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BY virtue of Her Majesty's Commission under the Great Seal, and in obedience to Her Majesty's Commands, Parliament was prorogued on the above-mentioned day to Tuesday the Sixth day of this instant November, to be then here helden.
The Forty-first Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain
and Northern Ireland

[No. 1.]

Tuesday, 6th November, 1956.

PRAYERS at Eleven of the clock.

A MESSAGE from Her 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 Queen commands this Honourable
House to attend Her Majesty immediately, in
the House of Peers.

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

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair at half an
hour after Two of the clock.

Elections.

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
decided 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 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.

Resolved, That the Commissioner of the
Metropolitan
Police of the Metropolis do take care that
Police
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
Votes and
this House be printed being first perused by
Proceedings.
Proceedings.
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 Privileges,
appointed.

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

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

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Ordered, That the said Journal and Index be printed by the appointment and under the direction of Sir Edward Abdy Fellowes, K.C.B., C.M.G., M.C., the Clerk of this House.

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

Mr. Secretary Lloyd-George presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Statement on the Continuance of Emergency Legislation.

Mr. Secretary Lloyd-George also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Draft Order, entitled the Metropolitan Police Staffs (Increase of Superannuation Allowances) Order, 1956.

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


Copy of an Order in Council, dated 31st October 1956, entitled the Transfer of Functions (Railway Deaths) Order, 1956.

Copy of a Draft Order in Council, entitled the Patents (Extension of Period of Emergency) Order, 1956.

Copy of an Order in Council, dated 31st October 1956, entitled the West African Court of Appeal (Amendment) Order in Council, 1956.

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

Mr. Thorneycroft presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of a Draft Order, entitled the Lace Industry (Scientific Research Levy) (Amendment) Order, 1956.

Copy of an Order, dated 2nd August 1956, entitled the Registration of Restrictive Trading Agreements Order, 1956.

Copy of a Draft Order, entitled the Census of Distribution (Restriction on Disclosure) Order, 1956.

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

Mr. Iain Macleod presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Memorandum on the proposed action by Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom on a Recommendation adopted at the 37th Session of the International Labour Conference, 1954.

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

Mr. Watkinson presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Notes exchanged at Dublin on the 31st day of August 1956 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Republic of Ireland introducing a new annex to the Air Services Agreement of the 5th day of April 1946.

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

Mr. Sands presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Scheme, dated 2nd October 1956, made by the Warrington County Borough Council and approved by the Minister of Housing and Local Government under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

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 Documents existing or accruing in the Ministry of Health which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House had, this day, attended Her Majesty in the House of Peers, when Her 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 look forward with great pleasure to the visits which I shall pay with My Dear Husband to Portugal, France and Denmark. I am following with the closest interest the journey which My Husband is now making through many lands of the Commonwealth.

My Government will continue their efforts to achieve, by all possible means, a prompt and just settlement of the many problems arising from the grave situation in the Middle East. To this end they will welcome the broadest measure of co-operation with the Commonwealth, with our Allies in the Atlantic Alliance and in Europe, and with those international agencies of which the United Kingdom is a member.

Fortified by the unique advances in Parliamentary democracy and economic prosperity which the joint effort of the Commonwealth has already achieved, My Ministers will be concerned to further the progress and constitutional development of the territories for whose well-being they are responsible.

A Bill will be introduced early in this Session to grant independence to the Gold Coast under the name of Ghana, and it is the intention of My Ministers that independence should take effect on 6th March, 1957. The Gold Coast Legislative Assembly have expressed the desire that Ghana should be an independent State within the Commonwealth.

Orders in Council will be laid before you to provide for the constitution of the new British Caribbean Federation and for the inclusion of a number of elected members in the Legislature of British Guiana.

My Ministers, while continuing to take the measures which are unhappily necessary to deal with terrorist activity in Cyprus, will spare no effort to find a solution to the problems of the Island, through a new and liberal Constitution which will safeguard the rights of all communities and the essential interests of this country and our Allies.
My Government will pursue their policy of adjusting the structure of My Forces and the organisation of home defence to changes in the world situation in the light of scientific and technical advances.

It is My Government's intention to put forward during the present Session proposals for reforming the composition of the House of Lords.

Members of the House of Commons:
Estimates for the public services will be laid before you in due course.

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons:
My Ministers will continue to seek the collaboration of employers and workers in combining full employment, rising production and stable prices. They are convinced that the wisdom and experience of My People will be a powerful aid to them in this task.

It will be the aim of My Government to fortify the balance of payments and to extend overseas markets for our goods and services. My Ministers, while fostering the traditional and established Commonwealth preferential system, attach great importance to increasing and strengthening economic co-operation in Europe. To this end they are examining possible methods for creating in Europe an area within which restrictions on the free exchange of goods, other than foodstuffs, would be progressively removed.

Legislation, consistent with My Government's international obligations, will be introduced to allow countervailing and anti-dumping duties to be imposed on imported goods.

A measure will be laid before you to replace the existing emergency powers in respect of hire-purchase and hiring agreements and to regulate borrowing by hire-purchase finance companies.

Steps will be taken to continue the lending powers of the National Film Finance Corporation and to substitute a statutory levy on exhibitors for the present voluntary levy.

My Ministers will continue to make it their aim to promote conditions which will enable the agricultural industry to maintain its progress in increasing efficiency and to achieve the maximum economic production from our land.

A Bill will be introduced to continue financial assistance to, and to make further provision for modernising, certain sections of the fishing fleet.

A measure will be laid before you to give effect to proposals arising from the recent comprehensive review of the financial and economic position and prospects of the British Transport Commission.

My Ministers will proceed with a Bill to reorganise the electricity supply industry in England and Wales.

A measure will be introduced to provide a remedy for damage caused by subsidence resulting from coal mining.

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Mr. Brooke presented a Bill to continue certain expiring laws: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed.

Mr. Sandys, supported by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Secretary Stuart, Mr. Powell, and Mr. Browne, presented a Bill to amend the Rent and Mortgage Interest Restrictions Acts, 1920 to 1939, the Rent of Furnished Houses Control (Scotland) Act, 1943, the Furnished Houses (Rent Control) Act, 1946, the Housing (Repairs and Rents) (Scotland) Act, 1954, and of an Order, dated 2nd November 1956, entitled the British Guiana (Constitution) (Temporary Provisions) (Amendment) Order in Council, 1956. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Thorneycroft presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 2nd November 1956, entitled the Control of Hiring (Rebates) Order, 1956. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 1st November 1956, entitled the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Protected Area) (General Licence No. 2) (England and Wales) Order, 1956. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sir David Eccles presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 20th April 1956, entitled the Kent County Council (Shorne) Compulsory Purchase Order, 1956, with a Certificate by the Minister of Education under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Aubrey Jones presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 6th November 1956, entitled the Motor Fuel Order, 1956. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Sandys presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Annual Report of the Dee and Clwyd River Board for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956. 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 Health which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.
(4) the ballot for unofficial Members' Bills shall be held on Thursday, the 15th day of this instant November, under arrangements to be made by Mr. Speaker, and the Bills shall be presented at the commencement of Public Business on Wednesday, the 21st day of this instant November; 

(5) unofficial Members' Notices of Motions and unofficial Members' Bills shall have precedence in that order over Government Business on the following Fridays, namely, the 30th day of this instant November, the 14th day of December next, the 8th and 22nd days of February next, the 8th and 22nd days of March next, the 5th day of April next, the 3rd, 17th and 31st days of May next; and no Notices of Motions shall be handed in for any of these Fridays in anticipation of the ballots under paragraph (6) of this Order; 

(6) ballots for precedence of unofficial Members' Notices of Motions shall be held after Questions on the following Wednesdays, namely, the 14th and 28th days of this instant November, the 30th day of January next, the 6th and 30th days of February next, the 6th and 20th days of March next, the 17th day of April next and the 1st and 15th days of May next; 

(7) until after Wednesday, the 21st day of this instant November, no unofficial Member shall give Notice of Motion for leave to bring in a Bill under the Standing Order (Motions for leave to bring in Bills and nomination of Select Committees at commencement of Government Business) or for presenting a Bill under the Standing Order (Presentation or introduction and first reading)—(Mr. Richard Butler):—

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding, at the end thereof, the words "unless such Notice of Motion or such Bill shall be concerned with legislation the words " unless such Notice of Motion or such Bill shall be concerned with legislation having for its principal object the abolition of the Death Penalty. —(Mr. Sydney Silverman.) 

...
(2) If such a Motion is under consideration at half-past Eleven of the clock, Mr. Speaker shall forthwith put the Question thereupon to the House, provided that, if he shall be of opinion that—

(a) owing to the lateness of the hour at which consideration of the Motion was entered upon, or

(b) because of the importance of the subject matter of the Motion, the time for debate has not been adequate, he shall interrupt the business and the Debate shall stand adjourned till the next Sitting (other than a Friday).

(3) A Debate which has been adjourned under paragraph (2) of this Order shall not be resumed later than Eleven of the clock, but shall stand further adjourned till the next Sitting (other than a Friday), and the foregoing provisions of this paragraph shall apply to any Debate which has been further adjourned under this paragraph as if the further adjournment were an adjournment under paragraph (2) of the Order.

(4) The Motions to which this Order applies are—

(a) any Motion for an Humble Address to Her Majesty, praying that a Statutory Instrument be annulled, and any Motion that a draft of an Order in Council be not submitted to Her Majesty in Council, or that a Statutory Instrument be not made,

(b) any Motion that, or for an Humble Address to Her Majesty praying that, any other document which may be subject to proceedings in the House in pursuance of a Statute be annulled, or cease to be in force, or be not made.—(Mr. Wakefield.)

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

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

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

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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**Agriculture.**

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of a Draft Scheme, entitled the British Egg Marketing Scheme, 1956, with a Report by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, the Secretary of State for Scotland, and the Secretary of State for the Home Department. Copy of an Order, dated 2nd November 1956, entitled the Milk Products Marketing Scheme (Revocation of Modification and Suspension) Order, 1956.

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

**National Health Service.**

Mr. Turton presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations, dated 7th November 1956, entitled—

1. The National Health Service (Hospital Charges for Drugs and Appliances) Amendment Regulations, 1956, and
2. The National Health Service (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations, 1956.

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 Mr. Amory, of Mr. Attorney General, that the Lords communicated that they have received the following from the House of Commons:

The House divided.

Mr. Speaker put the Question, That the Debate be now resumed:

The House divided again.

And the Question being again proposed:—

Ordered, That the Committee be resumed tomorrow.

Ordered, That the Committee of Privileges be composed of Ten Members:—The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Secretary Lloyd-George, Mr. Secretary Stuart, Mr. Brooke, Mr. Niall Macpherson, and Mr. Negent, presented a Bill to authorise retrospective provision to be made for the remuneration of members of police forces and fire brigades and of probation officers: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed.

**Consolidation; Act, Bill.**

The Lords communicate that they have come to the following Resolution, viz.:—That it is desirable that in the present Session all Consolidation Bills (including Bills for consolidating Private Acts, Statute Law Revision Bills and Bills presented under the Consolidation of Enactments (Procedure) Act, 1949), be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

**Police, Fire and Probation Officers Remuneration Bill.**

Mr. Secretary Lloyd-George, supported by Mr. Secretary Stuart, Mr. Brooke, and Mr. Decedek, presented a Bill to authorise retrospective provision to be made for the remuneration of members of police forces and fire brigades and of probation officers: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed.

**White Fish and Herring Industries Bill.**

Mr. Amory, supported by Mr. Secretary Lloyd-George, Mr. Secretary Stuart, Mr. Brooke, Mr. Negent, and Mr. Henderson Stewart, presented a Bill to amend the provisions of the White Fish and Herring Industries Act, 1953, relating to grants by the White Fish Authority and the Herring Industry Board towards new vessels and engines and to the white fish subsidy: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow 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 November, That an humble Address be presented to Her 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:—

Ordered, That the House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

As Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding, at the end thereof, the words “but humbly regret that, in view of the grave international situation and the division in the Commonwealth resulting from Your Majesty's Government's policy of armed intervention in Egypt, the Gracious Speech contains no reference to any proposal by Your Majesty’s Government to convene forthwith a conference of Commonwealth Prime Ministers so as to bring to bear all the resources of the Commonwealth in support of the authority of the United Nations.”—(Mr. Younger.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—And a Debate arising thereupon;—

Mr. Heath 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 those words be there added;

The House divided.

Mr. Heath 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 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.

Ordered, That the Committee of Privileges be composed of Ten Members:—The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Attorney General, Mr. Richard Butler, Mr. Clement Davies, Mr. Edie, Mr. Elliot, Mr. Galatkell, Mr. Mitchison, Sir Patrick Spens, Mr. Viant, and Captain Waterhouse.

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

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum of the Committee.——(Mr. Wakefield.)
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:—And the Committee was nominated of Mr. Awbery, Mr. Burden, Sir Herbert Butcher, Mr. George Craddock, Mrs. Cullen, Mrs. Hill, Sir Thomas Moore, Mr. Partridge, Mr. Robinson, Mrs. Slater, Sir William Steward, Mr. Wills, and Mr. Winterbottom.

Ordered, That Four be the Quorum of the Committee.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records, and to sit notwithstanding any Adjournment of the House.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to appoint Sub-Committees and to delegate to such Sub-Committees any of the powers upon them conferred for controlling the arrangements for the Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms in the department of the Serjeant at Arms attending this House.

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, and to sit notwithstanding any Adjournment of the House.—(Mr. Wakefield)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Wakefield):—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 sixteen minutes before Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

Mr. Secretary Hare presented, pursuant to Army, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 9th November 1956, entitled Regulations for the Army Emergency Reserve of Officers and for the Army Emergency Reserve, 1956.

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

Mr. Buchan-Hepburn presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 1st November 1956, approving an Admiralty Memorial praying sanction to an increase in the amount of National Service grants.

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

Mr. Watkinson, supported by Mr. Attorney General, Mr. Brooke, and Mr. Profumo, presented a Bill to increase the borrowing powers of the British Overseas Airways Corporation and the British European Airways Corporation; and for purposes connected with the matter 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 Order of the Day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 6th day of this instant November, That an humble Address be presented to Her 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.

A Motion was made, and the Question being statutory proposed, 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,
Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question having been proposed after Four 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-nine minutes before Five of the clock, till Monday next.

Procedure.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the practice of moving amendments on going into Committee of Supply upon the Navy, Army, Air and Civil Estimates; the practice relating to Money Supply upon the Navy, Army, Air and Civil Estimates; the practice relating to Money Supply upon the Navy, Army, Air and Civil Estimates; and the constitution of the Standing Committee, and to report whether any changes are desirable in the Standing Orders, practice or procedure of the House in these matters or in matters connected therewith—(Mr. Godber):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And objection being taken to further Proceeding, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

Adjournment.

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

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Monday, 12th November, 1956.

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

PRAYERS.

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.

The Oban Burgh 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. Brooke presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 12th November 1956, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 13) Order, 1956.

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

Mr. Thorneycroft presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 5th November 1956, entitled the Census of Distribution (1958) Order, 1956.

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

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table, pursuant to the Standing Order (Notification in respect of certain Statutory Instruments),—Communication, dated 12th November 1956, declaring that the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 19) Order, 1956, had been brought into operation this day, and explaining why copies thereof had not been laid before Parliament beforehand.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 6th day of this instant November, That an humble Address be presented to Her 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, the words “but humbly regret, in view of the serious economic problems facing the country, which have been aggravated by the effects of the Government’s policy in the Middle East, that Your Majesty’s Gracious
Speech gives no indication that your Ministers intend to pursue policies adequate to deal with the situation.—(Mr. Harold Wilson.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Heath 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, Those words be there added;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left;

Tellers for the \[Mr. Bowden, Yeas, \]
Mr. Pearson: \[259, \]

Tellers for the \[Mr. Heath, \\]
Noes, \[Mr. Galbraith: \]

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 tomorrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 9th day of this instant November, 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 it purports to have retrospective effect where the parent Statute confers no express authority so to provide;

(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 Mr. Ronald Bell, Mr. Cronin, Mr. Harold Davies, Mr. Fletcher, Mr. Hector Hughes, Mr. Robert Jenkins, Dr. King, Mr. Longden, Mr. Page, Sir Harold Roper, and Mr. Spence.

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 Her Majesty's Stationery Office, relating to the printing and publication of any Instrument.—(Mr. Galbraith.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 9th day of this instant November. That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the practice of moving amendments on going into Committee of Supply upon the Navy, Air, and Civil Estimates; the practice relating to Money Resolutions; the extension of the Standing Orders relating to public money to expenditure from Funds partly, but not wholly, financed from the Exchequer, being expenditure not directly involving a charge upon the Consolidated Fund or upon money provided by Parliament; the numbers required to form a Quorum of, and for the Closure in, a Standing Committee; and the constitution of the Scottish Standing Committee, and to report whether any changes are desirable in the Standing Orders, practice or procedure of the House in these matters or in matters connected therewith;

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

Ordered, That the Lords Message of the 8th day of this instant November communicating the Resolution, That it is desirable that in the present Session all Consolidation Bills (including Bills for consolidating Private Acts), Statute Law Revision Bills and Bills presented under the Consolidation of Enactments (Procedure) Act, 1949, be referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses of Parliament, be now taken into consideration.—(Mr. Galbraith.) 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. Galbraith.)

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Welfare Foods (Great Britain) Amendment Order, 1956, dated 23rd July 1956, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 27th day of July last, in the last Session of Parliament, be annulled.—(Dr. Summerskill) Vol. 212

Ordered, That the House divided.

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

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Simmons; Mr. Wilkins; 183.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Redmayne, Mr. Godber; 229.

So it passed in the Negative.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

(Mr. Godber.)

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

Tuesday, 13th November, 1956.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command.—Copy of an Agreement signed at The Hague on the 3rd day of June 1955 relating to the International Convention for regulating the Police of the North Sea Fisheries signed at The Hague on the 6th day of May 1882 (the Agreement has not yet been ratified by Her Majesty's Government).

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

Mr. Secretary Birch presented, pursuant to rights of Way, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 8th November 1955, entitled the Stopping up of Highways (Air Rights of Way). 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. Galbraith.)

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

Copy of an Order in Council, dated 1st November 1956, approving an Admiralty Pension, &c. Memorial praying sanction—

(1) to the Standing Orders, practice or procedure of the House in these matters or in matters connected therewith;
Sir David Eccles presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Draft Scheme, entitled the Teachers Superannuation (Royal Naval College, Dartmouth) Amending Scheme, 1956.

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

Mr. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Accounts of the General Lighthouse Fund for the year ended the 31st day of March 1955.

Ordered, That the said Accounts do lie upon the Table; and 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 November, That an humble Address be presented to Her 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.

Mr. Heath 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:

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her 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 Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of Her Majesty's Household.

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

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 Her Majesty.—(Mr. Heath.)

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 9th day of this instant November, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the practice of moving amendments on going into Committee of Supply upon the Navy, Army, Air and Civil Estimates; the practice relating to Money Resolutions; the extension of the Standing Orders relating to public money to expenditure from Funds partly, but not wholly, financed from the Exchequer, being expenditure not directly involving a charge upon the Consolidated Fund or upon money provided by Parliament; the numbers required to form a Quorum of, and for the Closure in, a Standing Committee; and the constitution of the Scottish Standing Committee, and to report whether any changes are desirable in the Standing Orders, practice or procedure of the House in these matters or in matters connected therewith;

And the Question being again proposed:—

The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put:

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the practice of moving amendments on going into Committee of Supply upon the Navy, Army, Air and Civil Estimates; the practice relating to Money Resolutions; the extension of the Standing Orders relating to public money to expenditure from Funds partly, but not wholly, financed from the Exchequer, being expenditure not directly involving a charge upon the Consolidated Fund or upon money provided by Parliament; the numbers required to form a Quorum of, and for the Closure in, a Standing Committee; and the constitution of the Scottish Standing Committee, and to report whether any changes are desirable in the Standing Orders, practice or procedure of the House in these matters or in matters connected therewith.

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Sixteen Members:—The Committee was accordingly nominated of Sir William Anstruther-Grey, Lieutenant-Commander Baldock, Mr. Bellenger, Sir Herbert Butcher, Mr. de Freitas, Sir Thomas Dugdale, Mr. Elliot, Mr. Fletcher, Sir Lancelot Joyvaon-Hicks, Mr. Gleneil Hall, Viscount Hinchingbrooke, Mr. Mitchison, Mr. Pickthorn, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Walde, and Mr. Woodburn.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records; to sit notwithstanding any Adjournment of the House; and to report from time to time.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Local Government (Qualifications of Assessors (Scotland) Regulations, 1956, dated 10th October 1956, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 17th day of October last, in the last Session of Parliament, be annulled.—(Mr. Woodburn.)—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twelve minutes before Twelve of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
MEMORANDUM.

Tuesday, 13th November, 1956.

In pursuance of paragraph (4) of the Standing Order (Deputy Speaker and Chairman), Mr. Speaker this day nominated Sir William Anstruther-Gray, Mr. Blackburn, Mr. Bowles, Mr. Duffie, Sir Robert Gorstman, Mr. Hoy, Sir Austin Hudson, Sir Norman Hulbert, Mr. Henry Hynd, Dr. King, Mr. Malcolm MacPherson, Mr. Nicholson, Sir Leonard Roper, Major Spence, Mr. George Thomas, Sir Gordon Touche, and Mr. William Richard Williams to be the Chairman's Panel during this Session.

[No. 7.]

Wednesday, 14th November, 1956.

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

P R A Y E R S.

The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That Her Majesty, having been attended with their Address of yesterday, was pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:

I have received with great satisfaction the loyal and dutiful expression of your thanks for the Speech with which I opened the present Session of Parliament.

Mr. Brooke presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Statement on the Methods used by Universities of Contracting and of Recording and Controlling Expenditure.

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

Mr. Secretary Lloyd-George presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 8th November 1956, entitled the National Health Service (Hospital Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations, 1956.

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

Mr. Secretary Stuart presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 8th November 1956, entitled the National Health Service (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations, 1956.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Resolved, That this House approves the action taken by Her Majesty’s Government in the 1956 tariff negotiations at Geneva as reported in Command Paper No. 9779.—(Mr. Low.)

Resolved, That the Import Duties (Geneva Import Duties Agreement) Order, 1956, dated 19th October 1956, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 23rd day of October last, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved.—(Mr. Low.)

Resolved, That the Silk Duties (No. 2) Order, 1956, dated 19th October 1956, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 23rd day of October last, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved.—(Mr. Low.)

A Motion was made, and the Question adjourned.—(Mr. Barber); 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 adjourned.—(Mr. Willis); 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. Buchan-Hepburn presented, by Her Majesty's Command.—Copy of the Ninth Annual Report of the Advisory Council on Scientific Policy, for the period from the 1st day of April 1955 to the 30th day of June 1956.

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

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

Schemes—

(1) for uniting the Benefices and Parishes of Christ Church, West Hartlepool, and Saint James, West Hartlepool, and for altering the boundaries of the Parishes of Saint James, West Hartlepool, and Stanton, in the Diocese of Durham, and for authorising the taking down of the Church of Saint James, West Hartlepool, and the sale of the site and materials thereof,

(2) for uniting the Benefices and Parishes of Thorne and Christ Church, Wakefield, in the Diocese of Wakefield, and for taking down the Church of Christ Church, Wakefield, and the sale of the site and materials thereof, and

(3) for authorising the demolition (except the tower) of the Church of Saint Maurice, Winchester, in the Diocese of Winchester, and the sale of the site and materials thereof.

Mr. Fletcher reported from the Select 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.

The Homicide Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

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

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 County Borough of Merthyr Tydfil, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 9th day of this instant November, be approved. (Mr. Deedes.)

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 Rural District of Yeovil, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 8th day of this instant November, be approved. (Mr. Deedes.)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment. (Mr. Hughes-Young.)

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

Friday, 16th November, 1956.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

Prayers.

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the Import Duties directions of an Act of Parliament.—Exemptions. Copy of an Order, dated 13th November 1956, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 14) Order, 1956. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Sandys presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Statement of Statistical Information relating to Rent Control.

Mr. Sandys also presented, pursuant to the Local directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Schemes, dated 9th October 1956, made by the Council of the City and County of Bristol and approved by the Minister of Housing and Local Government under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The Agriculture (Silo Subsidies) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

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

Mr. Amory, by Her Majesty's Command, Agriculture acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, (Silo Subsidies) Bill.

having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Agriculture (Silo Subsidies) (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 provision for the payment of subsidies in respect of the
Police, Fire
and Probation
Officers
Remuneration
Bill.

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.

Mr. Oakshott reported from the Committee on Police, Fire and Probation Officers Remuneration [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to authorise retrospective provision to be made for the remuneration of members of police forces and fire brigades and of probation officers, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) all payments made in pursuance of schemes under the said Act for subsidies in respect of the carrying out of works for the construction or improvement of silos in the United Kingdom for the making and containing of silage, being works approved for the purposes of such a scheme at any time not earlier than the eighth day of November, nineteen hundred and fifty-six; and

(b) any other expenses of any Minister incurred in pursuance of the said Act—

(Mr. Amory)

Resolution to be reported.

The Committee of Public Accounts was Public Accounts.

Mr. Brooke, Mr. Collins, Colonel Crawshaw-Eyre, Mr. Hoy, Mr. Neave, Mr. Oliver, Mr. Peyton, Mr. Ramsden, Mr. Steele, Mr. Thornton, Mr. Thornton-Keniley, Captain Waterhouse, and Mr. West.—(Mr. Oakshott)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

(Mr. Oakshott)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-two minutes after Three of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.

[No. 10]


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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Orders, dated 12th November 1956, entitled—

(1) the Appointment of the Port of Liverpool Order, 1956, and

(2) the Appointment of the Port of Manchester Order, 1956.

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

Mr. Secretary Stuart presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 12th November 1956, entitled the National Health Service (Functions of Regional Hospital Boards) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations, 1956.

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

Mr. Buchanan-Hepburn presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 31st October 1956, approving an Admiralty Memorial praying sanction to revised rates of pensions and gratuities for widows and children of officers and men who have served in the Royal Navy and in the Royal Marines.

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

Mr. Turton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 12th November 1956, entitled the National Health Service (Functions of Regional Hospital Boards, etc.) Amendment Regulations, 1956.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Resolved. That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that she 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 1955.—(Mr. Deedes.)

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Chairman'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. Secretary Lloyd-George, supported by Mr. Richard Butler, Mr. Secretary Stuart, and Mr. Attorney General, presented a Bill to make provision for disqualifying the holders of specified offices for membership of the House of Commons, and to repeal the enactments providing for the disqualification of the holders of offices or places of profit under the Crown and other offices, of persons having pensions from the Crown and of persons contracting with the Crown for or on account of the public service, and certain enactments disqualifying members of the House for holding other offices; to make corresponding provision in respect of the Senate and House of Commons of 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 Thursday next and to 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).—(Mr. Richard Butler.)

The Air Corporations Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

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

Mr. Watkinson, by Her Majesty's Com­mand, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Air Corporations [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 increase the borrowing powers of the British Overseas Airways Corporation and the British European Airways Corporation, it is expedient to authorise such increases:

(a) in the sums issued out of the Consolidated Fund under section ten of the Air Corporations Act, 1949, being sums required by the Treasury for fulfilling guarantees given under that section;

(b) in the sums paid into the Exchequer under that section, being sums received by way of repayment of any sums so issued, or by way of interest thereon,

as may be attributable to provisions of the said Act of the present Session—

(i) raising the limit on money borrowed by the British Overseas Airways Corporation from eighty million pounds to one hundred and sixty million pounds and the limit on money borrowed by the British European Airways Corporation from thirty-five million pounds to sixty million pounds; or

(ii) authorising the Treasury to guarantee the payment of charges other than interest in respect of sums borrowed by the British Overseas Airways Corporation under the said Act of the present Session.—(Mr. Watkinson.)

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.

The House, according to Order, resolved Ways and Means into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Customs Duties (Dumping and Subsidies).

Resolved. That there shall be power to impose on goods imported into the United Kingdom duties of customs, chargeable in addition to the full amount of any other duty, where it appears to the Board of Trade in some case—

(a) that goods have been dumped in the United Kingdom, that is to say that their export price is less than their fair market price, and that such dumping has caused or will cause injury within the United Kingdom to the producers or manufacturers of similar goods.
Mr. Secretary Lloyd-George presented,—Offences relating to Motor Vehicles. No. 5.

Mr. Secretary Lloyd-George also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, entitled the Visiting Forces (Application of Law) Order, 1956.

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

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Treaty Series No. 30, 1956, entitled the Stopping up of Highways (Chailey, Sussex) (Revocation) Order, 1956.

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

Mr. Buchan-Hepburn presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, entitled the Stopping up of Highways (Chailey, Sussex) (Revocation) Order, 1956.

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

Mr. Boyd-Carpenter presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, entitled the National Insurance (Married Women) Amendment Regulations, 1956.

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

Copy of an Order, dated 19th November 1956, entitled the Stopping up of Highways (Chailey, Sussex) (Revocation) Order, 1956.

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

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

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

Ordered, That this House do now adjourn—(Colonel Harrison).

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

Adjournment. 2nd August 1956, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 6th day of this instant November, be approved.—(Mr. Brooke.)

Resolved, That the Draft Census of Distribution (1958) (Restriction on Disclosure) Order, 1956, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 6th day of this instant November, be approved.—(Mr. Erroll.)

Resolved, That the Registration of Restrictive Trading Agreements Order, 1956, dated 2nd August 1956, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 6th day of this instant November, be approved.—(Mr. Thorneycroft.)

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 to­day.

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

Mr. Secretary Lloyd, for Chester, was sworn.

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

Ordered, That the said Return be printed.

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Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Expir­
ing Laws Continuance Bill be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(Mr. Richard Butler.)
day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty-six, be continued in force for a further period of one year until the tenth day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven.—(Mr. Secretary Lloyd-George.)

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her 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-six, be continued in force for a further period of one year until the tenth day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven.

SCHEDULE

The following Regulations of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, namely:—

Regulation fifty-two (Use of land for purposes of Her Majesty's forces);

Regulations eighty-three and eighty-five (Occupation, and entry upon, and inspection of, land);

Regulations ninety-two, ninety-three, ninety-eight, ninety-nine, one hundred to one hundred and two, and one hundred and five (Legal and supplementary provisions);

Parts I, II, III and IX and Schedules I and II of the Defence (Agriculture and Fisheries) Regulations, 1939.

Regulations one and six of the Defence (Armed Forces) Regulations, 1939.

Regulation one and paragraph (5) of Regulation three of the Defence (Patents, Trade Marks, &c.) Regulations, 1941.—(Mr. Secretary Lloyd-George.)

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

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her 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-seven, be continued in force for a further period of one year until the tenth day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven.

SCHEDULE

The following Regulations of the Defence (Temporary Provisions) Act, 1934, and the Rent of Furnished Houses (Scotland) Act, 1943, the Agriculture (Miscellaneous War Provisions) Act, 1940, relating to wheat and land drainage), and section six of the said Act of 1946 (which extends the Sugar Industry Act, 1942).—(Mr. Secretary Lloyd-George.)

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

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty under subparagraph (3) of paragraph 4 of the First Schedule to the Registered Designs (Extension of Period of Emergency) Order, 1956, be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on the 6th day of this instant November.—(Mr. Ian Harvey.)

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

Resolved, That the said Address be presented to Her 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-six, be continued in force for a further period of one year until the tenth day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven.

SCHEDULE

Subsection (1) of section three of the Emergency Laws (Transitional Provisions) Act, 1946 (which, as amended by section four of the Emergency Laws (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1947, extends certain provisions of the Agriculture (Miscellaneous War Provisions) Act, 1940, relating to wheat and land drainage).—(Mr. Secretary Lloyd-George.)

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

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her 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-six, be continued in force for a further period of one year until the tenth day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven.

SCHEDULE

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Regulations eighty-three and eighty-five (Occupation, and entry upon, and inspection of, land);

Regulations ninety-two, ninety-three, ninety-eight, ninety-nine, one hundred to one hundred and two, and one hundred and five (Legal and supplementary provisions);

Parts I, II, III and IX and Schedules I and II of the Defence (Agriculture and Fisheries) Regulations, 1939.

Regulations one and six of the Defence (Armed Forces) Regulations, 1939.

Regulation one and paragraph (5) of Regulation three of the Defence (Patents, Trade Marks, &c.) Regulations, 1941.—(Mr. Secretary Lloyd-George.)

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

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her 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-six, be continued in force for a further period of one year until the tenth day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven.

SCHEDULE

The following Regulations of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, namely:—

Regulation fifty-two (Use of land for purposes of Her Majesty's forces);

Regulations eighty-three and eighty-five (Occupation, and entry upon, and inspection of, land);

Regulations ninety-two, ninety-three, ninety-eight, ninety-nine, one hundred to one hundred and two, and one hundred and five (Legal and supplementary provisions);

Parts I, II, III and IX and Schedules I and II of the Defence (Agriculture and Fisheries) Regulations, 1939.

Regulations one and six of the Defence (Armed Forces) Regulations, 1939.

Regulation one and paragraph (5) of Regulation three of the Defence (Patents, Trade Marks, &c.) Regulations, 1941.—(Mr. Secretary Lloyd-George.)

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

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her 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-seven, be continued in force for a further period of one year until the tenth day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven.

SCHEDULE

Subsection (1) of section three of the Emergency Laws (Transitional Provisions) Act, 1946 (which, as amended by section four of the Emergency Laws (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1947, extends certain provisions of the Agriculture (Miscellaneous War Provisions) Act, 1940, relating to wheat and land drainage).—(Mr. Secretary Lloyd-George.)

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

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her 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-six, be continued in force for a further period of one year until the tenth day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven.

SCHEDULE

The following Regulations of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, namely:—

Regulation fifty-two (Use of land for purposes of Her Majesty's forces);

Regulations eighty-three and eighty-five (Occupation, and entry upon, and inspection of, land);

Regulations ninety-two, ninety-three, ninety-eight, ninety-nine, one hundred to one hundred and two, and one hundred and five (Legal and supplementary provisions);

Parts I, II, III and IX and Schedules I and II of the Defence (Agriculture and Fisheries) Regulations, 1939.

Regulations one and six of the Defence (Armed Forces) Regulations, 1939.

Regulation one and paragraph (5) of Regulation three of the Defence (Patents, Trade Marks, &c.) Regulations, 1941.—(Mr. Secretary Lloyd-George.)

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

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty under subparagraph (3) of paragraph 4 of the First Schedule to the Registered Designs (Extension of Period of Emergency) Order, 1956, be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on the 6th day of this instant November.—(Mr. Ian Harvey.)

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

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her 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-six, be continued in force for a further period of one year until the tenth day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven.
Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule, put and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 3, to leave out lines 38 to 41.—(Mr. Albert Evans.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn. Schedule agreed to.

Preamble 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 desire their concurrence.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that, on the ratification by the Government of the Republic of Austria of the Convention set out in the Schedule to the Draft of an Order entitled the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Austria) Order, 1956, a copy of which was presented on thirty-first October in the last session of Parliament, an order may be made in the form of that draft. I will comply with your request.

The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That their Addresses, yesterday relating to Supplies and Services (Transitional Powers) and Emergency Laws (Miscellaneous Provisions) had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously and to give the following Answer:

I have received your Addresses praying that the Supplies and Services (Transitional Powers) Act, 1945, and the various Defence Regulations and enactments which you specify be continued in force respectively for a further period of one year until the tenth day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven.

I will give directions accordingly.

The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That their Addresses, yesterday relating to Patents and Designs had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her 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, 1956, and the Registered Designs (Extension of Period of Emergency) Order, 1956, be made in the form of the respective drafts laid before Parliament.

I will comply with your request.

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 19th November, 1956, entitled the Premium Savings Bonds (Channel Islands) Regulations, 1956.

Appropriation Accounts of the sums granted by Parliament for Revenue Departments for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and upon Revenue and certain Store Accounts.

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

Mr. Secretary Stuart presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Report by the Secretary of State, the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords, and the Chairman of Ways and Means in the House of Commons, under Section 1 (4) of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, on Representations by the British Transport Commission.

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

Mr. Aubrey Jones presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 20th November 1956, entitled the Motor Fuel (No. 2) Order, 1956.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
River Boards.  Mr. Sands presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of the Annual Reports for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956—
(1) of the Lincolnshire River Board,
(2) of the Usk River Board, and
(3) of the Welland River Board.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

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

Messengers 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 Clyde Navigation Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Oban Burgh Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have appointed a Committee of Six Lords to join with a Committee of the Commons as a Joint Committee on Consolidation Bills (including Bills for Consolidating Private Acts), Statute Law Revision Bills, and Bills presented under the Consolidation of Enactments (Procedure) Act, 1949, in the present Session; they have resolved that the Memoranda laid and any Representations made with respect thereto under the said Act be referred to the said Joint Committee; and they request the Commons to appoint an equal number of their Members to be joined with the said Lords.

Advertisements (Hire-Purchase) Bill.  Lieutenant-Colonel Schofield, supported by Mr. Glendell Hall, Mr. Graham Cooke, Sir John Barlow, Mr. Fort, Sir William Steward, Mr. Royle, Mr. McKibbin, Mr. Biggeod, Mr. Steward, and Sir Robert Cary, presented a Bill to make provision as to the information to be included in advertisements displayed or issued in connection with hire-purchase or credit sale; and for purposes connected with the matter aforesaid: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of February next and to be printed.

Mr. Currie, supported by Mr. Armstrong, Sir David Campbell, Mr. Chichester-Clark, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Hyde, Lieutenant-Colonel Grovenor, Mr. McKibbin, Mrs. McLaughlin, Mr. O’Neill, Captain Orr and Sir Victor Ratkev, presented a Bill to enable the Parliament of Northern Ireland to make, in relation to land in Northern Ireland, provision for purposes similar to those of section fifty-three of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 7th day of December next and to be printed.

Mr. Baldwin, supported by Major Legge-Bourke, Mr. Hurd, Mr. James Lindsay, Mr. Gibson-Watt, Commander Agnew, Commander Multland, Mrs. Emmet, Wing Commander Grant-Ferris, Captain Duncan, Mr. Alastair Harrison, and Sir Alfred Bosson, presented a Bill to amend the provisions of the Agricultural Marketing Acts, 1931 to 1949, as to the schemes which may be submitted and approved thereunder, and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of February next and to be printed.

Miss Vickers, supported by Mrs. Emmet, Wing Commander Bullus, Mr. Russell, Mr. Geoffrey Wilson, Dr. King, Mr. Parker, Mr. Jeger, Mrs. Corbett, and Mr. McLeavey, presented a Bill to provide for the attachment of sums payable to a person by way of wages, salary or other earnings or by way of pension for the purpose of enforcing certain court orders requiring payments by that person to some other person; and for purposes connected with the matter aforesaid: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of March next and to be printed.

Wing Commander Bullus, supported by Mr. Russell, Mr. Fort, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Jeger, Mr. McKibbin, Mr. Maude, Mr. Snow, and Sir Lancelet Joyson-Hicks, presented a Bill to make further provision as to the constitution of parish councils, and as to the powers of parish councils and parish meetings, in rural parishes in England and Wales: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of March next and to be printed.

Viscount Lambton, supported by Mr. Roy Jenkins, Mr. Hugh Fraser, Mr. Forrester, Mr. Nicolson, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Maurice Macmillan, Sir Victor Ratkev, Sir Jocelyn Lucas, Mr. Houghton, and Sir Lancelet Joyson-Hicks, presented a Bill to amend the provisions of the New Streets Act, 1951: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 29th day of March next and to be printed.

Mr. Maddan, supported by Mr. Currie, Mr. Woollam, Major Wall, Mr. du Cann, Captain Corfield, and Mr. Body, presented a Bill to amend the New Streets Act, 1951: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 7th day of December next and to be printed.

Miss Bacon, supported by Mr. Bevan, Mr. Ede, Sir Frank Soskice, Dr. Summerskill, Mr. Sydney Silverman, Mr. Grimond, Mr. Hyde, Miss Herbston, Sir Beverley Baxter, Mr. Wade, and Mr. Paton, presented a Bill to abolish or for a period suspend the passing and execution of the death sentence on conviction of murder and to substitute an alternative penalty therefor: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of February next and to be printed.
Mr. Ridgway, supported by Mr. White, Mr. Vane, Mr. Tiley, Mr. Crown, Mr. Watkins, Mr. Fresh, Mr. Gower, Mr. John Howard, and Mrs. McLaughlin, presented a Bill to extend the operation of section fourteen and paragraph 90 of section thirty-six of the Births and Deaths Registration Act, 1953, and of the Schedule to the Legitimacy Act, 1926; and for purposes connected with that matter: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of March next and to be printed.

Mr. Walter Hudson, supported by Wing Commander Bullas, Mr. Robert Jenkins, Sir Victor Raskin, Mr. Greenwood, and Mr. David Jones, presented a Bill to repeal certain enactments relating to the promotion of Bills by certain local authorities: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of March next and to be printed.

Mr. David Campbell, supported by Mr. McKibbin, Mrs. McLaughlin, Mr. Hyde, Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Chichester-Clark, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Currie, Lieutenant-Colonel Grosvenor, Sir Thomas Moore, Captain Orr, and Mr. O’Neill, presented a Bill to amend the Representation of the People Act, 1949, by assimilating the limitation on election expenses for candidates at parliamentary elections in constituencies in Northern Ireland to the limitation on those expenses for candidates at such elections in constituencies in Great Britain: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of March next and to be printed.

Mr. Brockway, supported by Mr. Sorensen, Mr. Hole, Mr. Wedgewood Benn, Mr. Orbach, Miss Lee, Mr. Mikardo, Mrs. Castle, Mr. Janner, Sir Leslie Plummer, Mr. Julius Silverman, and Mr. Allsop, presented a Bill to make illegal discrimination to the detriment of any person on the grounds of colour, race and religion in the United Kingdom: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 29th day of March next and to be printed.

Mr. Spier, supported by Mr. Hurd, Mr. Hill, Mrs. White, Mr. Wade, Lieutenant-Commander Maydon, Mr. Michael Sargent, Mr. Joseph Price, Mr. Finlay, Mr. Fort, Mr. Whitelaw, and Mr. Armstrong, presented a Bill to make provision for the abatement of litter; to prescribe penalties for the deposit of litter; and for matters connected with the purposes aforesaid: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of March next and to be printed.

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

Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.—(Mr. Wakefield.)
Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to¬

morrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question being
put, That an humble Address be presented to
Her Majesty, praying that the Flour (Revoca¬
tion) Order, 1956, dated 31st July 1956, a
copy of which was laid before this House on
the 2nd day of August last, in the last Session of Parliament, be annulled—(Mr. Mitchison):—It passed in the Negative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being
proposed, That an humble Address be pre¬
sent ed to Her Majesty, praying that the Sugar
Surcharge Regulations, 1956, dated 23rd
October 1956, a copy of which was laid before
this House on the 26th day of October last, in
the last Session of Parliament, be annulled—
(Mr. Mitchison):—The said Motion was, with
leave of the House, withdrawn.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

(Mr. Oakshott.)

And accordingly the House, having con¬
tinued to sit till twenty-three minutes after
Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to¬

morrow.

[No. 13.]

Thursday, 22nd November, 1956.

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

PRAYERS.

Death of a

Member.

Mr. Speaker made the following com¬
munication to the House:—

I regret to have to inform the House of the
death of Sir Rhys Hopkin Morris, M.B.E.,
Q.C., Member for Carmarthen, and I desire
to express our sense of the loss we have sustained and our sym¬
pathy with the relatives of the honourable
Member.

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Taxation

Relief.

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the direc¬
tions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of a
Draft Order in Council, entitled the Double
Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Nether¬
lands Antilles) Order, 1956.

Pensions.

Copy of a Draft Order in Council, entitled
the Pensions (Increase) Act (Extension) Order,
1956.

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

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her
Majesty's Command,—Copy of an Agreement
signed at London on the 21st day of December
1954 concerning the relations between the
United Kingdom and the European Coal and
Steel Community (with connected documents)
(the United Kingdom Ratification was de¬
posited on the 17th day of June 1955).

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

Mr. Buchan-Hepburn presented, pursuant
to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—
Copy of Statutes made by the Governing Body
of St. Catherine's College, Cambridge, on the
12th day of June 1956, amending the Statutes
of the College.

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

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the direc¬
tions of an Act of Parliament,—Statement by
the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and
Food, of the Remuneration, Allowances and
Payments towards the provision of Pensions
determined by the Minister, with the approval
of the Treasury, that are or will be payable to
Members of the Sugar Board.

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

Mr. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the Air Navigation
directions of several Acts of Parliament,—
Statement of the Minister of Transport and
Civil Aviation concerning the Pension payable
to a Deputy Chairman of the British Overseas
Airways Corporation.


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

Mr. Sandys presented, pursuant to the direc¬
tions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a
Scheme, dated 18th September 1956, made by
the Richmond (Surrey) County Borough
Council and approved by the Minister of
Housing and Local Government under the
Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

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

The following Paper, pursuant to the direc¬
tions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon
the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Account of the Sums issued out of the Con¬
solidated Fund and of Payments under the
War Damage Act, 1943, by the War Damage
Commission in respect of War Damage or in
respect of Interest on Value Payments or on
Payments under Section 18 of that Act, for
the year ended the 31st day of March 1956,
with the Report of the Comptroller and
Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Account be printed.

Ordered, That the Proceedings of the Com¬
mittee on Rent [Money] be exempted, at this
day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Stand¬
ing Order (Sittings of the House).—(Mr.
Richard Butler.)

The Order of the day being read, for resum¬
ing the adjourned Debate on the Question pro¬
posed yesterday, That the Rent 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:
Rent (Money).

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Heath, Mr. Galbraith: 314.
Tellers for the [Mr. Popplewell, Mr. Pearson: 250.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—[Mr. Bowden];

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Pearson, Mr. Smith: 250.
Tellers for the [Mr. Redmayne, Mr. Galbraith: 307.

So it was passed in the Negative.

And the Bill was committed to a Standing Committee, pursuant to the Standing Order (Committee of Bills).

Mr. Sandys, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Rent (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 Rent and Mortgage Interest Restrictions Acts, 1920 to 1939; and for other purposes, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the said Act in the sums payable out of moneys so provided under any other Act.—[Mr. Sandys.]

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.

Lieutenant-Commander Thompson reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 19th day of this instant November, a Resolution; which was read, as followed:

Customs Duties (Dumping and Subsidies).

That there shall be power to impose on goods imported into the United Kingdom duties of customs, chargeable in addition to the full amount of any other duty, where it appears to the Board of Trade in some case—

(a) that goods have been dumped in the United Kingdom, that is to say that their export price is less than their fair market price in the country in which they originated or from which they were exported, or

(b) that some Government or other authority outside the United Kingdom has been giving a subsidy, and provision may be made for any supplemental or incidental purposes and in particular—

(i) for the allowance of drawback in respect of duties imposed under the authority of this Resolution and the giving of other relief in respect of those duties,

(ii) for authorising the making of orders and other subordinate instruments,

(iii) for conferring on some Government department or other authority the function of deciding whether there has been dumping or the giving of a subsidy,

(iv) for determining the meaning to be given to expressions used in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this Resolution, including, in the case of any definition of the country in which goods originated, provisions framed by reference to the country in which some stage in the production of any components or materials incorporated in the goods was carried out, but the expression "subsidy" shall not be defined so as to include a practice which consists of any application of restrictions or charges on the export of materials from any country which favours producers in that country who use those materials in goods produced by them, and the expression "fair market price" shall not be defined in a way which requires account to be taken of any such practice.

The said 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; and that the Chairman do prepare and bring it in.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution; and that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Thorneycroft, and Mr. Low do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Low accordingly presented a Bill to authorise the imposition of duties of customs, where goods have been dumped or subsidised, and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next and to be printed.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

Adjournment.

—[Lieutenant-Commander Thompson.]
Mr. Buchanan-Hepburn presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order of Council, dated 19th November 1956, entitled the Veterinary Surgeons (Republic of Ireland University Degrees) (Dublin) Order of Council, 1956.

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

Mr. Sandys presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Seventh Report of the National Parks Commission, for the year ended the 30th day of September 1956.

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:—

Summary of Accounts of Loan Societies in England and Wales furnished to the Registrar of Friendly Societies for 1955.

Mr. Legh reported from the Committee on Agriculture (Silo Subsidies) [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision for the payment of subsidies in respect of the carrying out of works for the construction or improvement of silos in the United Kingdom for the making and containing of silage, being works approved for the purposes of such a scheme at any time not earlier than the eighth day of November, nineteen hundred and fifty-six; and

(b) any other expenses of any Minister incurred in pursuance 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 Agriculture (Silo Subsidies) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved Air Corporations Bill itself into a Committee on the Air Corporations Bill.

Mr. Speaker certified that the Bill was a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

Ordered, That so much of the Lords Consolidation, Message of the 21st day of this instant November, &c., Bills, as relates to the appointment of a Committee on Consolidation Bills (including Bills for Consolidating Private Acts), Statute Law
Adjournment.

Reports.

Revision Bills, and Bills presented under the Consolidation of Enactments (Procedure) Act, 1949, be now taken into consideration.—(Mr. Legh.)—The House accordingly proceeded to take so much of the said 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 (including Bills for Consolidating Private Acts), Statute Law Revision Bills, and Bills presented under the Consolidation of Enactments (Procedure) Act, 1949, in the present Session, together with the Memoranda laid and any representations made with respect thereto under the Act.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Philip Bell, Mr. Finlay, Mr. Forman, Mr. Janner, Sir Hugh Linstead, and Mr. Oliver.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers, and records; and to sit notwithstanding any Adjournment of the House.

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

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, and to sit notwithstanding any Adjournment of the House, to join with the Committee appointed by the Lords to consider the Bills aforesaid:

And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in arrangements for the reporting and publishing of Debates and in regard to the form and distribution of the Notice Papers issued in connection 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 Sir John Crowder, Mr. Holman, Mr. Hyde, Mr. Robert Jenkins, Sir Leslie Plummer, Mr. Rodgers, Mr. Sparks, Dr. Stross, Sir Gordon Touche, and Mrs. White.

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. Legh.)

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

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

Monday, 26th November, 1956.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Secretary Stuart presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 20th November 1956, entitled the National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations, 1956.

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

Mr. Buchan-Hepburn presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies:

(1) of a Statute made by the Governing Body of Lincoln College, Oxford, on the 4th day of July 1956,
(2) of a Statute made by the Governing Body of Magdalen College, Oxford, on the 29th day of June 1956,
(3) of Statutes made by the Governing Body of Pembroke College, Oxford, on the 9th day of July 1956, and
(4) of a Statute made by the Governing Body of St. John Baptist College, Oxford, on the 4th day of July 1956, amending the Statutes of the Colleges.

Copy of an Order of Council, dated 19th November 1956, entitled the Veterinary Surgeons (Republic of Ireland) Order (National University) Order of Council, 1956.

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

Mr. Thorneycroft presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules, dated 21st November 1956, entitled the Trade Marks (Amendment) Rules, 1956.

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

Mr. Amory presented, by Her Majesty's Pap. Command,—Copy of a Statement on a Policy for the Development of the Pig Industry in the United Kingdom.

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

Mr. Aubrey Jones presented, by Her Majesty's Pap. Command,—Copy of a Statement on Proposals for the Reorganisation of the Electricity Supply Industry.

Mr. Aubrey Jones also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 7th November 1956, entitled:

(1) the Coal and Other Mines (Managers and Officials) Order, 1956,
(2) the Coal and Other Mines (Mechanics and Electricians) Order, 1956,
(3) the Coal and Other Mines (Surveyors and Plans) Order, 1956.
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 Her Majesty, praying that the Bread (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1956, dated 31st July 1956, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 2nd day of August last, in the last Session of Parliament, be annulled—(Mr. Rose);—

The House divided.

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

Telers for the [Mr. Wilkins, 151.
Telers for the [Mr. Oakshott, 200.

So it passed in the Negative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Solicitors' proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Solicitors' Remuneration Order, 1956, dated 19th October 1956, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 26th day of October last, in the last Session of Parliament, be disallowed—(Mr. Robert Jenkins);

And it being half an hour after Eleven Question put, pursuant to the Order made upon the 7th day of this instant November, relating to Statutory Instruments, &c. (Procedure).

The House proceeded to a Division.

Mr. Robert Jenkins and Mr. Pargiter were appointed Tellers for the Yeas, but no Member being willing to act as Teller for the Noes, Mr. Speaker declared that the Yeas had it.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Solicitors' Remuneration Order, 1956, dated 19th October 1956, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 26th day of October last, in the last Session of Parliament, be disallowed.

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

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-six minutes before Twelve of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
PRAYERS.

Mr. Secretary Lennox-Boyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of the Annual Reports for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956—
(1) of the Colonial Research Council,
(2) of the Committee for Colonial Agricultural, Animal Health and Forestry Research,
(3) of the Colonial Economic Research Committee,
(4) of the Colonial Fisheries Advisory Committee,
(5) of the Colonial Medical Research Committee,
(6) of the Colonial Pesticides Research Committee,
(7) of the Colonial Products Council,
(8) of the Colonial Road Research Committee,
(9) of the Colonial Social Science Research Council,
(10) of the Tsetse Fly and Trypanosomiasis Committee, and
(11) of the Director of the Anti-Locust Research Centre,
together with Memoranda relating to Research Matters not covered by the Reports of Specialist Advisory Bodies.

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

Agriculture.

Mr. Amory presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Statement on Long-Term Assurances for Agriculture.

Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs.

Mr. Amory also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 21st November 1956, entitled the Fertilisers and Feeding Stuffs (Amendment) Regulations, 1956.

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

London Traffic.


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

Coal Mines.

Mr. Aubrey Jones presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Report of Her Majesty's Inspector of Mines, South Western Division, for 1955.

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

Mr. Sands presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Annual Report of the Kent River Board for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956.

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 Kent County Council (Shorne) Compulsory Purchase Order, 1956.

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 Receipts and Expenditure under Petroleum. Section 5 of the Petroleum Production Act, 1934, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Paper 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 agreed to the Police, Fire and Probation Officers Remuneration Bill, g without any Amendment.

The Lords propose that the Joint Committee on Consolidation, &c., Bills do meet in the Chairman of Committees' Committee Room on Thursday the 13th day of December next at Two o'clock.

Ordered, That Sir Gordon Touche be Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means. (Mr. Richard Butler.)

Mr. Aubrey Jones, supported by Mr. Richard Butler, Mr. Secretary Stuart, Mr. Attorney General, Mr. Brooke, and Mr. Renton, presented a Bill to provide for the dissolution of the Central Electricity Authority and the establishment of a Central Electricity Generating Board and an Electricity Council, and for the transfer of functions of the said Authority to that Board or Council or to the Minister of Fuel and Power; to make further provision as to other matters relating to the supply of electricity; 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 Thursday next and to be printed.
Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make amendments of the law relating to cheques and similar instruments; in respect of the endorsement thereof; to the discharge of obligations by cheque; to the recognition of cheques as receipts; to crossed and uncrossed cheques and the giving of value therefor; and to make consequent amendments of the law relating to the rights and duties of paying bankers, collecting bankers and bankers' customers towards each other: And that Mr. Page, Mr. Hay, Mr. Holt, Mr. Eric Johnson, Mr. Stevens, and Mr. Geoffrey Wilson do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Page accordingly presented a Bill to make amendments of the law relating to cheques and similar instruments; in respect of the endorsement thereof; to the discharge of obligations by cheque; to the recognition of cheques as receipts; to crossed and uncrossed cheques and the giving of value therefor; and to make consequent amendments of the law relating to the rights and duties of paying bankers, collecting bankers and bankers' customers towards each other: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of February next and to be printed.

Complaint being made by Mr. Lewis, Member for West Ham, North, of the action of certain persons in using the telephone to molest him on account of his conduct in the House, which, he submitted, constituted a breach of the Privileges of the House; Ordered, That the Matter of the Complaint be referred to the Committee of Privileges.—(Mr. Richard Butler.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Homicide Bill. (In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Abolition of "constructive malice").

Amendment proposed, in page 1, line 8, to leave out from the word "another" to the word "the" in line 9.—(Mr. Paget.)

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

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the yea.

Mr. Wakefield, } 209.

Mr. Pearson, } 157.

Mr. Simmons,

And it being Ten o'clock, 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 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.

Resolved, That the Draft Lace Industry Triennial (Scientific Research Levy) (Amendment) Organisation Order, 1956, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 6th day of this instant November, be approved.—(Mr. Erroll.)

Lieutenant-Commander Thompson reported Rent (Money), from the Committee on Rent (Money), a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the Rent and Mortgage Interest Restrictions Acts, 1920 to 1939, and for other purposes, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the said Act in the sums payable out of moneys so provided under any other Act.

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

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.—(Lieutenant-Commander Thompson.)

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

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

PRAYERS.

THE Vice-Chamberlain of the Household solicitors reported to the House, That their Address of the 26th day of this instant November relating to Solicitors had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously and to give the following Answer:

I have received your Address praying that the Solicitors' Remuneration Order, 1956, dated 19th October 1956, a copy of which was
28th November 1956

Ordered, That Sir Gordon Touche be discharged from the Committee of Selection; and that Commander Agnew be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Hughes-Young.)

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Duchy of Lancaster in the year ended the 29th day of September 1956, and a separate Account of the Capital of the said Duchy to the same date.

Ordered, That the said Accounts do lie upon theTable.

Mr. Thorneycroft presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Accounts of the Wool Textile Research Council, Bradford, for the year ended the 30th day of September 1956.

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

Sir David Eccles presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Paper presented, pursuant to the Standing Order relating to Private Business (Parliamentary Panel), they had selected 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, viz.: Mr. Clunie, Commander Donaldson, Captain Duncan, Mr. Duthie, Mr. Forman, Mr. George, Mr. Grimond, Mr. Hector Hughes, Sir Ian Hutchison, Sir Guy Lloyd, Sir Duncan McCallum, Mr. Mackie, Mrs. Mann, Mrs. Oswald, Mr. Pring, Mr. Rankin, Mr. Ross, Mr. Spence, Mr. Steele, Mr. Thomson, Mr. Thornton-Kemsley, and Lady Tweedsmuir.

Mr. Roger Conant further reported from the Committee, That, in pursuance of the Standing Order relating to Private Business (Parliamentary Panel), they had selected Twenty-five Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Rent Bill, viz.: Mr. Bidgood, Mr. Blinkenop, Mr. Bowen, Sir Edward Boyle, Mr. Browne, Mr. Callaghan, Mr. Page, Mr. Rayle, Mr. Sharples, Mr. Julius Silverman, Mr. Sparks, Mr. Tiley, Miss Vickers, and Mr. West.

Mr. Roger Conant further reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Twenty-five Members to Standing Committee A in respect of that Bill will be entertained by this Committee, except where a Member is incapacitated from attendance by illness or where he has been appointed or ceased to be a Member of the Government or has changed his office for another.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Lennox-Boyd, supported by Mr. Richard Butler, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Lord John Hope, presented a Bill to make provision for, and in connection with, the attainment by the Gold Coast of fully responsible status within the British Commonwealth of Nations; 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 Homicide Bill be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Orders (Sittings of the House).—(Mr. Heath.)
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Homicide Bill.

Clause No. 2 (Persons suffering from diminished responsibility).

Another Amendment proposed, in page 2, line 1, to leave out the word "defence" and insert the word "prosecution".—(Mr. Pagar.)

Question proposed, That the word "defence" stand part of the Clause;

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 Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her 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 Her 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 agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Question put, That the words "a reasonable man" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 

Lieutenant-

Commander

Thompson

Mr. Hughes-Young:

191.

Tellers for the Noes, 

Mr. Wilkins;

Mr. Joseph Price:

144.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 4 (Suicide pacts).

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Greenwood):—

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 5 (Death penalty for certain murders).

To report Progress and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Secretary Lloyd-George.)

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.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to whom shall be referred all Petitions presented to the House, with the exception 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 Petition, 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 Committee was nominated of Lieutenant-Colonel Bromley-Davenporte, Mr. Deer, Mr. Duthie, Mr. David Griffiths, Mr. Hector Hughes, Dr. King, Mr. Lambert, Colonel Lancaster, Major Legge-Bourke, Commander Macleland, Mr. McGhee, Mr. John Morrison, Mr. Parfit, Sir Victor Raikes, and Mr. Watkins.

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

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

Ordered, That Sir Gordon Teasche be discharged from the Select Committee on Public Petitions, and that Mr. Fergus Graham be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Oakshott.)
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Lloyd George presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Statement showing the Command,—Copy of a Housing Summary, dated 31st October 1956.

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

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had added Mr. Bowles Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Rent Bill.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker made the following communication to the House:—

I regret to have to inform the House of the death of Sir Austin Uvedale Morgan Hudson, Baronet, Member for Lewisham, North, 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.

Mr. Brooke presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Statement showing the Civil Staffs employed in Government Departments (Civil Staffs) on the 1st day of October 1956, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.

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

Mr. Secretary Lloyd-George presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Regulations, entitled the Police Pensions (No. 3) Regulations, 1956.

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

Mr. Secretary Stuart presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Regulations, entitled the Police Pensions (Scotland) (No. 3) Regulations, 1956.

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

Mr. Secretary Stewart presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 19th November, 1956, entitled the Association of County Councils (Contributions) (Scotland) Order, 1956.

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

Mr. Thorneycroft presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts of the Cotton Board for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956.
And the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to examine the Reports and Accounts of the Nationalised Industries established by Statute whose controlling Boards are appointed by Ministers of the Crown and whose annual receipts are not wholly or mainly derived from moneys provided by Parliament or advanced from the Exchequer.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the National Health Service (Hospital Charges for Drugs and Appliances) Amendment Regulations, 1956, dated 7th November 1956, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 8th day of this instant November, be annulled—(Dr. Summerskill);
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Short, 231.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Heath, 303.
So it passed in the Negative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Question be now put;—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put;

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

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

Friday, 30th November, 1956.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make a new Writ for the election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for Melton in the room of the Right Honourable Harold Anthony Nutting, who, since his election for the said Constituency, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Manor of Northstead in the County of York.—(Mr. Heath.)

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 27th November 1956, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 15) Order, 1956.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, being of opinion that the development of natural resources throughout the Commonwealth and in the Colonial territories, for which the United Kingdom has special responsibilities, will contribute to the welfare and prosperity of all its peoples, and believing that the task of implementing the development is one that this country should devote its urgent attention to in partnership with other members of the Commonwealth, urges Her Majesty's Government to invite them to join in the setting up of Commonwealth machinery for that purpose—(Sir Albert Braithwaite):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Sir Albert Braithwaite 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;

Resolved, That this House, being of opinion that the development of natural resources throughout the Commonwealth and in the Colonial territories, for which the United Kingdom has special responsibilities, will contribute to the welfare and prosperity of all its peoples, and believing that the task of implementing that development is one that this country should devote its urgent attention to in partnership with other members of the Commonwealth, urges Her Majesty's Government to invite them to join in the setting up of Commonwealth machinery for that purpose.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Lieutenant-Commander Thompson);

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.—(Lieutenant-Commander Thompson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes after Four of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 3rd December, 1956.

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

PRAYERS.

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 Particulars of a Class of Public Records of Documents existing or accruing in the Offices of the Executive Councils of the National Health Service, which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged (Standing Committee A) Mr. Llewellyn and Mr. Royle; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Albert Evans and Mr. Ridsdale.
The Transport (Railway Finances) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to the Standing Order (Committee of Bills).

Mr. Watkinson, by Her Majesty’s Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Transport (Railway Finances) [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 make temporary provision authorising the British Transport Commission to meet interest and other revenue charges by borrowing, to authorise advances out of the Consolidated Fund of sums so borrowed, and for purposes connected therewith, it is expedient to give authority as follows:—

1. It is expedient to authorise—

(a) such payments out of the Consolidated Fund, as may be required to enable the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation to make to the British Transport Commission the advances mentioned below;

(b) the payment into the Exchequer of sums received by the Minister by way of repayment of or interest on any such advances, and the re-issue of those sums out of the Consolidated Fund, and their application in redemption or repayment of debt or, in so far as they represent interest, towards meeting such part of the annual charges for the national debt as represents interest;

(c) the raising by the Treasury in any manner in which they are authorised to raise money under the National Loans Act, 1939, and the payment into the Exchequer, of any money needed for making any such payments out of the Consolidated Fund, or for repaying the Consolidated Fund all or any part of those payments.

The advances above referred to are (subject to the provision made below)—

(i) such advances as the Minister may be empowered to make under section forty-two of the Finance Act, 1956, by any amendment of subsection (2) of section eighty-eight of the Transport Act, 1947, extending the purposes for which the Commission may borrow so as to include the payment of interest on capital moneys borrowed by the Commission for the purposes of British Railways in the year 1956 or any of the next nine years;

(ii) such advances as the Minister may be empowered to make under the Act of the present Session of sums required by the Commission (up to a limit of two hundred and fifty million pounds) for meeting any deficit on revenue account of British Railways for the year 1956 or any of the next six years, or of sums required by the Commission for the payment of interest (accruing in or before the year 1964) on advances which the Minister is empowered to make under that Act.

For the purposes of sub-paragraph (i) above moneys borrowed to repay any temporary borrowing shall be treated as borrowed for the purpose and at the time of the temporary borrowing, and references in sub-paragraphs (i) and (ii) above to the payment of interest or to meeting a deficit include references to the repayment of moneys temporarily borrowed to pay the interest or meet the deficit.

2. It is expedient to authorise—

(a) such payments out of the Consolidated Fund as may be required to enable the Treasury to fulfil any guarantee given under section ninety of the Transport Act, 1947, in relation to any British transport stock which the Commission may be empowered to issue by any such amendment of that Act as is mentioned in paragraph 1 (i) above;

(b) the payment into the Exchequer of sums received by the Treasury by way of repayment of or interest on money paid under any such guarantee.—(Mr. Watkinson.)

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.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Resolved, That the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 14) Order, 1956, dated 13th November 1956, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 16th day of November last, be approved.—(Mr. Low.)

A Motion was made, and the Question, Adjournment being proposed, That this House do now adjourn,—lieutenant-Commander Thompson:—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-seven minutes before Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.
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 a Petition has been presented against the Derwent Valley Water Order, 1956, by the Derbyshire County Council, and that they have taken it into consideration and have certified it as proper to be received and as a Petition for Amendment.

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:

Accounts of the Sums received into and paid out of the Herring Marketing Fund and of receipts and payments by the Herring Industry Board with respect to grants under Section 6 of the White Fish and Herring Industries Act, 1953, in the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.; and Audited Statements with respect to the Application of Moneys advanced to the Herring Industry Board.

Account of the Receipts and Payments by the Postmaster General under Section 2 of the Post Office and Telegraph (Money) Act, 1950, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Account of the Sums issued to the Postmaster General out of the Consolidated Fund and of the Sums received by him and paid into the Exchequer under Section 12 of the Television Act, 1954, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, in respect of advances to the Independent Television Authority, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the Accounts relating to the Herring Industry and Broadcasting (Television) be printed.

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr. Burden; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Prothero.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, 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. Richard Butler; The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:
The Noes to the Left:

Tellers for the 'Yeas, Mr. Legh, 
Mr. Robinson, 

Tellers for the 'Noes, 
Mr. Tellers for the 'Noes, 
Mr. Royde: 

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Secretary Lloyd-George presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statistics of Foreigners entering and leaving the United Kingdom during 1955.


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

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Memorandum of Understanding signed at Rome on the 24th day of September 1956 between Her Majesty's Governments in the United Kingdom and the Governments of the French Republic and the United States of America as to the Disposition of Rights in Atomic Energy Inventions.

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

Mr. Secretary Stuart presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Eighty-second Annual Report by the Accountant to the Scottish Education Department, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1954.

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

Mr. Thorneycroft presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Statistical Abstract (No. 76, 1955) for the British Commonwealth and Sterling Area.

Mr. Thorneycroft also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Report on the Censuses of Production, 1952 and 1953.—Volume 2, Engineering, Shipbuilding and Vehicles.

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

Mr. Sandys presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of a Scheme, dated 9th November 1956, made by the Blackpool County Borough Council and approved with modification by the Minister of Housing and Local Government under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

Copy of the Annual Report of the South Wales River Board for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Homicide Bill.

Clause No. 5 (Death penalty for certain murders).

Amendment proposed, in page 2, line 40, to leave out paragraph (b).—(Mr. Paget.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "theft" in line 40, stand part of the Clause;—Debate arising:

Mr. Redmayne rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put:—

Question put pursuant to S.O. 38 1956

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Wills, Yeas, 246.]
Tellers for the [Mr. Robinson, Noes, 176.]

Mr. Redmayne rose in his place and claimed to move, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "theft" in line 40, stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Wills, Yeas, 243.]
Tellers for the [Mr. Robinson, Noes, 174.]

Another Amendment proposed, in page 2, line 40, after the word "of", to insert the words "burglary or housebreaking".—(Mr. Paget.)

Question put, That the word "theft" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Wakefield, Yeas, 207.]
Tellers for the [Mr. Robinson, Noes, 145.]

Another Amendment proposed, in page 2, line 41, to leave out paragraph (b).—(Mr. Michael Stewart.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;—Debate arising:

Mr. Redmayne rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put:—

Mr. Redmayne rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put.

Question put pursuant to S.O. 38 1956

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Oakshott, Yeas, 171.]
Tellers for the [Mr. Short, Noes, 114.]

Question put accordingly, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.
Rhodesia and Nyasaland Federation.

Copy of an Order in Council, dated 29th November 1956, entitled the Northern Rhodesia (Native Reserves) (Amendment) Order in Council, 1956.

Copies of Orders in Council, dated 29th November 1956, entitled—

(1) the Supplies and Services (Continuance) Order, 1956,
(2) the Defence Regulations (No. 4) Order, 1956,
(3) the Defence Regulations (No. 5) Order, 1956, and
(4) the Defence Regulations (No. 6) Order, 1956.

West Africa.

Copy of an Order in Council, dated 29th November 1956, entitled the Sierra Leone (House of Representatives) Order in Council, 1956.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relating to Nature Conservancy be printed.

Mr. Thorneycroft presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 3rd December 1956, entitled the Paper (Miscellaneous Controls) (Revocation) Order, 1956.

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

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Draft Scheme, entitled the Coastal Flooding (Accreage Payments) Scheme, 1957.

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

Mr. Iain Macleod presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 3rd December 1956, entitled the Sunday Baking and Sausage Making (Christmas and New Year) Order, 1956.

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

Mr. Sandys presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Annual Report of the Wye River Board for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956.

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

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).—(Mr. Richard Butler.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House supports the policy of Her Majesty's Government as outlined by the Foreign Secretary on the 3rd day of this instant December, which has prevented hostilities in the Middle East from spreading, has resulted in a United Nations Force being introduced into the area, and has created conditions under which progress can be made towards the peaceful settlement of outstanding issues.—(Mr. Secretary Lloyd)

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 "recognising the disastrous consequences of Her Majesty's Government's policy in the Middle East, calls upon Her Majesty's Government to take all possible steps to restore Commonwealth unity, recreate confidence between our allies and ourselves and strengthen the authority of the United Nations as the only way to achieve a lasting settlement in the Middle East"—(Mr. Bevan), 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;

Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.—(Mr. Godber.)

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved Ways and Means.

(Inc the Committee.)

Hydrocarbons, etc. (Customs and Excise).

Resolved, That, as from six o'clock in the evening of the fourth day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty-six, there shall be an increase of one shilling a gallon in the rate of the duty of customs on hydrocarbon oils, and the rates of the excise duties on hydrocarbon oils, petrol substitutes, and spirits used for making power methylated spirits, and of the rebates of the customs and excise duties on hydrocarbon oils (which under the relevant enactments depend on the rate of the customs duty on hydrocarbon oils) shall be increased accordingly:

And any Act giving effect to this Resolution may include provision relaxing, in view of the increase in the said duties, any limitations imposed by virtue of conditions attached to a road service licence under section seventy-two of the Road Traffic Act, 1930, on the fares chargeable for the carriage of passengers in public service vehicles, or imposed by virtue of a charges scheme under Part V of the Transport Act, 1947, on the fares chargeable by the London Transport Executive.

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. Brooke.)

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 to-morrow.

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

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjourned. (Mr. Godber.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eleven minutes before Twelve of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Mr. Sands presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Scheme, dated 9th November 1956, made by the Rochester City Council and approved by the Minister of Housing and Local Government under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

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

Mr. Boyd-Carpenter presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a List of exceptional awards of Pensions and Allowances sanctioned by the Treasury to serving members, disabled members, and the dependants of deceased members of the Armed Forces during the year ended the 31st day of March 1956.

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 an Order, dated 29th November 1956, entitled the County Court Fees (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1956.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that she will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House, a Return showing (1) Particulars of all Aliens and British Protected Persons naturalised have been deprived of their citizenship of the United Kingdom and Colonies during the same period.—(Mr. Deedes.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Accounts of the Civil Contingencies Fund, 1955-56, showing (1) the Receipts and Payments in connection with the Fund in the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, 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. Brooke.)

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 Agriculture (Silos Subsidies) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Expiring Laws Continuance Bill, without any Amendment.
The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled An Act to provide for extending time limits for certain purposes relating to applications for patents; to validate extensions of time under section six of the Patents, Designs, Copyright and Trade Marks (Emergency) Act, 1939, in connection with such applications in so far as any such extensions may have been invalid; and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Patents Bill (Lords) was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next and to be printed.

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate on the Amendment proposed to be made to the Question proposed yesterday, That this House supports the policy of Her Majesty's Government as outlined by the Foreign Secretary on the 3rd day of this instant December, which has prevented hostilities in the Middle East from spreading, and has created conditions under which progress can be made towards the peaceful settlement of outstanding issues; Which Amendment was, to leave out from the word "House" to the end of the Question and add the words "recognising the disastrous consequences of Her Majesty's Government's policy in the Middle East, calls upon Her Majesty's Government to take all possible steps to restore Commonwealth unity, re mote confidence between our allies and ourselves and strengthen the authority of the United Nations as the only way to achieve a lasting settlement in the Middle East"—instead thereof.

