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A PROCLAMATION

FOR DISSOLVING THE PRESENT PARLIAMENT, AND
DECLARING THE CALLING OF ANOTHER

ELIZABETH R.

MARGARET

WHEREAS Her Majesty, in pursuance of the Regency Acts 1937 to 1953, was pleased, by Letters Patent dated the 24th day of January 1974, to delegate to the six Counsellors of State therein named or any two or more of them full power and authority during the period of Her Majesty's absence from the United Kingdom to summon and hold on Her Majesty's behalf Her Privy Council, to approve and sign on Her Majesty's behalf any proclamation relating to the affairs of the United Kingdom, to do on Her Majesty's behalf anything required to be done in relation to any such proclamation, and further to do on Her Majesty's behalf anything which, by virtue of Her Majesty's Royal Prerogative or of any statutory or other power, Her Majesty is authorised to do for the safety or good government of the United Kingdom, subject to the exceptions therein mentioned which included a saving that they the said Counsellors of State should not have power to dissolve Parliament otherwise than on Her Majesty's express instructions: And whereas We, Elizabeth The Queen Mother and Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, by and with the advice of Her Majesty's Privy Council and having received the express instructions of Her Majesty in that behalf, have thought fit to dissolve this present Parliament which stands prorogued to Tuesday, the twelfth day of February instant: We do, for that End, publish this Royal Proclamation, and do hereby dissolve the said Parliament accordingly: And the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and the Members of the House of Commons, are discharged from their Meeting and Attendance on the said Tuesday, the twelfth day of February instant: And Her Majesty being desirous and resolved, as soon as may be, to meet Her People, and to have their Advice in Parliament We do hereby make known to all Her loving Subjects Her Royal Will and Pleasure to call a new Parliament: And we hereby further declare, that, by and with the advice of Her Majesty's Privy Council, We have given Order that Her Chancellor of Great Britain and Her Secretary of State for Northern Ireland do respectively, upon Notice thereof, forthwith issue out Writs, in due Form and according to Law, for calling a new Parliament: And we do hereby also, by this Royal Proclamation under the Great Seal of the Realm, require Writs forthwith to be issued accordingly by the said Chancellor and Secretary of State respectively, for causing the Lords Spiritual and Temporal and Commons who are to serve in the said Parliament to be duly returned to, and give their Attendance in, the said Parliament on Wednesday the sixth day of March next, which Writs are to be returnable in due course of Law.

Given at the Court of Saint James, this eighth day of February, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and seventy-four, and in the twenty-third year of Her Majesty's Reign.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN
The Parliament begun and held at the City of Westminster, on Wednesday, the sixth day of March, in the twenty-third year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lady ELIZABETH, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and of Her other Realms and Territories Queen, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith; and in the year of our Lord 1974.

On which day, being the first day of the meeting of this Parliament, pursuant to a Proclamation (hereunto annexed); at half-past Two o’clock David William Shuckburgh Lidderdale, Esquire, C.B., Clerk of the House of Commons, Richard Douglas Barlas, Esquire, C.B., O.B.E., and Charles Addison Somerville Snowden Gordon, Esquire, C.B., Clerks Assistant, attending in the House, and the other Clerks attending, according to their duty, Sir Denis Dobson, K.C.B., O.B.E., Clerk of the Crown in Chancery in Great Britain, delivered to the said David William Shuckburgh Lidderdale, Esquire, a Book, containing a List of the Names of the Members returned to serve in this Parliament:

Several of the Members repaired to their Seats.

The Right Honourable George Russell Strauss took the Chair, pursuant to the Standing Order (Election of the Speaker).

Message to attend the Lords Commissioners.—A Message was received from the Lords Commissioners, by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Members of the House of Commons,

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

Accordingly, the House went up to the House of Peers; and a Commission having been read for opening and holding the Parliament, the Lords Commissioners directed the House to proceed to the Election of a Speaker, and to present him to-morrow, at half-past Two o’clock, in the House of Peers, for the Royal Approbation.

And the House having returned;

Mr. John Parker proposed to the House for their Speaker the Right Honourable Selwyn Lloyd, and moved, That the Right Honourable Selwyn Lloyd do take the Chair of this House as Speaker, which Motion was seconded by Sir Derek Walker-Smith.

Mr. Selwyn Lloyd then stood up in his place, and expressed the sense he had of the honour proposed to be conferred upon him, and submitted himself to the House.

Resolved, That the Right Honourable Selwyn Lloyd do take the Chair of this House as Speaker.

Whereupon the Right Honourable George Russell Strauss left the Chair, and the Right Honourable Selwyn Lloyd was taken out of his place and conducted to the Chair by Mr. John Parker and Sir Derek Walker-Smith, and, standing on the upper step, he expressed his respectful and humble acknowledgment to the House of the great honour which the House had been pleased to confer upon him and sat down in the Chair.

Then the Mace (which before lay under the Table) was placed upon the Table.
Whereupon the Prime Minister, Mr. Edward Heath, Mr. Jeremy Thorpe and Mr. George Strauss congratulated Mr. Speaker Elect, and Mr. Ernest Armstrong moved, That this House do now adjourn.

Mr. Speaker Elect thereupon put the Question, which being agreed to, the House adjourned accordingly at twenty-six minutes past Three o'clock, until to-morrow and Mr. Speaker Elect went away without the Mace before him.

[Adjourned at 3.26 p.m.]

[No. 2.]

Thursday, 7th March, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock; and Mr. Speaker Elect having taken the Chair;

Message to attend the Lords Commissioners,—A Message was received from the Lords Commissioners, by the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker Elect,

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

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker Elect, with the House, went up to the House of Peers, where he was presented to the said Lords Commissioners for Her Majesty's Royal Approbation.

Then the Lord Chancellor, one of the said Lords Commissioners, signified Her Majesty's Approbation of Mr. Speaker Elect.

The House having returned;

