, be made in the form of the Draft laid before Parliament.
I will comply with your request.

A Motion being made, That the Doncaster Corporation Bill [Lords] be now read the third
time:
The Chairman of Ways and Means, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.
Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amend-
ments: to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Gloucester Extension Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee:
Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consider-
ation upon Tuesday next at Seven of the clock.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Edinburgh Corporation Agreement Confirmation Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 12th July 1950, entitled the Imported Deciduous Fruit (Revocation) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 13th July 1950, entitled the National Insurance (Claims and Payments) (No. 2) Provisional Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Plymouth Extension Bill [Lords], That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Middlesex County Council Bill [Lords], That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Dover Harbour Bill [Lords], That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Mainwaring reported from the Committee on Group E of Private Bills, That for the convenience of Parties the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next at Three of the clock.

Captain Duncan reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills, That they had considered the Arbitration Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, and had agreed to a Report in respect thereof, which they had directed him to make to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Captain Duncan reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills, That they had considered the Army Reserve Bill [Lords] and the Air Force Reserve Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, and had agreed to a Report in respect thereof, which they had directed him to make to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Captain Duncan reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills, That they had considered the Diseases of Animals Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, and had agreed to a Report in respect thereof, which they had directed him to make to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Mathers reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had added the following Ten Members to the Scottish Standing Committee (in respect of the Allotments (Scotland) Bill [Lords]: Mr. George Craddock, Mr. Ewart, Mr. Hayman, Mr. Hopkins, Mr. Kaberry, Mr. Sidney Marshall, Mr. Nugent, Mr. Turton, Mr. Watkins and Mr. Gerald Williams.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Forth Road Bridge Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Coal Mining (Subsidence) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Dover Corporation Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Leyton Corporation Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Consolidation, &c., Bills (Joint Committee).—Army Reserve Bill [Lords] and Air Force Reserve Bill [Lords].

Consolidation, &c., Bills (Joint Committee).—Diseases of Animals Bill [Lords].

Consolidation, &c., Bills (Joint Committee).—Coal Mining (Subsidence) Bill.

Consolidation, &c., Bills (Joint Committee).—Forth Road Bridge Order Confirmation Bill.

Forth Road Bridge Order Confirmation Bill.
The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate certain enactments relating to milk, dairies and artificial cream; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate certain enactments relating to matrimonial causes in the High Court in England and to declarations of legitimacy and of validity of marriage and of British nationality, with such corrections and improvements as may be authorised by the Consolidation of Enactments (Procedure) Act, 1949; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate the enactments relating to the adoption of children with such corrections and improvements as may be authorised under the Consolidation of Enactments (Procedure) Act, 1949; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate certain enactments relating to the production of petroleum and artificial cream; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Coal Mining (Subsidence) Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

The Food and Drugs (Milk, Dairies and Artificial Cream) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next, and to be printed.

The Matrimonial Causes Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next, and to be printed.

The Adoption Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next, and to be printed.

The Shops Bill [Lords], Bill 53.

Mr. Jay presented a Bill to amend the law with respect to customs in the Island of Man: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow, and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(The Prime Minister.)

Resolved, That this House takes note of the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts of the National Coal Board for 1949.—(Mr. Noel-Baker.)

Mr. Crawley reported from the Committee on Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as follows:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of grants in respect of petrol-driven machines used in connection with agriculture and of contributions towards costs of providing fertilisers used for agricultural land, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament—

(a) of grants in respect of petrol-driven machines used for agricultural operations;

(b) of contributions towards costs of providing fertilisers used on land under grass or ploughed up from grass; and

(c) of any expenses of administration incurred by a Minister for the purposes of the said Act of the present Session or of any scheme made under that Act.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill.

Clause No. 1 (Scheme for making grants for petrol-driven machines used for agricultural operations).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 17, at the end, to insert the words "and according to the extent of the user thereof."—(Mr. Turton.)

Question proposed. That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 2, to leave out from the word "uses" to the end of l. 4.—(Mr. Turton.)

Question proposed. That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 9, to leave out the words "including, in particular, an agricultural tractor."—(Mr. Turton.)

Question. That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 21, at the end, to add the words—

"(5) A scheme under this section shall operate for the period of twelve months beginning on the nineteenth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifty:

Provided that the said period may be extended by an order made by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries and the Secretary of State acting jointly and subject to the approval of the Treasury.

The power of making an order under this proviso shall be exercisable by statutory instrument and no such order shall be made unless a draft thereof has been laid before Parliament and has been approved by resolution of the Commons House of Parliament."—(Sir Thomas Dugdale.)

Question proposed. That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Schemes for subsidising use of fertilisers).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 28, to leave out from the word "land" to the end of l. 30, and insert the words—

"which—

(a) is under grass; or

(b) has been ploughed up from grass since
the first day of July, nineteen hundred and forty-three."—(Mr. Turton.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, 1. 15, to leave out paragraph (f).—(Mr. Nugent.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “in” in l. 16, stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, to leave out ll. 25 and 26.—(Mr. Turton.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:— Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, 1. 32, to leave out paragraph (h).—(Mr. Turton.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:— Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 3 agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 5 and 6 agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

The House accordingly proceeded to consider the following certificate:

I hereby certify that this Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

D. CLIFTON BROWN,
Speaker.

Resolved, That the Draft Census of Distribution (1951) (Restriction on Disclosure) Order, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 28th day of June last, be approved.—(Mr. Harold Wilson.)

Resolved, That the Fertilisers (Charges) Order, 1950 (S.I. 1950, No. 1039), dated 23rd June 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 27th day of June last, be approved.—(Mr. Rhodes.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Royle): And a Debate arising thereupon:

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning; Friday, 14th July, 1950;

And the Question having been proposed after Ten of the clock on Thursday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, till this day.

MEMORANDUM.

Thursday, 13th July, 1950.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of the Standing Order (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker this day appointed Mr. Muthers Chairman of the Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Aliotments (Scotland) Bill [Lords], referred under paragraph (2) of the Standing Order (Public Bills relating exclusively to Scotland).

[No. 80.]

Friday, 14th July, 1950.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

THE London County Council (Woolwich Subsides) Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Norwich Extension Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Wisbech Corporation Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Secretary Henderson presented, pursuant Air Force, to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 2nd July 1950, making provision for the Application of the King's Regulations and Air Council Instructions for the Royal Air Force to Members of the Princess Mary's Royal Air Force Nursing Service commissioned in His Majesty's Air Forces.

Copy of an Order, dated 21st June 1950, Air Force further amending in certain respects the Regulations appended to the Order of His late Majesty King George the Fifth, dated 18th October 1932, as subsequently amended, providing for the Government, Discipline and Pay of the Royal Air Force Reserve including the Reserve of Air Force Officers and Men of the Royal Air Force Reserve.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Barnes presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Statement of the Salary, Fees and Allowances payable to a Member of the British Transport Commission.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Isaacs presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 12th July 1950, entitled the Factories (Examination of Plant) (Revocation) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Maintenance Orders Bill (Lords), as amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendments were made to the Bill. Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 10, by leaving out ll. 22 and 23.—(Mr. Hay.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Colonial and Other Territories (Divorce Jurisdiction) Bill (Lords).

(In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 6 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill; and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Miscellaneous Financial Provisions Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The London Government Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Collindridge.)

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved Medical Bill itself into a Committee on the Medical Bill (Lords).

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 agreed to.

Clause No. 2 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Special provisions as to employment in Health Centres).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 14, to leave out paragraph (b).—(Mr. Hastings.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 4 agreed to.

Clause No. 5 (Provisional registration).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 46, at the end, to add the words—

(8) A person provisionally registered under this Act shall have all the duties and privileges of a registered medical practitioner but only while serving in an approved hospital or institution as defined in section one.—(Mr. Hastings.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 6 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 7 agreed to.

Clause No. 8 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 9 (Increase in number of elected members of Council and revocation of S.R. & O. 1909 No. 916 and S.R. & O. 1931 No. 719.)

Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 14, to leave out the second word “ and.”—(Dr. Stross.)

Question proposed, That the word “ and ” stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 10 (Term of office of elected members of Council).

Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 6, to leave out subsection (3).—(Mr. Fort.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 11 and 12 agreed to.

Clause No. 13 (Medical Disciplinary Committee).

Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 6, to leave out the word ” Disciplinary,” and insert the words ” Penal Cases.”—(Dr. Morgan.)

Question, That the word ” Disciplinary” stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 14 (Constitution of Medical Disciplinary Committee).

Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 28, after the word ” five,” to insert the words ” of whom two shall be elected members of the Council.”—(Dr. Stross.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 15 (Procedure of Medical Disciplinary Committee).

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Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 40, after the word "of," to insert the words "exercising the functions assigned to it under this Act, the Committee shall appoint a sub-committee of its members to be called the Penal Cases Sub-Committee, to investigate each complaint made to, or information received by, the Committee, and where the sub-committee are satisfied that a prima facie case for inquiry has been established they shall refer the matter to adjudication by the Committee, but where they are not so satisfied no further action shall be taken in regard to such complaint or information; and the Committee shall make arrangements for securing that no member of the Committee shall attend for the hearing of any case who has taken part in the proceedings before the Penal Cases Sub-Committee upon that case.

(2) For the purpose of.‖—(Mr. Elliot.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 9, l. 29, at the end, to insert the words—"(i) for securing that no complaint or information investigated by the Penal Cases Sub-Committee, other than a decision in a court of law, shall be referred to the Committee for adjudication unless the circumstances upon which such complaint or information is founded shall have been verified by statutory declaration of the person making the same, or, where such complaint is made or such information submitted by any public department, authority, or other body, by statutory declaration of an officer of such public department, authority, or other body, duly authorised for the purpose."—(Dr. Hill.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.

And it being Four o'clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and moved, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Kenneth Robinson):—And a Debate arising thereupon:

And the Question having been proposed after Four of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-nine minutes before Five of the clock, till Monday next.

The following Papers, required by an Act of Parliament to be laid before the House and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on the 15th day of this instant July pursuant to the Standing Order (Presentation of Statutory Instruments), were ordered to lie upon the Table:

Copy of an Order, dated 14th July 1950, Supplies and Services (Cotton Industry). Order Confirmation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next at Seven of the clock.

The Order made upon the 11th day of this instant July, that the Paper relating to Town and Country Planning entitled the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order, 1950, do lie upon the Table, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the said Paper be withdrawn.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Dalton presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of an Order, dated 11th July 1950, entitled the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Report by the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords and the Chairman of Ways and Means in the House of Commons, That Petitions against the Isle of Wight Water Board Order, 1950, have been presented by—

(1) the Borough of Newport (Isle of Wight), and

(2) W. B. Mew Langton and Company Limited;

and, That they have certified both these Petitions as proper to be received and as Petitions for Amendment.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Copy of Rules, made by the Lord Chief Justice of Northern Ireland on the 14th day of July 1950, entitled the Pensions Appeal Tribunal (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Rules, 1950.

Copy of the Incumbents (Discipline) Measure, 1947, (Amendment) Measure, 1950, passed by the National Assembly of the Church of England.

One hundred and sixth Report by the Ecclesiastical Committee (upon the Incumbents (Discipline) Measure, 1947, (Amendment) Measure, 1950).

Ordered, That the Papers relating to Church of England (National Assembly) (Measures), No. 115, be printed.

Mr. Nicholson reported from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, That they had made further Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with an Appendix: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Towny Trewan Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Ipswich Dock Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved—

Civil Estimates, 1950-51.

Ten of the clock.—(The Prime Minister.)

Ordered, That the Proceedings on Government Business of the House be expedited, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(The Prime Minister.)

The House, according to Order, resolved Supply [22nd allotted Day]. (In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a further sum, not exceeding £40, be granted to His Majesty towards defraying the charges for the following services connected with Education in England and Wales for the year
ending on the 31st day of March 1951, namely:—

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Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. Sparks)—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the London Government Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Allotments Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House in respect of the Amendments to Clause No. 6, p. 3, ll. 40 and 42, and Clause No. 6, p. 4, l. 6, standing on the Notice Paper in the name of Mr. Thomas Williams.—(Mr. Thomas Williams.)

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, resolve itself into the said Committee:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 6 amended, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made further Amendments to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee and on re-committal, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.
1. That the application of such sums be sanctioned.

Schedule.

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II. Whereas it appears by the Army Appropriation Account for the year ended the 31st day of March 1949, that the aggregate Expenditure on Army Services has not exceeded the aggregate sums appropriated for those Services and that, as shown in the Schedule hereto appended, the net surplus of the Exchequer Grants for Army Services over the net Expenditure is £5,875,792 11s. 9d. viz.:-

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And whereas the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury have temporarily authorised the application of so much of the said total surpluses on certain Grants for Army Services as is necessary to make good the said total deficits on other Grants for Army Services.

III. Whereas it appears by the Air Appropriation Account for the year ended the 31st day of March 1949, that the aggregate Expenditure on Air Services has not exceeded the aggregate sums appropriated for those Services and that, as shown in the Schedule hereto appended, the net surplus of the Exchequer Grants for Air Services over the net Expenditure is £5,875,792 11s. 9d. viz.:-

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III. Whereas it appears by the Air Appropriation Account for the year ended the 31st day of March 1949, that the aggregate Expenditure on Air Services has not exceeded the aggregate sums appropriated for those Services and that, as shown in the Schedule hereto appended, the net surplus of the Exchequer Grants for Air Services over the net Expenditure is £5,875,792 11s. 9d. viz.:-

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And whereas the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury have temporarily authorised the application of so much of the said total surpluses on certain Grants for Air Services as is necessary to make good the said total deficits on other Grants for Air Services.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.
Tuesday, 18th July, 1950.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to Leith Harbour and Docks: And the same was ordered (under Section 7 of the Act) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to the Merchants House of Glasgow (Crematorium): And the same was ordered (under Section 7 of the Act) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Final Act and Agreement, signed at London on the 12th day of August 1949, for the Revision of the Telecommunications Agreement, signed at Bermuda on the 4th day of December 1945.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Barnes presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 17th July 1950, entitled the Road Vehicles and Drivers Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir Ralph Glyn reported from the Select Committee on Estimates, that they had made further Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before Sub-Committee E, and Appendices: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, that a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Highways (Provision of Cattle-Grids) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of the House.

The Lords have agreed to the British Transport Commission Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Sunderland Extension Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Highways (Provision of Cattle-Grids) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Mr. Mathers reported from the Scottish Standing Committee, that they had considered the Allotments (Scotland) Bill [Lords] in relation to the principle of the Bill, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House:

And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on Government Business be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(The Prime Minister.)

The House, according to Order, resolved Supply [23rd allotted Day].

(In the Committee.)

Civil Estimates, 1950-51.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a further sum, not exceeding £40, be granted to His Majesty towards defraying the charges for the following services connected with the Overseas Food Corporation for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, namely:—

Civil Estimates, 1950-51

Class IX., Vote 3, Ministry of Food ... 10
Class II., Vote 9, Colonial Office ... 10
Class II., Vote 11, West African Produce Control Board ... 10
Class II., Vote 6, Commonwealth Relations Office ... 10

Total ... £40.

And, it being Seven o'clock, the Chairman left the Chair, further Proceeding standing postponed until after the consideration of Private Business set down by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means under the Standing Order (Time for taking Private Business).

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Order of the day being read, for taking Gloucester Extension Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.
Then the House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Question again proposed, That a further sum, not exceeding £40, be granted to His Majesty towards defraying the charges for the following services connected with the Overseas Food Corporation for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, namely:

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A Clause (Construction of references to registrar and registration) — (Mr. Bevan) — brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Schedule agreed to.

A Schedule (Amendment of references to registration) — (Mr. Bevan) — brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and Made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day; and be printed.

Civil Defence.

Resolved, That the Draft Civil Defence (Police) (Training) Regulations, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 29th day of June last, be approved. — (Mr. de Freitas.)

Civil Defence.

Resolved, That the Draft Civil Defence (Police Training) (Scotland) Regulations, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 29th day of June last, be approved. — (Miss Herbison.)

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn — (Mr. Kenneth Robinson): — And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the Question having been proposed after Ten of the clock on Tuesday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then one minute after One of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Leith Harbour and Docks Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Merchants House of Glasgow (Crematorium) Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to Granton Harbour: And the same was ordered (under Section 7 of the Act) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to Greenock Port and Harbours: And the same was ordered (under Section 7 of the Act) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of a Warrant, dated 17th July 1950, entitled the Inland Post Office. —

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Ede presented, by His Majesty’s Command, — Copy of the Ninth Report of the Royal Fine Art Commission, for 1948 and 1949.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Thomas Williams presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of Regulations, dated 15th July 1950, entitled the Prevention of Damage by Pests (Threshing and Dismantling of Ricks) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Noel-Baker presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Reports of the Industrial Coal Consumers’ Council and the Domestic Coal Consumers’ Council for the year ended the 30th day of June 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

THE Norwich Extension Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Wisbech Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Copy of Regulations, dated 17th July 1950, entitled the Inland Post Office.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to Granton Harbour: And the same was ordered (under Section 7 of the Act) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to Greenock Port and Harbours: And the same was ordered (under Section 7 of the Act) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

Mr. John presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of a Warrant, dated 17th July 1950, entitled the Inland Post Office. —

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to Granton Harbour: And the same was ordered (under Section 7 of the Act) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to Greenock Port and Harbours: And the same was ordered (under Section 7 of the Act) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.
Mr. Mainwaring reported from the Committee on Group E of Private Bills, That they had examined the allegations of the Bath Extension Bill [Lords], and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Lee Conservancy Catchment Board Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That this day Business other than the Business of Supply may be taken before Ten of the clock.—(The Prime Minister.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Civil Estimates, 1950-51.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a further sum, not exceeding £40, be granted to His Majesty towards defraying the charges for the following services connected with Opencast Coal Production for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, namely:

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Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Class 1.

Vote 4. Treasury and Subordinate Departments.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. Sparks)—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Isle of Man (Customs) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Sparks.)

Resolved, That this House will, tomorrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty by such Members of this House as are of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of His Majesty's Household.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the International Organisations (Immunities and Privileges of the Council of Europe) Order in Council, 1950, be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on the 12th day of this instant July.—(Mr. Younger.)

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Majesty by such Members of this House as are of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of His Majesty's Household.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the International Organisations (Immunities and Privileges of the Universal Postal Union) Order in Council, 1950, be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on the 12th day of this instant July, be approved.—(Mr. Barnes.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Sparks)—And a Debate arising thereupon:

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Thursday morning:

Thursday, 20th July, 1950:

And the Question having been proposed after Ten of the clock on Wednesday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-seven minutes after Twelve of the clock on Thursday morning, till this day.
The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Cardiff Extension Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Ipswich Dock Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Dover Harbour Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Gloucester Extension Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 13, l. 6, by leaving out subsection (5).—(Mr. MacColl.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And, objection being taken to further Proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Tuesday next at Seven of the clock.

The Leith Harbour and Docks Order Confirmation Bill, was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Merchants House of Glasgow (Crematorium) Order Confirmation Bill, was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Granton Harbour Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Greenock Port and Harbours Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Paper relating to Adoption of Children (Consolidation of Enactments), which was presented on the 26th day of May last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relating to Matrimonial Causes, &c. (Consolidation of Enactments), which was presented on the 26th day of May last, be printed.