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment proposed to be made to the Question proposed yesterday, That this House supports the policy of Her Majesty's Government as outlined by the Foreign Secretary on the 3rd day of this instant December, which has prevented hostilities in the Middle East from spreading, has resulted in a United Nations Force being introduced into the area, and has created conditions under which progress can be made towards the peaceful settlement of outstanding issues; Which Amendment was, to leave out from the word "House" to the end of the Question and add the words "recognising the disastrous consequences of Her Majesty's Government's policy in the Middle East, calls upon Her Majesty's Government to take all possible steps to restore Commonwealth unity, re remote confidence between our allies and ourselves and strengthen the authority of the United Nations as the only way to achieve a lasting settlement in the Middle East"—instead thereof.

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

The Yeas to the Right:
Tellers for the—Mr. Heath, Mr. Galbraith: 327.
Tellers for the—Mr. Bowden, Mr. Pearson: 260.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put:—The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:
Tellers for the—Mr. Heath, Mr. Galbraith: 327.
Tellers for the—Mr. Bowden, Mr. Pearson: 260.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That this House supports the policy of Her Majesty's Government as outlined by the Foreign Secretary on the 3rd day of this instant December, which has prevented hostilities in the Middle East from spreading, has resulted in a United Nations Force being introduced into the area, and has created conditions under which progress can be made towards the peaceful settlement of outstanding issues.

Lieutenant-Commander Thompson reported from the Committee of Ways and Means yesterday, a Resolution; which was read as follows:

Hydrocarbon oils, etc. (Customs and Excise).

That, as from six of the clock in the evening of the fourth day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty-six, there shall be an increase of one shilling a gallon in the rate of the duty of customs on hydrocarbon oils, and the rates of the excise duties on hydrocarbon oils, petrol substitutes, and spirits used for making power methy]lated spirits, and of the rebates of the customs and excise duties on hydrocarbon oils (which under the relevant enactments depend on the rate of the customs duty on hydrocarbon oils) shall be increased accordingly:

And any Act giving effect to this Resolution may include provision relating, in view of the increase in the said duties, any limitations imposed by virtue of conditions attached to a road service licence under section seventy-two of the Road Traffic Act, 1930, on the fares chargeable for the carriage of passengers in public service vehicles, or imposed by virtue of a charges scheme under Part V of the Transport Act, 1947, on the fares chargeable by the London Transport Executive.

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.

The said 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 a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution; and that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Brooke, and Mr. Walker-Smith do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Brooke accordingly presented a Bill to increase the duties of customs and excise on hydrocarbon oils (Temporary Increase) Bill, Bill 35.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Teachers' Salaries (Scotland) Regulations, 1956, dated 23rd October 1956, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 31st day of October last, in the last Session of Parliament, be annulled.—Mr. Hannay:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.—(Mr. Godber):—And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-one minutes before Twelve of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
[No. 24.]

Friday, 7th December, 1956.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Brooke presented—Return to an Order made yesterday for a Return relating to the Civil Contingencies Fund.

Mr. Brooke also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 5th December 1956, entitled the Federated Superannuation System for Universities (Pensions Increase) Regulations, 1956.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relating to Civil Contingencies Fund be printed.

Mr. Secretary Stuart presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 28th November 1956, entitled the Nature Conservancy (Byelaws) (Scotland) Regulations, 1956.

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

The Northern Ireland (Compensation for Compulsory Purchase) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to the Standing Order (Committee of Bills).

The New Streets Act, 1951 (Amendment) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to the Standing Order (Committee of Bills).

The Public Health Officers (Deputes) Bill, was, according to Order, read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to the Standing Order (Committee of Bills).

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 report what, if any, economies consistent with the policy implied in those Estimates may be effected therein, and to suggest the form in which the Estimates shall be presented for examination.

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Thirty-six Members:—The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Burke, Miss Burton, Mr. Cole, Sir Henry D'Avigdor-Goldsmith, Sir Eric Errington, Mr. George, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Green, Mr. Gresham Cooke, Mr. Hamilton, Mrs. Hill, Mr. Hobson, Mr. Holt, Sir Ian Horobin, Mr. Cledwyn Hughes, Mr. MacColl, Mr. Malcolm MacPherson, Commander Mainland, Sir Frank Markham, Mr. Mulley, Mr. Nicholson, Sir Ian Orr-Ewing, Mr. Osborne, Brigadier Prior-Palmer, Mr. Proctor, Mr. Randall, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Shepherd, Mr. Slater, Mr. Sparks, Sit Spencer

[No. 25.]

Monday, 10th December, 1956.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—TRADING ACCOUNTS AND BALANCE SHEETS OF GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS IN THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 1956.

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

Mr. Secretary Lloyd-George presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty the 6th day of this instant December relating to Aliens and British Protected Persons (Naturalisation).

Sir Malcolm MacColl, Mr. Proctor, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Shepherd, Mr. Slater, Mr. Sparks, Sit Spencer

Summers, Mr. Tomney, Mr. Vaughan-Morgan, Captain Waterhouse, Mr. Paul Williams, and Mr. Willis.

Ordered, That Seven be the Quorum of the Committee.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before Sub-Committees D, E, and F appointed by the Select Committee on Estimates in the last Session of Parliament (with Appendices), which were laid before this House on the 5th day of November last, be referred to 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 referred 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 Adjournment of the House; and to adjourn from place to place.

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

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

Adjournment.

—(Mr. Willis.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-three minutes after One of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.
Mr. Secretary Lloyd-George also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—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 3 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945, That no Petition has been presented against the Kent County Council (Hothfield Common) Compulsory Purchase Order, 1955.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hydrocarbon Oil Duties (Temporary Increase) Bill; And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time; The House divided.

The Yeas and Nays were called for.

313. Mr. Oskoshit, Mr. Wills; Tellers for the
258. Mr. Popplewell, Mr. Holmes; So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and was committed to a Committee of the whole House.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Motor Fuel (No. 2) Order, 1956, dated 20th November 1956, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 21st day of November last, be annulled.—(Mr. Nevin).—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Twelve of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Secretary Lloyd-George presented, Metropolitan
pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of an Order, dated 28th November 1956, entitled the Cattle Market for the year ended the 31st day of March 1955, and an Account of Extraordinary Works executed, other than General Repairs, for the same period.

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

Mr. Sandys presented, pursuant to the Public Health, directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of an Order, dated 28th November 1956, entitled the Carcliff (Amendment of Local Enactment) Order, 1956, with a Certificate by the Minister of Housing and Local Government under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945.

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 Kent County Council (Hothfield Common) Compulsory Purchase Order, 1955.

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 the Report of the Chief Registrar Friendly of Friendly Societies for 1955, Part 2, Friendly Societies.

Mr. Fletcher 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.

PRAYERS.

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House on the 21st day of November last, be annulled.—(Mr. Nevin):—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

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

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

PRAYERS.
Standing Selection Committee B

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Twenty Members to serve on Standing Committee B, viz.:—Mr. Barter, Mr. Bishop, Brigadier Clarke, Mr. Cole, Lieutenant-Colonel Cordoux, Captain Corfield, Mr. Darling, Mr. Green, Mrs. Hill, Mr. Denis Howell, Mr. Cedwyn Hughes, Mr. Hunter, Mr. David Jones, Captain Kerby, Mr. McLennan, Sir Frank Medlicott, Mr. Moyle, Mr. Oswald, Mr. Pentland, and Mr. Steward.

Standing Committee B

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Committee, That they had added Twenty-five Members to Standing Committee B in respect of the Transport (Railway Finance) Bill, viz.:—Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Ballour, Mr. Ronald Bell, Sir David Campbell, Mr. Champion, Mr. Beresford Crudloe, Mr. Ernest Davies, Mr. Hasketh, Mr. Hirst, Mr. Holt, Mr. Charles Howell, Mr. Melson, Mr. Morris, Mr. Pargiter, Mr. Proctor, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Russell, Mr. Skeffington, Mr. Speir, Mr. Steele, Mr. Strauss, Mr. Leslie Thomas, Mr. Watkinson, Mr. Wills, and Mr. Geoffrey Wilson.

Standing Committee C

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Twenty Members to serve on Standing Committee C, viz.:—Commander Agnew, Mr. Amery, Mr. Atkins, Mr. Black, Mr. Bosby, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Cronin, Mr. Fares-Jones, Mr. Hugh Fraser, Mr. Grey, Mr. Hanan, Mr. Holman, Mr. Hector Hughes, Mr. Lambert, Dr. Mabon, Mr. Maude, Mr. Parkin, Mr. Royle, Dame Irene Ward, and Mr. Wool.

Standing Committee C

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Committee, That they had added Fifteen Members to Standing Committee C in respect of the Northern Ireland (Compensation for Compulsory Purchases) Bill, viz.:—Mr. Aitken, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Currie, Mr. Deedes, Mr. de Freitas, Mr. Delargy, Mr. Dodds, Mr. Fernyhough, Mr. Fisher, Lieutenant-Colonel Grosvenor, Mr. Glenvill Hall, Mr. Hyde, Mr. McGhee, Mrs. McLaughlin, and Mr. O'Neill.

Standing Committee C

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Committee, That they had designated Standing Committee C as the Committee on which Government Bills shall not have precedence.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had it in Command from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Air Corporations Bill, and the Chairman of Ways and Means has reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to­morrow.

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

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.

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

Mr. Wills reported from the Committee on Hydrocarbon oil duties (consequential provisions as to taxi fares).

Resolved, That, if any Act giving effect to a Resolution of the Committee of Ways and Means increases any of the Customs and Excise duties on hydrocarbon oils, petrol substitutes and spirits used for making power methylated spirits, the Act may include provision relaxing, in view of the increase in the said duties, any limitations imposed by byelaw on the charges which may be made for hackney carriages.—(Mr. Brooke.)

Resolution to be reported.

1. It is expedient to authorise—

(a) such payments out of the Consolidated Fund as may be required to enable the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation to make to the British Transport Commission the advances mentioned below; and

(b) the payment into the Exchequer of sums received by the Minister by way of repayment of or interest on any such advances, and the re-issue of those sums out of the Consolidated Fund, and their application in redemption or repayment of debt or, in so far as they represent interest, towards meeting such part of the annual charges for the national debt as represents interest;

(c) the raising by the Treasury in any manner in which they are authorised to raise money under the National Loans

Order, 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. Bryan.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means, (in the Committee.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ghana Independence Bill;

And a Motion being made, That the Bill be now read a second time:

Mr. Secretary Lennex-Boyd acquainted the House, That he had it in Command from the Queen to acquaint the House that Her Majesty places her prerogative and interests, so far as they are affected by the Bill, at the disposal of Parliament.
Adjournment.

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MEMORANDA.

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

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PRAYERS.

A PUBLIC Petition was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Lloyd-George presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts 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 Milford Haven.

Copy of an Order, entitled the Bakehouses Supplies and Services (Factories) Order, 1956.

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

Mr. Secretary Stuart presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Report of the Proceedings of the Scottish Land Court during 1955.

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

Mr. Thornycroft presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Report on the Censuses of Production for 1952 and 1953; Volume 3, Textiles, Leather and Clothing; Food, Drink and Tobacco.

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

Wednesday, 12th December, 1956.

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

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

PUBLIC Petition was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Brooke presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Statement of a Guarantee given by the Treasury on the 23rd day of November 1956, on a Loan raised by the South of Scotland Electricity Board.

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

Mr. Secretary Brooke presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of the Report of the Proceedings of the Scottish Land Court during 1955.

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

Mr. Speaker this day appointed Mr. Nicholson Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Transport (Railway Finances) Bill and Mr. Blackburn Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Northern Ireland (Compensation for Compulsory Purchase) Bill.

For the purposes of sub-paragraph (i) above, such advances as the Minister may be empowered to make under the Act of the present Session of sums required by the Commission (up to a limit of two hundred and fifty million pounds) for meeting any deficit on revenue account of British Railways for the year 1956 or any of the next six years, or of sums required by the Commission for the payment of interest (accruing in or before the year 1960) on advances which the Minister is empowered to make under that Act.

For the purposes of sub-paragraph (ii) above, such advances as the Minister may be empowered to make under section forty-two of the Finance Act, 1956, by any amendment of subsection (2) of section eighty-eight of the Transport Act, 1947, extending the purposes for which the Commission may borrow so as to include the payment of interest on capital moneys borrowed by the Commission for the purposes of British Railways in the year 1956 or any of the next nine years; and references in sub-paragraphs 5-. ELIZ. II
Mr. Turton presented, by Her Majesty's Command.—Copy of the Report of the Ministry of Health for 1952 (Part II On the State of the Public Health).

Mr. Turton also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of the Report of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956.

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

Mr. Iain Macleod presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of an Order, dated 7th December 1956, entitled the Electricity Supply (Hours, Safety and Welfare) Order, 1956.

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

Mr. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Regulations, dated 10th December 1956, entitled the Road Vehicles Lighting (Special Exemption) Regulations, 1956.

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

Mr. Buchan-Hepburn presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of an Order, dated 11th December 1956, entitled the Stopping up of Highways (Morpeth, Northumberland) (Revocation) Order, 1956.

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

Mr. Aubrey Jones presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copies of Regulations, dated 6th December 1956, entitled—
1. the Coal and Other Mines (Height of Travelling Roads) Regulations, 1956,
2. the Coal and Other Mines (Transport Roads) Regulations, 1956,
3. the Coal Mines (Cardox and Hydrox) Regulations, 1956, and

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

Mr. S Andy presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copies of the Annual Reports for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956—
1. of the East Suffolk and Norfolk River Board, and
2. of the West Sussex River Board.

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

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee B Sir David Campbell tadded in respect of the Transport (Railway Finance) Bill; and had appointed in substitution Sir Harold Roper.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Slaughter of Animals (Scotland) Act, 1928, and the Slaughter of Animals Act, 1933; and for purposes connected therewith—(Mr. Crouch);

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief explanatory statement from the Member who made the Motion and from a Member who opposed it, Mr. Speaker put the Question, pursuant to the Standing Order (Motions for leave to bring in Bills and nomination of Select Committees at commencement of Public Business);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, {Captain Kerby: 132.


So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. Legh reported from the Committee of Ways and Means yesterday, a Resolution which was read, as followeth:

Hydrocarbon oil duties (consequential provisions as to taxi fares).

That, if any Act giving effect to a Resolution of the Committee of Ways and Means increases any of the Customs and Excise duties on hydrocarbon oils, petrol substitutes and spirits used for making power methylated spirits, the Act may include provision relaxing, in view of the increase in the said duties, any limitations imposed by byelaw on the charges which may be made for hackney carriages.

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

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Hydrocarbon Oil Duties (Temporary Increase) Bill that they have power to make provision therein pursuant to the said Resolution.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Hydrocarbon Oil Duties (Temporary Increase) Bill.

Clause No. 1 (Increase of duties).

Amendment proposed, in page 1, line 15, after the word "oils", to insert the words "except oils produced from shale mined in the United Kingdom".—(Mr. John Taylor.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, {Mr. Short: 208.

Tellers for the Noes, {Mr. Wills: 251.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 2, line 10, at the end, to add the words—

"(2) Nothing in this section shall apply to road vehicle fuel oil known as 'Derv' ".—(Mr. Bottomley.)

Question, That those words be there added, put and negatived.
Another Amendment proposed, in page 2, line 10, at the end, to add the words—

“(2) This section shall not have effect in relation to hydrocarbon oils purchased for the purpose of and intended to be used for the carriage of goods by road in a goods vehicle as defined in subsection (2) of section one of the Road Traffic Act, 1933. Provided that hydrocarbon oils shall not be deemed to be purchased for such purpose unless they are purchased by or on the written authority of the holder of an A, B or C licence within the meaning of section two of the said Act and unless on the occasion of each such purchase the purchaser completes and signs a form and a duplicate thereof which shall be handed to him by the seller stating in which vehicle, identifying it, it is intended that such hydrocarbon oils are to be used”—(Mr. Gordon Walker.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 2, line 10, at the end, to add the words—

“(2) This section shall not have effect in respect of hydrocarbon oil used by any disabled person (with the authority of any Ministry for propelling himself in a mechanically propelled vehicle or chair”).—(Mr. Ronald Williams.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

A Clause (Consequential provisions for increase in taxi fares)—(Mr. Deedes)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added. Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 2, line 10, at the end, to add the words—

“(2) This section shall not have effect in relation to any hydrocarbon oil used as or forming a component of or an ingredient in the manufacture or preparation of any article.”—(Mr. Bottomley.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 2, line 10, at the end, to add the words—

“(2) This section shall cease to have effect on the fifth day of April, 1957.”—(Mr. Gordon Walker.)

Question, That those words be there added, put and negatived.

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Thursday, 13th December, 1956.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 3rd December 1956, relative to the Fiduciary Note Issue.

Bank Notes.

Return of the amount of Notes issued more than forty years and outstanding on the 31st day of October 1956, which have been written off from the total amount of Notes issued from the Issue Department of the Bank of England.

Isle of Man.

Account of Revenue and Expenditure in respect of the Duties of the Customs of the Isle of Man, and Accounts of the Accumulated Dues, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Treasury Minute relating to Bank Notes be printed.

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Resolution passed at London on the 13th day of October 1956 by the International Tin Council recommending the Amendment of Article IV of the International Tin Agreement signed at London on the 1st day of March 1954 (the Amendment has not yet been accepted by the United Kingdom).

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


Copy of Regulations, dated 6th December 1956, entitled the National Health Service (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) Amendment (No. 3) Regulations, 1956.

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

Mr. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Report of the formal proceedings taken under the Railway Regulation Act, 1893, during the year ended the 27th day of July 1956.

Copy of Regulations, dated 12th December 1956, entitled the Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations, 1956.

Ordered, That the said Papers 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 to amend the Nurses Bill [Lords] and the Nurses Agencies Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, were referred, That they had gone through the Bills and made no Amendment thereto, and had agreed to a Report which they had directed him to make to the House, and had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Ordered, That the Report, together with the said Minutes, do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Ordered, That any stage of the Hydrocarbon Oil Duties (Temporary Increase) Bill may be proceeded with at this day's Sitting on the conclusion of the preceding stage, notwithstanding the practice of the House as to the interval between the various stages of such a Bill.—(Mr. Brooke.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Hydrocarbon Oil Duties (Temporary Increase) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That an Amendment was made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being 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 Yes, Mr. Hughes-Young; 284.

Mr. Short: 246.

So 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.

Mr. Speaker certified that the Bill was a Mr. Speaker's Certificate, Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Draft Housing Subsidies Order, 1956, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 20th day of November last, in the last Session of Parliament, be approved—(Mr. Sandys)

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yes, Lieutenant-Commander Thompson, 275.

Mr. Bryan; 241.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Draft Visiting Forces (Application of Law) Order, 1956, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 20th day of November last, be approved.—(Mr. Derrett):—The House proceeded to a Division.
Mr. Godber and Mr. Hughie Young were appointed Tellers for the Yeas, but no Member being willing to act as Teller for the Noes, Mr. Speaker declared that the Yeas had it.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eleven minutes before Twelve of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

(No. 29.)
Friday, 14th December, 1956.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 11th December 1956, relative to the Fiduciary Note Issue.

Appropriation Accounts of the sums granted by Parliament for Civil Services, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and upon certain Store Accounts—

(1) Classes I to V, and
(2) Classes VI to X.

Appropriation Account of the sum granted by Parliament for the Ministry of Defence for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Accounts and Balance Sheets of the Post Office for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, including Accounts of the Postal, Telegraph and Telephone Services and subsidiary Trading Accounts relating to International Telegraph Services and International Telephone Services, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon; and certain Returns relating to Capital Borrowings and a Report and Statistics relating to various services.

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

Mr. Buchan-Hepburn presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 13th December 1956, entitled the Stepping up of Highways (Wycombe, Buckinghamshire) (Revolution) Order, 1956.

Mr. Buchan-Hepburn also presented, pursuant to the directions of a Measure,—Copy of a Scheme of the Cathedral Commissioners for England, entitled the Exeter Cathedral (Amendment) Scheme.

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


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Mr. Aubrey Jones presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 12th December 1956, entitled the Motor Fuel (No. 3) Order, 1956.

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

Mr. Sandys presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 11th December 1956, entitled the Town and Country Planning (County of Lincoln, Parts of Holland) Development Order, 1956.

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

Resolved, That this House, conscious of the need to strengthen and improve British information services overseas, urges that the resources of the Central Office of Information should be used to their maximum in this field. —(Mr. Drayson.)

Resolved, That this House, taking note of the series of bad herring fishings in recent years, calls upon Her Majesty's Government to investigate, with all possible speed, the causes of these failures, including the trawling of immature fish in the North Sea and near waters, and to give every assistance to maintain and expand the industry. —(Mr. Younger.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-seven minutes after Four of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.

(No. 30.)
Monday, 17th December, 1956.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the Appropriations directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 17th December 1956, directing the Application of certain Receipts as Appropriations in Aid of the Vote for Customs and Excise.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Secretary [Name] presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Report of the Committee on the Employment of National Service men in the United Kingdom.

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

Hydro-electric Development (Scotland).

Mr. Secretary Stuart presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Memorandum explanatory of North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Board Constructional Scheme No. 23C (Morrison Project (Further Amendments)).

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

International Labour Conference.

Mr. Iain Macleod presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Report by the Delegates of Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom on the Thirty-ninth Session of the International Labour Conference held at Geneva from the 6th to the 28th days of June 1956.

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

Broadcasting (Wales).

Dr. Hill presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Report of the Committee of Inquiry into Welsh Broadcasting, 1956.

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

National Service.

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

Mr. Richard Butler reported from the Committee of Privileges, to whom was referred the Motion relating to Electricity (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 dissolution of the Central Electricity Authority and the establishment of a Central Electricity Generating Board and an Electricity Council, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment out of the Consolidated Fund of such sums as may be required to fulfil any guarantee by the Treasury of the principal of and interest on stock issued by the said Authority or the said Council, or the principal of and interest on moneys temporarily borrowed by the said Authority or the said Council, or by the said Board, or by any of the Area Boards established under the Electricity Act, 1947, so however that the aggregate of the amounts outstanding in respect of—

(b) the principal of any stock issued by the said Authority, otherwise than for the purpose of paying compensation under the said Act of 1947, and

Petrol rationing will pass them by. They are to get prodigious supplementary allowances. Isn't it fantastic?

The small baker, unable to carry out his rounds, may be pushed out of business. The one-man taxi company may founder. The parent who lives in the country may plead in vain for petrol to drive the kids to school.

But everywhere the tanks of the politicians will be brimming over.

What are M.P.s doing about this monstrous injustice? Are they clamouring for Food Minister Mr. Aubrey Jones to treat politicians like the rest of the community?

If it were a question of company directors getting special preference you may be sure that the bowls in Westminster would soon be heard from John O'Groat's to Ebbw Vale.

But now there is not a squeak of protest.

If politicians are more interested in privileges for themselves than in fair shares for all, let it swiftly be made plain to them that the public do not propose to tolerate it.

And let Mr. Aubrey Jones know that, if he is so incapable of judging public feeling, he is not fit to hold political office for a moment longer.

Ordered, That the Matter of the Complaint be referred to the Committee of Privileges. — (Mr. Richard Butler.)

The Electricity Bill was, according to Order, Electricity Bill, read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to the Standing Order (Committee of Bills).

Mr. Aubrey Jones, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, that Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Electricity (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 dissolution of the Central Electricity Authority and the establishment of a Central Electricity Generating Board and an Electricity Council, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment out of the Consolidated Fund of such sums as may be required to fulfil any guarantee by the Treasury of the principal of and interest on stock issued by the said Authority or the said Council, or the principal of and interest on moneys temporarily borrowed by the said Authority or the said Council, or by the said Board, or by any of the Area Boards established under the Electricity Act, 1947, so however that the aggregate of the amounts outstanding in respect of—

(b) the principal of any stock issued by the said Authority, otherwise than for the purpose of paying compensation under the said Act of 1947, and
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 to-morrow.

Resolved, That the Draft Coastal Flooding (Acreage Payments) Scheme, 1957, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 5th day of this instant December, be approved.—(Mr. Nugent.)

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 to-morrow.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Lieutenant-Commander Thompson.)

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

[No. 31.]

Tuesday, 18th December, 1956.

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 12th day of this instant December relating to Pensions had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:

I have received your Address praying that the Pensions (Increase) Act (Extension) Order, 1956, be made in the form of the Draft laid before your House on 22nd November.

I will comply with your request.

A Public Petition was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Council of Europe (Miscellaneous), Session of the Consultative Assembly of the Council of Europe held at Strasbourg between the 5th and the 9th days of July, and the 14th and the 27th days of October, 1955, including the Joint Meeting with the Common Assembly of the European Coal and Steel Community.

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

Mr. Secretary Hare presented, pursuant to Army, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Report on the Proceedings of the Seventh Ordinary Session of the Consultative Assembly of the Council of Europe held at Strasbourg between the 5th and the 9th days of July, and the 14th and the 27th days of October, 1955, including the Joint Meeting with the Common Assembly of the European Coal and Steel Community.

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

Mr. Secretary Lennox-Boyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Report on Constitutional Proposals for Cyprus submitted to the Secretary of State for the Colonies by the Right Honourable Lord Radcliffe, G.B.E.

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

Mr. Secretary Birch presented, pursuant to Air Force, the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 17th December 1956, entitled the Stopping up of Highways (Air Ministry) (Revocational) (No. 5) Order, 1956.

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

Mr. Secretary Stuart presented, pursuant to Registration of the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 5th December 1956, amending in certain respects the Regulations appended to the Order of his late Majesty King George the Sixth, dated 8th March 1949, providing for the payment of grants to the dependants of personnel enlisted under the National Service Acts.

Copy of an Order, dated 17th December Rights of Way, 1956, entitled the Stopping up of Highways (Air Ministry) (Revocational) (No. 5) Order, 1956.

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

Mr. Secretary Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Report of Proceedings under the Agricultural Wages Act, 1948, for the period from the 1st day of October 1950 to the 30th day of September 1955.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Sandys presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, the Annual Report of the Somerset River Board for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956. 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 an Order in Council, dated 11th December 1956, entitled the Supreme Court Rules (Northern Ireland) (No. 2) Order in Council, 1956.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that she will graciously pleased to give directions that the Return relative to Election Expenses, which was laid before this House on the 8th day of December 1955, in the last Session of Parliament, be amended in respect of column 7 "Legal Maximum for Candidates' Expenses" on pages 83, 84 and 85 of the said Return.—(Mr. Beedles.)

Mr. Nicholson reported from Standing Committee B, That they had gone through the Transport (Railway Finances) Bill and made an Amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Complaint being made by Mr. Charles Pannell, Member for Leeds, West, of a drawing and text in the Evening News newspaper to-day, reflecting on the conduct of Members of the House:

A copy of the said newspaper was delivered in, and the text complained of was read, as followeth:

"Very thoughtful o' them M.P.s giving themselves such a generous Supplementary ... nice there's one place in London where a gent can be sure o' getting a drop."

Ordered, That the Matter of the Complaint be referred to the Committee of Privileges.—(Mr. Richard Butler.)

Lord John Hope, supported by Mr. Secretary Lennard-Bloyd and Mr. Ian Macleod, presented a Bill to extend the period for which the Secretary of State may make contributions under schemes agreed under section one of the Empire Settlement Act, 1922: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next and to 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).—(Mr. Richard Butler.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Ghana Independence Bill. (In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 amended and agreed to.

Clause No. 2 agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Consequential modifications with respect to development schemes, etc.). Amendment proposed, in page 2, line 33, to leave out subsection (1).—(Mr. Creech Jones.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "on" in line 33, stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Barber: 185.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Deer: 135.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 3, line 12, to leave out subsection (4).—(Mr. James Griffiths.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "as" in line 14, stand part of the Clause, put and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 4 and 5 agreed to.

Schedule No. 1 agreed to.

Schedule No. 2 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 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.

Bill, as amended, to be carried to the Lords and desire their concurrence.

The Patents Bill [Lords] was, according to Order (Patents Bill [Money]), read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to the Standing Order (Committal of Bills).

Mr. Goldber reported from the Committee on Electricity [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

"That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for the dissolution of the Central Electricity Authority and the establishment of a Central Electricity Generating Board and an Electricity Council, it is expedient to authorise:—

(i) the payment out of the Consolidated Fund of such sums as may be required to fulfil any guarantee by the Treasury of the principal of and interest on stock issued by the said Authority or the said Council, or the principal of and interest on moneys temporarily borrowed by the said Authority or the said Council, or by the said Board, or by any of the Area Boards established under the Electricity Act, 1947, so however that the aggregate of the amounts outstanding in respect of—

(ii) the principal of any stock issued by the said Authority, otherwise than for the purpose of paying compensation under the said Act of 1947, and
Adjournment. A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Godber); And it being Ten of the clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without a Question being put.

Adjournment. Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. —(Mr. Godber.) And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till two minutes after Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 32.] Wednesday, 19th December, 1956.

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

PRAYERS.

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


Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the Petition for the following Bill, the Standing Orders not having been complied with, viz.:

Liverpool Corporation.

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

Mr. Brooke presented, by Her Majesty's Public Boards Command,—Copy of a List of Members of Public Boards of a commercial character on the 1st day of November 1956, with Salaries and Allowances, with a List of those holding more than one Appointment.

Mr. Brooke also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—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 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

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

Mr. Secretary Lloyd-George presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty yesterday for the amendment of a Return relating to Election Expenses.

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

Mr. Buchan-Hepburn presented, pursuant to a direction of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 19th December 1956, entitled the Bahrain (Removal of Prisoners) Order, 1956.

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

Copies of Orders, dated 17th December
1956, entitled—
(1) the Milk (Great Britain) (Amendment
No. 2) Order, 1956, and
(2) the Milk (Northern Ireland) (Amend­
ment No. 2) Order, 1956.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon
the Table.

Mr. Turton presented, pursuant to the
directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of
Regulations, dated 14th December, 1956,
etitled the Food Hygiene (Amendment
(No. 2) Regulations, 1956.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon
the Table.

Mr. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the
directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of
Regulations, dated 17th December, 1956,
etitled the Motor Vehicles (Variation of
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon
the Table.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table, pursuant
to the Standing Order (Notification in respect
of certain Statutory Instruments),—Commu­
nication, dated 18th December, 1956, declaring
that the Bahrain (Removal of Prisoners) Order, 1956, had been brought into operation
this day, and explaining why copies thereof
had not been laid before Parliament before­hand.

The following Paper, pursuant to the direc­
tions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon
the Table by the Clerk of the House:—
Memorandum by the Lord Chancellor pro­
posing corrections and minor improvements in
certain enactments relating to Solicitors.

Captain Waterhouse reported from the
Select Committee on Estimates, That they had
made Progress in the matters to them referred
and had agreed to a 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.

Colonel Lancaster reported from the Com­
mittee on Public Petitions, That they had
examined the Petitions presented upon the 5th
day of November last, in the last Session of
Parliament, and the 12th and 18th days of
this instant December, and had agreed to a
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.

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Com­
mitee of Selection, That they had nominated
Twenty Members to serve on Standing Com­
ittee D; viz.: Mr. Alisky, Mr. Albu, Mr.
Avery, Mr. Bence, Mr. Biggs-Davison, Mr.
Boyd, Mr. Budden, Mr. du Cann, Mr. Eden,
Mr. Robert Edwards, Mr. Fell, Mr. Glover,
Mr. Hayman, Mr. Holten, Mr. Godman
Irving, Mr. Jennings, Mr. Eric Johnson, Mr.
Mathew, Lieutenant-Commander Maydon,
and Mr. Owen.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the
Committee, That they had added Twenty-five
Members to Standing Committee D in respect
of the Electricity Bill, viz.: Mr. Bryan,
Colonel Crushaw-Eyre, Mr. Harold Davies,
Mr. Donnelly, Mr. Fort, Mr. John Hall, Vis­
count Hinchingbrooke, Vice-Admiral Hughes
Hallett, Mr. Irving, Mr. Aubrey Jones, Mr.
James Jones, Mr. John Jones, Sir Keith
Joseph, Viscount Lambton, Mr. Mason, Mr.
Mowby, Mr. Moc, Mr. Nubarro, Mr. Palmer,
Mr. Renton, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Simmons, Mr.
Henderson Stewart, Mr. Wade, and Mr.
Warbey.

Mr. Blackburn reported from Standing
Committee C, That they had gone through
the Northern Ireland (Compensation for Com­
pulsory Purchase) Bill and directed him to
report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill, not amended in the
Standing Committee, be taken into considera­
tion upon Friday the 1st day of February next.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceed­
ings 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 agreed to the Hydrocarbon
Oil Duties (Temporary Increase) Bill, without
any Amendment.

Mr. Braine, supported by Mr. Partridge,
Mr. John Harvey, and Mr. Thompson, pre­
sented a Bill to restrict the use of aircraft for
commercial advertising and purposes of
propaganda: And the same was read the first
time; and ordered to be read a second time
upon Friday the 15th day of February next
and to be printed.
Memoranda.

Wednesday, 19th December, 1956.

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of the Standing Order (Standing Committees (Constitution and Powers)), Mr. Speaker this day allocated the Electricity Bill to Standing Committee D, and the Patents Bill [Lords] to Standing Committee B.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of the Standing Order (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker this day appointed Dr. King Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Patents Bill [Lords] and Sir Leonard Ropner Chairman of Standing Committee D in respect of the Electricity Bill.
Copies of Orders, dated 20th December 1956, entitled—
(1) the Hire-Purchase and Credit Sale Agreements (Control) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1956, and
(2) the Control of Hiring (Vehicles) (Revocation) Order, 1956.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relating to Monopolies and Restrictive Practices be printed.

Mr. Head presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Report by Sir Edwin Herbert on his investigation into the effects of the Military Action at Port Said in October and November 1956.

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

Mr. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations, dated 13th December 1956, entitled—
(1) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (Finchley) Regulations, 1956,
(2) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (Surbiton and Kingston-upon-Thames) Regulations, 1956, and
(3) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (St. Pancras) (No. 3) Regulations, 1956.

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

Mr. Sandys presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Annual Report of the Great Ouse River Board for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956.

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 17th December 1956, entitled the Rules of the Supreme Court (No. 3), 1956.

Mr. Clement Davies reported from the Committee of Privileges, to whom was referred the Matter of the Complaint made upon the 18th day of this instant December by Mr. Charles Pannell, Member for Leeds, West, of a drawing and text in the Evening News newspaper that day, reflecting on the conduct of Members of the House, That they had considered the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report which they had directed him to make to the House, and had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Report, together with the said Minutes, do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee D Mr. Bigger, and had appointed in substitution Committee D Mr. Hill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Nurses Bill to consolidate certain enactments relating to nurses and assistant nurses for the sick; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Nurses Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 22nd day of January next and to be printed.

The Nurses Agencies Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 22nd day of January next and to be printed.

Mr. Aubrey Jones, supported by Mr. Secretary Stuart, Mr. Amory, Mr. Sandys, Mr. Brooke, and Mr. Renton, presented a Bill to provide for the execution of remedial works and the making of payments in respect of damage caused by subsidence resulting from the working and getting of coal or of coal and other minerals worked thereon; for the execution of works to prevent or reduce such damage; for the carrying out of remedial or preventive measures in connection with land drainage affected or likely to be affected by 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 upon Tuesday the 22nd day of January next and to be printed.

Mr. Attorney General, supported by Mr. Solicitor General, presented a Bill to amend the law of England and Wales as to the liability of occupiers and others for injury or damage resulting to persons or goods lawfully on any land or other property from dangers due to the state of the property or to things done or omitted to be done there, to make provision as to the operation in relation to the Crown of laws made by the Parliament of Northern Ireland for similar purposes or otherwise amending the law of tort, and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was
read the first time; and ordered to be read
a second time upon Tuesday the 22nd day of
January next and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question
being proposed, That this House, at its rising
to-morrow, do adjourn till Tuesday the 22nd
day of January next,—(Mr. Richard Butler);

A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-
General Sir Brian Horrocks, k.c.b., k.c.e.,
s.o., m.c., Gentleman Usher of the Black
Rod;

Mr. Speaker,
The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her
Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her
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,
gave 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 Her Majesty's Commission, had been at
the House of Peers, where a Commission under
the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring, and
nearing 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:

1. Hydrocarbon Oil Duties (Temporary In-
crease) Act, 1956.

And the Question being again proposed,
That this House, at its rising to-morrow, do
adjourn till Tuesday the 22nd day of January
next,—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Mr. Heath rose in his place and claimed to
move, That the Question be now put.

And the Question being put, That the Ques-
tion be now put;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Oakshott,
Mr. Barber; 165.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Deer; 85.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being accordingly put;

Resolved, That this House, at its rising to-
morrow, do adjourn till Tuesday the 22nd
day of January next.

A Motion was made, and the Question being
proposed, That this House do now adjourn—
(Mr. Heath):—The said Motion was, with
leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Select Committee on Nationalised
Industries (Reports and Accounts) was nomi-
nated of Mr. Altus, Sir John Barlow, Mr.
Blyton, Mr. Ernest Davies, Sir Ian Horobin,
Sir James Hutchison, Colonel Lancaster, Mr.
Palmer, Mr. Robens, Sir Patrick Spens, Mr.
Wade, Dame Irene Ward, and Mr. Geoffrey
Wilson.

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 Five be the Quorum of the
Committee.—(Mr. Richard Butler)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

—(Mr. Redmayne.)

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

[No. 34.]

Friday, 21st December, 1956.
The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received a letter from Brigadier Arm.
Sir Charles Alfred Howard, c.v.o., D.s.o.,
the Serjeant at Arms attending this House, which letter Mr. Speaker read to the House,
as followeth:—

20th December 1956.
Sir,
I have the honour to make application that you will be pleased to sanction my retirement
on 31st December 1956, from my office by
Patent of Her Majesty's Serjeant at Arms
attending the Speaker of the House of
Commons.

I have been in the service of this honourable
House for over twenty-one years and I feel
that the time has arrived when it is desirable
that I should no longer retain my appointment.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
Charles Howard
Serjeant at Arms.

To the Right Honourable the Speaker,
House of Commons.

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the direc-
tions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of (Exemptions),
an Order, dated 18th December 1956, entitled
the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 16)
Order, 1956.

Copy of Regulations, dated 19th December national De.
1956, entitled the Premium Savings Bonds
( Isle of Man Regulations, 1956.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon
the Table.
Mr. Secretary Lloyd-George presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 17th December 1956, entitled the Firemen’s Pension Scheme (No. 2) Order, 1956.

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

Mr. Secretary Stuart presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 17th December 1956, entitled the Clean Air Act, 1956 (Appointed Day) (Scotland) Order, 1956.

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

Copy of Regulations, dated 17th December 1956, entitled the Smoke Control Areas (Authorised Fuels) (Scotland) Regulations, 1956.

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

Mr. Thorneycroft presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 19th December 1956, entitled the Iron and Steel Distribution (Revocation) Order, 1956.

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

Mr. Aubrey Jones presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 17th December 1956, entitled the Mines (Manner of Search for Smoking Material) Order, 1956.

Copy of Regulations, dated 17th December 1956, entitled the Coal Mines (Training) Regulations, 1956.

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

Mr. Sandys presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 18th December 1956, entitled the Clean Air Act, 1956 (Appointed Day) Order, 1956.

Copy of Regulations, dated 18th December 1956, entitled the Smoke Control Areas (Authorised Fuels) Regulations, 1956.

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

Mr. Boyd-Carpenter presented, by Her Majesty’s Command,—Copy of the Report of the National Insurance Advisory Committee in accordance with Subsection (3) of Section 41 of the National Insurance Act, 1946, on the Death Grant Question.

Mr. Boyd-Carpenter also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations, dated 18th December 1956, entitled—

(i) the National Insurance (Contributions) Amendment Regulations, 1956, and

(ii) the National Insurance (Residence and Persons Abroad) Amendment Regulations, 1956.

Copy of the Report by the National Insurance Advisory Committee on the National Insurance (Residence and Persons Abroad) Amendment Regulations, 1956, in accordance with Subsection (4) of Section 77 of the National Insurance Act, 1946, preceded by a Statement made by the Minister of Pensions and National Insurance in accordance with that Act.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Report on the National Insurance (Residence and Persons Abroad) Amendment Regulations, 1956, be printed.

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 Sums issued out of the Consolidated Fund and of Payments under the War Damage Act, 1943, by the Board of Trade in respect of War Damage to Goods, or in respect of Interest on such Payments, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Account be printed.

Irene Mervyn Parnicott Pike, Member for New Member for Melton, was sworn.

Mr. Sandys, supported by Mr. Brooke and Mr. Powell, presented a Bill to reduce, during the currency of existing valuation lists, the rateable value of certain hereditaments; to make further provision as to the amounts payable by way of rates or in lieu of rates by the British Transport Commission, the Central Electricity Authority and Area Gas Boards; to amend the provisions of the Local Government Act, 1948, as to the ascertainment of the rateable value for an area; 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 Tuesday the 22nd day of January next and to be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being adjourned—Mr. Heath—

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. Wills—

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-seven minutes after Four of the clock, adjourned till Tuesday the 22nd day of January next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House yesterday.
Parliamentary Papers (Adjournment).

The following Papers, presented by Her 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:—

Colombo Plan.
Copy of the Fifth Annual Report of the Consultative Committee for Co-operative Economic Development in South and South-East Asia.

Iron and Steel.
Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 7th January 1957, concerning a proposal by the Iron and Steel Holding and Realisation Agency to sell its holding of Securities in William Beardmore and Company Limited.

National Debt.
Copy of a Return showing Transactions connected with the National Debt for the years 1938-39 to 1955-56.

Wales and Monmouthshire.
Copy of the Third Memorandum by the Council for Wales and Monmouthshire on its activities.

Germany (No. 1, 1957).
Copy of Letters exchanged at Bonn on the 14th day of March and the 12th day of April 1956 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany concerning the transfer to the Federal Republic of Archives of the former German Foreign Office.

Council of Europe (Miscellaneous, No. 1, 1957).
Copy of a Convention on Establishment signed at Paris on the 13th day of December 1955 between Member Countries of the Council of Europe (with connected documents) (the Convention has not yet been ratified by the United Kingdom).

Sweden (No. 1, 1957).
Copy of a Convention signed at Stockholm on the 9th day of June 1956 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Kingdom of Sweden on Social Security (the Convention has not yet been ratified by the United Kingdom).

Treaty Series (No. 4, 1957).
Copy of Notes exchanged at Prague on the 22nd day of December 1956 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Czechoslovakia concerning the Agreement on the Settlement of certain Inter-Governmental Debts signed at London on the 28th day of September 1949.

Copy of Notes exchanged at Prague on the 22nd day of October 1956 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Czechoslovakia concerning the Agreement on Compensation for British Property, Rights and Interests affected by Czechoslovak Measures of Nationalisation, Expropriation and Dispossession, signed at London on the 28th day of September 1949.

Treaty Series, (No. 9, 1957).
Copy of the Final Declaration signed at Tangier on the 29th day of October 1956 of the International Conference of Tangier (with Protocol).

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22nd January

[No. 35.]

Tuesday, 22nd January, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

Copy of the Sixth Interim Report signed at Hanoi on the 9th day of September 1956 of the International Commission for Supervision and Control in Vietnam, for the period from the 11th day of December 1955 to the 31st day of July 1956.

Copy of the Report of the Tribunal appointed to inquire into allegations reflecting on the Official Conduct of the Premier of, and certain persons holding Ministerial and other Public Offices in, the Eastern Region of Nigeria.

Copy of a Housing Summary, dated 30th November 1956.

The following Papers, required by several Acts 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:—

22nd December 1956:—
Copy of Rules, dated 17th December 1956, County Courts entitled the County Court Funds (Amendment No. 2) Rules, 1956, 28th December 1956:—
Copy of Regulations, dated 20th December 1956, entitled the Central Institutions (Recognition) (Scotland) Regulations, 1956.
Copy of an Order in Council, dated 19th December 1956, entitled the Bahrain Amendment No. 2 Order, 1956.
Copy of an Order in Council, dated 19th December 1956, entitled the Isle of Man (Customs) (No. 2) Order, 1956.
Copy of an Order in Council, dated 19th December 1956, entitled the Kuwait (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1956.
Copy of an Order in Council, dated 19th December 1956, entitled the Merchant Shipping (Safety Convention Countries) (Various) (No. 3) Order, 1956.
Copy of an Order in Council, dated 19th December 1956, entitled the Bahrain Amendment No. 2 Order, 1956.
Copy of an Order in Council, dated 19th December 1956, entitled the Merchant Shipping (Safety Convention Countries) (Various) (No. 3) Order, 1956.
Copy of an Order in Council, dated 19th December 1956, entitled the Trucial States (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1956.

29th December 1956:—
Copy of Regulations, dated 28th December 1956, entitled the National Health Service (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 3) Regulations, 1956.

31st December 1956:—
Copies of Orders, dated 27th December 1956, entitled—
(1) the Exchange Control (Payments) (Austria) Order, 1956, and
(2) the Exchange Control (Specified Currency) Order, 1956.

7th January 1957:—

Copy of an Order, dated 31st December 1956, entitled the Milk and Dairies (Scotland) Amendment Order, 1956.

10th January 1957:—

Copy of Regulations, dated 4th January 1957, entitled the Acute Rheumatism (Amendment) Regulations, 1957.

14th January 1957:—

Copy of Regulations, dated 31st December 1956, entitled the Housing (Rate of Interest on Repaid Improvement Grants) (Scotland) Regulations, 1956.

15th January 1957:—

Copy of an Order in Council, dated 14th January 1957, entitled the Minister of Fuel and Power (Change of Style and Title) Order, 1957.

16th January 1957:—

Copy of an Order, dated 10th January 1957, entitled the Cornwall Review (Amendment) Order, 1957.

17th January 1957:—

Copy of Regulations, dated 12th January 1957, entitled the Local Government (Traveling Allowances, etc.) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations, 1957.

Copy of Regulations, dated 15th January 1957, entitled the National Health Service (Traveling Allowances, etc.) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations, 1957.

Copy of Regulations, dated 15th January 1957, entitled the National Health Service (Traveling Allowances, etc.) Amendment Regulations, 1957.

Copy of an Order, dated 15th January 1957, entitled the Nurses (Area Nurse-Training Committees) Amendment Order, 1957.


Copy of an Order, dated 9th January 1957, entitled the County of Carmarthen Review (Amendment) Order, 1957.

Copy of Regulations, dated 14th January 1957, entitled the Local Government (Allowances to Members) Regulations, 1957.

Mr. Powell presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Account of Moneys paid out of the Consolidated Fund under the Acts 2 & 3 Will. 4, c. 121, and 6 & 7 Will. 4, c. 94, for Interest and Sinking Fund on that part of the Greek Loan which was guaranteed by this country under the authority of the said Acts, and of the Amount repaid by the Greek Government on account of the same, up to the 31st day of December 1956.

Mr. Powell also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury—

(1) on the 20th day of December 1956, on loans proposed to be raised by the British Overseas Airways Corporation, and

(2) on the 21st day of December 1956, on loans proposed to be raised by the British European Airways Corporation.

Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 3rd Bank Notes. January 1957, relative to the Fiduciary Note Issue.

Account of Receipts and Disbursements of Duchy of the Duchy of Cornwall in 1956.

Statement of a Guarantee given by the Electricity Commissioners, on the 20th day of December 1956, on loans proposed to be raised by the Central Electricity Authority.

Statement of a Guarantee given by the Gas Commissioners, on the 20th day of December 1956, on loans proposed to be raised by the Gas Council.

Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on the 20th day of December 1956, on loans proposed to be raised—

(1) by the North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Board, and

(2) by the South of Scotland Electricity Board.

Copy of the Report and Statement of Accounts of the Iron and Steel Holding and Realisation Agency for the year ended the 30th day of September 1956.

Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 9th Superannuation. January 1957, granting a retiring allowance to an officer of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food under Section 2 of the Superannuation Act, 1887.

Statement of a Guarantee given by the Treasury on the 21st day of December 1956, on loans proposed to be raised by the British Transport Commission.

Ordered. That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relating to Air Navigation, Bank Notes, Electricity, Gas, Hydro-Electric Development (Scotland), Iron and Steel, and Transport be printed.

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Treaty Series Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Military Service Agreement signed at London on the 21st day of December 1949 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the French Republic.

Copy of Notes exchanged at Bangkok on Treaty Series No. 47.

October 1956 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Thailand amending the Schedule to the Air Services Agreement signed at Bangkok on the 10th day of November 1950.

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

Mr. Secretary Hare presented, by Her Treaty Series Majesty's Command,—Estimate of the furtherCharge to the Consolidated Fund under the Acts 2 & 3 Will. 4, c. 121, and 6 & 7 Will. 4, c. 94, for Interest and Sinking Fund on that part of the Greek Loan which was guaranteed by this country under the authority of the said Acts, and of the Amount repaid by the Greek Government on account of the same, up to the 31st day of December 1956.

Mr. Secretary Hare also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations—

(1) dated 21st December 1956, entitled the Army Emergency Reserve Enlistment Regulations, 1956, and

(2) dated 31st December 1956, entitled the Regular Reserve Regulations, 1956.
### Army (Territorial Army)

- Copy of Amendments to Regulations for the Territorial Army, 1952.
- Copy of Regulations, dated 21st December 1956, entitled the Territorial Army Enlistment Regulations, 1956.

### Air Force

- Mr. Secretary Ward presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders—
  1. dated 14th December 1956, further amending the Regulations appended to Her Majesty's Order, dated 13th November 1953, and included in a volume entitled the Queen’s Regulations and Air Council Instructions for the Royal Air Force (Third Edition), as amended by subsequent Orders, and
  2. dated 19th December 1956, providing for the issue of a volume entitled the Queen’s Regulations and Air Council Instructions for the Royal Air Force (Fourth Edition).

### Navy (Pay, Pensions, &c.)

- Mr. Molson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 19th December 1956, approving an Admiralty Memorial revising scales of gratuities payable to certain Locally Entered Petty Officers and Men of the Royal Navy.

### Universities of Oxford and Cambridge

- Copy of a Statute made by the Governing Body of Christ Church, Oxford, on the 23rd day of October 1956, amending the Statutes of the House.

### Navy (Pay, Not-effective Pay and Allowances)

- Mr. Soames presented, by Her Majesty's Order of Council, dated 19th December 1956, further amending the Regulations as to Pay, Non-effective Pay and Allowances during the year ended the 31st day of March 1956 which have been sanctioned by the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty with the approval of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, pursuant to the Order in Council dated 19th December 1881.

### Census of Production

- Sir David Eccles presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production for 1951—Summary Tables, Part II.

### Census of Production

- Copies of the Report on the Census of Production for 1954—
  1. Introductory Notes,
  2. Volume I, Industry J, Cement,
  3. Volume 6, Industry F, Flax Processing, and

### Ministry of Defence (Supplementary Estimates)

- Mr. Sandys presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Estimate of the further Sum required to be voted for the Ministry of Defence for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1957.
of the Air Forces and of the Nursing and Auxiliary Services thereof disabled and for the Widows, Children, Parents, and other Dependants of such Members deceased in consequence of Service after the 2nd day of September 1939.

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

Statutory Orders (Special Procedure).

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 Cardiff (Amendment of Local Enactment) Order, 1956.

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

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr. Sharpies; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Biggs-Davison.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from Standing Committee D Sir Edward Boyle, Mr. Powell, and Mr. Sundays (added in respect of the Rent Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Bevins, Mr. Brooke, and Mr. Temple.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from Standing Committee D Mr. Maseon (added in respect of the Electricity Bill); and had appointed in substitution Sir Frank Soskice.

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 propose that the Joint Committee on the Derwent Valley Water Order, 1956 (Petition of Derbyshire County Council) do meet in Committee Room No. 3 on Tuesday the 5th day of February next, at Eleven of the clock.

Derwent Valley Water Order, 1956.

Privilege.

Complaint being made by Mr. Wigg, Member for Dudley, of a broadcast on the 21st day of December last by the British Broadcasting Corporation commenting on and discussing a subject raised as a matter of Privilege in the House on the 17th day of December last and then referred to the Committee of Privileges, which he submitted constituted a breach of the Privileges of the House:

Ordered, That the Matter of the Complaint be referred to the Committee of Privileges.—(Mr. Secretary Butler.)

Complaint being made by Mr. Legden, Member for Hornchurch, of a statement reported in the Romford Recorder newspaper of the 4th day of this instant January as having been made by Mr. Donald Paterson:

A copy of the said newspaper was delivered in and the statement complained of was read, as followeth:

M.P.s TOO KIND TO THEMSELVES

In common with M.P.s and other prospective Parliamentary candidates, I have just been allocated a supplementary petrol ration to cover 750 miles per month—in addition to my 200 miles basic for private motoring.

Such an allocation is outrageously high—particularly when one considers how shabbily industry and people like commercial travellers are being treated.

I have heard it said that the best club to belong to is the House of Commons. The privileges granted to its members certainly seem to be on the increase even if democracy is suffering as a result.

Moreover, it is my opinion that, in the light of their sad record over the past few years, which has more than anything else been responsible for the recent crisis and petrol rationing, the very last persons to have supplementary rations should be Members of Parliament.—DONALD PATERSON.

And Complaint being made by Mr. Ledger, Member for Romford, of a statement reported in the Romford Recorder newspaper of the 18th day of this instant January as having been made by Mr. Donald Paterson:

A copy of the said newspaper was delivered in and the statement complained of was read, as followeth:

PATERSON CALLS MEETING ON POLITICIANS’ PETROL

Comment on this question, he told the Recorder, has been “effectively muzzled” by the recent action of the House of Commons Committee of Privileges against the editors of two national newspapers.

Ordered, That the Matters of the Complaints be referred to the Committee of Privileges.—(Mr. Secretary Butler.)

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. Secretary Butler.)

Resolved, nemine contradicente, That Mr. Brigadier Sir Charles Alfred Howard, G.C.V.O., D.S.O., D.C.L., be requested to acquaint Brigadier Sir Charles Alfred Howard, G.C.V.O., D.S.O., D.C.L., with the recent action of the House of Commons, which he submitted constituted a breach of the Privileges of the House;

Ordered, That the Matters of the Complaint be referred to the Committee of Privileges.—(Mr. Secretary Butler.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Custom Duties (Dumping and Subsidies) 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 the word “now” and, at the end of the Question, adding the words “upon this day six months”.

—(Mr. Holt)
And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time, and was committed to a Committee of the whole House.

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Transport (Railway Finances) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 5, line 9, by leaving out Clause No. 4.—(Mr. Strauss.)

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.

Ordered, That the Bill be now 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 the said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords and desire their concurrence.

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

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

[No. 36.]

Wednesday, 23rd January, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Secretary Maclay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Report of the Scottish Hospital Endowments Research Trust, for the period from the 12th day of January 1954 to the 31st day of July 1955.

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


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

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Report by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food under Part III of the Sea Fisheries Act, 1868.

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


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

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Scheme, dated 4th December 1956, made by the Brentford and Chiswick Borough Council and approved by the Minister of Housing and Local Government under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

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 Receipts and Payments of Grants by the White Fish Authority under Section 1 of the White Fish and Herring Industries Act, 1953, in the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

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

Scheme for the rearrangement of the pastoral supervision of the Parishes of Saint Peter with Saint Ambrose and All Saints, Liverpool; Saint Timothy, Everton; Saint Augustine, Everton; Saint Chad, Everton; and Christ Church, Everton; in the Diocese of Liverpool.

The following Account, pursuant to the directions of a Statutory Instrument, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Account of the payments by the Central Land Board under Section 59 of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947, and Section 56 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act, 1947, and of the sums issued out of the Consolidated Fund under Sections 67 and 64 of those Acts respectively in connection with such payments for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Accounts be printed.

Captain Waterhouse reported from the Select Committee on Estimates, That they had made further Progress in the matter to them referred and had agreed to a 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 Evidence taken on the 20th day of March last and subsequent dates before Sub-Committee D
appointed by the Select Committee on Estimates in the last Session of Parliament, together with an Appendix, be printed.

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, that they had nominated the following three Members to serve on the Joint Committee on the Derwent Valley Water Order, 1956 (Petition of Derbyshire County Council): Sir Robert Cary, Mr. Redhead, and Mr. Wheeldon.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Committee, that they had discharged from Standing Committee B Mr. Barter, Captain Corfield, Mr. Green, and Captain Kerby; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Maurice Macmillan, Sir Harold Roper, and Mr. Russell.

Standing Committee B.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Committee, that they had added twenty-five Members to Standing Committee B in respect of the Patents Bill (Lords), viz.: Mr. Asster, Mr. Baird, Mr. Barter, Mr. Ronald Bell, Mr. Wedgwood Benn, Mr. Deer, Mr. Edelman, Mrs. Emmet, Mr. Erroll, Mr. Fletcher-Cooke, Lieutenant-Colonel Grosvenor, Mr. James Harrison, Colonel Harrison, Sir Lionel Heald, Mr. Hesketh, Captain Hewtson, Mrs. Jeffreys, Mr. Keepen, Mr. Ledger, Lieutenant-Commander Maydon, Mr. Mikardo, Mr. Rodgers, Sir Frank Soskice, Mr. Osbourne, and Mr. Wade.

Standing Committee C.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Committee, that they had discharged from Standing Committee C Mr. Amery, Mr. Black, Mr. Forray-Jones, and Mr. Mahon; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Arbutnott, Mr. Edel, Mr. Gough, and Brigadier Prior-Palmer.

Standing Committee C.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Committee, that they had added fifteen Members to Standing Committee C in respect of the New Streets Act, 1951 (Amendment) Bill, viz.: Mr. Bevins, Mrs. Coaker, Mr. Currie, Mr. Freeth, Mr. Holmes, Mr. Roy Jenkins, Mr. Thomas Jones, Mr. Maddan, Mr. Mahon, Mr. Mason, Captain Pilkington, Mr. Albert Roberts, Lieutenant-Colonel Schofield, Major Wall, and Mr. Woollam.

Standing Committee D.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Committee, that they had discharged from Standing Committee D Lieutenant-Commander Maydon; and had appointed in substitution Lieutenant-Commander Baldock.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Committee, that they had discharged from Standing Committee D Mr. John Hall, Mr. Aubrey Jones, and Sir James Henderson Stewart (added in respect of the Electricity Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Bennett, Mr. Niall Macpherson, and Mr. Maudling.

Cheques Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday the 1st day of February next, the Cheques Bill, was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Lords Message yesterday relating to the place and time of meeting of the Joint Committee on the Derwent Valley Water Order, 1956 (Petition of Derbyshire County Council) be now taken into consideration.—(Mr. Wills)

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Message into consideration.

Ordered, That the Members appointed to serve on the said Committee do meet the Lords appointed to serve thereon, as proposed by their Lordships.—(Mr. Wills)

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, 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. Secretary Butler);—

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right.

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Oakshott, 235. Yeas; Mr. Will]:

Tellers for the [Mr. Royle, 183. Noes; Mr. Parget]:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Second Report which, Privileges, upon the 20th day of December last, was made from the Committee of Privileges, be now taken into consideration.—(Mr. Secretary Butler)

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Report into consideration.

Ordered, That Mr. John Junor do attend this House to-morrow at a quarter of an hour after three of the clock.—(Mr. Secretary Butler)

The House, according to Order, resolved homicide itself into a Committee on the Homicide Bill, Bill. (In the Committee.)

Clause No. 5 (Death penalty for certain murders).

Another Amendment proposed, in page 2, line 41, at the end, to insert the words "or by the administration of poison or of any other noxious matter."—(Sir Lionel Heald.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Debate arising;

Mr. Heath rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put. Question put, That the Question be now put.

Question put, That the Question be now put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Wakefield, 214. Yeas; Colonel Harrison:]

Tellers for the [Mr. Short, 180. Noes; Mr. Deer:]

Question put accordingly, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Percy Wells, 2. Yeas; Dr. King:]

Tellers for the [Mr. Wakefield, 346. Noes; Colonel Harrison:]

Another Amendment proposed, in page 3, line 1, to leave out paragraph (c).—(Mr. Sydney Silverman.)

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

Tellers for the /Mr. Wakefield, 187.
Yea,  Mr. Bryan:
Tellers for the /Mr. Royle, 139.
Noes,  Sir Leslie Plummer:

Another Amendment proposed, in page 3, line 4, at the end, to insert the words—

"Provided that the killing shall have been intentional."—(Mr. Paget.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the /Sir Leslie Plummer, 80.
Yea,  Mr. Blackburn:
Tellers for the /Mr. Wills, 144.
Noes,  Colonel Harrison:

To report Progress and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Royle.)

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.

Ordered, That Mr. Malcolm MacPherson be discharged from the Select Committee on Estimates; and that Mr. Hannan be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Wills.)

Adjourned.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till seven minutes before Twelve of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

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

PRAYERS.

Several Public Petitions were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Powell presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament.—Extra-Provision Account of the Sums granted by Parliament for Air Services for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and upon other Air Services Accounts.

Appropriation Account of the Sums granted by Parliament for Air Services for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and upon other Air Services Accounts.

Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and upon other Army Accounts.

Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 11th Bank Notes, January 1957, relative to the Fiduciary Note Issue.

Abstract Account showing the Issues made Consolidated from the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom in the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, for the Interest and Management of the Debt, for the Civil List, and all other Issues in the year for Services charged directly on the said Fund, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Abstract Account of the Commissioners Crown Lands. of Crown Lands for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Abstract Account of the Receipts into, and Issues out of, the Development Fund in the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Appropriation Account of the Sums granted by Parliament for Navy Services for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Account of Receipts into and Payments out of the Road Fund in the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

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

Mr. Secretary Butler presented, pursuant to Marriages, the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of an Order, dated 7th January 1957, entitled the Marriages Validity (The Baptist Chapel, Scapegoat Hill, Golcar) Order, 1957, with a Certificate by the Secretary of State for the Home Department under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945.

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

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Notes and Memorandum of Understanding exchanged at Djakarta on the 2nd day of July 1956 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Indonesia relating to arrangements for the Export of Cotton Yarn and Textiles from the United Kingdom to Indonesia and the acceptance in the United Kingdom of Raw Cotton, with Notes and Memorandum of Understanding exchanged between the Government of Hong Kong and the Government of Indonesia on the same subject.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Secretary Muclay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,— Copies—
(1) of University Court Ordinance No. 311 (University of Glasgow No. 86) (Foundation of the Chair of Engineering (Mechanics and Mechanism)), and
(2) of University Court Ordinance No. 314 (University of Edinburgh No. 105) (Foundation of the Chair of Psychiatry) Amendment of Ordinance No. LXXXIII (Edinburgh No. 29).

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

Mr. Molson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 24th January 1957, entitled the Transfer of Functions (Iron and Steel) Order, 1957.

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

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 17th January 1957, entitled the Staffordshire County Council (Parts of Cannock Chase) Compulsory Purchase Order, 1956, with a Certificate by the Minister of Housing and Local Government under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945.

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 of the House by the Clerk of the House:

Account of the sums issued out of the Consolidated Fund and of the Payments made and Contributions recovered by the Treasury under the War Damage (Public Utility Undertakings, &c.), Act, 1949, in the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, in respect of War Damage to Land, Goods and Commodities of Public Utility Undertakings, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Accounts relating to Trade and Navigation of the United Kingdom for each month during the year 1957.—(Mr. Erroll.)

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee C Mr. Arbuthnet; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Hudson.

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 Order of the day being read, for the attendance of Mr. John Junor; And the House being informed that Mr. Junor was in attendance, Mr. Speaker directed him to be brought to the Bar.

The Sergeant at Arms then brought Mr. Junor to the Bar and Mr. Speaker addressed him, as followeth:

Mr. John Junor, you have been summoned to appear at the Bar of this House in consequence of a Report made by a Committee of this House. That Committee was directed to inquire into the matter of an article published on the 16th December, 1956, in the Sunday Express of which you are Editor. You did not seek, so the Committee have found, to establish the truth of the article, nor did you appear willing to admit its obvious implications. Although given every opportunity to express your regret, you made what the Committee were only able to regard as an entirely inadequate apology. Nevertheless, I have to inform you that before considering the findings of the Committee the House is willing to hear anything that you may have to say in extenuation.

Mr. Junor was then heard.

Mr. Speaker then directed him to withdraw: And he withdrew accordingly. Received, That this House doth agree with the Committee of Privileges in their opinion that Mr. John Junor has been guilty of a serious contempt of this House, but, in view of the apology made to this House by him, this House will proceed no further in the matter.—(Mr. Secretary Butler.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Homicide Bill.

Clause No. 5 (Death penalty for certain murders).

Another Amendment proposed, in page 2, line 5, to leave out paragraph (d).—(Mr. Sydney Silverman.) Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Debate arising;

Mr. Redmayne 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. Oakshott, Mr. Leath; Tellers for the Noses, Mr. Short, Mr. Deer; Question put accordingly, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause. The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Hughes-Young; Tellers for the Noses, Sir Leslie Plummer; Question put, That the words proposed be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Wills, Mr. Blackburn; Tellers for the Noses, Mr. Royle, Colonel Harrison; Question put, That the words proposed be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Blackburn; Tellers for the Noses, Mr. Royle, Colonel Harrison; Question put, That the words proposed be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Wills; Tellers for the Noses, Mr. Royle, Mr. Blackburn; Question put, That the words proposed be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Wills, Mr. Blackburn; Tellers for the Noses, Mr. Royle, Mr. Holm; Question put, That the words proposed be left out stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Blackburn; Tellers for the Noses, Mr. Royle, Mr. Holm; Question put, That the words proposed be left out stand part of the Clause.
Question put, That those words be there inserted.
The Committee divided.
Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Royce, Mr. Charles Howell: 118.
Mr. Wills, 171.
Tellers for the Noes, Colonel Harrison.
Another Amendment proposed, in page 3, line 13, to leave out from the word "who" to the word "herself" in line 15.—(Mr. Sydney Silverman.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 3, line 22, after the word "thereof", to insert Sydney Silverman.

The Chairman, being of the opinion that the principle of the Clause and any matters arising thereon had been adequately discussed in the course of debate on the Amendments proposed thereto, forthwith put the Question, pursuant to the Standing Order (Debate on Clause standing part), That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.
Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Legh, Sir Leslie Plummer: 111.
Mr. Wakefield, 160.
Mr. Hughes-Young.

Mr. Royce, 109.


Clause No. 6 (Death penalty for repeated murders).

The Committee divided.

The Chairman, being of the opinion that the principle of the Clause and any matters arising thereon had been adequately discussed in the course of debate on the Amendments proposed thereto, forthwith put the Question, pursuant to the Standing Order (Debate on Clause standing part), That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Legh, Mr. Bryan: 160.
Mr. Royce, 109.
Mr. Hughes-Young.


Clause Nos. 7 to 9 agreed to.

Clause No. 10 (Form of sentence of death for murder).

To report Progress and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Secretary Butler.)

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, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

MEMORANDUM.

Thursday, 24th January, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of the Standing Order (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker this day appointed Sir Norman Hulbert Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the New Streets Act, 1951 (Amendment) Bill.

[No. 38.]

Friday, 25th January, 1957.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in the room of Sir Austin Uvedale Morgan Hudson, Baronet, deceased.—(Mr. Heath.)

Mr. Molson presented, pursuant to the Universities directions of several Acts of Parliament, and Colleges (V强大的)

Copy of an Amending Scheme made by University College, Oxford, for administering certain funds of the College.

Copy of Statutes made by the Governing Bodies of Selwyn College, Cambridge, on the 10th day of November 1956, amending the Statutes of the College.

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

Sir David Eccles presented, Return to an Order, read a second time.

Copy of Statutes made by the Governing Body of Selwyn College, Cambridge, on the 10th day of November 1956, amending the Statutes of the College.

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

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Procedure, which stands adjourned till Tuesday next, be further adjourned till Tuesday the 5th day of February next at Four of the clock.—(Mr. Bellenger.)

Mr. Page, supported by Mr. Hay, Mr. Holt, Cheques
Mr. Eric Johnson, Mr. Stevens, and Mr. Page, presented a Bill to amend the law relating to cheques and certain other instruments: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next and to be printed.

The Empire Settlement Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Legh.)
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Iain Macleod, by Her Majesty’s Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Empire Settlement (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 extend the period for which the Secretary of State may make contributions under schemes agreed under section one of the Empire Settlement Act, 1922, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the said Act of the present Session in the moneys so payable under the said Act of 1922.—(Mr. Alport.)

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 upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Occupiers’ Liability Bill;

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

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Annual Report of the Lancashire River Board for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956.

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

Mr. Attorney General presented, by Her Majesty’s Command,—Copy of the Fifth Report of the Law Reform Committee.

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 Saint Mark, Hull; Saint Saviour, Wilmington; Holy Trinity, Hull; Saint James, Kingston-upon-Hull; Saint Luke, Kingston-upon-Hull; and Saint Thomas, Kingston-upon-Hull; in the Diocese of York.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Homicide Bill be exempted, at this day’s Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(Mr. Secretary Butler.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Homicide Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 10 agreed to.

Clause No. 11 (Notice of execution).

Amendment proposed, in page 5, line 35, after the word “can”, to insert the Words “and in no case less than one week before the date fixed”—(Mr. Hale.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, {Mr. Deer: 153.}

Tellers for the Noes, {Mr. Hughes-Young: 200.}
Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Colonel Harrison, Mr. Hughes-Young: 193.

Tellers for the Mr. Short, Mr. Deer: 151.

Clause No. 12 agreed to.

Clause No. 13 (Application of Parts I and III to Scotland).

Amendment proposed, in page 6, line 16, after "Part I", to insert the words "and sections five and six of Part II".—(Mr. Willis.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Joseph Price, 126.

Tellers for the Mr. Holmes: 164.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 14 (Amendment as to penalty for certain attempts to murder).

Amendment proposed, in page 6, line 27, to leave out from the word "subjects") to the end of line 29 and insert the words "is hereby repealed".—(Mr. Willis.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 15 agreed to.

Clause No. 16 (Past offences).

Amendment proposed, in page 7, line 1, to leave out from the word "shall" to the end of the Clause and add the words "have effect in relation to any offence tried after the date of the commencement of this Act".—(Mr. Elwyn Jones)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 17 agreed to.

To report Progress and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Attorney General.)

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.

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

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

Tuesday, 29th January, 1957.

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

MR. Melton presented, pursuant to the West Africa.

Copy of an Order in Council, dated 24th January 1957, entitled the Sierra Leone (Legislative Council (Interpretation) Order in Council, 1957.

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


(1) Volume I, Industry D. Slate Quarries and Mines, and
(2) Volume I, Industry K, Abrasives.

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

Mr. Amory presented, by Her Majesty's Horticultural Command,—Copy of the Report of the Com-

Mr. Amory also presented, pursuant to the Agricultural directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Report on Agricultural Marketing Schemes No. 57.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relating to Agricultural Marketing be printed.

Mr. Boyd-Carpenter presented, by Her Majesty's Pensions.

Mr. Boyd-Carpenter also presented, pursuant to the Agricultural directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Royal Warrants—

(1) to amend the Royal Warrant of the 24th day of May 1949, concerning Retired Pay, Pensions and other grants for Members of the Military Forces and of the Nursing and Auxiliary Services thereof disabled, and for the Widows, Children, Parents and other Dependents of such Members deceased, in consequence of service after the 2nd day of September 1939, and
(2) to amend the Royal Warrant of the 30th day of May 1949, concerning Retired Pay, Pensions and other grants for Officers, Nurses and Soldiers disabled, and for the Widows and Children of Officers and Soldiers deceased, in consequence of service during the 1914 World War.

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 showing the Money issued out of the Consolidated Fund and the Expenditure therefrom under the Housing (Temporary Accommodation) Act, 1944, for the year ended No. 69.
the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Account be printed.

Mr. Fletcher 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. Secretary Macray, supported by the Lord Advocate, Mr. Solicitor General for Scotland, Mr. Powell, and Mr. Brown, presented a Bill to make new provision with respect to contributions out of the Exchequer and by local authorities in respect of housing accommodation provided or improved in Scotland; to enable Scottish local authorities to provide housing accommodation and other development in relief of the needs of districts other than their own; to make additional provision as respects Scotland for the making of payments in respect of unfit houses which have been well maintained, to provide as respects Scotland for the making and keeping by local authorities of registers of maximum rents of dwellings in respect of which improvement grants have been made, and for the simplifying of the procedure for the completion of the compulsory acquisition of land under certain enactments relating to housing; to amend certain provisions of the Housing (Scotland) Act, 1950; to extend section nineteen of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act, 1945; 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 Thursday next and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Homicide Bill be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(Mr. Secretary Butler.)

Mr. Mikardo accordingly presented a Bill to invalidate rules of friendly societies discriminating against membership of trade unions: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of February next and to be printed.

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The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Homicide Bill. (In the Committee.)

A Clause (Review of sentences)—(Mr. Greenwood)—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 (New evidence)—(Mr. Hales)—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 [t] Yes, [Mr. deer...]

Ordered, That the Clause be read a second time. —Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Extenuating circumstances)—(Mr. Sydney Silverman)—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 (Medical examination of person charged with murder)—(Mr. Greenwood)—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 [t] Yes, [Mr. WiUiams...]

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

Schedule No. 1.

Amendment proposed, in page 8, line 20, to leave out the word "three" and insert the word "twenty-one".—(Mr. Greenwood.)

Question proposed, That the word "three" stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Schedule agreed to.

Schedule No. 2 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 read the third time to-morrow.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-three minutes after Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Bill

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

PRAYERS.

Civil Aviation.


Foreign Compensation.

Copies of Orders in Council, dated 24th January 1957, entitled—
(1) the Foreign Compensation (Poland) (Debts) (Amendment) Order, 1957, and
(2) the Foreign Compensation (Poland) (Nationalisation Claims) (Amendment) Order, 1957.

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

Pensions.

Mr. Boyd-Carpenter presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Scheme, dated 21st January 1957, entitled the Personal Injuries (Civilians) (Amendment) Scheme, 1957.

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

Wakefield Corporation Bill [Lords].

Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to the Standing Order relating to Private Business (Bills affecting charities or educational foundations),—Report on the Wakefield Corporation Bill [Lords].

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

Business of the House.

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. Secretary Butler.)

Thermal Insulation (Industrial Buildings).—(Mr. Nabarro accordingly presented a Bill to make provision for the thermal insulation of industrial buildings: and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of March next and to be printed.