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

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

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

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

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

The Right Honourable James Harold Wilson, O.B.E., for Huyton.
The Right Honourable Edward Richard George Heath, M.B.E., for Bexley, Sidcup.
The Right Honourable Edward Watson Short, for Newcastle upon Tyne, Central.
The Right Honourable Leonard James Callaghan, for Cardiff, South-East.
The Right Honourable Denis Winston Healey, M.B.E., for Leeds, East.
The Right Honourable Sir Alexander Frederick Douglas-Home, K.T., for Kinross and West Perthshire.
The Right Honourable Charles Anthony Raven Crosland, for Grimsby.
The Right Honourable Barbara Anne, Mrs. Castle, for Blackburn.
The Right Honourable Shirley Vivien Teresa Brittain, Mrs. Williams, for Hertford and Stevenage.
The Right Honourable Peter David Shore, for Tower Hamlets, Stepney and Poplar.
The Right Honourable Michael Mackintosh Foot, for Ebbw Vale.
The Right Honourable Thomas Frederick Peart, for Workington.
The Right Honourable Roy Mason, for Barnsley.
The Right Honourable Robert Joseph Mellish, for Southwark, Bermondsey.
The Right Honourable Roy Harris Jenkins, for Birmingham, Stechford.
The Right Honourable Eric Graham Varley, for Chesterfield.
The Right Honourable William Ross, M.B.E., for Kilmarnock.
Brian Kevin O'Malley, Esquire, for Rotherham.
Joseph Harper, Esquire, for Pontefract and Castleford.
Donald Richard Coleman, Esquire, for Neath.
John Dennis Concannon, Esquire, for Mansfield.
Ernest Armstrong, Esquire, for North-West Durham.
Dennis Edward Skinner, Esquire, for Bolsover.
John Donkin Dormand, Esquire, for Easington.
Thomas Michael Cox, Esquire, for Wandsworth, Tooting.
Alfred Morris, Esquire, for Manchester, Wythenshawe.
John William Gilbert, Esquire, for Dudley, East.
Joel Barnett, Esquire, for Heywood and Royton.
Robert Edward Sheldon, Esquire, for Ashton-under-Lyne.
Reginald Yarnitz Freeson, Esquire, for Brent, East.
The Right Honourable John Ernest Silkin, for Lewisham, Deptford.
The Right Honourable Frederick William Mulley, for Sheffield, Park.
Gordon James Oakes, Esquire, for Widnes.
Samuel Charles Silkin, Esquire, Q.C., commonly called the Honourable Samuel Charles Silkin, for Southwark, Dulwich.
John Golding, Esquire, for Newcastle-under-Lyme.
Norman Findlay Buchan, Esquire, for West Renfrewshire.
Dr. Shirley Catherine Wynne Summerskill, commonly called the Honourable Shirley Catherine Wynne Summerskill, for Halifax.
Michael Francis Lovell Cocks, Esquire, for Bristol, South.
Eric Samuel Heffer, Esquire, for Liverpool, Walton.
Gregor Mackenzie, Esquire, for Rutherglen.
Walter Harrison, Esquire, for Wakefield.
John Douglas Grant, Esquire, for Islington, Central.
Denis Herbert Howell, Esquire, for Birmingham, Small Heath.
The Right Honourable Anthony Perrinot Lysberg Barber, T.D., for Altrincham and Sale.
The Right Honourable James Michael Leathes Prior, for Lowestoft.
The Right Honourable Francis Leslie Pynn, M.C., for Cambridgeshire.
The Right Honourable Peter Edward Walker, M.B.E., for Worcester.
The Right Honourable Maurice Victor Macmillan, for Farnham.
The Right Honourable Peter John Mitchell Thomas, Q.C., for Barnet, Hendon, South.
The Right Honourable Ian Hedworth John Little Gilmour, for Chesham and Amersham.
The Right Honourable Sir Peter Anthony Grayson Rawlinson, Q.C., for Epsom and Ewell.
The Right Honourable Richard Frederick Wood, for Bridlington.
The Right Honourable Sir John Benedict Eden, Baronet, for Bournemouth, West.
The Right Honourable John Emerson Harding Davies, M.B.E., for Knutsford.
The Right Honourable Humphrey Edward Atkins, for Spelthorne.
Bruce Bernard Weatherill, Esquire, for Croydon, North-East.
Terence Langley Higgins, Esquire, for Worthing.
Mark Carlisle, Esquire, Q.C., for Runcorn.
Norman Anthony Francis St. John-Stevas, Esquire, for Chelmsford.
David Arthur Russell Howell, Esquire, for Guildford.
Walter Clegg, Esquire, for North Fylde.
Thomas Gray Boardman, Esquire, M.C., T.D., for Leicester, South.
The Right Honourable James Anthony Stoddart, for Edinburgh, West.
The Right Honourable Leonard Robert Carr, for Sutton, Carshalton.
The Right Honourable Sir Richard Edward Geoffrey Howe, Q.C., for East Surrey.
Arthur Paul Dean, Esquire, for North Somerset.
The Right Honourable Rodney Graham Page, M.B.E., for Crosby.
Peggy Edith, Mrs. Fenner, for Rochester and Chatham.
John Anthony Grant, Esquire, for Harrow, Central.
The Right Honourable John Wynne William Peyton, for Yeovil.
Hugh McCartney, Esquire, for Central Dunbartonshire.
James Dempsey, Esquire, for Coatbridge and Airdrie.
The Right Honourable Sir Derek Colelough Walker-Smith, Baronet, T.D., Q.C., for East Hertfordshire.
The Right Honourable Joseph Grimond, T.D., for Orkney and Zetland.
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Timothy Peter Geoffrey Kitson, Esquire, for Richmond, Yorks.
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Daniel Jones, Esquire, B.E.M., for Burnley.
Neville Devonshire Sandelson, Esquire, for Hillingdon, Hayes and Harlington.
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Joan Lyonel Evans, Esquire, for Aberdare.
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Edward Leyden, Esquire, for Liverpool, Garston.
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The Right Honourable Douglas Patrick Thomas Jay, for Wandsworth, Battersea, North.
Robert Kilroy-Silk, Esquire, for Ormskirk.
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Arthur Blenkinsop, Esquire, for South Shields.
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Giles Heneage Radice, Esquire, for Chester-le-Street.
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Stanley Orme, Esquire, for Salford, West.
Harry George Lamborn, Esquire, for Southwark, Peckham.
David John Watkins, Esquire, for Consett.
David Leonard Stoddart, Esquire, for Swindon.
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Robert Michael Conal McNair-Wilson, Esquire, for Newbury.
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Robert Anthony Bevis Durant, Esquire, for Reading, North.
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George Cunningham, Esquire, for Islington, South, and Finsbury.
John Stuart Forrester, Esquire, for Stoke-on-Trent, North.
Gavin Steel Strang, Esquire, for Edinburgh, East.
Michael Joseph O’Halloran, Esquire, for Islington, North.
Jack Dunnett, Esquire, for Nottingham, East.
Dr. Maurice Solomon Miller, for East Kilbride.
The Right Honourable William Craig, for Belfast, East.
James Henry Molyneaux, Esquire, for South Antrim.
James Harold McCusker, Esquire, for Armagh.
Sir Frederic Mackarness Bennett, for Torbay.
Alan Michael Clark Hutchison, Esquire, for Edinburgh, South.
Sir Stephen James McAdden, C.B.E., for Southend, East.
Clement Raphael Freud, Esquire, for Isle of Ely.
David Martin Scott Steel, Esquire, for Roxburgh, Selkirk and Peebles.
Hugh Emlyn Hooson, Esquire, Q.C., for Montgomery.
Christopher Samuel Tugendhat, Esquire, for City of London and Westminster, South.
Michael Andrew Foster Jade Kerr, Esquire, commonly called Earl of Ancram, for Berwick and East Lothian.
Peter Hugh Morrison, Esquire, for City of Chester.
Anthony Fell, Esquire, for Yarmouth.
Keith Monin Stainon, Esquire, for Sudbury and Woodbridge.
Rhodes Boyson, Esquire, for Brent, North.
Sir William Marcus John Worsley, Baronet, for Kensington and Chelsea, Chelsea.
William Gibson Clark, Esquire, for Croydon, South.
Bryant Godman Irvine, Esquire, for Rye.
Robert Arthur McCrindle, Esquire, for Brentwood and Ongar.
Hugh John Dykes, Esquire, for Harrow, East.
William Jeremy Masefield Shelton, Esquire, for Lambeth, Streatham.
John Leonard Hunt, Esquire, for Bromley, Ravensbourne.
Peter Muir Doig, Esquire, for Dundee, West.
William George Price, Esquire, for Rugby.
Captain Hugh James Delargy, for Thurrock.
Dr. David Anthony Llewellyn Owen, for Plymouth, Devonport.
Tam Dalyell, Esquire, for West Lothian.
John Parker, Esquire, C.B.E., for Barking, Dagenham.
Roy Sydney George Hattersley, Esquire, for Birmingham, Sparkbrook.
Christopher Price, Esquire, for Lewisham, West.
Hugh Gater Jenkins, Esquire, for Wandsworth, Putney.
Bryan Magee, Esquire, for Waltham Forest, Leyton.
Harold James Boyden, Esquire, for Bishop Auckland.
Russell Whiston Kerr, Esquire, for Hounslow, Feltham and Heston.
Raymond Fletcher, Esquire, for Ilkeston.
Bryan Davies, Esquire, for Enfield, North.
George Maclean Park, Esquire, for Coventry, North-East.
Colin Barry Phipps, Esquire, for Dudley, West.
Alexander Ward Lyon, Esquire, for York.
Dick Taverne, Esquire, M.C., for Lincoln.
William Michael John Grylls, Esquire, for North-West Surrey.
Thomas Jeremy King, Esquire, for Bridgewater.
Roger Nicholas Edwards, Esquire, for Pembroke.
David Charles Waddington, Esquire, M.C., for Nelson and Colne.
Walter Ian Percival, Esquire, M.C., for Southport.
Edward Lucas Gardner, Esquire, M.C., for South Wigtown.
Julian Michael Gordon Critchley, Esquire, for Aldershot.
William David Maddel, Esquire, for South Bedfordshire.
John Julius Wells, Esquire, for Maidstone.
Robert Thomas Boscawen, Esquire, M.P., commonly called the Honourable Robert
Thomas Boscawen, for Wells.
Kenneth Lewis, Esquire, for Rutland and Stamford.
Neville Guthrie Trotter, Esquire, for Tynemouth.
Peter Allan Renshaw Blaker, Esquire, for Blackpool, South.
George Burnaby Drayson, Esquire, for Skipton.
Sally, Mrs. Oppenheim, for Gloucester.
Michael Aubrey Hamilton, Esquire, for Salisbury.
Gordon Alexander Thomas Bagier, Esquire, for Sunderland, South.
William Geraint Oliver Morgan, Esquire, M.C., for Denbigh.
Albert Percy Costain, Esquire, for Folkestone and Hythe.
John Roddick Russell McEwan, Esquire, M.C., for South Norfolk.
Marcus Richard Kimball, Esquire, for Gainsborough.
William Winter Hamilton, Esquire, for Central Fife.
Frank Ashcroft Judd, Esquire, for Portsmouth, North.
Jonathan William Patrick Atkin, Esquire, for Thanet, East.
William Radcliffe von Straubenzee, Esquire, M.B.E., for Wokingham.
Winston Spencer Churchill, Esquire, for Stratford.
Alfred William Wiggin, Esquire, T.D., for Weston-super-Mare.
William Edward Garret, Esquire, for Wells.
William John Biffen, Esquire, for Oswestry.
Peter Norman Fowler, Esquire, for Sutton Coldfield.
Peter John Viggers, Esquire, for Gosport.
Peter Maudslay Horder, Esquire, for Horsham and Crawley.
Robert George Banks, Esquire, for Harrogate.
Michael Thomas Francis McGuire, Esquire, for Ince.
John Denis Fraser, Esquire, for Lambeth, Norwood.
David Bower Mitchell, Esquire, for Basingstoke.
Arthur John Page, Esquire, for Harrow, West.
Bernard John Hayhoe, Esquire, for Hounslow, Brentford and Isleworth.
The Right Honourable Joseph Bradshaw Godber, for Grantham.
John Holbrook Osborn, Esquire, for Sheffield, Hallam.
Martin John McLaren, Esquire, for Bristol, North-West.
Reginald Edwin Eyre, Esquire, for Birmingham, Hall Green.
Audrey, Mrs. Wise, for Coventry, South-West.
Harold Edward Gurden, Esquire, for Birmingham, Selly Oak.
Timothy Alan Davan Sainsbury, Esquire, commonly called the Honourable Timothy
Alan Davan Sainsbury, for Hove.
Norman Atkinson, Esquire, for Haringey, Tottenham.
Andrew Matthew William Faulds, Esquire, for Warley, East.
Alan John Williams, Esquire, for Swansea, West.
Frederick Petre Crowder, Esquire, Q.C., for Hillingdon, Ruislip-Northwood.
William Thomas Rodgers, Esquire, for Teesside, Stockton.
Jeffrey Howard Archer, Esquire, for Louth.
Ronald McMillan Bell, Esquire, Q.C., for Beaconsfield.
Richard Body, Esquire, for Holland with Boston.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eleven minutes past Six o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 6.11 p.m]