Mr. Secretary Griffiths presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Report for 1949, showing the Quantities of Spirituous Beverages imported into certain Territories under British Administration in Africa, and the import duties levied thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McNeill presented, pursuant to Agriculture the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 18th July 1950, entitled the Hill Farming (Cottages) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Thomas Williams presented, pursuant to Agriculture, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 18th July 1950, entitled the Hill Farming (Cottages) (England and Wales) Amendment Regulations, 1950.

Copy of Regulations, dated 18th July 1950, entitled the Hill Farming (Cottages) (Northern Ireland) Amendment Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 18th July 1950, entitled the Home-Grown Apples (Revocation) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Schedule containing a List and Particulars of certain Classes of Photographs and Sound Recordings existing or accruing in the Royal Air Force and in the Air Ministry which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

Mr. Oliver reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills, that they had considered the Housing (Scotland) Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, and had agreed to a Report in respect thereof, which they had directed him to make to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Miscellaneous Financial Provisions Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Agriculture Miscellaneous Provisions Bill, without any Amendment.
The Lords have agreed to the Darlington Corporation Trolley Vehicles (Additional Routes) Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (Cattewater) Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Norwich Extension Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Thames Conservancy Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Wisbech Corporation Bill (Lords), without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (Cattewater) Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Business of the House (Supply) be resumed.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on Government Business be expedited, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(Mr. Herbert Morrison.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. (In the Committee.)

Civil Estimates, 1950-51.

1. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding £13,863,986, be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sums necessary to defray the charges for the following services connected with Civil Defence for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, namely:

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<td>Civil Defence Services</td>
<td>£13,863,986</td>
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Total: £13,863,986.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum, not exceeding £56,431,894, be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sums necessary to defray the charges for the following services connected with Education in Scotland for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, namely:

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<td>Class III, Vote 1, Home Office</td>
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<td>£4,024,270</td>
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<td>Class V, Vote 1, Ministry of Health</td>
<td>£5,605,000</td>
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<td>Class I, Vote 26, Scottish Home Department</td>
<td>£849,160</td>
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<td>Class III, Vote 13, Scottish Home Department</td>
<td>£467,261</td>
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<td>Class V, Vote 14, Department of Health for Scotland</td>
<td>£975,000</td>
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Total: £56,431,894.

And, it being Seven o'clock, the Chairman left the Chair, further Proceeding standing postponed until after the consideration of Private Business set down by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means under the Standing Order (Time for taking Private Business).

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Edinburgh Corporation Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be referred to a Joint Committee of Lords and Commons.—(Mr. Henry Hynd)——It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Then the House again resolved itself into Supply. (In the Committee.)

2. Question again proposed, That a sum, not exceeding £56,431,894, be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sums necessary to defray the charges for the following services connected with Education in Scotland for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, namely:

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<td>Class IV, Vote 14, Public Education, Scotland</td>
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<td>£125,000</td>
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<td>Class IV, Vote 11, Universities and Colleges, &amp;c., Great Britain</td>
<td>£13,419,060</td>
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<td>Class I, Vote 4, Treasury and Subordinate Departments</td>
<td>£2,193,181</td>
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<td>Class VII, Vote 3, Public Buildings, Great Britain</td>
<td>£22,906,350</td>
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Total: £56,431,894.

Civil Estimates, 1950-51.
Supply).

Outstanding Votes put pursuant to S.O. (Business of Supply).

Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class II of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

£
1. Foreign Service 8,326,922
2. Foreign Office Grants and Services (including a Supplementary sum of £1,717,000) 8,759,900
3. British Council 1,376,000
4. United Nations 460,000
5. International Refugee Organisation 2,294,500
6. Commonwealth Relations Office 994,806
7. Commonwealth Services (including a Supplementary sum of £28,900) 890,981
8. Oversea Settlement (including a Supplementary sum of £400,000) 552,424
9. Colonial Office 561,865
10. Colonial and Middle Eastern Services (including a Supplementary sum of £1,960,000) 15,665,770
11. West African Produce Control Board 1,000
12. Development and Welfare (Colonies, &c.) 12,650,000
13. Development and Welfare (South African High Commission Territories) 238,500
14. Imperial War Graves Commission 1,068,080

£53,840,748.

Question put, and agreed to.

Class III.

That a sum, not exceeding £34,313,310, be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, for
Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class III of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

£
1. Police, England and Wales 18,058,250
2. Prisons, England and Wales 3,241,038
3. Child Care, England and Wales 5,867,900
4. Fire Services, England and Wales 12,957,060
5. Supreme Court of Judicature, &c. 490,600
6. County Courts, &c. 170,195
7. Land Registry 90
8. Public Trustee 296,858
9. Law Charges 17,350
10. Miscellaneous Legal Expenses Scotland 2,638,091
11. Police 3,241,038
12. Prisons 311,516
13. Fire Services 311,400
14. Scottish Land Court 9,400
15. Law Charges and Courts of Law 97,447
16. Department of the Registers of Scotland 12,705
17. Scottish Land Court 591,060
18. Supreme Court of Judicature, &c., Northern Ireland 16,994

£34,313,310.

Question put, and agreed to.

Class IV.

That a sum, not exceeding £148,964,120, be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, for

Class II.

Question put, and agreed to.

Class IV.

That a sum, not exceeding £148,964,120, be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, for

Class II.

That a sum, not exceeding £148,964,120, be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, for
Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class IV of the Civil Estimates, viz.:—

£

1. Ministry of Education 129,680,305
2. British Museum 174,064
3. British Museum (Natural History) 142,886
4. Imperial War Museum 19,888
5. London Museum 8,880
6. National Gallery 46,695
8. National Portrait Gallery 11,995
9. Wallace Collection 17,621
10. Grants for Science and the Arts 2,469,972
11. Broadcasting 12,085,000
12. Festival of Britain, 1951 4,262,625
13. National Galleries 18,898
14. National Library 9,093

£148,964,120.

Question put, and agreed to.

Class V.

7. That a sum, not exceeding £557,173,699, be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class V of the Civil Estimates, viz.:—

£

2. National Health Service, England and Wales 231,541,000
3. Housing, England and Wales 38,750,000
4. Eschequer Contributions to Local Revenues, England and Wales 32,550,000
5. Registrar General’s Office 329,586
6. Ministry of Labour and National Service 14,800,000
7. Grants in respect of Employment Schemes 550,000
8. Ministry of National Insurance 141,595,000
9. National Assistance Board 56,190,000
10. National Insurance Audit Department 40,710
11. Friendly Societies Registry 37,970
12. Ministry of Town and Country Planning 949,000
13. Central Land Board Scotland:—
14. National Health Service 27,394,000
15. Housing 7,703,000
16. Eschequer Contributions to Local Revenues 3,710,000
17. Registrar General’s Office 47,433

£557,173,699.

Question put, and agreed to.

Class VI.

8. That a sum, not exceeding £109,908,839, be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VI of the Civil Estimates, viz.:—

£

1. Board of Trade (including a Supplementary sum of £76,010) 6,189,405
2. Services in Development Areas 4,201,000
3. Financial Assistance in Development Areas 410,010
4. Export Credits 90
5. Export Credits (Special Guarantees) 230,000
6. Ministry of Fuel and Power 4,015,000
7. Office of Commissioners of Crown Lands 43,295
8. Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries 11,816,290
9. Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries (Food Production Services) including a Supplementary sum of £2,430,000 28,833,376
10. Surveys of Great Britain, &c. 1,529,380
11. Forestry Commission 4,350,000
12. Development Fund 840,000
13. Ministry of Transport 1,728,350
14. Roads, &c. 19,234,000
15. Mercantile Marine Services 342,100
16. Ministry of Civil Aviation 14,180,410
17. Development Grants 2,000
18. Department of Scientific and Industrial Research 3,672,384
19. State Management Districts Scotland 90
20. Department of Agriculture Scotland 2,371,000
21. Department of Agriculture (Food Production Services) (including a Supplementary sum of £280,000) 4,499,500
22. Fisheries (including a Supplementary sum of £630,000) 1,105,769
23. Herring Industry 325,300
24. State Management Districts:—

£109,908,839.

Question put, and agreed to.

Class VII.

9. That a sum, not exceeding £25,022,105, be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VII of the Civil Estimates, viz.:—

£

1. Ministry of Works 5,012,470
2. Houses of Parliament Buildings 527,500
3a. Oxford and Asquith Memorial 150
4. Public Buildings Overseas 1,533,155
5. Royal Palaces 247,550
6. Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens 479,100
7. Miscellaneous Works Services 2,682,100
8. Rates on Government Property 6,444,255
9. Stationery and Printing 6,158,135
10. Central Office of Information 1,751,000
11. Peterhead Harbour 34,000
12. Works and Buildings in Ireland:—
13. State of Ireland:— 152,690

£25,022,105.

Question put, and agreed to.

Class VIII.

10. That a sum, not exceeding £58,424,500, be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VIII of the Civil Estimates, viz.:—

£

1. Merchant Seamen’s War Pensions 146,500
2. Ministry of Pensions 53,430,000
3. Royal Irish Constabulary (Ministry of Pensions, &c.) 690,000
4. Superannuation and Retired Allowances 4,158,000

£58,424,500.

Question put, and agreed to.
Question put, and agreed to.

Army Estimates, 1950-51.

15. That a sum, not exceeding £161,423,000, be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, for Expenditure in respect of the Army Services, viz.:—

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<td>3. War Office</td>
<td>£2,295,000</td>
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<td>4. Civilians</td>
<td>£44,605,000</td>
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<td>5. Movements</td>
<td>£21,650,000</td>
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<td>6. Supplies, &amp;c.</td>
<td>£33,020,000</td>
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<td>7. Stores</td>
<td>£57,820,000</td>
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<td>9. Miscellaneous Effective Services</td>
<td>£2,033,000</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>£161,423,000</strong></td>
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Question put, and agreed to.


16. That a sum, not exceeding £59,922,000, be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, for Expenditure in respect of the Air Services, viz.:—

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<td>3. Air Ministry</td>
<td>£2,858,000</td>
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<td>4. Civilians at Outstations</td>
<td>£19,152,000</td>
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<td>5. Movements</td>
<td>£8,450,000</td>
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<td>6. Supplies, &amp;c.</td>
<td>£27,900,000</td>
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<td>9. Miscellaneous Effective Services</td>
<td>£1,562,000</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
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Question put, and agreed to.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Order. That the Report be received to-morrow.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved Ways and Means, M.S., in Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to His Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, the sum of £1,857,265,078 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.—(Mr. Jay.)

Resolution to be reported.
Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Agricultural Marketing.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Draft Tomato and Cucumber Marketing Scheme, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 10th day of this instant July, be approved.—(Mr. George Brown);

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning:

Friday, 21st July, 1950:

And the Question being put;

Resolved, That the Draft Tomato and Cucumber Marketing Scheme, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 10th day of this instant July, be approved.

Agriculture.

Resolved, That the Agriculture Act (Extension of First Schedule) (Wool) Order, 1950, dated 10th July 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 11th day of this instant July, be approved.—(Mr. Thomas Williams.)

Agricultural Marketing.

Resolved, That the Draft British Wool Marketing Scheme, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 10th day of this instant July, be approved.—(Mr. Secretary McNeill.)

Agricultural Marketing.

Resolved, That the Draft Aberdeen and District Milk Marketing Scheme (Application to Banff) Order, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 11th day of this instant July, be approved.—(Mr. Thomas Fraser.)

Agricultural Marketing.

Resolved, That the Draft North of Scotland Milk Marketing Scheme (Application to Moray and Orkney) Order, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 11th day of this instant July, be approved.—(Mr. Thomas Fraser.)

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Royle.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eighteen minutes before Two of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

[No. 851]

Friday, 21st July, 1950.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the British Transport Commission Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Pier and Harbour Provisional Order (Cattewater) Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

The Granton Harbour Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Greenock Port and Harbours Order Greenock Port Corporation Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Draft Aberdeen and Harbours Order Confirmation Bill be read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Draft the Edinburgh Corporation Order Confirmation Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on the 10th day of July 1950 on Stock issued by the British Transport Commission under the Transport Act, 1947.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 20th July 1950, entitled the Soap (Licensing of Manufacturers and Rationing) (General Licence) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Dalton presented, pursuant to the Town and Country Planning (Ironstone Areas Special Development) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Isle of Man Customs Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 8 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence (the Bill having been endorsed by Mr. Speaker with the following Certificate:—

I hereby certify that this Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

D. CLIFTON BROWN, Speaker.

The Public Utilities Street Works Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time. Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Sparks.) Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Barnes, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Public Utilities Street Works [Money] proposed to be moved, under the Standing Order (Money Committees), in a Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House:—Whereupon the House, pursuant to the said Standing Order, resolved itself into a Committee. (In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to enact uniform provisions for regulating relations as to apparatus in streets between authorities, bodies and persons having statutory powers to place and deal with apparatus therein, and those having the control or management of streets and others concerned in the exercise of such powers, and for other matters and purposes connected therewith, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of—

(i) any administrative expenses incurred by the Minister of Transport or the Secretary of State under the said Act of the present Session;
(ii) any expenses incurred by any Minister of the Crown in the discharge or exercise of duties or rights imposed or conferred by the said Act of the present Session on undertakers;
(iii) any increase attributable to the provisions of the said Act of the present Session in the sums payable out of the Road Fund;
(iv) any increase in the Exchequer Equalisation Grant payable under Part I or Part II of the Local Government Act, 1948, which is attributable to any expenditure of a local authority under the said Act of the present Session;
(b) the payment into Exchequer of any sums received under the said Act of the present Session by any Minister of the Crown, other than sums required by the said Act to be paid into the Road Fund. —(Mr. Barnes.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution. Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.
The Order of the day being read, for taking British
transport into consideration the Amendments made by
the Lords to the British Transport Commission Bill;
Ordered, That the said Amendments be
taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That Standing Order 208 relating Private Bills,
to Private Business (Notice of Consideration
of Lords Amendments) be suspended until the
Summer Adjournment.

Ordered, That as regards Private Bills to be
returned by the House of Lords with Amend-
ments, such Amendments shall be taken into
consideration at the next sitting of the House
after the day on which the Bill has been
returned from the Lords.

Ordered, That when Amendments thereto
are intended to be proposed by the Promoters,
a copy of such Amendments shall be deposited
in the Private Bill Office, and Notice thereof
given not later than the day before that on
which the Amendments made by the House of
Lords are proposed to be taken into considera-
tion.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The Edinburgh Corporation Order Con-
firmation Bill was, according to Order, read
the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill
to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented a Bill to con-
firm a Provisional Order under the Private
Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936,
relating to Clyde Navigation: And the same
was ordered (under Section 7 of the Act) to be
taken into consideration to-morrow.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

The following Papers, required by an Act
of Parliament to be laid before the House
and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings
Office on the undermentioned dates pursuant
to the Standing Order (Presentation of Statu-
tory Instruments), were ordered to lie upon
the Table:—

21st July 1950:—

(1) the Foreign Compensation (Czecho-
slovakia) Order in Council, 1950.

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tion.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill
to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

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which the Amendments made by the House of
Lords are proposed to be taken into considera-
tion.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill
to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.
Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Instrument, dated 21st July 1950, entitled the Mental Nurses Committee (Election Scheme) Rules, Approval Instrument, 1950. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Tomlinson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 21st July 1950, entitled the Training of Teachers Grant Regulations, 1950. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Schedule containing a List and Particulars of certain Classes of Documents existing or accruing in the Ministry of National Insurance which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

Ordered, That the Paper relating to Lunacy and Mental Treatment be printed.

Mr. Nicholson reported from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, That they had made further Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with Appendices: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments have leave to make a Special Report.

Mr. Nicholson reported from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, That they had agreed to a Special Report, which they had directed him to make to the House:

And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Merchants House of Glasgow (Crematorium) Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Manchester Ship Canal Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate the Housing (Scotland) Acts, 1925 to 1949, and certain other enactments relating to Housing in Scotland; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered. That this day Business other than the Business of Supply may be taken before Ten of the clock; and that if the first Resolution reported from the Committee of Supply of the 20th day of this instant July shall have been agreed to before half an hour after Nine of the clock, Mr. Speaker shall proceed to put forthwith the Questions which he is directed to put at half an hour after Nine of the clock by paragraph (7) of the Standing Order (Business of Supply).—(The Prime Minister.)

Ordered, That the Proceedings on Government Business be exempted, at this day’s Sitting from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(The Prime Minister.)

Mr. Robert Taylor reported from the Committee of Supply of the 20th day of this instant July, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Estimates, 1950-51.

1. That a sum, not exceeding £13,863,986, be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sums necessary to defray the charges for the following services connected with Civil Defence for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, namely:

- Civil Estimates, 1950-51.
  - Class III., Vote 1, Home Office £1,943,295
  - Class III., Vote 2, Home Office (Civil Defence Services) 4,024,270
  - Class V., Vote 1, Ministry of Health 5,605,000
  - Class I., Vote 26, Scottish Home Department 849,160
  - Class III., Vote 13, Scottish Home Department (Civil Defence Services) 467,261
  - Class V., Vote 14, Department of Health for Scotland 975,000
  - Total £13,863,986.

2. That a sum, not exceeding £56,431,984, be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sums necessary to defray the charges for the following services connected with Education in Scotland for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, namely:

- Civil Estimates, 1950-51.
  - Class IV., Vote 14, Public Education, Scotland 17,788,303
  - Class III., Vote 16, Approved Schools, Scotland 125,000
  - Class IV., Vote 11, Universities and Colleges, &c., Great Britain 13,419,060
  - Class I., Vote 4, Treasury and Subordinate Departments 2,193,181
  - Class VII., Vote 3, Public Buildings, Great Britain 22,906,350
  - Total £56,431,984.

Civil Estimates and Supplementary Estimate, 1950-51.

Class I.

3. That a sum, not exceeding £10,395,094, be granted to His Majesty to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class I of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

£

1. House of Lords 59,429
2. House of Commons 588,000
3. Registration of Electors 500,000
4. Privy Council Office 18,802
5. Privy Seal Office 5,585
6. Charity Commission 47,102
7. Civil Service Commission 338,750
8. Exchequer and Audit Department 216,560
9. Government Actuary 16,523
10. Government Chemist 128,418
11. Government Hospital 60,000
12. The Mint 90
13. National Debt Office 90
14. National Savings Committee 585,236
15. Overlapping Income Tax Payments 33,000
16. Public Record Office 51,066
17. Supplementary sum 90
18. Supplementary sum 43,431
19. Repayments to the Local Loans Fund 88,200
20. Royal Commissions, &c. 2,000,000
21. Secret Service 90
22. Silver 1,550,000
23. Tithe Redemption Commission 117,398
24. American Aid Counterpart Funds 3,900,000
25. Miscellaneous Expenses 31,693
26. Repayments to the Civil Conferences Fund 15,541
27. Scottish Record Office 10,395,094

Total £53,840,748.
Class III.