Thermal Insulation (Industrial Buildings) Bill 49.

Mr. Nabarro accordingly presented a Bill to make provision for the thermal insulation of industrial buildings; and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of March next and to be printed.

Customs Duties (Dumping and Subsidies) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Customs Duties (Dumping and Subsidies) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

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Clause No. 1 (Cases where customs duties may be imposed).

Amendment proposed, in page 1, line 23, after the word “interest”, to insert the words “or would assist the economy of any member of the British Commonwealth of Nations”—(Mr. Gordon Walker)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 2, line 3, at the end, to insert the words—
“Provided that, where goods are exported to the United Kingdom by any of the contracting parties to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, the Board of Trade shall not exercise its power under this Act unless it appears to the Board that the dumping or subsidising of such goods would cause or threaten material injury to an established industry or retard materially the establishment of an industry in the United Kingdom”—(Mr. Gordon Walker)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 2, line 17, at the end, to insert the words—
“Provided that this section shall not apply to imported goods unless the dumping is the result of the subsidy affecting the goods, or of a restriction or control imposed by the Government or other authority of
(a) the country in which the goods originated, or
(b) where the country from which the goods were exported to the United Kingdom is different from the country in which they originated, either the country in which the goods originated or the country from which they were exported”—(Mr. Holt)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 2, line 20, after the word “goods”, to insert the words “or certain loans or other credit facilities in respect of raw materials”—(Mr. Cronin)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Orders imposing duties).

Amendment proposed, in page 3, line 9, after the word “charged”, to insert the words “on all such goods from the date of complaint to, or investigation by, the Board of Trade”—(Mr. Renmant)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 3, line 30, at the end, to add the words—
“(b) The Board shall on the thirty-first day of December in each year make to the President of the Board a report on the effect of every order made under this section which has been in force during the year to which the report relates and the President shall lay a copy of every such report before each House of Parliament”—(Mr. Irving)

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Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Relief in respect of anti-dumping duties).

Amendment proposed, in page 3, line 33, to leave out from the word "Act" to the first word "they" in line 34. (Mr. For.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause: Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 4 and 5 agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 6 and 7 amended and agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 8 to 12 agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Hughes-Young reported from the Committee on Empire Settlement [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to extend the period for which the Secretary of State may make contributions under schemes agreed under section one of the Empire Settlement Act, 1922, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys so payable under the said Act of the present Session in the moneys so payable under the said Act of 1922.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Empire Settlement Bill.

Clause No. 1 (Extension of period during which contributions may be made).

Amendment proposed, in page 1, line 13, at the end, to insert the words—

"Provided that in the case of each scheme in territories other than Canada, Australia and New Zealand the consent of elected representatives of the indigenous peoples in the territories concerned has been secured."—(Mr. Brophy.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 amended and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.
Mr. Secretary Butler 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 Entertainment Act, 1932—

(1) to the Urban District of Abertillery,
(2) to the Urban District of Bedwellty, and
(3) to the Urban District of Sidmouth.

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

Mr. Secretary Maclay presented, by Her Majesty's Command, Copy of a Housing Return for Scotland, dated 31st December 1956.

Mr. Secretary Maclay also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copy of a Draft Scheme, entitled the Silo Subsidies (Scotland) Scheme, 1957.

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

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copy of a Draft Scheme, entitled the Silo Subsidies (Scotland) Scheme, 1957.

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

Sir Edward Boyle presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copies of Draft Schemes, entitled—

(1) the Teachers Superannuation (Army Education) Amending Scheme, 1957.
(2) the Teachers Superannuation (Royal Air Force Education) Amending Scheme, 1957, and
(3) the Teachers Superannuation (Royal Navy Education) Amending Scheme, 1957.

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

Mr. Brooke presented, by Her Majesty's Command, Copy of a Housing Return for England and Wales, dated 31st December 1956.

Mr. Brooke also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copy of a Scheme, dated 4th December 1956, made by the West Ham County Borough Council and approved by the Minister of Housing and Local Government under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

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

Mr. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copy of Regulations, dated 24th January 1957, entitled the Public Service Vehicles (Licences and Certificates) (Amendment) Regulations, 1957.

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

Dr. King reported from Standing Committee B, That they had gone through the Patents Bill [Lord], and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Ordered, That the Proceedings of the Committee on Coal-Mining (Subsidence) [Money] be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(Mr. Secretary Butler.)

The Coal-Mining (Subsidence) Bill was accordingly ordered, read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to the Standing Order (Committal of Bills).

Mr. Brooke, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her 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.)

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for the execution of remedial works and the making of payments in respect of damage caused by subsidence resulting from the working and getting of coal, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of the remuneration of any assessor summoned, and the expense of any remit made, by a court in proceedings under the said Act.—(Mr. Renton.)

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.

Ordered, That Mr. Thompson be discharged from the Select Committee on Procedure; and that Mr. Fletcher-Cooke be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Oakshott.)

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

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

Thursday, 31st January, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of the Standing Order (Public Bills relating exclusively to Scotland) Mr. Speaker this day certified that, in his opinion, the provisions of the Housing and Town Development (Scotland) Bill relate exclusively to Scotland.

[No. 43.]

Friday, 1st February, 1957.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

A Public Petition was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Hare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament—Copy of Amendments to Regulations for the Territorial Army, 1952.

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


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Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament—Copy of the Annual Report of the Avon and Dorset River Board for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956.

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:—

Copy of all applications made by the First Lord of the Treasury and the Chancellor of 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 1956 to the 5th day of January 1957, and the Answers of the said Court thereto.

Account of the Amount of all Exchequer Bills, and other Government Securities, which have been purchased by the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, or on which any Sum or Sums have been lent and advanced for the Public Service by the Governor and Company of the said Bank, in the year ended the 5th day of January 1957; and an Account of the Amount of Balances of Sums issued for the Payment of Dividends due and not demanded, and which remained in the hands of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England on the 4th day of April 1956, the 4th day of July 1956, the 4th day of October 1956, and the 4th day of January 1957.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of a Measure, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Scheme for the rearrangement of the pastoral supervision of the Parishes of Astley; Binley; Coseley; Saint Michael, Coventry; All Saints, Coventry; Christ Church, Grey Friars, Coventry; Holy Trinity, Coventry; Saint Anne, Coventry; Saint Peter, Coventry; Saint Mark, Coventry; Stivichall; Saint Margaret, Coventry; Saint Paul, Foleshill; Saint Nicholas, Radford; Keresley and Coundon; Baginton; Allesley, Berkswell; Saint Andrew, Eastern Green, Allesley; Westwood and Exhall; in the Diocese of Coventry.

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged (from Standing Committee D Colonel Crowther-Eyre and Mr. Donnelly added in respect of the Electricity Bill; and had appointed in substitution Captain Hewitson and Mr. Tremonger.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Advertisements (Hire-Purchase) 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. Royle rose in his place, and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent and declined then to put that Question:—Then the House resumed the Debate.

Lieutenant-Colonel Schofield 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, 

[Lieutenant-Colonel Schofield, 83.

Mr. Gresham Cooke, 80.

Tellers for the Noes, 

Mr. Royle, 

Sir Leslie Plummer:]

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 it being after Four of the clock, the Bills, and other Government Securities, which Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday next.
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<td>Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. —(Mr. Hughes-Young)</td>
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<td>And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-two minutes before Five of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.</td>
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A Bill to empower the mayor aldermen and burgesses of the borough of Sunderland to discontinue and abandon the ferry across the river Wear commonly known as the Sunderland Ferry; to make further provision for the improvement health and local government of the borough; and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to empower the County Council of the administrative county of Cornwall and the lord mayor aldermen and citizens of the city of Plymouth to construct a bridge across the river Tamar with approach roads and other works and to purchase lands compulsorily for those and other purposes to vest in the said County Council and the said lord mayor aldermen and citizens jointly the Torpoint ferry undertaking of the said County Council to discontinue the Saltash ferry; and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to dissolve the University College of the South West of England and to transfer all the rights property and liabilities of that College to the University of Exeter; and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to provide for the vesting in the urban district council of Whistable of the harbour at Whistable and the lands of the British Transport Commission held therewith to confer powers on the Council with reference thereto and the maintenance management and improvement thereof; and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill to transfer to The United Steel Companies Limited the undertaking of the Workington Harbour and Dock Board; to constitute that Company the Port and Harbour Authority at Workington; and to extend and redefine the limits of the said Port and Harbour; to confer powers on that Company in relation to the undertaking to make provisions as to the rates which may be charged and taken by that Company in relation to the user of the undertaking to repeal the Acts relating to the Board's undertaking; and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Secretary Lennox-Boyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Statement on the Ghana Constitution.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Mclay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—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, 1862, as applied by Section 5 of the Harbours, Piers and Ferries (Scotland) Act, 1937, in the year ended the 31st day of January 1957.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Molson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of a Scheme made by Saint Peter's Hall, Oxford, for administering certain funds of the Hall.

Copy of Statutes made by the University of Oxford of 1956, amending the Statutes of the University.
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:
Memorandum by the Lord Chancellor proposing corrections and minor improvements in certain enactments relating to Dentists.
Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

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. Secretary Butler)
A Motion was made, and the Question Rent Bill being proposed, That the following provisions shall apply to the remaining Proceedings on the Rent Bill:
1. (a) The Standing Committee to which the Bill is committed shall report the Bill to the House on or before the thirteenth day of March, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven; (b) at a sitting of the Standing Committee at which any Proceedings are to be brought to a conclusion under a Resolution of the Business Sub-Committee the Chairman shall not adjourn the Committee until any Order relating to the sittings of the Committee until the Proceedings have been brought to a conclusion;
(c) no dilatory Motion with respect to Proceedings on the Bill or the adjournment of the Standing Committee shall be made in the Standing Committee except by a member of the Government, and the Question on any such Motion, if made by a member of the Government, shall be put forthwith without any debate; and
(d) on the conclusion of the Committee stage of the Bill the Chairman shall report the Bill to the House without putting any Question.
2. The Proceedings on Consideration and Third Reading shall be completed in three allotted days and shall be brought to a conclusion at half an hour after Ten of the clock on the last of those days; and for the purpose of the Standing Order (Business Committee) this Order shall be taken to allot to the Proceedings on Consideration such portion of those days as the Resolution of the Business Committee may determine.
3. The Business Committee shall report to the House their recommendations as to the Proceedings on Consideration, and as to the allocation of time between those Proceedings and the Proceedings on Third Reading, not later than the twentieth day of March, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven.
4. No motion shall be made to postpone any Clause, Schedule, new Clause or new Schedule, but the recommendation of the Business Sub-Committee may include alterations in the order in which Clauses, Schedules, new Clauses and new Schedules are to be taken in the Standing Committee.

5. On an allotted day the Standing Order (Sittings of the House) shall have effect with the substitution of references to Ten of the clock for references to Ten of the clock, and Proceedings which under this Order or the Resolution of the Business Committee are to be brought to a conclusion on that day shall not be interrupted under the provisions of the said Standing Order.

6. If, on any allotted day, a Motion is made under the Standing Order (Adjournment on definite matter of urgent public importance) the last foregoing paragraph of this Order shall not apply, but—
   (a) any Proceedings on the Bill exempted under paragraph (2) of that Standing Order shall be so exempted for the period mentioned in that paragraph and a further half-hour; and
   (b) the bringing to a conclusion of any Proceedings on the Bill which, under this Order or under the Resolution of the Business Committee, are to be brought to a conclusion on that day after Seven of the clock shall be deferred for a period equal to the duration of the Proceedings upon that said Motion under the Standing Order (Adjournment on definite matter of urgent public importance).

7. If, at Seven of the clock on an allotted day, any Proceedings on the Bill which, under the Resolution of the Business Committee, are to be brought to a conclusion at or before that time have not been concluded, any Motion for the Adjournment of the House under the Standing Order (Adjournment on definite matter of urgent public importance) which, apart from this Order, would stand over to that time shall stand over until those Proceedings have been concluded.

8.—(1) Any Private Business which has been set down for consideration at Seven of the clock on an allotted day shall, instead of being considered as provided by the Standing Orders, be considered at the conclusion of the Proceedings on the Bill on that day, and shall be exempted by this paragraph from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House) for a period of three hours or, if the Proceedings on the Bill are concluded before half an hour after Ten of the clock, for a period (from Ten of the clock) equal to the time elapsing between Seven of the clock and the conclusion of those Proceedings; and paragraph (5) of the Standing Order (Time for taking private business) shall not apply.

(2) Paragraph (O) of the Standing Order (Adjournment on definite matter of urgent public importance) shall not apply to any Private Business exempted as aforesaid.

9. The Standing Order (Motion for leave to bring in Bills and nomination of Select Committees at commencement of Public Business) shall not apply to any allotted day.

10. On an allotted day no dilatory Motion with respect to Proceedings on the Bill shall be made except by a member of the Government, and the Question on any such Motion shall be put forthwith without any debate.

11. For the purpose of bringing to a conclusion any Proceedings which are to be brought to a conclusion at a time appointed by the Resolution of the Business Sub-Committee or of the Business Committee or by this Order and which have not previously been brought to a conclusion, the Chairman or Mr. Speaker shall, at the time so appointed, put forthwith the Question on any Amendment or Motion already proposed from the Chair, and, in the case of a new Clause which has been read a second time, also the Question that the Clause be added to the Bill, and subject thereto shall proceed to put forthwith the Question on any Amendments, new Clauses or new Schedules moved by a member of the Government of which notice has been given (but no other Amendments, new Clauses or new Schedules) and any Question necessary for the disposal of the Business to be concluded, and, in the case of any Amendments, new Clauses or new Schedules moved by a member of the Government, he shall put only the Question that the Amendment be made or that the Clause or Schedule be added to the Bill.

12. The Proceedings on any Motion moved by a member of the Government for varying or supplementing the provisions of this Order or of the Resolution of the Business Committee shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion two hours (or, if interrupted by a Motion for the Adjournment of the House under the Standing Order (Adjournment on definite matter of urgent public importance), two hours together with a period equal to the duration of the interruption) after they have been commenced, and the last foregoing paragraph of this Order shall, so far as applicable, apply as if the Proceedings were Proceedings on the Bill; and if any such Motion for varying or supplementing the provisions of this Order or of the Resolution of the Business Committee is under consideration at Seven of the clock on a day on which any Private Business has been set down for consideration at Seven of the clock, the Private Business shall stand over and be considered when the Proceedings on the Motion have been concluded.

13. Nothing in this Order or in the Resolution of the Business Sub-Committee or the Business Committee shall—
   (a) prevent any Proceedings to which the Order or Resolution applies from being entered upon or completed earlier than is required by the Order or Resolution; or
   (b) prevent any Business (whether on the Bill or not) from being proceeded with on any day after the completion of the Proceedings on the Bill for that day.

14. In this order, “allotted day” means any day (other than a Friday) on which the Bill is put down as the first Government order of the day, “the Resolution of the Business Sub-Committee” means the Resolution of the Business Sub-Committee as agreed to by the Standing Committee, “the Resolution of the Business Committee” means the Resolution of the Business Committee as agreed to by...
the House, and references to the Proceedings on Consideration or the Proceedings on Third Reading include references to any Proceedings at those stages respectively, for, on or in consequence of re-committal—(Mr. Secretary Butler);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in line 1, by leaving out the word "That" to the end of the Question and adding the words "this House declines to accept a Motion which seeks to stifle discussion on proposals that vitally and directly affect many millions of Her Majesty's subjects, which imposes a time limit on Clauses exclusively concerning Scotland and not yet discussed in detail, and which seeks by a misuse of Parliamentary procedure to avoid the results of differences of opinion among the supporters of Her Majesty's Government"—(Mr. Mitchison),—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. Heath, Mr. Oakshott:]
Yea, 310.
Tellers for the [Mr. Popplewell, Mr. Pearson:]
No, 255.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Oakshott, Mr. Popplewell, Mr. Pearson, Commander Thompson:]
Yea, 307.
Tellers for the [Mr. Heath, Mr. Popplewell:]
No, 253.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the following provisions shall apply to the remaining Proceedings on the Rent Bill:

1. (a) The Standing Committee to which the Bill is committed shall report the Bill to the House on or before the thirteenth day of March, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven; (b) at a sitting of the Standing Committee at which any Proceedings are to be brought to a conclusion under a Resolution of the Business Sub-Committee the Chairman shall not adjourn the Committee under any Order relating to the sittings of the Committee until the Proceedings have been brought to a conclusion;

(c) no dilatory Motion with respect to Proceedings on the Bill or the adjournment of the Standing Committee shall be made in the Standing Committee except by a member of the Government, and the Question on any such Motion, if made by a member of the Government, shall be put forthwith without any debate; and

(d) on the conclusion of the Committee stage of the Bill the Chairman shall report the Bill to the House without putting any Question.

2. The Proceedings on Consideration and Third Reading shall be completed in three allotted days and shall be brought to a conclusion at half an hour after Ten of the clock on the last of those days; and for the purpose of the Standing Order (Business Committee) this Order shall be taken to allot to the Proceedings on Consideration such portion of those days as the Resolution of the Business Committee may determine.

3. The Business Committee shall report to the House their recommendations as to the Proceedings on Consideration, and as to the allocation of time between those Proceedings and the Proceedings on Third Reading, not later than the twentieth day of March, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven.

4. No motion shall be made to postpone any Clause, Schedule, new Clause or new Schedule, but the recommendation of the Business Sub-Committee may include alterations in the order in which Clauses, Schedules, new Clauses and new Schedules are to be taken in the Standing Committee.

5. On an allotted day the Standing Order (Sittings of the House) shall have effect with the substitution of references to half an hour after Ten of the clock for references to Ten of the clock, and Proceedings which under this Order or the Resolution of the Business Committee are to be brought to a conclusion on that day shall not be interrupted under the provisions of the said Standing Order.

6. If, on any allotted day, a Motion is made under the Standing Order (Adjournment on definite matter of urgent public importance) the last foregoing paragraph of this Order shall not apply, but—

(a) any Proceedings on the Bill exempted under paragraph (2) of that Standing Order shall be so exempted for the period mentioned in that paragraph and a further half-hour; and

(b) the bringing to a conclusion of any Proceedings on the Bill which, under this Order or under the Resolution of the Business Committee, are to be brought to a conclusion on that day after Seven of the clock shall be deferred for a period equal to the duration of the Proceedings upon the said Motion under the Standing Order (Adjournment on definite matter of urgent public importance). The bring of any Motion under the Standing Order (Adjournment on definite matter of urgent public importance), which, apart from this Order, would stand over until that time shall stand over until those Proceedings have been concluded.

7. If, at Seven of the clock on an allotted day, any Proceedings on the Bill which, under the Resolution of the Business Committee, are to be brought to a conclusion at or before that time have not been concluded, any Motion for the Adjournment of the House under the Standing Order (Adjournment on definite matter of urgent public importance) which, apart from this Order, would stand over to that time shall stand over until those Proceedings have been concluded.

8.—(1) Any Private Business which has been set down for consideration at Seven of the clock on an allotted day shall, instead of being considered as provided by the Standing Orders, be considered at the conclusion of the Proceedings on the Bill on that day, and shall be exempted by this paragraph from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House) for a period of three hours or, if
the Proceedings on the Bill are concluded before half an hour after Ten of the clock, for a period from Ten of the clock equal to the time elapsing between Seven of the clock and the completion of those Proceedings; and paragraph (p) of the Standing Order (Time for taking private business) shall not apply.

2. Paragraph (p) of the Standing Order (Adjournment on definite matter of urgent public importance) shall not apply to any allotted day.

3. The Standing Order (Motion for leave to bring in Bills and nomination of Select Committees at commencement of Public Business) shall not apply to any allotted day.

4. On an allotted day no dilatory Motion with respect to Proceedings on the Bill shall be made except by a member of the Government, and the Question on any such Motion shall be put forthwith without any debate.

5. For the purpose of bringing to a conclusion any Proceedings which are to be brought to a conclusion at a time appointed by the Resolution of the Business Sub-Committee or of the Business Committee or by this Order and which have not previously been brought to a conclusion, the Chairman or Mr. Speaker shall put forthwith the Question on any Amendment or Motion already proposed from the Chair, and, in the case of a new Clause which has been read a second time, also the Question that the Clause be added to the Bill, and subject thereto shall proceed to put forthwith the Question on any Amendment or Schedule moved by a member of the Government of which notice has been given (but no other Amendments, new Clauses or new Schedules) and any Question necessary for the disposal of the Business to be concluded, and, in the case of any Amendments, new Clauses or new Schedules moved by a member of the Government, he shall put only the Question that the Amendment be made or that the Clause or Schedule be added to the Bill.

6. The Proceedings on any Motion moved by a member of the Government for varying or supplementing the provisions of this Order or of the Resolution of the Business Committee shall, if not previously concluded, be brought to a conclusion two hours after Ten of the clock (from Ten of the clock equal to the duration of the interruption) after they have been commenced, and the last foregoing paragraph of this Order shall, so far as applicable, apply as if the Proceedings were Proceedings on the Bill: and if any such Motion for varying or supplementing the provisions of this Order or of the Resolution of the Business Committee is under consideration at Seven of the clock on a day on which any Private Business has been set down for consideration at Seven of the clock, the Private Business shall stand over and be considered when the Proceedings on the Motion have been concluded.

7. Nothing in this Order or in the Resolution of the Business Sub-Committee or the Business Committee shall—

(a) prevent any Proceedings to which the Order or Resolution applies from being entered upon or completed earlier than is required by the Order or Resolution; or

(b) prevent any Business (whether on the Bill or not) from being proceeded with on any day after the completion of the Proceedings on the Bill for that day.

8. In this Order, "allotted day" means any day other than a Friday on which the Bill is put down as the first Government order of the day; "the Resolution of the Business Sub-Committee" means the Resolution of the Business Sub-Committee as agreed to by the Standing Committee; "the Resolution of the Business Committee" means the Resolution of the Business Committee as agreed to by the House, and references to the Proceedings on Consideration or the Proceedings on Third Reading include references to any Proceedings at those stages respectively, for, or on in consequence of re-committal.

Mr. Redmayne reported from the Committee on New Streets Act, 1951 (Amendment) (Money) a Resolution, which was read, as follows:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the New Streets Act, 1951, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the first-mentioned Act (in the sums payable under Part I of the Rating (Scotland) Act, 1956, as amended by the Valuation and Rating (Scotland) Act, 1956, out of moneys so provided.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question Supply and being put. That an humble Address be sent to Her Majesty, praying that the Milk (Great Britain) Amendment No. 2 Order, 1956, dated 17th December 1956, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 19th day of December last, be annulled—[Mr. Willey]:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the { Mr. Holmes; Mr. Joseph Price; } 1156.

Tellers for the { Mr. Willis; Mr. Hughes-Young; } 206.

So it passed in the Negative.

A Motion was made, and the Question Adjournment being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—[Colonel Harrison]:

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Tuesday, 5th February, 1957;

And the Question being put:

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

(* Memorandum.—The number of the Yeas has been altered, from 146, as reported by the Tellers, to 136, in accordance with the direction given to the Clerk by Mr. Speaker.)
And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till four minutes after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

MEMORANDUM.

Monday, 4th February, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of the Standing Order (Business Sub-Committee) Mr. Speaker this day nominated the following members of Standing Committee A to be members of the Business Sub-Committee to consider the Allocation of Time Order relating to the Rent Bill: Mr. Bowles (Chairman), Mr. Brooke, Mr. Browne, Mr. Thomas Fraser, Sir Ian Horobin, Mr. Leigh, Mr. Lindgren, and Mr. Mitchell.

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


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Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to the Standing Order relating to Private Business (Bills affecting charities or educational foundations).—Report on the British Transport Commission Bill.

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 Statute of Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945, That no Petition has been presented against the Wakefield (Amendment of Local Enactments) Order, 1957.

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

Mr. Secretary Butler reported from the Committee of Privileges, to whom were referred the Master of the Complaint made upon the 22nd day of January last by Mr. Wigg, Member for Dudley, of a broadcast on the 21st day of December last by the British Broadcasting Corporation, commenting on and discussing a subject raised as a matter of Privilege in the House on the 17th day of December last and then referred to the Committee of Privileges; the Master of the Complaint made upon the 22nd day of January last by Mr. Lagden, Member for Hornchurch, of a statement reported in the Romford Recorder newspaper of the 4th day of January last, as having been made by a Mr. Donald Paterson; and the Master of the Complaint made upon the 22nd day of January last by Mr. Leiger, Member for Romford, of a statement reported in the Romford Recorder newspaper of the 18th day of January last, as having been made by the said Mr. Paterson, That they had considered the matters to them referred and had agreed to a 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 be printed.

Mr. Secretary Butler presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of an Order, dated 30th January 1957, entitled the Suffolk (East and West) County Agricultural Executive Committee (Combination of Counties) Order, 1957.

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

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Mr. Hughes-Young and Mr. Holmes, the Tellers in the Yeas Division Lobby in the Division yesterday on the Question, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Milk (Great Britain) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1956, dated 17th December 1956, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 19th day of December last, be annulled, came to the Table and stated that they had erroneously reported the number of the Yeas as 145, instead of 156, which was the correct number.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker directed the Clerk to correct the number in the Journal accordingly:—Yea 156, Noes 206.

Ordered, That this day the Business of Supply may be taken after Ten of the clock and that the Proceedings of the Committee of Supply and 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) for one hour after Ten of the clock.—(Mr. Secretary Butler.)

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

Ordered, That the Report be received to­morrow.

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

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

Resolved, That the Report be received to­morrow.

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

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

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

Ordered, That the Report be received to­morrow.

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

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of Privy Council or of Her Majesty's Household.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjustments.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nineteen minutes before Twelve of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 46.]

Wednesday, 6th February, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

R. Morison presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—

Copies of Orders in Council, dated 24th January 1957, increasing the existing rates of certain allowances payable to naval pensioners in cases where disablement is due to—

(1) service during the 1914 World War, and

(2) service after the 2nd day of September 1939.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
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 Liverpool Corporation (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.

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had added Fifteen Members to Standing Committee C.

The Public Trustee (Fees) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time tomorrow and to be printed.

The Public Trustee (Fees) Bill [Lords] was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords and desire their concurrence.

Lieutenant-Commander Thompson reported from the Committee of Supply yesterday, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Army Supplementary Estimate, 1956-57.

That a Supplementary sum, not exceeding £39,000,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1957, for expenditure beyond the sum already provided in the grants for Army Services for the year, including a grant in aid to the Council of Voluntary Welfare Work.

Mr. McLeavy accordingly presented a Bill to amend section thirty-one of the National Assistance Act, 1948, and to empower local authorities to provide meals and domicillary and other facilities for old people; and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 8th day of March next and to be printed.

Mr. McLeavy accordingly presented a Bill to amend section thirty-one of the National Assistance Act, 1948, and to empower local authorities to provide meals and domicillary and other facilities for old people; and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 8th day of March next and to be printed.

National Assistance Act, 1948
Amendment.

Bill 55.

Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Homicide Bill;
MEMORANDUM.

Wednesday, 6th February, 1957.
In pursuance of paragraph (1) of the Standing Order (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker this day appointed Mr. Henry Hynd, Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Public Health Officers (Deputies) Bill.

Mr. Powell presented, by Her Majesty's European Free Trade Area Command, a Memorandum by Her Majesty's Government to the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation on a European Free Trade Area.

Mr. Powell also presented, pursuant to the Appropriations directions of an Act of Parliament, a Treasury Minute under the Public Accounts and Charges Act, 1891, dated 7th February 1957, directing the application of certain receipts as Appropriations in Aid of the Vote for the Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation.

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

Mr. Secretary Butler presented, pursuant to Standing Order (Chairmen of Standing Committees), a Resolution; which was read, as follows:

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

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. Powell do prepare and bring it in.

Ordered, That 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. Powell do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Powell 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-seven: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed.

Adjournment.
A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Lieutenant-Commander Thompson).—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-one minutes before Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 47]

Thursday, 7th February, 1957.
The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Treaty Series Majesty's Command, a Memorandum by Her Majesty's Government to the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation on an Oceanographic Research Station.

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

Sir David Eccles presented, pursuant to the Census of 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—
(1) to the Urban District of Stourport-on-Severn,
(2) to the Urban District of Swaffham, and
(3) to the Rural District of Lichfield.

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

Mr. Brook 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—
(1) Volume 6, Industry D, Rayon, Nylon, etc., Production,
(2) Volume 6, Industry H, Jute, and
(3) Volume 7, Industry E, Fellmongery.

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

Mr. B. 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—
(1) Volume 6, Industry D, Rayon, Nylon, etc., Production,
(2) Volume 6, Industry H, Jute, and
(3) Volume 7, Industry E, Fellmongery.

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

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(1) Volume 6, Industry D, Rayon, Nylon, etc., Production,
(2) Volume 6, Industry H, Jute, and
(3) Volume 7, Industry E, Fellmongery.

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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(3) Volume 7, Industry E, Fellmongery.

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.

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(1) Volume 6, Industry D, Rayon, Nylon, etc., Production,
(2) Volume 6, Industry H, Jute, and
(3) Volume 7, Industry E, Fellmongery.

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

Mr. B. 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—
(1) Volume 6, Industry D, Rayon, Nylon, etc., Production,
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rating and Valuation Bill; And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

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 Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her Royal Assent to an Act passed 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 Her 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, therewith authorised, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Act, as followeth:—


And the Question being again proposed, That the Rating and Valuation 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 declines to proceed further with a Bill which contains no proposals consequent on a general review of local government finance, does not provide for the re-rating of industry and so imposes an unnecessary burden on domestic ratepayers and local authorities"—(Mr. Mitchison),—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. Oakshott, Mr. Wakefield:—206.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Simmons, Mr. Smith:—165.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Lieutenant-Commander Thompson.)

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

Mr. Brooke, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Rating and Valuation [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 relating to rating and valuation, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the provisions of the said Act in the sums payable but of such moneys for the year 1957-58 or subsequent years under Part I of the Local Government Act, 1948, or the Local Government (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Act, 1954, as amended by the Valuation and Rating (Scotland) Act, 1956, being provisions—

(a) reducing the rateable value of any hereditament;
(b) increasing the rateable value of any hereditament which a Gas Board is treated as occupying out of moneys provided by Parliament for the re-rating of industry and so imposes an unnecessary burden on domestic ratepayers and local authorities;
(c) authorising the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the provisions of the said Act in the sums payable but of such moneys for the year 1957-58 or subsequent years under Part I of the Local Government Act, 1948, or the Local Government (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Act, 1954, as amended by the Valuation and Rating (Scotland) Act, 1956, being provisions—

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 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 Aberdare, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 31st day of January last, be approved.—(Mr. Simon.)

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 Beddgelert, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 31st day of January last, be approved.—(Mr. Simon.)

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 Sidmouth, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 31st day of January last, be approved.—(Mr. Simon.)

Mr. Wills reported from the Committee on Coal-Mining (Subsidies) [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for the execution of remedial works and the making of payments in respect of damage caused by subsidence resulting from the working and getting of coal, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament.
of the remuneration of any assessor summoned, and the expense of any remit made, by a court in proceedings under the said Act.

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

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

(Mr. Wills)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till two minutes before Twelve of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 48.]

Friday, 8th February, 1957.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Wednesbury Writ.

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 for Wednesbury, in the room of Stanley Norman Evans, Esquire, who, since his election for the said Constituency, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Three Chiltern Hundreds of Stoke, Desborough and Burnham, in the County of Buckingham.—(Mr. Bowden.)

Road Traffic and Vehicles.

Mr. Warkinson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations and Directions, dated 7th January 1957, entitled the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions, 1957.

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

Coal Industry.

Mr. Renton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 1st February 1957, entitled the Coal Industry (Superannuation Scheme (Winding up, No. 11)) Regulations, 1957.

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 Receipts and Payments of the Secretary of State for the Colonies in respect of the Colonial Development Corporation for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Account be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House recognises the important role international parliamentary assemblies have to play in the development of European co-operation, and considers that this can be most effectively fulfilled in the Council of Europe where parliamentarians could meet to discuss any aspect of western co-operation and union.—(Mr. Doughty): —And a Debate arising thereupon:

Mr. Doughty 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;

Resolved, That this House recognises the important role international parliamentary assemblies have to play in the development of European co-operation, and considers that this can be most effectively fulfilled in the Council of Europe where parliamentarians could meet to discuss any aspect of western co-operation and union.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 1st day of this instant February, That the Advertisements (Hire-Purchase) Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Death Penalty Second Reading of the Death Penalty (Abolition) Bill (Abolition) Bill;

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

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.—(Lieutenant-Commander Thompson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-seven minutes after Four of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.

[No. 49.]

Monday, 11th February, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker made the following communication to the House:

I regret to have to inform the House of the death of Sir Leonard David Gammans, Baronet, Member for Hornsey, and I desire, on behalf of the House, to express our sympathy with the relatives of the honourable Member.

Ordered, That the Barclays Bank D.C.O. Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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

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

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

Ordered, That the City of London (Various Powers) Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Croydon Corporation Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
Ordered, That the Dartford Tunnel Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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

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

Ordered, That the People's Dispensary for Sick Animals Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Portsadle and Southwick Outfall Sewerage Board Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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

Ordered, That the Stockton-on-Tees Corporation Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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

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

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

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

Ordered, That the Workington Harbour and Dock (Transfer) Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Mr. Secretary Maclay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 4th February 1957, entitled the Forth Road Bridge (Extension of Time) Order, 1957, with a Statement by the Secretary of State for Scotland under Section 10 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945.

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

Mr. Molson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Statute made by the Governing Body of All Souls College, Oxford, on the 16th day of November 1956, amending the Statutes of the College.

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

Sir Roger Coifant reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr. Hay laddened in respect of the Rent Bill; and had appointed in substitution Lord Balniel.

(Mr. Brooke)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.  
(Mr. Wakefield.)

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

[No. 50.]  
Tuesday, 12th February, 1957.

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

Prayers.

The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household Double Taxation Relief reported to the House, That their Address praying that to Double Taxation Relief had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously and to give the following Answer:

I have received your Address praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Netherlands Antilles) Order, 1956, be made in the form of the Draft laid before you House.

I will comply with your request.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Barclays Bank D.C.O. D.C.O. 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 Barry Corporation Bill; 

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

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 Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cattedown Wharves 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 City of London (Various 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 Croydon Corporation Bill; 

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

Gloucester Corporation Bill.

Marine Society Bill.

People’s Dispensary for Sick Animals Bill.

Portslade and Southwick Sewerage Board Bill.

Stockton-on-Tees Corporation Bill.

Sunderland Corporation Bill.

Tamar Bridge Bill.

University of Exeter Bill.

Whitstable Harbour Bill.

Workington Harbour and Dock (Transfer) Bill.

A Public Petition was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Powell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of all Sums received from and paid to Trustees during the year ended the 20th day of November 1956, with a Statement showing the aggregate amount of the Liabilities of the Government to Trustees of Savings Banks on the 20th day of November 1956, and the nature and nominal amount of the Securities held by the National Debt Commissioners to meet those Liabilities at that date.

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

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty’s Command,—Copy of Notes signed at London on the 6th day of November 1956 from Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom to the Danish, Icelandic, Italian, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norwegian, Swedish and Swiss Governments reimposing the visa requirement for their respective nationals travelling to Cyprus.

Copy of Notes exchanged at Buenos Aires on the 17th day of October 1956 between Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Argentine Republic further prolonging the Air Services Agreement of the 17th day of May 1956, as amended by the Notes exchanged on the 22nd day of January 1953.

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

Mr. Secretary Ward presented, by Her Majesty’s Command,—Estimate of the further Sum required to be voted for Air Services for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1957.

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

Mr. Molson presented, pursuant to the Navy (Pay, Pensions, &c.) directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 24th January 1957, approving an Admiralty Memorial paying sanction to new Regulations in respect of retired pay, pensions and gratuities for all ranks of the Royal Naval and Marine Forces.

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

Mr. Macleod presented, pursuant to the National Service (Miscellaneous) (Amendment) Regulations, 1957.

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

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Government Orders, dated 5th February 1957, entitled—

(1) the Dartford (Extension) Order, 1957, and

(2) the Norfolk and Parts of Holland (Boundaries) Order, 1957.

with Certificates by the Minister of Housing and Local Government under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945.

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:

Accounts of Receipts and Payments by the National Debt Commissioners in respect of the Capital and Income of the Irish Land Purchase Fund for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Account of the Ironstone Restoration Fund showing Receipts and Payments during the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Account of the Receipts and Expenses of the Law Society of Scotland paid into and out of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Fund for the year ended the 31st day of March, 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Accounts be printed.

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged the Lords Commission, other than Mrs. Schofield, and had appointed in substitution Mrs. Bill.

Mr. Fletcher reported from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, the Minutes of the Standing Committee C Lieutenant-Colonel Schofield added in respect of the Public Health Officers (Deputies) Bill; and had appointed in substitution Mrs. Bill.

Ordered, That the said Minutes 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 Commonwealth Settlement Bill, without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Consolidated Fund Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and was committed to a Committee of the whole House.

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, realising that the policy of Her Majesty's Government has forced up prices and rents, endangered the maintenance of full employment and depleted the nation's gold and dollar reserves, calls upon Her Majesty's Ministers to formulate new and appropriate policies designed to re-build our reserves, increase production and capital investment, assure full employment, stabilise prices and improve the position of old-age pensioners and others living on small fixed incomes—(Mr. Harold Wilson).

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 "affirms its confidence in the economic policies of Her Majesty's Government and its support for all necessary measures designed to deal with the economic problems facing the country"—(Mr. Birch), 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. Popplewell, Mr. Pearson; Noes, Mr. Oakshott.

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:

The House divided. The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Heath, Mr. Oakshott; Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Pearson.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put:

Resolved. That this House affirms its confidence in the economic policies of Her Majesty's Government and its support for all necessary measures designed to deal with the economic problems facing the country.

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 Stourport-on-Severn, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 7th day of this instant February, be approved.—(Mr. Simon.)

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 Rural District of Lichfield, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 28th day of December last, be annulled—(Mr. Willey):

Then the Main Question was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolved. That this House do now adjourn.

Adjournment.

—(Mr. Wills.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-four minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Whitstable Harbour Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Workington Harbour and Dock (Transfer) Bill;

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

A Public Petition was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Powell presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Ninetieth Report of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Inland Revenue, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956.

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

Mr. Soames presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Estimate of the Supplementary Estimate required to be voted for the Navy for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1957. No. 85.

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

Mr. Marples presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of an Agreement, dated 1st February 1957, between the Postmaster-General and the British Broadcasting Corporation, supplemental to a Licence and Agreement made on the 12th day of June 1952 between the parties.

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

Mr. Henry Hynd reported from Standing Committee C, That they had gone through the said Paper, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday the 8th day of March next.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Mr. Boyd-Carpenter, supported by Mr. Secretary Macleod, Mr. John Gilbert, and Miss Fitz, presented a Bill to provide for modifying the provisions of the National Insurance Act, 1946, under which persons are treated as having retired; to amend the conditions of entitlement to certain benefits payable out of the National Insurance Fund or the Industrial Injuries Fund; to provide for an additional description of benefit under the aforesaid Act in respect of a child; to amend the provisions of that Act as to contributions in respect of periods as an insured person under the age of sixteen; 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 House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Consolidated Fund Bill. (In the Committee.)
Mr. Speaker's Certificate.

Mr. Speaker certified that the Bill was a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

Defence.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House regrets that, despite the expenditure since 1951 of more than £7,500 million, recent events have emphasised the wasteful and ineffective character of the present defence arrangements, and accordingly calls upon Her Majesty's Government to prepare forthwith a revised defence plan which will ensure greater efficiency and lead to both a substantial cut in expenditure and the abolition of national service—(Mr. George Brown);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "welcomes the intention of Her Majesty's Government to meet the essential needs of defence, and our Commonwealth and international responsibilities, while reducing expenditure and demands upon manpower" and inserting the words "welcomes the intention of Her Majesty's Government to meet the essential needs of defence, and our Commonwealth and international responsibilities, while reducing expenditure and demands upon manpower"—(Mr. Sandys),—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. Popplewell and Mr. Heath: 243.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Oakshott: 302.

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 welcomes the intention of Her Majesty's Government to meet the essential needs of defence, and our Commonwealth and international responsibilities, while reducing expenditure and demands upon manpower.

Agriculture.

Resolved, That the Draft Silo Subsidies (Scotland) Scheme, 1957, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 31st day of January last, be approved.—(Mr. Godber.)

Resolved, That the House do now adjourn. Adjournment—(Mr. Oakshott.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eight minutes before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Secretary Butler presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 21st February 1957, entitled the Justices' Allowances Regulations, 1957.

Copy of Regulations, dated 2nd February 1957, entitled the Petroleum-Spirit (Conveyance by Road) Regulations, 1957.

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

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Notes ex. No. 11, 1957, relating to the Sterling Payments Agreement of the 2nd day of March 1944.

Copy of a Convention signed at London on the 9th day of July 1956 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Denmark on Payment of Compensation or Benefit in respect of Industrial Injuries (including Occupational Diseases) as relating to Denmark and Northern Ireland (Ratifications were exchanged on the 18th day of December 1956).


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

Mr. Secretary Macleay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—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 Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State on or before the 27th day of November 1956 are of opinion that the Dundee Corporation (Consolidated Powers) Draft Provisional Order, so far as Clause 668 is concerned, ought to be dealt with by Private Bill and not by Provisional Order, and that, save as aforesaid, 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.

Census of Production, 1956.


1. Volume 1, Industry E, Metalliferous Mines and Quarries, and

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

Agriculture.

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of an Order, dated 12th February 1957, entitled the Fatstock (Guarantee Payments) Order, 1957.

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

Piers and Harbours (Provisional Orders).

Report by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food of his Proceedings under General Pier and Harbour Acts, 1861-1915, for 1956.

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

London Traffic.

Mr. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of an Order, dated 7th February 1957, entitled the Faststock (Guarantee Payments) Order, 1957.

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:

Public Records.

Schedule containing a List and Particulars of certain classes of documents existing or accruing in the offices of the Ministry of Labour and National Service which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

Supreme Court (Procedure).

Copy of Rules, dated 8th February 1957, entitled the Matrimonial Causes (Amendment) Rules, 1957.

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:

Transport (Railway Finances) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Transport (Railway Finances) Bill, without any Amendment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Rating and Valuation Bill be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House) [Mr. Secretary Butler];

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

Tellers for the "Yeas, "
Mr. Legh, Mr. Hughes-Young; 211.
Mr. Holmes, Mr. Willcox; 170.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. Oakshott reported from the Committee on Rating and Valuation [Money], a Resolution, which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session relating to rating and valuation, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the provisions of the said Act in the sums payable out of such moneys for the year 1957-58 or subsequent years under Part I of the Local Government Act, 1948, or the Local Government (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Act, 1954, as amended by the Valuation and Rating (Scotland) Act, 1956, being provisions—

(a) reducing the rateable value of any hereditament;

(b) increasing the rateable value of any hereditament which a Gas Board is treated as occupying under section six of the Rating and Valuation (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1955; or

(c) reducing for the purposes of Part I of the Local Government Act, 1948, the rateable value for an area by reference to the reduction in the amount of rateable chargeable in respect of hereditaments to which section eight of the said Act of 1955 applies.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved Rating and Valuation Bill into a Committee on the Rating and Valuation Bill. (In the Committee)

Clause No. 1 (Rateable value of shops, offices, etc., for purposes of existing valuation lists).

Amendment proposed, in page 1, line 5, to leave out the words " net annual " and insert the word " rateable "—(Mr. Bishop).

Question, That the words " net annual " stand part of the Clause, put and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 1, line 6, to leave out from the beginning to the word " is " in line 7 and insert the words " consists of or includes a shop "—(Mr. Mitchell).

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

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the "Yea, "
Colonel Harrison, Mr. Price; 165.
Mr. Holme, Mr. Holmes; 141.
Another Amendment proposed, in page 1, line 7, after the word "premises", to insert the words "nor licensed premises"—(Mr. Lindgren.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 1, line 22, at the end, to insert—

"Provided that the deductions specified as aforesaid shall not reduce the amount payable below what would have been payable in the rate period ending on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and fifty-six, Where the amount of the rate payable would, but for this proviso, be less than the amount payable in the rate period ending on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and fifty-six, then the amount payable shall be the amount payable in the rate period ending on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and fifty-six"—(Mr. Sparks.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, (Mr. Simmons; Mr. Pearson) 135.
Tellers for the Noes, (Mr. Bryan; Mr. Wakefield) 157.

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

Mr. Mitchison moved, That the Chairman do report Progress and ask leave to sit again.

but the Chairman, pursuant to the Standing Order (Dilatory Motion in abuse of rules of House) declined to propose the Question therefore to the Committee.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. Mitchison):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Question again proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. Brooke),—put and agreed to.

Mr. Deputdy 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, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

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

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 Bristol, West, in the room of the Right Honourable Sir Walter Turner Mounceyton, K.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., M.C., Q.C., called up to the House of Peers.—(Mr. Heath.)

Mr. Secretary Lennox-Boyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Report for 1955, 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. Boyd-Carpenter presented, pursuant to Pensions, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules, dated 14th February 1957, entitled the Increase of Pensions (India, Pakistan and Burma) Rules, 1957.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Animal Boarding Establishments Bill:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being 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. Ridgwall; Mr. Ruressal:
Tellers for the Noes, (Mr. Doughty; Mr. Dudley Williams)

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to the Standing Order (Committee of Bills).

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Local Government (Promotion of Bills) 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:

Wing Commander Bullas rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but 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, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday next.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

Prayers.
The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Croydon Corporation 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 Gloucester Corporation Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant February.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the People's Dispensary for Sick Animals Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 27th day of this instant February.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Stockton-on-Tees Corporation Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Mr. Powell presented, by Her Majesty's Customs and Excise,—Copy of the Forty-seventh Report of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Customs and Excise, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956.  
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Butler presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Fourteenth Report of the Royal Fine Art Commission, for 1955 and 1956.

Mr. Secretary Butler also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Report of the Inspector under the Inebriates Acts, 1879-1900, for 1956.  
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Ward presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 11th February 1957, entitled the Stopping up of Highways (Air Ministry) (Revocations) Order, 1957.  
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Maclay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Local Financial Returns for Scotland for the year 1951-52.  
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing and Town Development (Scotland) Bill;  
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time at Two of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.

The Yeas to the Right;  
The Noes to the Left.  
Tellers for the [Mr. Wakefield, 200.  
Tellers for the [Mr. Pearson, 160.  
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to the Standing Order (Committee of the Whole House).

Mr. Secretary Maclay, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Housing and Town Development (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.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session making new provision, among other matters, with respect to contributions out of the Exchequer and by local authorities in respect of housing accommodation provided or improved in Scotland and enabling Scottish local authorities to provide housing accommodation and other development in relief of the urgent needs of districts other than their own, it is expedient—

A. To authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any expenses incurred by the Secretary of State in paying to a local authority, or in certain cases to a development corporation,—

(a) in respect of any approved house an annual contribution for a period of sixty years of the appropriate amount herein-after specified, that is to say—

(i) in the case of a house provided by a local authority other than a house such as is mentioned under the four next following sub-heads, twenty-four pounds;

(ii) in the case of a house provided by a local authority in accordance with arrangements made with the approval of the Secretary of State as being desirable by reason of special circumstances for the provision of housing accommodation in any area for persons coming to that area in order to meet the urgent needs of industry, thirty pounds;

(iii) in the case of a house provided by a local authority by way of housing accommodation for the agricultural population, thirty-six pounds;

(iv) in the case of a house provided by a local authority in pursuance of any overspill agreement, forty-two pounds;

(v) in the case of a house provided by a local authority, being an exporting authority, in the district of another local authority, forty-two pounds;

(vi) in the case of a house provided by a development corporation otherwise than in pursuance of arrangements made under section eighty of the Act of 1950, forty-two pounds;

(vii) in the case of a house provided by a housing association under arrangements made under the said section eighty, such one of the amounts mentioned in sub-heads (i), (ii) and (iii) of this head as the Secretary of State may determine to be appropriate;

(b) in respect of any approved house which is a flat contained in a block of flats, an additional annual contribution for a period of sixty years of such amount as may be determined by the Secretary of State to be necessary to secure the amortisation over the said period of an amount equal to two-thirds of the sum, if any, by which the cost of the house exceeds such sum as may be so determined to represent the average cost of approved houses in Scotland (exclusive of such houses as may be so determined) at the time of the approval by the Secretary of State of the proposals in accordance with which the house is provided;

(c) in respect of any approved house (not being a house provided by a development corporation or the town council of a large burgh) an additional annual contribution for a period of sixty years of such amount as the Secretary of State considers just and reasonable having regard to the remoteness of the site of that house or the sites of other houses from centres of supply of building labour and material;

(d) contributions towards the expenditure incurred by a local authority in connection with—

(i) the acquisition or appropriation of land situated within the area to which any town development scheme relates or the clearing or preliminary development of land so situated, or

(ii) the provision for the purposes of any town development scheme of any water supply or sewerage service, being contributions of such amounts and payable in such cases, over such periods and subject to such conditions, as may be determined by or under regulations made under any provision of the said Act of the present Session relating to town development schemes;

B. To authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any expenses incurred by the Secretary of State in paying to the Scottish Special Housing Association,—

(a) in respect of any house (as defined for the purposes of any provision of the said Act of the present Session relating to the said Association) provided by them an annual contribution, or, as the case may be, the sum of the annual contributions, which would have been payable in that year under subsection (7) of section eighty-four and sections eighty-six, eighty-eight and eighty-nine of the Act of 1950, and any provision of the said Act of the present Session providing for the payment of Exchequer contributions in respect of houses provided by a local authority, if the house had been a house provided by a local authority;
C. To authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the provisions of the said Act of the present Session in the sums required or authorised under any other Act to be so paid;

D. To authorise the payment into the Exchequer of any receipts of the Secretary of State under the said Act of the present Session.

In this Resolution—

"Act of 1950" means the Housing (Scotland) Act, 1950;

"approved house" means a new house which is—

(a) provided by a local authority in the exercise of their power to provide housing accommodation, or by a development corporation otherwise than in pursuance of arrangements made under section eighty of the Act of 1950, and in respect of which the proposals afterwards accompanied by such information as is required by the Secretary of State as to the estimated cost of erection of the house, were or are received by the Secretary of State on or after the first day of August, nineteen hundred and fifty-six, or

(b) provided by a housing association in pursuance of arrangements made under the said section eighty on or after the said first day of August, being a house for which proposals have been submitted to the Secretary of State and have been approved by him for the purposes of the said Act of the present Session;

"exporting authority" means a local authority, being a local authority for a district which has a need for housing accommodation which cannot in the opinion of the Secretary of State be properly and fully met by the provision of housing accommodation within the district, who propose to make or have made arrangements for the meeting of that need, in whole or in part, by the provision of housing accommodation outside their district;

"overspill agreement" means an agreement entered into between an exporting authority and another local authority or a development corporation for the provision by that other authority, or, as the case may be, that corporation, of housing accommodation to meet, in whole or in part, the needs of the district of the exporting authority;

"town development scheme" means a scheme made by a local authority and approved by the Secretary of State, and containing proposals for development to be carried out in conjunction with the provision of housing accommodation in the district of that local authority in pursuance of arrangements made by another local authority for meeting, in whole or in part, any need of their district for housing accommodation in which the opinion of the Secretary of State cannot be properly and fully met by the provision of such accommodation within their district—

(Mr. Secretary Macdonald.)

And it being after Ten o' clock, and objections being taken to further Proceedings, 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.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment. (Lieutenant-Commander Thompson.)

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

MEMORANDUM.

Monday, 18th February, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of the Standing Order (Standing Committees (Constitution and Powers)), Mr. Speaker this day allocated the Animal Boarding Establishments Bill, the Aerial Advertising Bill, and the Maintenance Agreements Bill to Standing Committee C.

Tuesday, 19th February, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Powell presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Estimates for Civil and Revenue Departments for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1958, with a Memorandum.

[No. 55.]

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

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Notes exchanged at London on the 9th day of January 1957 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Union of Burma amending the Burmese Schedule of Routes annexed to the Air Transport Agreement of the 25th day of October 1952.

Copy of a Protocol signed at Strasbourg on the 6th day of November 1952 to the General Agreement on Privileges and Immunities of the Council of Europe (the United Kingdom
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Hare presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Estimates for the Army for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1958 (Vote A and Vote on Account).

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

Mr. Secretary Ward presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Estimates for Air Services for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1958 (Vote A and Vote on Account).

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

Mr. Soames presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Estimates for the Navy for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1958 (Vote A and Vote on Account).

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

Mr. Sandys presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Estimate for the Ministry of Defence for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1958.

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

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 13th February 1957, entitled the Importation of Pedigree Animals (No. 1) Order, 1957.

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

Mr. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations, dated 12th February 1957, entitled—

(1) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (Deptford) (No. 2) Regulations, 1957,

(2) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (Greenwich) Regulations, 1957,

(3) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (Hayes and Harlington) Regulations, 1957,

(4) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (Lambeth) Regulations, 1957,

(5) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (St. Marylebone) Regulations, 1957, and


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

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 12th February 1957, entitled—

(1) the City of Gloucester (Extension) Order, 1957, and

(2) the City of Oxford (Extension) Order, 1957,

with Certificates by the Minister of Housing and Local Government under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945.

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

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 passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to provide for the imposition of a levy on exhibitors of cinematograph films and for the making from the proceeds thereof of payments to, or for the benefit of, makers of British cinematograph films and to the Children's Film Foundation Limited; to amend the law relating to the functions and finances of the National Film Finance Corporation; to extend the period during which, under section one of the Cinematograph Films Act, 1948, the inclusion of British cinematograph films amongst registered films exhibited to the public in theatres in Great Britain is obligatory and increase the maximum amount of certain fees payable under the Cinematograph Films Act, 1938; and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Cinematograph Films Bill (Lords) was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next and to be printed.

Niall MacDermot, Esquire, Member for Lewisham, North, was sworn.

Ordered, That the Proceedings of the Committee on Housing and Town Development (Scotland) [Money] 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 itself into the Committee of Supply.

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

Civil Estimates and Estimates for Revenue Departments, Supplementary Estimate, 1956-57.

Class II.


Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum, not exceeding £1,937,358, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1957, for sundry Colonial services, including subscriptions to certain international organisations and grants in aid; and certain expenditure in connection with the liabilities of the former Government of Palestine.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That Subhead B 1, Cyprus (Grant in Aid) be reduced by £100.—(Mr. Callaghan.)

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 the direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means under the Standing Order (Time for taking Private Business).

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

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.
Barclays Bank D.C.O. Bill.
The Barclays Bank D.C.O. Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Cattedown Wharves Bill.
The Cattedown Wharves Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

City of London (Various Powers) Bill.
The City of London (Various Powers) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed.

Marine Society Bill.
The Marine Society Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Sunderland Corporation Bill.
The Sunderland Corporation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed.

University of Exeter Bill.
The University of Exeter Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed.

Whitstable Harbour Bill.
The Whitstable Harbour Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed.

Supply.
The House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Question put, That Sub-head Bl, Cyprus Grant in Aid, be reduced by £100.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Popplewell, Mr. Pearson;
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Oakshott.

Original Question again proposed:—
Debate arising;
And it being after Ten o'clock, 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.

Housing and Town Development (Scotland) (Money).
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Housing and Town Development (Scotland) (Money).

Question again proposed, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session making new provision, among other matters, with respect to contributions out of the Exchequer and by local authorities in respect of housing accommodation provided or improved in Scotland and enabling Scottish local authorities to provide housing accommodation and other development in relief of the needs of districts other than their own, it is expedient—

A. To authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any expenses incurred by the Secretary of State in paying to a local authority, or in certain cases to a development corporation,—

(a) in respect of any approved house an annual contribution for a period of sixty years of the appropriate amount hereinafter specified, that is to say—

(i) in the case of a house provided by a local authority other than a house such as is mentioned under the four next following sub-heads twenty-four pounds;

(ii) in the case of a house provided by a local authority in accordance with arrangements made with the approval of the Secretary of State as being desirable by reason of special circumstances for the provision of housing accommodation in any area for persons coming to that area in order to meet the urgent needs of industry, thirty pounds;

(iii) in the case of a house provided by a local authority by way of housing accommodation for the agricultural population, thirty-six pounds;

(iv) in the case of a house provided by a local authority in pursuance of any overspill agreement, forty-two pounds;

(v) in the case of a house provided by a local authority, being an exporting authority, in the district of another local authority, forty-two pounds;

(vi) in the case of a house provided by a development corporation otherwise than in pursuance of arrangements made under section eighty of the Act of 1950, forty-two pounds;

(vii) in the case of a house provided by a housing association under arrangements made under the said section eighty, such one of the amounts mentioned in sub-heads (i), (ii) and (iii) of this head as the Secretary of State may determine to be appropriate;

(b) in respect of any approved house which is a flat contained in a block of flats, an additional annual contribution for a period of sixty years of such amount as may be determined by the Secretary of State to be necessary to secure the amortisation over the said period of an amount equal to two-thirds of the sum, if any, by which the cost of the house exceeds such sum as may be so determined to represent the average cost of approved houses in Scotland (exclusive of such houses as may be so determined) at the time of the approval by the Secretary of State of the proposals in accordance with which the house is provided;

(c) in respect of any approved house (not being a house provided by a development corporation or the town council of a large-burgh) an additional annual contribution for a period of sixty years of such amount as the Secretary of State considers just and reasonable having regard to the remoteness of the site of that house or the sites of other houses from centres of supply of building labour and material;

(d) contributions towards the expenditure incurred by a local authority in connection with—

(i) the acquisition or appropriation of land situated within the area to which any town development scheme relates or the clearing or preliminary development of land so situated, or
(a) by a local authority in the exercise of their power to provide housing accommodation, or by a development corporation otherwise than in pursuance of arrangements made under section eighty of the Act of 1950, and in respect of which the proposals after-mentioned, accompanied by such information as is required by the Secretary of State as to the estimated cost of erection of the house, were or are received by the Secretary of State on or after the first day of August, nineteen hundred and fifty-six; or

(b) by a housing association in pursuance of arrangements made under the said section eighty on or after the said first day of August, being a house for which proposals have been submitted to the Secretary of State and have been approved by him for the purposes of the said Act of the present Session;

"exporting authority" means a local authority, being a local authority for a district which has a need for housing accommodation which cannot in the opinion of the Secretary of State be properly and fully met by the provision of housing accommodation within the district, who propose to make or have made arrangements for the meeting of that need, in whole or in part, by the provision of housing accommodation outside their district;

"overspill agreement" means an agreement entered into between an exporting authority and another local authority or a development corporation for the provision by that other authority, or, as the case may be, that corporation, of housing accommodation to meet, in whole or in part, the needs of the district of the exporting authority;

"town development scheme" means a scheme made by a local authority and approved by the Secretary of State, and containing proposals for development to be carried out in conjunction with the provision of housing accommodation in the district of that local authority in pursuance of arrangements made by another local authority for meeting, in whole or in part, any need of their district for housing accommodation which in the opinion of the Secretary of State cannot be properly and fully met by the provision of such accommodation within their district:—Debate arising;

Wednesday, 20th February, 1957:

Mr. Heath 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

Yea,

Mr. Rodenaye,

Mr. Hughes-Young:

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Mr. Bence,

Mr. Enns Hughes:

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Question, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session making new provision, among other matters, with respect to contributions out of the Exchequer and by local authorities in respect of housing accommodation provided or improved in Scotland and enabling Scottish local authorities to provide housing accommodation and other development in relief of the needs of districts other than their own, it is expedient—

A. To authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any expenses incurred by the Secretary of State in paying to the Scottish Special Housing Association,—

(c) in respect of any house thus defined for the purposes of any provision of the said Act of the present Session relating to the said Association provided by them an annual contribution for a period of sixty years of an amount, in each year, equal to the annual contribution, or, as the case may be, the sum of the annual contributions, which would have been payable in that year under subsection (7) of section eighty-four and sections eighty-six, eighty-eight and eighty-nine of the Act of 1950, and any provision of the said Act of the present Session providing for the payment of Exchequer contributions in respect of houses provided by a local authority, if the house had been a house provided by a local authority;

(b) such further contributions as the Secretary of State may determine;

C. To authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the provisions of the said Act of the present Session in the sums required or authorised under any other Act to be so paid;

D. To authorise the payment into the Exchequer of any receipts of the Secretary of State under the said Act of the present Session.

In this Resolution—

"Act of 1950" means the Housing (Scotland) Act, 1950;

"approved house" means a new house which is—

(a) provided by a local authority in the exercise of their power to provide housing accommodation, or by a development corporation otherwise than in pursuance of arrangements made under section eighty of the Act of 1950, and in respect of which the proposals after-mentioned, accompanied by such information as is required by the Secretary of State as to the estimated cost of erection of the house, were or are received by the Secretary of State on or after the first day of August, nineteen hundred and fifty-six; or

(b) by a housing association in pursuance of arrangements made under the said section eighty on or after the said first day of August, being a house for which proposals have been submitted to the Secretary of State and have been approved by him for the purposes of the said Act of the present Session;
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(vi) in the case of a house provided by a development corporation otherwise than in pursuance of arrangements made under section eighty of the Act of 1950, forty-two pounds;

(vii) in the case of a house provided by a housing association under arrangements made under the said section eighty, each of the amounts mentioned in sub-heads (i), (ii) and (iii) of this head as the Secretary of State may determine to be appropriate;

(b) in respect of any approved house which is a flat contained in a block of flats, an additional annual contribution for a period of sixty years of such amount as may be determined by the Secretary of State to be necessary to secure the amortisation over the said period of an amount equal to two-thirds of the sum, if any, by which the cost of the house exceeds such sum as may be so determined to represent the average cost of approved houses in Scotland (exclusive of such houses as may be so determined) at the time of the approval by the Secretary of State of the proposals in accordance with which the house is provided;

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(d) contributions towards the expenditure incurred by a local authority in connection with—

(i) the acquisition or appropriation of land situated within the area to which any town development scheme relates, or the clearing or preliminary development of land so situated, or

(ii) the provision for the purposes of any town development scheme of any water supply or sewerage service, being contributions of such amounts and payable in such cases, over such periods and subject to such conditions, as may be determined by or under regulations made under any provision of the said Act of the present Session relating to town development schemes;

B. To authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any expenses incurred by the Secretary of State in paying to the Scottish Special Housing Association,—

(a) in respect of any house (as defined for the purposes of any provision of the said Act of the present Session relating to the said Association) provided by them an annual contribution for a period of sixty years of an amount, in each year, equal to the annual contribution, or, as the case may be, the sum of the annual contributions, which would have been payable in that year under subsection (7) of section eighty-four and sections eighty-six, eighty-eight and eighty-nine of the Act of 1950, and any provision of the said Act of the present Session providing for the payment of Exchequer contributions in respect of houses provided by a local authority, if the house had been a house provided by a local authority;

(b) such further contributions as the Secretary of State may determine;

C. To authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the provisions of the said Act of the present Session in the sums required or authorised under any other Act to be so paid;

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(b) provided by a housing association in pursuance of arrangements made under the said section eighty on or after the said first day of August, being a house for which proposals have been submitted to the Secretary of State and have been approved by him for the purposes of the said Act of the present Session;

"exporting authority" means a local authority, being a local authority for a district which has a need for housing accommodation which cannot in the opinion of the Secretary of State be properly and fully met by the provision of housing accommodation within the district, who propose to
Adjournment.

Southwick Dartford Tamar Bridge Outfall Sewerage Portsiade and Dock (Transfer) Board Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Croydon 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 Stockton-on-Tees Corporation Bill;

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

Several Public Petitions were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Powell presented, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of the 4th day of March 1879,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 20th February 1957, regarding the Application of Surpluses on certain Navy Votes for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, to meet Deficits on other Navy Votes and Sums chargeable to Balances irrecoverable and Claims abandoned for the same year.

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

Mr. Vosper presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 14th February 1957, entitled the London Traffic (Prohibition of Waiting) (Beaconsfield) Regulations, 1957.

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

Mr. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 13th February 1957, entitled the National Health Service (General Dental Services) Amendment Regulations, 1957.

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

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee C Mr. Woolf, and had appointed in substitution Mr. Kenyon.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Committee, That they had added Fifteen Members to Standing Committee C in respect of the Animal Boarding Establishments Bill, viz.: Mr. Doughty, Mrs. Emmett, Mr. Greenwood, Mr. Gurden, Mr. Thomas Jones, Mr. Meek, Mr. Marshall, Mr. Mason, Mr. Meyler, Mr. Ridsdale, Mr. Albert Roberts, Mr. Russell, Mr. Short, Mr. Simon, and Mr. Dudley Williams.

Ordered. That the Proceedings on Government Business be suspended, at this day's House. Siting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(Mr. Secretary Butler.)
Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the law in England and Wales in respect of the supply of intoxicating liquor to children and young persons in registered clubs and to prohibit their entry into, and their employment in, such clubs during permitted hours: And that Mr. Black, Mr. Bowen, Mr. Cole, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Glendower Hall, Dr. Hastings, Mr. Holmes, Mr. McGhee, Sir Frank Medlicott, Mr. Gwynn Roberts, Mr. Royle, and Mr. Simmons do prepare and bring it in. Mr. Black accordingly presented a Bill to amend the law in England and Wales in respect of the supply of intoxicating liquor to children and young persons in registered clubs and to prohibit their entry into, and their employment in, such clubs during permitted hours: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to read a second time upon Friday the 1st day of March next and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Rating and Valuation Bill. (In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Rateable value of shops, offices, etc., for purposes of existing valuation lists).

Question again proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Barber, Mr. Bryan; 226.
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Price, Noes, Mr. Short; 193.

Clause No. 2 agreed to.

Clause No. 3 (Rating liability of area gas boards).

Amendment proposed, in page 3, line 15, to leave out from the word "thereunder" to the end of the Clause and add the words—

"(2) For any rate period as aforesaid the said section, the said Schedule and the last foregoing subsection shall have effect as if references to the manufacture of gas in the said section and the said Schedule included references to the purification of gas;

Provided that for the purposes of apportionment and allocation under sub-paragraph (3) of paragraph 4 of the said Schedule a therm purified shall be treated as one-half (or such other fraction as the Minister may generally or in any particular case direct) of a therm manufactured ".—(Mr. Mitchell.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:

—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 4 to 6 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.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time:

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The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

Mr. Wakefield; 199.

The Noes to the Left:

Mr. Joseph Price; 162.

So 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.

The Public Trustee (Fees) Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

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

The House, according to Order, resolved Ways and Means into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Electricity (Income Tax and Profits Tax).

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for the dissolution of the Central Electricity Authority and the establishment of a Central Electricity Generating Board and an Electricity Council, it is expedient to provide, as from the date on which the said Authority is dissolved by that Act—

(a) that, for the purposes of the enactments relating to income tax, and of the enactments relating to the profits tax, the said Council shall be treated as carrying on a trade or business;

(b) that those enactments shall have effect, and shall be deemed always to have had effect, as if the trade or business carried on by the said Authority at any time before the said date had been the trade or business of the said Council, and as if any reference in those enactments to the said Authority were a reference to the said Council;

(c) that those enactments shall have effect, in relation to any time on or after the said date, as if any reference to an Area Board established under the Electricity Act, 1947, included a reference to the said Central Electricity Generating Board;

(d) that, for the purposes of the enactments relating to income tax, the trade carried on by the said Authority shall not be treated as permanently discontinued on the said date, nor shall a new trade be treated as set up and commenced on that date by the said Central Electricity Generating Board or the said Council, so however that for the purposes of the operation of the said enactments in accordance with the preceding paragraphs anything done by, to, or in relation to the said Authority shall be treated as from the said date as if it had been done by, to, or in relation to the said Council.

—(Mr. Powell.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means D 3
Adjournment.

Adjournment.

Adjournment.

Mr. Secretary Ward, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Electricity (Money) (No. 2) 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 dissolution of the Central Electricity Authority and the establishment of a Central Electricity Generating Board and an Electricity Council, it is expedient to authorise any increase in the sums which may be required—

(a) to be issued out of the Consolidated Fund for enabling advances to be made by the Minister of Power, or

(b) to be raised by the Treasury, or

(c) to be paid into the Exchequer, or

(d) to be issued out of the Consolidated Fund and applied in redeeming or paying off debt or paying interest, being an increase attributable to any provision of that Act for amending section forty-two of the Finance Act, 1956, by substituting a reference to the said Council for the reference to the said Authority in subsection (2) of that section.—(Mr. Maudling.)

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.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Patents Bill [Lords], not amended in the Standing 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.

Adjournment.

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

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

Adjournment.

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

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

MEMORANDUM.

Wednesday, 20th February, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of the Standing Order (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker this day appointed Mr. William Richard Williams Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Animal Boarding Establishments Bill.

[No. 571]

Thursday, 21st February, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

The Croydon Corporation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Stockton-on-Tees Corporation Bill;

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

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Notes (No. 14, 1957), exchanged at Washington on the 17th and 30th days of October 1956 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the United States of America amending the Schedule of Routes annexed to the Air Services Agreement of the 11th day of February 1946.

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

Mr. Secretary MacKay presented, pursuant to Animals, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 20th February 1957, authorising the landing at Prestwick Airport of Poll Hereford Cattle from America.

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

Mr. Motion presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 15th February 1957, entitled the Foreign Compensation (Financial Provisions) Order, 1957.


Sir David Eccles presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Report on the Supply and Exports of Electrical and Allied Machinery and Plant.

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

Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to the Standing Order relating to Private Business (Bills affecting charities or educational foundations),—Report on the London County Council (General Powers) Bill [Lords].

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

Sir Robert Cary reported from the Joint Committee, to whom a Petition of the Derbyshire County Council for the Amendment of the Derwent Valley Water Order, 1956, was referred, pursuant to Section 4 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945, That they had considered the said Petition and had heard Counsel in support thereof; and had directed him to report the Order, with Amendments, to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Ordered, That the Order, as amended, and the Minutes of the Evidence do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Janner reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills (Joint Committee) (General),—Report on the London County Council (General Powers) Bill (Lords).

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

Mr. Benson reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had made Progress in the matter to them referred and had agreed to a Report which they had directed him to make to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Report, together with the said Minutes, 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 Consolidated Fund Bill, without any Amendment.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Committee had made a further Amendment 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.

An Amendment was made to the Bill.
Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 2, line 36, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words "and to furnish information to the Commissioners of Customs and Excise."—(Mr. Rhodes.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Simmons, Mr. Joseph Price:

Nobles, Mr. Wakefield, Mr. Hughes-Young:

So it passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Mr. Wakefield reported from the Committee of Ways and Means yesterday, a Resolution; which was read, as follows:

"Electricity (Income Tax and Profits Tax).—That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for the dissolution of the Central Electricity Authority and the establishment of a Central Electricity Generating Board and an Electricity Council, it is expedient to authorise any increase in the sums which may be required—

(a) to be issued out of the Consolidated Fund and applied in redeeming or paying off debt or paying interest, or
(b) to be paid into the Exchequer, or
(c) to be issued out of the Consolidated Fund and applied in redeeming or paying off debt or paying interest, being an increase attributable to any provisions of that Act for amending section forty-two of the Finance Act, 1956, by substituting a reference to the said Council for the reference to the said Authority in subsection (2) of that section.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, put:—

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. (Mr. Wakefield);

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. (Mr. Wakefield);

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

[No. 58.]

Friday, 22nd February, 1957.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

Prayers.

Mr. Powell presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Statement showing the Civil Staffs employed in Government Departments on the 1st day of January 1957, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.

Mr. Powell also presented, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of the 4th day of March 1879,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 22nd February 1957, regarding the Application of Surpluses on certain Air Votes for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, to meet Deficits on other Air Votes and Sums chargeable to Balances irrecoverable for the same year.
Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 22nd February 1957, regarding the Application of Sums received to certain Army Votes for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, to meet Deficits on other Army Votes and Sums chargeable to Balances irrecoverable and Claims abandoned for the same year.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relating to Public Accounts be printed.

Mr. Secretary Macleay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 15th February 1957, entitled the National Health Service (Authorisation of Subscriptions) (Scotland) Regulations, 1957.

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

Mr. Motion presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 22nd February 1957, entitled the Ghana (Constitution) Order in Council, 1957.

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

Sir David Eccles presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Draft Order, entitled the Cotton Industry Development Council (Amendment No. 3) Order, 1957.

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 Hospital Endowments Fund for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Accounts be printed.

Account showing the Revenue and Expenditure of the Wheat Fund attributable to the year ended the 31st day of July 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Accounts be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House requests Her Majesty's Government to appoint an independent Commission of Inquiry to investigate the present difficulties and future prospects of the motor-car industry and its place in the national economy, including the relevance thereto of credit and hire-purchase restrictions on the manufacture and sale of motor-cars, and purchase-tax—(Mr. James Johnson):—And a Debate arising thereupon;

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

The Order of the day being read, for re-reading the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 15th day of this instant February, That the Local Government (Promotion of Bills) 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, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to the Standing Order (Commitment of Bills).

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

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. 

(—Mr. Brooman-White.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-one minutes after Four of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.
Sandy Urban
District Council
Bill.

Imperial
Ottoman
Guaranteed
Production,
directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Census of
Civil Estimates, 1954.

Lace.
(Amendment No. 3) Order, 1957.
(Strategic Goods).

Services
Supplies and
London Traffic.

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The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the First Report of the Law Reform Committee for Scotland.

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

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee C Mr. Marshall (added in respect of the Animal Boarding Establishments Bill); and had appointed in substitution Sir Jocelyn Lucas.

Ordered, That this day Business other than the Business of Supply may be taken before Ten of the clock.—(Mr. Secretary Butler.)

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


(Vote on Account.)

Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding £1,102,923,000, be granted to Her 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 1958.

VIE.—Civil Estimates.

Class I.