[No. 3.]

Friday, 8th March, 1974.

The House met at Eleven o'clock.

PRAYERS.

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

James Hamilton, Esquire, for Bothwell.
The Right Honourable Edmund Emanuel Dell, for Birkenhead.
John Desmond Cronin, Esquire, for Loughborough.
The Right Honourable Sydney Irving, for Dartford.
James Johnson, Esquire, for Kingston-upon-Hull, West.
George Rodgers, Esquire, for Chorley.
Ian Mikardo, Esquire, for Tower Hamlets, Bethnal Green and Bow.
Josephine Richardson, for Barking.
William John Molloy, Esquire, for Ealing, North.
Sydney James Bidwell, Esquire, for Ealing, Southall.
The Right Honourable Charles Patrick Fleeming Jenkin, for Redbridge, Wanstead and Woodford.
Philip Antony Fyson Buck, Esquire, for Colchester.
Charles Fletcher Fletcher-Cooke, Esquire, Q.C., for Darwen.
John Howard Cordle, Esquire, for Bournemouth, East.
John Arnold Farr, Esquire, for Harborough.
Tom Normanton, Esquire, T.D., for Cheadle.
David Ernest Campbell Price, Esquire, for Eastleigh.
Leon Brittan, Esquire, for Cleveland and Whitby.
Cyril David Townsend, Esquire, for Bexley, Bexleyheath.
The Right Honourable Sir Keith Sinjohn Joseph, Baronet, for Leeds, North-East.
Greville Ewan Janner, Esquire, Q.C., commonly called the Honourable Greville Ewan Janner, for Leicester, West.
John Wentworth Pardoe, Esquire, for North Cornwall.
The Right Honourable Judith Constance Mary, Mrs. Hart, for Lanark.
William Wilson, Esquire, for Coventry, South-East.
Leslie Spriggs, Esquire, for St. Helens.
Neil Gordon Kinnock, Esquire, for Bedwellty.
Frederick John Silvester, Esquire, for Manchester, Withington.
Michael Hardy Spicer, Esquire, for South Worcestershire.
Gwyneth Patricia, Mrs. Dunwoody, commonly called the Honourable Mrs. Gwyneth atricia Dunwoody, for Crewe.
Thomas Henry Swain, Esquire, for North-East Derbyshire.
Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn. (Mr. Walter Harrison.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nineteen minutes to One o’clock, adjourned till Monday next.