5. That a sum, not exceeding £34,313,310, be granted to His Majesty to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class III of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

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<tr>
<th>Service</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Police, England and Wales</td>
<td>18,058,250</td>
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<tr>
<td>Prisons, England and Wales</td>
<td>3,241,038</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Child Care, England and Wales</td>
<td>5,867,900</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fire Services, England and Wales</td>
<td>2,199,230</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Supreme Court of Judicature, &amp;c.</td>
<td>490,600</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>County Courts, &amp;c.</td>
<td>170,195</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Land Registry</td>
<td>90</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Public Trustee</td>
<td>90</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Law Charges</td>
<td>296,858</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Miscellaneous Legal Expenses</td>
<td>17,350</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Scotland:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Police</td>
<td>2,638,091</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Prisons</td>
<td>311,516</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fire Services</td>
<td>311,400</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Scottish Land Court</td>
<td>9,400</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Law Charges and Courts of Law</td>
<td>97,447</td>
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<tr>
<td>Department of the Registers of Scotland</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Scotland:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Supreme Court of Judicature, &amp;c., Northern Ireland</td>
<td>12,705</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Irish Land Purchase Services</td>
<td>591,060</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

£34,313,310.

Class IV.

6. That a sum, not exceeding £148,964,120, be granted to His Majesty to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class IV of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Service</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Ministry of Education</td>
<td>129,680,305</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>British Museum (Natural History)</td>
<td>174,064</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Imperial War Museum</td>
<td>142,886</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>London Museum</td>
<td>19,888</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>National Gallery</td>
<td>8,880</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>National Maritime Museum</td>
<td>46,695</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>National Portrait Gallery</td>
<td>16,198</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wallace Collection</td>
<td>11,995</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Grants for Science and the Arts</td>
<td>2,499,972</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Broadcasting</td>
<td>12,055,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Festival of Britain, 1951</td>
<td>4,262,625</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Scotland:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>National Galleries</td>
<td>18,898</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>National Library</td>
<td>9,093</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

£148,964,120.

Class V.

7. That a sum, not exceeding £557,173,699, be granted to His Majesty to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class V of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Service</th>
<th>£</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>National Health Service, England and Wales</td>
<td>231,541,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Housing, England and Wales</td>
<td>38,750,000</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

£557,173,699.

Class VI.

8. That a sum, not exceeding £109,908,839, be granted to His Majesty to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VI of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Service</th>
<th>£</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Board of Trade (including a Supplementary sum of £76,010)</td>
<td>6,189,405</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Services in Development Areas</td>
<td>4,201,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Financial Assistance in Development Areas</td>
<td>410,010</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Export Credits</td>
<td>90</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Export Credits (Special Guarantees)</td>
<td>4,220,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ministry of Fuel and Power</td>
<td>4,015,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Office of Commissioners of Crown Lands</td>
<td>43,295</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries</td>
<td>11,816,290</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries (Food Production Services) (including a Supplementary sum of £2,430,000)</td>
<td>28,833,376</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Surveys of Great Britain, &amp;c.</td>
<td>1,529,380</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Forestry Commission</td>
<td>4,350,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Development Fund</td>
<td>840,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ministry of Transport</td>
<td>1,728,350</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Roads, &amp;c.</td>
<td>19,224,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mercantile Marine Services</td>
<td>342,100</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ministry of Civil Aviation</td>
<td>14,180,610</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Development Grants</td>
<td>2,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Department of Scientific and Industrial Research</td>
<td>3,672,384</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>State Management Districts</td>
<td>90</td>
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<tr>
<td>Scotland:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Department of Agriculture</td>
<td>2,371,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Department of Agriculture (Food Production Services) (including a Supplementary sum of £280,000)</td>
<td>4,499,500</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fisheries (including a Supplementary sum of £60,000)</td>
<td>1,105,769</td>
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<tr>
<td>Herring Industry</td>
<td>325,300</td>
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<tr>
<td>State Management Districts</td>
<td>90</td>
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£109,908,839.

Class VII.

9. That a sum, not exceeding £25,022,105, be granted to His Majesty to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951,
for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VII of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Department</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1. Ministry of Works</td>
<td>£5,012,470</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2. Houses of Parliament Buildings</td>
<td>£527,500</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3. Oxford and Asquith Memorial</td>
<td>£150</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4. Public Buildings Overseas</td>
<td>£1,533,155</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5. Royal Palaces</td>
<td>£247,550</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6. Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens</td>
<td>£479,100</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7. Miscellaneous Works Services</td>
<td>£2,682,100</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8. Rates on Government Property</td>
<td>£6,444,255</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9. Stationery and Printing</td>
<td>£6,158,135</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10. Central Office of Information</td>
<td>£1,751,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11. Peterhead Harbour</td>
<td>£34,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12. Works and Buildings in Ireland</td>
<td>£152,690</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

For Ireland:

- £25,022,105.

Class VIII.

10. That a sum, not exceeding £58,424,500, be granted to His Majesty to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VIII of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Department</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1. Merchant Seamen’s War Pensions</td>
<td>£146,500</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2. Ministry of Pensions</td>
<td>£53,430,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3. Royal Irish Constabulary Pensions &amp;c.</td>
<td>£690,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4. Superannuation and Retired Allowances</td>
<td>£4,158,000</td>
</tr>
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</table>

Total: £58,424,500.

Class IX.

11. That a sum, not exceeding £321,087,109, be granted to His Majesty to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class IX of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Department</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1. Ministry of Supply</td>
<td>£45,500,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2. Ministry of Supply (Trading Services and Assistance to Industry)</td>
<td>£7,238,010</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3. Ministry of Food</td>
<td>£247,011,635</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4. Ministry of Transport (Shipping and War Terminal Services)</td>
<td>£7,458,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5. Ministry of Fuel and Power (War Services)</td>
<td>£250,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6. Foreign Office (German Section) (including a Supplementary sum of £2,455,000)</td>
<td>£5,678,464</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7. Administration of certain African Territories</td>
<td>£1,444,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8. Advances to Allies, &amp;c.</td>
<td>£5,250,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9. War Damage Commission</td>
<td>£1,027,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10. Burma War Damage Payments</td>
<td>£230,000</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
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Revenue Departments Estimates, 1950-51.

12. That a sum, not exceeding £139,660,895, be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in the Estimates for Revenue Departments, viz.:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Department</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1. Customs and Excise</td>
<td>£6,330,400</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2. Inland Revenue</td>
<td>£16,539,495</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3. Post Office</td>
<td>£116,791,000</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Total: £139,660,895.


13. That a sum, not exceeding £3,796,779 (including a Supplementary sum of £3,249,990), be granted to His Majesty, to complete the sum necessary to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, for the salaries and expenses of the Ministry of Defence; expenses in connection with International Defence Organisations and a contribution towards certain expenses incurred in the United Kingdom by the Government of the United States of America.


14. That a sum, not exceeding £103,037,000, be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, for Expenditure in respect of the Navy Services, viz.:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Department</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>3. Medical Establishments and Services</td>
<td>£1,512,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5. Educational Services</td>
<td>£738,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7. Royal Naval Reserves</td>
<td>£1,235,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8. Shipbuilding, Repairs, Maintenace &amp;c.</td>
<td>£25,768,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Section I.—Personnel</td>
<td>£24,550,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Section II.—Matériel</td>
<td>£31,677,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Section III.—Contract Work</td>
<td>£12,061,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9. Naval Armaments</td>
<td>£5,350,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12. Admiralty Office</td>
<td>£146,000</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Total: £103,037,000.

Army Estimates, 1950-51.

15. That a sum, not exceeding £161,423,000, be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, for Expenditure in respect of the Army Services, viz.:

<table>
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<th>Department</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>3. War Office</td>
<td>£2,295,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>4. Civilians</td>
<td>£44,605,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5. Movements</td>
<td>£21,650,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6. Supplies, &amp;c.</td>
<td>£33,020,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7. Stores</td>
<td>£57,820,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9. Miscellaneous Effect Services</td>
<td>£2,033,000</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Total: £161,423,000.


16. That a sum, not exceeding £59,922,000, be granted to His Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March
The first Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

And it being half an hour after Nine of the clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded, pursuant to the Standing Order (Business of Supply), to put forthwith the Questions, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolutions reported in respect of Classes I to IX of the Civil Estimates and of the Revenue Department's Estimates, the Ministry of Defence Estimate, the Navy Estimates, the Army Estimates and the Air Estimates.

Civil Estimates and Supplementary Estimate. 1950-51.

Class I.
Central Government and Finance.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of Class I of the Civil Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Class II.
Foreign and Imperial.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of Class II of the Civil Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Class III.
Home Department, Law and Justice.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolutions reported in respect of Class III of the Civil Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Class IV.
Education and Broadcasting.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolutions reported in respect of Class IV of the Civil Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Class V.
Health, Housing, Town Planning, Labour, National Insurance, and Contributions to Local Revenues.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of Class V of the Civil Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Class VI.
Trade, Industry and Transport.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of Class VI of the Civil Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

1951, for Expenditure in respect of the Air Services, viz.:

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<th>Description</th>
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<tr>
<td>3. Air Ministry</td>
<td>£2,858,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4. Civilians at Outstations</td>
<td>£19,152,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5. Movements</td>
<td>£8,450,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6. Supplies</td>
<td>£27,900,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9. Miscellaneous Effective Services</td>
<td>£1,562,000</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

£59,922,000.

Class VII.
Common Services (Works, Stationery, &c.).

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolutions reported in respect of Class VII of the Civil Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Class VIII.
Non-effective Charges (Pensions).

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of Class VIII of the Civil Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Class IX.
Supply, Food and Miscellaneous Services.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of Class IX of the Civil Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Revenue Departments Estimates, 1950-51.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Revenue Departments Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.


And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Ministry of Defence Estimate:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.


And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Navy Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Army Estimates, 1950-51.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Army Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.


And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of the Air Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. Pearson reported from the Committee Ways and Means of the 20th day of this instant July, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, towards making good the Supply Consolidated granted to His Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1951, the sum of £1,857,265,078 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.
Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution: And that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Mr. Jay do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Jay accordingly presented a Bill to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the year ending on the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and fifty-one, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow, and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Coal Mining (Subsidence) Bill; and the same were read.

The Lords Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 5, l. 27, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords Amendment in p. 5, l. 27, leave out "first day of May, nineteen hundred and fifty"; and insert "passing of this Act", the next Amendment, being read a second time, and the Commons being willing to waive their privileges, the same was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment in p. 5, l. 45, after "appearing" insert "probable", the next Amendment, being read a second time, and the Commons being willing to waive their privileges, the same was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment in p. 6, l. 1, leave out "may" and insert "will", the next Amendment, being read a second time, and the Commons being willing to waive their privileges, the same was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment in p. 6, l. 2, after "building" insert "within such period as would make it unreasonable that repairs other than the works hereinafter mentioned should be carried out to that dwelling-house or building, the next Amendment, being read a second time, and the Commons being willing to waive their privileges, the same was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment in p. 6, l. 22, the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment in p. 11, l. 9, at end insert Clause A (Contributions towards expenses of claim), the next Amendment, being read a second time, and the Commons being willing to waive their privileges, the same was agreed to.

Then the remaining Lords Amendments being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution: And that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Mr. Jay do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Jay accordingly presented a Bill to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the year ending on the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and fifty-one, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow, and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Highways (Provision of Cattle-Grids) Bill; and the same were read.

The Lords Amendment in p. 1, l. 9, the first Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment in p. 3, l. 10, leave out from "road" to end of l. 14, the next Amendment, being read a second time, and it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to further the intentions of the Commons, the same was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment in p. 3, l. 43, the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment in p. 4, l. 29, leave out subsection (4), the next Amendment, being read a second time, and it appearing that the Special Entry, object of the Amendment was to further the intentions of the Commons, the same was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment in p. 4, l. 41, at end insert "and in a case in which the appropriate authority is also the highway authority they shall not be entitled to rely on any exemption from liability for non-repair available to a highway authority as the successor to the inhabitants at large", the next Amendment, being read a second time, and it appearing that the Special Entry, object of the Amendment was to further the intentions of the Commons, the same was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment in p. 6, l. 2, at end insert—

"(2) The power conferred on the Minister by subsection (2) of section forty-eight of the said Act of 1930 to prescribe the size, colour and type of traffic-signs shall include power to make regulations providing for the illumination of traffic-signs relating to a cattle-grid provided by an appropriate authority for any road, or to a by-pass provided for use in connection with such a cattle-grid, or for the attachment of reflectors to such signs", the next Amendment, being read a second time, and it appearing that the Special Entry, object of the Amendment was to further the intentions of the Commons, the same was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment in p. 6, l. 43, the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment in p. 9, l. 16, after "Act" insert and as to the illumination of cattle-grids, by-passes and works provided for those purposes", the next Amendment, being read a second time, and it appearing that the Special Entry, object of the Amendment was to further the intentions of the Commons, the same was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment in p. 9, l. 21, at end insert "and references to illumination shall include references to the provision of reflectors", the next Amendment, being read a second time, and it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to further the intentions of the Commons, the same was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment in p. 9, l. 25, at end insert Clause A (Applications of enactments as to persons damaging highways), the next Amendment, being read a second time, and it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to further the intentions of the Commons, the same was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment in p. 9, l. 41, the next Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment in p. 10, l. 4, at end insert Clause B (Protection of bridges and railways), the next Amendment, being read a second time, and it appearing that the Special Entry...
object of the Amendment was to further the intentions of the Commons, the same was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Lords Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 3, l. 16, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords Amendment in p. 13, l. 16, leave out paragraphs (a) and (e), the remaining Amendment, being read a second time, and it appearing that the object of the Amendment was to further the intentions of the Commons, the same was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Resolved, That the Town and Country Planning (Development Charge Exemptions) Regulations, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 11th day of this instant July, be approved.—(Mr. Dalton.)

Resolved, That the Town and Country Planning (Development Charge Exemptions) (Scotland) Regulations, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 12th day of this instant July, be approved.—(Miss Herbison.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Allotments (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put pursuant to the Standing Order (Public Bills relating exclusively to Scotland), That the Bill be committed to the Scottish Standing Committee—(Mr. Thomas Fraser):—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill (deemed to have been read a second time) was committed to the Scottish Standing Committee.

Mr. Secretary Ede, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Allotments (Scotland) [Money] proposed to be moved, under the Standing Order (Money Committees), in a Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House;—Whereupon the House, pursuant to the said Standing Order, resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the law relating to allotments in Scotland and to abolish restrictions on the keeping of hens and rabbits, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of—

(i) any expenses incurred by a Minister of the Crown or government department in paying compensation under the said Act; and

(ii) any increase attributable to the passing of the said Act in the sums which under any other enactment, are payable out of moneys so provided; and

(b) the payment into the Exchequer of any sums received by a Minister of the Crown or government department by way of compensation under the said Act.—(Mr. Thomas Fraser.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying him to withhold his Consent from such parts of the Scheme in the Matter of certain Educational Foundations in the County of Hertford, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 13th day of June last, as relate to the Foundations described in the Schedule thereto as the Aspenden Educational Foundation, the Esdras Bland Foundation, Buckland, the Cathcart and Yarborough Educational Foundation, Teasin, the Francis Combe's Foundation, Watford, the Elizabeth Ann Lucas's Educational Foundation, Hitchin, the Henry Soames Foundation, Cottered, the Thompson and Crossland Educational Foundation, Watton-at-Stone, the David White's Foundation, Abbot's Langley, the Cross Street Prize Fund, St. Albans, the Merri- ton Educational Foundation, Sawbridgeworth, and to the Funds specified in paragraph 14 thereof—(Mr. John Grimston);

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning:

Tuesday, 25th July, 1950:

And the Question being put:—It passed in the Negative.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.—(Mr. Royle.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till two minutes after One o'clock, on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.
in Council, 1950, be made in the form of the Draft laid before your House.
I will comply with your request.

The House proceeded, pursuant to the Order made yesterday, to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Manchester Ship Canal Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the British Transport Commission Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the County Council Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

And Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That Standing Order 205 relating to Private Business (Notice of Third Reading) be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Clyde Navigation Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 24th July 1950, directing the Application of certain Receipts as Appropriations in Aid of the Vote for the Ministry of Education.

Copy of a Warrant, dated 21st July 1950, entitled the British Commonwealth and Foreign Parcel Post Warrant, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Ede presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 21st July 1950, entitled the Removal and Storage of Household Chattels Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of an Agreement between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Iceland relating to certain Air Transport Services (with Annex and Schedules) signed at London on the 26th day of May 1950 (this Agreement has not been ratified by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Barnes presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Draft Scheme entitled the Teachers Superannuation (Training Within Industry) Scheme, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Dr. Summerskill presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 25th July 1950, entitled the National Insurance (Seasonal Workers) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Report by the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords and the Chairman of Ways and Means in the House of Commons under Section 3 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945. That no Petition has been presented against the Surrey Area (Conservation of Water) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Accounts, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Account of the Cinematograph Fund showing the Receipts and Payments during the year ended the 31st day of March 1950, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

No. 126. Cinematograph Fund.

Accounts of the Czecho-Slovak Financial Claims Fund and the Czecho-Slovak Refugee Claims Fund for the year ended the 31st day of March 1950, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.


Account of the National Land Fund for the year ended the 31st day of March 1950, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Plymouth Extension Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Housing (Scotland) Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow, and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Matrimonial Causes Bill [Lords], the Arbitration Bill [Lords], the Adoption Bill [Lords] and the Shops Bill [Lords] be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(The Prime Minister.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put:—It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That Standing Order 205 relating to Private Business (Notice of Third Reading) be suspended.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

A Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

The Chairman of Ways and Means, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendment.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendment; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House resumed the postponed Proceeding on the Question, That this House takes note of the First Annual Reports and Statements of Accounts of the British Electricity Authority and of the Area Electricity Boards; of the Report of the Minister of Fuel and Power for the period 1947-49; and of the Annual Report of the North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Board for 1949.—(Mr. Noel-Baker):

And, it being Seven of the clock, and there being Private Business set down by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means under the Standing Order (Time for taking Private Business), further Proceeding stood postponed.

The Order being read for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment proposed upon the 20th day of this instant July on consideration of the Gloucester Extension Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee;

Which Amendment was, in p. 13, l. 6, to leave out subsection (5);

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put:—It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the said Accounts be printed.
Resolved, That the Representation of the People Regulations, 1950, dated 5th July 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 6th day of this instant July, be approved.—(Mr. Secretary Ede.)

Resolved, That the Adoption Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Hannan.)

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Resolved, That the Arbitration Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Hannan.)

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Resolved, That the Matrimonial Causes Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Hannan.)

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Shops Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Hannan.)

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Resolved, That the Draft Civil Defence (Demolition and Repair Services) Regulations, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 12th day of this instant July, be approved.—(Mr. Blenkinsop.)

Resolved, That the Draft Wool Textile Industry (Export Promotion Levy) Order, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 17th day of this instant July, be approved.(Mr. Rhodes.)

Resolved, That the Representation of the People (Northern Ireland) Regulations, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 12th day of this instant July, be approved.—(Miss Herbison.)

Resolved, That the Representation of the People (Scotland) Regulations, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 12th day of this instant July, be approved.—(Mr. Secretary Ede.)

Resolved, That the Representation of the People (Scotland) Regulations, 1950, dated 6th July 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 6th day of this instant July, be approved.—(Miss Herbison.)