1. House of Lords .... 51,000
2. House of Commons ... 390,000
3. Registration of Electors ... 250,000
4. Treasury and Subordinate Departments ... 1,300,000
5. Privy Council Office ... 12,000
6. Charity Commission ... 12,000
7. Civil Service Commission ... 157,000
8. Exchequer and Audit Department ... 194,000
9. Friendly Societies Registry ... 30,000
10. Government Actuary ... 18,000
11. Government Chemist ... 116,000
12. Government Hospitality ... 23,000
13. The Royal Mint ... 10
14. National Debt Office ... 15
15. National Savings Committee ... 430,000
16. Public Record Office ... 42,000
17. Public Works Loan Commission ... 10
18. Royal Commissions, &c. ... 89,890
19. Secret Service ... 1,700,000
20. Silver ... 9,910
21. Tithe Redemption Commission ... 10
22. Miscellaneous Expenses ... 110,000

Scotland:—

23. Scottish Home Department ... 332,000
24. Scottish Record Office ... 14,000

Class II.

1. Foreign Service ... 5,250,000
2. Foreign Office Grants and Services ... 7,000,000
3. British Council ... 650,000
4. Commonwealth Relations Office ... 850,000
5. Commonwealth Services ... 900,000
6. Overseas Settlement ... 64,000
7. Colonial Office ... 400,000
8. Colonial Services ... 8,000,000
9. Development and Welfare (Colonists, &c.) ... 6,100,000
10. Development and Welfare (Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, and South African High Commission Territories) ... 630,000
11. Imperial War Graves Commission ... 400,000

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 Sandy Urban District Council Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Mr. Powell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account up to the 31st day of December 1956, showing the total Sums issued and applied for Interest Departments, and Estimate for the as guaranteed by Her late Majesty Queen Ministry of Defence, 1957-58. Victoria and for Management of the Imperial Ottoman Guaranteed Loan of 1855, and also (Vote on Account.)

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


(1) Volume 9, Industry M, Tobacco,
(2) Volume 11, Industry B, Linoleum, Leathercloth and Allied Industries, and
(3) Volume 11, Industry H, Cinematograph Film Printing.

Copy of the Income and Expenditure Account of British Lace Furnishings (Overseas Limited) for the year ended the 30th day of June 1956.

Copy of an Order, dated 18th February 1957, entitled the Strategic Goods (Control) Amendment No. 3 Order, 1957.

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

Mr. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations, dated 18th February 1957, entitled—

(1) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (Bermondsey and Southwark) Regulations, 1957,
(2) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (St. Marylebone and Paddington) Regulations, 1957, and
(3) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (Westminster No. 2) Regulations, 1957.

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

Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to the Standing Order relating to Private Business (Bills affecting charities or educational foundations).—Report on the Marine Society Bill.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
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Total for Civil Estimates: £968,163,000
Revenue Departments.

1. Customs and Excise .... £ 5,380,000
2. Inland Revenue .... 14,000,000
3. Post Office .... 109,500,000

Total for Revenue Departments .... 128,880,000

Ministry of Defence .... £ 5,880,000

Total for Civil Estimates, Estimates for Revenue Departments, and Estimate for the Ministry of Defence .... 1,102,923,000

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.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House calls upon Her Majesty's Government immediately to increase the level of retirement and old age pensions and other National Insurance benefits and to request the National Assistance Board to adjust its scales of assistance—(Mr. Marquand);—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 "notes with approval that Her Majesty's Government, having made substantial increases in the rates of National Insurance benefits in 1955, is maintaining them at a higher standard than has prevailed during the greater part of the existence of the National Insurance Scheme; expresses its confidence in the discharge by the National Assistance Board of the duties laid upon it by Parliament; and will support Her Majesty's Government in all measures they may take to protect the real value of these benefits"—(Miss Pitt),—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. Popplewell, Mr. Pearson:
Yeas, 252.
Tellers for the [Mr. Heath, Mr. Oakshott:
Noes, 306.

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;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the [Mr. Heath, Mr. Oakshott:
Yeas, 304.
Tellers for the [Mr. Popplewell, Mr. Pearson:
Noes, 249.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That this House notes with approval that Her Majesty's Government, having made substantial increases in the rates of National Insurance benefits in 1955, is maintaining them at a higher standard than has prevailed during the greater part of the existence of the National Insurance Scheme; expresses its confidence in the discharge by the National Assistance Board of the duties laid upon it by Parliament; and will support Her Majesty's Government in all measures they may take to protect the real value of these benefits.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Lieutenant-Commander Thompson)—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 eleven minutes before Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

MEMORANDUM.


In pursuance of paragraph (2) of the Standing Order (Standing Committees (Constitution and Powers)), Mr. Speaker this day allocated the Local Government (Promotion of Bills) Bill and the Advertisements (Hire Purchase) Bill to Standing Committee C.

Tuesday, 26th February, 1957.

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 Order not previously inquired into, which is applicable thereto, has been complied with, viz.:

Barclays Bank D.C.O. Bill.
Cattedown Wharves Bill.
Marine Society Bill.
Workington Harbour and Dock (Transfer) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills be committed.

Mr. Powell presented, by Her Majesty's Civil Estimates Command,—Statement of the Sums required to be voted in order to make good Excesses on certain grants for Civil Services for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956.
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26th February

Revised Estimate of the further Sum required to be voted for the year ending the 31st day of March 1957 for Agricultural and Food Grants and Subsidies.

Mr. Powell also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 22nd February 1957,

(1) the Import Duties (Drawback) (No. 1) Order, 1957, and
(2) the Import Duties (Drawback) (No. 2) Order, 1957.

Ordered, That the said Statement and the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed; and that the Papers relating to Import Duties (Drawback) do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Convention signed at London on the 18th day of December 1956 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany on Unemployment Insurance (with Protocol) (Ratifications have not been exchanged).

Copy of Notes exchanged at Washington on the 2nd and 28th days of December 1956 between Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the United States of America amending the Schedule of Routes annexed to the Air Services Agreement of the 11th day of February 1946.

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

Mr. Secretary Maclay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts of the North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Board for 1956.

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

Sir David Eccles presented, by Her Majesty’s Command,—Copy of a Trade Agreement signed at Canberra on the 26th day of February 1957 between Her Majesty’s Governments in the United Kingdom and Australia.

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—

(1) the Forth Road Bridge (Extension of Time) Order, 1957,
(2) the Dartford (Extension) Order, 1957, and
(3) the Norfolk and Parts of Holland (Boundaries) Order, 1957.

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

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee C Mr. Albert Roberts (added in respect of the Animal Boarding Establishments Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Pearson.

Mr. Fletcher 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 had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords give leave to the Lord Coleraine Estimates, to attend to be examined as a Witness before Sub-Committee E appointed by the Select Committee on Estimates, if his Lordship think fit.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on Government Business be exempted, at this day, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(The Prime Minister)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the House of Commons Disqualification Bill; and had

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

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from

Sir Brian Horrocks, K.C.B., K.B.E., M.C., Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty’s Commission, for declaring Her 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 Her 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:


Then the House again resolved itself into a Committee on the House of Commons Disqualification Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Question, That the Clause stand part of the Bill, put and negatived.

Clause No. 11 agreed to.

Clause No. 12 amended and agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 13 and 14 agreed to.

Clause No. 15 (Repeals). Amendment proposed, in page 9, line 10, to leave out subsection (3).—(Mr. Parker.) Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.

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 the 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 Stockton-on-Tees Corporation Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being 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 [Mr. David Jones, Yeas; Mr. Chetwynd, Noes; Mr. Brook, Noes; Mr. Blyton, Noes; Mr. Parker, Noes; Mr. Byng, Noes; Mr. Oakshott, Noes; Mr. Wills, Noes; Mr. Wigg, Noes; Mr. Parker, Noes.]

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the House again resolved itself into a Committee on the House of Commons Disqualification Bill.

(In the Committee.)

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

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Oakshott, Yeas; Mr. Wills;] 160.

Tellers for the [Mr. Wigg, Noes; Mr. Parker, Noes;] 38.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 16 agreed to.

To report Progress and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Attorney General.)

Mr. Deputys 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.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Public Trustee (Fees) Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 4 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 do now adjourn. Adjournment.

(Mr. Wills)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-seven minutes before Twelve of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Government Employment in Great Britain on the 1st day of October 1956, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.

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

Mr. Mottistone presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament.—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 15th February 1957, entitled the Trinity House (Remuneration of Members) Order, 1957.

Copy of an Order in Council, dated 15th February 1957, approving an Admiralty Memorial concerning new conditions of service for Supplementary List Officers in general and for Officers entered for air and electrical duties in particular.

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

Mr. Amery presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 21st February 1957, entitled the Public Analysts Regulations, 1957. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Boyd-Carpenter presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 19th February 1957, entitled the National Insurance (New Entrants Transitional) Amendment Regulations, 1957.

Report of the National Insurance Advisory Committee on the National Insurance (New Entrants Transitional) Amendment Regulations, 1957, in accordance with subsection (a) of Section 77 of the National Insurance Act, 1946, preceded by a Statement made by the Minister of Pensions and National Insurance in accordance with that Act.

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

Captain Waterhouse reported from the Select Committee on Estimates, that 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.

Sir Roger Comyn reported from the Committee on Selection of Members to Standing Committee C in respect of the Aerial Advertising Bill, viz.: Mr. Baswich, Mr. Braine, Captain Corfield, Mrs. Emmes, Mr. John Harvey, Mr. Hekeher, Mr. Thomas Jones, Sir Joelyn Lucas, Mr. Mahon, Mr. Mason, Mr. Moyle, Mr. Neave, Mr. Partridge, Mr. Albert Roberts, and Mr. Rogers.

Ordered, That the Proceedings of the Committee on Cinematograph Films [Money] be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(Mr. Secretary Butler.)

The Cinematograph Films Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to the Standing Order (Commital of Bills).
Mr. Speaker's Certificate.

Mr. Speaker certified that the Bill was a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

Supply.

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

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

Ways and Means.

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.

White Fish and Herring Industries Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the White Fish and Herring Industries Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Bryant)—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-nine minutes before Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

[No. 62.1

Thursday, 28th February, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

A PUBLIC Petition was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Powell presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of an Agreement, dated 25th February 1957, between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Export-Import Bank of Washington providing for a Line of Credit not to exceed $500,000,000.

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

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Convention signed at London on the 16th day of December 1956 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany on Social Security (with Protocols) (Ratifications have not been exchanged).

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

Germany (No. 3, 1957).

Copy of Notes exchanged at London from the 28th day of September to the 31st day of December 1956 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Japan prolonging until the 31st day of October 1956, the 30th day of November 1956, the 31st day of December 1956 and the 31st day of January 1957 the Sterling Payments Agreement of the 29th day of January 1954.

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

Mr. Molson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 22nd February 1957, entitled the Air Navigation (Fifth Amendment) Order, 1957.

Copy of a Statute made by the Governing Body of Saint John's College, Cambridge, on the 13th day of December 1956 amending the Statutes of the College.

Copy of an Order in Council, dated 22nd February 1957, entitled the West African Court of Appeal (Amendment) Order in Council, 1957.

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

Sir David Eccles presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Report by the Board of Trade on Monopolies and Restrictive Practices for 1956.

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

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 26th February 1957, entitled the Importation of New Potatoes and Raw Vegetables (England and Wales) Order, 1957.

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

Mr. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the Road Traffic directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 21st February 1957, entitled the Traffic Signs (50 m.p.h. Speed Limit) Regulations, 1957.

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

Mr. Maples presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 26th February 1957, entitled the Telegraph (Inland Written Telegram) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations, 1957.

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

Mr. Brooke presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Housing Summary, dated 31st January 1957.

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

The Order for reading a second time, to-morrow, the Litter Bill, was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 29th day of March next.

Mr. Amory, supported by Mr. Secretary Butler, Mr. Secretary MacKay, Mr. Powell, Mr. Godber, and Lord John Hope, presented a Bill to amend the provisions of the White Fish and Herring Industries Act, 1953, relating to grants by the White Fish Authority and the Herring Industry Board towards new
Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House takes note of the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts of the National Coal Board for 1955.—(Mr. Maudling.)

Mr. Wakefield reported from the Committee on Cinematograph Films [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for the imposition of a levy on exhibitors of cinematograph films and for the making from the proceeds thereof of payments to, or for the benefit of, makers of British cinematograph films and to the Children’s Film Foundation Limited, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment, out of moneys provided by Parliament, of—

(i) the expenses incurred by the Commissioners of Customs and Excise in collecting the said levy; and
(ii) any sums required by the Board of Trade to enable them to lend to the British Film Fund Agency established by the said Act sums necessary to enable the Agency to discharge their functions between the date of their establishment and the time when they have received, by way of payments in respect of the said levy, such sum as, in the opinion of the Board, will be sufficient to enable them to discharge their functions without financial assistance from the Board;

(b) the payment into the Exchequer of any sum retained by the said Commissioners out of the proceeds of the said levy and of any sum received by the Board of Trade by way of repayment of, or payment of interest on, loans made by the Board to the Agency;

(c) any increase in the sums which, under the Cinematograph Film Production (Special Loans) Act, 1949, are to be, or may be, issued out of the Consolidated Fund, raised by borrowing or paid into the Exchequer, being an increase attributable to provisions of the said Act of the present Session extending by ten years the period during which the Board of Trade are empowered under the said Act of 1949 to make advances to the National Film Finance Corporation.

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

Adjournment.

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

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—(Lieutenant-Commander Thompson);—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.

MEMORANDA.

Thursday, 28th February, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of the Standing Order (Standing Committees (Constitution and Powers)), Mr. Speaker this day allocated the Cinematograph Films Bill [Lords] to Standing Committee B.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of the Standing Order (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker this day appointed Sir Robert Grimston Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Cinematograph Films Bill [Lords].

Friday, 1st March, 1957.

The House met at Eleven 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 Newcastle-upon-Tyne, North, in the room of Major the Right Honourable Gwilym Lloyd-George, t.d., called up to the House of Peers.—(Mr. Heath.)

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Beckenham 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 Beckenham, in the room of the Right Honourable Patrick George Thomas Buchan-Hepburn, called up to the House of Peers.—(Mr. Heath.)

Mr. Vosper presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Review, Registrar General’s Statistical Review of England and Wales for 1954—Part III, Commentary. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Renton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 27th February 1957, entitled the Coal Industry Nationalisation (Superannuation) Regulations, 1957. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 26th February 1957, entitled the Local Authorities (Charges for Dustbins) Order, 1957. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Naval Discipline Bill, Bill 60.

Mr. Soames, supported by Mr. Sandys, Mr. Secretary Hare, Mr. Secretary Ward, and Mr. Attorney General, presented a Bill to make provision for the discipline of the Navy, and for other purposes connected with the Navy: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next and to be printed.

Maintenance Orders (Attachment of Income) Bill.

The Maintenance Orders (Attachment of Income) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to the Standing Order (Committee of Bills).

National Health Service (Amendment) Bill.

The National Health Service (Amendment) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to the Standing Order (Committee of Bills).

Legitimation (Re-registration of Birth) Bill.

The Legitimation (Re-registration of Birth) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to the Standing Order (Committee of Bills).

Friendly Societies (Membership of Trade Unions) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Friendly Societies (Membership of Trade Unions) 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 it being Four of the clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday next.

Children and Young Persons (Registered Clubs) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Children and Young Persons (Registered Clubs) Bill;

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

Cheques (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cheques (No. 2) Bill;

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

Adjournment.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes after Four of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.

[No. 64.]

Monday, 4th March, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

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 Percy Daines, Esquire, Member for East Ham, North, 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.

Mr. Secretary Maclay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 27th February 1957, entitled the National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations, 1957.

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

Mr. Molson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Statute made by the University of Cambridge on the 20th day of December 1956, amending the Statutes of the University.

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

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 27th February 1957, entitled the Agriculture (Poisonous Substances) (Arsenical Compounds) Order, 1957.

Copy of an Order, dated 26th February, 1957, entitled the Potatoes (Corky Scab) (Re-vocation) (England and Wales) Order, 1957.

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

Mr. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the London Traffic directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations, dated 25th February 1957, entitled—

1) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (Croydon) (No. 2) Regulations, 1957,
2) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (Finsbury) Regulations, 1957,
3) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (Holborn) (No. 2) Regulations, 1957,
4) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (St. Marylebone) (No. 2) Regulations, 1957,
5) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (Stepney) Regulations, 1957, and

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:—

Account of the Acquisition of Guaranteed Securities Fund for the year ended the 1st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Account of the Sum of paid into and the Sums paid out of the Forestry Fund (Great in Aid) in the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Account of the Marine and Aviation Insurance (War Risks) Fund for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Account of the Nature Conservancy for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Account of the Nature Conservancy, the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, the Universities of London and Cambridge, the Universities of Bristol and Cambridge, and the University of Edinburgh, for the Year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.
Copy of Accounts prepared pursuant to subsection (6) of Section 64 of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1954, and subsection 4(6) of Section 64 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act, 1954, of the Sums issued out of the Consolidated Fund under subsection (1) of Section 4 of those Acts, of Payments therefor from Parts I and V, and of certain Sums received under Parts V and VI of the Acts, during the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Controller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the Accounts relating to Town and Country Planning be printed.

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, That, in pursuance of the Standing Order relating to Private Business (Parliamentary Panel), they had discharged Sir William Aitkens, Sir Duncan McCullum, and Mr. Speare from the Parliamentary Panel of Members of this House to act as Commissioners under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, and had added Sir William Anstruther-Grey, Mr. Roy, Mr. McClean, Mr. John MacLeod, Sir Thomas Moore, and Mr. John Taylor thereto.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Committee, that they had discharged from Standing Committee B Mr. Armstrong, Mr. McLeavy, Mr. Meyle, and Mr. Russell; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Coldick, Mr. Farry-Jones, Mr. John Hearn, Miss Pike, and Mr. Reseves.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Committee, that they had added Twenty-five Members to Standing Committee B in respect of the Cinematograph Films Bill (Parliamentary Panel), viz.: Major Beamish, Mr. Beswick, Mr. Crouch, Sir David Eccles, Mr. Erroll, Mr. Fletcher, Mr. Freeth, Mr. Gower, Mr. Green, Mr. Glenvil Hall, Colonel Harrison, Mr. Holt, Mr. Jay, Mr. Jeger, Mr. Langford-Holt, 0th, Harold Lever, Mr. Nairn, Sir Thomas O'Brien, Mr. Joseph Price, Mr. Ramsden, Mr. Rankin, Mr. Shepherd, Mr. Swingler, and Mrs. White.

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

Mr. Oakshott reported from the Committee of Supply of the 25th day of February last, a Resolution which was read, as followeth:—


(Vote on Account. That a sum, not exceeding £1,102,932,000, be granted to Her 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 1958, viz.:—

Civil Estimates.

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Class II.

1. Foreign Service| 5,250,000 |
2. Foreign Office Grants and Services| 7,000,000 |
3. British Council| 850,000 |
4. Commonwealth Relations Office| 89,000 |
5. Commonwealth Services| 900,000 |
6. Oversea Settlement| 64,000 |
7. Colonial Office| 400,000 |
8. Colonial Services| 8,000,000 |
9. Development and Welfare (Colonies, &c.)| 6,100,000 |
10. Development and Welfare (Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland and South African High Commission Territories)| 610,000 |
11. Imperial War Graves Commission| 400,000 |

Class III.

1. Horse Office| 2,447,000 |
2. Home Office (Civil Defence Services)| 3,074,000 |
3. Police, England and Wales| 13,725,000 |
4. Prisons, England and Wales| 3,200,000 |
5. Child Care, England and Wales| 2,407,000 |
6. Fire Services, England and Wales| 1,500,000 |
7. Carlisle State Management District| 10 |
8. Supreme Court of Judicature, &c.| 50,000 |
9. County Cope| 135,000 |
10. Legal Aid Funds| 500,000 |
11. Land Registry| 10 |
12. Public Trustee| 10 |
13. Law Charges| 218,000 |
14. Miscellaneous Legal Expenses| 60,000 |

Scotland.

15. Scottish Home Department (Civil Defence Services)| 138,000 |
16. Police| 49,000 |
17. Prisons| 301,000 |
18. Approved Schools| 89,000 |
19. Fire Services| 25,000 |
20. State Management Districts| 10 |
21. Law Charges and Courts of Law| 105,000 |
22. Department of the Registrar of Scotland| 10 |
23. Supreme Court of Judicature, &c., Northern Ireland| 20,000 |
24. Irish Land Purchase Services| 598,000 |

Class IV.

1. Ministry of Education| 117,000,000 |
2. British Museum| 244,000 |
3. British Museum (Natural History) Services| 110,000 |
4. Imperial War Museum| 16,000 |
5. London Museum| 11,000 |
6. National Gallery| 25,000 |
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Class V.

1. Ministry of Housing and Local Government                          | £30,000,000 |
2. Housing, England and Wales                                        | £14,000,000 |
3. Exchequer Grants to Local Revenues, England and Wales             | £12,000,000 |
4. Ministry of Health, England and Wales                              | £165,800,000 |
5. National Health Service                                           | £1,100,000  |
6. Medical Research Council                                          | £1,055,000  |
7. Registrar General’s Office                                         | £50,000   |
8. Central Office of Information                                     | £230,000  |
9. War Damage Commission, Scotland                                   | £50,000   |
10. Department of Health                                              | £2,200,000 |
11. National Health Service                                           | £19,000,000 |
12. Housing                                                          | £6,800,000 |
13. Exchequer Grants to Local Revenues                               | £4,700,000 |
14. Registrar General’s Office                                        | £19,000   |

Class VI.

1. Board of Trade                                                     | £1,561,000 |
2. Board of Trade (Assistance to Industry and Trading Services)     | £618,000  |
3. Board of Trade (Strategic Reserves)                               | £900,000  |
4. Services in Development Areas                                     | £1,257,000 |
5. Financial Assistance in Development Areas                         | £62,500   |
6. Export Credits (Special Guarantees)                               | £10,000   |
7. Registration of Restrictive Trading Agreements                    | £37,000   |
8. Ministry of Labour and National Service                           | £6,064,000 |
9. Ministry of Supply (Purchasing (Repayment) Services)              | £43,000,000 |
10. Ministry of Supply                                                | £10,000   |
11. Ministry of Supply (Purchasing (Repayment) Services)             | £10,000   |
12. Royal Ordnance Factories                                         | £3,000,000 |

Class VII.

1. Ministry of Works                                                  | £2,531,000 |
2. Houses of Parliament Buildings                                    | £125,000  |
3. Public Buildings, &c., United Kingdom                              | £1,060,000 |
4. Public Buildings Overseas                                          | £785,000  |
5. Royal Palaces                                                     | £180,800  |
6. Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens                                  | £270,000  |
7. Historic Buildings and Ancient Monuments                           | £340,000  |
8. Rates on Government Property                                      | £7,000,000 |
9. Stationery and Printing                                            | £5,000,000 |
10. Central Office of Information                                     | £700,000  |
11. Peterhead Harbour                                                | £11,000   |

Class VIII.

1. Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food                       | £5,700,000 |
2. Agricultural and Food Grants and Subsidies                        | £73,000,000 |
3. Agricultural and Food Services                                    | £4,000,000 |
4. Food (Strategic Reserves)                                         | £2,000,000 |
5. War Grts and Services                                             | £210,000  |
6. Surveys of Great Britain, &c., United Kingdom                     | £1,000,000 |
7. Office of Crown Estate Commissioners                              | £41,000   |
8. Agricultural Research Council                                     | £1,500,000 |
9. Nature Conservancy                                                | £190,000  |
10. Development Fund                                                 | £400,000  |
11. Forestry Commission                                              | £3,400,000 |
12. Department of Agriculture                                        | £10,250,000 |
13. Fisheries (Scotland) and Herring Industry                        | £1,037,000 |

Class IX.

1. Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation                          | £3,450,000 |
2. Roads, &c. England and Wales                                     | £19,640,000 |
3. Transport (Shipping and Special Services)                         | £100,000   |
4. Civil Aviation                                                    | £2,000,000 |
5. Ministry of Power                                                 | £1,700,000 |
6. Ministry of Power (Special Services)                              | £1,400,000 |
7. Atomic Energy                                                     | £43,000,000 |
8. Department of Scientific and Industrial Research                  | £2,817,000 |
9. Roads, &c., Scotland                                              | £7,896,000 |

Class X.

1. Superannuation and Retired Allowances                              | £5,500,000 |
2. Ministry of Pensions and National Insurance                       | £1,550,000 |
3. War Pensions, &c.                                                 | £30,400,000 |
4. National Insurance and Family Allowances                          | £78,000,000 |
5. National Assistance Board                                         | £45,000,000 |
6. Pensions (India, Pakistan and Burman)                             | £2,900,000 |
7. Royal Irish Constabulary Pension, &c.                             | £410,000   |

Total for Civil Estimates                                           | £968,163,000 |

Revenue Departments.

1. Customs and Excise                                                | £5,380,000 |
2. Inland Revenue                                                   | £14,000,000 |
3. Post Office                                                       | £109,500,000 |

Total for Revenue Departments                                       | £128,880,000 |

Ministry of Defence                                                 | £5,880,000  |

Total for Civil Estimates, Estimate for Revenue Departments, and Estimate for the Ministry of Defence | £1,102,917,000 |

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House regrets the premature disclosure of a Budget intention by the President of the Board of Trade and calls upon the Prime Minister to uphold the high standards established by Parliamentary tradition in such circumstances—(Mr. Gaitskell);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

The Noes to the Left:

Tellers for the Yeas—Mr. Popplewell, Mr. Pearson; 252.

Tellers for the Noes—Mr. Heath, Mr. Oakshott; 307.

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So it passed in the Negative.
Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

(Mr. Bryan.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eight minutes before Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

MEMORANDUM.

Monday, 4th March, 1957.

In pursuance of the Standing Order (Standing Committees (Constitution and Powers)), Mr. Speaker this day allocated the Maintenance Orders (Attachment of Income) Bill, the National Health Service (Amendment) Bill, and the Legitimation Re-registration of Birth) Bill to Standing Committee C.

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

P R A Y E R S.

Iron and Steel.

Mr. Powell presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 1st March 1957, concerning a proposal by the Iron and Steel Holding and Realisation Agency to sell its holding of Ordinary Shares in the Steel Company of Wales Limited.

Import Duties (Drawback).

Mr. Powell also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 1st March 1957, entitled the Import Duties (Drawback) (No. 3) Order, 1957.

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


Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of an Agreement signed at Tokyo on the 19th day of February 1954 regarding the Status of the United Nations Forces in Japan (with related Protocol and agreed Official Minutes).

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

University (Scotland).

Mr. Secretary Macleod presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of University Court Ordinances—

(1) No. 315 (No. 2 of the University of St. Andrews Commissioners and the University Courts of the Universities of Glasgow, Aberdeen and Edinburgh) (Regulations for Fees for Matriculation, Entrance and Graduation), and

(2) No. 316 (No. 1 of the University of St. Andrews Commissioners and the University Courts of the Universities of Glasgow, Aberdeen and Edinburgh) (Regulations for the Degree of Doctor of Laws (LL.D.).

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

Mr. Molson presented, pursuant to the Pay, directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders in Council,—

(1) dated 15th February 1957, approving an Admiralty Memorial praying sanction to the re-organisation of the Branch lists of the Naval, Marine and Reserve Forces to form the new Special Duties Lists, and

(2) dated 22nd February 1957, approving an Admiralty Memorial praying sanction to the payment of an allowance for duties as Gliding Instructor.

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

Mr. Iain Macleod presented, by Her Industrial Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Report of Courts, a Court of Inquiry into the Causes and Circumstances of a Dispute between the British Overseas Airways Corporation and the Merchant Navy and Airline Officers' Association.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means Statutory Orders presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act (Special Procedure).—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—

(1) the City of Oxford (Extension) Order, 1957, and

(2) the City of Gloucester (Extension) Order, 1957.

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

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged Mr. Joseph Price from Standing Committee B, and had appointed in substitution Mr. Rogers.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by the Lords' one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Patents Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

Megan Arfon Lloyd George, commonly called Lady Megan Arfon Lloyd George, sworn, Member for Carmarthen, was sworn.

John Thomson Stonehouse, Esquire, Member for Wednesbury, made the Affirmation required by Law.

The House, according to Order, resolved Supply [in] itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)


Vote A. Numbers.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That 121,500 Officers, Seamen and Juniors and Royal Marines, who are borne on the books of Her Majesty's Ships and at the Royal Marine establishments, and Members of the
Women's Royal Naval Service and Queen Alexandra's Royal Naval Nursing Service, be employed for the Sea Service, for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1958:—Debate arising;

Mr. Heath 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. Oakshott,

Yea, 152.

Tellers for the /Mr. Wakefield.

Noe, 0.

Question, That 121,500 Officers, Seamen and Juniors and Royal Marines, who are borne on the books of Her Majesty's Ships and at the Royal Marine Establishments, and members of the Women's Royal Naval Service and Queen Alexandra's Royal Naval Nursing Service, be employed for the Sea Service, for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1958, put accordingly and agreed to.

Vote on Account.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum not exceeding £125,000,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the charges for the Navy Services which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1958:—Debate arising;

And it being after Ten o'clock, 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 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 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—

(Lieutenant-Commander Thompson):—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-three minutes before Eleven of the clock, ill to-morrow.
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 itself into a Committee on the House of Commons Disqualification Bill.

A Clause (Barristers for Crown, &c.)—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 (Mr. Rogers, 
Yea, (Mr. John Taylor: ) 159.
Noo, (Mr. Wills: ) 218.

Schedule No. 1.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 11, line 6, at the end, to insert the words—

"Chairman or deputy chairman, appointed under the Administration of Justice (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1938, of a court of quarter sessions".—(Mr. Wigg.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 13, line 25, at the end, to insert the words—

"Advocates Depute in Scotland".—(Mr. Wills.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Mr. John Taylor, 
Yea, (Mr. Holmes: ) 119.
Noo, (Mr. Leqh, 
Colonel Harrison: ) 178.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 14, to leave out lines 28 and 29.—(Mr. Hoy.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 15, line 42, at the end, to insert the words—

"Lord Advocate for Scotland".—(Mr. Wills.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 17, to leave out lines 41 to 44.—(Mr. Clement Davies)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Schedule, as amended, agreed to.

Schedules Nos. 2 to 4 amended and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.
Mr. Molson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—
Accounts of Receipts and Expenditure of the General Medical Council, Branch Councils, and Committees, for 1956, and Balance Sheets as at the 31st day of December 1956.

Ordered, That the said Accounts 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 Motions standing in the name of Mr. Vansittart relating to the House of Commons Members' Fund 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 itself into the Committee of Supply. (In the Committee.)


Vote A. Number for Air Force Service.

1. Resolved, That a number of officers, messmen and airwomen, not exceeding 240,000, all ranks, be maintained for Air Force Service, during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1958.

Vote on Account.

2. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding £240,000,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the charges for Air Force Services, including the expense of the reserve and auxiliary services (to a number not exceeding 224,000, all ranks, for the Royal Air Force Reserve, and 9,000, 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 1958.

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.

Mr. Wakefield reported from the Committee on Housing and Town Development (Scotland) [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session making new provision, among other matters, with respect to contributions out of the Exchequer and by local authorities in respect of housing accommodation provided or improved in Scotland and enabling Scottish local authorities to provide housing accommodation and other development in relief of the needs of districts other than their own, it is expedient—

A. To authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any expenses incurred by the Secretary of State in paying to a local authority, or in certain cases to a development corporation—

(a) in respect of any approved house an annual contribution for a period of sixty years of the appropriate amount herein-after specified, that is to say—

(i) in the case of a house provided by a local authority other than a house...
such as is mentioned under the four
next following sub-heads, twenty-four
pounds;

(ii) in the case of a house provided
by a local authority in accordance with
arrangements made with the approval
of the Secretary of State as being desir­
able by reason of special circumstances
for the provision of housing accom­
modation in any area for persons
coming to that area in order to meet
the urgent needs of industry, thirty
pounds;

(iii) in the case of a house provided
by a local authority by way of housing
amortisation for the agricultural
population, thirty-six pounds;

(iv) in the case of a house provided
by a local authority in pursuance of
any overspill agreement, forty-two
pounds;

(v) in the case of a house provided by
a local authority, being an exporting
authority, in the district of another
local authority, forty-two pounds;

(vi) in the case of a house provided
by a development corporation otherwise
than in pursuance of arrangements
made under section eighty of the Act
of 1950, forty-two pounds;

(vii) in the case of a house provided
by a housing association under arrange­
ments made under the said section
eighty, such one of the amounts men­
tioned in sub-heads (ii), (iii) and (iii) of
this head as the Secretary of State may
determine to be appropriate;

(b) in respect of any approved house which
is a flat contained in a block of flats, an
additional annual contribution for a
period of sixty years of such amount as
may be determined by the Secretary of
State to be necessary to secure the
amortisation over the said period of
an amount equal to two-thirds of the sum,
if any, by which the cost of the house
exceeds such sum as may be so deter­
mined to represent the average cost
of approved houses in Scotland exclusive
of such houses as may be so determined
at the time of the approval by the Secre­
tary of State of the proposals in
accordance with which the house is
provided;

c) in respect of any approved house (not
being a house provided by a develop­
ment corporation or the town council of
a large burgh) an additional annual con­
tribution for a period of sixty years of
such amount as the Secretary of State
considers just and reasonable having
regard to the remoteness of the site of
that house or the sites of other houses
from centres of supply of building labour
and material;

d) contributions towards the expenditure
incurred by a local authority in connec­
tion with—

(i) the acquisition or appropriation
of land situated within the area to
which any town development scheme
relates, or the clearing or preliminary
development of land so situated, or

(ii) the provision for the purposes of
any town development scheme of any
water supply or sewerage service,
being contributions of such amounts and
payable in such cases, over such periods
and subject to such conditions, as may be
determined by or under regulations made
under any provision of the said Act of
the present Session relating to town
development schemes;

B. To authorise the payment out of moneys
provided by Parliament of any expenses in­
curred by the Secretary of State in paying to
the Scottish Special Housing Association,—

(a) in respect of any house (as defined for
the purposes of any provision of the said
Act of the present Session relating to
the said Association) provided by them an
annual contribution for a period of sixty
years of an amount, in each year, equal
to the annual contribution, or, as the case
may be, the sum of the annual contribu­
tions, which would have been payable in
that year under subsection (7) of section
eighty-four and sections eighty-six, eighty­
eight and eighty-nine of the Act of 1950,
and any provision of the said Act of the
present Session providing for the payment of
Exchequer contributions in respect of
houses provided by a local authority, if
the house had been a house provided by
a local authority;

(b) such further contributions as the Secre­
tary of State may determine;

C. To authorise the payment out of moneys
provided by Parliament of any increase
attributable to the provisions of the said Act
of the present Session in the sums required or
authorised under any other Act to be so paid;

D. To authorise the payment into the Ex­
chequer of any receipts of the Secretary of
State under the said Act of the present Session.

In this Resolution—

"Act of 1950" means the Housing (Scot­
land) Act, 1950;

"approved house" means a new house
which is—

(a) provided by a local authority in
the exercise of their power to provide
housing accommodation, or by a de­
velopment corporation otherwise than
in pursuance of arrangements made
under section eighty of the Act of 1950,
and in respect of which the proposals
after-mentioned, accompanied by such
information as is required by the Secre­
tary of State as to the estimated cost of
erection of the house, were or are
received by the Secretary of State on
or after the first day of August, nine­
teen hundred and fifty-six, or

(b) provided by a housing associa­
tion in pursuance of arrangements
made under the said section eighty on
or after the said first day of August,
being a house for which proposals have
been submitted to the Secretary of State
and have been approved by him for the
purposes of the said Act of the present
Session;
"exporting authority" means a local authority, being a local authority for a district which has a need for housing accommodation, which cannot in the opinion of the Secretary of State be properly and fully met by the provision of housing accommodation within the district, who propose to make or have made arrangements for the meeting of that need, in whole or in part, by the provision of housing accommodation outside their district;

"overspill agreement" means an agreement entered into between an exporting authority and another local authority or a development corporation for the provision by that other authority, or, as the case may be, that corporation, of housing accommodation to meet, in whole or in part, the needs of the district of the exporting authority;

"town development scheme" means a scheme made by a local authority and approved by the Secretary of State, and containing proposals for development to be carried out in conjunction with the provision of housing accommodation in the district of that local authority in pursuance of arrangements made by another local authority for meeting, in whole or in part, any need of their district for housing accommodation which in the opinion of the Secretary of State cannot be properly and fully met by the provision of such accommodation within their district.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Freeth be discharged from the Committee of Public Accounts; and that Mr. Stevens be added to the Committee.

—(Mr. Wakefield.)

Resolved, That, in pursuance of the provisions of section three of the House of Commons Members' Fund Act, 1948, the maximum annual amounts of the periodical payments which may be made out of the House of Commons Members' Fund under the House of Commons Members' Fund Act, 1939, as amended by the said Act of 1948 and by the Resolution of the House of the 17th day of November 1955, be varied as from the first day of April, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven, as follows:

(a) in paragraph 1 of the First Schedule to the said Act of 1939, as so amended (which provides that the annual amount of any periodical payment made to any person by virtue of his past membership of the House of Commons shall not exceed three hundred pounds or such sum as, in the opinion of the trustees, will bring his income up to three hundred and seventy-five pounds per annum, whichever is the less), for the words "three hundred pounds" there shall be substituted the words "five hundred pounds" and for the words "three hundred and seventy-five pounds" there shall be substituted the words "six hundred and fifty pounds";

(b) in paragraph 2 of the said Schedule (which provides that the annual amount of any periodical payment made to any person by virtue of her being the widow of a past member of the House of Commons shall not exceed one hundred and eighty pounds or such sum as, in the opinion of the trustees, will bring her income up to two hundred and fifty-five pounds per annum, whichever is the less), for the words "one hundred and eighty pounds" there shall be substituted the words "three hundred pounds" and for the words "two hundred and fifty-five pounds" there shall be substituted the words "four hundred and fifty pounds";

(c) in paragraph 2A of the said Schedule (under which the annual amount of any periodical payment made to any person by virtue of his being the widower of a past member of the House of Commons is not to exceed one hundred and eighty pounds or such sum as, in the opinion of the trustees, will bring his income up to two hundred and fifty-five pounds per annum, whichever is the less), for the words "one hundred and eighty pounds" there shall be substituted the words "three hundred pounds" and for the words "two hundred and fifty-five pounds" there shall be substituted the words "four hundred and fifty pounds".

—(Mr. Viant.)

Ordered, That there be appropriated from the sums deducted from the salaries of Members of Parliament under the House of Commons Members' Fund Act, 1939, one-tenth of these deductions in the current year for the purposes of administering the provisions of the House of Commons Members' Fund Act, 1948, Section 4,—(Mr. Viant.)

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

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

MEMORANDUM.

Thursday, 1st March, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of the Standing Order (Standing Committees (Constitution and Powers)), Mr. Speaker this day allocated the Occupiers' Liability Bill to Standing Committee A.
The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

MR. POWELL presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 1st March 1957, entitled the Appointment of the Port of Liverpool (Amendment) Order, 1957.

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

Mr. Renton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 7th March 1957, entitled the Motor Fuel Order, 1957.

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

Resolved, That this House notes with concern the shortage of dentists, and calls upon Her Majesty's Government to hasten their consideration of the recommendations of the McNair Committee on recruitment; to encourage the proper training and employment of ancillary dental workers; and to further the development of measures to prevent dental decay.—(Mr. Steward.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House calls upon Her Majesty's Government to remove the restrictions on the immigration and length of stay in the United Kingdom of foreign persons persecuted on account of their race, creed or political beliefs; that, in accordance with the spontaneous generosity of the British people towards Hungarian refugees, it invites Her Majesty's Government to adopt a more positive policy towards all refugees; and that this House further requests Her Majesty's Government to take steps to raise in the United Nations the expulsion of British and other persons from Egypt and the problem of refugees in the Middle East, with a view to the adoption of an international scheme for resettlement, thus eliminating a potential danger to the peace of the world.—(Mr. Orbach):—And a Debate arising thereupon:

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

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 resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 1st day of this instant March, That the Friendly Societies (Membership of Trade Unions) Bill be now read a second time:

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Children and Young Persons (Registered Clubs) Bill:

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

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

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

(Mr. Hughes-Young.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till two minutes after Four of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.

PRAYERS.

MR. ATTORNEY GENERAL presented, pursuant to the Standing Order relating to Private Business (Bills affecting charities or educational foundations),—Report on the University of Exeter Bill.

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 the Sixth Report of the Law Society Legal Aid on the Operation and Finance of Part I of the Legal Aid and Advice Act, 1949, with the comments and recommendations made by the Advisory Committee, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956.

Lieutenant-Colonel John Gardiner Sumner New Members
Hobson, O.B.E., T.D., Member for Warwick and Leamington, was sworn.

Robert Gordon Cooke, Esquire, Member for Brisol, West, was sworn.

The House, according to Order, resolved Supply (7th allotted Day)
Adjournment.

Adjournment.

(No. 57, 1956).

Study (the Convention has not been ratified by Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom).

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

Mr. Secretary MacLay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Second Report and Statement of Accounts of the South of Scotland Electricity Board, for 1956, with the Report of the Electricity Consultative Council for the South of Scotland District.

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

Sir David Eccles presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Report and Statement of Accounts of the National Research Development Corporation for the year ended the 30th day of June 1956.

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

Mr. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament;

Copies of Regulations, dated 5th March 1957, entitled—

(1) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (Bethnal Green and Shoreditch) Regulations, 1957.
(2) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (Croydon) (No. 3) Regulations, 1957.
(3) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (Slough) Regulations, 1957, and
(4) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (Stepney) (No. 2) Regulations, 1957.

Copies of Regulations, dated 5th March 1957, entitled—

(1) the Oil in Navigable Waters (Records) Regulations, 1957, and
(2) the Oil in Navigable Waters (Transfer Records) Regulations, 1957.

Copy of Regulations, dated 5th March 1957, entitled—

Road Traffic; the Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment) Regulations, 1957.

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

Wing Commander Grant-Ferris reported from the Committee on the Croydon Corporation 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 an Amendment 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 Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had added Twenty-five Members to Standing Committee D in respect of the Coal-Mining (Subsidence) Bill, viz.: Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bryan, Mr. Garne-Evans, Mr. George, Sir Lionel Heald, Mr. Holmes, Sir Keith Joseph, Mr. Kershaw, Mr. Leaey, Sir Hugh Lucas-Tooth, Mr. Mason, Mr. Maudling, Mr. Neul, Mr. Henry.
Mr. Amory, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to White Fish and Herring Industries (No. 2) (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.

(1n the Committee.)

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the provisions of the White Fish and Herring Industries Act, 1953, relating to grants by the White Fish Authority and the Herring Industry Board (hereinafter referred to as "the Authority" and "the Board" respectively) towards new vessels and engines and to the white fish subsidy, and to provide a subsidy in respect of herring, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) any increase in the sums which, in accordance with subsection (4) of section one or subsection (5) of section six of the said Act of 1953, may be required to be paid out of moneys provided by Parliament, being an increase attributable to provisions of the said Act of the present Session,

(b) authorising the making of a grant in pursuance of a scheme under either of those sections in respect of expenditure incurred in the conversion, from coal-firing to oil-firing, of the engine-boilers of any fishing vessel not exceeding one hundred and forty feet in length, in a case where the contract for the execution of the work of conversion is shown to the satisfaction of the Authority or the Board, as the case may be, to have been made after such day, whether before or after the passing of the said Act of the present Session but not earlier than the twenty-eighth day of February, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven, as may be appointed by an order made by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State (hereinafter referred to as "the appointed day"), and an application for the grant is approved by the Authority or the Board, as the case may be, in accordance with the scheme before the end of March, nineteen hundred and sixty-one; and

(c) authorising the making, in respect of expenditure incurred in the acquisition of an engine for a vessel, of a grant in pursuance of such a scheme otherwise than to an individual who satisfies the Authority or the Board, as the case may be, that he is, or is to be, a working owner of the vessel, in a case where an application for the grant is approved by the Authority or the Board, as the case may be, in accordance with the scheme before the end of March, nineteen hundred and sixty-one, the operation of the engine does not involve the consumption of coal, the engine is installed in place of one whose operation did involve the consumption of coal and the Authority...
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 House, according to Order, resolved Nurses Agencies Bill (Lords), itself into a Committee on the Nurses Agencies Bill (Lords).

(In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 10 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.

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. Brooman-White.)

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

MEMORANDA.

Tuesday, 12th March, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of the Standing Order (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker this day appointed Mr. Malcolm MacPherson Chairman of the Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Housing and Town Development (Scotland) Bill.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of the Standing Order (Public Bills relating exclusively to Scotland), Mr. Speaker this day certified that, in his opinion, the provisions of the North of Scotland Development Corporation Bill relate exclusively to Scotland.
[No. 71.]

Wednesday, 13th March, 1957.

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 Petition for the following Bill, originating in the Lords, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

Esso Petroleum Company [Lords].

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Gloucester 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 People's Dispensary for Sick Animals Bill:

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

Mr. Secretary Butler presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of Moneys received and paid by the Chamberlain of the City of London in relation to the Metropolitan Cattle Market for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, and an Account of Extraordinary Works executed, other than General Repairs, for the same period.

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

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 5th March 1957, entitled the Nottingham (Holy Trinity Church) Compulsory Purchase Order, 1956, with a Certificate by the Minister of Housing and Local Government under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945.

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

The following Accounts, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Account of the Transactions of the Accountant General of the Supreme Court under the County Court Funds Rules for 1955, and an Account of the National Debt Commissioners for the same year in respect of Funds held by them on behalf of the County Court Funds Investment Account, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of a Measure, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Scheme for the rearrangement of the pastoral supervision of the Parishes of Holy Trinity, Margate, and Saint John the Baptist, Margate; in the Diocese of Canterbury.

Ordered, That the said Accounts be printed.

Mr. Elliot reported from the Select Committee on Procedure, That they had made Progress in the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report which they had directed him to make to the House, and had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Report, together with the said Minutes, do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from the Scottish Standing Committee Mr. Gibson-Watt and Mr. David Price (added in respect of the Housing and Town Development (Scotland) Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Maddan and Mr. Peyton.

Mr. Bowles reported from Standing Committee A, That they had gone through the Rent Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Sir David Eccles, supported by Mr. Walker, Smith and Mr. Birch, presented a Bill to amend the Export Guarantees Acts, 1949 to 1952: And the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time the morrow and to be printed.

Ordered, That this day Business other than Business of Supply may be taken before Ten of the clock.—(Mr. Secretary Butler.)

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).—(Mr. Secretary Butler.)

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

Civil Estimates and Estimates for Revenue Departments, Supplementary Estimate, 1956-57. (In the Committee.)

Class II.

Vote 2. Foreign Office Grants and Services.

1. £917,893 (Supplementary), for sundry grants and services connected with Her Majesty's Foreign Service, including subscriptions to international organisations and grants in aid.


2. £140,000 (Supplementary), for subscriptions to the United Nations and towards the expenses of the United Nations Emergency Force and for a grant in aid of technical assistance for economic development.

3. £1,937,358 (Supplementary), for sundry Colonial services, including subscriptions to certain international organisations and grants in aid; and certain expenditure in connection with the liabilities of the former Government of Palestine.

Class III.


Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Supplementary sum, not exceeding £117,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1957, for the salaries and expenses of the office of the Prison Commissioners and of prisons, Borstal institutions and detention centres in England and Wales.

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 the direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means under the Standing Order (Time for taking Private Business).

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The British Transport Commission Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Then the House again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

4. Question again proposed, That a Supplementary sum, not exceeding £117,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1957, for the salaries and expenses of the office of the Prison Commissioners and of prisons, Borstal institutions and detention centres in England and Wales.

And it being half-past Nine o'clock, the Chairman then proceeded forthwith; pursuant to S.o. Supply)880 Order (Business of Supply), to put the Questions, That the total amount of the Vote on Account for the Navy Services for the coming financial year, and of all outstanding Excess Votes, be granted for the Services defined in that Vote on Account and those Supplementary Estimates and Statements of Excess:


Vote on Account.

5. That a sum, not exceeding £125,000,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the charges for Navy Services which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1958.

Question put and agreed to.
payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1957, for the salaries and expenses of the Ministry of Defence; expenses in connection with International Defence Organisations, including international subscriptions; and a grant in aid of certain expenses incurred in the United Kingdom by the Government of the United States of America.

Question put and agreed to.

Navy Supplementary Estimate, 1956-57.

8. That a Supplementary sum, not exceeding £11,000,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1957, for expenditure beyond the sum already provided in the grants for Navy Services for the year.

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Question put and agreed to.

Air Supplementary Estimate, 1956-57.

9. That a Supplementary sum, not exceeding £10, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1957, for expenditure beyond the sum already provided in the grants for Air Services for the year.

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Question put and agreed to.
Ways and Means.

10. That a sum, not exceeding £30, be granted to Her Majesty, to make good excesses on certain grants for Civil Services for the year ended on the 31st day of March 1956.

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The 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.

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 the Committee of Ways and Means.

1. Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1955, the sum of £30 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.—(Mr. Powell.)

2. Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1957, the sum of £114,128,192 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.—(Mr. Powell.)

3. Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1958, the sum of £1,677,923,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.—(Mr. Powell.)

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.

Resolved, That the Draft Cotton Industry Development Council (Amendment No. 3) Order, 1957, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 22nd day of February last, be approved.—(Mr. Erroll.)

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

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. Barber.)

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

Thursday, 14th March, 1957.

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 Gloucester 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 People’s Dispensary for Sick Animals Bill;

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

Ordered, That the Account relating to Bankruptcy and Companies (Winding-up) Proceedings, which was presented on the 10th day of April 1956, in the last session of Parliament, be printed.

Mr. Powell presented, by Her Majesty’s University Development Command,—Copy of an Interim Report by the University Grants Committee on University Development for the years 1953 to 1956.

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

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

(1) to the Rural District of Bridlington,
(2) to the Rural District of Lutterworth, and
(3) to the Rural District of Thorne.

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

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty’s Command,—Copy of an Agreement (No. 22, 1957) signed at Washington on the 27th day of November 1956 between Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the United States of America for the establishment of an Oceanographic Research Station in the Turks and Caicos Islands.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Secretary Maclay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 5th March 1957, entitled the Teachers (Superannuation) (Scotland) Regulations, 1957.

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

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, that they had discharged the Lords from Standing Committee D Mr. Swingler (added in respect of the Coal-Mining (Subsidy) Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Probert.

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 Rating and Valuation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Rating and Valuation Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

The Order for reading a second time, tomorrow, the National Assistance Act, 1948 Amendment Bill, was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 22nd day of this instant March.

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

Mr. Oakshott reported from the Committee of Supply yesterday, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Civil Estimates and Estimates for Revenue Departments, Supplementary Estimate, 1956-57.

Class I.

Vote 1. House of Lords.

Vote 2. Foreign Office Grants and Services.

1. That a Supplementary sum, not exceeding £917,893, be granted to Her Majesty to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1957, for sundry grants and services connected with Her Majesty's Foreign Service, including subscriptions to international organisations and grants in aid; and certain expenditure in connection with the liabilities of the former Government of Palestine.

Class III.


4. That a Supplementary sum, not exceeding £117,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1957, for the salaries and expenses of the office of the Prison Commissioners and of prisons, Borstal institutions and detention centres in England and Wales.

Civil Estimates and Estimates for Revenue Departments, Supplementary Estimates, 1956-57.

6. That a Supplementary sum, not exceeding £98,365,931, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1957, for expenditure in respect of the following Supplementary Estimates, viz.:

Class I.

1. Foreign Service.

2. Commonwealth Relations Office.

3. Commonwealth Services (Supplementary).


11. Development and Welfare (Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, and South African High Commission Territories)

Class II.

1. Home Office.


3. Child Care, England and Wales.


5. Education (Scotland).

6. Education (Northern Ireland).

7. Education (Northern Ireland) (Supplementary).

8. Education (Scotland) (Supplementary).


Class III.

1. Home Office.


3. Child Care, England and Wales.


5. Education (Scotland).

6. Education (Northern Ireland).

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8. Education (Scotland) (Supplementary).

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Ministry of Defence Supplementary Estimate, 1956-57.

8. That a Supplementary sum, not exceeding £11,000,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1957, for the salaries and expenses of the Ministry of Defence; expenses in connection with International Defence Organisations, including international subscriptions; and a grant in aid of certain expenses incurred in the United Kingdom by the Government of the United States of America.

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Total, Navy Supplementary Estimate, 1956-57: £11,000,000

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Air Supplementary Estimate, 1956-57.

9. That a Supplementary sum, not exceeding £10, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1957, for expenditure beyond the sum already provided in the grants for Air Services for the year.

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10. That a sum, not exceeding £30, be granted to Her Majesty, to make good excesses on certain grants for Civil Services for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1956.

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Civil (Excesses), 1955-56.

Questions on Mr. Deputy Speaker then proceeded to put pursuant to s.a ing Resolutions reported from the Committee (Business of Supply) to put forthwith the Question necessary to dispose of the Resolution under consideration.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in their First Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in their Second Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in their Third Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

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Vote on Account.

That a sum, not exceeding £210,000,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the charges for Army Services, including the expense of the Reserve Forces (to a number not exceeding 385,000, all ranks, including a number not exceeding 373,000, other ranks), Territorial Army (to a number not exceeding 285,000, all ranks), and Home Guard (to a number not exceeding 1,500, all ranks), which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1958.

The said Resolutions were agreed to.

Mr. Wakefield reported from the Committee of Ways and Means yesterday, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year ended on the 31st day of March 1956, the sum of £30 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

2. That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1958, the sum of £114,128,192 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

3. That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1958, the sum of £1,677,923,000, 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 said Resolutions; and that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. Powell do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Powell 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 1957, the sum of £114,128,192 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relating to the Supreme Court be printed.

Mr. Secretary Butler presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 8th March 1957, entitled the Fire Services (Conditions of Service) Regulations, 1957.

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

Mr. Secretary Maclay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 8th March 1957, entitled the Fire Services (Conditions of Service) (Scotland) Regulations, 1957.

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

Mr. Secretary Renton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production for 1954.—

(2) Volume 2, Industry K, Polishes, and
(3) Volume 9, Industry K, Spirit Rectifying and Compounding.

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

Mr. Renton presented, pursuant to the Coal Industry, directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 11th March 1957, entitled the National Coal Board (Overseas Activities) (Amendment) Order, 1957.

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 the Management and the Farming of Land by the Agricultural Land Commission and the Welsh Agricultural Land Commission.

[No. 73.]

Friday, 15th March, 1957.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

M. R. Powell presented, pursuant to the Import Duties directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 12th March 1957, entitled the Import Duties (Drawback) (No. 4) Order, 1957.

Account of the Receipts and Expenditure Supreme Court.

Of the Accountant General of the Supreme Court in respect of the Funds of Suitors of the Court in the year ended the 29th day of February 1956; a Statement of the Liability of the Consolidated Fund; and an Account of the National Debt Commissioners for the same period in respect of Funds held by them on behalf of the Supreme Court of Judicature, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relating to the Supreme Court be printed.

Mr. Secretary Butler presented, pursuant to Fire Services, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 8th March 1957, entitled the Fire Services (Conditions of Service) Regulations, 1957.

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

Mr. Secretary Maclay presented, pursuant to Fire Services to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 8th March 1957, entitled the Fire Services (Conditions of Service) (Scotland) Regulations, 1957.

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

Sir David Eccles presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of the Report on the Census of Production for 1954.—

(1) Volume 1, Industry M, Manufactured Fuel.
(2) Volume 2, Industry K, Polishes, and
(3) Volume 9, Industry K, Spirit Rectifying and Compounding.

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

Mr. Renton presented, pursuant to the Coal Industry, directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 11th March 1957, entitled the National Coal Board (Overseas Activities) (Amendment) Order, 1957.

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 the Management and the Farming of Land by the Agricultural Land Commission and the Welsh Agricultural Land Commission.

[No. 114.]
Sub-Commission for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Copy of a Return to the Lord Chancellor of the Number of Visits made and Patients seen by several Commissioners of the Board of Control during the six months ended the 31st day of December 1956.

Accounts of the National Insurance Fund, the National Insurance (Reserve) Fund, the Industrial Injuries Fund, and the National Insurance (Existing Pensioners) Fund for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Account of the Royal Naval Prize Fund for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Accounts be printed.

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, that they had discharged from the Scottish Standing Committee Mr. Maddan and Mr. Peyton (added in respect of the Housing and Town Development (Scotland) Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Cooke and Mrs. McLaughlin.

The Parish Councils (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to the Standing Order (Committal of Bills).

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the North of Scotland Development Corporation Bill:

And a Motion being made, and the Question proposed upon the 1st day of this instant of Trade Unions Bill, be now read a second time:

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday the 5th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Children and Young Persons (Registered Clubs) Bill:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Cheques (No. 2) Bill:

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

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment—(Mr. Hughes-Young.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes after Four of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.

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

PRAYERS.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Croydon Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.


(1) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (Merton and Morden) Regulations, 1957,
(2) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (Southgate) Regulations, 1957,
(3) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (Tottenham) Regulations, 1957, and

Copy of Regulations, dated 12th March Motor Cycles (Protective and Helmets) Regulations, 1957.

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

The Order for reading a second time, upon the Cheques (No. 2) Bill, was read and discharged.
The Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and was committed to a Committee of the whole House.

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

Adjournment.

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

MEMORANDUM.

Monday, 18th March, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of the Standing Order (Standing Committees (Constitution and Powers), Mr. Speaker this day allocated the Parish Councils (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill, the Representation of the People (Amendment) Bill, and the Thermal Insulation (Industrial Buildings) Bill to Standing Committee C.

[No. 75.]

Tuesday, 19th March, 1957.

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 Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Order not previously inquired into is applicable thereto, viz.:

Liverpool Hydraulic Power Bill [Lords].

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 Petition for additional Provision in the following Bill, originating in the Lords, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:

Milford Docks Bill [Lords].

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

A Public Petition was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Powell presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 15th March 1957, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 1) Order, 1957.

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

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Statute of the International Atomic Energy Agency signed at New York on the 26th day of October 1956 (with Annex) the Statute has not been ratified by Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom.

Copy of a Protocol signed at Washington on the 19th day of November 1956 to the International Convention for the Regulation of Whaling signed at Washington on the 2nd day of December 1946 (this Protocol has not been ratified by Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom).

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

Mr. Renton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 25th February 1957, entitled the North Eastern Electricity Board (Darras Hall Recreation Ground) Compulsory Purchase Order, 1957, with a Certificate by the Minister of Power under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945.

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

Mr. Brooks presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Scheme, dated 18th February 1957, made by the Gloucester County Borough Council and approved with modification by the Minister of Housing and Local Government under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

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:

Accounts of the Yugoslav and Czechoslovak Funds for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, prepared in pursuance of sub-section (1) of Section 6 of the Foreign Compensation Act, 1950, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Accounts of the House of Commons Members' Fund for the year ended the 30th day of September 1956, 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 one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Homicide Bill, Homicide Bill, without any Amendment.
MEMORANDUM.

Tuesday, 19th March, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of the Standing Order (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker this day appointed Mr. Nicholson Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Occupiers' Liability Bill.

[No. 76.]

Wednesday, 20th March, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table—Report Private Bills Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, have been complied with, viz.:—

British Transport Commission Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table—Report Private Bills Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, viz.:—

Wakefield Corporation Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table—Report Private Bills Standing Orders not previously inquired into, which are applicable thereto, viz.:—

Mr. Speaker this day appointed Mr. Nicholson Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Wakefield Corporation Bill on the following grounds:—

Standing Orders Committee.

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

A Motion being made, That this House will, in pursuance of paragraph (1) of the Standing Order (Chairmen of Standing Committees), consider of authorising the payment out of moneys to be provided by Parliament of any grant or other payment made or sum provided by the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation attributable to any Act of the present Session authorising variations of the works authorised by the Dartford Tunnel Acts, 1930 and 1937, or empowering the County Councils of Essex and Kent to construct new works in connection with the said first-mentioned works—(The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means);

Mr. Watkinson, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

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

A Public Petition was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Powell presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament.—Copies of Treasury Minutes under the Public Accounts and Charges Act, 1891, dated 20th March 1957, directing the application as Appropriations in Aid of the Vote for Roads, &c., England and Wales—

(1) of certain receipts under the Road Traffic Act, 1956, and
(2) of certain receipts under the Vehicles (Excise) Act, 1949.

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 1957, under the Government Annuities Act, 1929.

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

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of an Order, dated 14th March 1957, entitled the Welfare Foods (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order, 1957.

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

Mr. Vasper presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament.—Copy of Draft Regulations, entitled the National Health Service (Superannuation) (England and Scotland) (Amendment) Regulations, 1957.

Copy of an Order, dated 13th March 1957, entitled the Welfare Foods (Great Britain) Amendment Order, 1957.

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


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The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Sunderland 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 as proved by the evidence adduced, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made no further Amendment 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 Marine Society 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 Cañeton Wharves 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 an Amendment 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 City of London (Various Powers) 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.

Sir Charles MacAndrew reported from the Rent Bill Business Committee, That they had agreed to the following Recommendation, which they had directed him to report to the House:

That, subject to the provisions of the Order of the 4th day of February last,—

(a) the Proceedings on Consideration of the Rent Bill shall be divided into the parts specified in the second column of the Table set out below;

(b) the three days which, under the Order of the 4th day of February last are given to the Proceedings on Consideration and Third Reading, and portions of those days, shall be allotted in the manner shown in that Table;

(c) each part of the Proceedings shall, if not previously brought to a conclusion, be brought to a conclusion at the time specified in the third column of that Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.
The Export Guarantees Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

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

Sir David Eccles, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Export Guarantees [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 Export Guarantees Acts, 1949 to 1952, it is expedient to authorise—
(i) any increase attributable to the provisions of that Act—
(ii) raising to two hundred and fifty million pounds the limit of one hundred and fifty million pounds imposed by subsection (2) of section two of the Export Guarantees Act, 1949, as amended, in respect of guarantees under that section;
(iii) extending the power of the Board of Trade under the said section two, so far as that power is exercisable for the purpose of rendering economic assistance to countries outside the United Kingdom, by authorising the making of arrangements for facilitating payments under contracts with persons carrying on business in the United Kingdom or companies directly or indirectly controlled by such persons; in the sums which, under section three or section four of the said Act of 1949 are to be or may be paid out of moneys provided by Parliament, charged on or issued out of the Consolidated Fund, raised by borrowing or paid into the Exchequer; and
(iv) the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of sums representing the excess of (i) interest payable into the Exchequer under section three of the said Act of 1949 on sums paid into the Acquisition of Guaranteed Securities Fund for the purpose of acquiring securities created under arrangements made before the first day of April, nineteen hundred and fifty-six; over (iii) interest collected on such securities.—(Mr. Walker-Smith.)

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 Naval Discipline Bill, according to Order, was read a second time.
Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Barber.)
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Rating and Valuation 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 Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Gloucester Corporation Bill;
And a Motion being made, and the Question being 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. Philips Price, 107.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Nabarro, 136.
So it passed in the Negative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the People's Dispensary for Sick Animals 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 the word "now" and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months".—(Captain Duncan.)
And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.
And the Question being put, That the words "upon this day six months" be added at the end of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon this day six months.

Adjournment.
A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Wakefield);
And it being Ten of the clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without a Question being put.

Adjournment.
Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Wakefield.)
And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till sixteen minutes after Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 77.]

Thursday, 21st March, 1957.

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

ORDERED, That the Croydon Corporation Croydon Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Dartford Tunnel [Money].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to authorise variations of the works authorised by the Dartford Tunnel Acts, 1930 and 1937, or to empower the County Councils of Essex and Kent to construct new works in connection with the said first mentioned works, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any grant or other payment made or sum provided by the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation under or in pursuance of the said Act of the present Session.

(—The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Dr. King reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received tomorrow.

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Notes exchanged at London on the 8th day of January 1957 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Cuba modifying and extending the Agreement concerning Commercial Relations constituted by Notes exchanged on the 18th day of December 1953 and amended by Notes exchanged on the 15th day of February 1956.


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

Mr. Secretary Lennox-Boyd presented, pursuant to a Resolution of the House, the Account of the Sums issued to the Government of Malta out of the Consolidated Fund under Section 1 of the Malta (Reconstruction) Act, 1947, in respect of Expenses.
incurred by that Government in making good War Damage and in carrying out Works in connection with general Reconstruction and Planning, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956.

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

Education (Scotland).

Mr. Secretary Maclay presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 13th March 1957, entitled the Education (Scotland) Fund Bursaries (Amendment No. 1) Regulations, 1957.

Nurses (Scotland).

Copy of an Order, dated 12th March 1957, entitled the Nurses (Regional Nurse-Training Committees) (Scotland) Amendment Order, 1957.

Merchant Shipping.

Copy of University Court Ordinance No. 317 (University of Glasgow No. 88) (Amendment of University Court Ordinance No. 39 (University of Glasgow No. 12) (Affiliation of the Royal Technical College, Glasgow).

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

East Africa.

Mr. Molson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 15th March 1957, entitled the East Africa (High Commission) (Amendment) Order in Council, 1957.

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

Supplies and Services (Hire and Purchase of Goods).

Sir David Eccles presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 15th March 1957, entitled—(1) the Hire-Purchase and Credit Sale Agreements (Control) Order, 1957, and (2) the Control of Hiring Order, 1957.

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

Agriculture.

Mr. Amory presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Annual Review of the Agricultural Industry and Determination of Agricultural Guarantees, 1957.

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

Education.

Sir Edward Boyle presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Memorandum on the Ministry of Education Estimates, 1957-58.

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

London Traffic.


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

Road Traffic and Vehicles.

Copy of Regulations, dated 14th March 1957, entitled the Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use (Track Laying Vehicles) (Amendment) Regulations, 1957.

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The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate the Solicitors Acts, 1932 to 1956, and certain other enactments relating to solicitors, with corrections and improvements made under the Consolidation of Enactments (Procedure) Act, 1949; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Church of Scotland (Property and Endowments) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed.

The Solicitors 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 Government Business be excused, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(Mr. Heath.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the National Insurance Bill:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

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 Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by the Lords, 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 Her 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:


And the Question being put:

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

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to the Standing Order (Committee of Bills).
The House, according to Order, resolved and Herring itself into a Committee on the White Fish and Industries, after the word "unless," to insert the words "crew accommodation to be provided in any vessel" made and quoted:—(Mr. Hector Hughes.)

Another Amendment proposed, in page 2, line 3, to leave out the word "three-tenths" and insert the word "two-fifths."—(Mr. Edward Evans.)

Clause agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 4 to 7 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker certified that the Bill was a Mr. Speaker's Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

Ordered, That the Report which, yesterday, Rent Bill was made from the Business Committee, relating to the Allocation of Time to the Rent Certificate, Bill, be now taken into consideration.—(Mr. Bevin.)

The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Report into consideration.

And the Question being put forthwith, put pursuant to S.O. Question put pursuant to S.O. Question put on the Standing Order (Business Committee), That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Report:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That the Order made by the Sunday Secretary of State for the Home Department, Cinematograph extending Section 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, to the Rural District of Bridlington, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 14th day of this instant March, be approved.—(Mr. Simon.)

Resolved, That the Order made by the Sunday Secretary of State for the Home Department, Cinematograph extending Section 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, to the Rural District of Lutterworth, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 14th day of this instant March, be approved.—(Mr. Simon.)

Resolved, That the Order made by the Sunday Secretary of State for the Home Department, Cinematograph extending Section 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, to the Rural District of Thorne, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 14th day of this instant March, be approved.—(Mr. Simon.)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.—(Mr. Hughes-Young.)
And accordingly the House, having con-
tinued to sit till seven minutes before
Nine of the clock, adjourned till to-
morrow.

MEMORANDUM.
Thursday, 21st March, 1957.
In pursuance of paragraph (1) of the Stand-
ing Order (Chairs of Standing Committees),
Mr. Speaker this day appointed Mr. Henry
Hynd Chairman of Standing Committee C in
respect of the Aerial Advertising Bill and
Mr. George Thomas Chairman of Standing
Committee D in respect of the Coal-Mining
(Subsidence) Bill.

Para. 1 of Dartford Tunnel [Money] Order
from the Committee on Dartford Tunnel
[Money], a Resolution; which was read, as
follows:
That for the purposes of any Act of the
present Session to authorise variations of the
works authorised by the Dartford Tunnel Acts,
1930 and 1937, or to empower the County
Councils of Essex and Kent to construct new
works in connection with the said first men-
tioned works, it is expedient to authorise the
payment out of moneys provided by Parlia-
ment of any grant or other payment made or
sum provided by the Minister of Transport
and Civil Aviation under or in pursuance of
the said Act of the present Session.
The said Resolution, being read a second
time, was agreed to.

Para. 1 of Import Duties (Drawback) Order
from the Committee on Import Duties (Draw-
back),—Copy of an Order, dated 19th March 1957, entitled
the Import Duties (Drawback) (No. 5) Order,
1957.
Copy of an Order, dated 19th March 1957,
entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions)
(No. 2) Order, 1957.
Ordered, That the said Papers be laid upon
the Table.

Para. 1 of Import Duties (Exemptions) Order
from the Committee on Import Duties (Exem-
ptions),—Copy of an Order, dated 14th March 1957,
entitled the Importation of Raw Vegetables
(Scotland) Order, 1957.
Ordered, That the said Paper be laid upon
the Table.

Para. 1 of Estimates Order from the Com-
mittee on Estimates,—Copy of a Resolution,
presented, pursuant to the direc-
tion of an Act of Parliament, to the direc-
tions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an
Order, dated 19th March 1957, entitled
the Importation of Raw Vegetables
(Scotland) Order, 1957.
Ordered, That the said Paper be laid upon
the Table.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the
Lords to request that their Lordships will be
pleased to give leave to the Lord Cullen to
attend to be examined as a Witness before
Sub-Committee D appointed by the Select
Committee on Estimates.—(Mr. Nicholson.)

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the said
Message.

Sir Roger Coman reported from the Com-
mittee of Selection, That they had discharged
from Standing Committee D Mr. Ainsley, Mr.
Ayers, Lieutenant-Commander Bullock, Mr.
Bence, Mr. Boyd, Mr. Burden, Mr. Robert
Edwards, Mr. Hayman, Mr. Hill, Mr. Hobson,
Mr. Godman Irvine, Mr. Jennings, Mr.
Matthew, Mr. Owen, and Mr. William Wells;
and had appointed in substitution Mr. Atkins,
Mr. Boardman, Mr. Thomas Brown, Mr.
Harold Davies, Mr. Finch, Mr. Green, Mr.
Iremonger, Mr. Keagan, Mr. Langford-Holt,
Mr. Oliver, Mr. Proctor, Mr. Pryde, Mr.
Ramsden, Mr. Albert Roberts, and Mr.
Bernard Taylor.

Resolved, That this House welcomes the
announcement of an expanded programme of
capital investment in the production of power
from atomic sources; and considers that, in
view of these developments, scientific and tech-
nical education at all levels should be ex-
panded with the maximum speed.—(Mr.
Parkin.)

A Motion was made, and the Question Adjournment,
being proposed, That this House do now
adjourn—(Mr. Barber);
And it being Four of the clock, the Motion
for the Adjournment of the House lapsed,
without a Question being put.

The Order of the day being read, for the
Second Reading of the National Assistance
Act, 1948 (Amendment) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second
time upon Friday next.

The Order for the day being read, for
resuming the adjourned Debate on the Quest-
ton proposed upon the 15th day of this instant
March, That the North of Scotland Develop-
ment Corporation Bill be now read a second
time;
Ordered, That the Debate be further
adjourned till Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for
the Second Reading of the Children and Young
Persons (Registered Clubs) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second
time upon Friday next.

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

And accordingly the House, having con-
tinued to sit till half an hour after Four
of the clock, adjourned till Monday
next.

MEMORANDUM.
Friday, 22nd March, 1957.
In pursuance of paragraph (2) of the Stand-
ing Order (Standing Committees (Constitution
and Powers)), Mr. Speaker this day allocated
the National Insurance Bill to Standing Com-
mittee B.
The Liverpool Hydraulic Power Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

The Wakefield Corporation Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Croydon Corporation Bill:

Ordered. That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 25th March, 1957, entitled the Prohibition of Landing of Animals, Carcases and Animal Products, and Hay and Straw from the Channel Islands Order, 1957

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

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Sixth Report of the Isle of Wight River Board, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956.

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

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged Mr. Henry Price, Esquire, Member for Beckenham, was sworn.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Committee, That they had discharged Mr. Henry Price (added in respect of the Occupiers' Liability Bill); and had appointed Mr. Peter Agnew, Mr. Hesketh, and Mr. Harry Hylton-Foster, Esquire, Member for Beckenham, was sworn.

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from Standing Committee A Brigadier Clarke and Mr. Martin Lindsay (added in respect of the Occupiers' Liability Bill); and had appointed Sir Peter Agnew, Mr. Hesketh, and Sir Harry Hylton-Foster.

And a Motion being made, and the Question thereon put, Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Agriculture Bill:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered. That the Proceedings of the Committee on Agriculture (Money) be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House)—(Mr. Secretary Butler.)

The Second Clerk Assistant at the Table informed the House of the unavoidable absence of Mr. Speaker from the remainder of this day's Sitting:—Whereupon Sir Charles MacAndrew, the Chairman of Ways and Means, took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

And the Question being put;

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

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to the Standing Order (Commitment of Bills).

Mr. Amory, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject of the Motion relating to Agriculture (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 guaranteed prices and assured markets for producers of agricultural produce in the United Kingdom; to authorise the payment of grants in respect of long-term improvements of agricultural land in the United Kingdom and in respect of certain transactions concerning such land; and for other purposes relating to agriculture and the pig industry, it is expedient to authorise—

A. The payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of expenses incurred by any Minister of the Crown under that Act—

(1) in making payments or purchasing produce in pursuance of orders made thereunder for providing guaranteed prices or assured markets for producers of wheat, barley, oats, rye, potatoes, fat cattle, sheep and pigs, milk, eggs, wool or other produce specified by the order under that Act;

(2) in paying the following grants that is to say:

(a) grants towards the cost of long-term improvements of agricultural land, of an amount not exceeding one third of the cost of an amount treated for the purposes of that Act as the cost of the improvements;

(b) grants towards the costs of transactions incidental to the formation of economic units of agricultural land, of an amount not exceeding one third of those costs, such grants being payable in pursuance of applications made within ten years (or if so provided by order under that Act, twelve years) from the commencement of that Act, and not exceeding fifty million pounds (or, if so provided by order under that Act, fifty-five million pounds) in the aggregate;

(3) in making such payments into the Exchequer of Northern Ireland in respect of expenditure incurred for the benefit of producers of agricultural produce in Northern Ireland, that is to say—

(a) in any financial year during the period ending on the thirty-first day of
Mr. Secretary Butler presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules, dated 19th March 1957, entitled the Poisons Rules, 1957.