[Adjourned at 12.41 p.m.]

[No. 4.]


The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

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

George McArthur Lawson, Esquire, for Motherwell and Wishaw.
Dr. Jesse Dickson Mabon, for Greenock and Port Glasgow.
Renée, Mrs. Short, for Wolverhampton, North-East.
Ifor Davies, Esquire, for Gower.
John Robertson, Esquire, for Paisley.
Roland Dunstan Moyle, Esquire, for Lewisham, East.
Stanley Clinton Davis, Esquire, for Hackney, Central.
Thomas Pendry, Esquire, for Stalybridge and Hyde.
Trevor Herbert Harry Skeet, Esquire, for Bedford.
Donald James Stewart, Esquire, for Western Isles.
Robert Gordon Wilson, Esquire, for Dundee, East.
Winifred Margaret, Mrs. Ewing, for Moray and Nairn.
Hamish Watt, Esquire, for Banff.
George Newlands Reid, Esquire, for Clackmannan and East Stirlingshire.
Iain Somerled MacDonald MacCormick, Esquire, for Argyll.
Andrew Francis Bennett, Esquire, for Stockport, North.
Ian Reginald Edward Gow, Esquire, for Eastbourne.
Sir John Charles Rodgers, Baronet, for Sevenoaks.
Alexander Macpherson Fletcher, Esquire, for Edinburgh, North.
James Stewart Barry Henderson, Esquire, for East Dunbartonshire.
Kenneth Lomas, Esquire, for Huddersfield, West.
Joseph Percival William Mallalieu, Esquire, for Huddersfield, East.
Alick Laidlaw Buchanan-Smith, Esquire, commonly called the Honourable Alick Laidlaw Buchanan-Smith, for North Angus and Mearns.
David William Stennis Stuart Lane, Esquire, for Cambridge.
Alan James Beith, Esquire, for Berwick upon Tweed.
Paul Archer Tyler, Esquire, for Bodmin.
Michael Ray Dibdin Heseltine, Esquire, for Henley.
Sir Brandon Meredith Rhys Williams, Baronet, for Kensington and Chelsea, Kensington.
The Right Honourable Edward Dillon Lott du Cann, for Taunton.
Philip Welsby Holland, Esquire, for Carlton.
Andrew Bowden, Esquire, M.B.E., for Brighton, Kemptown.
Christopher Brocklebank-Fowler, Esquire, for North-West Norfolk.
Toby Francis Henry Jessel, Esquire, for Richmond-upon-Thames, Twickenham.
John Giles Dunkerley Shaw, Esquire, for Pudsey.
Sir Anthony John Charles Meyer, Baronet, for West Flint.
Henry John Brewis, Esquire, for Galloway.
Dr. Keith Hampson, for Ripon.
Geoffrey Edwin Pattie, Esquire, for Chertsey and Walton.
Peter Temple-Morris, Esquire, for Leominster.
David Laidlaw Knox, Esquire, for Leek.
John Alexander Corrie, Esquire, for Bute and North Ayrshire.
Dafydd Elis Thomas, Esquire, for Merioneth.
Dafydd Wigley, Esquire, for Caernarvon.
James Theodore Lester, Esquire, for Beeston.
Frank Oswald Hooley, Esquire, for Sheffield, Heeley.
Anthony Henry Fanshawe Royle, Esquire, for Richmond-upon-Thames, Richmond.
Joan Lestor, for Eton and Slough.
Edwin Wainwright, Esquire, B.E.M., for Dearne Valley.
Peter Charles Snape, Esquire, for West Bromwich, East.
The Right Honourable Reginald Maudling, for Barnet, Chipping Barnet.
Charles Richard Morris, Esquire, for Manchester, Openshaw.
Thomas Galloway Dunlop Galbraith, Esquire, commonly called the Honourable Thomas Galloway Dunlop Galbraith, for Glasgow, Hillhead.
Stephen Sherlock Ross, Esquire, for Isle of Wight.
Sir Robert Michael Oldfield Havers, Q.C., for Merton, Wimbledon.
John Dean Spence, Esquire, for Thirsk and Malton.
Norman Beresford Tebbit, Esquire, for Waltham Forest, Chingford.
Walter Ernest Padley, Esquire, for Ogmore.
William David Madd, Esquire, for Falmouth and Camborne.
Hector Seymour Peter Monk, Esquire, for Dumfries.
Leslie John Huckfield, Esquire, for Nuneaton.
Ronald Henry Atkins, Esquire, for Preston, North.
Spencer Le Marchant, Esquire, for High Peak.
John Bruce-Gardyne, Esquire, for South Angus.
Geoffrey Johnson Smith, Esquire, for East Grinstead.
Arthur Charles Latham, Esquire, for City of Westminster, Paddington.
Thomas William Urwin, Esquire, for Houghton-le-Spring.
Cranley Gordon Douglas Onslow, Esquire, for Woking.
The Right Honourable Christopher John Chataway, for Chichester.
Robert John Maxwell-Hyslop, Esquire, for Tiverton.
Thomas Russell Fairgrieve, Esquire, for West Aberdeenshire.
The Right Honourable John Thomson Stonehouse, for Walsall, North.
The Right Honourable Sir Geoffrey Stanley de Freitas, K.C.M.G., for Kettering.
John Jakob Mendelson, Esquire, for Penistone.
Kenneth Robin Warren, Esquire, for Hastings.

Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn till to-morrow at twenty-five minutes past Eleven o'clock. (Mr. Joseph Harper.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes to Four o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 3.35 p.m.

[No. 5.]

Tuesday, 12th March, 1974.

The House met at twenty-five minutes past Eleven o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Message to attend Her Majesty.—A Message from Her Majesty was delivered by the 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 a quarter past Two o'clock.