Resolved, That the Draft Wool Textile Industry (Export Promotion Levy) Order, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 12th day of this instant July, be approved. (Mr. Secretary Ede.)

Resolved, That the Representation of the People Regulations, 1950, dated 6th July 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 6th day of this instant July, be approved.—(Mr. Secretary Ede.)

Resolved, That the Representation of the People Regulations, 1950, dated 5th July 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 6th day of this instant July, be approved.—(Miss Herbison.)

Resolved, That the Matrimonial Causes Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Hannan.)

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Resolved, That the Draft Civil Defence (Demolition and Repair Services) Regulations, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 12th day of this instant July, be approved.—(Mr. Blenkinsop.)

Resolved, That the Representation of the People (Scotland) Regulations, 1950, dated 6th July 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 6th day of this instant July, be approved.—(Mr. Secretary Ede.)

Resolved, That the Representation of the People Regulations, 1950, dated 5th July 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 6th day of this instant July, be approved.—(Miss Herbison.)

Resolved, That the Draft Civil Defence (Demolition and Repair Services) Regulations, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 12th day of this instant July, be approved.—(Mr. Blenkinsop.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Regulations, dated 24th April 1950, entitled the Housing (Rate of Interest) Regulations, 1950 (S.I., 1950, No. 1008), a copy of which was laid before this House on the 21st day of June last, be annulled.—(Sir John Mellor): —And a Debate arising thereupon ;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning:

Wednesday, 26th July, 1950:

Mr. Charles Taylor moved, That the Debate Question put be now adjourned; but Mr. Deputy Speaker, being of opinion that the Motion was an abuse of the Rules of the House, put the Question thereupon forthwith:—And it passed in the Negative.

And the Original Question being put:—

The House proceeded to a Division.

Major Poole and Mr. Usborne were Division appointed Tellers for the Yeas, but no Mem- bers being willing to act as Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Deputy Speaker declared that the Yeas had it.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Regulations, dated 24th April 1950, entitled the Housing (Rate of Interest) Regulations, 1950 (S.I., 1950, No. 1008), a copy of which was laid before this House on the 21st day of June last, be annulled.—(Mr. Secretary Ede.)

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Majesty by such Members of this House as are of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of His Majesty's Household.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment. —(Mr. Wilkins.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till three minutes after One of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

MEMORANDUM.

Tuesday, 25th July, 1950.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of the Standing Order (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker this day appointed Mr. Mathers Chairman of the Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Allotments (Scotland) Bill [Lords].
The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Oldham Extension Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Sunderland Extension Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded, pursuant to the Order made upon the 24th day of this instant July, to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Manchester Corporation Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded, pursuant to the Order made upon the 24th day of this instant July, to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Wolverhampton Corporation Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded, pursuant to the Order made upon the 24th day of this instant July, to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the South Shields Extension Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded, pursuant to the Order made upon the 24th day of this instant July, to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bristol Corporation Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Ordered, That the Bath Extension Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

The Clyde Navigation Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Jay presented, by His Majesty's Command, a Copy of the Report of the Bank of England for the year ended the 28th day of February 1950.

Mr. Jay also presented, pursuant to the Gas, directions of several Acts of Parliament, a Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on the 21st day of July 1950 on loans proposed to be raised by the Gas Council.

Copy of a Warrant, dated 24th July 1950, Post Office, entitled the British Commonwealth and Foreign Post Amendment (No. 4) Warrant, 1950.

Accounts in respect of—
(1) the Post Office Savings Banks Fund for 1949,
(2) the Savings Banks Fund for the year ended the 20th day of November 1949, and
(3) the Friendly Societies Fund for the year ended the 20th day of November 1949.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relating to Gas be printed.

Mr. Secretary Ede presented, pursuant to the directions of a Measure,—Copy of the Second Annual Report of the Church Commissioners, with Accounts, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of the Eighty-sixth Annual Report by the Chief Inspectors under the Alkali, &c., Works Regulation Act, 1906, for 1949.

Copy of Rules, dated 25th July 1950, entitled the Mental Treatment (Amendment) Rules, 1950.

Copy of Regulations, dated 25th July 1950, entitled the Mental Deficiency (Amendment) Regulations, 1950.

Copies of Regulations, dated 25th July 1950, entitled—
(1) the National Health Service (Expenses in attending Hospitals) Regulations, 1950,
(2) the National Health Service (Emergency Mental Treatment) Amendment Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Barnes presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account, of the General Lighthouse Fund for the year ended the 31st day of March 1949.

Copy of Regulations, dated 25th July 1950, entitled the Motor Vehicles (Variation of Speed Limit) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Accounts be printed.

Ordered. That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. George Strauss presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 25th July 1950, entitled the Control of Turbo-Alternators (No. 2) (Revocation) Order, 1950.

Ordered. That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Accounts of Receipts and Payments by the National Debt Commissioners in respect of the Annual Income of the Irish Land Purchase Fund in the year ended the 31st day of March 1950, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Accounts of Sums issued to the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Minister of Food out of the Consolidated Fund to enable them to make advances to the Colonial Development Corporation and the Overseas Food Corporation, of Sums received by them from the Corporations, and of the Disposal by them of those Sums respectively, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1950, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Schedule containing a List and Particulars of certain Classes of Documents existing or accruing in the Office of the Registrar of Companies which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

Schedule containing a List and Particulars of certain Classes of Documents existing or accruing in the Offices of the Regional Boards for Industry which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

Account of the Land Fertility (Research) Fund for the year ended the 31st day of March 1950, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered. That the said Accounts be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by Mr. Royle.

The Lords have agreed to the Bootle Extension Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments Medical Bill made by this House to the Medical Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Thursday morning;

Thursday, 27th July, 1950:

And the Question being put;

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

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved. That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Popplewell reported from the Committee on Allotments (Scotland) [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the law relating to allotments in Scotland and to abolish restrictions on the keeping of hens and rabbits, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of—

(i) any expenses incurred by a Minister of the Crown or government department in paying compensation under the said Act; and

(ii) any increase attributable to the passing of the said Act in the sums which under any other enactment, are payable out of moneys so provided; and

(b) the payment into the Exchequer of any sums received by a Minister of the Crown or government department by way of compensation under the said Act.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Resolved. That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment,

—(Mr. Royle.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes before Two of the clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.
[No. 89.]

*Thursday, 27th July, 1950.*

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

**PRAYERS.**

The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That their Address of the 25th day of this instant July relating to Housing had been presented to His Majesty; and that His Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:

I have received your Address praying that the Regulations, dated 24th April 1950, entitled the Housing (Rate of Interest) Regulations, 1950 (S.I., 1950, No. 1008), a copy of which was laid before your House on 21st June 1950, be annulled.

I shall give directions in accordance with your Address.

Bootle Extension Bill.

The House proceeded, pursuant to the Order made upon the 24th day of this instant July, to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bootle Extension Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

*Ordered,* That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Ilford Corporation (Drainage) Bill.

The House proceeded, pursuant to the Order made upon the 24th day of this instant July, to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Ilford Corporation (Drainage) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

*Ordered,* That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Bath Extension Bill [Lords].

The Order of the day being read for taking into consideration the Bath Extension Bill [Lords] as amended in the Committee:

*Ordered,* That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday the 17th day of October next.


A Public Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.


*Ordered,* That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His France (No. 2, Majesty's Command,—Copy of an Agreement 1950), between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the French Republic relating to Compensation for Disablement or Death due to War Injury suffered by Civilians, signed at Paris on the 23rd day of January 1950 (this Agreement has not yet been ratified by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom).

Copy of Notes exchanged at Washington on Treaty Series the 28th day of June 1950 between His His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the United States of America regarding Financial Issues arising out of the Bizonal Fusion Agreement of the 2nd day of December 1946, as amended by the Agreement of the 17th day of December 1947.

*Ordered,* That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 27th July, 1950, entitled the National Health Service (Expenses in attending Hospitals) (Scotland) Regulations, 1950.

*Ordered,* That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Strachey presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 27th July 1950, entitled the Control of Highways—Revocation Order, 1950.

*Ordered,* That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 24th July 1950, entitled the Control of Leather (Revocation) Order, 1950.

*Ordered,* That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 26th July 1950, entitled the National Health Service (Apportionment of Hospital Endowments Fund) Amendment Regulations, 1950.

*Ordered,* That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Barnes presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Road Traffic Regressions, dated 25th July 1950, entitled—

(1) the Public Service Vehicles (Conditions of Fitness) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations, 1950,

(2) the Public Service Vehicles (Equipment and Use) (Amendment) Regulations, 1950, and

(3) the Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 25th July 1950, entitled the Standing Passengers (Amendment) Order, 1950.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relating to Transport be printed.

Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 26th July 1950, entitled the Mineral Oil in Food (Amendment) Order, 1950.

Copy of the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st day of March 1950.

Copies of Orders, dated 26th July 1950, entitled—
(1) the Milk (Great Britain) (General Licence No. 2) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950,
(2) the Use of Milk (Suspension of Restriction) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950,
(3) the Seed Potatoes Order, 1950,
(4) the Ware Potatoes Order, 1950, and
(5) the Milk Marketing (Counties of Moray, Banff and Orkney) (Revocation) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Tomlinson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts of the British Overseas Airways Corporation for the year ended the 31st day of March 1950.

Copy of the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts of the British European Airways Corporation for the year ended the 31st day of March 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

(1) the Customs Bill (Great Britain), (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950.
(2) the Income Tax (Suspension of Restriction) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950.
(3) the Land Education (Agricultural) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950.
(4) the Land Education (Agricultural ) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950.
(5) the Milk Marketing (Counties of Moray, Banff and Orkney) (Revocation) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Beswick presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts of the British European Carriage Company for the year ended the 31st day of March 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Copy of Rules, dated 27th June 1950, entitled the County Court Funds Rules, 1950.

Account showing the Revenue and Expenditure of the Sugar Industry (Research and Education) Fund attributable to the year ended the 31st day of March 1950, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Accounts be printed.

Mr. Viant reported from the Committee on Public Petitions, That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 15th, 28th, and 29th days of June last and this day, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Ashteton reported from the Committee on Public Accounts, That they had made further Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and Appendices: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Isle of Man (Customs) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Clyde Navigation Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have made this House to the Isle of Man Order Confirmation Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have made this House to the Isle of Man (Customs) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have made this House to the Isle of Man (Customs) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have made this House to the Isle of Man (Customs) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have made this House to the Isle of Man (Customs) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Matrimonial Causes Bill [Lords], the Arbitration Bill [Lords], the Adoption Bill [Lords] and the Shops Bill [Lords] be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(The Prime Minister.)

Resolved, That this House, at its rising tomorrow, do adjourn till Tuesday the 17th day of October next.—(Mr. Herbert Morrison.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill, (In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 7 agreed to.

Schedules A, B and C agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

And Notice being taken that Strangers were present:—Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order (Withdrawal of Strangers from House), put forthwith the Question, That Strangers do withdraw.

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for Mr. Drewe, the Yeas,

Brigadier Mackeson;

Tellers for Mr. Whiteley, the Noes: Mr. Robert Taylor:

So it passed in the Negative.

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Ordered, That the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill be now read the third time. The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence (the Bill having been endorsed by Mr. Speaker with the following Certificate: —

I hereby certify that this Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

D. CLIFTON BROWN, Speaker).

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn. —(Mr. Wilkins: —The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Matrimonial Causes Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 35 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Matrimonial Causes Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 35 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Shops Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 77 agreed to.

Schedules Nos. 1 to 8 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Order made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, extending Section 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, to the Rural District of Newmarket, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 25th day of this instant July, be approved.—(Mr. de Freitas.)

Resolved, That the Order made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, extending Section 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, to the Urban District of Irlam, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 25th day of this instant July, be approved.—(Mr. de Freitas.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn. —(Mr. Bowden: —And a Debate arising there-upon ;

And the Question having been proposed after Ten of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then two minutes after Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.
Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the direc-
tions of an Act of Parliament.—Copies of
Regulations, dated 27th July 1950, entitled—
(1) the National Health Service (Appoint-
ment of Specialists) Regulations, 1950, and
(2) the National Health Service (Functions
of Regional Hospital Boards, etc.)
(Amendment) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon
the Table.

Mr. Thomas Williams presented, pursuant Peats
to the directions of an Act of Parliament—
Copy of an Order, dated 27th July 1950,
etitled the Sugar Beet Eelworm (Amend-
ment) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon
the Table.

Mr. Marquand presented, pursuant to the Pensions,
directions of an Act of Parliament—Copy of
the Twenty-fifth Report of the Ministry of
Pensions, for the year ended the 31st day of
March 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon
the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Noel Baker presented, pursuant to the Coal Industry,
directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of
Regulations,—
(1) dated 27th July 1950, entitled the Coal
Industry Nationalisation (Valuation)
(Amendment) Regulations, 1950, and
(2) dated 28th July 1950, entitled the Coal-
mining (Subsidence) (Notices) Regula-
tions, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 27th July 1950, Gas,
etitled the Gas (Conversion Date) (No. 18)
Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon
the Table.

Dr. Summerskill presented, pursuant to the National
directions of several Acts of Parliament.—
Insurance.
Copy of Regulations, dated 28th July 1950,
etitled the National Insurance (Residence
and Persons Abroad) Amendment Regula-
tions, 1950.

Report of the National Insurance Advisory
Committee on the National Insurance (Resi-
dence and Persons Abroad) Amendment
Regulations, 1950, in accordance with Sub-
section (4) of Section 77 of the National
Insurance Act, 1946, preceded by a Statement
made by the Minister of National Insurance
in accordance with that Act.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon
the Table; and that the said Report be
printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from
Message had been brought from the Lords by the Lords:
one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated
Consolidated Fund ( Appropriation) Bill, without any
Amendment.

A Motion was made, and the Question Adjournment,
being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Robert Taylor);
A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-General Sir Brian Horrocks, K.C.B., K.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, for declaring His Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, and to a Measure passed under the provisions of the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act, 1919, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers: —And having returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts and to the Measure therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorised, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts and the said Measure as follow:

4. Cinematograph Film Production (Special Loans) Act, 1950.
5. Isle of Man (Customs) Act, 1950.
17. Leith Harbour and Docks Order Confirmation Act, 1950.
34. London County Council (General Powers) Act, 1950.
42. Thames Conservancy Act, 1950.
44. Middlesex County Council Act, 1950.
52. Bristol Corporation Act, 1950.

Incumbents (Discipline) Measure, 1947 (Amendment) Measure, 1950.

And the Question being again proposed, Adjournment, That this House do now adjourn;

And it being Four of the clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without a Question being put.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

—(Mr. Kenneth Robinson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes after Four of the clock, adjourned till Tuesday the 17th day of October next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House yesterday.

Notice given by Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order (Earlier meeting of House in certain circumstances).

Whereas His Majesty's Government have represented to me, Douglas Clifton Brown, Speaker of the House of Commons, that the public interest requires the House to meet at an earlier time than the seventeenth day of October 1950, and I am satisfied that the public interest does so require:

Now, therefore, I hereby give notice, pursuant to the Standing Order (Earlier meeting of House in certain circumstances) that the House shall meet on Tuesday, the twelfth day of September 1950, at half-past Two of the clock.

Given under my hand this eleventh day of August 1950.

D. CLIFTON BROWN,
Speaker.
Death of a Member.

Mr. Speaker made the following communication to the House:

I regret to have to inform the House of the death of Sir Arthur Stewart Leslie Young, baronet, Member for Glasgow, Scotstoun, and desire on behalf of the House to express our sense of the loss we have sustained and our sympathy with the relatives of the honourable Member.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament in the Leicester, North East, in the room of Sir Terence Norbert Donovan, k.c., who hath accepted the Office of one of the Justices of His Majesty's High Court of Justice.—(Mr. Whiteley.)

The following Papers presented by His Majesty's Command and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office during the Adjournment, pursuant to the Standing Order (Presentation of Command Papers), were ordered to lie upon the Table:

Copy of the Eighth Report on Operations under the Economic Co-operation Agreement between the Governments of the United Kingdom and the United States of America, covering the second quarter of 1950.

Copy of an agreement between the United Kingdom and the United States Governments concerning the Use of Sterling Balances to settle Deficits with the European Payments Union.

Copy of a statement showing the Civil Staffs employed in Government Departments on the 1st day of July 1950, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.


Copy of an Agreement for the Establishment of a General Fisheries Council for the Mediterranean, signed at Rome on the 24th day of September 1949 (His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom have not yet accepted the Agreement).

Copy of Supplementary Protocol No. 2 signed at Paris on the 22nd day of April 1950, amending the Agreement of the 7th day of September 1949, for the Intra-European Payments and Compensations for 1949-50.

Copy of a Cultural Convention between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, signed at Luxembourg on the 27th day of June 1950 (this Convention has not yet been ratified by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom).

Copy of Correspondence between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Norwegian Government respecting the Vol. 205 German steamer "Altmarm," signed at London between the 17th day of February and the 15th day of March 1940.

Copy of an Agreement between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Finland regarding Sterling Payments, signed at London on the 7th day of July 1950.

Copy of an Agreement between the Governments of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Australia, India, Pakistan, Ceylon and the Government of the Union of Burma regarding a Loan to Burma, signed at Rangoon on the 26th day of June 1950.

Copy of Notes exchanged at Rome on the Treaty Series 27th day of June 1950 between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Italian Government further extending the Sterling Payments Agreement of the 26th day of November 1948.

Copy of a Convention between His Majesty's Government in respect of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Her Majesty the Queen of the Netherlands in respect of the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with respect to Taxes on Income, signed at London on the 15th day of October 1948 (Ratifications exchanged in London on the 18th day of July 1950).

Copy of a Convention between His Majesty's Government in respect of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Her Majesty the Queen of the Netherlands in respect of the Avoidance of Double Taxation with respect to Duties on the Estates of Deceased Persons (with Notes exchanged), signed at London on the 15th day of October 1948 (Ratifications exchanged in London on the 18th day of July 1950).

Copy of an Agreement on Trade and Payments between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Republic of Paraguay, signed at London on the 3rd day of April 1950 (Ratifications exchanged at Asuncion on the 30th day of June 1950).

Copy of Notes exchanged at Athens on the Treaty Series 9th day of May 1950 between His Majesty's Government (No. 46, 1950), Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Greece further modifying the Agreement of the 26th day of November 1945 regarding Air Services in Europe.

Copy of a Convention between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Kingdom of Denmark for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with respect to Taxes on Income, signed at London on the 27th day of March 1950 (Ratifications exchanged at London on the 7th day of July 1950).

Copy of Notes exchanged at London on the Treaty Series 20th and 21st days of July 1950, between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Italian Government further extending the Sterling Payments Agreement of the 26th day of November 1948.

Copy of Notes exchanged at London on the Treaty Series 30th day of June 1950, between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the
Government of Belgium, further prolonging the Monetary Agreement of the 14th day of November 1947.

Copy of Letters exchanged between the Chancellor of the Exchequer and the Finance Minister of Pakistan regarding the extended Application of the Financial Agreement of the 14th day of August 1947.

Housing (Scotland).

Copy of a Housing Return for Scotland, dated 30th June 1950.

Housing.

Copy of a Housing Return for England and Wales, dated 30th June 1950.