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

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Protocol signed at London between the 1st and the 15th days of December 1956 amending the International Sugar Agreement opened for signature at London on the 1st day of October 1953 (this Protocol has not been ratified by Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom).

Copy of a Protocol signed at Montreal on the 14th day of June 1954 relating to certain amendments to the Convention of the 7th day of December 1944 on International Civil Aviation (the United Kingdom ratification was deposited on the 17th day of February 1955).

Copy of a Memorandum signed at Bangkok Treaty Series No. 27, 1957, of the disposal of former German Assets in Thailand.

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

Mr. Secretary Lennon-Boyce presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Statement of Pensions, &c., grants under the Pensions (Governors of Dominions, &c.) Acts, during the year ended the 31st day of March 1956.

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

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 20th March 1957, entitled the Importation of Horses, Asses and Mules Order, 1957.

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 Nottingham (Holy Trinity Church) Compulsory Purchase Order, 1956.

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

Mr. Nicholson reported from Standing Committee A, that they had gone through the Occupiers' Liability Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Mr. Fletcher reported from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, That they had made further Progress in the matter to them referred and had agreed to a 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.

No. 4 (viii).

New Member oath.

Rent Bill [1st allotted Day].

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Rent Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Restriction on requiring payment in advance of rent, under decontrolled tenancies)—(Mr. Brooke)—was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Minimum length of notice to quit)—(Mr. Bevin)—was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Concurrence of superior landlords to agreements as to 1956 gross value and rateable value)—(Mr. Bevin)—was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Limitation on excessive rents)—(Mr. Rees-Davies); and the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Clause be read a second time;

And it being a quarter of an hour after Five of the clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker proceeded, pursuant to the Standing Order (Business Committee) and the Orders made upon the 4th day of February last and the 21st day of this instant March, to put forthwith the Question already proposed from the Chair.

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. Short,  
—232.

Mr. Deer:

Mr. Legh,  
—276.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 2, line 33, by leaving out the word "three" and inserting the word "nine"—(Mr. Key)—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the word "three" stand part of the Bill;

And it being Seven of the clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded, pursuant to the Standing Order (Business Committee) and the Orders made upon the 4th day of February last and the 21st day of this instant March, to put forthwith the Question already proposed from the Chair.

And the Question being put, That the word "three" stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right.
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the 
Mr. Oakshott,  
—234.

Mr. Wakefield:

Mr. Holmes,  
—233.

Mr. Joseph Price:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. Speaker then proceeded to put forthwith the Questions on the Amendments, moved by a member of the Government, of which notice had been given, to that part of the Bill to be concluded at Seven of the clock.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 6, line 10, by inserting, after the word "fulfilled", the words "and the maintenance of the dwelling-house in good and tenantable repair is not attributable to the discharge by the tenant of any responsibility incumbent on the landlord"—(Mr. Melville).

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right.
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the 
Mr. Joseph Price,  
—231.

Mr. Pearson:

Lieutenant-Commander  
Mr. Brooman-White:

So it passed in the Negative.
Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 8, line 38, by leaving out from the beginning to the word “the” in line 39.—(Mr. Brooke.)

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—Mr. Pearson, Mr. Simmons: 237

Tellers for the Noes—Mr. Barber, Mr. Bryan: 268.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 8, line 38, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words—

Provided that, for the purpose of this subsection, the Urban District of Hornchurch and the Borough of Romford shall be deemed to be included in the Metropolitan Police District.—(Mr. Lengden.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

And it being half an hour after Ten of the clock, further consideration of the Bill, as amended, stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Lieutenant-Commander Thompson):—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 Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

MEMORANDUM.

Tuesday, 26th March, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of the Standing Order (Standing Committees (Constitution and Powers), Mr. Speaker this day allocated the Agriculture Bill to Standing Committee A.

And Charges Act, 1891, dated 27th March 1957, directing the application of certain receipts as Appropriations in Aid of the Vote for the Ministry of Power.

Account of all Moneys received on account of Contracts for the grant of Deferred Life Annuities and for Payments on Death, under the Government Annuities Act, 1929, and of the disposal thereof, and of Contracts made, for 1956.

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

Mr. Secretary MacIay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 19th March 1957, entitled the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) General Order, 1957.

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


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

Mr. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 20th March 1957, entitled:

(1) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (Croydon and Coulsdon and Purley) Regulations, 1957,
(2) the Central London (Waiting and Loading) (Restriction) Regulations, 1957,
(3) the City of London (Waiting and Loading) (Restriction) Regulations, 1957,
(4) the Outer London (Waiting and Loading) (Restriction) Regulations, 1957,
(5) the London Traffic (Unilateral Waiting) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations, 1957,
(6) the London Traffic (Unilateral Waiting) (Amendment) (No. 4) Regulations, 1957,
and
(7) the London Traffic (Unilateral Waiting) (Amendment) (No. 5) Regulations, 1957.

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

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 21st March 1957, entitled the Town and Country Planning (County of Westmorland) Development Order, 1957.

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

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the University of Exeter 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 thereto; 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 Liverpool Hydraulic Power Bill [Lords]. 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 Wakefield Corporation Bill [Lords]. 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.

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, that they had discharged from Standing Committee A Wing Commander Bullus, Mr. Chapman, Dr. Johnson, Mr. Lipton, Mr. Monslow, Mr. Mulley, Mr. Russell, Mr. Tiley, Miss Vickers, and Mr. Witzmann; and had appointed in substitution Captain Corfield, Mr. Crouch, Mr. Dodds, Mr. Doughty, Mr. Dye, Mr. Jeger, Mr. Keegan, Lieutenant-Commander Maydon, Sir Leslie Plummer, Mr. Sharples, and Mr. Percy Wells.

Standing Committee A.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Committee, that they had discharged from Standing Committee A in respect of the Agriculture Bill, viz.: Mr. Amory, Mr. Baldwin, Mr. Bence, Mr. Bowen, Mr. Bryan, Mr. Champion, Mr. de Freitas, Mr. Donnelly, Captain Duncan, Mr. Gibbon-Watt, Mr. Gooder, Mr. Gooch, Mr. Hill, Mr. Holmes, Lord John Hope, Mr. Emrys Hughes, Mr. McLean, Commander Mainland, Mr. Marshall, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Pear, Mr. Vane, Mr. Watkins, Mr. Willey, and Mr. Thomas Williams.

Standing Committee B.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Committee, that they had discharged from Standing Committee B Mr. John Howard and Mr. Reeves; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Albert Evans and Mr. Fisher.

Standing Committee B.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Committee, that they had added Twenty-five Members to Standing Committee B in respect of the National Insurance Bill, viz.: Major Broomsh, Mr. Bidgood, Mr. Bond-Carpenter, Mr. Carr, Mrs. Cullen, Mr. Fort, Mr. Freeth, Miss Heribbon, Mr. Holt, Mr. Houghton, Mr. Hughes-Young, Mr. Kerr, Mr. McKay, Mr. Marquand, Mr. Nairn, Mr. Partridge, Mr. Paton, Miss Pitt, Mr. Rodger, Mr. Shurmer, Mr. Simmons, Mr. Sumner, Mr. White, Mr. William Thomas Williams, and Mr. Victor Yates.

Standing Committee C Mr. Kenyon and Brigadier Prior-Ealam; and had appointed in substitution Mrs. Butler and Sir Charles Mont-Radcliffe.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Standing Committee, that they had added Fifteen Members to Standing Committee C in respect of the Maintenance Agreements Bill, viz: Mr. Braine, Mrs. Emmet, Mr. Fernyhough, Mr. John Harvey, Sir Harry Hyett-Foster, Mr. Thomas Jones, Mr. Keegan, Mr. Leslie Lever, Sir Jocelyn Lucas, Mr. Mahon, Mr. Charles Pannell, Mr. Short, Mr. Peter Thomas, Mr. Thomson, and Lady Tweedsmuir.

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 give leave to the Lord Cunliffe Estimates, to attend to be examined as a Witness before Sub-Committee D appointed by the Select Committee on Estimates, if his Lordship think fit.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Estimate, Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord McCorquodale of Newton to attend to be examined as a Witness before Sub-Committee D appointed by the Select Committee on Estimates.—(Mr. Nicholson.)

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the said Message.

The House, according to Order, proceeded Rent Bill [2nd time] to take into further consideration the Rent Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 9, 8 line 10, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words "or where an exchange tenancy is created and registered in accordance with the Schedule (Exchange Tenancies) to this Act".—(Mr. Milchison.)

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 page 9, line 11, by leaving out subsection (3).—(Mr. Lindgren.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill;

And it being Six of the clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker proceeded, pursuant to the Standing Order (Business Committee) and the Orders made upon the 4th day of February last and the 21st day of this instant March, to put forthwith the Question already proposed from the Chair.

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:
Mr. Wills,
Mr. Barber:
Mr. Short,
Mr. Deer:

283. Yeas, 232. Noes,

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas:
Mr. Pearson,
Mr. Simmons:
Mr. Lieutenant-Commander Thompson,
Mr. Brooman-White:

225. Yeas, 224. Noes,

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas:
Mr. Bryan,
Mr. Hughes-Young:
Mr. Holmes,
Mr. Joseph Price:

241. Yeas, 215. Noes,

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

The House proceeded, pursuant to the Standing Order (Business Committee) and the Orders made upon the 4th day of February last and the 21st day of this instant March, to put forthwith the Question already proposed from the Chair.

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas:
Mr. Pearson,
Mr. Simmons:
Mr. Lieutenant-Commander Thompson,
Mr. Brooman-White:

225. Yeas, 224. Noes,

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas:
Mr. Bryan,
Mr. Hughes-Young:
Mr. Holmes,
Mr. Joseph Price:

241. Yeas, 215. Noes,

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The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas:
Mr. Pearson,
Mr. Simmons:
Mr. Lieutenant-Commander Thompson,
Mr. Brooman-White:

225. Yeas, 224. Noes,

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas:
Mr. Bryan,
Mr. Hughes-Young:
Mr. Holmes,
Mr. Joseph Price:

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And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas:
Mr. Pearson,
Mr. Simmons:
Mr. Lieutenant-Commander Thompson,
Mr. Brooman-White:

225. Yeas, 224. Noes,
property belonging to the same landlord, or to any superior landlord from whom the immedi­ate landlord directly or indirectly holds, which is the direct result of the improvement.

(4) No compensation shall be payable under this paragraph if the improvement is one of a kind for which a claim for compensation may be made under section one of the Landlord and Tenant Act, 1927, or if the person by whom the improvement was made was under an obligation to make it in pursuance of a contract entered into for valuable considera­tion, or if the improvement was made in breach of any term of the controlled tenancy, or if before the completion thereof the landlord notified the person by whom it was made, in writing, that the landlord objected to the improvement.

(5) Any question whether compensation is payable under this paragraph, or as to the amount of any such compensation, shall be determined by the county court; and if the court determines that, on account of the intention to demolish or alter, or to change the use of, the dwelling-house, no compensation or a reduced amount of compensation shall be paid, the court may authorise a further application for compensation to be made by the claimant if effect is not given to the intention within such time as may be fixed by the court.

(6) Where the landlord is himself a tenant of the dwelling-house, he may recover from his landlord such part (if any) of any compensation payable by him under this paragraph as may be agreed between the parties or determined by the county court, and in particular the length of the unexpired term thereof, and to all other relevant circumstances; and the foregoing provisions of this sub-paragraph shall apply in relation to sums recoverable thereunder as they apply to compensation under this paragraph.

(7) Section thirteen of the Landlord and Tenant Act, 1927 (which confers power to apply and raise capital money for the payment of compensation under that Act), shall apply and raise capital money for the payment of costs, charges and expenses (including costs, charges and expenses payable by a landlord by virtue of this paragraph as it applies to such compensation and other sums as are mentioned in that section)—(Mr. Brooke.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Amendment, in line 17, by leaving out the words "or controlled"—(Mr. Hay.)

And the Question being proposed, That the words " or controlled " stand part of the pro­posed Amendment.—The Amendment to the said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the proposed words were there inserted in the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 26, line 9, by leaving out the words "that, in " and inserting the word " for "—(Mr. Mitchell.)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words " that, in " stand part of the Bill;
MEMORANDUM

Wednesday, 27th March, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph (i) of the Standing Order (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker this day appointed Mr. Blackburn Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Agriculture Bill, and Dr. King Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the National Insurance Bill.

PRAYERS.

MR. Speaker: He Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Croydon Corporation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Tuesday next, at Seven of the clock.

Ordered, That the several Amendments to Standing Orders relating to Private Business hereinafter stated in Schedule (A) be made, and that, as from the 1st day of April next, the several Amendments to the Standing Order made upon the 25th day of October 1956 relative to the Table of Fees hereinafter stated in Schedule (B) be made.

SCHEDULE (A).

Standing Order 30, line 7, leave out "Fuel and ".
Standing Order 39, line 9, leave out "Fuel and ".
Line 12, leave out "Commissioners of Crown Lands" and insert "Crown Estate Commissioners"
Line 27, leave out " or ".
Line 28, after "Nyasaland", insert "or Ghana",
Standing Order 220, line 88, leave out "6" and insert "10".

SCHEDULE (B).

Table of Fees, page 265, line 15, leave out "£3 18s. 9d." and insert "£ 4 14s. 6d."
Line 16, leave out "Is. 3d." and insert "Is. 6d."—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

A Public Petition was presented and read and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Powell, presented, by Her Majesty's Bahrain (Gift Command, Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 21st March 1957, concerning a gift of land in Bahrain to the Government of Bahrain.

Copy of a Financial Agreement, dated 6th March 1957, to amend the Financial Agreement signed at Ottawa on the 6th day of March 1946 between His late Majesty's Governments in the United Kingdom and Canada.


Mr. Powell also presented, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of the 4th day of March 1879, Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 28th March 1957, regarding the Application of Surpluses on certain Navy Votes for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1957, to meet Deficits on other Navy Votes and Sums chargeable to Balances irrecoverable and Claims abandoned for the same year.

Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 28th March 1957, regarding the Application of Surpluses on certain Army Votes for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1957, to meet Deficits on other Army Votes and Sums chargeable to Balances irrecoverable and Claims abandoned for the same year.

Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 28th March 1957, regarding the Application of Surpluses on certain Air Votes for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1957, to meet Deficits on other Air Votes and Sums chargeable to Balances irrecoverable and Claims abandoned for the same year.

Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 28th March 1957, regarding the Application of Surpluses on certain Army Votes for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1957, to meet Deficits on other Army Votes and Sums chargeable to Balances irrecoverable and Claims abandoned for the same year.

Mr. Powell also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, 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 1956.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relating to Public Accounts be printed.

Mr. Iain Macleod presented, by Her Majesty's Command, Copy of a Memorandum on the proposed action by Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom on a Recommendation adopted at the 38th Session of the International Labour Conference, 1955.

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

Mr. Brooke, presented, by Her Majesty's Command, Copy of a Housing Summary, dated 28th February 1957.

Mr. Brooke also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copy of Government Regulations, dated 25th March 1957, entitled the Local Government (Allowances to Members) (Prescribed Bodies) Regulations, 1957.

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:—

One Hundred and Fourth Report of the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales, for 1956.

Schedule containing a List and Particulars of certain classes of Documents existing or accruing in the Central Office of Information which are not considered of sufficient public value to justify their preservation in the Public Record Office.

Mr. Wheeldon reported from the Committee on the Tamar Bridge Bill. That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned till Thursday next, at Eleven of the clock.

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, that they had discharged Standing Committee A Mr. Kenyon; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Paget.

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 Customs Duties (Dumping and Subsidies) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords give leave to the Lord McCorquodale of Newton to attend to be examined as a Witness before Sub-Committee D appointed by the Select Committee on Estimates, if his Lordship think fit.

The Magistrates' Courts Bill (Lords) 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 the Third Reading of the Rent Bill:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

Tellers for the Yes, Mr. Heath: 321

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Popplewell: 261

So 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.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn:—(Mr. Redmayne.)

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

MEMORANDUM.

Thursday, 28th March, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of the Standing Order (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker this day appointed Mr. Roy Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the National Insurance Bill in place of Dr. King.
Commissions.—(No. 84.)

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

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the City of London (Various Powers) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Cattedown Wharves Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Marine Society Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Sunderland Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the First Annual Report of the Council of Association between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the High Authority of the European Coal and Steel Community, for
the period from the 17th day of November 1955 to the 31st day of December 1956 (with
Annexes).

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

Mr. Molson presented, pursuant to the direc-
tions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an
Order in Council, dated 1st April 1957, en-
titled the Transfer of Functions (Atomic

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

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her
Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Second
Report of the Law Reform Committee for
Scotland.

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 Hospi-
tals, Hospital Management Committees,
Executive Councils (including Joint Pricing
Committees) and of the Dental Estimates
Board, for England and Wales, for the year
ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the
Report of the Comptroller and Auditor
General thereon.

Summarised Accounts of Regional Hospital
Boards, Boards of Management, Executive
Councils (including Drug Accounts Com-
mittes) and of the Dental Estimates Board,
for Scotland, for the year ended the 31st day
of March 1956, with the Report of the Comp-
troller and Auditor General thereon.

Account of the Sums received by the
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food
from the Consolidated Fund, of Loans made
by him to the Potato Marketing Board and of
Payments to the Exchequer, for the period
ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the
Report of the Comptroller and Auditor
General thereon.

Account of the Sums received and paid by
the Administrator of German Enemy Property
for the year ended the 31st day of March
1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and
Auditor General thereon.

Ordered. That the said Accounts be printed.

The Chairman of Ways and Means re-
ported from the Standing Orders Committee,
several Resolutions; which were read, as
follow:

1. That, in the case of the Milford Docks
Bill (Lords), Petition for additional Pro-
vision, the Standing Orders ought to be
dispensed with:—That the parties be per-
mitted to insert their additional Provision,
if the Committee on the Bill think fit.
pounds (or, if so provided by order under that Act, fifty-five million pounds) in the aggregate;

(3) in making the following payments into the Exchequer of Northern Ireland in respect of expenditure incurred for the benefit of producers of agricultural produce in Northern Ireland, that is to say—

(a) in any financial year during the period ending on the thirty-first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and sixty-two, sums not exceeding one million pounds;

(b) in any financial year during any subsequent period specified by order under that Act, sums not exceeding such amount as may be so specified, subject in each case to provisions for the carrying forward of unexpended balances from year to year during the same period.

B. The payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any administrative expenses incurred under that Act by any Minister of the Crown.

C. The payment into the Exchequer of any sums received or recovered by any Minister of the Crown in pursuance of that Act or any order made thereunder.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Air Navigation (Fifth Amendment) Order, 1957, dated 22nd February 1957, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 28th day of February last, be annulled—(Mr. Beswick):—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. Willink):—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 nineteen minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

MEMORANDUM.

Monday, 1st April, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of the Standing Order (Standing Committees (Constitution and Powers)), Mr. Speaker this day allocated the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Navy, Marines and Service Civilian) (Overseas) Bill to Standing Committee C.

Tuesday, 2nd April, 1957.

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 Order not previously inquired into is applicable thereto, viz.:—

Blith Harbour Bill [Lords].

Port of London Bill [Lords].

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

Mr. Powell presented, by Her Majesty's Economic Command,—Copy of an Economic Survey for 1957.

Mr. Powell also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—List of the Pensions granted during the year ended the 31st day of March 1957, and payable under subsection (1) of Section 13 of the Civil List Act, 1952.

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

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Protocol signed at Ankara on the 28th day of February 1957 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Turkey modifying the Agreement of the 17th day of January 1935 regarding certain Financial Matters (with Notes exchanged).

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

Mr. Secretary Maclay presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Statement on Industry and Employment in Scotland and a Report on Scottish Roads, 1956.

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

Mr. Motion presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Amending and Consolidating Scheme made by the University of Oxford for administering certain funds of the University.

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

Mr. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 26th March 1957, entitled the Road and Rail Traffic Act (Exemption) Regulations, 1957.

Copies of Annual Reports for 1956—

(1) of the Central Transport Consultative Committee for Great Britain,

(2) of the Transport Users' Consultative Committee for Scotland, and
Wednesday, 3rd April, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Powell presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Preliminary Estimates of National Income and Expenditure, 1951 to 1956.

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

Captain Waterhouse reported from the Select Committee on Estimates, 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. Chancellor of the Exchequer, supported by Mr. Secretary Butler and Mr. Powell, presented a Bill to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of annual contributions towards the House of Commons Members' Fund and to extend the powers of investment of the trustees of that Fund: And the 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 Third Reading of the Croydon Corporation Bill:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being 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 Yeas, — Mr. Atkins; Mr. Black: 63.

Tellers for the Noes, — Mr. McAdden; Mr. Atkins: 89.

So 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 Adjournment being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Barber);

And it being Ten of the clock, the Motion to-morrow.

Ordered, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.—(Mr. Wakefield)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes after Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
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 Electricity Bill be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(Mr. Secretary Butler.)

Electricity Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Electricity Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Supply of electricity to railways)—(Mr. Maudling)—was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Maximum charges for re-selling electricity supplied by Electricity Boards)—(Mr. Renton)—was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Consolidated statements of accounts)—(Mr. Maudling)—was twice read, and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Development of electricity supply and efficient utilisation of all forms of energy)—(Mr. Palmer); And the said Clause was brought up.

Mr. Deputv Speaker called the attention of the House to the persistent irrelevance on the part of Mr. Warney, Member for Ashfield, and directed him to resume his seat.

And the said Clause was 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. Short, Mr. Rogers: 188.

Mr. Lieutenant-Commander Thompson, 229.

Mr. Barber:

So it passed in the Negative.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 2, line 21, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words—

" (b) the Minister shall also appoint one of the Chairmen of the Consultative Councils of the area boards to serve on the Electricity Council?"—(Mr. Greville Howard.)

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.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 6, line 18, by leaving out subsection (4) and inserting the words—

" (4) The Minister shall formulate from time to time as may be necessary a general programme for the purpose of carrying out such measures of reorganisation or such works of development as involve substantial outlay on capital account after consultation with the Electricity Council and the Electricity Boards in England and Wales?"—(Sir Frank Soskice),—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.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That further consideration of the Bill, as amended, be now adjourned.—(Mr. Maudling.)

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Lieutenant-Commander Thompson):

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-five minutes before Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

MEMORANDUM.

Wednesday, 3rd April, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of the Standing Order (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker this day appointed Sir Norman Hulbert Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Maintenance Agreements Bill.
Mr. Vosper presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 28th March 1957, entitled the Therapeutic Substances Amendment Regulations, 1957. 

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

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 29th March 1957, entitled the Smoke Control Areas (Exempted Fireplaces) Order, 1957.

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

Mr. Wheeldon reported from the Committee of the Tamar Bridge 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 Reports 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 follows:

The Lords have agreed to the House of Commons Disqualification Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the House of Commons Disqualification Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed. Bill 74.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Electricity Bill, to take into further consideration the Electricity Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 9, line 33, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words—

"(2) The Generating Board or any Area Board may, with the consent of the Minister and the approval of the Treasury, borrow money by the issue of Electricity Stock for all or any of the following purposes, that is to say—

(a) the provision of money for meeting any expenditure incurred by a Board in connection with any works the cost of which is properly chargeable to capital account;

(b) the provision of any working capital required by a Board;

(c) the repayment of money temporarily borrowed by a Board."—(Mr. Fort.)

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.
Adjournment.

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.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. (Colonel Harrison.)

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

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the University of Exeter Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

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

Mr. Renton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 4th April 1957, entitled the Gas (Meter) (Amendment) Regulations, 1957.

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

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes after Four of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.
Monday, 8th April, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Liverpool Hydraulic Power Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Liverpool Hydraulic Power Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

The Port of London Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

Mr. Renison presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Memorandum on Capital Investment in the Coal, Gas, and Electricity Industries.

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. Secretary Butler.)

Complaint being made by Mr. Strauss, Member for Vauxhall, of certain actions of the London Electricity Board, which, he submitted, were calculated to impede him as a Member in the performance of his parliamenary duties and constituted a breach of the Privileges of the House;

Ordered, That the Matter of the Complaint be referred to the Committee of Privileges.—(Mr. Secretary Butler.)

Mr. Wills reported from the Committee on Export Guarantees [Money], a Resolution, which was read, as follows:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the Export Guarantees Acts, 1949 to 1952, it is expedient to authorise—(a) any increase attributable to the provisions of that Act—
   (i) raising to two hundred and fifty million pounds the limit of one hundred and fifty million pounds imposed by subsection (2) of section two of the Export Guarantees Act, 1949, as amended, in respect of guarantees under that section;
   (ii) extending the power of the Board of Trade under the said section two so far as that power is exercisable for the purpose of rendering economic assistance to countries outside the United Kingdom, by authorising the making of arrangements for facilitating payments under contracts with persons carrying on business in the United Kingdom or companies directly or indirectly controlled by such persons; in the sums which, under section three or section four of the said Act of 1949 are to be or may be paid out of moneys provided by Parliament, charged on or issued out of the Consolidated Fund, raised by borrowing or paid into the Exchequer; and
   (b) the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of sums representing the excess of
       (i) interest payable into the Exchequer under section three of the said Act of 1949 on sums paid into the Acquisition of Guaranteed Securities Fund for the purpose of acquiring securities created under arrangements made before the first day of April, nineteen hundred and fifty-six; over
       (ii) interest collected on such securities.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Export Guarantees Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Raising of limit on guarantees under s. 2 of Export Guarantees Act, 1949).

Amendment proposed, in page 1, line 10, to leave out the words "and fifty".—(Mr. Jay.)

Question, That the words "and fifty" stand part of the Clause, put and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 1, line 11, at the end, to add the words—

"(2) In subsection (1) of the said section two there shall be added at the end the words ' but such arrangements shall not make it a condition of granting a guarantee to an exporter that he shall cover the whole of the risks involved in any particular transaction '.

—(Mr. Fletcher.)

Question, That those words be there added, put and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 1, line 11, at the end, to add the words—

"(2) In subsection (1) of the said section two there shall be added at the end the words ' but such arrangements shall not make it a condition of granting a guarantee to an exporter that he shall cover the whole of the risks involved in any particular overseas market '.

—(Mr. Fletcher.)

Question, That those words be there added, put and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Extension of power of Board of Trade to make arrangements for rendering economic assistance to countries outside U.K.).

Amendment proposed, in page 1, line 19, to leave out from the word "include" to the word "power".—(Mr. Jay.)

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.

Clause No. 4 amended and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

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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 thereto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration tomorrow.

The Magistrates’ Courts Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to the Standing Order (Committal of Bills).

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the House of Commons Disqualification 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 had agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Occupiers’ Liability Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

A Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time; Mr. Solicitor General, by Her Majesty’s Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her 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 of Commons Members’ Fund Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

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

The Lord Advocate, by Her Majesty’s Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to House of Commons Members’ Fund [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 authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of annual contributions towards the House of Commons Members’ Fund, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of such moneys into that Fund of annual contributions not exceeding ten thousand pounds or such higher amount as the Treasury may by order direct. —(Mr. Powell)

Resolved 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 to-morrow.

Resolved, That the Draft National Health Service (Superannuation) (England and Scotland) (Amendment) Regulations, 1957, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 20th day of March last, be approved.—(Mr. Vaughan-Morgan.)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment. —(Mr. Hughes-Young.)

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

[No. 90.]

Tuesday, 9th April, 1957.

The House met at half an hour after Two 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 nineteen hundred and fifty-seven to the thirtieth day of September nineteen hundred and fifty-eight; and for other purposes, was read the first time.

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

Several Public Petitions were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Maclay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 5th April 1957, entitled the Representation of the People (Scotland) Regulations, 1957.

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

Sit David Eccles presented, pursuant to the Wool Accounts of the National Wool Textile Export Corporation for the year ended the 30th day of September 1956, with the Report of the Auditors thereon.

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

Mr. Boyd-Carpenter presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Regulations, dated 2nd April 1957, entitled the National Insurance (Claims and Payments) Amendment Regulations, 1957.
Report of the National Insurance Advisory Committee on the National Insurance (Claims and Payments) Amendment Regulations, 1957, in accordance with subsection (4) of Section 77 of the National Insurance Act, 1946, preceded by a Statement made by the Minister of Pensions and National Insurance in accordance with that Act.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Statement of Revenue and Expenditure as laid before the House by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer when opening the Budget.—(Mr. Powell.)

Mr. Powell accordingly presented the said Paper.

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

Mr. Hoy reported from Standing Committee B, That they had gone through the National Insurance Bill and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next; 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 agreed to the White Fish and Herring Industries (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Cinematograph Films Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confer further powers on the Buckinghamshire County Council and local authorities of the county of Buckingham in relation to lands and highways and the local government improvement health and finances of the county; to make further provision with reference to the Buckinghamshire Quarter Sessions; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Buckinghamshire County Council 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 Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Entertainments duty (scope and amount of duty).

1. Motion made, That the following provision shall be made about entertainments duty in respect of payments (whenever made) for admission to entertainments given after the 4th May 1957—

(1) Entertainments duty shall not be chargeable except in the case of entertainments which consist wholly or partly of a cinematograph show or a television show, and (subject to the following provisions of this Resolution) the duty in respect of any payment for admission shall be one half the amount (if any) by which the payment exceeds eleven pence;

(2) Entertainments duty shall not be chargeable in respect of an entertainment by reason of the inclusion in it of any cinematograph or television show which is merely ancillary to a lecture or exhibition or designed to give instruction or information relevant to the purposes of a lecture or exhibition;

(3) The entertainments duty chargeable in respect of any entertainment shall be reduced by one third if the Commissioners of Customs and Excise on an application made in such manner as they may direct are satisfied that—

(a) the entertainment consists partly of one or more cinematograph or television shows and partly of other items, but is all given in one auditorium; and

(b) not less than one quarter of the total time taken by the entertainment (excluding intervals) is taken by those other items;

(4) The entertainments duty chargeable in respect of any payment for admission shall be calculated by reference to the total amount of the payment, without excluding the amount of the duty;

(5) Subsection (4) of section one of the Finance (New Duties) Act, 1916 (which relates to the charge of duty on lump sum payments and other payments covering more than the admission to a single entertainment), shall have effect with the omission of the words "or covers admission to an entertainment during any period for which the duty has not been in operation" and the words "in respect of which entertainments duty is payable";

(6) In section seventeen of the Finance Act, 1948 (which provides relief for rural entertainments), for the words "a population not exceeding two thousand" in subsection (1) there shall be substituted the words "a population not exceeding three thousand";

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.

Entertainments duty (exemptions).

2. Motion made, and Question, That any enactment conferring exemption from entertainments duty may be amended or repealed as regards entertainments given after 3rd August 1957—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer),—put and agreed to.
New duty on television licences.

3. Motion made, and Question, That on television receiving licences issued after the beginning of August 1957, there shall be charged a duty of one pound or, in the case of licences for longer than a year, of multiple licences, and of licences of special types, such larger duty as may be imposed by any Act giving effect to this Resolution—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer),—put and agreed to.

Hops, etc., and beer (customs).

4. Motion made, and Question, That the following duties of customs, now chargeable for a period expiring on the fifteenth day of August, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven, shall be made permanent, namely:—

(a) the duties now chargeable by virtue of section one of the Finance Act, 1953, on hops, hop oil and extracts, essences or other similar preparations made from hops; and

(b) the additional duty now chargeable in respect of beer by virtue of that section—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer),—put and agreed to.

Australian trade agreement.

5. Motion made, and Question, That with a view to the fulfilment of the agreement made on the twenty-sixth day of February, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven, between Her Majesty's Governments in the United Kingdom and in the Commonwealth of Australia (of which a copy was presented to Parliament on that day), the Ottawa Agreements Act, 1932, and any other enactment relating to customs which amends or relates to that Act, shall have effect as if that agreement were substituted for any rate of 30 per cent., or shall not be chargeable under the Group or part of the Finance Act, 1913—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer),—put and agreed to.

Composite goods (calculation of duties and drawbacks).

6. Motion made, and Question, That further provision may be made as to the customs duties to be charged, and the customs and excise drawbacks to be allowed, on composite goods containing a durable part or ingredient and as to rebates and drawbacks of customs duties so charged—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer),—put and agreed to.

PURCHASE TAX.

Purchase tax (household goods).

7. Motion made, and Question, That subject to any Treasury order under section twenty-one of the Finance Act, 1948, Part I of the Eighth Schedule to that Act shall be amended with effect from the 10th April 1957, as follows:—

(a) a rate of tax of 15 per cent. shall be substituted for any rate of 30 per cent. in the following places, namely—

(i) Group 9 (which comprises floor coverings and rugs); and

(ii) Group 11 (which comprises furniture, hardware, ironmongery, turnery, table-ware, kitchen-ware and toilet-ware of kinds used for domestic or office purposes);

(iii) paragraph (a) of Group 12 (which comprises appliances and apparatus of kinds used for domestic purposes, and not designed for operation by electricity or gas);

(iv) Group 13 (which comprises cutlery suitable for domestic or personal use, and spoons, forks and similar articles suitable for domestic use);

(b) at the end of Group 12 there shall be added a new paragraph—

"(m) sewing machines not designed for operation by electricity 30 per cent."

Except as provided by paragraph (b), this Resolution shall not authorise the said Schedule to be amended otherwise than by altering in one or more of the places mentioned in paragraph (a) the reference or references in that place to a rate of 30 per cent, but the reference or references may in any of those places be altered so that tax shall be chargeable at a less rate than 15 per cent., or shall not be chargeable under the Group or part of a Group in question—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer),—put and agreed to.

Purchase tax (provisional collection).

8. Motion made, and Question, That the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913, shall apply to purchase tax—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer),—put and agreed to.

INCOME TAX.

Income tax (charge and rates for 1957-58).

9. Motion made, and Question, That income tax for the year 1957-58 shall be charged at the standard rate of eight shillings and sixpence in the pound, and, in the case of an individual whose total income exceeded two thousand pounds, at the same higher rates in respect of the excess 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—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer),—put and agreed to.

Income tax (surtax rates for 1956-57).

10. Motion made, and Question, That income tax for the year 1956-57 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 as were charged for the year 1955-56; 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),—put and agreed to.

Income tax (personal reliefs).

11. Motion made, and Question, That—

(a) in subsection (1) (earned income relief) of section two hundred and eleven of the Income Tax Act, 1952, as amended, for the reference to tax at the standard rate for operation by electricity 30 per cent.
on two-ninths of the claimant's earned income or on £450, whichever is the less, there shall be substituted a reference to tax at the standard rate on—

(i) two-ninths of the amount (up to a maximum of £4,005) of the claimant's earned income; plus

(ii) one-ninth of the amount (up to a maximum of £5,940) of any excess of his earned income over £4,005;

(b) in subsections (2) and (3) (old age relief) of that section, for the references to £600 (which refer to the income limit for the full relief under subsection (2)) there shall be substituted references to £700;

(c) sections two hundred and twelve and two hundred and thirteen of that Act, as amended, shall have effect as if in subsection (1) of section two hundred and twelve and in subsections (2) and (3) of section two hundred and thirteen the references to £100 were—

(i) in relation to a child over the age of eleven but not over the age of sixteen at the commencement of the year of assessment, references to £125; and

(ii) in relation to a child then over the age of sixteen, references to £150;

(d) an individual, if at any time within the year of assessment either he or his wife living with him is of the age of sixty-five years or upwards,—

(i) shall be entitled to exemption from income tax, if his total income for that year does not exceed £250, or if he would be entitled to the higher (or married person's) relief under subsection (1) of section two hundred and ten of that Act, as amended, shall have effect as if in subsection (1) of section two hundred and ten of that Act, as amended, shall have effect as if in subsection (1) of section two hundred and ten of that Act, as amended, shall have effect as if the income limit for the year does not exceed £400; and

(ii) shall be entitled, if he is not exempt under the foregoing provision by reason only of his total income for the year exceeding £250 or £400, as the case may be, and the excess is less than £50, to have the income tax payable in respect of his total income reduced, where necessary, to an amount equal to half that excess; but this Resolution shall not require any change to be made in the amounts deducted or repaid under section one hundred and fifty-seven (pay as you earn) of the Income Tax Act, 1913—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer),—put and agreed to.

Income tax (persons chargeable under Schedule A).

13. Motion made, and Question, That further provision as to the persons chargeable with tax under Schedule A and the manner of assessing and charging tax may be made for cases where part of a house or building is let separately.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer),—put and agreed to.

Income tax (valuations for Schedules A and B in Scotland and Northern Ireland).

14. Motion made, and Question, That it is expedient to authorise such increased charges to tax as may, in particular cases, arise from amendments of the law relating to the valuation of property in Scotland or Northern Ireland for purposes of income tax under Schedule A or Schedule B, being—

(a) as regards Scotland amendments designed to give relief from tax by reference to owner's rates payable in the year 1956-57, and accordingly to value properties wholly or partly on the principles temporarily adopted for rating valuations under the Valuation and Rating (Scotland) Act, 1956; and

(b) as regards Northern Ireland, amendments designed to base assessments generally on the rating valuation for that year (with or without alterations for particular cases), instead of on the general revaluation for rating which came into force on April 1st last.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer),—put and agreed to.

Income tax (payments from House of Commons Members' Fund).

15. Motion made, and Question, That periodical payments granted out of the House of Commons Members' Fund (including periodical payments granted out of sums appropriated from that Fund or out of the income from those sums) shall be charged to income tax under Schedule E and shall be deemed for all the purposes of the Income Tax Acts to be emoluments assessable under that Schedule;

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),—put and agreed to.

Income tax (allowances for machinery).

16. Motion made, and Question, That provision (including retrospective provision as respects past years of assessment) may be made so that, where a person incurs capital expenditure on the provision of machinery or plant without the machinery or plant belonging to him, then for the purposes of Chapter II of Part X of the Income Tax Act, 1952, as amended, that expenditure and in certain cases expenditure incurred by other persons on the machinery or plant shall be wholly or partly left out of account or allowances under that Chapter in respect of any such expenditure may be withheld or withdrawn.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer),—put and agreed to.
PROFITS TAX.

Profits tax (miscellaneous charges).

17. Motion made, and Question, That it is expedient to authorise all such charges to the profits tax (including charges for past chargeable accounting periods) as may result—

(a) from amendments of the law relating to allowances, deductions or charges for income tax purposes;

(b) from amendments of the enactments relating to the profits tax the main purpose of which is to afford special treatment for companies operating overseas and companies with subsidiaries operating overseas;

(c) from any provision that, in computing the profits of the South of Scotland Electricity Board for the purposes of the profits tax for any chargeable accounting period (including a past chargeable accounting period) no deduction shall be made for payments made by the Board by way of interest on any sum treated as a loan to the Board under subsection (3) of section seven of the Electricity Reorganisation (Scotland) Act, 1954, or by way of interest on any borrowings of the Board which directly or indirectly replace that sum or any part of it—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—put and agreed to.

ESTATE DUTY.

Estate duty (gifts inter vivos).

18. Motion made, and Question, That it is expedient to authorise all such charges to estate duty as may result—

(a) from amendments of the law relating to gifts inter vivos being amendments as to the property which is to be treated as comprised in the gift for the purpose of charging duty or as to the time at which any property so treated is to be valued, or as to matters arising out of any such amendments; or

(b) from similar amendments of the law relating to property deemed to pass on a death by virtue of a disposition or determination of a limited interest—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—put and agreed to.

Estate duty (retirement annuities etc.).

19. Motion made, and Question, That notwithstanding any resulting charge to estate duty, provision may be made as to the treatment for purposes of estate duty of contracts and schemes approved under Part III of the Finance Act, 1956, and of annuities and other payments and rights under those contracts and schemes—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—put and agreed to.

GENERAL.

Amendment of the law.

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 making amendments of the enactments relating to purchase tax so as to give relief from tax, other than amendments making the same provision for chargeable goods of whatever description and amendments reducing any of the several rates of tax generally for all goods to which that rate applies (and for which the rate is not altered in pursuance of some other Resolution of the Committee of Ways and Means)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—Debate arising;

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 come to several Resolutions.

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 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. Brooman-White.)

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

MEMORANDUM.

Tuesday, 9th April, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of the Standing Order (Standing Committees (Constitution and Powers)), Mr. Speaker this day allocated the Magistrates' Courts Bill [Lords] to Standing Committee B.

[No. 91.]

Wednesday, 10th April, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

THE University of Exeter Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords and desire their concurrence.

The Wakefield 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.
Several Public Petitions were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Powell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Report of the Inspection Committee of Trustee Savings Banks for the year ended the 20th day of November 1956.

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

Mr. Secretary Hare presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Estimates for the Army for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1958.

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

Mr. Secretary Ward presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Estimates for Air Services for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1958.

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

Mr. Soames presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Estimates for the Navy for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1958.

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

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Report of a Court of Inquiry into the Causes and Circumstances of a Dispute at Briggs Motor Bodies Limited, Dagenham, existing between the Ford Motor Company Limited and members of the Trade Unions represented on the Trade Union side of the Ford National Joint Negotiating Committee.

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

Mr. Iain Macleod presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Report of a Court of Inquiry into the Causes and Circumstances of a Dispute at Briggs Motor Bodies Limited, Dagenham, existing between the Ford Motor Company Limited and members of the Trade Unions represented on the Trade Union side of the Ford National Joint Negotiating Committee.

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

Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to the Standing Order relating to Private Business (Bills affecting charities or educational foundations), Report on the Liverpool Corporation Bill [Lords].

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

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Blyth 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 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, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be printed.

Mr. Robert Jenkins reported from the Committee on the Dartford Tunnel 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 thereto; 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. Duthie reported from the Committee on Public Petitions, That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 24th day of January last, the 1st, 7th, 12th, 13th, 20th, 27th, and 28th days of February last, the 6th, 7th, 19th, 20th, 27th, and 28th days of March last, and the 9th and 10th days of this instant April, and had agreed to a 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.

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee B Mr. Bishop; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Kerr.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Standing Committee, That they had discharged from Standing Committee C Mr. Hector Hughes; and had appointed in substitution Mr. David Jones.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Standing Committee, That they had added Fifteen Members to Standing Committee C in respect of the Local Government (Promotion of Bills) Bill, viz.: Mr. Bevin, Mr. Bishop, Wing Commander Bullius, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Garman, Mr. Glenvil Hall, Viscount Hughes Hall, Mr. Thomas Jones, Mr. Leslie Lever, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Page, Mr. Charles Powell, Sir Victor Raikes, Mr. Short, and Mr. Dudley Williams.

Sir Norman Hulbert reported from Standing Committee C, That they had gone through the Maintenance Agreements Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday the 10th day of May next.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Amendment of the 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 making amendments of the enactments relating to purchase taxes so as to give relief from tax, other than amendments making the same provision for chargeable goods of whatever description and amendments reducing any of the several rates of tax generally for all goods to which that rate applies (and for which the rate is not altered in pursuance of some other Resolution of the Committee of Ways and Means).

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Committee do report Progress and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. Redmayne)—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.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.  

—(Mr. Redmayne.)

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

[No. 92.]

Thursday, 11th April, 1957.

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 Petition for the following Bill, originating in the Lords, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:-

Tyne Improvement (Lords).  

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

The Liverpool Hydraulic Power 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.

Several Public Petitions were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Powell presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 5th April 1957, relative to the Fiduciary Note Issue.

Account of Receipts and Payments in respect of Her Majesty's Land Registry for the year ended the 31st day of March 1957.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relating to Bank Notes be printed.

Mr. Secretary Butler 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—

(1) to the Urban District of Maesteg,
(2) to the Rural District of Cheltenham, and
(3) to the Rural District of Wincanton.

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

Mr. Alport presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the British Phosphate Commission for the year ended the 30th day of June 1956.

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

Mr. Secretary Ward presented, pursuant to Air Force, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 5th April 1957, making provision with respect to the rates of retired pay, pensions and gratuities payable for service in the Royal Air Force.

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

Mr. Molson presented, pursuant to the Aliens, directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 5th April 1957, entitled the Aliens Order, 1957.

Copy of an Order in Council, dated 5th April 1957, entitled the Merchant Shipping (Load Line Convention) (Various Countries) Order, 1957.

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

Sir David Eccles presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account showing the Receipts and Expenditure on account of Bankruptcy and Companies (Winding-up) Proceedings during the year ended the 31st day of March 1957.

Copies of the Report on the Census of Production for 1954.—

(1) Volume 3, Industry A, Blast Furnaces,
(2) Volume 3, Industry E, Tinplate, and
(3) Volume 12, Industry E, Canal, Dock and Harbour Undertakings (Civil Engineering).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Account 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:

Copy of Rules, dated 5th April 1957, entitled the Restrictive Practices Court Rules, 1957.

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 Amendments made by this House to the Wakefield Corporation Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Liverpool Hydraulic Power Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intitled, An Act to consolidate the enactments relating to dentists and other dental workers with corrections and improvements authorised under the Consolidation of Enactments (Procedure) Act, 1949, to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Dentists Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next and to be printed.

Mr. Scrames, supported by Mr. Attorney General and Mr. Powell, presented a Bill to make further provision with respect to the pay, bounty and allowances of officers and men of the naval and marine reserves (including officers of reserve to the Royal Navy); 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 House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Amendment of the 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 making amendments of the enactments relating to purchase tax so as to give relief from tax, other than amendments making the same provision for chargeable goods of whatever description and amendments reducing any of the several rates of tax generally for all goods to which that rate applies (and for which the rate is not altered in pursuance of some other Resolution of the Committee of Ways and Means).

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress and ask leave to sit again—(Colonel Harrison)—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, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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The Litter Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to the Standing Order (Committee of Bills).

The Cheques (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

Resolved. That this House will, upon Friday the 10th day of May next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 1st day of March last, That the Friendly Societies (Membership of Trade Unions) Bill be now read a second time;

And Notice being taken that Forty Members were not present, the House was told by Mr. Speaker, and Forty Members not being present, and it being then after One of the clock, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker at one minute before Four of the clock, without a Question first put, till Monday next.

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

PRAYERS.

THE Port of London 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 Tamar Bridge Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered. That the Bill be read the third time.

Several Public Petitions were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The following Paper, presented by Her Majesty's Command and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office during the Adjournment, pursuant to the Standing Order (Presentation of Command Papers), was ordered to lie upon the Table:

Copy of the Report of the Singapore Constitutional Conference held at London in March and April, 1957.


(1) Volume 2, Industry L, Ink, (2) Volume 9, Industry E, Starch, and (3) Volume 12, Industry D, Tramway, Trolley Bus and Omnibus Undertakings (Civil Engineering).

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

The Lord Advocate presented, by Her Majesty's Command, Copy of the Third Report of the Law Reform Committee for Scotland.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Amendment of the 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 making amendments of the enactments relating to purchase tax so as to give relief from tax, other than amendments making the same provision for chargeable goods of whatever description and amendments reducing any of the several rates of tax generally for all goods to which that rate applies (and for which the rate is not altered in pursuance of some other Resolution of the Committee of Ways and Means).

Question put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Heath, Yeas, Mr. Wills: 317. Mr. Popplewell, Noes, Mr. Pearson: 252.]

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.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Welfare Foods (Great Britain) Amendment Order, 1957, dated 13th March 1957, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 20th day of March last, be annulled—(Mr. Willey):—

The House divided.

The Yeas were as follows:

Tellers for the [Mr. Heath, Yeas, Mr. Wills: 171. Mr. Simmons, Noes, Mr. Wilkins: 212.]

Colonel Harrison: 212.

So it passed in the Negative.

Resolved. That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.—(Mr. Bryan.)
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And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till six minutes before Twelve of the clock, adjourned till to¬morrow.

MEMORANDUM.

Monday, 15th April, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of the Standing Order (Standing Committees (Constitution and Powers)), Mr. Speaker this day allocated the Litter Bill to Standing Committee C.

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Tuesday, 16th April, 1957.

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 Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Order not previously inquired into is applicable thereto, viz.:—

Buckinghamshire County Council Bill (Lords).

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 Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with, viz.:—

London County Council (Money) Bill (Lords).

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Several Public Petitions were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Powell presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament—Copies of Orders, dated 12th April 1957, entitled—

(1) the Import Duties (Drawback) (No. 6) Order, 1957, and

(2) the Import Duties (Drawback) (No. 7) Order, 1957.

Copy of a Draft Order, entitled the National Gallery (Lending outside the United Kingdom) (No. 1) Order, 1957.

Account up to the 31st day of March 1957, of the total Sums issued out of the Consolidated Fund in fulfilment of Guarantees given by the Treasury under Section 25 of the Finance Act, 1934.

Accoun up to the 31st day of March 1957, of the total Sums issued out of 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 Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Accounts be printed.

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty’s Command,—Copy of a Convention signed at Rome on the 29th day of January 1957 between Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Italian Republic on Social Insurance in Northern Ireland and Italy (Ratifications have not been exchanged).

Copy of Notes exchanged at London on Treaty Series 1957, the 15th and 19th days of February 1957 between Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Czecho¬slovakia prolonging until the 31st day of December 1959 the Sterling Payments Agreement of the 18th day of August 1949.

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

Mr. Secretary Harv presented, by Her Army Estimates, Majestey’s Command,—Copy of a Memorandum of the Secretary of State for War relating to the Army Estimates, 1957-58.

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

Mr. Secretary Ward presented, by Her Air Estimates, Majestey’s Command,—Copy of a Memorandum of the Secretary of State for Air relating to the Air Estimates, 1957-58.

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

Mr. Secretary Macalay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 15th April 1957, entitled the Removal of Vehicles (Scotland) Regulations, 1957.

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

Mr. Motson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 15th March 1957, approving an Admiralty Memorial praying sanction to increased Scales of Pay and Allowances for Ratings and Other Ranks in the Royal Navy and Royal Marines entering for longer periods of service.

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

Mr. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the Road Fund directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Report on the Administration of the Road Fund for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956.


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:—

Accounts of the Special Account, the American Aid (Agreed Schemes) Deposit Account, the American Aid (Productivity Assistance) Deposit Account, the American
And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;—Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.—(Mr. Legh).

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-night.

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 Rural District of Wincanton, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 11th day of this instant April, be approved.—(Mr. Simon.)

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 Cheltenham, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 11th day of this instant April, be approved.—(Mr. Simon.)

Ordered, That the said Accounts be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being adjourned, proposed, That this House do now adjourn—[Mr. Legh]:

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

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

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

MEMORANDUM.

Tuesday, 16th April, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of the Standing Order (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker this day appointed Sir Robert Grimston Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Local Government (Promotion of Bills) Bill, in place of Mr. William Richard Williams.
Mr. Secretary MacIay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—
Copy of a Scheme, dated 17th April 1957, entitled the Herring Subsidy (United Kingdom) Scheme, 1957.

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

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the Sugar的方向s of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Draft Order, entitled the Sugar Refining Agreements (Approval) Order, 1957.

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

Mr. Wakinson presented, by Her Majesty's Pakistan.


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

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table:—

Report of the Commissioners for Regulating the Offices of the House of Commons, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1957.

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 12th April 1957, entitled the Indictment Rules, 1957.

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Committee C Mr. Albert Evans, and Mr. Oswald; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Shurmer and Mr. Victor Yates.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Standing Committee, That they had added Twenty-five Members to Standing Committee B in respect of the Magistrates' Courts Bill (Levies), viz.: Mr. Ernest Davies, Mr. Delargy, Mr. Digby, Mr. Ede, Mr. Goodeart, Mr. Gower, Mr. Gresham Cooke, Mr. Hesketh, Mr. Holt, Mr. Isaacs, Mr. Maddan, Mr. Moody, Mr. Morris, Mr. Nugent, Mr. Partridge, Miss Pitt, Mr. Rees-Davies, Mr. Royte, Mr. Simons, Mr. Simon, Sir Frank Stolice, Mr. Snow, Mr. Summer, Mr. White, and Mr. Wills.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Standing Committee, That they had discharged from Standing Committee C Mr. David Jones; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Stonehouse.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Standing Committee, That they had added Fifteen Members to Standing Committee C in respect of the Advertisements (Hire-Purchase) Bill, viz.: Mr. Allain, Mr. Dance, Mr. Deer, Sir Eric Erington, Mr. Erroll, Mr. Freeth, Mr. Glenn Hill, Mr. Hornby, Mr. Hector Hughes, Mr. MacDermot, Mr. McKibbin, Mrs. McLaughlin, Mr. Orbach, Lieutenant-Colonel Schofield, and Mr. Sylvester.

Resolved, That this House do meet to-morrow at Eleven of the clock; that no Questions be taken after Twelve of the clock; and
Resolved, That this House, at its rising tomorrow, do adjourn till Tuesday the 30th day of this instant April.—(The Prime Minister.)

Mr. Redmayne reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 9th day of this instant April, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE.

Entertainments duty (scope and amount of duty).

1. That the following provision shall be made about entertainments duty in respect of payments (whenever made) for admission to entertainments given after the 4th May 1957:

(a) Entertainments duty shall not be chargeable except in the case of entertainments which consist wholly or partly of a cinematograph show or a television show, and (subject to the following provisions of this Resolution) the duty in respect of any payment for admission shall be one half the amount (if any) by which the payment exceeds eleven pence;

(b) Entertainments duty shall not be chargeable in respect of an entertainment by reason of the inclusion in it of any cinematograph or television show which is merely ancillary to a lecture or exhibition or designed to give instruction or information relevant to the purposes of a lecture or exhibition;

(c) The entertainments duty chargeable in respect of any entertainment shall be reduced by one third if the Commissioners of Customs and Excise are satisfied that:

(i) the entertainment consists partly of one or more cinematograph or television shows and partly of other items, but is all given in one auditorium; and

(ii) not less than one quarter of the total time taken by the entertainment (excluding intervals) is taken by those other items;

(d) The entertainments duty chargeable in respect of any payment for admission shall be calculated by reference to the total amount of the payment, without excluding the amount of the duty;

(e) Subsection (4) of section one of the Finance (New Duties) Act, 1916 (which relates to the charge of duty on lump sum payments and other payments covering more than the admission to a single entertainment), shall have effect with the omission of the words "or covers admission to an entertainment during any period for which the duty has not been in operation" and the words "in respect of which entertainments duty is payable"

(f) In section seventeen of the Finance Act, 1948 (which provides relief for rural entertainments), for the words "a population not exceeding two thousand" in subsection (1) there shall be substituted the words "a population not exceeding three thousand"

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.

Entertainments duty (exemptions).

2. That any enactment conferring exemption from entertainments duty may be amended or repealed as regards entertainments given after 3rd August 1957.

New duty on television licences.

3. That on television receiving licences issued after the beginning of August 1957, there shall be charged a duty of one pound or, in the case of licences for longer than a year, of multiple licences, and of licences of special types, such larger duty as may be imposed by any Act giving effect to this Resolution.

Hops, etc., and beer (customs).

4. That the following duties of customs, namely:

(a) the duties now chargeable by virtue of section one of the Finance Act, 1953, on hops, hop oil and extracts, essences or other similar preparations made from hops; and

(b) the additional duty now chargeable in respect of beer by virtue of that section.

Australian trade agreement.

5. That with a view to the fulfilment of the Australian trade agreement made on the twenty-sixth day of February, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven, between Her Majesty's Governments in the United Kingdom and in the Commonwealth of Australia (of which a copy was presented to Parliament on that day), the Ottawa Agreement Act, 1932, and any other enactment relating to customs which amends or relates to that Act, shall have effect as if that agreement were substituted for the agreement set out in Part II of the First Schedule to that Act;

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.

Composite goods (calculation of duties and drawbacks).

6. That further provision may be made as to composite goods containing a dutiable part or ingredient and as to rebates and drawbacks of customs duties so charged.

PURCHASE TAX

Purchase tax (household goods).

7. That, subject to any Treasury order under section twenty-one of the Finance Act, 1948, Part I of the Eighth Schedule to that Act shall be amended with effect from the 10th April 1957, as follows:

(a) a rate of tax of 15 per cent. shall be substituted for any rate of 30 per cent. in the following places, namely:

(i) Group 9 (which comprises floor coverings and rugs)
(ii) Group 11 (which comprises furniture, hardware, ironmongery, utensils, tableware, kitchenware and toiletware of kinds used for domestic or office purposes);

(iii) paragraph (a) of Group 12 (which comprises appliances and apparatus of kinds used for domestic purposes, and not designed for operation by electricity or gas);

(iv) Group 13 (which comprises cutlery suitable for domestic or personal use, and spoons, forks and similar articles suitable for domestic use;

(b) at the end of Group 12 there shall be added a new paragraph—

"(m) sewing machines not designed for operation by electricity 30 per cent.

Except as provided by paragraph (b), this Resolution shall not authorise the said Schedule to be amended otherwise than by altering in one or more of the places mentioned in paragraph (a) the reference or references in that place to a rate of 30 per cent., but the references may in any of those places be altered so that tax shall be chargeable at a less rate than 15 per cent., or shall not be chargeable under the Group or part of a Group in question.

Purchase tax (provisional collection).

8. That the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913, shall apply to purchase tax.

Income tax (charge and rates for 1957-58).

9. That income tax for the year 1957-58 shall be charged at the standard rate of eight shillings and sixpence 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 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 (surtax rates for 1956-57).

10. That income tax for the year 1956-57 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 as were charged for the year 1955-56;

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 (personal reliefs).

11. That—

(a) in subsection (1) (earned income relief) of section two hundred and eleven of the Income Tax Act, 1952, as amended, for the reference to tax at the standard rate on two-ninths of the claimant's earned income or on £450, whichever is the less, there shall be substituted a reference to tax at the standard rate on—

(i) two-ninths of the amount (up to a maximum of £4,005) of the claimant's earned income; plus

(ii) one-ninth of the amount (up to a maximum of £5,940) of any excess of his earned income over £4,005;

(b) in subsections (2) and (3) (old age relief) of that section, for the references to £600 (which refer to the income limit for the full relief under subsection (2)) there shall be substituted references to £700;

(c) sections two hundred and twelve and two hundred and thirteen of that Act, as amended, shall have effect as if in subsection (1) of section two hundred and twelve and in subsections (2) and (3) of section two hundred and thirteen the references to £100 were—

(i) in relation to a child over the age of eleven but not over the age of sixteen at the commencement of the year of assessment, references to £125; and

(ii) in relation to a child then over the age of sixteen, references to £150;

(d) an individual, if at any time within the year of assessment either he or his wife living with him is of the age of sixty-five years or upwards,—

(i) shall be entitled to exemption from income tax, if his total income for that year does not exceed £250, or if he would be entitled to the higher (or married person's) relief under subsection (1) of section two hundred and ten of that Act and his total income for the year does not exceed £400; and

(ii) shall be entitled, if he is not exempt under the foregoing provision by reason only of his total income for the year exceeding £250 or £400, as the case may be, and the excess is less than £50, to have the income tax payable in respect of his total income reduced, where necessary, to an amount equal to half that excess;

but this Resolution shall not require any change to be made in the amounts deducted or repaid under section one hundred and fifty-seven (pay as you earn) of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act, 1913.

Income tax (overseas trade corporations).

12. That charges to income tax (including the income tax charged for past years of assessment may be imposed by provisions the main purpose of which is to afford special treatment to companies operating overseas and companies with subsidiaries operating overseas.

Income tax (persons chargeable under Schedule A).

13. That further provision as to the persons chargeable with tax under Schedule A (persons chargeable under Schedule A) and the manner of assessing and charging tax may be made for cases where part of a house or building is let separately.
Income tax (valuations for Schedules A and B in Scotland and Northern Ireland).

14. That it is expedient to authorise such increased charges to tax as may, in particular cases, arise from amendments of the law relating to the valuation of property in Scotland or Northern Ireland for purposes of income tax under Schedule A or Schedule B, being—

(a) as regards Scotland amendments designed to give relief from tax by reference to owner's rates payable in the year 1956-57, and accordingly to value properties wholly or partly on the principles temporarily adopted for rating valuations under the Valuation and Rating (Scotland) Act, 1956; and

(b) as regards Northern Ireland, amendments designed to base assessments generally on the rating valuation for that year (with or without alterations for particular cases), instead of on the general revaluation for rating which came into force on April 1st last.

Income tax (payments from House of Commons Members' Fund).

15. That periodical payments granted out of the House of Commons Members' Fund (including periodical payments granted out of sums appropriated from that Fund or out of the income from those sums) shall be charged to income tax under Schedule E and shall be deemed for all the purposes of the Income Tax Acts to be emoluments assessable under that Schedule.

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 (allowances for machinery).

16. That provision (including retrospective provision as respects past years of assessment) may be made so that, where a person incurs capital expenditure on the provision of machinery or plant without the machinery or plant belonging to him, then for the purposes of Chapter II of Part X of the Income Tax Act, 1952, as amended, that expenditure and in certain cases expenditure incurred by other persons on the machinery or plant shall be wholly or partly left out of account or allowances under that Chapter in respect of any such expenditure may be withheld or withdrawn.

PROFITS TAX.

Profits tax (miscellaneous charges).

17. That it is expedient to authorise all such charges to the profits tax (including charges for past chargeable accounting period) as may result—

(a) from amendments of the law relating to allowances, deductions or charges for income tax purposes;

(b) from amendments of the enactments relating to the profits tax the main purpose of which is to afford special treatment for companies operating overseas and companies with subsidiaries operating overseas;

(c) from any provision that, in computing the profits of the South of Scotland Electricity Board for the purposes of the profits tax for any chargeable accounting period (including a past chargeable accounting period) no deduction shall be made for payments made by the Board by way of interest on any sum treated as a loan to the Board under subsection (3) of section seven of the Electricity Reorganisation (Scotland) Act, 1954, or by way of interest on any borrowings of the Board which directly or indirectly replace that sum or any part of it.

Estate duty (gifts inter vivos).

18. That it is expedient to authorise all such charges to estate duty as may result—

(a) from amendments of the law relating to gifts inter vivos being amendments as to the property which is to be treated as comprised in the gift for the purpose of charging duty or as to the time at which any property so treated is to be valued, or as to matters arising out of any such amendments;

(b) from similar amendments of the law relating to property deemed to pass on a death by virtue of a disposition or determination of a limited interest.

Estate duty (retirement annuities etc.).

19. That, notwithstanding any resulting charge to estate duty, provision may be made as to the treatment for purposes of estate duty of contracts and schemes approved under Part III of the Finance Act, 1956, and of annuities and other payments and rights under those contracts and schemes.

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.

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 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.

Mr. Redmayne reported from the Committee of Ways and Means of the 15th day of this instant April, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Amendment of the 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 making amendments of the enactments relating to purchase tax so as to give relief from tax, other than amendments making the same provision for chargeable goods of whatever description and amendments reducing any of the several rates of tax generally for all goods to which that rate applies (and for which the rate is not altered in pursuance of some other Resolution of the Committee of Ways and Means).
The said 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 a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution and upon the other Resolutions reported from the Committee of Ways and Means and agreed to this day; and that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Powell, and Mr. Birch do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Powell accordingly presented a Bill to grant certain duties, to alter other duties, and to amend the law relating to the National Debt and the Public Revenue, 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.

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 approves the Outline of Future Defence Policy set out in Command Paper No. 124;
Which Amendment was, to leave out from the word “House” to the end of the Question and add the words “declines to approve the Outline of Future Defence Policy set out in Command Paper No. 124;”
And that international disarmament is the only real solution to the problem of defence, and conscious of the dangers to humanity of the continuance of nuclear explosions, calls upon Her Majesty’s Government to take an immediate initiative in putting forward effective proposals for the abolition of hydrogen-bomb tests through international agreement, meanwhile postponing the United Kingdom tests for a limited period so that the response to this initiative of the other Governments concerned may first be considered;—instead thereof.
And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

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 Her Majesty’s Commission, for declaring Her 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 Her 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:
And the Question being put, That the words “Defence” 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. Wills; Mr. Pearson;
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Bowden; Mr. Heath.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put:
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Heath; Mr. Heath.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Bowden; Mr. Pearson.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That this House approves the Outline of Future Defence Policy set out in Command Paper No. 124.

A Motion was made, and the Question being adjourned:
Mr. Wakefield:—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 nine minutes before Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.
The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

A PUBLIC Petition was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Soames presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Statement by the First Lord of the Admiralty explanatory of the Navy Estimates, 1957-58.

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

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 17th April 1957, entitled the prohibition of Landing of Animals, Carcases and Animal Products, and Hay and Straw from the Channel Islands (Revocation) Order, 1957.

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

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee C Mr. Stonehouse; and had appointed in substitution Mr. David Jones.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from Standing Committee C Mr. McKibbin (added in respect of the Advertisements (Hire-Purchase) Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Osborne.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Five of the clock, adjourned till Tuesday the 30th day of this instant April, pursuant to the Resolution of the House yesterday.

[No. 97.]

Thursday, 18th April, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

A MOTION being made, That the Tamar Bridge Bill be now read the third time; and Notice being taken, that the interest of the Duke of Cornwall is concerned therein; the Chairman of Ways and Means, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as the Duke of Cornwall'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 proceeded to take into consideration the Blyth Harbour Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Dartford Tunnel Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Buckinghamshire County Council Bill (Lords) was read a second time and committed, London County Council (Money) Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The following Papers, presented by Her 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 Statistics of Foreigners entering and leaving the United Kingdom, 1956.

Copy of a Convention signed at London on the 22nd day of June 1956 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Swiss Federal Council for Relief from Double Taxation with Respect to Taxes on the Estates of Deceased Persons (Ratifications and the Swiss Federal Council for Relief from Double Taxation with Respect to Taxes on the Estates of Deceased Persons (Ratifications were exchanged on the 25th day of February 1957).

Copy of a Convention signed at Paris on Treaty Series No. 28, 1957.

Copy of a Convention signed at Paris on the 15th day of May 1953 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Governments of Belgium and France regarding the supervision and preventive control of the African Migratory Locust (the United Kingdom ratification was deposited on the 17th day of June 1953).


The following Papers, required by several Parliamentary Acts 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:—

23rd April 1957:—


24th April 1957:—

Copy of an Order, dated 16th April 1957, Purchase Tax, entitled the Purchase Tax (No. 1) Order, 1957.


[No. 98.]

Tuesday, 30th April, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

A MOTION being made, That the Tamar Bridge Bill be now read the third time; and Notice being taken, that the interest of the Duke of Cornwall is concerned therein; the Chairman of Ways and Means, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of
Copy of a Scheme, dated 17th April 1957, entitled the Hill Cattle (Breeding Herds) (England and Wales) Extension Scheme, 1957. 

Copy of an Order, dated 17th April 1957, entitled the Hill Cattle Scales (Breeding Herds) (England and Wales) Payment Order, 1957.

25th April 1957:—

Copy of a Direction, dated 18th April 1957, made by the Kingston upon Hull Corporation and approved with modification by the Minister of Housing and Local Government under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

26th April 1957:—

Copy of Regulations, dated 18th April 1957, entitled the Dangerous Drugs Regulations, 1957.

Copies of Regulations, dated 18th April 1957, entitled—

(1) the Road Vehicles (Registration and Licensing) (Amendment) Regulations, 1957, and

(2) the Road Vehicles (Excise) (Prescribed Particulars) Regulations, 1957.

Mr. Powel presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account up to the 31st day of March 1957, of the Total Sums issued from the Consolidated Fund pursuant to the Greek Loan Act, 1898, in respect of the Annuity which was guaranteed by Her Majesty Queen Victoria for the purpose of facilitating the raising of a Loan by the Government of Greece, and of the Sums paid in or towards the Repayment of any Money so issued.

Account of the Public Income and Expenditure of the United Kingdom in the year ended the 31st day of March 1957, with the Balances in the Exchequer on the 1st day of April 1956, the Receipts and Payments (not being Income and Expenditure) in the year ended the 31st day of March 1957, and the Balances in the Exchequer on that day.

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

Mr. Secretary Butler presented, pursuant to 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 and the London Probation System for the year ended the 31st day of March 1957, including the Receipts and Payments of the Metropolitan Police Loan Account from the 1st day of April 1935 to the 31st day of March 1957.

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

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Protocol of Amendment signed at Brussels on the 1st day of July 1955 to the Convention signed at Brussels on the 15th day of December 1950 for the Classification of Goods in Customs Tariffs (with annexed Nomenclature) this Protocol has not been ratified by Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom.

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

Mr. Secretary Hare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order by Her Majesty, dated 13th April 1957, amending the Army Emergency Reserve Regulations, 1956.

Copy of Amendments No. 1 to Army Army. General Reserve Regulations, 1954.

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

Mr. Alport presented, by Her Majesty's Ghana. Command,—Copy of a Public Officers Agreement between Her Majesty's Governments in the United Kingdom and Ghana.

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

Mr. Secretary Maclay presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Report of the Department of Agriculture for Scotland for 1956.

Mr. Secretary Maclay also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations, dated 24th April 1957, entitled—

(1) the National Health Service (General Dental Services (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations, 1957, and

(2) the National Health Service (Remuneration and Conditions of Service (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations, 1957.

Copy of the Report on the work of the Nurses General Nursing Council for Scotland, for (Scotland), 1956.

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

Mr. Molson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Ordinance in Council, dated 5th April 1957, approving an Admiralty Memorial praying sanction to an extension to the scale of full pay for Lieutenants, Royal Navy.

Copy of a Statute made by the Governing Body of Christ Church, Oxford, on the 6th day of February 1957, amending the Statute.

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

Mr. Amory presented, by Her Majesty's Animals Command,—Copy of the Report of the Committee of Inquiry into the Export of Live Cattle to the Continent for Slaughter.

Mr. Amory also presented, pursuant to the Animals directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 25th April 1957, made by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, authorising the landing at Liverpool of one Harnessed Antelope and two black Duikers.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Select Committee on the Obscene Publications Bill was nominated of Mr. Edmeston, Mr. Hague, Sir Lancelot Joynston-Hicks, Mr. Roy Jenkins, Mr. Elwyn Jones, Viscount Linlithgow, Mr. Nicolson, Sir Leslie Plummer, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Simon, Sir Patrick Spens, Sir Spencer Summers, Mr. Turton, and Mr. Younger.

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

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

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 99.]

Wednesday, 1st May, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

The Order of the day being read, for the London County Council (Money) Bill;

 Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 9th day of this instant May.

A Public Petition was presented and read; Public Petitions, and ordered to lie upon the Table. Vide Third Report.

Mr. Secretary Maclay presented, by Her Health Majesty's Command.—Copy of the Report of (Scotland), the Department of Health for Scotland for 1956.

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

Ordered, That the Proceedings on Government Business be exempted, at this day's House.

The House, according to Order, resolved Ways and Means, and into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

National Health Service Contributions.

Resolved, 1. That persons who, either as insured persons or as employers, pay, or are liable to pay, contributions under the National Insurance Act, 1946, as amended by subsequent enactments (hereinafter referred to as "national insurance contributions"), shall be liable in addition to pay contributions, to be known as national health service contributions, as follows:—

(a) any person who pays, or is liable to pay, national insurance contributions as a person of any of the descriptions specified
in the first column of the Table set out below, except in paragraph 4 of that Table, shall be liable to pay national health service contributions at the weekly rate specified in relation to that description in the second column of that Table;
(b) any person who is liable to pay national insurance contributions as an employer shall, for each person employed by him, be liable to pay national health service contributions at the weekly rate specified in the second column of paragraph 4 of that Table.

2. That national health service contributions shall be paid to the Minister of Pensions and National Insurance, but, as between that Minister and the Minister of Health and the Secretary of State, shall be taken to be so paid for the benefit of the Minister of Health, towards the cost of the national health service in Scotland, in such shares as the Secretary of State, shall be taken to be so paid for the benefit of the Minister of Health, towards the cost of the national health service in England and Wales, and of the Secretary of State, towards the cost of the national health service in Scotland, in such shares as the Treasury may determine, subject to—
(a) provision for the expenses of the Minister of Pensions and National Insurance attributable to the collection and application of those contributions, and the payment into the Exchequer of sums retained by that Minister on account of those expenses;
(b) provision for estimating the sums to be paid to the Minister of Health and the Secretary of State on account of the shares of national health service contributions due to them respectively; and
(c) provision for treating the sums so paid to the Minister of Health as sums received by him under the National Health Service (Scotland) Act, 1947.

3. That, in consequence of the provision made by the preceding paragraphs of this Resolution, it is expedient to provide—
(a) for reducing the weekly rates of national insurance contributions specified in the said Act of 1946, as amended, for persons of the descriptions specified in the first column of the Table set out below, by the amounts specified in relation to those descriptions in the third column of that Table;
(b) for discontinuing the making of payments out of the National Insurance Fund under section thirty-seven of the said Act of 1946;
(c) for applying (with or without modifications) the provisions of the enactments relating to national insurance, and of the Orders in Council and regulations made thereunder, to national health service contributions;
(d) for removing limitations on the power of the Parliament of Northern Ireland to pass corresponding legislation;
(e) for the making, on account of national health service contributions, of payments to the Exchequer of Northern Ireland, and to the appropriate authority or fund in the Isle of Man, in cases where corresponding financial adjustments are made on account of national insurance contributions;
(f) for other matters incidental or supplementary to the matters aforesaid.

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Resolution to be reported.—(Mr. Powell.)

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hoy 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, proceeded to take into consideration the National Insurance (Increase) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 4, line 13, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words—

"Provided that for the purposes of this subsection no contribution shall be credited to a person over pensionable age other than contributions (not exceeding five in any contribution year) for periods of incapacity for work."—(Miss Herbison.)
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.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 5, line 21, by leaving out the word "each" and inserting the words "at least one".—(Mr. Houghton), instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word "each" stand part of the Bill:
The House divided.

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

Tellers for the [Colonel Harrison, Mr. Hughes-Young:]
Yeas, 176.

Tellers for the [Mr. Holmes;]
Noes, 130.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 5, line 23, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words "or unless in that week and in the week immediately preceding that week the same day (other than Sunday) of each week is a day of interruption of employment".—(Mr. Houghton.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:
The House divided.

Another Amendment was proposed;
The Noes to the Left:

Tellers for the [Mr. Holmes;]
Yeas, 130.

Tellers for the [Colonel Price; Mr. Hughes-Young:]
Noes, 174.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then another Amendment was 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.