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

Ernest George Perry, Esquire, for Wandsworth, Battersea, South.
The Right Honourable John Morris, Q.C., for Aberavon.
The Right Honourable Anthony Neil Wedgwood Benn, for Bristol, South-East.
Charles William Loughlin, Esquire, for West Gloucestershire.
Benjamin Thomas Ford, Esquire, for Bradford, North.
Brynmor Thomas John, Esquire, for Pontypidd.
Douglas Henderson, Esquire, for East Aberdeenshire.
Simon Mahon, Esquire, for Bootle.
Joseph William Ashton, Esquire, for Bassetlaw.
James Alexander Lamond, Esquire, for Oldham, East.
Robert Parry, Esquire, for Liverpool, Scotland Exchange.
William Percival Grieve, Esquire, Q.C., for Solihull.
Leopold Abse, Esquire, for Pontypool.
Evelyn Mansfield King, Esquire, for South Dorset.
Robert Gordon Cooke, Esquire, for Bristol, West.
William Baxter, Esquire, for West Stirlingshire.
Sir Alfred Davies Devonsher Broughton, for Batley and Morley.
Stanley Cohen, Esquire, for Leeds, South-East.
Sir Herbert Raymon Gower, for Barry.
Frank Julian Allau, Esquire, for Salford, East.
Edward James Milne, Esquire, for Blyth.
Geoffrey William Rhodes, Esquire, for Newcastle upon Tyne, East.
Arthur William John Lewis, Esquire, for Newham, North-West.
Ronald Howard Lewis, Esquire, for Carlisle.
Trevor Alec Jones, Esquire, for Rhondda.
Royston John Hughes, Esquire, for Newport.
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 anything 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 a Peer of Ireland, hath any right to give his vote in the Election of any Member to serve in Parliament.

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

Witnesses,—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.

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

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

Privileges,—Ordered, That a Committee of Privileges be appointed.

Outlawries,—A Bill for the more effectual preventing Clandestine Outlawries, was read the first time and ordered to be read a second time.
Journal.—Ordered, That the Journal of this House, from the end of the last Session to the end of the present Session, with an Index thereto, be printed.

Ordered, That the said Journal and Index be printed by the appointment and under the direction of David William Shuckburgh Lidderdale, Esquire, C.B., the Clerk of this House.

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

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Chairman and Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means,—Ordered, That Mr. George Thomas be Chairman of Ways and Means and that Mr. Oscar Murton be First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.—(The Prime Minister.)

Queen's Speech,—Mr. Speaker reported Her Majesty's Speech, and read it to the House as follows:—

My Lords and Members of the House of Commons:

My Husband and I look forward with pleasure to our visits to Indonesia and Japan and to the State Visit which Her Majesty Queen Margrethe of Denmark will pay to this country.

My Government will work for the strengthening of international institutions and of co-operation between all countries concerned to promote peace and to achieve prosperity in the face of world-wide inflation and far-reaching monetary disturbance. They will attach particular importance to the work of the United Nations and its agencies and to co-operation within the Commonwealth.

My Government will seek a fundamental renegotiation of the terms of entry to the European Economic Community. After these negotiations have been completed, the results will be put to the British people.

Recognising the economic problems concerning the developing countries My Government will seek to increase the provision of aid and to establish a more liberal pattern of world trade.

My Government will give their support to the search for a just and lasting peace in the Middle East, based on the implementation of Security Council Resolutions 242 of 1967 and 338 of 1973.

Recognising that the availability and the price of oil is a problem for the whole world, My Government will co-operate with consumer and producer countries in seeking to establish arrangements which will be in the interests of all.

My Government will oppose all forms of racial discrimination at home and abroad. In Rhodesia they will agree to no settlement which is not supported by the African majority.

My Government will give full support to the maintenance of the North Atlantic Alliance. They will regard the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation as an instrument of détente no less than of defence. In consultation with their allies they will pursue a policy directed to maintaining a modern and effective defence system while reducing its cost as a proportion of our national resources.

My Ministers will contribute fully to the negotiations for force reductions in Central Europe and to the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe.

My Ministers will give their support to the constitutional arrangements which now offer to Northern Ireland the prospect of healing its political and social divisions and of achieving prosperity and security for all its people. They will play their part, together with the Northern Ireland Executive and the Government of the Republic of Ireland, in developing co-operation in matters of mutual interest and in bringing violence to an end.

MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS:

Estimates for the public service will be laid before you.

MY LORDS AND MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS:

In home affairs, my Government will first seek to ensure a return to full-time working in industry. I have been able to end the State of Emergency, occasioned by the coal mining dispute, which had existed since 13th November 1973 and which I had renewed by Proclamation on 6th March 1974 before the dispute was settled.

My Government will give the highest priority to overcoming the economic difficulties created by rising prices, the balance of payments deficit and the recent dislocation of production.
Measures will be laid before you to establish fair prices for certain key foods, with the use of subsidies where appropriate; and to restrain price inflation.

Legislation will be introduced to reform and extend the law relating to consumer credit; and a measure will be laid before you to require goods, where appropriate, to be labelled with the price at which they are to be sold, and to provide for unit pricing.

My Government is taking immediate steps to halt the increases in rents due in 1974. They will bring forward comprehensive proposals, which will require the repeal of the Housing Finance Acts, to reform the law relating to rents and housing subsidies in England, Wales and Scotland. Urgent measures will be taken to reverse the fall in house-building, to protect furnished tenants from eviction and to encourage municipal ownership. Proposals will be prepared for bringing land required for development into public possession and for encouraging home ownership. Proposals will be brought forward to eliminate the abuses arising from the lump.

My Ministers will work for a greater measure of social justice as a pre-requisite of national unity at this difficult time. A Bill will be introduced to increase pensions and other social security benefits. Proposals will be put before you for the redistribution of wealth, the protection of the lower paid and the disadvantaged, and for better methods of meeting the needs of the disabled.

In the light of these measures, My Ministers will discuss urgently, with the Trades Union Congress, the Confederation of British Industry and the others concerned, methods of securing the orderly growth of incomes on a voluntary basis.

My Ministers will hold urgent consultations on measures to encourage the development and re-equipment of industry. A Bill will be laid before you to consolidate and develop existing legislation to promote national industrial expansion. High priority will be given to the stimulation of regional development and employment. They will develop an active manpower policy, and bring forward legislation for protecting the health and safety of people at work.

My Government will encourage the maximum economic production of food by the farming and fishing industries of the United Kingdom in the interests of the national economy.

My Ministers will set in hand urgent action to improve energy supplies, to secure their efficient use and to ensure that oil and gas from the Continental Shelf are exploited in ways and on terms which will confer maximum benefit on the community, and particularly in Scotland and the regions elsewhere in need of development. An urgent examination will be carried out of the future of the coal industry.

Measures will be introduced to repeal the Industrial Relations Act and to replace it by new legislation which will include the establishment of a new conciliation and arbitration service.

Comprehensive proposals will be brought forward to reform the law relating to the adoption, guardianship and fostering of children on the basis of the recommendations of the Interdepartmental Committee on the Adoption of Children.

Within available resources, My Government will progressively improve and expand the National Health Service and the personal social services. They will review the working of the reorganised National Health Service.

My Government will give priority to improving educational facilities for children in need of special help, and will prepare plans for the nation-wide provision of nursery education and for the development of a fully comprehensive system of secondary education. A major review will be made of the particular needs of handicapped children.

The museum charges recently introduced will be abolished.

My Ministers will work for the protection and improvement of the environment including the improvement of public transport, and will reappraise accordingly the value of certain major development projects.

My Ministers will initiate discussions in Scotland and Wales on the Report of the Royal Commission on the Constitution, and will bring forward proposals for consideration.

My Ministers will make proposals for securing equal status for women.