Catering Wages.

Copy of the Report by the Catering Wages Commission on an Inquiry into the Operation of the Catering Wages Act, 1943, in the Hotel Industry.

International Labour Conference.

Copy of proposed Action by His Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom, on the Maritime Conventions (Nos. 91-93) and the Convention (No. 97) and Recommendation (No. 86) concerning Migration for Employment adopted at the Thirty-second Session of the International Labour Conference, in 1949.

Labour and National Service.

Copy of the Draft of a Bill to substitute Twenty-four Months for Eighteen Months as the Term of Whole-time Service under the National Service Acts, 1948, and for Purposes connected therewith.

Road and Motor Transport.

Copy of the Final Act and appended Resolutions of the United Nations Conference on Road and Motor Transport, with a Convention on Road Traffic and Protocol concerning Countries or Territories at present occupied, signed at Geneva between the 23rd day of August and the 19th day of September 1949.

Works.


Armed Forces (Pay).

Copy of a Statement of Increases in Pay of the Regular Forces.

Copy of a Statement of proposed Increase in the Length of full-time National Service with the Armed Forces.

Parliamentary Papers and Adjournment.

The following Papers required by an Act of Parliament to be laid before the House and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on the undermentioned dates, pursuant to the Standing Order (Presentation of Statutory Instruments), were ordered to lie upon the Table: —

Electricity.

Copy of Regulations, dated 28th July 1950, entitled the Electricity (Severance Compensation) Regulations, 1950.

Gas.

Copy of Regulations, dated 28th July 1950, entitled the Gas (Severance Compensation) Regulations, 1950.

National Health Service.

Copy of Regulations, dated 28th July 1950, entitled the National Health Service (Supplementary Ophthalmic Services) Amendment Regulations, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 28th July 1950, entitled the Gloves (Manufacture and Supply) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 28th July 1950, entitled the Utility Mark and Apparel and Textiles (General Provisions) (Amendment No. 7) Order, 1950.

31st July, 1950: —

Copy of an Order, dated 28th July 1950, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 4) Order, 1950.

1st August 1950: —

Copy of an Order of Council, dated 31st July 1950, entitled the Veterinary Surgeons (University Degrees) (Bristol) Order of Council, 1950.

Copy of Regulations, dated 28th July 1950, entitled the Landholders and Cottars (Building Grant) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations, 1950.

2nd August 1950: —

Copies of Orders, —

(1) dated 31st July 1950, entitled the Utility Cloth and Utility Household Textiles (Maximum Prices) (Amendment No. 10) Order, 1950,

(2) dated 1st August 1950, entitled the Utility Apparel (Maximum Prices and Charges) Order 1949 (Amendment No. 9) Order, 1950, and

(3) dated 1st August 1950, entitled the Furniture (Maximum Prices) (Amendment) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 1st August 1950, entitled the Utility Furniture (Marking and Supply) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 1st August 1950, entitled the Hill Rams (Revocation of Control) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 1st August 1950, entitled the Conditions of Employment and National Arbitration (Amendment) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 1st August 1950, entitled the Flour (Amendment No. 3) Order, 1950.

3rd August 1950: —

Copy of an Order, dated 1st August 1950, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 5) Order, 1950.

4th August 1950: —

Copy of a Scheme, dated 3rd August 1950, entitled the Grassland Fertilisers Scheme, 1950.

Copy of Regulations, dated 3rd August 1950, entitled the Housing (Rate of Interest) Regulations, 1950.

5th August 1950: —


8th August 1950: —

(1) the London Traffic (Prohibition of Waiting) (London Colney) Regulations, 1950, and
(2) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 12) Regulations, 1950.

9th August, 1950:—

(1) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 13) Regulations, 1950, and
(2) the London Traffic (Control of Speed of Traffic) (Blackwall and Rotherhithe Tunnels) Regulations, 1950.

10th August 1950:—

Copy of an Order, dated 9th August 1950, entitled the Sugar (Rationing) (Amendment No. 4) Order, 1950.

11th August 1950:—

Copy of an Order, dated 10th August 1950, entitled the Kitchen Waste (Licensing of Private Collectors) (Extension No. 2) Order, 1950.

14th August 1950:—

Copy of an Order, dated 9th August 1950, entitled the Milk Marketing (Counties of Moray, Banff and Orkney) (Charges) (Revocation) Order, 1950.

Supplies and Services (Food Rationing). Supplies and Services (Collection of Kitchen Waste).

Legal Aid and Advice. Copies of Regulations, dated 8th August 1950, entitled—
(1) the Legal Aid (Assessment of Resources) Regulations, 1950, and
(2) the Legal Aid (General) Regulations, 1950.

15th August 1950:—

Copy of an Order, dated 14th August 1950, entitled the Utility Apparel (Maximum Prices and Charges) Order, 1949 (Amendment No. 10) Order, 1950.


16th August 1950:—

Copy of an Order, dated 12th August 1950, entitled the Superannuation (Borstal Matrons) (Scotland) Order, 1950.


17th August 1950:—

Copy of an Order, dated 15th August 1950, entitled the Import Duties (Drawback) (No. 6) Order, 1950.

Copy of Regulations, dated 16th August 1950, entitled the Local Government (Allowances to Members) (Prescribed Bodies) (Scotland) Regulations, 1950.

Copies of Orders, dated 16th August 1950, entitled—
(1) the Pelts (Maximum Prices) Order, 1950, and
(2) the Imported Softwood Prices (Amendment) Order, 1950.

Copy of Regulations, dated 16th August 1950, entitled the Injurious Weeds (Delegation to County Agricultural Executive Committees) Regulations, 1950.

18th August 1950:—

Copy of an Order, dated 17th August 1950, entitled the Stopping up of Highways (Various) (Revocation) (No. 6) Order, 1950.

21st August 1950:—

Copy of an Order, dated 18th August 1950, entitled the Additional Import Duties (No. 2) (Additional) Order, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 18th August 1950, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 7) Order, 1950.

Copy of a Scheme, dated 17th August 1950, entitled the Grassland Fertilisers (Scotland) Scheme, 1950.

Copies of Orders, dated 19th August 1950, entitled—
(1) the Utility Woven Cloth (Cotton, Rayon and Linen) (Amendment No. 3) Order, 1950,
(2) the Utility Handkerchiefs (Marking and Manufacturers' Prices) Order, 1950, and
(3) the Household Textiles (Marking and Manufacturers' Prices) (Amendment No. 4) Order, 1950.

22nd August 1950:—

Copy of an Order, dated 19th August 1950, entitled the Utility Apparel (Women's and Maids' Underwear and Nightwear) (Manufacture and Supply) (Amendment No. 3) Order, 1950.

23rd August 1950:—

Copies of Instruments, dated 21st August Nurses (Scotland).

1950, entitled—
(1) the General Nursing Council for Scotland (Amendment) (No. 4) Rules, 1950,
(2) the Nurses (General Nursing Council for Scotland Mental Nurses Committee Election Scheme) Rules, 1950, Approval Instrument, 1950.

Copy of Regulations, dated 22nd August 1950, entitled the Agriculture (Delegation to County Agricultural Executive Committees) Regulations, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 22nd August 1950, entitled the Eggs (Great Britain and Northern Ireland) (Amendment No. 7) Order, 1950.

24th August 1950:—

Copy of Regulations, dated 22nd August 1950, entitled the Local Government (Allowances to Members) (Prescribed Bodies) Regulations, 1950.
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Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 12th September 1950, directing the Application of certain Receipts as Appropriations in Aid of the Vote for the Ministry of Transport.

Double Taxation Relief.

Copy of a Draft Order in Council entitled the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Ceylon) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Police.

Mr. Secretary Ede presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Report of an Inquiry into the proposed compulsory Amalgamation of the County Police Forces of Leicestershire and Rutland, held by His Honour Judge Tudor Rees at the Castle, Oakham, on the 13th and 14th days of April 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Treaty Series

Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of Notes exchanged at London between the 30th day of June and the 3rd day of July 1950 between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Brazil regarding the effect of the Cultural Convention of the 16th day of April 1947 upon the Entry and Residence of Foreigners.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

North Borneo.


Copy of Rules relating to St. Vincent, made and approved by the Governor of the Windward Islands in Council on the 19th day of May 1950, entitled the Prison (Amendment No. 2) Rules, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

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Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of the Third Annual Report on Scottish Camps by the Scottish National Camps Association Limited.

Copies of Regulations, dated 11th September 1950, entitled—

(1) the Legal Aid (Scotland) (General) Regulations, 1950, and
(2) the Legal Aid (Scotland) (Assessment of Resources) Regulations, 1950.

Copies of Schemes made by the undermentioned local authorities and approved by

the Secretary of State for Scotland under the Local Government Superannuation (Scotland) Act, 1937:—

(1) Berwickshire County Council.
(2) Midlothian County Council.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

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Ordered, That the said papers do lie upon the table.

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Ordered, That the said papers do lie upon the table.

Mr. Thomas Williams presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, copy of an order, dated 4th September 1950, authorising the landing of one Bush Buck at the port of Liverpool.

Ordered, That the said papers do lie upon the table.

Mr. Dalton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, copy of the central land board report of the central land board for the year ended the 31st day of March 1950.

Ordered, That the said papers do lie upon the table; and be printed.

Mr. Shinwell presented, by His Majesty’s armed forces command, copy of a statement on the emoluments of certain senior officers.

Ordered, That the said papers do lie upon the table.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned debate on the question proposed yesterday, that this House approves the proposals contained in the White Papers Command No. 8026 and Command No. 8027, designed by His Majesty’s Government to meet the growing dangers to world peace of which the war in Korea is an example; and is of opinion that the necessary legislation to amend the National Service Acts should be brought in forthwith:—(The Prime Minister):—

And a debate arising thereupon:

And it being ten of the clock, the debate stood adjourned.
And the Question being again proposed:—
The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.
And it being Ten of the clock, the Debate
stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-
morrow.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Sparks.)

And accordingly the House having con-
tinued to sit till twenty-nine minutes
after Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-
morrow.


[No. 93.]

Thursday, 14th September, 1950.
The House met at half an hour after
Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His
Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Memo-
randum on Proceedings, relating to non-self-
governing and Trust Territories, at the General
Assembly of the United Nations from the 20th
day of September to the 10th day of December
1949.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the
Table.

Mr. Herbert Morrison presented, by His
Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Report of the
Department of Scientific and Industrial
Research for the year ended the 30th day of
September 1949.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the
Table.

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, pursuant to
the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of
the Second Annual Report of the Cotton
Board, for the year ended the 31st day of March
1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the
Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the direc-
tions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a
Scheme made by the Durham County Water
Board and approved by the Minister of Health
under the Local Government Superannuation
Act, 1937.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the
Table.

Mr. B. Bevan, the Prime Minister, Mr. Secre-
tary Bevin, Mr. Shinwell, Mr. Secretary
Strachey, Mr. Secretary Henderson, Mr. Callaghan
and Mr. Lee, do prepare and bring
it in.

Mr. Isaacs accordingly presented a Bill to National
substitute twenty-four months for eighteen
months as the term of whole-time service under the National Service Acts, 1948,
and for purposes connected therewith: And
that Mr. Isaacs, the Prime Minister, Mr. Secre-
ty Bevin, Mr. Shinwell, Mr. Secretary
Strachey, Mr. Secretary Henderson, Mr. Callaghan
and Mr. Lee, do prepare and bring
Bill 68.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a National
Bill to substitute twenty-four months for eighteen
months as the term of whole-time service under the
National Service Acts, 1948, and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was
read the first time; and ordered to be read a
second time to-morrow, and to be printed.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Sparks.)

And accordingly the House, having con-
tinued to sit till twenty-seven minutes
after Ten of the clock adjourned till to-
morrow.


[No. 94.]

Friday, 15th September, 1950.
The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the direc-

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the
Table.

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, pursuant to the Tariff and
Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Provisional Trade
Consolidated Text of the General Agreement
on Tariffs and Trade and Texts of related
Documents.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the
Table.

Mr. Noel-Baker presented, pursuant to the Gas,
directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy
of an Order, dated 12th September 1950, entitled the Gas (Conversion Date) (No. 20) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of an Order, dated 15th September 1950, entitled the Meat (Rationing) (Amendment No. 3) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on Government Business be postponed, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(Mr. Herbert Morrison.)

Ordered, That if the National Service Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, further Proceedings on the Bill shall stand postponed; that any Resolution come to by the Committee on National Service [Money] may be reported and considered forthwith notwithstanding anything in the Standing Order (Money Committees); and that as soon as the Proceedings on the Report of the said Resolution have been concluded the House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee on the Bill.—(Mr. Herbert Morrison.)

The Order of the day being read for the Second Reading of the National Service Bill; and a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That," to the end of the Question, and adding the words "this House regrets the introduction of a Bill, which curtails further the liberties of the subject, inflicts greater hardships upon conscripts and expresses its determination that military conscription should not become a permanent feature of the British way of life"—(Mr. Rhys Davies), instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time. Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Kenneth Robinson.)

Further Proceeding stood postponed pursuant to the Order of the House this day.

Mr. Isaacs, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to National Service [Money] proposed to be moved, under the Standing Order (Money Committees), in a Committee of the whole House, recommends it to the consideration of the House:—Whereupon the House, pursuant to the said Standing Order, resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to substitute twenty-four months for eighteen months as the term of whole-time service under the National Service Acts, 1948, and for purposes connected therewith, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the passing of the said Act in the expenses directed to be defrayed out of moneys provided by Parliament by section fifty-five of the National Service Act, 1948.—(Mr. Isaacs.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Isaacs accordingly reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to substitute twenty-four months for eighteen months as the term of whole-time service under the National Service Acts, 1948, and for purposes connected therewith, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the passing of the said Act in the expenses directed to be defrayed out of moneys provided by Parliament by section fifty-five of the National Service Act, 1948.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Then the House, pursuant to the Order of the House this day, resolved itself into a Committee on the National Service Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.

A Clause (Duration)—(Mr. Bowen)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion, and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Motion was made, and the Question Adjournment, being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Kenneth Robinson):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the Question having been proposed after Four of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then two minutes before Five of the clock, till Monday next.
The Order made upon the 12th day of July last, That the Paper relating to Police (Scotland) do lie upon the Table, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the said Paper be withdrawn.

The following Papers, required by an Act of Parliament to be laid before the House and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on the 16th day of this instant September, pursuant to the Standing Order (Presentation of Statutory Instruments), were ordered to lie upon the Table:

- Copy of an Order, dated 14th September 1950, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 9) Order, 1950.
- Copy of an Order, dated 12th September 1950, entitled the Iron and Steel Scrap Order, 1950.
- Copy of an Order, dated 12th September 1950, entitled the Fire Services (Supplies and Services (Raw Materials)) Order, 1950.
- Copy of an Order, dated 12th September 1950, entitled the Police (Scotland) Order, 1950.
- Copy of an Order, dated 12th September 1950, entitled the Criminal Justice (Scotland) Order, 1950.
- Copy of an Order, dated 12th September 1950, entitled the Army (Territorial Army) Order, 1950.
- Copy of an Order, dated 12th September 1950, entitled the Local Government (Finance) Order, 1950.
- Copy of an Order, dated 12th September 1950, entitled the Police (Scotland) Order, 1950.
- Copy of an Order, dated 12th September 1950, entitled the Royal Patriotic Fund Corporation, for 1949.
- Copy of the Eighth Report of His Majesty's Inspector of Fire Services for 1949.
- Copy of an Order, dated 14th September 1950, entitled the Supplies and Services (Raw Materials) Order, 1950.
- Copy of an Order, dated 12th September 1950, entitled the Police (Scotland) Order, 1950.

The Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, for declaring His Royal Assent to an Act agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And having returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the Act therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorised, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Act, as followeth:

National Service Act, 1950.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;—It passed in the Negative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House urges His Majesty's Government to suspend the export of heavy machine tools and strategic raw materials that would add to the war potential of possible aggressors or which we or our Allies require for our own defence.---(Mr. Lyttelton);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "House" to the end of the Question, and adding the words "approves the policy of His Majesty's Government in stopping, in all appropriate cases, the export of equipment and materials likely to be required for the defence programmes of this country, of the rest of the Commonwealth, and of North Atlantic Treaty Powers, and, in consultation with those countries, in continuing and, where necessary, extending the controls on the export of equipment and materials of military value, while at the same time maintaining, to our mutual benefit, trade between the United Kingdom and Eastern Europe."—(Mr. Harold Wilson),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:

A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-Royal Assent, General Sir Brian Horrocks, K.C.B., K.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

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National Service Act, 1950.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being proposed, That the proposed words be added after the word "House" in the Main Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved. That this House approves the policy of His Majesty's Government in stopping, in all appropriate cases, the export of equipment and materials likely to be required for the defence programmes of this country, of the rest of the Commonwealth, and of North Atlantic Treaty Powers, and, in consultation with those countries, in continuing and, where necessary, extending the controls on the export of equipment and materials of
military value, while at the same time maintaining, to our mutual benefit, trade between the United Kingdom and Eastern Europe.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Sparkes)—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the Question having been proposed at Ten of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, till to-morrow.

[No. 96.]

Tuesday, 19th September, 1950.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Rules, dated 18th September 1950, entitled the Superannuation (Transfers between the Civil Service and Public Boards) Rules, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Notes exchanged at London between the 10th and 14th days of August 1950, between His Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Denmark deleting Singapore and the Federation of Malaya from the List of Territories covered by the Visa Abolition Agreement.

Copy of Notes exchanged at London on the 10th and 11th days of August 1950, between His Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Norway deleting Singapore and the Federation of Malaya from the List of Territories covered by the Visa Abolition Agreement.

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Copy of Notes exchanged at London on the 10th and 11th days of August 1950, between His Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Switzerland deleting Singapore and the Federation of Malaya from the List of Territories covered by the Visa Abolition Agreement.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 18th September 1950, entitled—

(1) the Feeding Stuffs (Manufacture) (Amendment) Order, 1950,
(2) the Feeding Stuffs (Prices) (Amendment No. 3) Order, 1950,
(3) the Feeding Stuffs (Rationing) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950, and
(4) the Pigeon Feeding Stuffs (Returns) (Revocation) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. George Strauss presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 18th September 1950, entitled—

(1) the Pigeon Feeding Stuffs (Manufacture) (Amendment) Order, 1950,
(2) the Pigeon Feeding Stuffs (Returns) (Revocation) Order, 1950,
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(7) the Pigeon Feeding Stuffs (Manufacture) (Amendment) Order, 1950,
(8) the Pigeon Feeding Stuffs (Returns) (Revocation) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Stokes presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 19th September 1950, entitled the Stopping up of Highways (Various) (Revocation) Order (No. 7) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Copy of Rules, dated 18th September 1950, entitled the Industrial Assurance (Deposits, &c.) Rules, 1950.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Motion relating to the Adjournment (Autumn) be exempted, at this day’s Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(The Prime Minister.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House regrets the decision of His Majesty’s Government to bring the Steel Nationalisation Act into immediate operation during this period of tension and danger thus
needylessly dividing the nation on Party political issues and disturbing the smooth and efficient working of an industry vital to our defence programme.—(Mr. Churchill) ;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right ;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the 'Mr. Drew, Yeas, 

Brigadier Mackeson : 300.