Resolved, That the Representation of the People (Scotland) Regulations, 1957, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 9th day of April last, be approved.—(Mr. Niall Macpherson.)

Ordered, That Mr. Roberts be discharged from the Select Committee on Nationalised Industries (Reports and Accounts); and that Mr. David Jones be added to the Committee.—(Colonel Harrison.)

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

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eight minutes after Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
December 1956 to the General Agreement on Privileges and Immunities of the Council of Europe signed at Paris on the 2nd day of September 1949 (this Protocol has not been ratified by Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom).

Copy of Notes exchanged at Ankara on the 28th day of February 1957 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Turkey relating to certain Commercial Matters.

Copy of a Protocol signed at Paris on the 10th day of December 1956 concerning the accession of the Federal Republic of Germany and Italy to the Conventions on Frontier Workers and Student Employees signed at Brussels on the 17th day of April 1950 (this Protocol has not been accepted by Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom).

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

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee on the British Transport Commission Bill, That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday next, at Eleven of the clock.

Mr. Secretary MacIay presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Report of Her Majesty's Inspector of Fire Services for Scotland, for 1956.

Copy of a Housing Return for Scotland, dated 31st March 1957.

Mr. Secretary MacIay also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Report of the Scottish Health Services Council for 1956.

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

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Orders, dated 29th April 1957, entitled—
(1) the Progressive Verticillium Wilt of Hops Order, 1957, and
(2) the Red Core Disease of Strawberry Plants Order, 1957.

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

Mr. Vosper presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Annual Report of the Central Health Services Council for 1956, preceded by a Statement made by the Minister of Health.

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

Mr. Iain Macleod presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Reports of Courts of Inquiry into the causes and circumstances of disputes—
(1) between the Engineering and Allied Employers' National Federation and Trade Unions affiliated to the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions, and
(2) between the Shipbuilding Employers' Federation and Trade Unions affiliated to the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
national insurance contributions, shall be liable in addition to pay contributions, to be known as national health service contributions, as follows:

(a) any person who pays, or is liable to pay, national insurance contributions as a person of any of the descriptions specified in the first column of the Table set out below, except in paragraph 4 of that Table, shall be liable to pay national health service contributions at the weekly rate specified in relation to that description in the second column of Table;

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2. That national health service contributions shall be paid to the Minister of Pensions and National Insurance, but, as between that Minister and the Minister of Health and the Secretary of State, shall be taken to be so paid for the benefit of the Minister of Health, towards the cost of the national health service in England and Wales, and of the Secretary of State, towards the cost of the national health service in Scotland, in such shares as the Treasury may determine, subject to—

(a) provision for the expenses of the Minister of Pensions and National Insurance attributable to the collection and application of those contributions, and the payment into the Exchequer of sums retained by that Minister on account of those expenses;

(b) provision for estimating the sums to be paid to the Minister of Health and the Secretary of State on account of the shares of national health service contributions due to them respectively; and

(c) provision for treating the sums so paid to the Minister of Health as sums received by him under the National Health Service Act, 1947, to be transferred to the Hospital Endowment Fund, and for treating the sums so paid to the Secretary of State as sums received by him under the National Health Service (Scotland) Act, 1947.

3. That, in consequence of the provision made by the preceding paragraphs of this Resolution, it is expedient to provide—

(a) for the weekly rates of national health service contributions specified in the said Act of 1946, as amended, for persons of the descriptions specified in the first column of the Table set out below, by the amounts specified in relation to those descriptions in the third column of that Table;

(b) for discontinuing the making of payments out of the National Insurance Fund under section thirty-seven of the said Act of 1946;

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The said Resolution being read a second time;

And the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to the Standing Order (Ways and Means and Motions and Resolutions), That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—It was resolved in the Affirmaive.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon National Health Contributions. And the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr. Vosper, Mr. Secretary Vaughan-Morgan do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Vaughan-Morgan accordingly presented a Bill to make provision for requiring persons who pay, or are liable to pay, contributions under the National Insurance Acts, 1946 to 1956, to pay contributions towards the cost of the national health service, and, in consequence thereof, to reduce the rates of contributions under those Acts, and to discontinue the making of payments out of the National Insurance Fund in respect of the national health service under section thirty-seven of the National Insurance Act, 1946;
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 Naval Discipline Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Public worship to be performed).

Amendment proposed, in page 1, line 16, at the end, to add the words—

"Provided that it shall be unlawful to order any person subject to this Act to be present at or take any part in such worship or to carry out any duty in substitution therefor".—(Mr. John Maltby.)

Question, That those words be there added, put and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 2 to 11 agreed to.

Clause No. 12 (Disobedience or threatening superior officer).

Amendment proposed, in page 4, line 32, to leave out from the word "officer" to the word "or" in line 33.—(Mr. William Wells.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 13 to 20 agreed to.

Clause No. 21 (Low flying).

Amendment proposed, in page 6, line 33, to leave out from the word "to" to the word "or" in line 34 and insert the words "dismissal from Her Majesty's service or any less punishment authorised by this Act".—(Mr. William Wells.)

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 to 27 agreed to.

Clause No. 28 (Drunkenness).

Amendment proposed, in page 8, line 31, to leave out the word "whether".—(Mr. Steele.)

Question, That the word "whether" stand part of the Clause, put and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 29 to 42 agreed to.

Clause No. 43 (Scale of punishments).

Amendment proposed, in page 13, to leave out line 38.—(Mr. Steele.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 44 to 57 agreed to.

Clause No. 58 (General Orders as to procedure of courts-martial).

Amendment proposed, in page 22, line 36, at the end, to insert the words—

"(2) The rules as to the admissibility of evidence to be observed in proceedings before courts-martial shall be the same as those observed in civil courts in England, and no person shall be required in proceedings before a court-martial to answer any question or produce any document which he could not be required to answer or produce in similar proceedings before a civil court in England".—(Mr. Elwyn Jones.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 59 to 73 agreed to.

Clause No. 74 (Power to dispense with trial of persons confessing to desertion).

Amendment proposed, in page 30, line 23, to leave out subsection (2).—(Mr. William Wells.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 75 to 139 agreed to.

Schedules Nos. 1 to 4 agreed to.

Schedule No. 5 amended and agreed to.

Schedule Nos. 6 and 7 agreed to.

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 taken into consideration to-morrow; and to be printed.

The Naval and Marine Reserves Pay Bill Naval and Marine Reserves Pay Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Export Guarantees 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.

Mr. Speaker certified that the Bill was a Mr. Speaker’s Money Bill within the meaning of the Parlia- Certificate, 1911.

Mr. Barber reported from the Committee on House of Commons Members’ Fund [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of annual contributions towards the House of Commons Members’ Fund, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of such moneys into that Fund of annual contributions not exceeding ten thousand pounds or such higher amount as the Treasury may by order direct.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the House of Commons Members' Fund Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 3 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 desire their concurrence.

The Church of Scotland (Property and Endowments) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

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. Barber);

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

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

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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 Sums issued out of and received from the Consolidated Fund under subsection (1) of Section 7 of the Cinematograph Film Production (Special Loans) Act, 1949, and of the Sums received under subsection (2) of Section 4 of that Act, from the National Film Finance Corporation in respect of Interest and Repayment of Advances and of the Disposal of those sums respectively, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Account of the Sums issued out of and received from the Consolidated Fund under subsection (1) of Section 11 of the Development of Inventions Act, 1945, and of the Sums received under Section 8 of that Act, from the National Research Development Corporation in respect of Interest and Repayment of Advances and of the Disposal of those Sums respectively, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Accounts of the transactions of the Iron and Steel Realisation Account and of the receipt and disposal of securities coming into the hands of the Treasury or their nominees for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Orders—

(1) of the Sums recovered under the Lace Industries (Scientific Research Levy) Order, 1951, and of their Disposal, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and

(2) of the Sums recovered under the Lace Industries (Scientific Research Levy) Order, 1951, and of their Disposal, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Accounts be printed.
Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord Weeks to attend to be examined as a Witness before Sub-Committee E appointed by the Select Committee on Estimates.—(Miss Burton.)

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Resolved, That this House, believing that the development of the natural resources required for the economic and social progress of the Commonwealth and Empire depends largely on the provision of adequate capital and technical skill, and not being satisfied that the needs of the Commonwealth and Empire in these respects are being met adequately at present, presses Her Majesty's Government to consider as a matter of urgency, in consultation with other members of the Commonwealth, how best these aims can be achieved.—(Mr. Langford-Holt.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Lieutenant-Commander Thompson);

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Racial Discrimination Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 15th day of March last, That the North of Scotland Development Corporation Bill be now read a second time:

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

Mr. Secretary Ward presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Particulars of grants of Pay and Allowances, &c., sanctioned by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury during the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, under the Dispensing Order of the 14th day of January 1922, made under Section 2 of the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917.

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

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

—(Mr. Wakefield.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till an hour after Four of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.
MR. Speaker made the following communication to the House:—

I regret to have to inform the House of the death of Robert Fisher Crouch, Esquire, Member for North Dorset, 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 Dartford Tunnel Bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords and desire their concurrence.

A Public Petition was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Powell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Draft Order, entitled the National Gallery (Lending Outside the United Kingdom) (No. 2) Order, 1957.

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

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Notes exchanged at Washington on the 6th day of December 1956 and the 4th day of January 1957 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the United States of America concerning Civil Aviation facilities and Long-Range Proving Grounds for Guided Missiles in the West Indies.

Copy of an Agreement signed at London on the 22nd day of July 1955 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany for Air Services between and beyond their respective Territories (with Notes exchanged) (Ratifications were exchanged at Bonn on the 7th day of February 1957).

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. Marples presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 1st May 1957, entitled the Telegraph (British Commonwealth and Foreign Written Press Telegram) Regulations, 1957.

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

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 2nd May 1957, entitled the Clean Air Council Order, 1957.

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

MEMORANDUM.

Tuesday, 7th May, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of the Standing Order (Standing Committees (Constitution and Powers)), Mr. Speaker this day allocated the Maintenance Orders (Attachment of Income) Bill (transferred from Standing Committee C) to Standing Committee B.
The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

A PUBLIC Petition was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Corporation Bill, That they had examined the Road Transport Bills, to whom the Road Transport Lighting Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them: 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. Janner reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills, to whom the Road Transport Lighting Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, was referred, 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 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 agreed to the Barclays Bank D.C.O. Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Cattedown Wharves Bill, without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Proceedings of the Committee on National Health Service Contributions (Money) be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(Mr. Secretary Butler.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the National Health Service Contributions Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being 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. Heath, Mr. Oakshott; 303.

Tellers for the Noes: Mr. Pearson, Mr. Simmons; 230.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and was committed to a Committee of the whole House.

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

Mr. Vesper, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to National Health Service Contributions [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 provision for requiring persons who pay, or are liable to pay, contributions under the National Insurance Act, 1946, as amended by subsequent enactments, to pay contributions towards the cost of the national health service, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of—

(a) sums to be paid by the Minister of Health to the Exchequer of Northern Ireland, and to the appropriate authority or fund in the Isle of Man, in accordance with any provisions of the said Act of the present Session relating to classes of persons in respect of whom financial adjustments in relation to Northern Ireland and the Isle of Man are made under the said Act of 1946; and

(b) any administrative expenses incurred under the said Act of the present Session by the Minister of Pensions and National Insurance, the Minister of Health or the Secretary of State.—(Mr. Vesper.)

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 the Herring Subsidy (United Sea Fisheries. Kingdom) Scheme, 1957, dated 17th April 1957, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 17th day of April last, be approved.—(Lord John Hope.)

Ordered, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment. (Mr. Wills.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till Twelve of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
MEMORANDA.

Wednesday, 8th May, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of the Standing Order (Standing Committees (Constitution and Powers)), Mr. Speaker this day allocated the Legitimation (Re-registration of Birth) Bill (transferred from Standing Committee C) and the Advertisements (Hire-Purchase) Bill (transferred from Standing Committee C) to Standing Committee A, and the Thermal Insulation (Industrial Buildings) Bill (transferred from Standing Committee C) and the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Navy, Marines and Service Civilians) (Overseas) Bill (transferred from Standing Committee C) to Standing Committee D.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of the Standing Order (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Hoy appointed Mr. Hoy Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Maintenance Orders (Attachment of Income) Bill.

[No. 105.]

Thursday, 9th May, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

Edinburgh, South, Writ.

A MOTION was made, and the Question being proposed, 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 for Edinburgh, South, in the room of Sir William Young Darling, C.B., M.C., who, since his election for the said Constituency, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Three Chantry Hundreds of Stoke, Desborough, and Burnham, in the County of Buckingham—(Mr. Heath):—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London County Council (Money) Bill:

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

A Public Petition was presented and read and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Convention signed at Vienna on the 20th day of July 1756 between Her Majesty in respect of the United Kingdom and the Federal President of the Republic of Austria for the avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with respect to Taxes on Income (Ratifications were exchanged at London on the 13th day of March 1957). Copy of a Fisheries Agreement signed at Moscow on the 25th day of May 1956 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (with a Minute to Article I of the Agreement and Notes exchanged on Territorial Waters) (Ratifications were exchanged on the 12th day of March 1957).

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

Mr. Secretary Maclay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 6th May 1957, entitling the Education Authorities (Scotland) Grant (Amendment No. 7) Provisional Regulations, 1957.

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

Mr. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Traffic. Copies of Regulations, dated 2nd May 1957, entitled—

(1) the London Traffic (Prohibition of Waiting) (Bralsted, Kent) Regulations, 1957, and

(2) the London Traffic (Prohibition of Waiting) (Woking) Regulations, 1957.

Report by the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation on the exercise and performance of his functions under the Oil in Navigable Waters Act, 1955, during 1956. . . .

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 following Paper, pursuant to the directions of a Measure, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Scheme for uniting the Benefices and Benefices of the Parishes of Saint Paul, Hampstead, and Saint Mary the Virgin, Primrose Hill, in the Diocese of London, and for authorising the giving of Church of Saint Paul, Hampstead, and the sale of the site and materials thereof.

Ordered, That the Committee on the British Transport Commission Bill have leave to make a Special Report.

Major Legge-Bourke reported from the Committee on the British Transport Commission Bill, 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.

Major Legge-Bourke reported from the British Transport Commission Bill, That they had examined the Bill, 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 Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee B Mr. Shurmer; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Moody. Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Committee, That they had added Fifteen Members to Standing Committee B in respect of the Maintenance Orders (Attachment of Income) Bill, viz.: Sir Peter Agnew, Brigadier Clarke, Mrs. Corbet, Sir Eric Errington, Mr. Lee, Mr. Charles Favennell, Mr. Parker, Mr. Partridge, Mr. Russell, Mr. Simmons, Mr. Simon, Mr. Sumner, Miss Vickers, Mrs. White, and Mr. Winterbottom.

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) for one hour after Ten of the clock.—(Mr. Secretary Butler)

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 for Edin­

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


Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum, not exceeding £49,070,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expense of the pay, &c., of the Air Force, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1958, in addition to the sum of £47,550,000 to be allocated for this purpose from the sum of £240,000,000 voted on account of Air Services generally.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Oakshott), put and agreed to.

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

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, and the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.—(Mr. Wills.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-three minutes before Twelve of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Horsey Writ.

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 Horsey, in the room of Sir Leonard David Gamman, Baronet, deceased.—(Mr. Heath.)

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 for East Ham, North, in the room of Percy Daines, Esquire, deceased.—(Mr. Bowden.)

Mr. Brooke presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order of the Minister of Housing and Local Government relating to certain land in the county of Berks: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the said Papers be withdrawn.

Mr. Powell presented, pursuant to the direc­
tions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 7th May 1957, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 5) Order, 1957.

Copy of an Order, dated 7th May 1957, Import Duties (Exemptions) Order, 1957.

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

The Order made upon the 7th day of February last, That the Papers relating to the Census of Production, 1954 (Volume 6, Industry D, Rayon, Nylon, etc., Production and Volume 6, Industry H, Jute), do lie upon the Table, was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the said Papers be withdrawn.

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

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(1) Volume 6, Industry D, Rayon, Nylon, etc., Production, and
(2) Volume 6, Industry H, Jute.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copies of Orders, dated 7th May 1957, entitled—
(1) the Importation of Pedigree Animals (No. 2) Order, 1957, and
(2) the Importation of Pedigree Animals (No. 3) Order, 1957.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copies of Regulations, dated 3rd May 1957, entitled—
(1) the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (Redhill, Reigate) Regulations, 1957, and
(2) the London Traffic (Prohibition of Waiting) (Walton and Weybridge) Regulations, 1957.
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:

Copy of the Balance Sheet of the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority as at the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon;
Accounts showing the Sums issued out of the Consolidated Fund and the Advances therefrom to Development Corporations in England and Wales and in Scotland under the New Towns Act, 1946, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon; and Copies of the Audited Accounts of the Corporations for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956.
Ordered, That the said Accounts be printed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Maintenance Agreements Bill, not amended in the Standing 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.
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 Cheques (No. 2) Bill.
(In the Committee.)
Clause No. 1 (Protection of bankers paying unindorsed cheques).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 1, line 6, after the words last inserted, to insert the words "and pays that cheque to the credit of an account with such banker or to another banker".—(Mr. Philip Bell.)

Question, That those words be there inserted, put and negatived.

Other Amendments made.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clause No. 2 agreed to.
Clause No. 3 (Unindorsed cheques as evidence of payment).

Amendment proposed, in page 1, line 15, after the word "drawn", to insert the words "otherwise than in cash".—(Mr. Philip Bell.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Clause agreed to.
Clause No. 4 amended and agreed to.
Clause No. 5 agreed to.
Clause No. 6 amended and agreed to.
Clauses Nos. 7 and 8 agreed to.
Schedule 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 therunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday the 24th day of this instant May; and be printed.

The National Assistance Act, 1948 (Amendment) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to the Standing Order (Committal of Bills).

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question Racial Discrimination Bill be now read a second time;
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 Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question Scotland Development Corporation Bill be now read a second time;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question Children and Young Persons (Registered Clubs) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes after Four of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.
The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Powell presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of a Treasury Minute under the Public Accounts and Charges Act, 1891, dated 10th May 1957, directing the application of certain receipts as Appropriations in Aid of the Vote for Customs and Excise.

Mr. Soames presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Accounts of the Greenwich Hospital and Travers' Foundation for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 9th May 1957, entitled the Eggs (Amendment) Order, 1957.

Mr. Vosper presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations (Control of Sale and Supply) Regulations, 1957.

Mr. Boyd-Carpenter presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Sixth Interim Report by the Government Actuary on the operation of the National Insurance Act, 1946, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table, pursuant to the Standing Order (Notification in respect of certain Statutory Instruments),—Communication, dated 13th May 1957, declaring that the Exchange Control (Payments (Egyptian Monetary Area) Order, 1957, had been brought into operation this day, and explaining why copies thereof had not been laid before Parliament beforehand.

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.

Mr. Oakshott reported from the Committee on National Health Service Contributions (Money), a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision for requiring persons who pay, or are liable to pay, contributions under the National Insurance Act, 1946, as amended by subsequent enactments, to pay contributions towards the cost of the national health service, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of—

(a) sums to be paid by the Minister of Health to the Exchequer of Northern Ireland, and to the appropriate authority or fund in the Isle of Man, in accordance with any provisions of the said Act of the
The House, according to Order, resolved Supply [14th allotted Day].

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 City of London (Various Powers) Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Bill, Lords desire the concurrence of this House. The Lords have agreed to the Marine Insurance Bill, with Amendments; to which the Bill, Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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.—(The Prime Minister.)

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Notes exchanged at Rabat on the Treaty Series No. 37, 1957.

Mr. Secretary MacKay presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Criminal Statistics for Scotland for 1956.

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

Mr. Secretary Watson presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation under the Doncaster Corporation Act, 1926, relating to Doncaster Corporation 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. Watson presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation under the Doncaster Corporation Act, 1926, relating to Doncaster Corporation 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.

A Public Petition was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

No. 108.]

Tuesday, 14th May, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Watkinson presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation under the Doncaster Corporation Act, 1926, relating to Doncaster Corporation 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. Watkinson presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation under the Doncaster Corporation Act, 1926, relating to Doncaster Corporation 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.

memorandum.

Monday, 13th May, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph 2 of the Standing Order (Standing Committees (Constitution and Powers), Mr. Speaker this day allocated the Representation of the People (Amendment) Bill (transferred from Standing Committee C) to Standing Committee A, and the National Assistance Act, 1948 (Amendment) Bill to Standing Committee C.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceed-ings of the Committee be printed.

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

Mr. Blackburn reported from Standing Committee A, That they had gone through the Agriculture Bill and made Amendments thereto.

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

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged the Maintenance Orders Committee B. (Attachment of Income) Bill; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Fernyhough.

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

The Lords have agreed to the City of London (Various Powers) Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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

Mr. Renshaw, pursuant to the Standing Orders of 1st day of March 1957 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government in the United Kingdom and the Shereefian Empire signed on the 9th day of December 1856.

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

Mr. Watkinson presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order made by the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation under the Doncaster Corporation Act, 1926, relating to Doncaster Corporation 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.
Army Estimates, 1957-58.

Vote I. Pay, &c., of the Army.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum, not exceeding £44,280,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expense of the pay, &c., of the Army, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1958, in addition to the sum of £48,450,000 to be allocated for this purpose from the sum of £210,000,000 voted on account of Army Services generally.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. Oakshott),—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.

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Oakshott)—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-nine minutes after Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Draft Scheme, entitled the Ploughing Grants Scheme, 1957.

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

Mr. Waterston presented, pursuant to the Road Traffic directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy and Vehicles, of a Draft Order, entitled the Motor Vehicles (International Circulation) Order, 1957.

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

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the Town and Country Planning (Atomic Energy Establishments Special Development) Order, 1957.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported Standing Orders, from the Standing Orders Committee, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, in the case of the Tyne Improvement (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.

Sir Peter Agnew reported from the Committee on the Portslade and Southwick Outfall Sewerage Board Bill, That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned till Thursday the 23rd day of this instant May, at twenty-five minutes before Three of the clock.

Sir William Steward reported from the Select Committee on the Portslade and Southwick Outfall Sewerage Board Bill, That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned till Thursday the 23rd day of this instant May.

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

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from London County Council (General Powers) Bill (Lords) was read the first time.
The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

—(Mr. Wakefield)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till two minutes before Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 110.]

Thursday, 16th May, 1957.

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

THE Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the London Council (Money) Bill:

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

A Public Petition was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of an Agreement signed at Geneva on the 25th day of September 1956 on the Joint Financing of certain Air Navigation Services in Greenland and the Faroe Islands (this Agreement has not been accepted by Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom).

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

Copy of an Agreement signed at Tokyo on the 21st day of September 1955 between Her Majesty's Governments in the United Kingdom, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, and the Union of South Africa and the Governments of India and Pakistan of the one part and the Government of Japan of the other part regarding British Commonwealth War Graves in Japanese Territory.

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

Mr. Secretary Maclay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Fiftieth Report to the Secretary of State by the Board of Trustees of the National Galleries of Scotland, for 1956.

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

Mr. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 9th May 1957, entitled the Parking Meters (Description and Testing) (England and Wales) Order, 1957.


Account of the Receipts and Payments under the Seamen's Fund Winding-up Act, 1851, for 1956.

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Report by the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation of his proceedings under the Light Railways Acts, 1896 and 1912, in 1956.

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

Mr. Attorney General presented, pursuant to the Standing Order relating to Private Business (Bills affecting charities or educational foundations),—Report on the Finsbury Square Bill [Lords].

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

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged the Bill from Standing Committee A Captain Corfield, Mr. Dye, Mr. Jeger, Mr. Edward Mallalieu, Committee A. Sir Leslie Plummer, Commander Scott-Miller, and Mr. Percy Wells; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Axley, Major Beamish, Mr. Bence, Mr. Donnelly, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Watkins, and Mr. Whitelaw.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Shops Bill to act, in lieu of the provisions in that Act to make, in lieu of the provisions in the Shops Act, 1950, fresh provision with respect to the times at which shops must close on weekdays, the times at which retail trade or business may, on weekdays, be carried on otherwise than in shops, Sunday trading, and the conditions of employment of shop assistants and other persons employed in connection with retail trade or business and of young persons employed in certain occupations in connection with wholesale trade; to amend the provisions of that Act relating to the enforcement thereof; and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Shops Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time [Lords] upon Monday next and to be printed. Bill 88.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved supply [2nd allotted Day] into the Committee of Supply. (In the Committee) Civil Estimates, 1957-58.

Class II.

Vote 2. Foreign Office Grants and Services.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum, not exceeding £8,031,880, be granted to Her 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 1958, for sundry grants and
services connected with Her Majesty's Foreign
Service, including subscriptions to interna­
tional organisations and grants in aid.
Whereupon Motion made, and Question,
That the Chairman do report Progress and
ask leave to sit again—(Mr. Oakshott),—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.

Suez.

The Order of the day being read, for re­
suming the adjourned Debate on the Question
proposed yesterday, That this House expresses
its concern at the outcome of the Govern­
ment's Suez Canal policy, and deplores the
damage to British prestige and economic in­
terests resulting therefrom;
And the Question being again proposed:
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
Mr. Bowden.
Mr. Pearson.

Tellers for the
Mr. Heath.
Mr. Oakshott.

So it passed in the Negative.

Road Traffic

A Motion was made, and the Question
being proposed, That an humble Address be
presented to Her Majesty, praying that the
Removal of Vehicles (England and Wales)
Regulations, 1957, dated 15th April 1957, a
copy of which was laid before this House on
the 16th day of April last, be annulled—(Mr.
Ernest Davies)—The said Motion was, with
leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolved. That this House do now adjourn.
—(Mr. Oakshott.)

And accordingly the House, having con­
tinued to sit till eighteen minutes after
Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

MEMORANDUM.
Thursday, 16th May, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of the Standing
Order (Chairmen of Standing Commit­
teet), Mr. Speaker this day appointed Mr.
Durning-Chadwick Chairman of Standing Committee A
in respect of the Legitimation (Re-registration of Birth) Bill.
Monday, 20th May, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the City of London (Various Powers) 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 House proceeded to take into consideration the British Transport Commission Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. Powell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Abstract Account of Receipts of, and Payments by, the Treasury Solicitor in 1956, in the Administration of Estates on behalf of the Crown: and an Alphabetical List of Intestates' Estates in respect of which Letters of Administration were granted to the Treasury Solicitor as Crown's Nominee and of other cases (partial intestacies, &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 Maclay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Ordinance No. 3 of the University of St. Andrews Commissioners and the University Courts of the Universities of Glasgow, Aberdeen, and Edinburgh (Exemption from attendance on certain courses of study for the degrees of M.B., Ch.B., B.D.S., and B.V.M.S.).

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, 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. Secretary Butler);

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

Tellers for the Mr. Oakshott, Yes, 182.
Tellers for the Mr. Wilkins, Noes, [Mr. Deer]: 142.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the National Health Service Contributions Bill:

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Clause No. 1 (Contributions to national health service).
Amendment proposed, in page 2, line 1, at the beginning, to insert the words "Subject to the provisions of subsection (4) of this section".—(Mr. Marquand.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. John Taylor, Yeas, [Mr. Rogers]: 162.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Bryan: 207.

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Barber, Yeas, [Mr. Hughes-Young]: 199.
Tellers for the Noes, [Mr. Short]: 159.

Clauses Nos. 2 to 5 agreed to.

Clause No. 6 (Interpretation).
Amendment proposed, in page 7, line 6, at the end, to insert the words "being a day not before the first day of May nineteen hundred and sixty".—(Miss Herbison.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Holmes, Yeas, [Mr. Joseph Price]: 149.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Barber: 421.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 7 agreed to.

Schedule No. 1.
Amendment proposed, in page 8, line 9, to leave out "141" and insert "14$.".—(Mr. Houghton.)

Question put, That "141" stand part of the Schedule.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Hughes-Young, Yeas, [Mr. Brooman-White]: 185.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Simmons: 146.

Schedule agreed to.

Schedules Nos. 2 and 3 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Dr. King 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 House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Magistrates' Courts Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

An Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 2, line 38, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words "by a
PRAYERS.

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

Reading Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Provisional Order Bill.

Doncaster Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Provisional Order Bill.

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

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 Order is applicable thereto, viz.:

Ministry of Housing and Local Government Provisional Order (County of Berks Consent to Letting) Bill.

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

A Public Petition was presented and read, and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty’s Command,—Copy of the Third Annual Report of the Marshall Aid Commemoration Commission, for the year ended the 30th day of September 1956.

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


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

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Scheme, dated 15th May 1957, entitled the Hill Cattle (Breeding Herds) (Northern Ireland) Extension Scheme, 1957.

Copy of an Order, dated 15th May 1957, Agriculture, entitled the Hill Cattle Subsidy (Breeding Herds) (Northern Ireland) Payment Order, 1957.

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

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 16th May 1957, entitled the Town and Country Planning (City and County of the City of Exeter) Development Order, 1957.

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:—

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 1957.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of a Measure, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Scheme for uniting the Benefices and Parishes of Saint George, Manchester, and Saint Barnabas, Manchester, in the Diocese of Manchester, and for authorising the taking down of the Church of Saint Barnabas, Manchester, and the sale of the site and materials thereof.

Mr. Fletcher 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. George Thomas reported from Standing Committee D, That they had gone through Coal-Mining (Subsidence) Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next; 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 Mr. Maudling, and Mr. Amory, and Mr. Mauley, presented a Bill to extinguish rights of common and other rights, in so far as any such rights subsist in or over certain land in the parish of Winfirth Newburgh in the county of Dorset; to provide for determining the nature of the said rights, so far as they subsist in or over that land, and the persons entitled thereto, and to provide for compensation in respect of the extinguishment thereof; 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 Prime Minister, supported by Mr. Attorney General, Mr. Amory, and Mr. Mauley, presented a Bill to extinguish rights of common and other rights, in so far as any such rights subsist in or over certain land in the parish of Winfirth Newburgh in the county of Dorset; to provide for determining the nature of the said rights, so far as they subsist in or over that land, and the persons entitled thereto, and to provide for compensation in respect of the extinguishment thereof; 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 House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill.

Clause No. 1 (Entertainments duty).

Amendment proposed, in page 1, line 22, after the word "payment", to insert the words "eleven pence".

ORDERED, That those words be there inserted.
Another Amendment proposed, in page 36, line 2, to leave out the word "parish" and insert the word "district".—(Mr. Eden.) Question proposed, That the word "parish" stand part of the Schedule.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 36, line 9, to leave out the words "six hundred and forty" and insert the words "nine hundred and sixty".—(Mrs. White.) Question put, That the words "six hundred and forty" stand part of the Schedule.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Bryan, Yeas, Mr. Hughes-Young: ] 199,
Tellers for the [Mr. Wilkins, Noes, Mr. Simmons: ] 163.

Schedule agreed to.

To report Progress and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

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.

Ordered, That Mr. Geoffrey Wilson be discharged from the Select Committee on Nationalised Industries (Reports and Accounts) and that Mr. Low be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Oakshott.)

Adjournment.

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

[No. 114.]

Wednesday, 22nd May, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

The Doncaster Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed.

The Ministry of Housing and Local Government Provisional Order (County of Berks (Consent to Letting)) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed.

The Reading Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Provisional Order Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed.

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Draft Order in Council, entitled the International Organisations (Immunities and Privileges of the International Tin Council) (Amendment) Order, 1957.

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

Mr. Secretary Ward presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 10th May 1957, further amending in certain respects the Regulations appended to the Order of His late Majesty King George the Sixth, dated 28th December 1948, providing for the government, discipline, pay and allowances of the Royal Auxiliary Air Force.

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

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the Local Government (Directors of Local Enactment) Order, 1957, entitled the Reigate (Amendment of Local Enactment) Order, 1957, with a Certificate by the Minister of Housing and Local Government under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945.

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

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Whitstable Harbour 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 Workington Harbour and Dock (Transfer) 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 them 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.

Captain Waterhouse reported from the Select Committee on Estimates, that they had made further Progress in the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report which they had directed him to make to the House,
and had directed him to report so much of
the Minutes of the Evidence taken before
Sub-Committee C as had been reported by
them to the Committee: And the Report was
brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Report, together with
the said Minutes, do lie upon the Table; and be
printed.

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Com-
mitee of Selection, That they had added
Fifteen Members to Standing Committee A in
respect of the Advertisements (Hire-Purchase)
Bill, viz.: Mr. Allaun, Mr. Dance, Mr. Deer,
Mr. Erroll, Mr. Freeth, Mr. Glennis Hall, Mr.
Horbby, Mr. Hector Hughes, Mr. MacDermot,
Mrs. McLaughlin, Mr. Orbach, Mr. Osborne,
Mr. Page, Lieutenant-Colonel Schofield, and Mr.
Sylvester.

Standing Committee C.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the
Committee, That they had discharged from
Standing Committee C Mr. Allaun, Mr.
Dance, Mr. Deer, Sir Eric Errington, Mr.
Erroll, Mr. Freeth, Mr. Glennis Hall, Mr.
Horbby, Mr. Hector Hughes, Mr. MacDermot,
Mrs. McLaughlin, Mr. Orbach, Mr. Osborne,
Lieutenant-Colonel Schofield, and Mr.
Sylvester (added in respect of the Advertise-
ments (Hire-Purchase) Bill).

Standing Committee D.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the
Committee, That they had discharged from
Standing Committee D Mr. Boardman, Mr.
Thomas Brown, Mr. Harold Davie, Mr.
Eden, Mr. Fell, Mr. Finch, Mr. Glover, Mr.
Green, Mr. Langford-Holt, Mr. Oliver, Mr.
Proctor, Mr. Pride, Mr. Rumbold, Mr. Albert
Roberts, and Mr. Bernard Taylor; and had
appointed in substitution Mr. Barter, Mr.
Chapman, Mr. Cletswynd, Mr. Fienburgh, Mr.
Goodhart, Mr. Hesketh, Mr. Hill, Mr. Charles
Howell, Mr. Irving, Mr. Idwal Jones, Sir Keith
Joseph, Mr. Kershow, Mr. Mason, Mr. Palmer,
and Mr. Proctor.

Mr. Malcolm MacPherson reported from the
Scottish Standing Committee, That they had
gone through the Housing and Town
Development (Scotland) Bill and made
Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the
Standing Committee, be taken into considera-
tion to-morrow; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceed-
ings of the Committee be printed.

The Road Transport Lighting Bill (Lords)
was read the first time; and ordered to be read
a second time to-morrow and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the
Standing Committee, be taken into considera-
tion to-morrow; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceed-
ings of the Committee be printed.

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

And a Motion being made, and the Ques-
tion being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do
now leave the Chair.—(Mr. Redmayne):

An Amendment was proposed to be made water-
to the Question, by leaving out from the word
"That" to the end of the Question and adding
the words "in view of the increasing demands
for water for industrial, domestic and other
purposes, and the consequent need for the
water industry to be fully equipped to meet
these demands as efficiently and economically
as possible, this House welcomes the action
of the Government in encouraging the re-
grouping of water undertakings into larger
and stronger units".—(Mr. Whitehead):—

instead thereof.

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

And the Main Question being again pro-
posed;

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 London County Council (Money) Bill London
was, according to Order, read a second time
and committed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being
proposed, That it be an Instruction to the
Committee on the Bill that they shall obtain
from the promoters an undertaking—

(1) that during the financial year ending on
the thirty-first day of March, 1958, they
will reduce by an amount of not less than
two million pounds such sums to be ex-
pended during the said financial year by
the London County Council on capital
account as are proposed by them to be
met out of the general rate of the County
of London, and

(2) that they will during the said financial
year apply towards expenditure on capital
account a sum not exceeding two million
pounds out of the current working
balances on the general and special county
rate accounts.—(Mr. Rippon):—

The said Motion was, with leave of the
House, withdrawn.

The House resumed the postponed Proceed- Supply,
ing on the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now
leave the Chair.

And the 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,
receive itself into the said Committee.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

—(Mr. Wakefield):—

And accordingly the House, having con-
tinued to sit till twenty-seven minutes
after Ten of the clock, adjourned till

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MEMORANDUM

Wednesday, 22nd May, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of the Standing Order (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker this day appointed Mr. Henry Hynd Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Advertisements (Hire-Purchase) Bill and Dr. King Chairman of Standing Committee D in respect of the Thermal Insulation (Industrial Buildings) Bill.

Copy of an Order in Council, dated 17th May 1957, entitled the Merchant Shipping (Registration of Federation of Nigeria Government Ships) Order, 1957.

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

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 22nd May 1957, entitled the Eggs (Guaranteed Prices) Order, 1957.

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:—

Copy of the Channel Islands (Church Legislation) Measure, 1931 (Amendment) Measure, 1957, passed by the National Assembly of the Church of England.

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

One hundred and twenty-sixth Report by the Ecclesiastical Committee upon the Channel Islands (Church Legislation) Measure, 1931 (Amendment Measure, 1957).

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of a Measure, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Supplementary Scheme for dealing with the site and remains of the Church of Saint John Wapping, in the Diocese of London.

Ordered, That the Papers relating to Church of England (National Assembly) (Measures) be printed.

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged Mr. Watkin, and Mr. Geoffrey Wilson; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Gibson-Watt, Sir Jocelyn Lucaci, and Mr. Stonehouse.

Sir Peter Agnew reported from the Committee on the Portslade and Southwick Outfall Sewerage 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 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. Duthie reported from Standing Committee A, That they had gone through the Legitimation (Re-registration of Births) Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday the 28th day of June next.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

[No. 115.]

Thursday, 23rd May, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

A MOTION being made, That the British Transport Commission Bill be now read the third time;

The Chairman of Ways and Means, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her 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.

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of an Agreement signed at Geneva on the 25th day of September 1956 on the Joint Financing of certain Air Navigation Services in Iceland (this Agreement has not been accepted by Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom).

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

Mr. Secretary Ward presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 20th May 1957, entitled the Stopping up of Highways (Air Ministry) (Revocations) (No. 2) Order, 1957.

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


Mr. Molson also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 17th May 1957, entitled the Uganda (Public Service Commission) Order in Council, 1957.

Copy of an Order in Council, dated 17th May 1957, entitled the Foreign Marriage Order, 1957.
The 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 Export Guarantees Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the House of Commons Members’ Fund Bill, without any Amendment.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill.

(Postponed Clause No. 2 (Television duty). Amendment proposed, in page 3, line 8, at the end, to insert the words—

"Provided that the payer of duty at the said standard yearly rate may elect to pay the same by two half-yearly instalments each of ten shillings and that, if he so elects, the licence shall be valid if the first such instalment is paid on or before the issue of the licence, but, unless the second instalment is paid on or before the expiry of six months after the issue of the licence, the licence shall then cease to be valid until the second instalment is paid.

—(Mr. Greenwood.)"

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. John Taylor; Mr. Rogers; Lieutenant.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Hughes-Young; Commander Thompson; Mr. Redhead.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 3, line 26, to leave out subsection (3).—(Mr. Redhead.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 3, line 33, to leave out subsection (4).—(Mr. Redhead.)

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—The Committee proceeded to a Division.

Lieutenant-Commander Thompson and Mr. Hughes-Young were appointed Tellers for the Yeas, but no Member being willing to act as Teller for the Noes, the Chairman declared that the Yeas had it.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 4, line 36, at the end, to insert the words "or to any licence issued to a person who proves in such manner as the Postmaster-General may direct that for the week during which the licence is issued he is receiving a retirement pension under the National Insurance Act, 1946, or, if he satisfied the relevant contribution conditions under that Act, would be receiving such a pension, or is receiving an old age pension under the Old Age Pensions Act, 1936."—(Mrs. White.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Short; Mr. John Taylor; Mr. Bryan; Mr. Redhead.

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:—Debate arising:

Mr. Smith rose in his place, and claimed to move, That the Question be now put; but the Chairman withheld his assent as he thought the reason given to a decision without that Motion:—Debate resumed;

Question put and agreed to.

To report Progress and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

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.

Ordered, That Mr. Finlay be discharged from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Select Committee appointed by the Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills; and that Mr. Ronald Bell be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Redmayne.)

Ordered, That Mr. Robinson be discharged from the Select Committee on Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons); and that Mr. Darling be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Redmayne.)

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, by Her Majesty’s Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Thermal Insulation (Industrial Buildings) [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 make provision for the thermal insulation of industrial buildings, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to that Act in the sums which, under Part I of the Local Government Act, 1948, or under the Local Government (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Act, 1954, as amended by the Valuation and Rating (Scotland) Act, 1956, are payable out of moneys so provided.—(Mr. Powell.)

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 to-morrow.

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

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning:

Friday, 24th May, 1957:

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 Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

[No. 116.]

Friday, 24th May, 1957.

The House met at Eleven of the Clock.

PRAYERS.

Barry Corporation Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Barry Corporation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mental Illness.

Mr. Secretary Butler presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Report of the Royal Commission on the Law relating to Mental Illness and Mental Deficiency, 1954-57.

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

Agriculture.

Mr. Secretary Maclay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 16th May 1957, entitled the Agricultural Statistics (Scotland) Amendment Regulations, 1957.

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

Sir David Eccles presented, pursuant to the Copyright, directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations, dated 17th May 1957, entitled—

(1) the Copyright (Notice of Publication) Regulations, 1957,
(2) the Copyright Royalty System (Records) Regulations, 1957, and
(3) the Copyright (Libraries) Regulations, 1957.

Copy of Rules, dated 17th May 1957, entitled the Copyright (Industrial Designs) Rules, 1957.

Copies of Draft Orders, entitled—

(1) the Wool Textile Industry (Export Promotion Levy) Order, 1957, and
(2) the Wool Textile Industry (Scientific Research Levy) Order, 1957.

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Cheques (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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 Children and Young Persons (Registered Clubs) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday the 28th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Racial Discrimination Bill, proposed upon the 29th day of March last, That the Racial Discrimination Bill be now read a second time;

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

And Notice being taken, that Forty Members were not present, the House was told by Mr. Speaker; and Forty Members not being present, and it being then after One of the clock, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, at nine minutes after One of the clock, without a Question first put, till Monday next.
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, pursuant to the Order made upon the 22nd day of this instant May, that, in the case of the Winfrith Heath Bill, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have not been complied with.

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

The following Paper, 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 May, pursuant to the Standing Order (Presentation of Statutory Instruments), was ordered to lie upon the Table:

Copy of an Order, dated 23rd May 1957, entitled the Prohibition of Laying of Animals, Carcasses and Animal Products, and Hay and Straw from the Channel Islands (No. 2) Order, 1957.

Mr. Powell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 20th May 1957, entitled the Copyright (Customs) Regulations, 1957.

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

Sir David Eccles presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Statement on the Call up of Men to the Forces, 1957-60.

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

Mr. Iain Macleod presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Statement of the Funds of the Museum of the late Sir John Soane on the 25th day of March 1957.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on Government Business be exempted, at this day's Vol. 212 Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(Mr. Heath.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Agriculture Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 11, line 16, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words "and the Minister shall give notice of such an application to all persons of whom the Minister has knowledge of having an interest in the land."—(Mr. Thomas Williams.)

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.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 11, line 16, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words—

"(3) An application under this section may be made jointly by persons having interests in land and such an application may be made either by such persons jointly or by a co-operative organisation acting on behalf of such persons."—(Mr. Watkins.)

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 page 12, line 5, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words—

"(2) Where an improvement is carried out wholly or mainly by an applicant with his own labour the cost of the improvement for the purpose of calculating any grant shall be the cost of the materials plus thirty per cent. of such lesser proportion as together with the cost of any paid labour will amount to thirty per cent.".—(Mr. Vane.)

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 page 13, line 30, by leaving out the words "agricultural land" and inserting the words "small holding"—(Mr. Dye),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words "agricultural land" stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 13, line 40, by inserting, after the word "approved", the words "provided that the occupants of the land have been notified of the application."—(Mr. Dye.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Deer: 136.

Mr. Wills, Mr. Bryan: 180.

The Noes to the Left:

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Bryan:

So it passed in the Negative.

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Then other Amendments were made to the Bill. Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 16, line 9, by inserting, after the word "seventeen", the words "(or such larger number as the Minister by order may determine)"—(Mr. Champion.) And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill; The House divided. The Yeas to the Right; The Noes to the Left. Tellers for the Yeas, 1 Mr. Rogers, 138 Mr. Deer: Tellers for the Noes, 1 Mr. Barber, 170. Mr. Godman Irvine.) Then other Amendments were made to the Bill. Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 16, line 42, by leaving out the words "and deputy chairman"—(Mr. Willey.) And the Question being proposed, That the words "and deputy chairman" stand part of 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 page 16, line 42, by leaving out the words "and deputy chairman"—(Mr. Willey.) And the Question being proposed, That the words "and deputy chairman" 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. Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords and desire their concurrence. The Solicitors Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time. Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Willey.) Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee. The Dentists Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time. Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Willey.) Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee. Resolved, That the Draft Ploughing Grants Scheme, 1957, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 15th day of this instant May, be approved.—(Mr. Godber.)

Resolved, That the Draft Motor Vehicles Road Traffic (International Circulation) Order, 1957, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 15th day of this instant May, be approved.—(Lord John Hope.)

Mr. Bryan reported from the Committee on Thermal Insulation (Industrial Buildings) [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision for the thermal insulation of industrial buildings, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to that Act in the sums which, under Part I of the Local Government Act, 1948, or under the Local Government (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Act, 1954, as amended by the Valuation and Rating (Scotland) Act, 1956, are payable out of moneys so provided.

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

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-seven minutes before Twelve of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 118.]

Tuesday, 28th May, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Powell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copy of an Order, dated 24th May 1957, entitled the Import Duties (Drawback).
Mr. Molson, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Amending Scheme made by New College, Oxford, for administering certain funds of the College.

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

Mr. Rogers, Yeas, 212.

Standing Committee D, That they had gone through the directions of the Committee 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 agreed to the Rent Bill, with Amendments, to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Arundel Estate Bill [Lords] the Lords to the Rent Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

The Arundel Estate Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

The Liverpool Corporation Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

Mr. Powell, supported by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Molson, and Mr. Aubrey Jones, presented a Bill to make further provision as to gratuities payable in respect of persons employed in the civil service of the State otherwise than in an established capacity and as to the application of the Superannuation Acts to persons entering the civil service of the State after having been in other employment: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by Rent Bill, the Lords to the Rent Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

The Arundel Estate Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

Mr. Powell, supported by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Molson, and Mr. Aubrey Jones, presented a Bill to make further provision as to gratuities payable in respect of persons employed in the civil service of the State otherwise than in an established capacity and as to the application of the Superannuation Acts to persons entering the civil service of the State after having been in other employment: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by Rent Bill, the Lords to the Rent Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

The Arundel Estate Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

Mr. Powell, supported by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Molson, and Mr. Aubrey Jones, presented a Bill to make further provision as to gratuities payable in respect of persons employed in the civil service of the State otherwise than in an established capacity and as to the application of the Superannuation Acts to persons entering the civil service of the State after having been in other employment: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by Rent Bill, the Lords to the Rent Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

The Arundel Estate Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

Mr. Powell, supported by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Molson, and Mr. Aubrey Jones, presented a Bill to make further provision as to gratuities payable in respect of persons employed in the civil service of the State otherwise than in an established capacity and as to the application of the Superannuation Acts to persons entering the civil service of the State after having been in other employment: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by Rent Bill, the Lords to the Rent Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

The Arundel Estate Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

Mr. Powell, supported by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Molson, and Mr. Aubrey Jones, presented a Bill to make further provision as to gratuities payable in respect of persons employed in the civil service of the State otherwise than in an established capacity and as to the application of the Superannuation Acts to persons entering the civil service of the State after having been in other employment: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by Rent Bill, the Lords to the Rent Bill be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

The Arundel Estate Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

Mr. Powell, supported by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Molson, and Mr. Aubrey Jones, presented a Bill to make further provision as to gratuities payable in respect of persons employed in the civil service of the State otherwise than in an established capacity and as to the application of the Superannuation Acts to persons entering the civil service of the State after having been in other employment: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next and to be printed.
Question put, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "fifteen", stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the

Yeas, 249.

Nees, 212.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 6, line 24, to leave out the word "fifteen" and insert the word "five".—(Mr. Harold Wilson.)

Question put, That the word "fifteen" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the

Yeas, 246.

Nees, 213.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 6, line 40, to leave out paragraph (b).—(Mr. Collins.)

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

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the

Yeas, 239.

Nees, 210.

Clause agreed to.

Postponed Clause No. 7 agreed to.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. Harold Wilson):—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Postponed Clauses Nos. 8 and 9 agreed to.

To report Progress and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

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 read and received tomorrow.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till sixteen minutes after Eleven of the clock, adjourned till tomorrow.

MEMORANDUM.

Tuesday, 28th May, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of the Standing Order (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker this day appointed Mr. George Thomas Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Maintenance Orders (Attachment of Income) Bill in place of Mr. Hoy.

[No. 119.]

Wednesday, 29th May, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

The Barry Corporation Bill was read the Barry Corporation Bill. third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords and desire their concurrence.

The Prime Minister, presented, by Her Suez, Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence relating to Suez exchanged during September and October 1956 between Mr. Bulganin and Sir Anthony Eden.

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

Mr. Secretary Maclay, presented, by Her Education Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Report of Scotland, the Secretary of State for Scotland on Education in Scotland in 1956.

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

Mr. Secretary Maclay presented, by Her Education Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Report of Scotland, the Secretary of State for Scotland on Education in Scotland in 1956.

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

Sir David Eccles presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament—Copy of the General Annual Report on Companies by the Board of Trade for 1956.

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

Mr. Molyneux presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament—Copies of the Fourth Annual Reports, for 1956—(1) of the Historic Buildings Council for England, and (2) of the Historic Buildings Council for Wales.

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

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.

Account showing the Nature and Nominal Amount of the Securities held by the National Debt Commissioners at the 31st day of March 1957, as Investments for Moneys, forming part of the Industrial Injuries Fund, paid over to them under subsection (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 1957, as Investments for Moneys, forming part of the Ironstone Restoration Fund.

Account showing the Nature and Nominal Amount of the Securities held by the National Debt Commissioners at the 31st day of March 1957, as Investments for Moneys, forming part (a) of the National Insurance Fund and (b) of the National Insurance (Reserve) Fund.

The following Account, pursuant to the directions of a Statutory Instrument, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

National Insurance (Existing Pensioners).

Account showing the Nature and Nominal Amount of the Securities held by the National Debt Commissioners at the 31st day of March 1957, 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.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that she will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House, a Return showing (1) Particulars of all Aliens and British Protected Persons to whom Certificates of Naturalisation have been issued and whose Oaths of Allegiance have, during the year ended the 31st day of December 1956, been registered or recorded at the Home Office; and (2) Particulars of cases in which persons previously naturalised have been deprived of their citizenship of the United Kingdom and Colonies during the same period.—(Miss Hornsby-Smith)

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Ministry of Housing and Local Government Provisional Order (County of Berks) (Consent to Letting) 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 Reading Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) 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 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 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 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 Buckinghamshire 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 thereto; 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 Chairman of Ways and Means reported Standing Orders Committee, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, in the case of the Winfrith Heath Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with:—That the Bill be permitted to proceed.

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

The Chairman of Ways and Means reported, That the Arundel Estate Bill [Lords] relates to the estate of an individual, and is, in his
opinion, such that the Standing Orders, compliance with which is to be inquired into by the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, should not apply thereto.

The Order made yesterday, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, was read and discharged, pursuant to the Standing Order relating to Private Business (Personal Bills).

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

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 passed a Bill, intituled, A

and Mr. Powell, and Mr. Profumo, presented a Bill

for the purpose of providing funds for the Tanganyika Agricultural Corporation; and for purposes connected with the matter aforesaid: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed.

The Durham County Council (Barmston-Coxgreen Footbridge) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

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

The Durham County Council (Barmston-Coxgreen Footbridge) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Lieutenant-Commander Thompson, Colonel Harrison, Mr. Simmons, Mr. Finlay, Mr. Hughes-Young, Mr. John Taylor, Mr. Simmons, Mr. Hughes-Young.]

Another Amendment proposed, in page 7, line 39, at the end, to insert the words "and there shall be added after the reference to age sixty-five years and upwards in subsection (2) of the words 'or, in the case of a woman who would be entitled to the lower relief under subsection (1) of section two hundred and twelve of the Income Tax Act, 1952, sixty years or upwards'".—(Mr. Houghton.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Price, Mr. Holmes, Mr. Joseph Price, Mr. Hughes-Young]

Another Amendment proposed, in page 8, line 5, to leave out from the word "child" to the word "and" in line 6.—(Mr. Crumlin.)

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

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Colonel Harrison, Mr. Finlay, Mr. Holmes, Mr. Joseph Price, Mr. Hughes-Young]

Another Amendment proposed, in page 8, line 18, at the end, to insert the words—

"(4) Section two hundred and twelve of the Income Tax Act, 1952, shall be amended by inserting the following subsection after subsection (4):—

(4A) Notwithstanding subsection (4) of this section relief shall be allowed under this section in respect of any child who is entitled in his own right to an income of between eighty-five pounds and one hundred and seventy pounds a year if no more than eighty-five pounds of his income is unearned:

Provided that the amount of such relief under the preceding provisions of this section shall be diminished by the amount of tax at the standard rate on the excess of the earned income over eighty-five pounds".—(Mr. Houghton.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the [Mr. Bryan, Mr. Hughes-Young, Mr. Bryan, Mr. Hughes-Young.]

An Amendment made. Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Postponed Clause No. 11 agreed to.

Postponed Clause No. 12 (Allowance of personal reliefs for purposes of surtax.) Amendment proposed, in page 9, line 7, after the word "assessment", to insert the words "and subject to the provisions of the next following subsection".—(Mr. Mitchison.)
The Ministry of Housing and Local Government (Provisional Orders) (County of Berks) Bill, 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 Reading Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) 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 Maclay presented a Bill to the Ministry of Housing and Local Government to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to Aberdeen Harbour (Superannuation) Order; 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 Maclay presented a Bill to Aberdeen City Council to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to Aberdeen Harbour (Superannuation) Order; and the same was ordered (under Section 9 of the Act) to be read a second time upon Friday the 7th day of June next. Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

Mr. Powell presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Accounts of the Irish Sailors and Soldiers Land Trust for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956. Ordered, That the said Accounts do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Butler presented,—Return relating to Aliens and British Protected Persons (Naturalisation).

Mr. Secretary Butler also 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,

1. to the Urban District of Hornsea,
2. to the Urban District of Hoyland Nether, and
3. to the Urban District of Pontypool.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relating to

MEMORANDUM.

Wednesday, 29th May, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of the Standing Order (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker this day appointed Mr. William Richard Williams Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the National Health Service (Amendment) Bill and the Parish Councils (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill.

PRAYERS.

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.
Aliens and British Protected Persons (Naturalisation) be printed.


Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command.—Copy of an Agreement signed at Rome on the 27th day of February 1956 on Plant Protection for the South-East Asia and Pacific Region (the United Kingdom ratification was deposited on the 3rd day of December 1956).


Copy of Notes exchanged at Manila on the 8th day of July 1956 and the 8th day of March 1957 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Republic of the Philippines concerning the Air Services Agreement of the 31st day of January 1955.

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

Local Financial Returns (Scotland).

Mr. Secretary Maclay presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament.—Copy of the Thirty-seventh Annual Report of the Forestry Commissioners, for the year ended the 30th day of September 1956.

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

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament.—Accounts of the General Lighthouse Fund for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the said Reports relating to Forestry be printed.

Mr. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament.—Copies of Reports to the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation by the Corporation of Trinity House, the Commissioners of Northern Lighthouses, and the Commissioners of Irish Lights of their Inspections of Local Lighthouses, &c., in 1956.

Mr. Brooke presented, by Her Majesty's Command.—Copy of a Housing Summary, dated 30th April 1957.

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

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee D Mr. Barter and Mr. Hill; and had appointed in substitution Major Beamish and Mr. Maddon.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Standing Committee, That they had added Fifteen Members to Standing Committee D in respect of the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Navy, Marines and Service Civilians) (Overseas) Bill, viz.: Sir Beverley Baxter, Mr. Betzick, Mr. Crow, Mr. Walter Edwards, Viscount Hinchingbrooke, Mr. Henry Hynd, Mr. Lawson, Mr. Lucas, Mr. Mainwaring, Commander Maitland, Mr. Robinson, Sir Harold Roger, Mr. Sonnet, Miss Vickers, and Mr. Dudley Williams.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Sunderland Corporation Bills, to which Corporation the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Winfrith Heath Bill was, according to the Order, read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Select Committee of Seven Members, Four to be nominated by the House and Three by the Committee of Selection.—(Mr. Maudling.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That any Petitions against the Bill presented by being deposited in the Private Bill Office at any time not later than the fifth day after this day in which the Petitioners pray to be heard by themselves, their Counsel or Agents, shall stand referred to the Committee, but that if no such Petition is presented, or if all such Petitions are withdrawn before the meeting of the Committee, the Order for the committal of the Bill to a Select Committee shall be discharged and the Bill shall be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Maudling.)

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, in line 3, by leaving out the word "fifth" and inserting the word "fifteenth"—(Mr. Fletcher)—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the word "fifth" stand part of the Question; the House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Barber, Mr. Hughes-Young; Mr. Hughes, Mr. Deer.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Pearson, Mr. Lloyd-McQuaide.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Main Question being put:

Ordered, That any Petitions against the Bill presented by being deposited in the Private Bill Office at any time not later than the fifth day after this day in which the Petitioners pray to be heard by themselves, their Counsel or
Agents, shall stand referred to the Committee, but that if no such Petition is presented, or if all such Petitions are withdrawn before the meeting of the Committee, the Order for the committal of the Bill to a Select Committee shall be discharged and the Bill shall be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Ordered, That any Petitioner whose Petition stands referred to the Committee shall, subject to the Rules and Orders of the House and to the prayer of his Petition, be entitled to be heard by himself, his Counsel or Agents, upon his Petition provided that such Petition is prepared and signed in conformity with the Rules and Orders of the House, and the Member in charge of the Bill shall be entitled to be heard by his Counsel or Agents in favour of the Bill against such Petition.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to report from day to day the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill.

(Postponed Clause No. 13 (Increase of investment allowances for ships).)

Amendment proposed, in page 10, line 14, to leave out the word “two-fifths” and insert the word “three-tenths”.—(Mr. Cronin.) Question, That the word “two-fifths” stand part of the Clause, put and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Postponed Clause No. 14 (Amendment as to capital allowances in respect of machinery and plant).

Amendment proposed, in page 11, line 17, after the word “that”, to insert “(i)”—(Commander Scott-Miller.) Question, That “(i)” be there inserted, put and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Postponed Clause No. 15 (Persons chargeable under Schedule A for buildings let in parts).

Amendment proposed, in page 11, line 45, at the end, to add the words:—

“Provided also that this section shall not apply to leases entered into before the ninth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven”.—(Sir Patrick Spens.) Question put, That those words be there added. The Committee divided.

Yea, 144.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Pearson, Mr. Simmons.

Nay, 192.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Wills, Mr. Leagh.

Clause agreed to.

Postponed Clause No. 16 (Tax in respect of land in Scotland or Northern Ireland).

Amendment proposed, in page 12, line 2, to leave out from “1957-58” to the word “that” in line 4.—(Mr. Hector Hughes.) Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause, put and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Postponed Clauses Nos. 17 to 19 agreed to.

To report Progress and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

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, tomorrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

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

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

MEMORANDA.

Thursday, 30th May, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of the Standing Order (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker this day appointed Mr. Blackburn Chairman of Standing Committee D in respect of the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Navy, Marines and Service Civilians) (Overseas) Bill.

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of the Standing Order (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker this day appointed Mr. Hoy Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Maintenance Orders (Attachment of Income) Bill in place of Mr. George Thomas.

Friday, 31st May, 1957.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Aberdeen Harbour (Superannuation) Order Confirmation Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Mr. Powell presented, by Her Majesty's Iron and Steel Command,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 20th May 1957, concerning a proposal by the Iron and Steel Holding and Realisation Agency to sell its holding of Securities in the Bynea Steel Works Limited.

Mr. Powell also presented, pursuant to the Import Duties directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Exemptions), an Order, dated 28th May 1957, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 6) Order, 1957.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Secretary Hare presented, pursuant to the direction of an Act of Parliament—Copy of Amendments No. 3 to Army Emergency Reserve Regulations, 1956.

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

Mr. Molson presented, pursuant to the direction of several Acts of Parliament—Copy of Draft Regulations, entitled the Ancillary Dental Workers Regulations, 1957.

Copy of a Statute made by the University of Oxford on the 12th day of March 1957, amending the Statutes of the University.

Ordered, That the said Papers 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:

Order, read the third time, and passed. Order Confirmations 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 Lennox-Boyd presented, by Colonial Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Report on the Colonial Territories, 1956-57.

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

Mr. Secretary Macleay presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Twenty-second Annual Report of the Herring Industry Board, for 1956.
Mr. Secretary Maclay also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of the Report of the Crofters Commission for the period from the 1st day of October 1955 to the 31st day of December 1956.

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

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Regulations, dated 30th May 1957, entitled the Agriculture (First Aid) Regulations, 1957.

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


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

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Housing and Town Development (Scotland) 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 Amendment to Clause No. 3, page 4, line 17, standing on the Notice Paper in the name of Mr. Secretary Maclay.—(Mr. Secretary Maclay.)

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, resolve itself into the said Committee:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into Standing Committee and on recommittal, be made to the Bill, in page 5, line 28, by inserting, after the word "shall," the words "in respect of each completed approved house"—(Mr. Thomas Fraser.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in 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 page 8, line 5, by inserting, after the word "therewith," the words "and specified in the agreement."—(Mr. Thomas Fraser.)

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 page 8, line 38, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words:—"Provided that where the receiving authority is a county council they shall consult with the district council for the district in the preparation of any such scheme, and any duty which is proposed in the scheme in respect of the provision of facilities for recreation and amenity and other requirements may be undertaken by the district council."—(Mr. Thomas Fraser.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Holmes, Mr. John Taylor; 183.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Colonel Harrison, Mr. Brooman-White; 213.

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 page 13, line 27, by leaving out the words "or if" and inserting the word "and"—(Mr. Woodburn), instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That those words or if stand part of the Bill:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Oakshott, Mr. Brooman-White; 208.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Taylor, Mr. Joseph Price; 177.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 13, line 43, by leaving out from the word "relates" to the end of line 4 on page 14.—(Mr. Willis.)

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, Mr. Barber, Mr. Finlay; 213.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Taylor, Mr. Simmons; 178.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.
Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 14, line 31, by inserting, after the word “afforded”, the words “by the receiving authority” —(Mr. Ross).

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.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 14, line 40, by inserting, after the word “not”, the word “otherwise”—(Mr. Ross).

And the Question being put, That the word “otherwise” be there inserted in the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 14, line 31, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words—

“local authority” has the meaning assigned to it by section one of the principal Act with the addition of the district council”.

—(Mr. Thomas Fraser.)

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.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 15, line 33, by leaving out from the word “subsection” to the end of line 37.—(Mr. Ross.)

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 page 16, line 38, by leaving out subsection (4).—(Mr. Ross.)

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 page 17, line 21, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words—

“(c) the amount of the improvement grant authorised by section one hundred and twelve of the principal Act and made in respect of the dwelling and the date on which it was so made”.—(Mr. Thomas Fraser.)

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.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow; and be printed.

Ordering, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

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

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 Adjourned, proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Wakefield):—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.

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

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That Mr. Speaker do issue his North Dorset 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 North Dorset, in the room of Robert Fisher Crouch, Esquire, deceased.—(Mr. Heath.)

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 to the First Reading thereof, no Standing Order not previously inspired into is applicable thereto, viz.:

Liverpool Corporation Bill [Lords].
Durham County Council (Barmston–Coxgreen Footbridge) Bill [Lords].
Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Sunderland 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 London County Council (Money) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to Lords and desire their concurrence.

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

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

Mr. Secretary Maclay presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to Kilmarnock Corporation; 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 Maclay presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to Glasgow Corporation: 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 Maclay presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to the Baird Trust: And the same was ordered (under Section 7 of the Act) to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

A Public Petition was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Powell presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Statement showing the Civil Staffs employed in Government Departments on the 1st day of April 1957, compiled from Returns furnished to the Treasury.

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

Mr. Powell also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 4th June 1957, relating to Aliens employed in a civil capacity under the Crown during the year ended the 31st day of March 1957, with a List giving particulars of Certificates of Employment issued under Section 1 of the Aliens' Employment Act, 1955, in the same year.

Copy of an Order, dated 30th May 1957, entitled the Investment Allowances (Fuel Economy Plans) Order, 1957

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

Mr. Sir David Eccles presented, by Her Majesty’s New Zealand Command,—Copy of a Trade Agreement (Trade Agreement) signed at London on the 28th day of May 1957 between Her Majesty’s Governments in the United Kingdom and New Zealand.

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

Mr. Renton 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 the financial year ended the 29th day of December 1956.

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

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 29th May 1957, entitled the Hor- bury (Repeal of Local Enactment) Order, 1957, with a Certificate by the Minister of Housing and Local Government under Section 3 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945.

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

The Deputy 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 Deputy 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 Reigate (Amendment of Local Enactment) Order, 1957.

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

Mr. Fletcher reported from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, the Minutes of the further Proceedings of the Committee, No. 4 (4th).

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

Mr. Henry Hynd reported from Standing Committee A, That they had gone through the Advertisements (Hire-Purchase) Bill and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday the 28th day of this instant June; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords had been brought to the House by one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the National Insurance Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Magistrates' Courts (Scotland) Bill [Lords], without any Amendment.

The Order made upon the 30th day of May last, That the Winfrith Heath Bill be committed to a Select Committee, was read and
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Baird Trust 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 Kilmarrock Corporation Order Confirmation Bill.

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

Several Public Petitions were presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary MacKay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Fourth Annual Report, for 1956, of the Historic Buildings Council for Scotland.

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

Mr. Molson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Statute made by the University of Cambridge on the 19th day of March 1957, amending the Statutes of the University.

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:—

Copy of an Account of the Marshall Aid Commemoration Commission for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, prepared under Section 2 of the Marshall Aid Commemoration Act, 1953, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Account be printed.

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, that they had discharged pursuant to the said Order, no Petition against the Bill having been deposited in the Private Bill Office.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

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

Alan Michael Clark Hutchison, Esquire, Member for Edinburgh, South, was sworn.

Dame Ann Muriel Gunnans, Member for Hornsey, was sworn.

Reginald Ernest Priestley, Esquire, Member for East Ham, North, was sworn.

Mr. Speaker this day appointed Mr. George Thomas Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Representation of the People (Amendment) Bill, viz.: Mr. Allen, Mr. Armstrong, Sir David Campbell, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Deer, Mr. Glenvil Hall, Mr. Hector Hughes, Mr. Hyde, Mr. MacDermot, Mr. McKibbin, Mr. O'Neill, Mr. Orbach, Captain Orr, Mr. Simon, and Mr. Sylvester.
Standing Committee C.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from Standing Committee C Mr. Ronald Bell, Mrs. Butler, Mr. David Jones, Sir Charles Mont-Radycliffe, and Mr. Penland; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Atkins, Mr. Hector Hughes, Mr. Kenyon, Brigadier Prior-Palmer, and Mr. Tomney.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Committee, That they had added Fifteen Members to Standing Committee C in respect of the Animal Boarding Establishments Bill, viz.: Mr. Doughty, Mrs. Emmet, Mr. Greenwood, Mr. Garden, Mr. Thomas Jones, Sir Jocelyn Lucas, Mr. Mahon, Mr. Mason, Mr. Moyle, Mr. Riddsdale, Mr. Russell, Mr. Short, Mr. Warney, and Mr. Dudley Williams.

Public Petitions. Third Report.

Colonel Lancaster reported from the Committee on Public Petitions, That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 11th, 15th, 16th, 17th, and 18th days of April last, the 1st, 2nd, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 14th, 16th, and 21st days of May last, and the 4th and 5th days of this instant June, and had agreed to a 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.


Captain Waterhouse reported from the Select Committee on Estimates, 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.


Captain Waterhouse reported from the Select Committee on Estimates, That they had made further Progress in the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report which they had directed him to make to the House, and had directed him to report so much of the Minutes of the Evidence taken before Sub-Committee B as had been reported by them to the Committee, together with Appendices: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Report, together with the said Minutes and Appendices, do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That so much of the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee as relates to the Report be printed.

No. 199.

Mr. Blackburn reported from Standing Committee D, That they had gone through the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Navy, Marines and Service Civilians) (Overseas) Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday the 28th day of this instant June; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Standing Committee C. National Health Service (Amendment) Bill. No. 195.

Mr. William Richard Williams reported from Standing Committee C, That they had gone through the National Health Service (Amendment) Bill and made an Amendment thereto; and had amended the Title as followeth: A Bill to empower local health authorities to make available for reward, ambulance services provided by them in pursuance of the National Health Service Act, 1946, and for purposes connected therewith.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday the 28th day of this instant June; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Mr. William Richard Williams reported Standing Committee C, That they had gone through the Parish Councils (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday the 28th day of this instant June; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question was put, 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. Heath):

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

The Noes to the Left:

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Willis, 271; Mr. Hughes-Young, 207.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the Housing and Town Development (Scotland) Bill:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being 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 Yeas, Mr. Oakshott, 312; Colonel Harrison, 240; Mr. John Taylor:

So 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.

The House, according to Order, proceeded Rent Bill, to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Rent Bill: And the same were read.

The Lords Amendment, in page 3, line 41, leave out first "in" and insert "for"; the first Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment, in page 5, line 8, at end, insert "relating (if it is so provided by the order) not only to future but to past rental periods"; the next Amendment, being read
The Lords Amendment in page 13, line 11, after the words last inserted, insert Clause C (Private street works to count as improvement), the next Amendment, being read a second time:

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Lords Amendment, in line 38, by inserting, at the beginning, the words "Subject to the provisions of the following subsection "—(Mr. Lindgren.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Lords Amendment:—It passed in the Negative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Mr. Brook;)

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the |Lieutenant-Commander Thompson, |299.
                  Colonel Harrison: |  
Tellers for the |Mr. Wilkins, |230.
                  Mr. John Taylor: |  

So it was resolved in the Affirmative, the Special Entry.

The Lords Amendment in page 13, line 11, after the words last inserted, insert Clause A (Provisions to facilitate exchange of controlled dwellings), the next Amendment, being read a second time:

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Lords Amendment, in line 15, by inserting, after the word "landlord", the words "consents and"—(Mr. Mitchison.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Lords Amendment:

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the |Mr. Wakshett, |297.
                  Mr. Bryan: |  
Tellers for the |Mr. Wilkins, |223.
                  Mr. Joseph Price: |  

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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.

The House, according to Order, resolved Solicitors Bill itself into a Committee on the Solicitors Bill [Lords].

Clauses Nos. 1 to 89 agreed to.

Schedules Nos. 1 to 3 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 Dentists Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 53 agreed to.
Schedule No. 1 amended and agreed to.
Schedule No. 2 agreed to.
Bill, as amended, 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 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 their concurrence.

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 Hornsea, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 30th day of May last, be approved.—(Mr. Simon.)

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 Howland Nether, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 30th day of May last, be approved.—(Mr. Simon.)

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 Pentypool, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 30th day of May last, be approved.—(Mr. Simon.)

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Hughes-Young.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till Twelve of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
A Public Petition was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Scottish Standing Committee of Selection, That they had added Ten Members to the Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Scottish Estimates referred to that Committee, viz.; Mr. Boyd, Mr. Burden, Mr. Greville Howard, Mr. John Howard, Mr. Leaver, Mr. Ledger, Mr. Longden, Mr. Mawby, Mr. David Price, and Mr. Tiley.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Occupiers' Liability Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Naval and Marine Reserves Pay Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the New Streets Act, 1951 (Amendment) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Electricity Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Maintenance Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to empower the Tyne Improvement Commissioners to execute works and to fill in their Northumberland Dock and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, A New Streets Act, 1951 (Amendment) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Dentists Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Electricity Bill, to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Electricity Bill, to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to empower BP Trading Limited to construct works and to acquire lands 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 mayor, aldermen and burgesses of the borough of East Ham; and to make further provision for the improvement health local government and finances of the borough and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorise the Esso Petroleum Company Bill, to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to construct new docks and other works in substitution thereof; to extend and redefine the limits of the Docks; to authorise the raising of additional capital by the Company; to
confer further powers on the Company; and
for other purposes; to which the Lords desire
the concurrence of this House.

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 Hastings Tramways Bill [Lords] was
read the first time.

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

The BP Trading Bill [Lords] was read the
first time.

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

The East Ham Corporation Bill [Lords] was
read the first time.

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

The Esso Petroleum Company Bill [Lords]
was read the first time.

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

The Milford Docks Bill [Lords] was read the
first time.

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

The Electricity Bill, Bill 105.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by
the Lords to the Electricity Bill be taken into
consideration upon Tuesday the 25th day of
this instant June; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by
the Lords to the Maintenance Agreements Bill
be taken into consideration upon Tuesday the
28th day of this instant June; and be printed.

Mr. Secretary Hare, supported by Mr.
Sandys, Mr. Secretary Ward, and Mr. Soames,
presented a Bill to make further provision as
to the transfer to the reserve or determination
of service of persons serving in the army for a
term of twenty-two years: And the same was
read the first time; and ordered to be read a
second time upon Tuesday the 25th day of this
instant June.—(Mr. Secretary Butler.)

Ordered, That the Proceedings on Govern-
ment Business be exempted, at this day's Sit-
ting, from the provisions of the Standing Order
(Sittings of the House).—(Mr. Secretary Butler.)

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 Com-
mittee:

Class I, Vote 23, Scottish Home Depart-
ment.

Class III, Vote 15, Scottish Home Depart-
ment (Civil Defence Services).

Class III, Vote 16, Police, Scotland.

Class III, Vote 17, Prisons, Scotland.

Class III, Vote 19, Fire Services, Scotland.

Vol. 212 6th June Class V, Vote 13, Exchequer Grants to
Local Revenues, Scotland.—
(Mr. Secretary Butler)

A Motion being made, That during the
absence of the Chairman of Ways and Means
owing to temporary indisposition Sir William
Anstruther-Gray shall be appointed an addi-
tional Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means
including his powers as Deputy Speaker.—(Mr. Secretary Butler);

Mr. Secretary Butler acquainted the House,
That he had it in Command from the Queen
to acquaint the House that Her Majesty,
having been informed of the subject matter of
the Motion, gives Her Consent thereto.