My Ministers will consider the provision of financial assistance to enable Opposition parties more effectively to fulfil their Parliamentary functions.

Measures will be introduced to make further reforms in the law and improvements in the administration of justice.

Other measures will be laid before you.

MY LORDS AND MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS:
I pray that the blessing of Almighty God may rest upon your counsels.
Queen’s Speech (Motion for an Address).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as follows:—

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty’s most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to offer our humble thanks to Your Majesty for the Gracious Speech which Your Majesty has addressed to both Houses of Parliament.—(Mr. Ray Carter):—Debate arising;

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

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-one minutes to Ten o’clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 9.39 p.m.

APPENDIX

1. Papers presented by Her Majesty’s Command on or after Wednesday 6th March, being the day on which this Parliament was appointed to meet, and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office, pursuant to Standing Order No. 119 (Presentation of Command Papers), and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Pay Board.—Copy of a Special Report of the Pay Board on the relative pay of mineworkers.


2. Papers delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office pursuant to Standing Order No. 120 (Presentation of Statutory Instruments), on or after Wednesday 6th March, being the day on which this Parliament was appointed to meet, and ordered to lie upon the Table:

6th March 1974

Coroners.—Copies of Orders, dated 30th January 1974, entitled—

(1) the Avon (Coroners’ Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 297),
(2) the Berkshire (Coroners’ Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 298),
(3) the Cheshire (Coroners’ Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 299),
(4) the Clwyd (Coroners’ Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 300),
(5) the Durham (Coroners’ Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 322),
(6) the East Sussex (Coroners’ Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 323),
(7) the Gwent (Coroners’ Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 301),
(8) the Hampshire (Coroners’ Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 324),
(9) the Kent (Coroners’ Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 302),
(10) the Northumberland (Coroners’ Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 325),
(11) the Somerset (Coroners’ Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 326),
(12) the Staffordshire (Coroners’ Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 327),
(13) the Warwickshire (Coroners’ Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 328), and
(14) the West Glamorgan (Coroners’ Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 329)
[b by Act].

Fire Services.—Copy of an Order, dated 26th February 1974, entitled the Firemen’s Pension Scheme (Modification) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 309) [by Act].

Police.—Copy of an Order, dated 23rd February 1974, entitled the Thames Valley Police Amalgamation Scheme (Modification) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 339) [by Act].

National Health Service (Scotland).—Copies of Orders, dated 18th February 1974, entitled—

(1) the National Health Service (Determination of Areas of Health Boards) (Scotland) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 266), and
(2) the National Health Service (Transfer of Staff) (Scotland) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 265)
[b by Act].

Education.—Copy of Regulations, dated 20th February 1974, entitled the Teachers’ Superannuation (Added Years and Interchange) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 260) [by Act].

Factories.—Copy of Regulations, dated 8th February 1974, entitled the Construction (Health and Welfare) (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 209) [by Act].

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Insurance.—Copy of Regulations, dated 7th February 1974, entitled the Employers’ Liability (Compulsory Insurance) (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 208) [by Act].


Medicines.—Copy of an Order, dated 26th February 1974, entitled the Medicines (Exemption from Licences) (Emergency Importation) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 316) [by Act].

National Health Service.—Copies of Orders—
(1) dated 8th February 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Rights and Liabilities Transferred from Executive Councils and Pricing Committees) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 216),
(2) dated 18th February 1974, entitled the National Health Service Reorganisation (Consequential Amendments) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 241),
(4) dated 19th February 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Transfer of Local Health Authority Trust Property) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 246), and
(5) dated 28th February 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Transferred Local Authority Property) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 330) [by Act].

National Health Service.—Copies of Regulations—
(1) dated 12th February 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Superannuation) (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 223),
(2) dated 19th February 1974, entitled the Health Service Commissioners (Transitional Provisions) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 247), and
(3) dated 26th February 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Remuneration and Conditions of Service) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 296) [by Act].

Nurses and Midwives.—Copy of an Order, dated 14th February 1974, entitled the Nurses (Regional Nurse-Training Committees) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 235) [by Act].

Social Security.—Copy of Regulations, dated 27th February 1974, entitled the Social Security (Members of the Forces—Modification of Enactment) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 311) [by Act].

Therapeutic Substances.—Copy of Regulations, dated 13th February 1974, entitled the Therapeutic Substances (Supply of Antibiotics and Chemotherapeutic Substances for Agricultural Purposes) Amendment Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 242) [by Act].

Customs and Excise.—Copy of an Order, dated 22nd February 1974, entitled the Anti-Dumping Duty (Temporary Suspension) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 277) [by Act].

Control of Fuel and Electricity.—Copies of Orders—
(1) dated 11th February 1974, entitled the Motor Fuel (Maximum Retail Prices) Order 1973 (Amendment) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 197),
(2) dated 11th February 1974, entitled the Paraffin (Maximum Retail Prices) Order 1973 (Amendment) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 198), and
(3) dated 20th February 1974, entitled the Motor Fuel (Restriction of Acquisition) (Revocation) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 245) [by Act].


Customs and Excise.—Copy of an Order, dated 7th February 1974, entitled the Agricultural Levy Reliefs (Frozen Beef and Veal) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 214) [by Act].

County Court.—Copy of Rules, dated 7th February 1974, entitled the County Court Funds (Amendment) Rules 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 206) [by Act].


Supreme Court of Judicature.—Copy of Rules, dated 7th February 1974, entitled the Supreme Court Funds (Amendment) Rules 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 207) [by Act].
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Consumer Protection,—Copy of Regulations, dated 11th February 1974, entitled the Pencils and Graphic Instruments (Safety) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 226) [by Act].

Education,—Copy of Regulations, dated 19th February 1974, entitled the School Health Service (Revocation) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 259) [by Act].

Local Government,—Copy of an Order, dated 21st February 1974, entitled the Local Authorities (Social Services and Food and Drugs) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 273) [by Act].

National Health Service,—Copies of Orders—

(1) dated 22nd February 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Preservation of Boards of Governors) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 281), and

(2) dated 25th February 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Transfer of Social Services Staff) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 318) [by Act].

National Health Service,—Copy of Regulations, dated 25th February 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Charges for Appliances) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 284) [by Act].

Public Health,—Copies of Regulations, dated 20th February 1974, entitled—

(1) the Public Health (Aircraft) (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 268), and

(2) the Public Health (Ships) (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 269) [by Act].

Offshore Installations,—Copies of Regulations—

(1) dated 17th February 1974, entitled the Offshore Installations (Construction and Survey) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 289), and

(2) dated 27th February 1974, entitled the Offshore Installations (Public Inquiries) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 338) [by Act].


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Customs and Excise,—Copy of Regulations, dated 8th March 1974, entitled the Hydrocarbon Oil (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 379) [by Act].

Counter-Inflation,—Copies of Orders, dated 8th March 1974, entitled—

(1) the Counter-Inflation (Residential Rents—Private Sector) (Scotland) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 382), and

(2) the Counter-Inflation (Residential Rents—Public Sector) (Scotland) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 383) [by Act].