Tellers for the 'Mr. Whiteley, Noes, 

Mr. Robert Taylor : 306.

So it passed in the Negative.

Adjournment

(Autumn).

Resolved, That this House, at its rising this day, do adjourn till Tuesday the 17th day of October next.—(The Prime Minister.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Popplewell)—And a Debate arising thereupon ;

And the Question having been proposed after Ten of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then a quarter of an hour before Eleven of the clock, till Tuesday the 17th day of October next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House this day.

Mr. Speaker made the following communi-
tcation to the House :

I regret to have to inform the House of the deaths of Harold Roberts, Esquire, Member for Birmingham, Handsworth, and George Duggar, Esquire, Member for Abertillery, and I desire on behalf of the House to express our sense of the loss we have sustained and our sympathy with the relatives of the honourable Members.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had issued, during the Adjournment, a Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the Election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for Oxford in the room of Major the Honourable Quintin McRepublic Hogg, now Viscount Hailsham, called up to the House of Peers.

—(Mr. Buchan-Hepburn.)

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The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Bath Extension Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That Standing Order 205 relating to Private Business (Notice of Third Reading) be suspended, and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means) :—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amend-
ments ; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The following Papers, presented by His Majesty’s Command and delivered to the Members, were ordered to lie upon the Table:

Copy of a Memorandum on its Activities by the Council for Wales and Monmouthshire.

Copy of a Loan Agreement between His Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Export-Import Bank of Washington, dated 20th September 1950, together with the Text of the Promissory Note and a Letter of Notification, dated 16th June 1950, addressed by the Economic Co-operation Administration to His Majesty’s Ambassador at Washington.

Copy of Papers relative to the position at the 31st day of March 1950 of certain Funds left in Trust for the Reduction of the National Debt.

Copy of the Final Act of the Conference, held at Geneva from the 21st day of April to the 12th day of August 1949, for the Revision of the Geneva Convention of the 27th day of July 1929 for the Relief of the Wounded and Sick in Armies in the Field, of the 10th Hague Convention of the 18th day of October 1907 for the Adaptation to Maritime Warfare of the Principles of the Geneva Convention of 1906 and of the Convention concluded at Geneva on the 27th day of July 1929 relative to the Treatment of Prisoners of War ; and for the Establishment of a Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War (with Resolutions, Conventions and Annexes).

Copy of a Protocol, signed at Brussels on the 16th day of December 1949, modifying the Convention of the 6th day of July 1890 concerning the Creation of an International Union for the Publication of Customs Tariffs, the Regulations for the Execution of the Convention instituting an International Bureau for the Publication of Customs Tariffs and Memorandum of Signature (entered into force on the 5th day of May 1950).

Copy of Notes exchanged at London, between the 14th and 18th days of August 1950, between His Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Denmark prolonging until the 19th day of October 1950 the validity of the Monetary Agreement of the 16th day of August 1945 and the Notes exchanged on the 10th day of November 1948.
Treaty Series
(No. 61, 1950).

Copy of a Convention between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom on their own behalf and on behalf of the Government of Southern Rhodesia, and the Government of the Republic of Portugal relative to the Port of Beira and connected Railways (with Schedule and Notes and Letters exchanged) signed at Lisbon on the 17th day of June 1950.

Western Union
(Miscellaneous,
No. 13, 1950).


Copies—
(1) of the Annual Report of the Colonial Research Council,
(2) of the Seventh Annual Report of the Colonial Products Research Council,
(3) of the Sixth Annual Report of the Colonial Social Science Research Council,
(4) of the Fifth Annual Report of the Colonial Medical Research Committee,
(5) of the Fifth Annual Report of the Committee for Colonial Agricultural, Animal Health and Forestry Research,
(6) of the Third Annual Report of the Colonial Insecticides, Fungicides and Herbicides Committee, and

Fire Services

Copy of the Report of His Majesty's Inspector of Fire Services for Scotland for the period from the 16th day of May 1948 to the 31st day of December 1949.

Housing.

Copy of a Housing Summary, dated 31st August 1950.

Broadcasting.

Copy of the Annual Report and Accounts of the British Broadcasting Corporation for the year ended the 31st day of March 1950.

Pensions.

Copy of a List of Exceptional Awards of Pensions and Allowances sanctioned by the Treasury to disabled Members and the dependants of deceased Members of the Armed Forces during the year ended the 31st day of March 1950.

Town and Country Planning.

Copy of the Report of the Committee on Qualifications of Planners.

National Assistance.

Copy of the Report of the National Assistance Board for 1949.

Parliamentary Papers (Adjournment).

The following Papers, required by an Act of Parliament to be laid before the House and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on the undermentioned dates pursuant to the Standing Order (Presentation of Statutory Instruments), were ordered to lie upon the Table:—

20th September 1950:—

Copies of Regulations, dated 18th September 1950, entitled—
(1) the Agriculture (Scotland) (No. 2) Regulations, 1950, and
(2) the Agricultural Holdings (Scotland) Regulations, 1950.

Housing (Scotland).

Copy of Regulations, dated 15th September 1950, entitled the Housing (Notification for the Register of Sasines) (Scotland) Regulations, 1950.

Copy of Regulations, dated 20th September 1950, entitled the Acute Rheumatism Regulations, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 19th September 1950, entitled the Eggs (Great Britain and Northern Ireland) (Amendment No. 8) Order, 1950.

22nd September 1950:—

Copy of Regulations, dated 21st September 1950, entitled the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) (Prescribed Diseases) Amendment Regulations, 1950.

23rd September 1950:—

Copy of an Order, dated 22nd September 1950, entitled the Utility Apparel (Maximum Prices and Charges) Order, 1949 (Amendment No. 12) Order, 1950.

25th September 1950:—

Copy of Regulations, dated 22nd September 1950, entitled—
(1) the Household Textiles (Marking and Manufacturers' Prices) (Amendment No. 5) Order, 1950, and
(2) the Utility Woven Cloth (Cotton, Rayon and Linen) (Amendment No. 4) Order, 1950.

26th September 1950:—


27th September 1950:—

Copy of Regulations, dated 20th September 1950, entitled the National Service (Military Forces) (Amendment) Regulations, 1950.

29th September 1950:—

Copy of Regulations, dated 27th September 1950, entitled the National Health Service (Scotland) and Supplementary Ophthalmic Services (Scotland) Amendment Regulations, 1950.


Copy of an Order, dated 27th September 1950, entitled the Imported Cattle (Revocation of Restriction on Use) Order, 1950.

30th September 1950:—

Copies of Orders, dated 29th September 1950, entitled—
(1) the Utility Corsets (Manufacture and Supply) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950, and
(2) the Utility Apparel (Women’s and Maids’ Outerwear) (Manufacture and Supply) (Amendment) Order, 1950.

2nd October 1950:—
Copy of an Order, dated 30th September 1950, entitled the Rice Order, 1950.

3rd October 1950:—
Copy of an Order, dated 2nd October 1950, entitled the General Hollow-ware (Maximum Prices) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950.

4th October 1950:—
Copy of an Order, dated 3rd October 1950, entitled the Bacon (Rationing) (Amendment No. 4) Order, 1950.

Juvenile Courts.

9th October 1950:—
Copies of Orders, dated 6th October 1950, entitled—
(1) the Utility Fur Apparel (Maximum Prices and Charges) Order, 1950, and
(2) the Utility Apparel (Maximum Prices and Charges) Order, 1949 (Amendment No. 14) Order, 1950.

Supplies and Services (Apparel and Textiles).


Supplies and Services (Food).

Copy of an Order, dated 7th October 1950, entitled the Flour Confectionery (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950.

Highways.

Copy of an Order, dated 6th October 1950, entitled the Stopping up of Highways (Various) (Revocation) (No. 8) Order, 1950.

British Settlements, Copyright.

Copy of an Order in Council, dated 9th October 1950, entitled the North Borneo (Legislative Council) Order in Council, 1950.

Copy of an Order in Council, dated 9th October 1950, entitled the Copyright (United States of America) Order, 1942 (Amendment Order, 1950.

Distribution of German Enemy Property.

Copy of an Order in Council, dated 9th October 1950, entitled the Distribution of German Enemy Property (No. 1) Order, 1950.

Foreign Jurisdiction.

Copy of an Order in Council, dated 9th October 1950, entitled the Somaliland Order in Council, 1950.

Gambia.

Copy of an Order in Council, dated 9th October 1950, entitled the Gambia Legislative Council (Extension of Tenure of Offices) Order in Council, 1950.

Copy of an Order, dated 6th October 1950, entitled the Knitted Goods (Manufacture and Supply) Order, 1950.

Purchase Tax.

12th October 1950:—
Copy of an Order, dated 9th October 1950, entitled the Purchase Tax (No. 9) Order, 1950.

Supplies and Services (Apparel and Textiles).

Copy of an Order, dated 11th October 1950, entitled the Meat (Rationing) (Amendment No. 4) Order, 1950.
the period from the 1st day of July 1950 to the 30th day of September 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Colonial Stock.

Mr. Secretary Gordon-Walker presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Draft Orders in Council entitled—

(1) the Colonial Stock Acts Extension (Bechuanaland Protectorate) Order, 1950,

(2) the Colonial Stock Acts Extension (Swaziland Protectorate) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Agricultural Marketing.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Draft Order entitled the Scottish Milk Marketing Scheme (Extension of Area) Order, 1950.

National Health Service (Scotland).

Copy of Regulations, dated 16th October 1950, entitled the National Health Service (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) (Scotland) (Amendment No. 4) Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Army (Territorial Army).

Mr. Secretary Stroacey presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amendments to Regulations for the Territorial Army, 1936.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Emergency Laws.

Mr. Herbert Morrison presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of an Explanatory Memorandum on the Continuance of Emergency Legislation.

Navy (Pay, Pensions, &c.).

Mr. Herbert Morrison also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 9th October 1950, approving an Admiralty Memorial praying sanction to the alteration of title from Staff Sergeant to Staff Bandmaster in the Royal Marines.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge.

Copies of Statutes—

(1) made by the University of Oxford, on the 2nd day of May 1950, amending the Statutes of the University,

(2) made by the Governing Body of Corpus Christi College, Oxford, on the 6th day of May 1950, amending the Statutes of the College, and

(3) made by the Governing Body of Magdalen College, Oxford, on the 11th day of May 1950, amending the Statutes of the College.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Patents.

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Draft Order in Council entitled the Patents (Extension of Period of Emergency) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Registered Designs.


Copies of Draft Orders entitled—

(1) the Wool Textile Industry (Export Promotion Levy) (Amendment) Order, 1950, and

(2) the Wool Textile Industry (Scientific Research Levy) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Schemes made by the undermentioned local authorities and approved by the Minister of Health under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937:

(1) St. Helens Town Council.

(2) Southall Town Council.

(3) Stafford County Council.

Copy of Regulations, dated 16th October National Health 1950, entitled the National Health Service (General Dental Services) Amendment Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Thomas Williams presented, pursuant to River Boards, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 21st August 1950, entitled the Great Ouse River Board Area Order, 1950, with Certificates by the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries and the Minister of Health under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Barnes presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of Savings Banks, all Deposits received and repaid by the Ministry of Transport on account of Seamen's Savings Banks during the year ended the 20th day of November 1949, and of the Interest thereon.

Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Accounts of the Special Account, of the American Aid American Aid (Agreed Schemes) Deposit and European Payments, No. 168.

Ordered, That the said Accounts be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Allotments Allotments Bill, Bill, without any Amendment.
The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Maintenance Orders Bill [Lords], with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Amendment made by this House to the Maintenance Orders Bill [Lords] be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Arwyn Lynn Ungoed-Thomas, Esquire, Member for Leicester, North-East, was sworn.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on Government Business be expeditious, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(Mr. Herbert Morrison.)

The Army Reserve Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Robert Taylor.)

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Air Force Reserve Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Robert Taylor.)

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Housing (Scotland) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Robert Taylor.)

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Food and Drugs (Milk, Dairies and Artificial Cream) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Robert Taylor.)

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Diseases of Animals Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Robert Taylor.)

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Robert Taylor reported from the Committee on Public Utilities Street Works Bill [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to enact uniform provisions for regulating relations as to apparatus in streets between authorities, bodies and persons having statutory powers to place and deal with apparatus therein, and those having the control or management of streets and others concerned in the exercise of such powers, and for other
Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 25, to leave out the words "if the street," and insert the words "in respect of any portion of the street which."—(Mr. Powell.)

Question proposed, That the words "if the street" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Settlement of a plan and section to be a condition of execution of major works).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 30, at the end, to insert the words—

"Provided that if the undertakers agree with the authority or managers concerned that the works proposed are of such a nature or extent that the functions of the authority or managers concerned under this Act can adequately be carried out without the submission of a plan and section, a written statement giving particulars of the works proposed may be submitted and accepted in lieu of such plan and section."—(Mr. Higgs.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 4 (Procedure as to plans and sections etc.: general provisions).

Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 26, at the beginning, to insert the words, "Subject to the provisions of this subsection."—(Mr. Higgs.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 27, to leave out paragraph (b).—(Mr. Nield.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 5 (Procedure as to plans and sections etc.: provisions as to works in controlled land).

Amendment proposed, in p. 9, l. 12, to leave out the words "twenty-two days," and insert the words "one month."—(Mr. Powell.)

Question proposed, That the words "twenty-two days" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 6 agreed to.

Clause No. 7 (Requirements as to mode of executing major works, and as to reinstatement).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 14, l. 10, to leave out the word "six," and insert the word "twelve."—(Mr. Powell.)

Question, That the word "six" stand part of the Clause, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 14, l. 41, at the end, to insert the words—

"And provided that if any dispute shall arise between the undertakers and any authority or managers concerned as to whether subsidence has been shown to have been attributable to defective workmanship or use of defective materials in the doing of reinstatement or making good so far as it was done otherwise than by the undertakers or whether deterioration has been shown to have been attributable to defective workmanship or use of defective materials in the doing of reinstatement or making good so far as it was done by the undertakers such dispute shall be determined by arbitration."—(Mr. Geoffrey Wilson.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 14, l. 41, at the end, to add the words—

"Provided also that the undertakers shall not be liable to make any payment under this subsection if they can prove that the subsidence or other deterioration was neither wholly nor substantially caused by the execution of works by them."—(Mr. Higgs.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 8 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 9 agreed to.

Clause No. 10 (Protection for transport authorities).

Amendment proposed, in p. 17, l. 7, after the word "given," to insert the words "the Transport Authority shall and."—(Mr. Hay.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 19, l. 22, at the end, to add the words—

"(6) Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding subsection, the transport authority and not the undertakers shall be liable for damages arising from negligence in or nuisance arising from the execution of works or re-instatement and making good by the transport authority and shall be so liable in respect of any failure to reinstate and make good after the election by them so to do has taken effect."—(Mr. Manningham-Buller.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 11 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 12 and 13 agreed to.

Clause No. 14 amended, and agreed to, and, as amended, transferred to end of l. 14, p. 41, as Clause No. 29 of the Bill.

Clause No. 15 agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 16 to 19 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 20 agreed to.

Clause No. 21 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 22 (Undertakers' right to payment for works made necessary by, and obligation to facilitate, road etc. works).
Amendment proposed, in p. 30, l. 40, after the word “works,” to insert the word “may.”—(Mr. Manningham-Buller.)

Question proposed, That the word “may” be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 23 agreed to.

Clause No. 24 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 25 agreed to.

Clause No. 26 (Requirements as to undertakers’ works which are likely to affect other undertakers’ apparatus).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 37, l. 9, to leave out the word “ three,” and insert the word “ eight.”—(Mr. Hay.)

Question proposed, That the word “ three” stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 27 (Power to prohibit or restrict traffic on ground of execution of works, and liability of undertakers for cost of use of alternative route).

Amendment proposed, in p. 39, l. 1, to leave out subsections (2) and (3).—(Mr. Higgs.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 28 (Restriction on breaking up by undertakers of maintainable highways recently closed or re-surfaced).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 40, l. 18, to leave out from the word “ line” to the word “ or” in l. 21.—(Mr. Hay.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word “ was” in l. 21, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 29 (Provisions as to enforcement).

Amendment proposed, in p. 41, l. 24, to leave out from the word “ taken” to the end of l. 25.—(Mr. Hay.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 41, l. 26, to leave out subsection (3).—(Mr. Manningham-Buller.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 30 and 31 agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 32 and 33 amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 34 agreed to.

Clause No. 35 amended, and agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 36 agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 37 and 38 amended, and agreed to.

A Clause (Protection for transport authorities (special precautions in execution of certain works))—(Mr. Barnes) brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Another Clause (References to property held or used for transport undertakings, and to powers for railway or tramway purposes)—(Mr. Barnes) brought up, and read the first and second time, and added.

Schedule No. 1.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 54, l. 28, after the word “authority,” to insert the words “ or, upon appeal duly made by the undertakers, to the Minister.”—(Mr. Manningham-Buller.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 54, l. 30, to leave out paragraph (7).—(Mr. Powell.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Schedule, as amended, agreed to.

Schedule No. 2 agreed to.

Schedule No. 3 amended, and agreed to.

Schedules Nos. 4 and 5 agreed to.

Schedules Nos. 6 and 7 amended, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Mathers reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Ways and Means Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Order, dated 27th June 1950, entitled the Labelling of Food Order, 1950 (S.I. 1950, No. 1061), a copy of which was laid before this House on the 28th day of June last, be annulled—(Mr. Boyd-Carpenter):—It passed in the Negative.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-three minutes after Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
[No. 98.]

Wednesday, 18th October, 1950.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Jay presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Statement on the United Kingdom Balance of Payments for the years 1946 to 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of an Agreement for the Establishment of a European Payments Union (with Annexes and Protocol of Provisional Application) signed at Paris on the 19th day of September 1950 (this Agreement has not been ratified by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom).

Copy of Notes exchanged at Rio de Janeiro on the 18th day of September 1950 between His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the United States of Brazil regarding Commercial Transactions (with Lists).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Ede presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, made by the Ministry of Labour and National Insurance for Northern Ireland on the 10th day of October 1950, entitled the Factories (Examination of Plant) (Revocation) (Northern Ireland) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bevan presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Schemes made by the undermentioned local authorities and approved by the Minister of Health under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937:

(1) Birkenhead County Borough Council.
(2) Guildford Town Council.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Noel-Baker presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 16th October 1950, entitled the National Coal Board (Overseas Activities) (Amendment) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Chairman of Ways and Means presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Reports by the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords and the Chairman of Ways and Means in the House of Commons under Section 3 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945, That no Petition has been presented against—

(1) the Aireborough Area (Conservation of Water) Order, 1950, and

(2) the Southend-on-Sea Corporation Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Mathers reported from the Scottish Standing Committee, That they had gone through the Allotments (Scotland) Bill [Lords], and made Amendments thereunto; and had amended the Title, as followeth: A Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the law relating to allotments in Scotland.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Mr. Alexander Anderson reported from the Select Committee on Estimates, That they had made further Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before Sub-Committee F, and Appendices: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Alexander Anderson reported from the Select Committee on Estimates, That they had made further Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Select Committee on Estimates be printed.