And the Question being put;

Resolved, That during the absence of the
Chairman of Ways and Means owing to tem-
porary indisposition Sir William Anstruther-
Gray shall be appointed an additional Deputy
Chairman of Ways and Means and shall be
entitled to exercise all the powers vested in the
Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means includ-
ing his powers as Deputy Speaker.

Resolved, That this House, at its rising to
Adjournment (Whitsuntide), do adjourn till Tuesday the 25th day
of this instant June.—(Mr. Secretary Butler)

The Order of the day being read, for the
Third Reading of the National Health Service
Contributions Bill.

And a Motion being made, That the Bill
be now read the third time;

Mr. Vosper, by Her Majesty's Command,
acquainted the House, That Her Majesty,
having been informed of the purport of the
Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's
interest is concerned, that the House may
do therein as they shall think fit.

And the Question being 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. Wills,
Mr. Hughes-Young; 231.
Mr. John Taylor,
Mr. Rogers; 191.

So 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.

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

A Message was delivered by Lieutenant-
Royal Assent. General Sir Brian Horrocks, K.C.B., K.B.E.,
b.c.o., m.c., Gentleman Usher of the Black
Rod;

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her
Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her
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 Her 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:


A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Superannuation Bill be now read a second time:—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. Barber.)

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 25th day of this instant June, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Amory, by Her Majesty’s Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Superannuation (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 as to gratuities payable in respect of persons employed in the civil service of the State otherwise than in an established capacity and as to the application of the Superannuation Acts to persons entering the civil service of the State after having been in other employment, it is expedient to authorise—

1. Any increase in the sums payable under any enactment out of moneys provided by Parliament which is attributable—

(a) to any amendment of section thirty-nine of the Superannuation Act, 1949, as respects gratuities payable in the case of persons dying, retiring or removed from their employment on or after the fifteenth day of May, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven,

(b) to amendments of the Superannuation Acts in relation to persons who, after having been employed by a body or organisation the income of which was wholly or partly derived from moneys provided by Parliament have, whether before or after the passing of the said Act, been taken into the civil service of the State where, in the opinion of the Treasury, their employment by that body or organisation was of the same nature and for the same purpose as their employment in the service of the State,

(c) to any provision authorising the reckoning of service in a temporary capacity with the Imperial War Graves Commission before the thirtieth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-four, as being for the purposes of the Superannuation Acts employment in an unestablished capacity within the meaning of section three of the Superannuation Act, 1935.

2. Any payments into the Exchequer.—(Mr. Powell.)

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 Tuesday the 25th day of this instant June.

Resolved, That the Eggs (Guaranteed Agriculture. Prices) Order, 1957, dated 22nd May 1957, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 23rd day of May last, be approved.—(Mr. Amory.)

Resolved, That the Draft Fertilisers (United Agriculture. Kingdom) Scheme, 1957, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 23rd day of May last, be approved.—(Mr. Amory.)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

—(Colonel Harrison.)

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

MEMORANDUM.

Tuesday, 6th June, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of the Standing Order (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker this day appointed Mr. Duffie Chairman of the Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Scottish Estimates referred to that Committee.
Friday, 7th June, 1957.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

MR. Speaker made the following communication to the House:—

I regret to have to inform the House of the death of Moss Turner-Samuels, Esquire, Q.C., Member for Gloucester, 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 Aberdeen Corporation Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and ordered to be taken into consideration upon Tuesday the 25th day of this instant June.

Telegraphs. Mr. Marples presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copy of Regulations, dated 5th June 1957, entitled the Wireless Telegraphy (General Licence Charges) Amendment (No. 1) Regulations, 1957.

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:—

Companies. Copy of Rules, dated 4th June 1957, entitled the Companies (Winding-up) (Amendment) Rules, 1957.

Adjournment. A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Heath); And it being Four 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. Willis):—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. Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, till Tuesday the 25th day of this instant June, pursuant to the Resolution of the House yesterday.

Tuesday, 25th June, 1957.

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 Order not previously inquired into is applicable thereto, viz.:—

East Ham Corporation Bill (Lords).

Esso Petroleum Company Bill (Lords).

Milford Docks Bill (Lords).

Tyne Improvement Bill (Lords).

Hastings Tramways Bill (Lords).

BP Trading Bill (Lords).

Ordered, That the Bills be read a second time.

The Durham County Council (Barmston—Coxgreen Footbridge) Bill (Lords), was read a second time and committed.

Ordered, That the Liverpool Corporation Bill (Lords) be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Aberdeen Corporation Order Confirmation Bill.

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

The following Papers, presented by Her 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 Notes exchanged at Amman on the 13th day of March 1957 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan terminating the Treaty of Alliance of the 15th day of March 1948 (with the Joint Declaration of the 13th day of February 1957).

Copy of Notes exchanged at Bagdad on the 27th day of March 1957 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Iraq concerning the Settlement of Financial Claims by the Establishment of an Anglo-Iraqi Club.

Copy of a Convention on Social Security (No. 46, 1957).
Copy of the Third Report of the Committee on the Supply of Teachers in Scotland.


Copy of Letters exchanged at Colombo on the 7th day of June 1957 between Her Majesty's Governments in the United Kingdom and Ceylon relating to the United Kingdom Service Establishments in Ceylon.

Copy of the Report of the National Assistance Board for 1956.

The following Papers, required by several Acts 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:—

11th June 1957:—

Copies of Regulations, dated 3rd June 1957, entitled—
1. the Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations, 1957, and
2. the Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Track Laying Vehicles) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations, 1957.

18th June 1957:—

Copy of an Order, dated 14th June 1957, entitled the Import Duties (Drawback) (No. 1) Order, 1957.

19th June 1957:—

Copy of Regulations, dated 4th June 1957, entitled the National Health Service (General and Pharmaceutical Services) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations, 1957.

21st June 1957:—

Copy of Regulations, dated 19th June 1957, entitled the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) (Prescribed Diseases) Amendment Regulations, 1957.

Copy of Rules, dated 17th June 1957, entitled the Supreme Court Funds Rules, 1957.

Mr. Powell presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament.—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 5th June 1957, relative to the Fiduciary Note Issue.

Copy of an Order, dated 21st June 1957, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 7) Order, 1957.

Copy of the Sixth Interim Report by the Government Actuary under the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) Act, 1946, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956.

Copy of the Income and Expenditure Account of the Lace Research Association for 1956.

25th June 1957

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relating to Bank Notes, National Insurance (Industrial Injuries), and Public Accounts be printed.
Designations (Specified Areas) (No. 2) Order, 1957.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Census, 1951.
Mr. Vosper presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Thirty-fifth Annual Report of the Census, 1951,—Industry Tables.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Transport.
Mr. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Report on the Census of England and Wales, 1951,—Industry Tables.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act.
Mr. Brooke also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Thirty-fifth Annual Report of the Census, 1951—Industry Tables.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Housing.
Mr. Brooke presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Report of the Ministry of Housing and Local Government for 1956.

Water.
Mr. Brooke also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 10th May, 1957, entitled the Newquay and District Water Order, 1957, with a Certificate by the Minister of Housing and Local Government under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Statutory Orders (Special Procedure).
The Deputy 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 Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means in the House of Commons under Section 3 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Supreme Court Orders (Northern Ireland) (Procedure).
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 Orders in Council, dated 12th June, 1957, entitled—
(1) the Supreme Court Rules (Northern Ireland), Order in Council, 1957, and
(2) the Supreme Court Rules (Northern Ireland) (No. 20 Order in Council, 1957.
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.

Business of the House (Supply).
Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords and desire their concurrence.

Money Bill.
Mr. Powell presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of the Eighty-second Annual Report of the Public Works Loan Board, for the year ended the 31st day of March, 1957.
Standing Committee D.

Account of all Deposits received and paid during 1956, 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 1956, and the nature and nominal amounts of the Securities held by the National Debt Commissioners to meet those Liabilities at that date.

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

Standing Committee D.

Sir David Eccles presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Draft Regulations, entitled—

(1) the Cinematograph Films (Collection of Levy) Regulations, 1957, and

(2) the Cinematograph Films (Distribution of Levy) Regulations, 1957.

Copy of Regulations, dated 21st June 1957, entitled the British Film Fund Agency Regulations, 1957.

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

Mr. Boyd-Carpenter presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Regulations, entitled the National Insurance (Married Women) Amendment Regulations, 1957.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Report relating to National Insurance 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:

Memorandum by the Lord Chancellor proposing corrections and minor improvements in certain enactments relating to Matrimonial Proceedings in Magistrates' Courts.

Statement of Receipts and Payments of the Conservators of the River Medway for the year ended the 31st day of March 1957.

Ordered, That the Paper relating to Matrimonial Proceedings in Magistrates' Courts (Consolidation of Enactments) be printed.

Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged the Members to Standing Committee D Mr. Mason; and had appointed in substitution Mr. McKay.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Committee, That they had added Fifteen Members to Standing Committee D in respect of the National Assistance Act, 1948 (Amendment) Bill, viz.: Mr. Butter, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Bishop, Mr. Thomas Brown, Mr. George Crudcock, Vice-Admiral Hughes Halley, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Godman Irvine, Sir Frank Markham, Mr. Mitchison, Mr. Joseph Price, Dr. Stross, Mr. Vaughan-Morgan, Miss Vickery, and Mr. Ronald Williams.

Sir Roger Conant further reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from the Standing Committee Mr. Burden in respect of the Scottish Estimates referred to that Committee, and had appointed in substitution Dr. Johnson.

Mr. Oliver reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills, to whom the Affiliation Proceedings Bill (Lords), now pending in the House of Lords, was referred. That they had gone through the Bill and made no Amendment thereunto; and had agreed to a Report which they had directed him to make to the House, and had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Report, together with the said Minutes, do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Mr. Oliver reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills, to whom the Housing Bill (Lords), now pending in the House of Lords, was referred. That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereto; and had agreed to a Report which they had directed him to make to the House, and had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Report, together with the said Minutes, do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Mr. Spence reported from Standing Committee A, That they had gone through the Representation of the People (Amendment) Bill and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by the Lords, one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the University University of Exeter Bill, with an Amendment; to which Euster, Bill the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Finsbury Square Act to authorise the provision of garaging and parking accommodation for vehicles beneath the surface of Finsbury Square in the metropolitan borough of Finsbury; to make further provision for the improvement and development of the said Square; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Finsbury Square Bill 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.)

Postponed Clause No. 20 (Definition of Overseas Trade Corporation).

Amendment proposed, in page 15, line 1, to leave out the words "and the profits tax".

—(Mr. Roy Jenkins.)

Question put. That the words "and the profits tax" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Wills, 273.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Short, 224.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 15, line 7, to leave out from the word "having" to the word "which" in line 8 and insert the words "more subsidiary companies than one, each of which subsidiary company is an Overseas Trade Corporation and each of".

—(Mr. Mitchison.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 15, line 9, to leave out the word "or" and insert the words "or (iii) it is a principal company not itself carrying on a trade but having a subsidiary company which is not resident and is not carrying on a trade in the United Kingdom but is carrying on a trade outside the United Kingdom, and ".

—(Sir Patrick Spens.)

Question, That the word "or" stand part of the Clause, put and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 15, line 10, at the end, to insert the words "Provided that no company shall be known as an Overseas Trade Corporation unless it so elects".

—(Mr. Braine.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 15, line 15, at the end, to add the words "(i) A company incorporated by Royal Charter to develop overseas resources shall qualify as an overseas trade corporation in respect of all activities within the terms of its charter".

—(Mr. Hard.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Wills, 252,
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Simmons, 215.

Postponed Clause No. 21 (Overseas Trade Corporations: disqualifications).

Amendment proposed, in page 15, line 31, to leave out the second word "the" and insert the word "such".

—(Mr. Arbuthnot.)

Question put, That the second word "the" stand part of the Clause.

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The House proceeded to take into consideration the Buckinghamshire County Council Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Arundel Estate Bill [Lords];

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Liverpool Corporation Bill [Lords];

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

A Public Petition was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty’s Command.—Copy of Notes exchanged at Washington on the 24th and the 25th days of April 1957 between Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the United States of America concerning Paragraph 6 of the Joint Statement of the 6th day of December 1945 on the Settlement for Land-Lease, Reciprocal Aid, Surplus War Property and Claims.

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

Mr. Secretary Hare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of an Order, dated 25th June 1957, entitled the Control of Highways—Revocation (No. One) Order, 1957.

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

Mr. Secretary Lennox-Boyd presented, by Her Majesty’s Command.—Copy of a Statement on Constitutional Proposals for the Federation of Malaya.

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

Mr. Secretary Maclay presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations, dated 19th June 1957, entitled

(1) the Registration of Independent Schools (Scotland) Regulations, 1957, and
(2) the Education Authority Bursaries (Scotland) Regulations, 1957.

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

Mr. Molson presented, by Her Majesty’s Command,—Copy of the Report of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956.

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

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 25th June 1957, authorising the landing at Avonmouth of Poll Devon Cattle from America.

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

Mr. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the Transport, directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Ninth Annual Report of the British Transport Commission, for 1956—

(1) Volume 1, Report, and
(2) Volume 2, Statement of Accounts and Statistics.

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

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of Regulations, dated 24th June 1957, entitled the Local Government (Financial Loss Allowance) Regulations, 1957.

Ordered, That the said Paper 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 Aberdeen Harbour (Superannuation) Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Baird Trust Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Glasgow Corporation Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Kilmarnock Corporation Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Superannuation Bill be halted, at this day’s Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(Mr. Secretary Butler.)
Another Amendment proposed, in page 18, line 34, to leave out subsections (2) and (3).—(Mr. Roy Jenkins.)

Question, That the words proposed to be left out, to the word "and" in line 19, line 9, stand part of the Clause, put and agreed to.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Postponed Clause No. 24 (Income tax charge in respect of exempt trading income in other cases).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Postponed Clause No. 25 agreed to.

Postponed Clause No. 26 (Exemption of trading income from the profits tax).

An Amendment made.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Postponed Clause No. 27 (Annual determination of status, and provisions on changes of status).

An Amendment made.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Postponed Clause No. 28 (Adjustment of price on transactions between an Overseas Trade Corporation and a person trading in the United Kingdom).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Postponed Clause No. 29 amended and agreed to.

Other Amendments made.

Postponed Clauses Nos. 31 and 32 amended and agreed to.

Postponed Clause No. 33 (Interpretation of Part IV).

Amendment proposed, in page 27, line 17, at the end, to insert the words—

"recognised market' means a market declared by an order of the Board of Trade for the time being in force to be a recognised market for the purposes of this Part of this Act"—(Mr. Mitchison.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Another Amendment proposed, in page 27, line 23, to leave out the words "more than one half" and insert the words "one half or more".—(Mr. Stevens.)

Question proposed, That the words "more than one half" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Postponed Clause No. 34 agreed to.

To report Progress and ask leave to sit again.

—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

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.

Mr. Oakshott reported from the Committee on Superannuation (Moneys), a Resolution which was read, as follows:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make further provision as to gratuities payable in respect of persons employed in the civil service of the State otherwise than in an established capacity and as to the application of the Superannuation Acts to persons entering the civil service of the State after having been in other employment, it is expedient to authorise—

1. Any increase in the sums payable under any enactment out of moneys provided by Parliament which is attributable—

(a) to any amendment of section thirty-nine of the Superannuation Act, 1949, as respects gratuities payable in the case of persons dying, retiring or removed from their employment on or after the fifteenth day of May, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven,

(b) to amendments of the Superannuation Acts in relation to persons who, after having been employed by a body or organisation the income of which was wholly or partly derived from moneys provided by Parliament have, whether before or after the passing of the said Act, been taken into the civil service of the State, where, in the opinion of the Treasury, their employment by that body or organisation was of the same nature and for the same purpose as their employment in the service of the State,

(c) to any provision authorising the reckoning of service in a temporary capacity with the Imperial War Graves Commission before the thirtieth day of September, nineteen hundred and thirty-four, as being for the purposes of the Superannuation Acts employment in an unestablished capacity within the meaning of section three of the Superannuation Act, 1935.

2. Any payments into the Exchequer.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Superannuation Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 5 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.

Mr. Speaker certified that the Bill was a Mr. Speaker's Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

—(Mr. Hughes-Young.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes before Twelve of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Navy, Marines and Service Civilians) (Overseas) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

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, proceeded to take into consideration the Advertisements (Hire-Purchase) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 2, line 12, by leaving out from the word "advertisement" to the end of line 14.—(Mr. Nabarro.)

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 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.

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 Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Navy, Marines and Service Civilians) (Overseas) Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

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, proceeded to take into consideration the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Navy, Marines and Service Civilians) (Overseas) Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

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, proceeded to take into consideration the Representation of the People (Amendment) Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.
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 Children and Young Persons (Registered Clubs) Bill.

Clause No. 1 (Children prohibited from bars).

An Amendment made.

Notice taken that 40 Members were not present; Committee counted and, 40 Members not being present, the Chairman left the Chair.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Forty Members not being present, and it being then after One of the clock, the House was adjourned by Mr. Deputy Speaker, at twenty-one minutes after Three of the clock, without a Question first put, till Monday next.

[No. 131.]

Monday, 1st July, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the University of Exeter 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 Buckinghamshire County Council 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 BP Trading Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

The East Ham Corporation Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

The Esso Petroleum Company Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

Ordered, That the Hastings Tramways Bill [Lords] be read a second time to-morrow.

The Milford Docks Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

The Tyne Improvement Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Arundel Estate Bill [Lords];

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

Mr. Powell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Draft Order in Council, entitled the Double Taxation Relief (Estate Duty) (Pakistan) Order, 1957.

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

Mr. Secretary Ward presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 21st June 1957, providing for the inclusion of further Regulations in a volume entitled the Queen's Regulations and Air Council Instructions for the Royal Air Force (Fourth Edition).

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:

(1) the Supreme Court Rules (Northern Ireland) (No. 3) Order in Council, 1957, entitled—

(1) the Supreme Court Rules (Northern Ireland) (No. 4) Order in Council, 1957.

The House, according to Order, resolved Finance Bill, itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill.

(The Committee.)

Consideration of postponed Clauses Nos. 35 to 39 and of proposed Clauses further postponed, and consideration of Schedules Nos. 2, 3 and 9 postponed, until after consideration of Schedules Nos. 4 to 8 and of the proposed Schedule (Extent of exclusion from charge to income tax of trading income arising to an Overseas Trade Corporation, standing on the Notice Paper in the name of Mr. Harold Wilson.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Schedules Nos. 4 and 5 amended and agreed to.

Schedule No. 6.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 48, line 22, at the end, to insert the words—

"(d) where a grant or loan in respect of which income tax has been charged under sub-paragraph (1) of this paragraph is repaid in whole or in part, the amount of the repayment, increased by income tax at the standard rate in force when the repayment is made, shall be carried forward and deducted from the next subsequent relevant distribution and if the payment exceeds that relevant distribution the excess shall be carried forward and deducted from the next following relevant distribution and so on, and to that extent the company shall not be charged in respect of those subsequent relevant distributions."—(Mr. Stevens.)
Question, That those words be there inserted, put and negatived.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 50, line 34, to leave out the word "liquidator" and insert the word "members".—(Mr. Mitchison.)

Question put. That the word "liquidator" stand part of the Schedule.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Mr. Leigh, 223.
Yeas, (Mr. Bryan, 171.

Noes, (Mr. Rogers:

Question put. That this Schedule, as amended, be the Sixth Schedule to the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Mr. Leigh, 231.
Yeas, (Mr. Hughes-Young: 184.

Noes, (Mr. Rogers:

Schedule No. 8 agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 55, to leave out lines 40 to 42 and add the words "during which the company is an Overseas Trade Corporation."—(Mr. Stevens.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Question put. That this Schedule, as amended, be the Seventh Schedule to the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Mr. Wills, 236.
Yeas, (Mr. Bryan, 187.

Noes, (Mr. Rogers:

Schedule No. 9 agreed to.

Postponed Clause No. 35 (Gifts inter vivos).

Amendment proposed, in page 29, line 3, to leave out subsections (1) to (9) and insert the words—

"(1) Where property comprised in a gift inter vivos is deemed for purposes of estate duty to pass on the death of the donor and such property was not a sum of money in sterling then, whether or not the property was settled by the gift, the enactments relating to estate duty in respect of gifts inter vivos shall have effect as if the property comprised in the gift had been a sum of money in sterling equal to the principal value at the date of the gift of the property actually comprised therein."—(Mr. John Hall.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out, to the end of line 41, stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 33, line 3, to leave out from the word "shall" to the end of the Clause and add the words "apply only to gifts made and dispositions effected or determinations suffered after the ninth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven."—(Sir Patrick Spens.)

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Postponed Clauses Nos. 36 and 37 agreed to.

Postponed Clause No. 38 (Reduction of National Land Fund).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the (Lieutenant-Commander Thompson, 240.
Yeas, (Mr. Wakefield, 198.

Tellers for the (Mr. Pearson, 198.
Noes, (Mr. Simmons:

Postponed Clause No. 39 agreed to.

A Clause (Married woman's earned income)—(Brigadier Prior-Palmer) 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 (Easter offerings to be exempt from income tax)—(Mr. Marshall) 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.

To report Progress and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

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.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.—(Mr. Hughes-Young.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-six minutes before Twelve of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[No. 132.]

Tuesday, 2nd July, 1957.

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 Bill, originating in the Lords, and referred on the First Reading thereof, no Standing Order not previously inquired into is applicable thereto, viz.:

Finsbury Square Bill (Lords).

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hastings Tramways Bill [Lords];

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

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty’s Command,—Copy of a Convention signed at New York on the 20th day of February 1957 on the Nationality of Married Women (the Convention has not been ratified by Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom);

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

Mr. Secretary Lennon-Boyal presented, by Her Majesty’s Command,—Copy of a Report by the Nigeria Constitutional Conference held at London in May and June 1957.

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

Mr. Secretary Macalay presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 26th June 1957, entitled the Colouring Matter in Food (Scotland) Regulations, 1957.

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 Her Majesty’s Principal Secretaries of State on or before the 27th day of March 1957, namely the Aberdeen Harbour Order, the British Transport Commission Order, the Church of Scotland (General Trustees) Order, the Clyde Lighthouses Order, and the Forth Road Bridge 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. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 1st July 1957, entitled the Glasgow Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Order, 1957, with a Statement by Mr. Richard Hamilton, Glyn, O.B.E., New Member for North Dorset, was sworn.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Navy, Army, and Air Departments, consider the surplus and deficits upon the Navy, Army, and Air grants for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, and the application of surplus to meet Expenditure not provided for in the Grant for that year.

Ordered, That the Appropriation Accounts for the Navy, Army, and Air Departments, which were presented upon the 24th day of January last, be referred to the Committee—(Mr. Heath.)

The House, according to Order, resolved Finance Bill, itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill.

In the Committee.

Another Clause (Approval of superannuation and retirement benefits, funds and schemes)—(Mr. Wade) brought up, and read the first time.
Another Clause (Exemption from Schedule A for owner-occupiers)—(Mr. Wade)—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 excise duty of Scottish shale oil)—(Mr. John Taylor)—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 (Provision for special capital allowances on certain expenditure incurred in connection with shipbuilding, ship repairing and the provision of port facilities)—(Mr. Hugh Fraser)—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 Schedule A for owner-occupiers)—(Mr. Wade)—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 (Capital allowances for buildings, &c., of bridge undertakings)—(Mr. Astor)—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 (Duties of customs on wines)—(Mr. Houghton)—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 of expenses under Schedule E)—(Sir Herbert Butcher)—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 (Remission of purchase tax for the hotel and catering industry)—(Sir Charles Taylor)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time.

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Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

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To report Progress and ask leave to sit again—(Mr. Birch).

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.

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjourned—(Mr. Barber):—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. Speaker adjourned the House, without a Question first put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then nineteen minutes before One of the clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

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No. 133.

Wednesday, 3rd July, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Secretary Maclay presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Greenock Port and Harbours Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to Greenock Port and Harbour Bill 109, and ordered (under Section 9 of the Act) to be read a second time upon Thursday the 11th day of this instant July.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

Mr. Secretary Maclay presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of an Interim (Scotland) Report of a Special Committee of the Advisory Council on Education in Scotland on Measures to Improve the Supply of Teachers in Scotland.

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 an Order, dated 28th June 1957, County Courts entitled the County Court Fees (Amendment) Order, 1957.

Copy of Rules, dated 27th June 1957, entitled the Title (Amendment) Rules, 1957.

Dr. King reported from Standing Committee D. That they had gone through the National Assistance Act, 1948 (Amendment) Bill and made Amendments thereto, and had amended the Title as follows: A Bill to amend section thirty-one of the National Assistance Act, 1948 (Amendment) Bill 108.

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Assistance Act, 1948, and to empower local authorities to provide meals and recreation for old people; and for purposes connected therewith.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration to-morrow; and be printed.

No. 217.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee 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 Aberdeen Corporation Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Standing Committee C be discharged from further considering the Local Government (Promotion of Bills) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Federation of Malaya Independence Bill.

Mr. Secretary Lennox-Boyd, supported by Mr. Alport and Mr. Birch, presented a Bill to make provision for and in connection with the establishment of the Federation of Malaya as an independent sovereign country within the Commonwealth: 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 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 III, Vote 18, Approved Schools, Scotland.

Class IV, Vote 14, Public Education, Scotland.

Class V, Vote 10, Department of Health for Scotland.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Another Clause (Reduction of purchase tax from five or ten per cent. to one per cent.)—(Mr. Jay)—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. Rogers; 224.

Tellers for the Noses, Mr. Hughes-Young; 257.

Another Clause (Reduction of purchase tax from fifty per cent. to thirty per cent.)—(Mr. Glenvil Hall)—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. 11 of Customs and Inland Revenue Act, 1889)—(Mr. Patrick Spens)—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 (Refund of income tax on certain superannuation payments to local government officers)—(Mr. Wade)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

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 Deputy 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 Liverpool Corporation Bill [Lords].

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 declines to give a Second Reading to a Bill which proposes to uproot an entire community despite their strong and reiterated objections; takes no account of the profound and widespread opposition in Wales to its provisions; and is contrary to the public interest in that it seeks to enable a single undertaking to embark on a scheme of such magnitude before the House has had an opportunity of considering the report of the Committee set up by the Minister of Housing and Local Government and Welsh Affairs to inquire into the conservation and distribution of water resources in Wales"—(Mr. Thomas Jones), 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;

The Deputy 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:—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 Noses to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Woollam; 166.

Tellers for the Noses, Mr. Kennedy; 117.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time and committed.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill.

(In the Committee.)
Sea Fisheries. A Motion was made, and the Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Another Clause (Restoration of investment allowances for investment in Commonwealth countries)—(Mr. Roy Jenkins)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Another Clause (Income tax relief on small life assurance premiums)—(Mr. Henry Hynd)—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 Vehicles (Excise) Act, 1949, as to lower wagons)—(Mr. Wep)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added.

Postponed Schedules Nos. 2 and 3 agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and the Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means directed him to report the same, after 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.

The Hastings Tramways Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time and committed.

Mr. Powell presented, by Her Majesty's Order, a Paper relative to the position on the 31st day of March 1957 of certain Funds left in Trust for the Reduction of the National Debt.

Mr. Powell also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Papers relative to the Control of Foreign Currency Securities Directions, 1957.

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

Mr. Secretary Maclay presented, pursuant to a Paper relative to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules, dated 25th June 1957, entitled the Superannuation (Local Government and Northern Ireland Civil Service) Interchange (Scotland) Rules, 1957.

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

Mr. Molson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Amending Scheme made by Wadham College, Oxford, for administering certain Funds of the College.

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

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Regulations, entitled the Agriculture (Power Take-off) Regulations, 1957.

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

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

PRAYERS.
made Amendments thereunto; and had con-
sidered 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 BP
Trading Bill [Lords]. That they had examined
the Bill and made Amendments thereunto; and had con-
sidered 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 from the Lords:—
National Health Service Contributions Bill.
Geneva Conventions Bill [Lords].
Geneva Conventions Bill [Lords].
Message from the Lords.
Judicial Officers (Salaries and Pensions) Bill.
Exchequer and Audit Department Bill. [To be printed with Notice to the House to the clerk in common with the Report of the Select Committee (Report of the Special Committee of the House) on the National Health Service Contributions Bill, and on the proposed Schedule to the Bill, 114.]
Bill 114.
Bill 114.
Ordered, That the Proceedings on Govern-
ment Business be suspended, at this day's
Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing
Order (Sittings of the House) [Mr. Secretary
Butler].
The Order of the day being read, for
the Amendments to Clause No. 9, page 14,
lines 30, 37, 38 and 40, standing on the Notice
Paper in the name of Mr. Roberts.—[Mr.
Roberts.] Resolved, That this House will, immedi-
ately, resolve itself into the said Committee:—
The House accordingly resolved itself into the
Committee.
(In the Committee.)
Clause No. 9 amended and 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 made fur-
ther 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.
A Clause (Liability of Board for certain
damage occurring before passing of Act)—
(Mr. Maudling)—was twice read, and made part
of the Bill.
Another Clause (Payments in respect of
death or disablement in certain cases)—(Mr.
Maudling)—was twice read, and made part of
the Bill.
Another Clause (Special provisions as to
certain tenants)—(Mr. Renton)—was twice read,
and made part of the Bill.
Another Clause was offered to be added to
the Bill (Ancient monuments)—(Mr. Roberts);
And the said Clause was brought up, and read
the first time.
And a Motion being made, and the Question
being proposed, That the Clause be read a second
time:—The said Motion and Clause were, severally, with leave of the House, with-
drawn.
Another Clause was offered to be added to
the Bill (Right to refer claims to the Minister)
—(Mr. Proctor); And the said Clause was
brought up, and read the first time.
And a Motion being made, and the Question
being put, That the Clause be read a second
time:—It passed in the Negative.
Then Amendments were made to the Bill.
Another Amendment was proposed to be
made to the Bill, in page 3, line 18, by insert-
ing, after the word "not", the words "in the
opinion of the Minister".—[Mr. Ronald
Williams.] 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 was offered to be added to the
Bill (Provisions as to dwelling-houses rendered
uninhabitable)—(Mr. Maudling); And the
said Schedule was brought up, and read the
first and second time.
An Amendment was proposed to be made
to the proposed Schedule, in line 107, by leav-
ing out sub-paragraph (3).—[Mr. Roberts.] And the Question being proposed, That the
words proposed to be left out stand part of the
proposed Schedule:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House,
withdrawn.
And the said Schedule was made part of the
Bill.
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.

\[\text{Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table, pursuant to the Standing Order (Notification in respect of certain Statutory Instruments),—Communication, dated 5th July 1957, declaring that the Safeguarding of Industries (Reduction of Rates) Order, 1957, had been brought into operation this day, and explaining why copies thereof had not been laid before Parliament beforehand.}\]

The Prime Minister, supported by Mr. Secretary Butler, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. Powell, presented a Bill to make further provision with respect to the salaries of certain Ministers and of the Leader of the Opposition; to provide for the extension to Ministers of the provisions of section forty-one of the Superannuation Act, 1949, relating to injuries incurred and diseases contracted in the discharge of duty; 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.

Ordered, That the Army (Conditions of Enlistment) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

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

Ordered, That the Tanganyika Agricultural Corporation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

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

Mr. Secretary Hare, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Tanganyika Agricultural Corporation [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. 

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

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for the making of grants to the Governor of Tanganyika for the purpose of providing funds for the Tanganyika Agricultural Corporation, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of grants, of an aggregate amount not exceeding five hundred thousand pounds, for the purpose of the provision of funds required by the said Corporation for carrying on the undertaking transferred to the Corporation by section one of the Overseas Resources Development Act, 1954.—(Mr. Profumo.)

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.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

(Mr. Hughes-Young.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Four of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.
Ordered, That the Finsbury Square Bill (Lords) be read a second time tomorrow.

A Public Petition was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Order made upon the 10th day of May last, That the Paper relating to the Census of Production, 1954 (Volume 6, Industry D, Rayon, Nylon, etc., Production), do lie upon the Table, was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the said Paper be withdrawn.

Mr. Powell presented, by Her Majesty's Command.—Revised Estimates of Sums required in the year ending on the 31st day of March 1958 for the National Health Service, England and Wales, and the National Health Service, Scotland.

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

Sir David Eccles presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production for 1954—Volume 6, Industry D, Rayon, Nylon, etc., Production. Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules, dated 2nd July 1957, entitled the Superannuation (English Local Government and Northern Ireland Civil Service) Interchange Rules, 1957. 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 an Order, dated 2nd July 1957, entitled the Landlord and Tenant (Notices) Regulations, 1957.

Ordered, That this day Business other than the Business of Supply may be taken before Ten of the clock.—(Mr. Secretary Butler.)

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

(On the Committee.)
The House resumed the postponed Proceeding on the Question, That this House takes note of the Report of the Royal Commission on the Law relating to Mental Illness and Mental Deficiency.

And the Question being put;

Resolved, That this House takes note of the Report of the Royal Commission on the Law relating to Mental Illness and Mental Deficiency.

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

(Mr. Wakefield);

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.

—(Mr. Wakefield.)

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


TUESDAY, 9TH JULY, 1957.

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 Finsbury Square Bill [Lords];

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

Mr. Secretary Macleay presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act, 1936, relating to Clyde Navigation: And the same was read the first time; and ordered (under Section 9 of the Act) to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 17th day of this instant July.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

The Order made upon the 10th day of May last, That the Paper relating to the Census of Production, 1954 (Volume 6, Industry H, Jute), do lie upon the Table, was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the said Paper be withdrawn.

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Report on the Proceedings of the Eleventh Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations, held at New York between the 12th day of November and the 23rd day of December 1956 and the 2nd day of January and the 8th day of March 1957, including Reports on the two Special Emergency Sessions of the General Assembly held at New York in November 1956.

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

Mr. Secretary Macleay presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Return of Rents of Houses owned by Local Authorities in Scotland for 1956.

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


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

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 5th July 1957, authorising the landing at Harwich of one NyCHOOL.

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

Mr. Renton presented, by Her Majesty's Coal Mines Command,—Copy of a Report on the causes of, and circumstances attending, the haulage accident which occurred at Newcraighall Colliery, Midlothian, on the 12th day of September 1955.

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

Mr. Boyd-Carpenter, presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Report on the causes of, and circumstances attending, the accident of 17th December 1956, at the landing at Harwich of one NyCHOOL.

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

Mr. Attorney General presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Statistics relating to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, the House of Lords, the Supreme Court of Judicature, County Courts and other Civil Courts for 1956.

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

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act, relating to Production, the National Insurance Advisory Committee in accordance with subsection (3) of Section 41 of the National Insurance Act, 1946, on Part-Time Employment.

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

Mr. Boyd-Carpenter, presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Report on the causes of, and circumstances attending, the haulage accident which occurred at Newcraighall Colliery, Midlothian, on the 12th day of September 1955.

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

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That Message from the Lords had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Cheques (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on Government Business be suspended, at this day's House, Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(Mr. Heath.)

The Exchequer and Audit Departments Bill read a second time, and was, according to Order, read a second time, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Bill Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Oakshott.)
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Attorney General, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Exchequer and Audit Departments [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 as to the salary of the Comptroller and Auditor General, it is expedient to authorise that amount or maximum amount of any increase attributable to that Act and the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to that Act in the sums so payable under section sixty-two of the Superannuation Act, 1949, as applied by subsection (3) of section three of the Exchequer and Audit Departments Act, 1950.—(Mr. Powell.)

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 Judicial Offices (Salaries and Pensions) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time. Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Bryan.)

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

Mr. Chancelor of the Exchequer, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Ministerial Salaries [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 increasing the salaries of the recorders of Liverpool and Manchester, of county court judges and of metropolitan police magistrates, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) any increase as from the first day of July, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven, in the salaries of the said recorders, judges and magistrates;

(b) any increase attributable to any provision of the said Act payable to the said recorders by reference to their increased salaries;

(c) any provision of the said Act in the sums payable into the Exchequer under subsection (2) of section ten of the Criminal Justice Administration Act, 1956.—(Mr. Attorney General.)

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 Ministerial Salaries Bill was, according to Order, read a second time. Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Mr. Bryan.)

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

Mr. Chancelor of the Exchequer, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Ministerial Salaries [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 in respect of the salaries of certain Ministers and of the Leader of the Opposition, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament and the charging on and payment out of the Consolidated Fund of any sums payable out of moneys so provided or chargeable on and payable out of that Fund, as the case may be, by virtue of the provisions of the said Act of the present Session—

(a) any increase, as from any date not earlier than the eighteenth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven, in the salaries of the said recorders, judges and magistrates;

(b) any increase attributable to any provision of the said Act in the sums payable to the said recorders by reference to their increased salaries;

(c) applying to persons holding office in Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom the provisions of section forty-one

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of the Superannuation Act, 1949.—(Mr. Powell)

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 tomorrow.

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, it is inexpedient that provision should be made, as from the first day of July, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven—

(a) for the payment to members of this House in lieu of the salaries payable pursuant to the Resolution of this House of the 29th day of May 1946, and of the seasonal allowances for expenses of the following salaries and allowances, that is to say—

(i) in the case of all members except officers of this House, members in receipt of a salary as holders of Ministerial office within the meaning of section two of the House of Commons Disqualification Act, 1957, and members in receipt of any other salary payable under the Ministers of the Crown Act, 1937, or of any pension payable under that Act, a salary at the rate of one thousand pounds a year; and

(ii) in the case of all members, an allowance in respect of their Parliamentary expenses at the rate of seven hundred and fifty pounds a year;

(b) for enabling members of the House of Lords (except the Lord Chancellor, the Lord Chairman of Committees and any member in receipt of a salary as the holder of a Ministerial office within the meaning of the said section two or of a salary payable out of moneys provided by Parliament under the Ministerial Salaries Act, 1946) to recover out of sums voted for the expenses of that House (in addition to the costs of travel for which provision is made pursuant to the said Resolution of this House) any expenses certified by them as incurred for the purpose of attendance at sittings of that House or of Committees of that House, other than sittings for judicial business, within a maximum of three guineas for each day of such attendance.—(Mr. Secretary Butler.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Army (Conditions of Enlistment) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 1 (Change of conditions of service).

Amendment proposed, in page 1, line 5, to leave out the words "who enlist" and insert the word "enlisted".—(Mr. Wigg.)

Question proposed, That the words " who enlist" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 2, line 2, to leave out the word "twelve" and insert the word "three".—(Mr. Emrys Hughes.)

Question proposed, That the word "twelve" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 2, line 25, after the word "undertaking", to insert the words "in writing in the prescribed form".—(Mr. Wigg.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 2, line 42, after the word "affect", to insert the word "any".—(Mr. Flinders.)

Another Amendment proposed, in page 3, line 31, at the end, to add the words—

"(10) Any regulation made in pursuance of subsection (1) of this section shall be a statutory instrument and shall be subject to annulment by resolution of either House of Parliament".—(Mr. Strachey.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 3, line 31, at the end, to add the words—

"(10) This Act shall not apply to any person in Army service who has not attained the age of eighteen years".—(Mr. Wigg.)

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 agreed to.

A Clause (Right to purchase discharge)—(Mr. Wigg)—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.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Navy, Army and Air Expenditure, 1955-56.

(In the Committee.)

I. Whereas it appears by the Navy Appropriation Account for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, that the aggregate Expenditure on Navy Services has not exceeded the aggregate sums appropriated for those Services and that, as shown in the Schedule...
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And whereas the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury have temporarily authorised:

(1) the application of so much of the realised surplus on Vote 8 for Air Services as is necessary to meet the net deficit of £3,690,938 12s. 10d. on Vote 11 that would otherwise have been met by issues out of the Consolidated Fund under the Armed Forces (Housing Loans) Acts, 1949 and 1953;

(2) the application of so much of the remainder of the said total surpluses on certain Grants for Army Services as is necessary to make good the remainder of the said total deficits on other Grants for Army Services;

1. **Resolved, That the application of such sums be sanctioned.—(Mr. Powell.)**

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II. Whereas it appears by the Army Appropriation Account for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, 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 £8,481,349 9s. 1d. viz.:

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(2) the application of so much of the remainder of the said total surpluses on certain Grants for Army Services as is necessary to make good the remainder of 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 1956, 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 £76,660,356 6s. 4d. viz.—**

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And whereas the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury have temporarily authorised:

(1) the application of so much of the realised surplus on Vote 8 for Air Services as is necessary to meet the net deficit of £3,690,938 12s. 10d. on Vote 11 that would otherwise have been met by issues out of the Consolidated Fund under the Armed Forces (Housing Loans) Acts, 1949 and 1953;

(2) the application of so much of the remainder of the said total surpluses on certain Grants for Air Services as is necessary to make good the remainder of the said total deficits on other Grants for Air Services;
3. Resolved, That the application of such sums be sanctioned.—(Mr. Powell.)

MEMORANDUM.

**Tuesday, 9th July, 1957.**

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of the Standing Order (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker this day appointed Mr. Roy Duthie as Chairman of the Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Scottish Estimates referred to that Committee, in place of Mr. Duthie.

**Adjournment.**

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, that this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Wakefield):

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

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

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

**PRAYERS.**

No. 220. R. Secretary Butler presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Eighty-first Annual Report of Her Majesty's Inspectors of Explosives, for 1956.

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

Mr. Secretary MacKay presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Statement on Local Government Finance in Scotland.

Mr. Secretary MacKay also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 8th July 1957, entitled the Town and Country Planning (Minerals) (Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations, 1957.

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

Mr. Moten presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Regulations, entitled the Agriculture (Ladders) Regulations, 1957.

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

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Statement on Local Government Finance in England and Wales.

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

Mr. Brooke presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Statement on Local Government Finance in Scotland.

Mr. Brooke also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 8th July 1957, entitled the Town and Country Planning (Minerals) (Amendment) (Scotland) Regulations, 1957.

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:


2. The Rules of the Supreme Court (Procedure).

The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.
was referred. That they had gone through the Bill and made an Amendment thereof; and had agreed to a Report which they had directed him to make to the House, and had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Report, together with the said Minutes, do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

No. 221. Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Captain Waterhouse reported from the Select Committee on Estimates, That they had made further Progress in the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report which they had directed him to make to the House, and had directed him to report so much of the Minutes of the Evidence taken before Sub-Committee D as had been reported by them to the Committee, together with Appendices: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Report, together with the said Minutes and Appendices, 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 follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Croydon Corporation Bill, with an Amendment; to which the House on the 26th day of June last, be approved.—(Miss Pitt.)

Resolved, That the Draft Ancillary Dental Dentists Workers Regulations, 1957, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 31st day of May last, be approved.—(Mr. Vaughan-Morgan.)

Resolved, That the House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

—(Mr. Wills.)

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

[No. 139.]

Thursday, 11th July, 1957.

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

Prayers.

The Order of the day being read, for the Arundel Estate Second Reading of the Arundel Estate Bill [Lords];

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 Finsbury Square Second Reading of the Finsbury Square Bill [Lords];

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

The Greenock Port and Harbours Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and ordered to be taken into consideration to-morrow.
Mr. Powell presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Statement of Guarantees given by the Treasury on the 27th day of June 1957, on Loans proposed to be raised—
(1) by the British European Airways Corporation, and
(2) by the British Overseas Airways Corporation.

Statement of a Guarantee given by the Treasury on the 27th day of June 1957, on Loans proposed to be raised by the Central Electricity Authority.

Mr. Molson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of a Draft Order in Council, entitled the West Indies (Federation) Order in Council, 1957, for the purpose of making provision for the increase of the West Indies (Federation)Superannuation Fund.

Copy of a Scheme made by Selwyn College, Cambridge, for administering certain funds of the College.

Copy of the Third Annual Reports, for 1956, of the Ancient Monuments Boards for England, Scotland and Wales.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the East Ham Corporation Bill [Lords]. 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.

Ordered. That the Minutes of the Proceedings of Standing Committee C on the Local Government (Promotion of Bills) Bill be printed.

Ordered. That the Minutes of the Proceedings of Standing Committee C on the Aerial Advertising Bill be printed.

Ordered. That the Minutes of the Proceedings of Standing Committee C on the Animal Boarding Establishments Bill 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 Superannuation Bill, without any Amendment.

Ordered. That the Proceedings on Government Business be suspended, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(Mr. Secretary Butler.)

Mr. Bryan reported from the Committee on Exchequer and Audit Departments (Money), a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make further provision as to the salary of the Comptroller and Auditor General, it is expedient to authorise the charging on and issuing out of the Consolidated Fund of any sums required to be so charged and issued under or in consequence of any provision of that Act and the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to that Act in the sums so payable under section sixty-two of the Superannuation Act, 1949, as applied by subsection (3) of section three of the Exchequer and Audit Departments Act, 1950.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Exchequer and Audit Departments Bill. (In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 3 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.
Mr. Bryan reported from the Committee on Judicial Offices (Salaries and Pensions) [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for increasing the salaries of the recorders of Liverpool and Manchester, and county court judges and of metropolitan police magistrates, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) any increase in the sums payable out of the Consolidated Fund which may be directly or indirectly attributable to any provisions of the said Act providing for—

(i) increases, as from any date not earlier than the eighteenth day of April, nineteen hundred and fifty-seven, in the salaries of the said recorders, judges and magistrates;

(ii) the calculation of the pensions payable to the said recorders by reference to their increased salaries;

(b) any increase attributable to any provisions of the said Act in the sums payable into the Exchequer under subsection (2) of section ten of the Criminal Justice Administration Act, 1956.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Judicial Offices (Salaries and Pensions) Bill.

Mr. Bryan reported from the Committee on Ministerial Salaries [Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Judicial Offices (Salaries and Pensions) Bill.

Clauses Nos. 1 to 5 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.
line 5, by leaving out from the beginning to the word "not" in line 11, and inserting the words "have notified the Minister that they object to the application, and that objection of the local planning authority has been served upon such persons as may be specified in the regulations;

(b) that (in addition to any notice required to be given under section two of the said Act of 1909) notice of every such application shall be published in such manner as may be specified in the regulations;

(c) that (in addition to any notice required to be given under the said section two, and to the publication of notices in accordance with the preceding paragraph) notice of any such application shall, where the Minister so directs, be served upon such persons as may be specified in the directions;

(d) that every notice published or served in pursuance of the regulations shall state the time within which, and the manner in which, objections to the application can be made by persons other than those to whom (under the said section two, or under section twenty-one of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919) an opportunity of being heard or of stating objections is required to be given, and that the time so stated shall not be less than such minimum period as may be specified in the regulations; and

(e) that, in so far as any such notice requires objections to be sent to any person other than the Minister, copies of the objections shall be sent to the Minister by that person:

Provided that, in relation to applications for consent under the said section two to the extension of generating stations, any regulations made under this subsection may include provision for enabling the Minister to give directions dispensing with the requirements of the regulations, in cases where in accordance with that section the Minister dispenses with the giving of notices thereunder.

(3) Where, in the case of any such application as is mentioned in the last preceding subsection,

(a) the Minister is not required by virtue of subsection (1) of this section to cause a public inquiry to be held, but

(b) objections or copies of objections have been sent to the Minister in pursuance of regulations made under the last preceding subsection,

the Minister shall consider those objections, together with all other material considerations, with a view to determining whether a public inquiry should be held with respect to the application, and if he thinks it appropriate to do so, shall cause a public inquiry to be held, either in addition to, or in lieu of, any other hearing or opportunity of stating objections to the application;—in subsection (2), line 1, by leaving out the words "the preceding subsection" and inserting the words "any of the preceding provisions of this section", instead thereof;—by leaving out subsections (6) and (7), and inserting the words—

"(6) The provisions of the Schedule (Supplementary provisions as to public inquiries) to this Act shall have effect for the purposes of this section", instead thereof;—

in subsection (8), line 6, by inserting, after "(1)", the words " or subsection (3)";—and

in subsection (8), by adding, at the end thereof, the words—

"(9) In this section ' high voltage line ' means an electric line for conveying or transmitting electricity at or above a voltage of one hundred and thirty-two thousand ".—(Mr. Maudling.)

And the Commons being willing to waive Special Debate on their privileges, the same, so amended, was agreed to.

A consequential Amendment was made to the Bill, in page 38, line 46, by inserting, at the end thereof, a second Schedule (Supplementary provisions as to public inquiries).—(Mr. Maudling.)

Then the subsequent Lords Amendments, as far as the Amendment in page 46, line 28, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords Amendment in page 46, line 28, at end, insert—

"Section 21. In subsection (3), for the words 'Central Authority' there shall be substituted the words 'Electricity Council'.

Section 33. In subsection (4), for the words 'Central Authority' there shall be substituted the words 'Electricity Council'.

The next Amendment, being read a second time, and Special Debate, 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 certain of the Amendments made by their Lordships, and to another Amendment with Amendments, and hath made a consequential Amendment to the Bill, to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Mr. Wills reported from the Committee on Navy, Army and Air Expenditure, 1955-56, that several Resolutions; which were read, as follows:

1. Whereas it appears by the Navy Appropriation Account for the year ended the 31st day of March 1955, that the aggregate Expenditure on Navy 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 Navy Services over the net Expenditure is £9,599,195 11s. 6d. viz:—

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And the Commons being willing to waive their privileges, the same was agreed to.
II. Whereas it appears by the Army Appropriation Account for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, 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 £8,481,349 9s. 1d. viz.:

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Net Surplus £10,338,200 10s. 6d.

And whereas the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty’s Treasury have temporarily authorised:

(1) the application of so much of the realised surplus on Vote 8 for Army Services as is necessary to meet the net deficit of £3,090,938 12s. 10d. on Vote 11 that would otherwise have been met by issues out of the Consolidated Fund under the Armed Forces (Housing Loans) Acts, 1949 and 1953;

(2) the application of so much of the remainder of the said total surpluses on certain Grants for Army Services as is necessary to make good the remainder of the said total deficits on other Grants for Army Services;

2. That the application of such sums be sanctioned.

III. Whereas it appears by the Air Appropriation Account for the year ended the 31st day of March 1956, 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 £76,660,356 4s. 4d. viz.:

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Net Surplus £76,660,356 4 6

And whereas the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty’s Treasury have temporarily authorised:

(1) the application of so much of the realised surplus on Vote 8 for Air Services as is necessary to meet the net deficit of £3,179,464 4s. 7d. on Vote 11 that would otherwise have been met by issues out of the Consolidated Fund under the Armed Forces (Housing Loans) Acts, 1949 and 1953;

(2) the application of so much of the remainder of the said total surpluses on certain Grants for Air Services as is necessary to make good the remainder of the said total deficits on other Grants for Air Services;

3. That the application of such sums be sanctioned.
### SCHEDULE

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#### Friday, 12th July, 1957

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

**PRAYERS.**

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 upon Monday next.

Mr. Powell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules, dated 10th July 1957, entitled the Superannuation (Civil Service and Northern Ireland Health Services) Transfer Rules, 1957.

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

Mr. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the London Traffic directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 8th July 1957, entitled the London Traffic (Prohibition of Waiting) (Seal) Amendment Regulations, 1957.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Federation of Malaya Independence Bill;

And a Motion being made, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. Secretary Lennox-Boyd acquainted the House, That he had it in Command from the Queen to acquaint the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject matter of the Motion relating to Geneva Conventions [Money] proposed to be moved, under the Standing Order (Money Committee), in a Committee of the whole House, recommends

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#### Cinematograph Films

**Resolved, That the Draft Cinematograph Films (Collection of Levy) Regulations, 1957, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 26th day of June last, be approved.** (Mr. Erroll.)

**Resolved, That the Draft Cinematograph Films (Distribution of Levy) Regulations, 1957, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 26th day of June last, be approved.** (Mr. Erroll.)

#### Industrial Organisation and Development

**Resolved, That the Draft Wood Textile Industry (Export Promotion Levy) Order, 1957, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 24th day of May last, be approved.** (Mr. Erroll.)

**Resolved, That the Draft Wood Textile Industry (Scientific Research Levy) Order, 1957, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 24th day of May last, be approved.** (Mr. Erroll.)

#### Church of England (National Assembly) (Measures)

**Resolved, That the Channel Islands (Church Legislation) Measure, 1931 (Amendment) Measure, 1957, passed by the National Assembly of the Church of England, be presented to Her Majesty for Her Royal Assent in the form in which the said Measure was laid before Parliament.—(Sir John Crowder.)**

### Adjournment

**Resolved, That this House do now adjourn,** (Mr. Barber.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till sixteen minutes after Seven of the clock, adjourned till tomorrow.
it to the consideration of the House:—Whereas
upon 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 enable effect to
be given to certain international conventions
done at Genova on the twelfth day of August,
nineteen hundred and forty-nine, it is expedient
to authorise the payment out of moneys pro-
vided by Parliament of any sums required by
the Secretary of State for making payments
in respect of fees and disbursements to any
solictor or counsel assigned to watch over the
interests of an accused person in pursuance of
a direction of the court given by virtue of the
said Act.—(Mr. Simon.)

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received upon
Monday next.

Mr. Brooman-White reported from the Com-
mittee on Tanganyika Agricultural Corpo-
rations, [Money], a Resolution; which was read,
as followeth:

That, for the purposes of any Act of the
present Session to provide for the making of
grants to the Governor of Tanganyika for the
purpose of providing funds for the Tangany-
ika Agricultural Corporation, it is expedient to
authorise the payment out of moneys pro-
vided by Parliament of an aggregate
amount not exceeding five hundred thousand
pounds, for the purpose of the provision of
funds required by the said Corporation for
paying interest to the Governor of Tangany-
ika Agricultural Corporation, it is expedient
without a Question being put.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received upon
Monday next.

Mr. Brooman-White reported from the Com-
mittee on Tanganyika Agricultural Corpora-
tions Bill; reported, That this House will, upon
Monday next, resolve itself into the said Com-
mittee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being
proposed, That this House do now adjourn—
(Mr. Brooman-White).

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

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.
(Mr. Brooman-White.)

And accordingly the House, having con-
tinued to sit till fourteen minutes after
Four of the clock, adjourned till
Monday next.
Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Statement on Overseas Information Services.

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 Affiliation Proceedings Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

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

Mr. Secretary Maccley presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Scheme, dated 12th July 1957, entitled the Herring Subsidy (United Kingdom) No. 2 Scheme, 1957.

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

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Scheme, dated 12th July 1957, entitled the White Fish Subsidy (United Kingdom) Scheme, 1957.

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

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, a Report by the Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords and the Deputy 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 Glasgow Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Order, 1957.

Ordered, That the said Paper 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 follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Legitimation (Re-registration of Birth) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Thermal Insulation (Industrial Buildings) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Advertisements (Hire-Purchase) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Exchequer and Audit Departments Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Judicial Offices (Salaries and Pensions) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Ministerial Salaries Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the London County Council (Money) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Naval Discipline Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Tamar Bridge Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Affiliation Proceedings Bill (Lords), with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have made an arrangement to consolidate the enactments relating to housing with the exception of certain provisions relating to financial matters; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Naval Discipline Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next; and be printed.

The Affiliation Proceedings Bill (Lords) was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next and to be printed.

The Housing Bill (Lords) was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved Supply (2nd allotted Day) into the Committee of Supply.


Motion made, and Question proposed, That a further sum, not exceeding £40, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the charges for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1958, for the following services connected with Cyprus, namely:


Ordered, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the International Tin Council (Amendment) Order, 1957, be made in the form of the Draft laid before this House on the 22nd day of May last.—(Mr. Ian Harvey.)
Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council or of Her Majesty's Household.

Adjournment.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Eleven of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

MEMORANDUM.

Monday, 15th July, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of the Standing Order (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker this day appointed Mr. Duthie Chairman of the Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Scottish Estimates referred to that Committee, in place of Mr. Hoy.

(No. 142.)

Tuesday, 16th July, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the B P Trading Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Statutory Orders (Special Procedure).

The Order made upon the 9th day of this instant July, That the Paper relating to Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) do lie upon the Table, was read and discharged.

Ordered, That the said Paper be withdrawn.

Import Duties (Exemptions).

Mr. Powell presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, — Copy of an Order, dated 12th July 1957, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 8) Order, 1957.

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

Savings Banks.

Accounts in respect of—

(1) the Post Office Savings Banks Fund for 1956; and

(2) the Savings Banks Fund for the year ended the 20th day of November 1956.

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

Road Vehicles (Miscellaneous, No. 16, 1957).

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Convention signed at Geneva on the 18th day of May 1956 on the Taxation of Road Vehicles for Private Use in International Traffic (with Protocol of Signature) (the Convention has not been ratified by Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom).

Copy of Notes exchanged at Berne on the Treaty Series 1st day of May 1957 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Swiss Federal Council revising the Route Schedules annexed to the Air Services Agreement signed at London on the 5th day of April 1950.

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

Mr. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—

Copy of Regulations, dated 9th July 1957, entitled the Harbours, Docks and Piers (Additional Charges) (Amendment) Regulations, 1957.


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

Mr. Fletcher 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. Duthie 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 by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Parish Councils (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Representation of the People (Amendment) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the National Health Service (Amendment) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Housing and Town Development (Scotland) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to one of the Amendments made by the Lords to the Electricity Bill, and to the consequential Amendment made by this House thereto, without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Finance Bill, as amended, may be considered immediately after the recommittal of the Bill and Report thereof, notwithstanding the practice of this House as to the interval between the stages of such a Bill. —(Mr. Heath.)

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Finance 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 Amendment to Clause No. 29, page 22, line 30, standing on the Notice Paper in the name of Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer—(Mr. Powell);
The Question was amended, by adding, at the end thereof, the words "and in respect of the Amendments to Clause No. 35, page 28, lines 8 and 13, standing on the Notice Paper in the name of Mr. Harold Wilson, and in respect of the Amendment to Clause No. 35, page 28, line 20, standing on the Notice Paper in the name of Mr. Mitchison."—(Mr. Mitchison.)

And the Question, so amended, being put; Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House in respect of the Amendment to Clause No. 29, page 22, line 30, standing on the Notice Paper in the name of Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer; and in respect of the Amendments to Clause No. 35, page 28, lines 8 and 13, standing on the Notice Paper in the name of Mr. Harold Wilson; and in respect of the Amendment to Clause No. 35, page 28, line 20, standing on the Notice Paper in the name of Mr. Mitchison.

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, resolve itself into the said Committee:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee. The Committee divided.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 29 amended and agreed to. Clause No. 35 (Interpretation of Part IV). Amendment proposed, in page 28, line 9, at the end, to insert the words—

"recognised market' means a market declared by an order of the Board of Trade for the time being in force to be a recognised market for the purposes of this part of this Act."—(Mr. Mitchison.)

Question put, That those words be there inserted.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, 

Mr. John Taylor, 

Mr. Rogers, 

Mr. Oakshott, 

Mr. Legh: 

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Tellers for the Noes, 

Mr. Short, 

Mr. Deer, 

Mr. Bryan: 

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Another Amendment proposed, in page 28, line 20, after the word "companies", to insert the words "and to be a subsidiary of each of two, three or four other companies, if and so long as more than one-eighth of its ordinary capital is owned by each of those other companies and more than two-thirds thereof by those other companies together, in each case whether directly or through another company or partly directly and partly through another company or other companies."—(Mr. Mitchison.)

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause 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 made a further Amendment to the Bill.

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The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [Mr. Pearson, Yes, Mr. Simmons: 197.
Tellers for the [Mr. Bryan, Noes, Mr. Finlay: 250.
So it passed in the Negative.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 1, line 22, by leaving out the words "eleven pence" and inserting the words "the specified sum."

(3) For the purpose of the last foregoing subsection, the specified sum is—
(a) if the amount of the payment for admission, including the amount of the duty, is less than two shillings and nine pence, the sum of eleven pence; or
(b) if the amount of the payment for admission, including the amount of the duty, is two shillings and nine pence or more, the sum of one shilling.---(Mr. White),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words "eleven pence" stand part of the Bill;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [Lieutenant-Com- mander Thompson, Sir William Pearson, Yes, Mr. Bryan: 244.
Tellers for the [Mr. Pearson, Noes, Mr. Simmons: 192.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 7, line 31, by leaving out from the word "income" to the end of line 35.—(Mr. Harold Wilson.)

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 [Mr. Wills, Yes, Mr. Bryan: 224.
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Price, Noes, Mr. Wilkins: 172.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 7, line 41, by inserting, after the word "by", the words "inserting, after the word "establishment" in subsection (1) the words "or for the year of assessment has been totally incapacitated" by".—(Mr. Houghton.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [Mr. Joseph Price, Yes, Mr. Wilkins: 162.
Tellers for the [Mr. Bryan, Noes, Mr. Brooman-White: 207.
So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That further consideration of the Bill, as amended, be now adjourned.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee and on re-committal, be taken into further consideration to-morrow.

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

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

[No. 143.]

Wednesday, 17th July, 1957.
The House met at half an hour after Two of the clock.

Prayers.

The Clyde Navigation Order Confirmation (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and ordered to be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Renton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Annual Reports of the Industrial Coal Consumers' Council and the Domestic Coal Consumers' Council for the year ended the 30th day of June 1957.

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

Ordered, That the Proceedings on Government Business and on any Private Business may be taken after Nine of the clock.—(Mr. Secretary Butler.)

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Finance Bill, as amended in the Committee and on re-committal.

Other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 15, line 11, by inserting, after the word "Kingdom", the words "and in the Commonwealth".—(Mr. Roy Jenkins.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the Bill;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the [Mr. John Taylor, Yes, Mr. Rogers: 218.
Tellers for the [Mr. Barber, Noes, Mr. Bryan: 271.
So it passed in the Negative.
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Mr. Harold Wilson moved, That further consideration of the Bill be now adjourned; but Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order (Dilatory Motion in abuse of rules of House), declined to propose the Question thereupon to the House.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in page 15, line 21, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words—

"(3) A company which has never been an Overseas Trade Corporation may, by notice having effect from the beginning of the first period in which it would otherwise qualify as an Overseas Trade Corporation, elect not to qualify as an Overseas Trade Corporation."

(4) A company which would, apart from this subsection, qualify as an Overseas Trade Corporation in the period of twelve months beginning with the sixth day of April in any year, and which has so qualified in some previous period, may by notice apply to the Commissioners of Inland Revenue for a direction that as from the sixth day of April in that year the company shall not qualify as an Overseas Trade Corporation and the Commissioners shall, within such period after the end of the said period of twelve months as may be prescribed, give such a direction unless—

(a) relief would, on the footing that the company did not so qualify in the said period of twelve months, be allowable under the Income Tax Acts in respect of a loss sustained by the company in the said period of twelve months in carrying on a trade, or in respect of capital allowances falling to be made in charging the profits or gains of such a trade, for the year of assessment commencing in the said period of twelve months against income tax charged on income of the company which, if it qualified as an Overseas Trade Corporation, would be investment income, and

(b) it appears to the Commissioners that that relief, together with any corresponding reduction of the liability of the company to the profits tax, is the sole or main benefit which the company will derive from the direction so far as it relates to the said period of twelve months.

(5) A company which is aggrieved by the refusal of the Commissioners to give a direction under the last foregoing subsection may, by notice in writing given to the Commissioners within thirty days from the date on which notice of the refusal is given to the company, require their application under that subsection to be heard and determined by the Special Commissioners, and the Special Commissioners shall hear and determine the application in like manner as an appeal made to them against an assessment to income tax under Schedule D.

All the provisions of the Income Tax Acts relating to such an appeal (including the provisions relating to the statement of a case for the opinion of the High Court on a point of law) shall apply accordingly with any necessary modifications.

(6) An election made or direction given under the foregoing provisions of this section shall apply as respects all periods after the time as from which it has effect but the company may by notice having effect as from the sixth day of April in any year revoke the election or require the Commissioners to withdraw their direction; and any notice under the foregoing provisions of this section shall be given in the prescribed manner and within the prescribed time. —(Mr. Powell.)

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted in the Bill:

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Amendment, in line 35, by leaving out the words "it appears to" and inserting the words "the company does not satisfy" —(Mr. Houghton) — instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words "it appears to" stand part of the proposed Amendment: It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Amendment, in line 41, by inserting, at the end thereof, the words—

"Provided that any such direction may be given unconditionally or on such conditions as seem appropriate to the Commissioners, including conditions that the company do pay by way of income tax or profits tax a sum not exceeding the amount of that relief or of that corresponding reduction of liability to the profits tax, as the case may be."—(Mr. Mitchison.)

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted in the proposed Amendment: It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the proposed Amendment, in line 65, by leaving out from the word "may" to the word "to" in line 67 and inserting the words "request the Commissioners to grant permission for the revocation of the company's election or" —(Mr. Houghton) — instead thereof.

And the Question being put,That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Amendment:

The Lords, authorised by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her 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.

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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 Her 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 the Measure therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorised, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts and Measures, as follow:

5. Housing and Town Development (Scotland) Act, 1957.

Channel Islands (Church Legislation) Measure, 1931 (Amendment) Measure, 1957.

Finance Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Finance Bill, in page 43, line 45, by leaving out from the beginning to the word "section" in line 46.—(Mr. Roy Jenkins.)

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 other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow; and be printed.

The Road Transport Lighting Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Tanganyika Agricultural Corporation Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 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 desire their concurrence.

Mr. Speaker certified that the Bill was a Mr. Speaker's Certificate.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Arundel Estate Bill [Lords].

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 the word "now" and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months".—(Mr. Shinwell.)

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the "Sir Hugh Lucas-Tydd, M.P.; Mr. Fletcher-Cooke: 177.

Tellers for the Mr. Thomson, M.P.; Mr. Hamilton: 147.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was read a second time and committed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Bill to leave out Clauses Nos. 3 to 5 and 10, and Schedule No. 3.—(Mr. Kirk); The Question was amended, in line 2, by leaving out from "5" to the end of the Question and adding "7, 8, 10, and 11, and Schedules Nos. 3 and 4".—(Sir Lynn Ungeold-Thomson).—instead thereof.

And the Question, so amended, being put;

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Bill to leave out Clauses Nos. 3 to 5, 7, 8, 10 and 11, and Schedules Nos. 3 and 4.

The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Finsbury Square Bill [Lords].

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;
The Deputy 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:—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.

Ordered, That the Standing Order relating to Private Business (interval between committal of bill and sitting of committee) be suspended and that the Committee of Selection have leave to appoint the Committee on the Bill to sit and proceed upon Monday next.—(The Speaker.)

(Standing Order, standing order for the purpose of a Bill and sitting of committee) be adjourned (Mr. Hughes-Young):—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 eleven minutes before Twelve of the clock, till to-morrow.

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

PRAYERS.

Immunities and Privileges.

The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household produced their Address of the 15th day of this instant July relating to Immunities and Privileges had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously and to give the following Answer:

I have received your Address praying that the International Organisations (Immunities and Privileges of the International Tin Council) (Amendment) Order, 1957, be made in the form of the draft laid before Parliament.

I will comply with your request.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Tammar Bridge 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.

A Motion being made, That the Durham County Council (Barmston-Coxgreen Footbridge) Bill (Lords) be now read the third time:

Sir David Eccles, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, that Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her 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 Clyde Navigation Order Confirmation (No. 2) Bill.

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

Mr. Powell presented, by Her Majesty's Command, Copy of Returns from Universities and University Colleges in receipt of Treasury Grant for the Academic Year 1955-56.

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

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command, Copy of a Report on the Disarmament Talks, 1957 (with Annexes).

Copy of Notes exchanged at Washington on Treaty Series the 16th day of September 1954 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Swedish Government regarding the Liquidation of German Assets in Sweden.

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

Mr. Secretary Maclay presented, by Her Majesty's Command, Copy of Civil Judicial Statistics for Scotland for 1956.


Mr. Secretary Watkinson also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Notes exchanged at Washington on Treaty Series the 16th day of September 1954 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Swedish Government regarding the Liquidation of German Assets in Sweden.

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

Sir David Eccles presented, pursuant to the Census of Production, directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Notes exchanged at Washington on Treaty Series the 16th day of September 1954 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Swedish Government regarding the Liquidation of German Assets in Sweden.

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


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(2) the Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) Regulations, 1957.

(3) the Motor Vehicles (International Motor Insurance Card) (Amendment) Regulations, 1957.

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

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Resolved, That the Draft Agriculture (Ladders) Regulations, 1957, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 10th day of this instant July, be approved.—(Mr. Godber.)

Resolved, That, in pursuance of the provisions of section three of the House of Commons Members' Fund Act, 1948, the amount of the sums to be deducted or set aside from the salaries of Members of the House of Commons under subsection (3) of section one of the House of Commons Members' Fund Act, 1939, shall be varied as from the date of this resolution as follows:—

"In the said subsection (3) which provides for the rate of deduction from each payment of the salary of a Member of the House of Commons for the word 'twelve' there shall be substituted the word 'eighteen' ''.—(Mr. Bowden.)

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.

(Mr. Hughes-Young.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eleven minutes before Twelve of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
The Finance 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. Speaker certified that the Bill was a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Federation of Malaya Independence Bill.

Clause No. 1 (Provision for establishment of a Federation as an independent sovereign country).

Amendment proposed, in page 1, line 18, after the word "termination", to insert the words "(save as is provided in the Constitution under paragraph (a) of subsection (3) hereunder)"—(Mr. Drayson.)

Question. That those words be there inserted, put and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in page 2, line 3, after the word "States ", to insert the words " and by a two-thirds majority of each of the electorates of the said Settlements voting on a referendum based on universal and equal suffrage "—(Mr. Drayson.)

Question. That those words be there inserted, put and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 2 to 4 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; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Road Transport Lighting Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 22 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, with an Amendment; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Road Transport Lighting Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 22 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Heath, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her 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 an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Geneva Conventions Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.

Clause No. 3 amended and agreed to.

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The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Portslade and Southwick Outfall Sewerage Board 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 East Ham Corporation Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Esso Petroleum Company Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Hastings 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 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.

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 London County Council (General 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 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. Powell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 2nd July 1957, relative to the Fiduciary Note Issue.

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

Mr. Sands presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Statement on Compensation for Premature Retirement from the Armed Forces.

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

Mr. Marples presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 17th July 1957, entitled the Telephone Amendment (No. 3) Regulations, 1957.

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

The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on the Arundel Estate Bill [Lords], 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 thereinunto, and had amended the Title as followeth: An Act for enabling the Arundel Estates settled by an Act of Parliament of the third year of the reign of King Charles the First to be disentailed and for other purposes connected with the said estates.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, do lie upon the Table.
The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the B P Trading Bill (Lords), without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Agriculture Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Navy, Marines and Service Civilians) (Overseas) Bill (changed to Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Special Provisions) Bill) be taken into consideration upon Friday next; 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 consideration of the Lords Amendments to the Naval Discipline Bill 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 itself into the Committee of Supply.  

(In the Committee.)

Civil Estimates, 1957-58.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a further sum, not exceeding £20, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the charges for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1958, for the following services connected with the Roads Programme, namely:—

Civil Estimates, 1957-58.  

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Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Civil Estimates, 1957-58.

Class IX.

Vote 1. Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a sum, not exceeding £5,989,700, be granted to Her 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 1958, for the salaries and expenses of the Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation, including the salaries and expenses of the Coastguard, the Transport Tribunal, and the Air Transport Advisory Council, subscriptions to international organisations and sundry other services. Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a sum, not exceeding £5,989,600, be granted for the said Service.—(Mr. Beowick.)
Mr. Secretary Hare presented, by Her Majesty's Command—Copy of a Statement on the future organisation of the Army.

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


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

Mr. Boyd-Carpenter presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—Copy of the Report on War Pensioners for 1956.

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

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 Saint Peter, Bristol; Saint Mary-le-Port, Bristol; Saint James, Bristol; and Saint John the Baptist, Bristol; in the Diocese of Bristol.

Mr. Parkin reported from the Committee on the Finsbury Square Bill [Lords], 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 thereto; 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.

Mr. Fletcher reported from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, the Minutes of the former 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 had been brought from the Lords by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

The Lords have agreed to the Tanganyika Agricultural Corporation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Greenock Port and Harbours Order Confirmation Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate the Governors' Pensions Acts, 1911 to 1956, to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Governors' Pensions Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next and to be printed.
Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.
—(Mr. Hughes-Young.)

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

[No. 148.]

Wednesday, 24th July, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

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

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Sir Roger Conant reported from the Committee on the Liverpool 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.

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Civil Estimates and Supplementary Estimate, 1957-58.

Class I.

3. That a sum, not exceeding £8,867,549, be granted to Her 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 1958, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class I of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

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<td>1. House of Lords (including a Supplementary sum of £15,563)</td>
<td>120,377</td>
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<td>2. Home Office (including a Supplementary sum of £2,850,000)</td>
<td>6,550,835</td>
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<td>3. Registration of Electors</td>
<td>370,000</td>
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<td>4. Charity Commission</td>
<td>72,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>5. Civil Service Commission</td>
<td>312,500</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6. Exchange and Audit Department</td>
<td>340,615</td>
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<td>7. Friendly Society Registry</td>
<td>60,780</td>
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<td>8. Home Office (including a Supplementary sum of £21,000)</td>
<td>4,211,750</td>
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<td>9. Education and Audit Office</td>
<td>341,846</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10. Government Actuary</td>
<td>18,080</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11. Government Chemist</td>
<td>222,213</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12. Government Hospitality</td>
<td>20,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>13. Royal Mint</td>
<td>90</td>
</tr>
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<td>14. National Debt Office</td>
<td>90</td>
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<td>15. National Savings Committee</td>
<td>777,450</td>
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<td>16. Public Record Office</td>
<td>82,312</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>17. Public Works Loan Commission</td>
<td>10</td>
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<td>18. Royal Commissions, &amp;c.</td>
<td>160,510</td>
</tr>
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<td>19. Secret Service</td>
<td>3,300,000</td>
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<td>20. Silver</td>
<td>10</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>21. Tithe Redemption Commission</td>
<td>90</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>22. Miscellaneous Expenses</td>
<td>91,601</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>22A. Repayments to the Civil Contingencies Fund</td>
<td>170,581</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Scotland</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>23. Scottish Home Department</td>
<td>1,648,433</td>
</tr>
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<td>24. Scottish Record Office</td>
<td>27,280</td>
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<td>8,867,549</td>
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Question put and agreed to.

Class II.