National Health Service,—Copy of an Order, dated 7th March 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Staff Transfer Appeals and Schemes Order Amendment) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 378) [by Act].

National Health Service,—Copies of Regulations—

(1) dated 22nd February 1974, entitled the National Health Service Financial Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 282), and

(2) dated 25th February 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 285) [by Act].

Counter-Inflation,—Copies of Orders, dated 8th March 1974, entitled—

(1) the Counter-Inflation (Private Sector Residential Rents) (England and Wales) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 380), and

(2) the Counter-Inflation (Public Sector Residential Rents) (England and Wales) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 381) [by Act].

Rating and Valuation,—Copies of Rules, dated 7th March 1974, entitled—

(1) the Precepts Rules 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 362),

(2) the Rate-demands Rules 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 363), and

(3) the Rate Product Rules 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 364) [by Act].

Local Government,—Copy of an Order, dated 5th February 1974, entitled the Port Health Authorities (Wales) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 219) [by Act].

Control of Fuel and Electricity,—Copy of an Order, dated 7th March 1974, entitled the Electricity (Industrial and Commercial Use) (Control) (Revocation) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 377) [by Act].
Supreme Court of Judicature.—Copy of Rules, dated 21st February 1974, entitled the Rules of the Supreme Court (Amendment) 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 295) [by Act].

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National Health Service.—Copy of an Order, dated 27th February 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Charges) Regulations 1971 Amendment Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 307) [by Act].

National Health Service.—Copies of Regulations—
(1) dated 25th February 1974, entitled the National Health Service (General Ophthalmic Services) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 287), and
(2) dated 28th February 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Notification of Births and Deaths) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 319) [by Act].

Nurses and Midwives.—Copy of an Instrument, dated 28th February 1974, entitled the General Nursing Council (Election Scheme Amendment) Rules Approval Instrument 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 320) [by Act].

Public Health.—Copy of Regulations, dated 21st February 1974, entitled the Public Health (Infectious Diseases) (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 274) [by Act].

Land Drainage.—Copy of Regulations, dated 6th March 1974, entitled the Water Authorities (Precepts to Internal Drainage Boards) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 375) [by Act].

Local Government.—Copy of an Order, dated 11th March 1974, entitled the Local Authorities (Smallholdings) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 396) [by Act].

Sugar.—Copy of an Order, dated 6th March 1974, entitled the Sugar Beet (Research and Education) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 370) [by Act].

3. Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table on Tuesday 12th March 1974:

Mr. Joel Barnett:
Civil Service Remuneration.—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 12th March 1974, concerning provision in a single Supplementary Estimate of sums required to effect payment of Civil Service remuneration [by Command].

Dr. John Gilbert:
Channel Tunnel (Initial Finance).—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 22nd January 1974 on loans proposed to be raised by the British Channel Tunnel Company Ltd. [by Act]; to be printed [No. 15].

Bank Notes.—Copies of Treasury Minutes—
(1) dated 14th January 1974,
(2) dated 16th January 1974,
(3) dated 18th January 1974,
(4) dated 23rd January 1974,
(5) dated 4th February 1974, and
(6) dated 18th February 1974 relative to the Fiduciary Note Issue [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 16 to 21].

Gas.—Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on 19th February 1974, on loans proposed to be raised by the British Gas Corporation [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 22 and 23].

Iron and Steel.—Statements of Guarantee given by the Treasury—
(1) on 12th November 1973,
(2) on 25th January 1974, and
(3) on 1st February 1974 on loans proposed to be raised by the British Steel Corporation [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 24 to 26].

Water.—Statements of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 7th February 1974, on loans raised by—
(1) the Northumbrian Water Authority,
(2) the Southern Water Authority, and
(3) the Welsh National Water Development Authority [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 27 to 29].

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:
Coroners.— Copies of Orders, dated 15th February 1974, entitled—
(1) the Cleveland (Coroners' Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 365),
(2) the Cornwall (Coroners' Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 366),
(3) the Cumbria (Coroners' Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 367),
(4) the Dorset (Coroners' Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 352),
(5) the Gloucestershire (Coroners' Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 368),
(6) the Greater Manchester (Coroners' Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 353),
(7) the Hereford and Worcester (Coroners' Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 369),
(8) the Hertfordshire (Coroners' Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 374),
(9) the Humberside (Coroners' Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 354),
(10) the Lancashire (Coroners' Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 355),
(11) the Lincolnshire (Coroners' Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 371),
(12) the Merseyside (Coroners' Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 372),
(13) the Mid-Glamorgan (Coroners' Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 356),
(14) the Oxfordshire (Coroners' Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 357),
(15) the Salop (Coroners' Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 373),
(16) the South Yorkshire (Coroners' Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 358),
(17) the Tyne and Wear (Coroners' Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 359), and
(18) the West Yorkshire (Coroners' Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 360)

[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Ross:
National Health Service (Scotland).—Copy of Regulations, dated 18th February 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Remuneration and Conditions of Service) (Scotland) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 276) [by Act].


Mr. Secretary Mason:
Defence (Royal Air Force).—Copy of Regulations, dated 19th February 1974, providing for amendments to the Queen's Regulations for the Royal Air Force (Fourth Edition) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Shore:
Lighthouses &c. (Local Inspections).—Copy of the Reports 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 1973 [by Act].

Merchant Shipping.—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the Merchant Shipping (Light Dues) Order 1974 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Benn:
Census of Production.—Copy of the Reports on the Census of Production for 1971 relating to—
(1) cutlery, spoons, forks and plated tableware, etc.,
(2) electricity,
(3) gas,
(4) ordnance and small arms,
(5) petroleum and natural gas,
(6) photographic chemical materials, and
(7) rope, twine and net
[by Act].

Census of Production.—Copy of the provisional results of the Census of Production for 1972 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:
Acquisition of Land.—Copy of an Order, dated 31st October 1972, entitled the County Borough of Bolton Appropriation Order (No. 1) 1972, with a Certificate by the Secretary of State for the Environment under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 [by Act].

Piers and Harbours (Provisional Orders).—Report by the Secretary of State for the Environment of his proceedings in 1973 under the General Pier and Harbour Act 1861 and the General Pier and Harbour Act 1861 Amendment Act 1862 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary John Morris:
Local Government.—Copy of an Order, dated 12th March 1974, entitled the Local Authorities etc. (Wales) (Property etc.: Further Provision) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 404) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Rees:
Northern Ireland.—Copy of an Order, dated 7th February 1974, entitled the Agriculture Payments (Extension) (Northern Ireland) Order 1974 [by Act].
Mr. Edward Short:

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Copies of Statutes—

(1) made by the Governing Body of the University of Oxford on 7th November 1973, amending the Statutes of the University,
(2) made by the Governing Body of the University of Cambridge on 12th December 1973, amending the Statutes of the University,
(3) made by the Governing Body of New College, Oxford, on 7th November 1973, amending the Statutes of the College,
(4) made by the Governing Body of Pembroke College, Oxford, on 7th November 1973, amending the Statutes of the College,
(5) made by the Governing Body of St. John Baptist College, Oxford, on 10th December 1973, amending the Statutes of the College, and
(6) made by the Governing Body of Downing College, Cambridge, on 26th October 1973, amending the Statutes of the College

[by Act].