Mr. Nicholson reported from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, the Minutes of the further Proceedings of the Committee.

Ordered, That the said Minutes do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments to the Bill made by this House to the Bath Extension Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House takes note of the Second Annual Report, Statement of Accounts and Statistics of the British Transport Commission for 1949.—(Mr. Barnes); An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding, at the end thereof, the words "but deplores the accumulated losses already incurred; the further losses contemplated by the British Transport Commission even after charges have been increased; the drain upon the Commission's assets and the failure to take or indicate the measures necessary to turn the Transport Commission into a profitable undertaking."—(Sir David Maxwell Fyfe.)
And the Question being put, That those words be there added;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Drew, Yeas,]
Mr. Brigadier Mackeson: 284,
Tellers for the [Mr. Hannan, Noes,]
Mr. Royle: 296.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Main Question being put;


Electricity.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Order, dated 28th July 1950, entitled the Electricity (Severance Compensation) Regulations, 1950 (S.I., 1950, No. 1278), a copy of which was laid before this House on the 28th day of July last, be annulled—[Mr. Black]:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

—[Mr. Bowden.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-seven minutes before Twelve of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 99.]

Thursday, 19th October, 1950.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

P R A Y E R S.

Mr. Jay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 18th October 1950, entitled
(1) the Stopping up of Highways (Various) (Revocation) (No. 9) Order, 1950, and
(2) the Stopping up of Highways (Various) (Revocation) (No. 10) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Webb presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 18th October 1950, entitled the Milk (Control and Maximum Prices) (Great Britain) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Stokes presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 18th October 1950, entitled
(1) the Stopping up of Highways (Various) (Revocation) (No. 9) Order, 1950, and
(2) the Stopping up of Highways (Various) (Revocation) (No. 10) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House an Account of the Civil Contingencies Fund, 1949-50, showing (1) the Receipts and Payments in connection with the Fund in the year ended the 31st day of March 1950, and (2) the Distribution of the Capital of the Fund at the commencement and close of the year; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.—(Mr. Robert Taylor.)

Ordered, That the Proceedings on Government Business be exempted, at this day's the House, Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House) for One hour after Ten of the clock.—(Mr. Herbert Morrison.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, having taken into consideration the Report of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council in the case of the Reverend James Godfrey MacManaway, elected a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the constituency of Belfast West, declares that he was at the time of his election and is disabled from sitting and voting in the House of Commons by reason of the fact that, having been ordained a priest according to the use of the Church of Ireland, he has received episcopal ordination—(Mr. Herbert Morrison);—An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding, at the end thereof, the words “but at the same time urges that a Royal Commission be set up to deal with the state of the law as disclosed in the Report, thus avoiding in future an inconvenience similar to that now caused to the electors of Belfast West”—(Sir David Maxwell Fyfe.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Main Question being put;

Resolved, That this House, having taken into consideration the Report of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council in the case of the Reverend James Godfrey MacManaway, elected a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the constituency of Belfast West, declares that he was at the time of his election and is disabled from sitting and voting in the House of Commons by reason of the fact that, having been ordained a priest according to the use of the Church of Ireland, he has received episcopal ordination.

The House, according to Order, resolved Army Reserve Bill [Lords], Bill [Lords].

In the Committee.

Clauses Nos. 1 to 30 agreed to.

Schedules Nos. 1 to 3 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.
Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Air Force Reserve Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 31 agreed to.

Schedules Nos. 1 to 3 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Housing (Scotland) Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 188 agreed to.

Schedules Nos. 1 to 13 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Food and Drugs (Milk, Dairies and Artificial Cream) Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 38 agreed to.

Schedules Nos. 1 to 5 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Resolved, That this House takes note of the Colonial Development Corporation for 1949.—(Mr. Secretary Griffiths.)

A Motion was made, and the Question Adjournment being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Royle):—And a Debate arising thereupon:

And the Question having been proposed after Ten of the clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-eight minutes after Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

MR. Jay presented, by His Majesty’s Command, Copy of the Ninety-second Report of the Commissioners of His Majesty’s Inland Revenue, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1949.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Ede presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copy of an Order made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department extending Section 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, to the Urban District of Alford.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Secretary Bevin presented, by His Majesty's Command, Copy of the International Convention for the North-West Atlantic Fisheries (with Annex, List of Ratifications and Maps) signed at Washington on the 8th day of February 1949 (the Convention was ratified by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom on the 15th day of December 1949).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Tomlinson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copy of a Draft Scheme entitled the Teachers Superannuation (North Borneo) Scheme, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Public Utilities Street Works Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 33, by inserting, after the word "court," the words "over or in which there is a public right of passage."—(Mr. Manningham-Buller.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 9, l. 10, by leaving out the words "twenty-two days," and inserting the words "one month."—(Mr. Manningham-Buller); instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words "twenty-two days." stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 11, l. 15, by leaving out subsection (3).—(Mr. Hay.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 17, l. 7, by inserting after the word "given," the words "the Transport Authority shall and."—(Mr. Hay.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 19, l. 22, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words—"(6) Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding subsection, the transport authority and not the undertakers shall be liable for damages arising from negligence in or nuisance arising from the execution of works or reinstatement and making good by the transport authority and shall be so liable in respect of any failure to reinstate and make good after the election by them so to do has taken place."—(Mr. Manningham-Buller.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 31, l. 40, by inserting, after the word "works," the word "may."—(Mr. Manningham-Buller.)

And the Question being proposed, That the word "may" be there inserted in the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 41, l. 22, by leaving out from the word "line" to the end of l. 24.—(Mr. Hay.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Allotments (Scotland) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

And an Amendment was made to the Bill.

A Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time:—

Mr. Barnes, by His Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That His Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives His Consent, as far as His Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments: to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Amendment made by this House to the Maintenance Orders Bill [Lords]; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes before Three of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.
Courts.

Diseases of Animals.

Industrial Courts.

Factories.

Supplies and Services (Raw Materials).

Supplies and Services (Transitional Powers).


**SCHEDULE**

Defence (General) Regulations, 1939

Regulation two BA (Control of explosives).

Regulation sixteen (Power to do work on land).

Regulation forty-two (Sale of Food (Weights and Measures) Act, 1926).

Regulation sixty (Supplies and Services (Transitional Powers) Act, 1939).

Regulation thirty-three (Exemption of certain women from Acts relating to midwives).

Regulation forty-two CA (Unlawful gaming parties).

Regulation fifty (Power to do work on land).

Regulation fifty-two (Use of land for purposes of H.M. Forces).

Regulation fifty-five (Restrictions on registration of new clubs).

Regulation sixty C (Amendment of s. 4 of Sale of Food (Weights and Measures) Act, 1926).

Regulation sixty CC (Power of officers of Post Office to require production of identity cards).

Regulation seventy-six (Handling and conveyance of ammunition etc. in ports).

Regulation eighty-two (False documents and false statements).

Regulation eighty-three (Obstructions).

Regulation eighty-four (Restrictions on disturbing inspection of land).

Regulation eighty-five (Entry upon and inspection of land).

Regulation eighty-six (Permits, licences, etc.).

Regulation eighty-seven (Fees for permits, licences, etc.).

Regulation eighty-nine (Use of force in entering premises).

Regulations ninety to one hundred and five (which contain general, administrative, legal and supplementary provisions).

The Third Schedule (Manner of instituting proceedings).

**Other Defence Regulations**

Regulations seventeen E and twenty of the Defence (Administration of Justice) Regulations, 1940.


The whole of the Defence (Agriculture and Fisheries) (Northern Ireland) Regulations, 1940.

Regulations one, two, three and six of the Defence (Armed Forces) Regulations, 1939.

Regulation one and paragraphs (4) to (10) of Regulation five of the Defence (Burial, Inquests and Registration of Deaths) Regulations, 1942.

Regulations one and three of the Defence (Industrial Assurance) Regulations, 1943.

Regulations one and two of the Defence (Parliamentary Under-Secretaries) Regulations, 1940.

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Mr. Isaacs presented, — Return to an Order made upon the 19th day of this instant October, relating to the Civil Contingencies Fund.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Thomas Williams presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of an Order, dated 19th October 1950, entitled the Foundries (Parting Materials) Special Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Isaacs presented, by His Majesty's Command, — Copy of the Report of a Court of Inquiry into the Causes and Circumstances of a Dispute between the London Master Printers' Association and the London Society of Compositors.

Mr. Isaacs also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of an Order, dated 19th October 1950, entitled the Foundries (Parting Materials) Special Regulations, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. George Strauss presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, — Copy of an Order, dated 19th October 1950, entitled the Iron and Steel Prices (No. 4) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty under section eight of the Supplies and Services (Transitional Powers) Act, 1945, praying that the said Act, which would otherwise expire on the tenth day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty, be continued in force for a further period of one year until the tenth day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty-one.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Majesty by such Members of this House as are of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of His Majesty's Household.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty under section seven of the Emergency Laws (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1947, praying that the Defence Regulations specified in the Schedule hereto, which would otherwise expire on the tenth day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty, be continued in force for a further period of one year until the tenth day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty-one.
Regulations one and two and paragraphs (3), (4) and (5) of Regulation three of the Defence (Patents, Trade Marks, etc.) Regulations, 1941.

The whole of the Defence (Sale of Food) Regulations, 1943.

The whole of the Defence (Trading with the Enemy) Regulations, 1940.


The whole of the Defence (Women's Forces) Regulations, 1941—(Mr. Herbert Morrison).

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the words "Regulation sixteen (Stopping up or diversion of highways for purposes of open cast coal and generating stations)."—(Mr. Manningham-Buller.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the words "Regulation twenty AB (Amendments of National Registration Act, 1939)."—(Captain Crookshank.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the words "Regulation thirty-three (Exemption of certain women from Acts relating to midwives)."—(Captain Crookshank.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the words "Regulation forty-two CA (Unlawful gaming stations)."

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the words "Regulation eighty-nine (Use of force in entering premises)."—(Mr. Manningham-Buller.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the words "Regulation eighty-nine (Use of force in entering premises)."—(Mr. Manningham-Buller.)

And the Main Question being put:

Resolved, that an humble Address be presented to His Majesty under section seven of the Emergency Laws (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1947, praying that the Defence Regulations specified in the Schedule hereto, which would otherwise expire on the tenth day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty, be continued in force for a further period of one year until the tenth day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty-one:

**SCHEDULE**

Defence (General) Regulations, 1939

Regulation two BA (Control of explosives).

Regulation sixteen (Stopping-up or diversion of highways for purposes of open cast coal and generating stations).

Regulation twenty AB (Amendments of National Registration Act, 1939).

Regulation thirty-three (Exemption of certain women from Acts relating to midwives).

Regulation forty-two CA (Unlawful gaming parties).

Regulation forty-five A (Issue of identity cards to seamen).

Regulation fifty (Power to do work on land).

Regulation fifty-two (Use of land for purposes of H.M. forces).

Regulation fifty-five C (Restrictions on registration of new clubs).

Regulation sixty CC (Power of officers of Post Office to require production of identity cards).

Regulation seventy-six (Handling and conveyance of ammunition etc. in ports).

Regulation eighty-two (False documents and false statements).

Regulation eighty-three (Obstruction).

Regulation eighty-four (Restrictions on conveyance of ammunition etc. in ports).

Regulation eighty-five (Entry upon and inspection of land).

Regulation eighty-six (Entry upon and inspection of land).

Regulation eighty-seven (Permits, licences, etc.).

Regulation eighty-eight (Fees for permits, licences, etc.).

Regulation eighty-nine (Use of force in entering premises).

Regulations ninety to ninety-five and ninety-five to one hundred and five (which contain general, administrative, legal and supplementary provisions).

The Third Schedule (Manner of instituting proceedings).

Other Defence Regulations

Regulations seventeen E and twenty of the Defence (Administration of Justice) Regulations, 1940.


Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the words "Regulation eighty-nine (Use of force in entering premises)."—(Mr. Manningham-Buller.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.
The whole of the Defence (Agriculture and Fisheries) (Northern Ireland) Regulations, 1940.
Regulations one, two, three and six of the Defence (Armed Forces) Regulations, 1939.
Regulation one and paragraphs (4) to (10) of Regulation five of the Defence (Burial, Inquests and Registration of Deaths) Regulations, 1942.
Regulations one and three of the Defence (Industrial Assurance) Regulations, 1943.
Regulations one and two of the Defence (Parliamentary Under-Secretaries) Regulations, 1940.
Regulations one and two and paragraphs (3), (4) and (5) of Regulation three of the Defence (Patents, Trade Marks, etc.) Regulations, 1941.
The whole of the Defence (Sale of Food) Regulations, 1943.
The whole of the Defence (Trading with the Enemy) Regulations, 1940.
The whole of the Defence (Women's Forces) Regulations, 1941.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Majesty by such Members of this House as are of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of His Majesty's Household.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty under section seven of the Emergency Laws (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1947, praying that the enactments specified in the Schedule hereto, which would otherwise expire on the tenth day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty, be continued in force for a further period of one year until the tenth day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty-one:

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Section six of the said Act of 1946 (which extends the Sugar Industry Act, 1942).
Section eight of the said Act of 1946 (which extends the war period for the purposes of the Restoration of Pre-War Trade Practices Act, 1942),
Section nine of the said Act of 1946 (which extends certain emergency enactments relating to legal powers).—(Mr. Secretary Ede.)

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Majesty by such Members of this House as are of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of His Majesty's Household.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty under subsection (3) of section forty-nine of the Patents Act, 1949, praying that the Patents (Extension of Period of Emergency) Order, 1950, be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on the 17th day of this instant October.—(Mr. Harold Wilson.)

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Majesty by such Members of this House as are of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of His Majesty's Household.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty under sub-paragraph (3) of paragraph 4 of the First Schedule to the Registered Designs Act, 1949, praying that the Registered Designs (Extension of Period of Emergency) Order, 1950, be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on the 17th day of this instant October.—(Mr. Harold Wilson.)

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Majesty by such Members of this House as are of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of His Majesty's Household.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty under subsection (1) of section seven of the Shops Act, 1950, praying that the provisions of that Act relating to general closing hours which have effect only as respects the winter months, be provisions which would otherwise expire on the tenth day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty, be continued in force for a further period of one year until the tenth day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty-one.—(Mr. de Freitas.)

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Majesty by such Members of this House as are of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of His Majesty's Household.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put. That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Order, dated 6th September 1950, entitled the Fats, Cheese and Tea (Rationing) (Amendment No. 3) Order, 1950 (S.I., 1950, No. 1482), a copy of which was laid before this House on the 7th day of September last, be annulled.—(Sir Herbert Williams) :—It passed in the Negative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put. That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Order, dated 18th October 1950, entitled the Bacon (Rationing) (Amendment No. 5) Order, 1950 (S.I., 1950, No. 1692), a copy of which was laid before this House on the 19th day of this instant October, be annulled.—(Mr. Charles Taylor):—It passed in the Negative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put. That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, praying that the Order, dated 30th August 1950, entitled the Bacon (Control and Prices) (Amendment) Order, 1950 (S.I., 1950, No. 1460), a copy of which was laid before this House on the 1st day of September last, be annulled.—(Mr. Boyd-Carpenter):—It passed in the Negative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed. That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Robert Taylor);
And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning:

**Tuesday, 24th October, 1950:**
And the Question being put:

*Resolved*, That this House do now adjourn.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

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**Mr. Speaker** acquainted the House, That he had received messages relating to the opening of the new House of Commons Chamber from the Legislative Assembly of the Sudan, the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales and the Legislative Council of the Colony and Protectorate of Kenya; which he read to the House, as follow:

Speaker, House of Commons, London.

The Legislative Assembly of the Sudan sends greetings and congratulations on the occasion of the reoccupation of their Chamber by the House of Commons. May they continue in the future as in the past to stand as an example before the world of the triumph of free speech, tolerance and the rights of the individual over tyranny and the rule of force and to light the paths of younger nations striving towards the practical realisation of the true democratic ideal.

MOHAMED SALEH SHINGEITE, Speaker.

Dear Mr. Speaker,

I have read with much interest cabled reports relating to the ceremony which will take place on the 26th October instant when the new House of Commons will be opened and dedicated to the service of the people of Great Britain.

In anticipation of that event, it affords me pleasure, as the Speaker of the Lower House of the oldest Legislature in Australasia, to offer to you my felicitations on this historic occasion and my assurance that the interest and pride of myself and of the Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in our enduring system of Parliamentary Government will be greatly stimulated by the ceremony shortly to take place at Westminster.

It is a source of gratification and pleasure to all Australian Parliamentarians that Australia's gift to the new Commons Chamber, the Speaker's Chair, will be such a direct and significant link between the Mother of Parliaments and the Parliaments of the States and Commonwealth of Australia.

May I express the hope that the opening of the new Chamber will coincide with the commencement of what will prove to be a period of peace, progress and happiness for the people of Great Britain.

Yours sincerely,

W. H. LAMB,
Speaker.

The President and Members of the Legislative Council of the Colony and Protectorate of Kenya, assembled in the youngest city of the Commonwealth, convey by the hand of their Speaker an expression of their high regard and esteem, together with their congratulations on the opening of the reconstructed House of Commons buildings.

They, in common with all members of the Commonwealth, retain immense pride in British Parliamentary Institutions developed and annealed through the centuries, surviving as they always will international conflicts and social upheavals, and serving as a model to the world.

The Kenya Legislature will ever look to the traditions, constitution, procedure and dignity of the Mother of Parliaments for guidance and inspiration.

J. D. RANKINE, Acting Governor.

Mr. Speaker also acquainted the House, That he had received a copy of a Resolution relating to the opening of the new House of Commons Chamber, from the Legislative Assembly of Victoria; which he read to the House, as followeth:

This House conveys to the Right Honourable the Speaker and the Members of the House of Commons greetings upon the opening of the new House of Commons and warmest wishes for the prosperity of the country which they serve, recalling with pride and gratitude the part played by that House throughout the centuries, and trusting that under the guidance of divine providence its deliberations will continue for the benefit of the people of the Commonwealth of Nations.

ARCHIE MICHAELIS, Speaker.

Mr. Secretary McNeil presented, pursuant to Universities (Price Control) Order, 1947, copies of University Court Ordinances—

(1) No. 268 (No. 90 of the University Court of the University of Edinburgh) (Foundation of Dental Surgery), and

(2) No. 269 (No. 91 of the University Court of the University of Edinburgh) (Foundation of the Chair of French Literature and Amendment of University Court Ordinance No. 57 (Edinburgh No. 20) (Foundation of Chair of French)).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, by His Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Statistical Abstract for the British Commonwealth for the years 1933 to 1939 and 1945 to 1947.