4. That a sum, not exceeding £65,898,877, be granted to Her 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 1958, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class II of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

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<tr>
<td>1. Ministry of Education</td>
<td>238,803,777</td>
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<td>2. British Museum</td>
<td>341,846</td>
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<td>3. British Museum (Natural History)</td>
<td>261,134</td>
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<tr>
<td>4. Imperial War Graves Commission</td>
<td>749,242</td>
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<tr>
<td>5. Imperial War Graves Commission</td>
<td>56,562,601</td>
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Question put and agreed to.

Class III.

5. That a sum, not exceeding £65,898,877, be granted to Her 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 1958, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class III of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

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<td>2. Home Office (Civil Defence Services) (including a Supplementary sum of £21,000)</td>
<td>4,211,750</td>
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<tr>
<td>3. Police, England and Wales</td>
<td>29,564,650</td>
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<tr>
<td>4. Prisons, England and Wales</td>
<td>6,162,318</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5. Child Care, England and Wales</td>
<td>6,475,400</td>
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<tr>
<td>6. Fire Services, England and Wales</td>
<td>4,054,116</td>
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<tr>
<td>7. Charity Commission</td>
<td>120,495</td>
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<td>8. Supreme Court of Judicature, &amp;c.</td>
<td>273,060</td>
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<tr>
<td>9. County Courts</td>
<td>935,820</td>
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<tr>
<td>10. Public Trustee</td>
<td>120,495</td>
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<td>11. Land Registry</td>
<td>90</td>
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<td>12. Public Trustee</td>
<td>90</td>
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<td>13. Law Charges</td>
<td>415,956</td>
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<td>14. Miscellaneous Legal Expenses</td>
<td>23,015</td>
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<td>15. Scottish Home Department</td>
<td>38,533</td>
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<td>16. Police</td>
<td>4,567,046</td>
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<td>17. Prisons</td>
<td>531,681</td>
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<tr>
<td>18. Approved Schools</td>
<td>175,000</td>
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<td>19. Fire Services</td>
<td>120,495</td>
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<td>20. State Management District</td>
<td>90</td>
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<tr>
<td>21. Local Charges and Courts of Law</td>
<td>209,004</td>
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<td>22. Government of Scotland</td>
<td>90</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>23. Supreme Court of Judicature, &amp;c. Northern Ireland</td>
<td>42,233</td>
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<td>24. Irish Land Purchase Services</td>
<td>580,960</td>
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<td>65,898,877</td>
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12. Universities and Colleges, &c., Great Britain
13. Broadcasting
Scotland:
14. Public Education
15. National Museums
16. National Library

£
20,344,960  
23,149,000
29,487,051  
23,751
10,762
35,046

313,514,694

Question put and agreed to.

Class V.
7. That a sum, not exceeding £472,955,698, be granted to Her 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 1958, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class V of the Civil Estimates, viz.:—

£
1. Ministry of Housing and Local Government
2. Housing, England and Wales
3. Exchange Grants to Local Authorities, England and Wales
4. Ministry of Health
5. National Health Service, England and Wales (Revised sum)
6. Medical Research Council
7. Registrar General's Office
8. Central Land Board
9. War Damage Commission
Scotland:
10. Development Fund
11. That a sum, not exceeding £123,705,986, be granted to Her 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 1958, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VI of the Civil Estimates, viz.:—

£
1. Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food
2. Agricultural Food Grants and Subsidies (including a Supplementary sum of £1,216,000)
3. Agricultural and Food Services
4. Food (Strategic Reserves)
5. Fisheries Grants and Services (including a Supplementary sum of £100,000)
7. Office of Crown Estate Commissioners
8. Agricultural Research Council
9. Nature Conservancy
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11. Forestry Commission
Scotland:
12. Department of Agriculture (including a Supplementary sum of £200,000)
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6,900,000
123,705,986

182,039,498

Question put and agreed to.

Class VII.
9. That a sum, not exceeding £50,655,010, be granted to Her 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 1958, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VII of the Civil Estimates, viz.:—

£
1. Ministry of Works
2. Houses of Parliament Buildings
3. Public Buildings, &c., United Kingdom
4. Public Buildings Overseas
5. Royal Palaces
6. Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens (including a Supplementary sum of £10)
7. Historic Buildings and Ancient Monuments
8. Rates on Government Property
9. Stationery and Printing
10. Central Office of Information
11. Peterhead Harbour

5,009,525
245,700
20,323,725
1,571,000
353,800
59,610
674,900
11,460,350
1,393,200
25,000

30,655,010

Question put and agreed to.

Class VIII.
10. That a sum, not exceeding £193,184,409, be granted to Her 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 1958, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VIII of the Civil Estimates, viz.:—

£
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2. Agricultural Food Grants and Subsidies (including a Supplementary sum of £1,216,000)
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4. Food (Strategic Reserves)
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182,039,498

Question put and agreed to.

Class IX.
11. That a sum, not exceeding £123,705,986, be granted to Her 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 1958, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class IX of the Civil Estimates, viz.:—

£
1. Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation
2. Roads, &c., England and Wales
3. Transport (Shipping and Special Services)

5,980,700
39,316,410
40,000

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1. That a sum, not exceeding £191,000,000, be granted to Her 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 1958, for Expenditure in respect of the Navy Services, viz.:—

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<td>£10,031,000</td>
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<td>£5,014,000</td>
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<td>£5,484,000</td>
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<td>14. Merchant Shipbuilding and Repair (in addition to the sum of £4,990 to be allocated from the Vote on Account)</td>
<td>£11,438,000</td>
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| Total Expenditure in respect of the Navy Services | £191,000,000 |

Question put and agreed to.


14. That a sum, not exceeding £11,754,000, be granted to Her 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 1958, for the salaries and expenses of the Ministry of Defence and its services in connection with International Defence Organisations, including international subscriptions; and certain grants in aid.

Question put and agreed to.


15. That a sum, not exceeding £191,000,000, be granted to Her 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 1958, for Expenditure in respect of the Navy Services, viz.:—

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Question put and agreed to.

Army Estimates, 1957-58.

16. That a sum, not exceeding £191,400,100, be granted to Her 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 1958, for Expenditure in respect of the Army Services, viz.:—

1. Pay, &c., of the Army (in addition to the sum of £24,850,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... ... ... ... 44,280,000
2. Reserve Forces, Territorial Army, Home Guard and Civil Defence Forces (in addition to the sum of £7,970,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... ... ... ... 7,269,000
3. War Office (in addition to the sum of £2,030,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... ... ... ... 1,850,000
4. Civilians (in addition to the sum of £47,540,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... ... ... ... 41,290,000
5. Movements (in addition to the sum of £16,750,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... ... ... ... 15,250,000
6. Supplies, &c. (in addition to the sum of £24,860,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... ... ... ... 22,640,000
7. Stores (in addition to the sum of £29,690,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... ... ... ... 27,040,000
8. Works, Building and Lands (in addition to the sum of £15,819,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... ... ... ... 15,050,019
9. Miscellaneous Effective Services (in addition to the sum of £3,540,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... ... ... ... 3,540,000
10. Non-effective Services (in addition to the sum of £12,310,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... ... ... ... 11,200,000
11. Supply (in addition to the sum of £10 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... ... ... ... 90

£191,400,000

Question put and agreed to.


17. That a sum, not exceeding £247,650,000, be granted to Her 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 1958, for Expenditure in respect of the Air Services, viz.:—

1. Pay, &c., of the Air Force (in addition to the sum of £47,550,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... ... ... ... 49,070,000
2. Reserve and Auxiliary Services (in addition to the sum of £11,279,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... ... ... ... 1,299,910
3. Air Ministry (in addition to the sum of £2,450,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... ... ... ... 2,500,000
4. Civilians at Outstations (in addition to the sum of £18,030,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... ... ... ... 18,600,000
5. Movements (in addition to the sum of £7,130,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... ... ... ... 7,370,000
6. Supplies (in addition to the sum of £33,670,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... ... ... ... 34,760,000
7. Aircraft and Stores (in addition to the sum of £21,000,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... ... ... ... 21,000,000
8. Works and Lands (in addition to the sum of £2,660,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... ... ... ... 2,660,000
9. Miscellaneous Effective Services (in addition to the sum of £2,750,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... ... ... ... 2,750,000
10. Non-effective Services (in addition to the sum of £3,380,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... ... ... ... 3,380,000
11. Additional Married Quarters (in addition to the sum of £10 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... ... ... ... 90

£247,650,000

Question put and agreed to.

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

Supply, grants to Her Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1958, the sum of £2,714,863,319 be granted to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council or of Her Majesty's Household.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Estate Duty) (Pakistan) Order, 1957, be made in the form of the Draft laid before this House on the 1st day of this instant July.—(Mr. Powell.)

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

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 to-morrow.
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 Her Majesty, praying that the Public Service Vehicles, Trams and Tramway Vehicles (Licences and Certificates) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations, 1957, dated 26th June 1957, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 2nd day of this
The Hastings Tramways Bill [Lords].
Ordered. That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Standing Orders (Private Business).
Ordered. That the several Amendments to the Standing Order (Publication of notice in the Gazette) relating to Private Business hereinafter stated in the Schedule be made.

SCHEDULE.
Standing Orders 11, line 5, leave out "or" and insert "and insert "Gazette or in the".
Line 22, leave out "whether" and insert "either".

Mr. Benson reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, that they had made further Progress in the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report which they had directed him to make to the House, and had

Eric Jenkin presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 22nd July 1957, entitled the Stopping up of Highways (Air Ministry) (Supplies and Services) Order, 1957. Trident No. 241.

Standing Order No. 11, line 5, leave out "or" and insert "and insert "Gazette or in the".

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid on the Table; and that the Paper relating to Cinematograph Films be printed.

Mr. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Report of the Air Transport Advisory Council for the year ended the 31st day of March 1957, with a Statement by the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation.
Order. 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 on the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Copy of the Nineteenth Report of the Cinematograph Films Council, relating to the year ended the 31st day of March 1957. No. 241.

Copy of an Order, dated 22nd July 1957, entitled the Strategic Goods (Control) (Amendment No. 4) Order, 1957. Trident No. 242.

Sir David Eccles presented, pursuant to the Cinematograph Films Council, relating to the year ended the 31st day of March 1957.
directed him to report part of the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, together with Appendices: And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Report, together with the said Minutes and Appendices, 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 agreed to the Winfrith Heath Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Ministry of Housing and Local Government Provisional Order (County of Berks (Consent to Letting)) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Reading Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Provisional Order Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Doncaster Corporation (Trolley Vehicles) Provisional Order 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 British Transport Commission Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Dartford Tunnel Bill, with Amendments; 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 tomorrow; and be printed.

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 yesterday 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 the consideration of the Lords Amendments to the Agriculture Bill be exempted, at this day's Sitting, from the provisions of the Standing Order (Sittings of the House).—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer.)

Mr. Llop reported from the Committee of Supply yesterday, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

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### Civil Estimates, 1957-58.

#### Class I.

Vote 4. Treasury and Subordinate Departments.

1. That a sum, not exceeding £2,051,292, be granted to Her 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 1958, for the salaries and other expenses in the Department of Her Majesty's Treasury and subordinate departments, the additional salary payable to the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and the salaries and other expenses of his office arising from his responsibility for the co-ordination of official information, and the salary and expenses of the Minister without Portfolio.

2. That a sum, not exceeding £42,754,850, be granted to Her 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 1958, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in the following Civil Estimates, viz.:

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<td></td>
<td>£15,563)</td>
<td>120,377</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>House of Commons (including a Supplementary sum</td>
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<td></td>
<td>of £225,814)</td>
<td>1,029,951</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Registration of Electors</td>
<td>370,000</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>Privy Council Office</td>
<td>22,417</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>Charity Commission</td>
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<td>7</td>
<td>Civil Service Commission</td>
<td>312,530</td>
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<td>Exchequer and Audit Department</td>
<td>340,615</td>
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<td>9</td>
<td>Friendly Society Registry</td>
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<td>11</td>
<td>Government Chemist</td>
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<td>12</td>
<td>Government Hospitality</td>
<td>30,000</td>
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<td>13</td>
<td>The Royal Mint</td>
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<td>14</td>
<td>National Debt Office</td>
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<td>National Savings Committee</td>
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<td>17</td>
<td>Public Works Loan Commission</td>
<td>90</td>
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<td>18</td>
<td>Royal Commissions, &amp;c.</td>
<td>160,510</td>
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<td>19</td>
<td>Secret Service</td>
<td>3,300,000</td>
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<td>20</td>
<td>Silver</td>
<td>10</td>
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<td>21</td>
<td>Title Redemption Commission</td>
<td>90</td>
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<tr>
<td>22</td>
<td>Miscellaneous Expenses</td>
<td>91,601</td>
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<tr>
<td>22A</td>
<td>Repayments to the Civil Contingencies Fund</td>
<td>170,581</td>
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</table>

Scotland:

1. Scottish Home Department  1,648,423
2. Scottish Record Office   27,200

£8,867,549
### Class II

4. That a sum, not exceeding £56,562,601, be granted to Her 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 1958, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class II of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

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<tr>
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<tr>
<td>Foreign Service</td>
<td>9,961,750</td>
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<td>Foreign Office Grants and Services</td>
<td>1,465,850</td>
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<td>Commonwealth Relations</td>
<td>1,457,000</td>
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<td>Commonwealth Services (including a Supplementary sum of £705,715)</td>
<td>8,738,595</td>
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<td>Oversea Settlement</td>
<td>1,200,122</td>
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<tr>
<td>Prisons, England and Wales</td>
<td>128,175</td>
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<td>Colonial Services</td>
<td>15,685,393</td>
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<td>Development and Welfare (Colonies, &amp;c.)</td>
<td>12,150,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Imperial War Graves Commission</td>
<td>1,070,000</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>56,562,601</td>
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</table>

### Class III

5. That a sum, not exceeding £65,898,877, be granted to Her 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 1958, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class III of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

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<td>Home Office (including a Supplementary sum of £2,350,000)</td>
<td>6,550,835</td>
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<tr>
<td>Police, England and Wales</td>
<td>29,564,650</td>
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<td>Prisons, England and Wales</td>
<td>6,162,318</td>
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<tr>
<td>Child Care, England and Wales</td>
<td>6,475,000</td>
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<td>Fire Services, England and Wales</td>
<td>4,054,116</td>
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<tr>
<td>Carlisle State Management District</td>
<td>90</td>
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<td>Supreme Court of Judicature, &amp;c.</td>
<td>120,495</td>
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<td>County Courts</td>
<td>273,960</td>
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<td>Legal Aid Fund</td>
<td>933,820</td>
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<td>Law Registry</td>
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<td>Public Trustee</td>
<td>90</td>
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<td>Law Charges</td>
<td>419,956</td>
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<tr>
<td>Miscellaneous Legal Expenses</td>
<td>23,015</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total</td>
<td>65,898,877</td>
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### Class IV

6. That a sum, not exceeding £313,514,694, be granted to Her 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 1958, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class IV of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

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<tr>
<td>Ministry of Education</td>
<td>218,803,737</td>
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<tr>
<td>British Museum</td>
<td>341,846</td>
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<td>British Museum (Natural History)</td>
<td>261,134</td>
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<td>Imperial War Museum</td>
<td>32,086</td>
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<td>London Museum</td>
<td>21,103</td>
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<tr>
<td>National Gallery</td>
<td>43,217</td>
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<td>Tate Gallery</td>
<td>32,563</td>
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<tr>
<td>National Maritime Museum</td>
<td>38,485</td>
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<tr>
<td>National Portrait Gallery</td>
<td>19,010</td>
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<tr>
<td>Wallace Collection</td>
<td>24,918</td>
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<td>Grants for Science and the Arts</td>
<td>846,395</td>
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<tr>
<td>Universities and Colleges, &amp;c., Great Britain</td>
<td>20,444,990</td>
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<tr>
<td>Broadcasting</td>
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<td>Scottish Office of Home Rule</td>
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<td>National Gallery</td>
<td>23,751</td>
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<td>National Museum of Antiquities</td>
<td>10,362</td>
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<td>National Library</td>
<td>35,046</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>313,514,694</td>
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### Class V

7. That a sum, not exceeding £472,955,698, be granted to Her 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 1958, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class V of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

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<td>Ministry of Housing and Local Government</td>
<td>14,449,630</td>
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<td>Housing, England and Wales</td>
<td>49,893,710</td>
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<td>Exchequer Grants to Local Revenues, England</td>
<td>99,768,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ministry of Health</td>
<td>15,762,010</td>
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<tr>
<td>National Health Service, England and Wales</td>
<td>312,076,365</td>
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<tr>
<td>Medical Research Council</td>
<td>1,618,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Registrar General's Office</td>
<td>261,403</td>
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<tr>
<td>Central Land Board</td>
<td>78,500</td>
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<tr>
<td>War Damage Commission</td>
<td>366,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Housing</td>
<td>8,367,980</td>
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<td>Exchequer Grants to Local Revenues</td>
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<td>Registrar General's Office</td>
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### Class VI

8. That a sum, not exceeding £182,039,498, be granted to Her 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 1958, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VI of the Civil Estimates, viz.:

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<td>Board of Trade</td>
<td>3,121,905</td>
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<td>Board of Trade (Assistance to Industry and Trading Services)</td>
<td>1,236,510</td>
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<tr>
<td>Board of Trade (Strategic Reserves)</td>
<td>1,023,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Services in Development Areas</td>
<td>2,514,550</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>6472,955,698</td>
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Class VII.

9. That a sum not exceeding £50,655,010, be granted to Her 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 1958, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VII of the Civil Estimates, viz.: —

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<td>Ministry of Works</td>
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<td>Houses of Parliament Buildings</td>
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<td>Public Buildings, &amp;c., United Kingdom</td>
<td>£20,327,725</td>
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<td>Public Buildings Overseas</td>
<td>£1,571,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Royal Palaces</td>
<td>£355,800</td>
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<td>Royal Parks and Pleasure Gardens (including a supplementary sum of £10)</td>
<td>£399,610</td>
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<tr>
<td>Historic Buildings and Ancient Monuments</td>
<td>£674,500</td>
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<tr>
<td>Rates on Government Property</td>
<td>£11,460,350</td>
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<tr>
<td>Stationery and Printing</td>
<td>£9,008,600</td>
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<tr>
<td>Central Office of Information</td>
<td>£1,391,200</td>
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<td>Peterhead Harbour</td>
<td>£25,000</td>
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<td>£50,655,010</td>
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Class VIII.

10. That a sum, not exceeding £193,184,409, be granted to Her 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 1958, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class VIII of the Civil Estimates, viz.: —

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<td>Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food</td>
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<td>Agricultural Food Grants and Subsidies (including a supplementary sum of £1,350,000)</td>
<td>£134,149,180</td>
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<td>Agricultural and Food Services</td>
<td>£7,856,128</td>
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<td>Food (Strategic Reserves)</td>
<td>£1,300,000</td>
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<td>Fishery Grants and Services (including a supplementary sum of £80,000)</td>
<td>£4,585,260</td>
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<td>Surveys of Great Britain, &amp;c.</td>
<td>£2,026,600</td>
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<td>Office of Crown Estate Commissioners</td>
<td>£82,695</td>
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<tr>
<td>Agricultural Research Council</td>
<td>£2,382,000</td>
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<td>Nature Conservancy</td>
<td>£160,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Development Fund</td>
<td>£719,500</td>
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<td>Forestry Commission</td>
<td>£2,805,000</td>
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<td>Scotland:</td>
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Class IX.

11. That a sum, not exceeding £123,705,986, be granted to Her 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 1958, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class IX of the Civil Estimates, viz.: —

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<td>Roads, &amp;c., England and Wales</td>
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<td>Transport (Shipping and Special Services)</td>
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<td>Civil Aviation (including a Supplementary sum of £10)</td>
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<td>Ministry of Power</td>
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<td>Ministry of Power (Special Services)</td>
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<td>Department of Scientific and Industrial Research</td>
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<td>Roads, &amp;c., Scotland</td>
<td>£5,782,110</td>
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<td></td>
<td>£123,705,986</td>
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Class X.

12. That a sum, not exceeding £311,143,325, be granted to Her 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 1958, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in Class X of the Civil Estimates, viz.: —

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Estimates for Revenue Departments and Supplementary Estimate, 1957-58.

13. That a sum, not exceeding £249,725,430, be granted to Her 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 1958, for Expenditure in respect of the Services included in the Estimates for Revenue Departments, viz.: —

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14. That a sum, not exceeding £11,754,000, be granted to Her 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 1958, for the salaries and expenses of the Ministry of Defence; expenses in connection with International Defence Organisations, including international subscriptions; and certain grants in aid.


15. That a sum, not exceeding £191,000,000, be granted to Her 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 1958, for Expenditure in respect of the Navy, viz.:—

1. Pay, &c., of the Royal Navy and Royal Marines (in addition to the sum of £25,000,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... 36,599,000
2. Vizualising and Clothing for the Navy (in addition to the sum of £5,000,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... 8,817,000
3. Medical Establishments and Services (in addition to the sum of £1,000,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... 569,000
4. Civilians employed on Fleet Services (in addition to the sum of £3,000,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... 5,643,000
5. Educational Services (in addition to the sum of £495,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... 569,000
6. Scientific Services (in addition to the sum of £7,000,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... 10,031,000
7. Royal Naval Reserve (in addition to the sum of £200,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... 960,000
8. Shipbuilding, Repairs, Maintenance, &c.:—

Section I.—Personnel (in addition to the sum of £18,000,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... 25,908,000
Section II.—Material (in addition to the sum of £14,000,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... 21,138,000
9. Naval Armaments (in addition to the sum of £8,000,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... 13,064,000
10. Works, Buildings and Repairs at Home and Abroad (in addition to the sum of £7,000,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... 10,514,000
11. Miscellaneous Effective Services (in addition to the sum of £3,000,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... 5,802,300

Army Estimates, 1957-58.

16. That a sum, not exceeding £191,400,100, be granted to Her 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 1958, for Expenditure in respect of the Army, viz.:—

1. Pay, &c., of the Army (in addition to the sum of £48,450,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... 44,280,000
2. Reserve Forces, Territorial Army, Home Guard and Cadet Forces (in addition to the sum of £7,970,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... 7,260,000
3. War Office (in addition to the sum of £2,030,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... 1,350,000
4. Civilians (in addition to the sum of £47,540,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... 43,290,000
5. Movements (in addition to the sum of £16,750,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... 15,250,000
6. Supplies, &c., (in addition to the sum of £2,030,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... 27,040,000
7. Stores (in addition to the sum of £29,690,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... 22,640,000
8. Works, Buildings and Lands (in addition to the sum of £16,519,990 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... 15,905,010
9. Miscellaneous Effective Services (in addition to the sum of £3,880,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... 3,540,000
10. Non-effective Services (in addition to the sum of £12,310,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) ... ... 90

£191,400,100


17. That a sum, not exceeding £247,650,000, be granted to Her 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 1958, for Expenditure in respect of the Air Services, viz.:—

1. Pay, &c., of the Air Force (in addition to the sum of £47,550,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) £49,070,000
2. Reserve and Auxiliary Services (in addition to the sum of £1,279,900 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) £1,289,910
3. Air Ministry (in addition to the sum of £2,500,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) £2,500,000
4. Civilian at Outstations (in addition to the sum of £18,600,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) £18,600,000
5. Movements (in addition to the sum of £7,370,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) £7,370,000
6. Supplies (in addition to the sum of £34,760,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) £34,760,000
7. Aircraft and Stores (in addition to the sum of £27,500,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) £27,500,000
8. Works and Lands (in addition to the sum of £23,700,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) £23,700,000
9. Miscellaneous Effective Services (in addition to the sum of £2,660,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) £2,660,000
10. Non-effective Services (in addition to the sum of £3,580,000 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) £3,580,000
11. Additional Married Quarters (in addition to the sum of £10 to be allocated from the Vote on Account) £10

£247,650,000

The First Resolution being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right:
The Noes to the Left:
Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Heath, Mr. Oakshott; 304.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Popplewell, Mr. Pearson; 241.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And it being after half-past 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.—VII of the Civil Estimates and of the Estimates for Revenue Departments, the Ministry of Defence Estimate, the Navy Estimates, the Army Estimates and the Air Estimates.
Class IX.
Transport, Power, and Industrial Research.

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.

Class X.
Pensions, National Insurance and National Assistance.

And the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the outstanding Resolution reported in respect of Class X of the Civil Estimates:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Estimates for Revenue Departments and Supplementary Estimate, 1957-58.

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, 1957-58.

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. Redmayne reported from the Committee of Ways and Means yesterday, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March 1958, the sum of £2,714,863,319 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. Powell do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Powell 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-eight and to appropriate the further supplies granted in this Session of Parliament: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time tomorrow and to be printed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded Agriculture Bill.
to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Agriculture Bill: And the same were read.

The Lords Amendments, as far as the Amendment in page 11, line 33, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords Amendment, in page 11, line 33, at end, insert " himself or to pay compensation (whether or not he was liable under any enactment to do so) to a tenant for making it ", the next Amendment, being read a second time, and it appearing that the object of the Special Entry, Amendment was to further the intentions of the Commons, the same was agreed to.

The Lords Amendment, in page 12, line 7, after " regulations " insert " or of a specified part of any such improvement ", 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 page 12, line 14, leave out " subject " and insert " or, where the regulations make provision for the cost of part only of an improvement, one-third of the sum of the amount so specified for that part and of the actual cost (so far as approved by the Minister as having been reasonably incurred) of the remainder of the improvement, subject in either case " 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.

Then the subsequent Lords Amendments, as far as the Amendment in page 25, line 26, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Lords Amendment, in page 25, line 26, leave out " and bridges " and insert " bridges, railway crossings and creeps ", 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.

A Motion was made, and the Question See Fisheries.
being proposed, That the White Fish Subsidy (United Kingdom) Scheme, 1957, dated 12th July 1957, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 15th day of this instant July, be approved.—(Mr. Amory);

And the House, having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 26th July, 1957:

And the Question being put;

Resolved, That the White Fish Subsidy (United Kingdom) Scheme, 1957, dated 12th July 1957, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 15th day of this instant July, be approved.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Housing Bill (Lords). (in the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 193 agreed to.
Schedules Nos. 1 to 11 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, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Navy, Marines and Service Civilians) (Overseas) Bill (changed to Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Special Provisions) Bill): And the same were read.

Ordered, That the consideration of the Lords Amendment, in the Title, line 2, be postponed till after the consideration of the subsequent Amendments.—(Mr. Dudley Williams.)

Then the subsequent Lords Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the postponed Lords Amendment, in the Title, line 2, being read a second time, 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.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Coal-Mining (Subsidence) 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 Draft West Indies Caribbean and Federation Order in Council, 1957, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 11th day of this instant July, be approved.—(Mr. Secretary Lennox-Boyd.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-three minutes before Two of the clock, adjourned till Monday next.
Monday, 29th July, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Barry 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 to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Workington Harbour and Dock (Transfer) 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 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 proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Dartford Tunnel 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 Arundel Estate Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Standing Order 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. Aubrey Jones, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her 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.

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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, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Mr. Powell presented, by Her Majesty's Command, a Copy of an Abstract Account of the Receipts and Payments of the Queen's and Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer in the Administration of Estates and Treasure Trove in Scotland on behalf of the Crown as Ultimus Haeres in Scotland, administered by the Queen's and Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer, in the same year.

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

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.

Ordered, That the Liverpool Corporation Bill [Lords], 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 London County Council (General Powers) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Standing Order 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. Aubrey Jones, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her 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 proceeded to take into consideration the Milford Docks Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Standing Order 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. Aubrey Jones, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

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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, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.
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COMMONWEALTH DEVELOPMENT.

Mr. Alport presented, by Her Majesty's Command—Copy of a Statement on the United Kingdom's Role in Commonwealth Development.

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

EDINBURGH CORPORATION (CITY RATE PARTIAL EXEMPTIONS).

Mr. Secretary MacKay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 23rd July 1957, entitled the Edinburgh Corporation (City Rate Partial Exemptions) Order, 1957, with a Statement by the Secretary of State for Scotland under Section 10 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945.

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

SIR EDWARD BOYLE presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 23rd July 1957, entitled the State Scholarships Amending Regulations No. 2, 1957.

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

MESSAGE FROM THE LORDS.

Mr. Turton reported from the Select Committee on the Obscene Publications Bill, That they had directed him to report the Bill, without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill do lie upon the Table.

OBSCENE PUBLICATIONS BILL SPECIAL REPORT. No. 245.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Motion relating to Local Government in England and Wales, and to Local Government Finance in Scotland—(Mr. Brooket); 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 "cannot accept the statement of "—(Mr. Mitchell)—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; Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

Resolved, That the Town and Country Planning (Minerals) (Amendment) Regulations, 1957, dated 8th July 1957, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 10th day of this instant July, be approved.—(Mr. Brooket.)

Resolved, That the Town and Country Planning (Minerals) (Amendment) Regulations, 1957, dated 8th July 1957, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 10th day of this instant July, be approved.—(Mr. Browne.)

Resolved, That the Housing (Payments for Well-Maintained Houses) (Scotland) Order, 1957, dated 18th July 1957, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 16th day of this instant July, be approved.—(Mr. Browne.)

Resolved, That the Report be printed.

ORDERED, That the Bill do lie upon the Table.

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

ORDERED, That the Report be printed.

ORDERED, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

OBSCENE PUBLICATIONS BILL.

Mr. Turton reported from the Select Committee on the Obscene Publications Bill, That they had directed him to report the Bill, without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill do lie upon the Table.

MESSAGE FROM THE LORDS.

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Resolved, That the Report be printed.
Resolved. That this House do now adjourn.  

—(Mr. Hughes-Young.)

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

[No. 152.]

Tuesday, 30th July, 1957.

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 24th day of this instant July relating to Double Taxation Relief had been presented to Her Majesty: and that Her Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously and to give the following Answer:

I have received your Address praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Estate Duty) (Pakistan) Order, 1957, be made in the form of the Draft laid before your House.

I will comply with your request.

A Public Petition was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Powell presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Statement of Government Policy and a Report by the Civil Service Commission on Recruitment to the Administrative Class of the Home Civil Service and the Senior Branch of the Foreign Service.

Mr. Powell also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Account showing the Money issued out of the Consolidated Fund, the Capital Expenditure, and the Money borrowed and repaid by the Department of Health for Scotland and the Ministry of Works, respectively, under the Housing Act, 1914, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1957, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Copy of an Order, dated 26th July 1957, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 9) Order, 1957.

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

Mr. Secretary Lloyd presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Customs Convention on Containers signed at Geneva on the 18th day of May 1956 (with Annexes and Protocol of Signature) (this Convention has not been ratified by Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom).

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

Mr. Secretary Ward presented, pursuant to Air Force, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order, dated 22nd July 1957, further amending in certain respects the Regulations appended to the Order of His late Majesty King George the Sixth, dated 21st June 1950, providing for the government, discipline and pay of the Royal Air Force Reserve (including the Royal Air Force Reserve of Officers and airmen of the Royal Air Force Reserve and officers and airmen of the Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, excluding officers appointed for service with the Air Training Corps.

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

Sir Edward Boyle presented, pursuant to Education, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules, dated 22nd July 1957, entitled the Teachers Superannuation (Previous Employment) Rules, 1957.

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

Mr. Boyd-Carpenter presented, pursuant to National Insurance, the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations, dated 23rd July 1957, entitled—

(1) the National Insurance (General Benefit) Amendment Provisional Regulations, 1957,

(2) the National Insurance (Contributions) Amendment Regulations, 1957,

(3) the National Insurance (Residence and Persons Abroad) Amendment Regulations, 1957, and

(4) the National Insurance (Increase of Benefit and Miscellaneous Provisions) Amendment Provisional Regulations, 1957.

Copy of a Report by the National Insurance National Advisory Committee on the National Insurance (Contributions) Amendment Regulations, 1957, and the National Insurance (Residence and Persons Abroad) Amendment Regulations, 1957, in accordance with subsection (4) of Section 77 of the National Insurance Act, 1946, preceded by a Statement made by the Minister of Pensions and 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:—

Copy of the Report of the Crown Estate Crown Estate Commissioners for the period from the 14th day of December 1956 to the 31st day of March 1957.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of a Measure, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:—

Scheme for uniting the Benefices and Benefices Parishes of Saint Matthew, Holbeck, and Saint John the Baptist, New Wortley, in the Diocese of Ripon.
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 Finance Bill, without any Amendment.

Ordered, That the Proceedings on the Governors' Pensions 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 proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to secure the participation of a reasonable proportion of members of trade unions in elections to office in their unions—(Mr. Irmenmorger);

And the Motion being opposed, after a brief explanatory statement from the Member who made the Motion and from a Member who opposed it, Mr. Speaker put the Question, pursuant to the Standing Order (Motions for leave to bring in Bills and nomination of Select Committees at commencement of Public Business): And it passed in the Negative.

The Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and was committed to a Committee of the whole House.

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

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 takes note of the White Papers relating to Areas, Status, Functions and Finance of Local Authorities in England and Wales and to Local Government Finance in Scotland;

Which Amendment was, to leave out from the word "House" to the end of the Question and add the words "cannot accept the statement of policy contained in the White Papers relating to Local Government in England and Wales and the White Paper, relating to Local Government in Scotland, which fails to meet the increasing financial difficulties of local authorities, does not fully re-rate industry or give local authorities the full benefit of partial re-rating and which, by the substitution of a general grant for existing grants, hampers the development of essential social services, particularly those of education and health"—instead thereof;

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Main Question being put;

Resolved, That this House takes note of the White Papers relating to Areas, Status, Functions and Finance of Local Authorities in England and Wales and to Local Government Finance in Scotland.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Governors' Pensions Bill (Lords).—(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 19 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.

Resolved, That the Order made by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, extending Section 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1972, to the Rural District ofSmallburgh, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 25th day of this instant July, be approved.—(Mr. Simon.)

A Motion was made, and the Question Local being proposed, That an humble Address be Government, presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Local Government (Financial Loss Allowance) Regulations, 1957, dated 24th June 1957, a copy of which was laid before this House on the 27th day of June last, be annulled—(Mr. Mitchison):—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. Adjournment.—(Mr. Hughes-Young.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-one minutes before Twelve of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

MEMORANDUM.

Tuesday, 30th July, 1957.

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of the Standing Order (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker this day appointed Mr. Hoy Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Maintenance Orders (Attachment of Income) Bill, in place of Mr. George Thomas.
[No. 153.]

Wednesday, 31st July, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Secretary Hore presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Amendments No. 4 to Army Emergency Reserve Regulations, 1956.

Copy of Amendments to Regulations for the Territorial Army, 1952.

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

Mr. Secretary Maclay presented, by Her Majesty’s Command,—Copy of a Housing Return for Scotland, dated 30th June 1957.

Copy of an Order, dated 24th July 1957, entitled the Nurses (Regional Nurse-Training Committees) (Scotland) Amendment No. 2 Order, 1957.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relating to New Towns be printed.

Mr. Molson, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 31st July 1957, entitled the Isle of Man (Customs) Order, 1957.

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

Sir David Eccles, presented, by Her Majesty’s Command,—Copy of the Report of the Committee on Bankruptcy Law and Deeds of Arrangement Law Amendment.

Sir David Eccles also presented, pursuant to the directions of a Statutory Instrument,—Copy of an Account of the Sums recovered under Article 9 of the Clothing Industry Development Council (Dissolution) Order, 1952, and of their disposal, for the period ended the 31st day of March 1956.

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

Mr. Watkins, presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of the Annual Reports and Statements of Accounts for the year ended the 31st day of March 1957, of—

(1) British European Airways Corporation, and
(2) British Overseas Airways Corporation.

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

Mr. Marples, presented, pursuant to the Post Office, directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Warrants, dated 29th July 1957, entitled—

(1) the British Commonwealth and Foreign Post Amendment (No. 2) Warrant, 1957,
(2) the British Commonwealth and Foreign Parcel Post Amendment (No. 4) Warrant, 1957, and
(3) the Inland Post Amendment (No. 3) Warrant, 1957.

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

Mr. Renton, presented, pursuant to the Electricity, directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations, dated 30th July 1957, entitled the Electricity (Central Authority and Area Boards) (Amendment) Regulations, 1957.

Copy of an Order, dated 23rd July 1957, entitled the Coal Distribution and Retail Prices (Northern Ireland) Order, 1957.

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

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Copy of the Reports of the Aycliffe, Basildon, Bracknell, Corby, Crawley, Cwmbran, Harlow, Hemel Hempstead, Peterlee, Stevenage, Welwyn Garden City, and Hatfield Development Corporations for the year ended the 31st day of March 1957.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relating to New Towns be printed.

Mr. Boyd-Carner presented, pursuant to Pensions, the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of a Warrant, dated 30th July 1957, entitled the Injury Warrant, 1957.


Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relating to the Central Land Board and New Towns be printed.

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(1) British European Airways Corporation, and
(2) British Overseas Airways Corporation.

Ordered, That the said Papers 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:


Colonel Lancaster reported from the Committee on Public Petitions, That they had considered the Petitions presented upon the 6th and 27th days of June last and the 8th and...
30th days of this instant July and had 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 agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Arundel Estate Bill (Lords), without any Amendment.

Mr. John Hall, supported by Mr. Ronald Bell, presented a Bill to amend section thirty-eight of the National Health Service Act, 1946, 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.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for leave to appeal to the House of Lords in criminal matters being determined without a certificate of the Attorney General: And that Mr. Hyde, Sir Beverley Baxter, Sir Robert Boothby, Mr. de Freitas, Mr. Donywly, Mr. Gower, Mr. Grimond, Viscount Hinchingbrooke, and Mr. Hector Hughes do prepare and bring it in.

Mr. Hyde accordingly presented a Bill to provide for leave to appeal to the House of Lords in criminal matters being determined without a certificate of the Attorney General: 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 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.

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.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time:

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 Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her 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 Her 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:

17. Ministry of Housing and Local Government Provisional Order Confirmation (County of Berks (Consent to Letting)) Act, 1957.
34. Arundel Estate Act, 1957.
The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Liverpool Corporation Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered. That the Standing Order 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. Brooke, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And the Question being 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. Norman Pannell, 175.

Yea: Mr. Kenyon: Tellers for the Mr. Watkins, 79.

Noe: Mr. Idwal Jones:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

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 Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House resumed the postponed Proceedings on the Question, That the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill be now read the third time.

And the Question being again proposed:

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Thursday morning;

Thursday, 1st August, 1957:

And the Question being put:

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 Amendments made by their Lordships.

Mr. Speaker certified that the Bill was a Money Bill within the meaning of the Parliament Act, 1911.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. —(Lieutenant-Commander Thompson.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till five minutes before Three of the clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.
Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Secretary Maclay presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of the Annual Reports of the Universities (Scotland), for the year ended the 31st day of July 1956.

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

Sir David Eccles presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of the Sixth Annual Report and Accounts of the White Fish Authority, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1957.

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

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Annual Report and Accounts, including Reports of the Gas Consultative Councils, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1957.

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


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Mr. Maples presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Accounts of Cable and Wireless Limited for the year ended the 31st day of March 1957, with the Report of the Directors.

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

Mr. Renton presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of the Reports and Statements of Accounts, including Reports of the Electricity Consultative Councils, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1957:

(1) of the London Electricity Board.
(2) of the South Eastern Electricity Board.
(3) of the Southern Electricity Board.
(4) of the South Western Electricity Board.
(5) of the Eastern Electricity Board.
(6) of the Midlands Electricity Board.
(7) of the Midland Electricity Board.
(8) of the South Wales Electricity Board.
(9) of the Merseyside and North Wales Electricity Board.
(10) of the Yorkshire Electricity Board.
(11) of the North Eastern Electricity Board.
(12) of the North Western Electricity Board.

Copy of the Report and Statement of Electricity Accounts of the Central Electricity Authority for the year ended the 31st day of March 1957.

Report of the Minister of 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 1957.

Copies of the Reports and Statements of Gas Accounts, including Reports of Gas Consultative Councils, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1957:

(1) of the Scottish Gas Board.
(2) of the Northern Gas Board.
(3) of the North Western Gas Board.
(4) of the North Eastern Gas Board.
(5) of the East Midlands Gas Board.
(6) of the West Midlands Gas Board.
(7) of the Wales Gas Board.
(8) of the Eastern Gas Board.
(9) of the North Thames Gas Board.
(10) of the South Eastern Gas Board.
(11) of the Southern Gas Board.
(12) of the South Western Gas Board.

Copy of the Report and Statement of Gas Accounts of the Gas Council for the year ended the 31st day of March 1957.

Report of the Minister of Power, with respect to the Exercise of his Functions under the Gas Act, 1948, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1957.

Statement of the Salaries determined by the Ministry of Power, with the approval of the Treasury, that are payable to the members of each of the Area Gas Boards and to members of the Gas Council as from the 1st day of July 1957.

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


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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 Czecho-Slovak Refugee Fund for the year ended the 31st day of March 1957, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Account of Her Majesty's High Court of Justice in Northern Ireland in respect of the functions transferred under the Northern Ireland Land Purchase (Winding Up) Act, 1935, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1957, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon.

Ordered, That the said Accounts be printed.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that she will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House, a Return of Experiments performed under the Act 39 and 40 Vict. c. 77, during 1956.—(Mr. Simon.)
Message from the Lords.

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund ( Appropriation) Bill, without any Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Liverpool Corporation Bill (Lords), without any Amendment.

Resolved, That this House, at its rising tomorrow, do adjourn till Tuesday the 29th day of October next.—(Mr. Secretary Butler.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House has taken note of the action of the Joint Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Scotland, the Member for Dumfries, which led to the dismissal of the Editor of the Dumfries and Galloway Standard and strongly deprecates such action as being inconsistent with his tenure of office as a Minister.—(Mr. Thomas Frazer)

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 Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her 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 Her 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:


And the Question being put, That this House has taken note of the action of the Joint Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Scotland, the Member for Dumfries, which led to the dismissal of the Editor of the Dumfries and Galloway Standard and strongly deprecates such action as being inconsistent with his tenure of office as a Minister;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right:

Tellers for the Yeas,

Mr. Holmes,
Mr. Joseph Price:—

Mr. Oakshott,
Mr. Alastair Harrison:—

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The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Noes,

Mr. Heath,
Mr. Silverman:—

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So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the proposed words be added after the word "That" in the Main Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put:

Resolved, That, noting that the rates of war pensions, retirement pensions and other National Insurance benefits have twice been increased since October 1951, and that the rates of national assistance have been raised three times since that date, this House expresses its confidence that Her Majesty's Government and the National Assistance Board will take such further action as may from time to time be just and fair both to the recipients of these payments and to the community as a whole.—(Mr. Wood), instead thereof.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Hughes-Young):

And it being Ten of the clock, adjourned till to-morrow.
Friday, 2nd August, 1957.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Secretary Butler presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty yesterday for a Return relating to Experiments on Living Animals.

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

Mr. Vosper presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 26th July 1957, entitled the National Health Service (Employers of Miners Contributions) Regulations, 1957.

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

Mr. Renton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations, dated 1st August 1957, entitled—
(1) the Coal-Mining (Subsidence) (Notice of Uninhabitability) Regulations, 1957,
(2) the Coal-Mining (Subsidence) (Damage Notice) Regulations, 1957,
(3) the Coal-Mining (Subsidence) (Notice of Works) Regulations, 1957, and
(4) the Coal-Mining (Subsidence) (Further Damago) Regulations, 1957.

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

Mr. Boyd-Carpenter presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Rules, dated 30th July 1957, entitled—
(1) the Superannuation (Birmingham Royal Institution for the Blind and Birmingham City Council) Interchange (Amendment) Rules, 1957,
(2) the Superannuation (G.W.R. Medical Fund Society and Wills County Council) (Amendment) Rules, 1957, and
(3) the Superannuation (Wisbech Water Works Company and Wisbech and District Water Board) Interchange (Amendment) Rules, 1957.

Copies of Regulations—
(1) dated 26th July 1957, entitled the National Insurance (Unemployment and Sickness Benefit) Amendment Regulations, 1957,
(2) dated 29th July 1957, entitled the National Insurance (Pensions, Existing Contributors) (Transitional) Amendment Regulations, 1957,
(3) dated 29th July 1957, entitled the National Insurance (Pensions, Existing Beneficiaries and Other Persons) (Transitional) Amendment Regulations, 1957,
(4) dated 30th July 1957, entitled the National Insurance (Determination of Claims and Questions) Amendment Regulations, 1957, and
(5) dated 30th July 1957, entitled the National Insurance (New Entrants Transitional) Amendment (No. 2) Provisional Regulations, 1957,
(6) dated 30th July 1957, entitled the National Insurance (Claims and Payments) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations, 1957, and
(7) dated 1st August 1957, entitled the National Insurance (Anulled Marriages) Regulations, 1957.

Reports of the National Insurance Advisory Committee on—
(1) the National Insurance (Unemployment) and Sickness Benefit Amendment Regulations, 1957,
(2) the National Insurance (Determination of Claims and Questions) Amendment Regulations, 1957,
(3) the National Insurance (Claims and Payments) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations, 1957, and
(4) the National Insurance (Anulled Marriages) Regulations, 1957, in accordance with subsection (4) of Section 77 of the National Insurance Act, 1946, preceded by Statements made by the Minister of Pensions and National Insurance and the National Insurance Joint Authority in accordance with that Act.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, debatable. Proposed, That this House do now adjourn—

Mr. Heath
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. Bryan.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-three minutes after Four of the clock, adjourned till Tuesday the 29th day of October next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House yesterday.

[No. 156.]

Tuesday, 29th October, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker made the following communication to the House:—
I regret to have to inform the House of the death of the Right Honourable Richard Raper, M.C., Member for Ipswich, 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 Right Honourable Member.
Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, that he had issued, during the Adjournment, Warrants to the Clerk of the Crown to make out new Writs for the electing of Members to serve in the present Parliament: for Gloucester, in the room of Miss Turner Samuels, Esquire, Q.C., deceased; and for Ipswich, in the room of the Right Honourable Richard Rapier Stokes, M.C., deceased.

The following Papers, presented by Her 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 Report of an Enquiry into the Administration and Efficiency of the Cardiganshire Constabulary and the State of Discipline in the Force.
- Copy of the Report of the Committee on Homosexual Offences and Prostitution.
- Copy of the Fifth Interim Report, signed at Phnom Penh on the 15th day of April 1957, of the International Commission for Supervision and Control in Cambodia for the period from the 1st day of October 1955 to the 31st day of December 1956.
- Copy of a Report on the Proceedings of the Eighth Ordinary Session of the Consultative Assembly of the Council of Europe held at Strasbourg between the 16th and 21st days of April, and the 15th and 26th days of October 1956, and the 8th and 11th days of January 1957.
- Copy of Supplementary Protocol No. 9 signed at Paris on the 28th day of June 1957 amending the Agreement of the 19th day of September 1950 for the Establishment of a European Payments Union the Supplementary Protocol has not been ratified by Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom.
- Copy of Declarations made at New York on the 12th and 18th days of April 1957 to the Secretary-General of the United Nations by Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom concerning the Optional Clause of the Statute of the International Court of Justice.

Papers presented by Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Kingdom of Norway regarding co-operation in the promotion and development of the peaceful uses of atomic energy.

Papers presented by Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Kingdom of Norway (Ratifications have not been exchanged).

Papers presented by the Corporate Body of the Royal Patriotic Fund Corporation, for 1956.

The following Papers, presented by Her 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 Notes exchanged at London on the 12th day of July 1957 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Kingdom of Norway.
- Copy of a Convention on Social Security signed at London on the 23rd day of July 1957 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Kingdom of Norway.
- Copy of a Customs Convention signed at London on the 28th day of June 1957 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Kingdom of Norway.
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Collections of Orders in Council, dated 31st July 1957, entitled—
(1) the Ghana (Appeal to Privy Council) Order in Council, 1957, and
(2) the West African (Appeal to Privy Council) Order in Council, 1957.

Merchant Shipping.

Copy of an Order in Council, dated 31st July 1957, entitled the Merchant Shipping (Certificates of Competency as A.B.) (Barbados) Order, 1957.

Merchant Shipping.

Collections of Orders in Council, dated 31st July 1957, entitled—
(1) the Merchant Shipping (Safety Convention Countries) (Various) (No. 1) Order, 1957, and
(2) the Merchant Shipping (Seamen's Provisions) Order, 1957.

West Africa.


8th August 1957:

Copy of Rules, dated 2nd August 1957, entitled the Magistrates' Courts Rules, 1957.

Copy of Regulations, dated 1st August 1957, entitled the Agriculture (Provision of Goods) (Scotland) Regulations, 1957.

Collections of Schemes, dated 1st August 1957, entitled—
(1) the Agricultural Goods and Services, (Scotland) Scheme, 1957, and
(2) the Marginal Agricultural Production (Scotland) Scheme, 1957.

London Traffic.

Collections of Regulations—
(1) dated 31st July 1957, entitled the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (Hampstead) Regulations, 1957, and
(2) dated 1st August 1957, entitled the London Traffic (Prohibition of Waiting) (Windmill Street, Gravesend) Regulations, 1957.

Merchant Shipping.

Copy of Regulations, dated 31st July 1957, entitled the Oil in Navigable Waters (Ships' Equipment) Regulations, 1957.

Road Traffic and Vehicles.

Collections of Regulations, dated 31st July 1957, entitled—
(1) the Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Grouping of Applications) Regulations, 1957, and
(2) the Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations, 1957.

Animals.

Copy of an Order, dated 6th August 1957, entitled the Importation of Pedigree Animals (No. 2) Order, 1957.

National Health Service.

Collections of Regulations, dated 2nd August 1957, entitled the National Health Service (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) Amendment Regulations, 1957.

12th August 1957:

Collections of Regulations, dated 2nd August 1957, entitled the National Health Service (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) (Scotland) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations, 1957.

14th August 1957:


Copy of an Order, dated 7th August 1957, entitled the Isles of Scilly (Housing) (Amendment) Order, 1957.

19th August 1957:

Copy of Regulations, dated 13th August Customs and Excise, and entitled the Import Duties (Imperial Preference) Regulations, 1957.


20th August 1957:

Copy of an Order, dated 16th August 1957, entitled the Import Duties (Drawback) (No. 13) Order, 1957.

22nd August 1957:

Copy of Regulations, dated 15th August Fire Services. 1957, entitled the Fire Services (Conditions of Service) (No. 2) Regulations, 1957.

Copy of Regulations, dated 15th August 1957, entitled the Fire Services (Conditions of Service) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations, 1957.

23rd August 1957:

Copy of an Order, dated 20th August 1957, entitled the Composite Goods Order, 1957.

Copy of an Order, dated 20th August 1957, entitled the Import Duties (Drawback) (No. 14) Order, 1957.

Copy of an Order, dated 20th August 1957, entitled the Composite Sugar Products Distribution Payments—Average Rates Order, 1957.

29th August 1957:

Collections of Orders in Council, dated 23rd August 1957, entitled—
(1) the Copyright (International Conventions) Order, 1957, and
(2) the Copyright (International Organisations) Order, 1957.

Copy of an Order in Council, dated 23rd August 1957, entitled the Distribution of German Enemy Property (No. 3) Order, 1957.


Collections of Orders in Council, dated 23rd August 1957, entitled—
(1) the Federation of Malaya Independence Order in Council, 1957, and
(2) the Federation of Malaya (Adaptation of Enactments) Order in Council, 1957.

Copy of an Order in Council, dated 23rd August 1957, entitled the Kuwait (Amendment) Order, 1957.

Copy of an Order in Council, dated 23rd August 1957, entitled the Northern Rhodesia Order in Council, 1957.

Collections of Orders in Council, dated 23rd August 1957, entitled—
(1) the Nigeria (Constitution) (Amendment) No. 2) Order in Council, 1957,
(2) the Nigeria (Officers of Governor-General and Governors) (Amendment) Order in Council, 1957, and
(3) the Sierra Leone (House of Representatives) (Amendment) Order in Council, 1957.
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Copy of an Order, dated 28th August 1957, entitled the Agricultural Goods and Services Scheme (England and Wales) (Amendment) Order, 1957.
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Copy of Rules, dated 4th September 1957, entitled the Superannuation (National Physical Laboratory and Civil Service) Transfer Rules, 1957.
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Copy of Rules, dated 30th September 1957, entitled the Superannuation (Rochester Hospital and Civil Service) Transfer Rules, 1957.
14th October 1957:—
Copy of Orders in Council, dated 8th October 1957, entitled the Uganda (Public Service Commission) (Amendment) Order in Council, 1957.
15th October 1957:—
Copy of an Order in Council, dated 14th October 1957, entitled the Use of Land (Fort Crosby, Lancashire) Revocation Order, 1957.
16th October 1957:—
Copy of Regulations, dated 15th October 1957, entitled the Petroleum (Production) (Amendment) Regulations, 1957.
17th October 1957:—
Copy of a Scheme, dated 2nd September 1957, made by the Manchester City Council and approved by the Minister of Housing and Local Government under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1957.
18th October 1957:—
Copy of Regulations, dated 24th September 1957, entitled the Telegraph (British Commonwealth and Foreign Written Telegram) Amendment No. 4 Regulations, 1957.
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| National Health Service | 16th October 1957: —  
| — | Copy of Regulations, dated 9th October 1957, entitled the National Health Service (General Dental Services) Amendment No. 3 Regulations, 1957. |
| Government Annuities | 17th October 1957: —  
| — | Copy of Regulations, dated 14th October 1957, entitled the Post Office Annuity Amendment (No. 1) Regulations, 1957. |
| Education (Scotland) | 18th October 1957: —  
| — | Copy of Regulations, dated 10th October 1957, entitled the Police (Scotland) Amendment (No. 3) Regulations, 1957. |
| Police (Scotland) | 21st October 1957: —  
| London Traffic | 24th October 1957: —  
| — | Copy of Regulations, dated 17th October 1957, entitled the Local Government (Allowances for Attendance at Road Safety Conferences) Regulations, 1957. |
| Local Government Superannuation | 25th October 1957: —  
| — | Copy of Regulations, dated 18th October 1957, entitled the Acquisition of Land (Rate of Interest on Entry) Regulations, 1957. |
| Acquisition of Land | 28th October 1957: —  
| — | Copy of Regulations, dated 18th October 1957, entitled the Acquisition of Land (Rate of Interest on Entry) (Scotland) Regulations, 1957. |
| Pensions | —  
| Air Navigation | —  
| — | Mr. Powell presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament—Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on the 27th day of September 1957 on Loans proposed to be raised—  
| — | (1) by British European Airways Corporation, and  
| — | (2) by British Overseas Airways Corporation. |
| Appropriations in Aid | —  
| — | Copy of a Treasury Minute under the Public Accounts and Charges Act, 1891, dated 29th October 1957, directing the application of certain receipts as Appropriations in Aid of the Votes for the National Health Service, England and Wales, and for the National Health Service, Scotland. |
| Bank Notes | —  
| — | Copies of Treasury Minutes—  
| Nos. 294 and 295 | (1) dated 20th August 1957, and  
| — | (2) dated 10th September 1957, relative to the Fiduciary Note Issue. |
| Air Navigation | Statement of a Guarantee given by the Treasury on the 27th day of September 1957 on Loans proposed to be raised by the Central Electricity Authority. |
| Bank Notes | Statement of a Guarantee given by the Treasury on the 27th day of September 1957 on Loans proposed to be raised by the Gas Council. |
| Pensions | Statement of Guarantees given by the Treasury on the 27th day of September 1957 on Loans proposed to be raised—  
| — | (1) by the North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Board, and  
| — | (2) by the South of Scotland Electricity Board. |
| London Traffic | Statement of a Guarantee given by the Treasury on the 27th day of September 1957 on Loans proposed to be raised by the British Transport Commission. |
| Air Navigation | Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relating to Air Navigation, Bank Notes, Electricity, Gas, Hydro-Electric Development (Scotland), and Transport be printed. |

Mr. Secretary Butler presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament—Copy of an Order, dated 22nd October 1957, entitled the County of Devon (Coroners' District Order, 1957. |

Mr. Secretary was also presented, pursuant to the directions of a Measure—Copy of the Ninth Annual Report of the Church Commissioners for England, with Accounts, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1957. |

Mr. Secretary Hare presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament—Copy of Amendments Nos. 5 and 6 to Army Emergency Reserve Regulations, 1956. |

Mr. Secretary Maclay presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament—Copy of an Order, dated 11th October 1957, authorising the landing at Glasgow of two Galloway heifers. |

Copy of the Tenth Annual Report on Scottish Camps by the Scottish National Camps Association Limited, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1957. |

Copy of the Seventh Report of the Law Society of Scotland on the Legal Aid Scheme, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1957. |

Copy of Local Financial Returns for Scotland for 1953-54.
Report by the Board of Trustees for the National Museum of Antiquities of Scotland for the year ended the 31st day of March 1957. Copies of University Court Ordinance No. 318 (University of Edinburgh No. 109) (Regulations for Degrees in Architecture).

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

Scientific Policy.
Mr. Mother presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Tenth Annual Report of the Advisory Council on Scientific Policy, for the year ended the 30th day of June 1957.

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


(1) Volume 2, Industry A, Coke Ovens and By-Products,
(2) Volume 2, Industry B, Dyes and Dyestuffs,
(3) Volume 2, Industry C, Fertiliser, Disinfectant, Insecticide and Allied Industries,
(4) Volume 2, Industry D, Coal Tar Products,
(5) Volume 2, Industry G, Toilet Preparations and Perfumery,
(6) Volume 2, Industry H, Explosives and Fireworks,
(7) Volume 2, Industry I, Paint and Varnish,
(8) Volume 2, Industry N, Mineral Oil Refining,
(9) Volume 2, Industry P, Seed Crushing and Oil Refining,
(10) Volume 3, Industry F, Wrought Iron and Steel Tubes,
(11) Volume 3, Industry N, Carts, Perambulators, etc.,
(12) Volume 5, Industry A, Tool and Instrument Manufactures,
(13) Volume 5, Industry D, Wire and Wire Plate,
(14) Volume 5, Industry J, Jewellery and Plate,
(15) Volume 6, Industry K, Lace,
(16) Volume 6 Industry P, Made-up House- hold Textiles,
(17) Volume 7, Industry A, Asbestos,
(18) Volume 7, Industry C, Hair, Fibre and Kindred Industries,
(19) Volume 7, Industry G, Fur,
(20) Volume 7, Industry I, Hats, Caps and Millinery,
(21) Volume 7, Industry J, Glove,
(22) Volume 8, Industry A, Grain Milling,
(23) Volume 8, Industry C, Biscuit,
(24) Volume 9, Industry B, Fish Curing,
(25) Volume 9, Industry C, Cattle, Dog and Poultry Foods,
(26) Volume 9, Industry D, Vinegar and other Condiments,
(27) Volume 9, Industry H, Brewing and Malting,
(28) Volume 10, Industry F, Paper and Board.

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By-Products, Animals.

Mr. Amory presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of the Tenth Report of the Agricultural Land Commission, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1957.

Copies of Orders—
(1) dated 10th August 1957, authorising the landing at London of two Wildebeest,
(2) dated 28th August 1957, authorising the landing at London of East Friesland Sheep,
(3) dated 29th August 1957, authorising the landing at Harwich of one Goat.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relating to the Agricultural Land Commission be printed.


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

Mr. Iain MacLeod presented, pursuant to the Catering Wages, directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of the Thirteenth Annual Report of the Catering Wages Commission, for 1956.

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

Mr. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the Harwich Harbour, directions of several Acts 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 1957.

Returns from Pilotage Authorities for 1956. Pilotage. Account of all Deposits received and repaid Seamen's by the Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation—Savings Bank Account on Account of Seamen's Savings Banks during the year ended the 20th day of November 1956, and of the Interest thereon.

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

Mr. Marples presented, pursuant to the Savings Banks, directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Draft Regulations, entitled the Post Office Savings Bank Amendment (No. 6) Regulations, 1957.

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

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament—Copies of the Annual Reports for the year ended the 31st day of March 1957—
(1) of the Bristol Avon River Board,
(2) of the Cheshire River Board,
(3) of the Cornwall River Board,
(4) of the Cumberland River Board,
(5) of the Devon River Board,
(6) of the East Sussex River Board,
(7) of the Essex River Board,
(8) of the Glamorgan River Board,
(9) of the Gwynedd River Board,
(10) of the Hampshire River Board,
(11) of the Hull and East Yorkshire River Board,
(12) of the Mersey River Board,
(13) of the Nene River Board,
(14) of the Severn River Board,
(15) of the Wear and Tees River Board,
(16) of the Welland River Board, and
(17) of the West Sussex River Board.

Copy of an Order, dated 13th September 1957, entitled the County Borough of Doncaster (Appropriation of Open Space) (No. 1) Order, 1957, with a Certificate by the Minister of Housing and Local Government under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act, 1945.

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:

Copies of the Report on the Census of Production for 1954—
(1) Volume 1, Industry A, Coal Mines,
(2) Volume 2, Industry J, Soap, Candles, and Glycerine,
(3) Volume 6, Industry O, Textile Converting,
(4) Volume 8, Industry I, Cocoa, Chocolate and Sugar Confectionery,
(5) Volume 9, Industry F, Ice, and
(6) Volume 9, Industry J, Spirit Distilling.

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

Mr. Marples presented, by Her Majesty's Broadcasting Command.—Copy of the Annual Report and Accounts of the British Broadcasting Corporation for the year ended the 31st day of March 1957.

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

Mr. Brooke presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament—Copies of the Annual Reports for the year ended the 31st day of March 1957—
(1) of the Dee and Clwyd River Board,
(2) of the Northumberland and Tyneside River Board, and
(3) of the Yorkshire Ouse River Board.

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.
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:


Mr. Secretary Butler reported from the Committee on Estimates, that they had made further Progress in the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report which they had directed her to make to the House, and had directed her to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, together with an Appendix; And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Report, together with the said Minutes and Appendix, do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Miss Burton reported from the Select Committee on Estimates, That they had agreed to a Special Report which they had directed her 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.

Miss Burton reported from the Select Committee on Estimates, That they had agreed to a Special Report which they had directed her to make to the House; And the Report was brought up and read.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed.

Miss Burton reported from the Select Committee on Estimates, That they had agreed to a Special Report which they had directed her to make to the House; And the Report was brought up and read.

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

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee on Estimates be printed.

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Debate arising thereon:

The House divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Pearson: 258.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Willis: 307.

So it passed in the Negative.

The Order of the day being read, for the Supply Committee on Supply:

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

Ordered, That one tenth of the sums deducted or set aside in the current year from the salaries of Members of Parliament under section one of the House of Commons Members' Fund Act, 1939, and one tenth of the contribution determined by the Treasury for the current year under section one of the House of Commons Members' Fund Act, 1948, be appropriated for the purposes of Section four of the House of Commons Members' Fund Act, 1948.—(Mr. Viant.)

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

The House divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Pease: 258.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Willis: 307.

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 eighteen minutes before Eleven of the clock, till to-morrow.

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Thursday, 31st October, 1957.

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

PRAYERS.

THE Prime Minister presented, by Her Majesty's Command, — Copy of the Report of the Committee of Privy Councillors appointed to inquire into the Interception of Communications.
Mr. Secretary Hare presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Amendments No. 57 to Regulations for the Territorial Army, 1952.

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

Mr. Alport presented, pursuant to the directions of a Statutory Instrument,—Copy of a Draft Order in Council, to signify Her Majesty’s Assent to the Constitution Amendment Bill of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland.

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

Mr. Secretary MacKay presented, by Her Majesty’s Command,—Copy of a Housing Return for Scotland, dated 30th September 1957.

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

Mr. Watkinson presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Report of formal proceedings taken under the Railway Regulation Act, 1893, during the year ended the 27th day of July 1957.

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

Mr. Brooke presented, by Her Majesty’s Command,—Copy of a Housing Return for England and Wales, dated 30th September 1957.

Mr. Brooke also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations, dated 25th October 1957, entitled the Housing (Prescribed Forms) Regulations, 1957.

Copy of a Scheme, dated 27th September 1957, made by the Battersea Metropolitan Borough Council and approved by the Minister of Housing and Local Government under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

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

Mr. Boyd-Carpenter presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations—
(1) dated 24th October 1957, entitled the National Insurance (Guardian’s Allowances) Amendment Regulations, 1957, and
(2) dated 25th October 1957, entitled the National Insurance (Child’s Special Allowances) Regulations, 1957.

Reports of the National Insurance Advisory Committee on—
(1) the National Insurance (Child’s Special Allowances) Regulations, 1957, and
(2) the National Insurance (Guardian’s Allowances) Amendment Regulations, 1957, in accordance with subsection 40 of Section 77 of the National Insurance Act, 1946, preceded by Statements made by the Minister of Pensions and National Insurance and the National Insurance Joint Authority in accordance with that Act.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Motions for Adjournment under the Standing Order (Adjournment on the standing Order (Adjournment on a definite matter of urgent public importance), showing the date of such Motion, the name of the Member proposing the definite matter of urgent public importance, and the result of any Division taken thereon during Session 1956-57.—(The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return respecting application of the Standing Order (Closure of Debate) during Session 1956-57 (1) in the House and in Committee of the whole House, under the following heads:

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Of all Private Bills, Hybrid Bills, and Bills for confirming Provisional Orders which in Session 1956-57 were reported on by Committees on Opposed Bills or by Committees nominated partly by the House and partly by the Committee of Selection, together with the names of the selected 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 occupied by each Bill in Committee; the Bills of which the Preambles were reported to have been proved; the Bills of which the Preambles 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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And, of the number of Private Bills, Hybrid Bills, and Bills for confirming Provisional Orders withdrawn or not proceeded with by the parties, those Bills being specified which were referred to Committees and dropped during the sittings of the Committee.—(The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Public Bills. Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the number of Public Bills, distinguishing Government from other Bills, introduced into this House, or brought from the House of Lords, during Session 1956-57, showing:

(1) the number which received the Royal Assent;
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Public Petitions. Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the number of Public Petitions presented and printed in Session 1956-57, with the total number of signatures in that Session.—(The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Select Committees. Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the number of Select Committees appointed in Session 1956-57, the Chairman's Panel and the Court of Referees; the subjects of inquiry; the names of the Members appointed to serve on each, and of the Chairman of each; the number of days each Committee met, and the number of days each Member attended; the total expenses of the attendances of witnesses at each Select Committee, and the name of the Member who moved for such Select Committee; also the total number of Members who served on Select Committees.—(The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Sittings of the House and Business of Supply. Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of (1) the days on which the House sat in Session 1956-57, stating for each day of the month and day of the week, the hour of the meeting, and the hour of the adjournment; and the total number of hours occupied in the Sittings of the House, and the average time; and showing the number of hours on which the House sat each day, and the number of hours after the time appointed for the interruption of business; and the number of entries in each day's Votes and Proceedings; and (2) the days on which Business of Supply was considered.—(The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Standing Committees. Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return for Session 1956-57, of (1) the total number and the names of all Members (including and distinguishing Chairmen) who have been appointed to serve on one or more of the Standing Committees showing, with regard to each of such Members, the number of sittings to which he was summoned and at which he was present; (2) the number of Bills considered by all and by each of the Standing Committees, the number of sittings of each Committee and the titles of all Bills and Estimates considered by a Standing Committee, distinguishing where a Bill was a Government Bill or was brought from the House of Lords, and showing, in the case of each Bill, the particular Standing Committee by whom it was considered, the number of sittings at which it was considered by the Committee, the number of Members present at each of those sittings and, in the case of the Estimates, the number of days on which they were considered and the number of Members present on each of those days.—(The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Resolved, That this House takes note of the Report of the Committee on Administrative Tribunals and Enquiries.—(Mr. Secretary Butler.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being Adjourned, proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Barber);—And the Question having been proposed at 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 Adjourned, proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Barber);—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. 159.]

Friday, 1st November, 1957.

The House met at Eleven of the clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Powell presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—(Exemptions).

Copy of an Order, dated 29th October 1957, entitled the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 14) Order, 1957.

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

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table:—

Lists of Bills, Reports, Estimates and Accounts and Papers printed by Order of the House, and of Papers presented by Command, Session 1956-57, with a General Alphabetical
Standing Motions under S.O. (Adjournment on definite matter of urgent public importance).

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Closure of Debate.

Private Bills and Private Business.

Public Bills.

No. 309.

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Public Petitions.

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Ordered. That the Papers relating to Public Bills and Standing Committees be printed.

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 Her Majesty's Commission for proroging the present Parliament, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Queen's Speech. Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers, where Her Majesty's Most Gracious Speech was delivered to both Houses of Parliament by the Lord High Chancellor in pursuance of Her Majesty's Commands, as followeth:

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons:

A few days ago I returned to London with My Dear Husband on the conclusion of a short stay in Canada and a Visit to the United States. It was a great joy to Me to have this opportunity to see again My People in Canada, to open the Canadian Parliament and to renew My personal experience of that great and developing Commonwealth country. I was also very happy to pay, at President Eisenhower's invitation, a second visit to the United States, and to meet members of the United States Government, Congress and the Supreme Court. Everywhere I received a most warm and friendly welcome. My visit has further convinced Me that the ties which bind our peoples are strong and enduring.

I shall always retain the happiest recollections of the visits which I paid with My Dear Husband to Portugal, France and Denmark and the moving reception extended to us by the peoples of those countries.


Ordered. That the said Paper be printed.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

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My Dear Husband and I were deeply grieved at the death of King Haakon the Seventh of Norway, who held a special place in the hearts of My People. Our sympathy goes out to the members of His family and to the whole Norwegian people.

I recall with pleasure the reception accorded to Me and My Husband by the Secretary-General and by the General Assembly of the United Nations in the course of My visit to New York this month. My Government have continued to co-operate in the work of the Disarmament Commission of the United Nations and have joined in putting forward practical proposals for an international agreement on conventional and nuclear disarmament.

My Government have contributed to the continuing progress being made within the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation and Western European Union in strengthening the defence of the Atlantic Community and in broadening the scope of European Co-operation. They have also continued to give their whole-hearted support to the South-East Asia Treaty Organisation and the Bagdad Pact. They welcome the decision of the United States Government to participate in the Military Committee of the Bagdad Pact, and have been much encouraged by the Joint Resolution of the United States Congress, designed to promote peace and stability in the Middle East.

After the cessation of hostilities between Israel and Egypt and the establishment of a United Nations force, United Kingdom Forces were withdrawn from the Suez Canal area. My Government have thereafter continued their efforts to bring about a just settlement of the dangerous situation in the Middle East.

In view of the long-standing ties of friendship between Moscow and Oman and the United Kingdom, My Government took prompt action in response to a request from the Sultan for armed assistance in quelling a rebellion in his dominions. There were no losses in action among the small number of United Kingdom troops engaged.

It gave Me great pleasure to meet the Prime Ministers and other representatives of Commonwealth countries in London at the end of June. Their meeting, at which they reviewed all the major international issues of the day which were of common concern to their countries, revealed a broad similarity of approach and purpose. They affirmed that in the interests of world peace and security they would continue to work for the wider adoption of the principle and practice of co-operation between nations, which is the foundation of their own association.

During the year Acts were passed as a result of which Ghana and the Federation of Malaya achieved independence within the Commonwealth. All Commonwealth Prime Ministers agreed to recognise them as fellow members of the Commonwealth. I wish the peoples of Ghana and Malaya all happiness and prosperity; and I welcome their admission to the United Nations. I was much gratified at the cordial reception extended to My Dear Aunt, Her Royal Highness the Duchess of Kent, who represented Me at the celebrations in Ghana.
in March, and to My Dear Uncle, His Royal Highness the Duke of Gloucester, who represented Me in the Federation of Malaya in August.

My Government have entered into an Agreement with the Government of the Federation of Malaya whereby United Kingdom Forces may be stationed in Malaya to assist that country in her external defence and for the fulfilment of Commonwealth and international obligations. United Kingdom Forces, together with Forces from other Commonwealth countries, are also continuing to support the Army of the Federation of Malaya in the campaign against the terrorists.

The Nigeria Constitutional Conference, which was held in London in May and June, has led to the establishment, under the chairmanship of the Governor-General, of an All-Nigerian Council of Ministers with a Federal Prime Minister, and to the grant of Regional self-government in the Eastern and Western Regions. An Order in Council has been made providing for the establishment of the Federation of the British West Indies.

My Ministers have announced plans for reorganising My Armed Forces at home and overseas. Compensation terms and resettlement plans for those officers and men whose service will be prematurely terminated have been published. A new Naval Discipline Act has been passed.

My Government have approved a reorganisation and expansion of the information services overseas.

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:

My Government welcomed the opportunity, provided by the recent meeting of Commonwealth Finance Ministers in Canada, to exchange views with other members of the Commonwealth on problems of common economic concern.

Provision has been made for more effective long-term assurances to agriculture and for assistance towards the modernisation of farms in the United Kingdom. New provision has also been made for the development of the pig industry in Great Britain.

Legislation has been passed providing further assistance for the white fish and herring industries and for the modernisation of the fishing fleet.

An Act has been passed to amend the law of homicide and to limit the scope of capital punishment.

I have given My Assent to legislation to enable effect to be given to the four international conventions which provide for protection for the victims of war.

Legislation has been enacted amending the Rent Restrictions Acts and providing for a minimum period of notice for the termination of residential lettings. A measure has been passed to revise Scottish housing subsidies and to facilitate the movement of population from overcrowded areas in Scotland.

The law relating to rating and valuation in England and Wales has been amended.

An Act has been passed providing for the payment by all insured persons of a special weekly National Health Service contribution.

Provision has been made for reorganising the electricity supply industry in England and Wales.

A measure has been enacted permitting the imposition of countervailing and anti-dumping duties on goods imported into the United Kingdom.

An Act has been passed to impose a levy on exhibitors of cinematograph films, and to continue certain other provisions, to assist British film production.

I have assented to an Act to extend the right of redress for damage caused by subsidence resulting from coal mining.

Improvements have been made in the provisions for elderly and seriously disabled war pensioners.

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons:

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 Her Majesty's Commission under the Great Seal, to us and other Lords directed, and now read, we do, in Her Majesty's name and in obedience to Her Majesty's Commands, prorogue this Parliament to Tuesday the fifth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and fifty-seven, to be then here held; and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued until Tuesday the fifth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and fifty-seven.
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