Mr. Harold Wilson also presented, pursuant Goods and Services (Price Control) Order, dated 23rd October 1950, entitled the Carpets (Maximum Prices) Amendment No. 3 Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the number of Public Bills, Petitions presented and printed in Session 1950, with the total number of signatures in that Session.—(The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return for Session 1950, of (1) the Committees. the Members who served on each Committee; the first and also the last day of the sitting of each Committee; the number of days on which each Committee sat; the number of days on which each selected Member has served; the number of days occupied by each Bill in Committee; the Bills the Preambles of which were reported to have been not proved; the Bills the Preambles of which were reported to have been not proved; and, in the case of Bills for confirming Provisional Orders, whether the Provisional Orders ought or ought not to be confirmed:

Of all Private Bills and Bills for confirming Provisional Orders which, in Session 1950, have been referred by the Committee of Selection to Committees on Unopposed Bills, together with the names of the Members who served on each Committee; the number of days on which each selected Member has served; the number of days occupied by each Bill in Committee; the Bills the Preambles of which were reported to have been not proved; and, in the case of Bills for confirming Provisional Orders, whether the Provisional Orders ought or ought not to be confirmed:

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Of all Private Bills and Bills for confirming Provisional Orders which, in Session 1950, have been referred by the Committee of Selection to Committees on Unopposed Bills, together with the names of the Members who served on each Committee; the number of days on which each selected Member has served; the number of days occupied by each Bill in Committee; the Bills the Preambles of which were reported to have been not proved; and, in the case of Bills for confirming Provisional Orders, whether the Provisional Orders ought or ought not to be confirmed:

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Mr. Messer reported from the Select Committee on Publications and Debates Reports, That they had made Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up, and read.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Place of Sitting.

The Prime Minister, at the Bar, acquainted the House, That he had a Message from His Majesty to this House signed by His Majesty's own hand:—And he presented the same to the House, and it was read by Mr. Speaker tall the Members of the House being uncovered; and is as followeth:

Your former place of sitting has now been rebuilt. Adorned and equipped with the generous gifts received from other countries of the British Commonwealth of Nations it is ready for your use as the new House of Commons. It is My pleasure that you do occupy the new Chamber on Thursday the 26th day of October.

GEORGE R.

24th October 1950.

Resolved, nemine contradicente, That an humble Address be presented to His Majesty, as follows:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in Parliament assembled, humbly beg leave to offer to Your Majesty our most hearty thanks for the arrangements which have enabled the House of Commons to occupy the new Chamber on Thursday the 26th day of October and for the arrangements which have enabled the Speakers, Presiding Officers or their deputies of so many countries of the Commonwealth and Empire to be present on this occasion.

In all humility we trust that with God's help our deliberations in our new Chamber may result in securing the peace, well being and happiness not only of our own people and the peoples of the Commonwealth but of all the peoples of the World.—(The Prime Minister.)

Resolved, That the said Address be presented to His Majesty by the whole House.

Ordered, That such Members of this House as are of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, do humbly know His Majesty's pleasure when He will be attended by this House with the said Address and whether His Majesty will be Graciously pleased to permit the invited representatives of overseas Parliaments of the British Commonwealth and Empire to accompany this House in attending His Majesty.—(The Prime Minister.)

Resolved, nemine contradicente, That this House again expresses its grateful appreciation of the courtesy of the House of Lords in placing their Chamber at the disposal of His Majesty for the occupation of this House following the destruction of the Commons Chamber by enemy action in 1941, warmly thanks Their Lordships for so readily consenting to this continued use of their Chamber up to the present time, and recognises that their example of self-sacrifice and goodwill in the face of danger and difficulty was in accord with the highest traditions of Parliament.—(Mr. Herbert Morrison.)

Ordered, That the said Resolution be communicated to the Lords; and that the Prime Minister, Mr. Churchill, Mr. Clement Davies, Earl Winterton and Mr. Herbert Morrison do communicate the same.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, that a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments of the Allotments (Scotland) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments of the Public Utilities Street Works Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Motor Vehicles (Variation of Speed Limit) Regulations, 1930, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 26th day of July last, be approved.—(Mr. Barnes); Mr. Herbert Morrison reported the Lords Answer to the Resolution relating to the Place of Sitting communicated to them, as followeth:

This House deeply appreciates the message of thanks brought up from the Commons this day.

It will always be a source of satisfaction that it was the privilege of this House to assist the Other House when its Chamber was destroyed by enemy action in 1941 and to share with it the honour and the burden of maintaining the institutions of parliamentary
government through the perilous times of the Second World War and during the arduous years of reconstruction.

Road Traffic and Vehicles.

And the Question being put:

Resolved, That the Motor Vehicles (Variation of Speed Limit) Regulations, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 26th day of July last, be approved.

Resolved. That the Biscuits (Charges) (Amendment) Order, 1950 (S.I., 1950, No. 1437), dated 25th August 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 28th day of August last, be approved.—(Mr. Frederick Willey.)

Industrial Organisation and Industry (Scientific Research Levy) Order, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 17th day of this instant October, be approved.—(Mr. Rhodes.)

Resolved, That the Draft Wool Textile Industry (Export Promotion Levy) (Amendment) Order, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 17th day of this instant October, be approved.—(Mr. Rhodes.)

Resolved, That the Draft Scottish Milk Marketing Scheme (Extension of Areal) Order, 1950, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 17th day of this instant October, be approved.—(Miss Herbison.)

Resolved, That the said Order be discharged. (Mr. Ernest Davies.)

Immunities and Privileges.

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged. (Mr. Popplewell.)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. —(Mr. Popplewell.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-six minutes after Six of the clock, adjourned till tomorrow.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received copies of Resolutions relating to the opening of the new House of Commons Chamber, from the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia and the House of Representatives of New Zealand, as follow:

We, the members of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Australia in Parliament assembled, desire to offer our affectionate greetings and good wishes to the Right Honourable the Speaker and Members of the House of Commons on the occasion of the opening of their reconstructed and historic house. In peace and in war the voice of freedom has for centuries spoken from Westminster to all the sons and brothers of the race wherever they may be. May that voice be heard for ever.

Archie G. Cameron, Speaker.

The House of Representatives in Parliament assembled, expresses its sincere congratulations and warmest good wishes to the Speaker and Members of the House of Commons on the occasion of the opening of its new Chamber at Westminster. This House takes pride in the fact that its traditions and procedure are based upon those of the House of Commons which for centuries has practised the principles of democracy and freedom. This House rejoices that on the site of the Chamber destroyed there now arises a fitting home for the Mother of Parliaments—for the institution which is the gift of our British people to mankind.

C. G. E. Harker, Deputy Speaker.

Mr. Harold Wilson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 24th October 1950, entitled the Imported Carpets (Maximum Prices) (No. 4) Order, 1950.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Tomlinson presented, by His Majesty’s Command,—Copy of a Report to the Minister of Education by the United Kingdom Delegation to the Fifth Session of the General Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Return to an Order yesterday, for a Return relating to Adjournment Motions under the Standing Order (Adjournment on matter of urgent public importance).
Return to an Order yesterday, for a Return relating to Closure of Debate.

Return to an Order yesterday, for a Return relating to Private Bills and Private Business.

Return to an Order yesterday, for a Return relating to Public Bills.

Return to an Order yesterday, for a Return relating to Public Petitions.

Return to an Order yesterday, for a Return relating to Select Committees.

Return to an Order yesterday, for a Return relating to Sittings of the House and Business of Supply.

Return to an Order yesterday, for a Return relating to Standing Committees.

Account of Receipts and Expenditure under Section 5 of the Petroleum (Production) Act, 1934, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1950, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the Returns relating to Public Bills and Standing Committees be printed.

Ordered, That the First, Second, Third and Fourth Reports and the Special Report from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments be reprinted.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be reprinted.

Mr. Herbert Morrison reported to the House, That His Majesty, having been waited upon, pursuant to their Order yesterday, humbly to appoint to be attended to-morrow, at Twelve of the clock, in Westminster Hall, and has given His permission for this House to be accompanied by representatives of overseas Parliaments.

Resolved, That this House do meet to-morrow at a quarter of an hour after Ten of the clock and that no Questions be taken. — (Mr. Herbert Morrison.)

Resolved, That the Standing Order (Place of Meeting on first day of the Session) be repealed. — (Mr. Herbert Morrison.)

Resolved, That this House notes the steps which have been taken to give effect to the responsibility to the community (including consumers and workpeople) of the socialised industries, and will welcome any further measures to increase their public accountability, consistently with the duty of the Boards to manage the industries with maximum efficiency in the public interest. — (Mr. Herbert Morrison.)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. — (Mr. Sparks.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes after Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
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Copy of the Second Report and Statement of Accounts of the South West Scotland Electricity Board, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1950.

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Electricity.
No. 159.
Copy of the Second Report and Statement of Accounts of the Northern Electricity Board, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1950.

Electricity.
No. 164.
Report of the Minister of Fuel and Power with respect to the exercise of his functions under the Electricity Act, 1947, and the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1936, during the year ended the 31st day of March 1950.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table:——

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Resolved, nemine contradicente, That this House welcomes the Speakers, Presiding Officers and other representatives of the countries of the British Commonwealth and Empire who have come from overseas to join in the ceremonies on the occasion of the opening of the new Chamber; expresses its thanks to their Legislatures and peoples for the generous gifts with which the Chamber is adorned; and assures them that their presence on this day will be a source of inspiration in the years to come.—(The Prime Minister.)

Mr. Speaker with the House and the said representatives went to Westminster Hall to attend His Majesty:—And having returned;

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock.

The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That their Addresses of the 23rd day of this instant October relating to Patents and Registered Designs had been presented to His Majesty; and that His Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:

I have received your Addresses praying that the Patents (Extension of Period of Emergency) Order, 1950, and the Registered Designs (Extension of Period of Emergency) Order, 1950, be made in the form of the respective drafts laid before Parliament.

I will comply with your request.

Mr. Speaker reported to the House, That the Place of Sitting. House had attended His Majesty this day with their Address; to which His Majesty was pleased to give his most gracious Answer:

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons:

I thank you for the loyal and dutiful Addresses which on your behalf the Lord Chancellor and Mr. Speaker have presented to Me.

I am glad to be here to-day and to congratulate the Members of the House of Commons on the rebuilding of their Chamber. I look back with pride and gratitude to the part that Parliament played when this country was in danger. True to its function of expressing the will and spirit of my people, the House of Commons continued with unshakeable courage and high purpose to fulfil its duties despite the bombing of its home. The destruction of the Chamber in which it had met for so many years was not allowed to interrupt our Parliamentary Government. When the peoples of our Commonwealth of Nations stood alone, the spirit of a free people ensured the maintenance of our system of Government. May it always continue to stand for those great and permanent realities expressed in our way of life, whatever the strains and stresses we have to endure.

The new Chamber has been built as far as possible in the form of the old. There is a traditional intimacy about our legislative chambers which is very characteristic of Parliamentary life in our land. It suggests a close and almost homely place of discussion and taking counsel, as if it derived some of its virtue from the family circle. I am glad to know that this feature has been preserved in the new building. I congratulate the architect who designed the Chamber and all the men and women who have taken part in its building and furnishing; its decoration and fittings are outstanding examples of our skill and craftsmanship in wood and metal and stone. This Chamber, in a sense, belongs to our great family of nations, for it is adorned and enriched by generous gifts from all over the Commonwealth.

I am happy to welcome here to-day the Speakers of the legislatures throughout the British Commonwealth. Their presence makes this a symbolic occasion of untold value. Of all the bonds which unite my peoples none is stronger than our common devotion to the ideals of freedom, justice and tolerance which, in the political sphere, find their supreme expression in our Parliamentary system. These ideals have been evolved, tried, and enriched through the long process...
of our history. They were born, and have grown to maturity, here in Westminster. It is a proud day when we welcome here, in the very cradle of our Parliamentary institutions, representatives of the legislatures of the other territories, great and small, united in the Commonwealth, to rejoice with us at the opening of the new Chamber of the House of Commons. Here they can see another of the links which unite us. For the symbols and procedures of our various legislatures are to all intents and purposes identical. Although My peoples vary in race, language and tradition, the spirit of our Parliamentary system permeates every legislative assembly in the Commonwealth.

This new Chamber will stand as a sign to the world of our faith in freedom, of our confidence in the permanence of our common ideals, and of the ties flexible yet firm which hold together the peoples of our Commonwealth and unite in brotherhood the freedom-loving peoples of all nations. For Freedom finds expression in this Palace of Westminster, where free men and women can speak in accordance with the dictates of their country, sciences, yet with that saving grace of humour and readiness to understand the point of view of others which has ever been typical of our race. Not for us the silence of suppression. In other places liberty has perished, but the voice of true democracy is still heard among all our peoples and is a comfort to all those who love, and believe in, the unfettered expression of honest opinions, noble aspirations, and sincere human feelings.

This is our heritage. May all those who shall serve their Country in the new Commons Chamber strive to maintain and uphold those great and enduring principles on which our political ideals are based. May they, in their work, be an inspiration and example to all throughout the world to whom our way of life stands as a guiding light at a time when it is opposed by the dark counsels of materialism and tyranny. May this Chamber long stand to shape the destinies of My peoples at home, and may the blessing of Almighty God for all time rest upon it and all who labour in it.

A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-General Sir Brian Horrocks, K.C.B., K.B.E., D.S.O., m.c., Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of His Majesty's Commissions, for declaring His Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, and for proroguing the present Parliament, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commissions read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring His Majesty's Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and the Lords, thereby authorised, declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

5. Food and Drugs (Milks, Dairies and Artificical Cream) Act, 1950.

And afterwards, His Majesty's most gracious King's Speech was delivered to both Houses of Parliament by the Lord High Chancellor in pursuance of His Majesty's Commands, as followeth:

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons:

The increase in production, which is vital to the economic progress of the country, is most encouraging. At the same time, there has been continued restraint in claims for increases in personal incomes of all kinds. The efforts which My People have made, not without sacrifices, have enabled us to maintain a healthy internal economy and to achieve a great improvement in the balance of overseas trade, notably with North America. Generous help from the United States of America and Canada has also continued to strengthen the already healthy economic position.

My Government have fully supported the United Nations' measures to combat the unprompted aggression launched upon the Republic of Korea on 25th June, and My Forces are contributing by land, sea and in the air to the action now being taken in Korea by members of the United Nations in pursuance of the recommendations of the Security Council.

My Government, together with other friendly Powers, have also presented to the United Nations proposals for an ultimate settlement of a unified, independent and democratic Korea. These proposals have been approved by an overwhelming majority of member states gathered together in the General Assembly.

My Government have continued to play a prominent part in the economic and social activities of the United Nations, conscious of the great contribution which higher standards of living can make to the maintenance of peace and order in all parts of the world.

My Government, in association with other Governments signatory to the North Atlantic Treaty, have contributed to the strengthening of the Treaty Organisation by the appointment of a permanent body of Deputies to the Foreign Ministers. Together with these Governments they are initiating an urgent programme of production to ensure the adequate defence of the North Atlantic area. They acknowledge the powerful support which the United States of America are giving to the efforts of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation to maintain greater security in this region.

My Government have taken two important steps towards peace and stability in the Middle East. In April they granted de jure recognition to the Government of Israel, together with the simultaneous recognition of the union with the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, of that part of Palestine which is under Jordan control. In May My Government, with the Governments of France and the United States of America, jointly issued the tripartite statement concerning the stability of the Middle East.

In August this year the Consultative Assembly of the Council of Europe began its
second session. I shall continue to follow with interest this new important development in international co-operation.

Together with the Governments of France and the United States, My Government have continued to work for the closer association of the German Federal Republic with the Western community of nations. I welcome both the accession of the Federal Republic as an associate member of the Council of Europe and the conclusions regarding Germany which the Foreign Ministers of the three Governments reached at their conference last month in New York.

In the economic field, My Government continue to collaborate to the full in the work of the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation.

I welcome the establishment of the European Payments Union which will enable the Organisation to facilitate trade and payment among its members.

It is gratifying that the countries participating in the international discussions on tariffs and trade have elected to hold their meetings in this country.

My Ministers in the United Kingdom welcomed the invitation of My Ministers in Australia to attend a meeting in Sydney in May to discuss with other Commonwealth Governments plans for the economic development of South and South-East Asia; My Government were hosts to further meetings in London in September at which countries in South-East Asia outside the Commonwealth were represented.

Discussions have also been held in London between My Ministers in the United Kingdom and Ministers from Commonwealth countries overseas, which have afforded a valuable opportunity for an exchange of views on general trade and economic questions.

The visit of the President of the French Republic and Madame Auriol in March was an occasion of great pleasure to Her Majesty and Myself and further strengthened the bonds of friendship between our two Peoples.

My Forces continue to assist the peoples of Malaya and the Civil Administration in their task of restoring law and order.

Important steps have been taken to bring about a rapid improvement in the size and efficiency of My Forces, whose rates of pay have been substantially increased. I have given My assent to a measure extending to two years the period of whole-time National Service.

My Government in Canada have undertaken to train pilots and navigators of the Royal Air Force in Royal Canadian Air Force establishments. This measure of co-operation, which will materially help to advance training, has been warmly welcomed by My Government in the United Kingdom.

Members of the House of Commons:
I thank you for the provision which you have made for the public services.

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons:
I have received your Addresses praying for the continuance for a further period of one year of certain emergency powers and will give effect to your wishes.

Over a large part of the country unusually bad weather has robbed farmers and the nation of the full fruits of what had promised to be a bountiful harvest, and they and their workers are to be commended for their unfailing courage and skill in fighting this adversity.

Legislation has been passed to help the provision and use of allotments throughout Great Britain.

Provision has been made for temporary assistance to the white fish industry pending the introduction of permanent legislation.

A comprehensive development plan for the Highlands and Islands of Scotland has been laid before you.

A committee has been appointed to inquire into the financial and economic relationships between Scotland and the rest of the United Kingdom.

The Council for Wales and Monmouthshire has continued to do useful work and have recently submitted a valuable report.

The Medical Acts have been amended so as to ensure that, from a day to be appointed, medical practitioners shall have had experience in hospitals or other approved institutions before they are finally registered, and so as to improve the constitution and procedure of the General Medical Council.

I have assented to legislation which, by enabling wife maintenance, guardianship of infants and adoption orders to be made and enforced throughout the United Kingdom, will relieve much hardship and give a remedy to many women who have hitherto been barred from the exercise of their just claims.

My Ministers have continued to develop the organisation of the Civil Defence Services.

My Ministers have taken steps to impress upon all industries the need to help men to return to civil employment after service in the Regular Forces and I am gratified at the measure of response so far received.

Legislation has been passed giving further encouragement to transfers of industrial undertakings to the Development Areas.

Measures have been passed to provide a uniform code for regulating the breaking-up of streets by public utility undertakings and to empower highway authorities to place and maintain cattle-grids in highways.

I have assented to a Bill to provide relief from the hardship suffered by some owners and occupiers of small dwelling-houses which are damaged by coal-mining subsidence.

An Act has been passed for further promoting the revision of the Statute Law and the publication of Revised Editions of Statutes; progress has also been made in the consolidation of Statute Law.

I pray that the blessing of Almighty God may attend you.

Then a Commission for proroguing the Parliament was read.
After which the Lord Chancellor said:

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons,
By virtue of His Majesty's Commission under the Great Seal, to us and other Lords directed, and now read, we do, in His Majesty's Name and in obedience to His Majesty's Commands, prorogue this Parliament to Tuesday the thirty-first day of October, One thousand nine hundred and fifty, to be then helden: and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued until Tuesday the thirty-first day of October, One thousand nine hundred and fifty.
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