Mr. Frederick Peart:

Diseases of Animals,—Copy of an Order, dated 4th March 1974, entitled the Importation of Cattle Order (No. 2) 1974 [by Act].

Papers laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker:

Statutory Instruments (Notification).—Communications declaring that the undermentioned Statutory Instruments had come into operation before copies were laid before Parliament, and explaining why such copies had not been so laid before the Instruments came into operation [pursuant to Standing Order No. 121 (Notification in respect of certain Statutory Instruments)]:—

(1) the Motor Fuel (Restriction of Acquisition) (Revocation) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 245),
(2) the Motor Fuel (Maximum Retail Prices) Order 1973 (Amendment) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 197),
(3) the Paraffin (Maximum Retail Prices) Order 1973 (Amendment) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 198),
(4) the County Court Funds (Amendment) Rules 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 206),
(5) the Supreme Court Funds (Amendment) Rules 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 207),
(6) the Anti-Dumping Duty (Temporary Suspension) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 277),
(7) the Emergency (No. 3) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 350),
(8) the Counter-Inflation (Residential Rents—Public Sector) (Scotland) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 383),
(9) the Counter-Inflation (Residential Rents—Private Sector) (Scotland) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 382),
(10) the Counter-Inflation (Private Sector Residential Rents) (England and Wales) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 380),
(11) the Counter-Inflation (Public Sector Residential Rents) (England and Wales) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 381), and

Papers laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Legal Aid and Advice,—Copy of the Report of the Law Society on the operation and finance of the Legal Aid and Advice Acts 1949 to 1972 for the year ended 31st March 1973, with the comments and recommendations of the Lord Chancellor's Advisory Committee [by Act]: to be printed [No. 1].

Northern Ireland (Trading and Other Accounts),—Copy of the Trading and Other Accounts of Northern Ireland for the year ended 31st March 1973, with the Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, and on other Accounts printed separately [by Act]; to be printed [No. 7].

Ecclesiastical Law,—Copy of an Order, dated 19th February 1974, entitled the Payments to Redundant Churches Fund Order 1974 [by Measure].

Legal Aid and Advice (Northern Ireland),—Statement of Accounts of the Northern Ireland Legal Aid Fund for the year ended 31st March 1973 [by Statutory Instrument]: to be printed [No. 8].
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The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

MEMBERS take the Oath,—The following Members took and subscribed the Oath:

James David Gibson-Watt, Esquire, M.C., for Hereford.
Joan Mary Quennell, M.B.E., for Petersfield.
Philip Carter Goodhart, Esquire, for Bromley, Beckenham.
John Dunlop, Esquire, for Mid-Ulster.
John Carson, Esquire, for Belfast, North.
The Reverend Robert John Bradfor, for Belfast, South.
The Right Honourable Henry William West, for Fermanagh and South Tyrone.

Private Bills,—The Standing Order of 8th February 1974, relating to Private Bills suspended in the last Parliament, being read;

Ashdown Forest Bill,—A Bill to alter the constitution of, and to incorporate, the Conservators of Ashdown Forest, to alter the arrangements for meeting the expenses of the Conservators; to amend or repeal enactments relating to the Conservators and the forest and to confer further powers upon the Conservators; and for other purposes, was read the first time and ordered to be read a second time.

British Railways Bill,—A Bill to empower the British Railways Board and the South East Lancashire and North East Cheshire Passenger Transport Executive to construct works and to acquire lands; to extend the time for the compulsory purchase of certain lands; to confer further powers on the Board, the Executive and Cleveland Potash Limited; and for other purposes, was read the first time and ordered to be read a second time.

British Transport Docks Bill,—A Bill to empower the British Transport Docks Board to construct works and to acquire land; to extend the time for the compulsory purchase of certain lands; to confer further powers on the Board; and for other purposes, was read the first time and (the Bill having been read a second time before its suspension in the last Parliament) read a second time and committed.

British Waterways Bill,—A Bill to empower the British Waterways Board to construct works and to acquire lands; to confer further powers on the Board; and for other purposes, was read the first time and (the Bill having been read a second time before its suspension in the last Parliament) read a second time and committed.

Burmah-Total Refineries Trust Bill,—A Bill to empower Burmah-Total Refineries Trust Limited to construct works and to acquire lands; to make provision for the deregistration of certain land registered under the Commons Registration Act 1965; and for other purposes, was read the first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Clifton Suspension Bridge Bill,—A Bill to alter the constitution of the Trustees of the Clifton Suspension Bridge Trust; to confer powers on the Trustees in relation to the tolls which they are authorised to charge; to make provision as to the investment of moneys of the Trust and for the repeal and amendment of certain provisions of the Clifton Suspension Bridge Act 1952; and for other purposes, was read the first time and Ordered to be read a second time.

Greater London Council (General Powers) Bill,—A Bill to confer further powers upon the Greater London Council and other authorities; and for other purposes, was read the first time and ordered to be read a second time.

London Transport Bill,—A Bill to empower the London Transport Executive to construct works and to acquire lands; to extend the time for the compulsory purchase of certain lands and the completion of certain works; to confer further powers on the Executive; and for other purposes, was read the first time and (the Bill having been read a second time before its suspension in the last Parliament) read a second time and committed.

Merseyside Metropolitan Railway Bill,—A Bill to empower the Merseyside Passenger Transport Executive and the British Railways Board to construct works and to acquire lands; and for other purposes, was read the first time and (the Bill having been read a second time before its suspension in the last Parliament) read a second time and committed.
Morpeth Common Bill. — A Bill to provide for the preservation and for restricting the user of certain land in the borough of Morpeth in the county of Northumberland known as Morpeth Common; and for other purposes, was read the first time and (the Bill having been read a second time before its suspension in the last Parliament) read a second time and committed.

Old London Road, Hythe, Burial Ground Bill. — A Bill to authorise the use of part of the site of the former burial ground adjoining Old London Road, Hythe, in the district of Shepway for building or otherwise; and for purposes incidental thereto, was read the first time and (the Bill having been read a second time before its suspension in the last Parliament) read a second time and committed.

Orkney County Council Bill. — A Bill to authorise the county council of the county of Orkney to exercise harbour jurisdiction and powers in respect of development, including powers to license the construction of works and dredging, in certain areas of and adjacent to the county, and in connection therewith to acquire lands compulsorily; and for other purposes, was read the first time and (the Bill having been read a second time before its suspension in the last Parliament) read a second time and committed.

Spanish and Portuguese Jews' (Golders Green) Burial Ground Bill. — A Bill to authorise the use for other purposes of a portion of the burial grounds of the Spanish and Portuguese Jews' Congregation of London situated at Golders Green in the London borough of Barnet; and for purposes incidental thereto, was read the first time and (the Bill having been read a second time before its suspension in the last Parliament) read a second time and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Thurrock District Council Bill. — A Bill to confer powers on the Thurrock District Council for the control of the brown tail moth; and for other purposes, was read the first time and (the Bill having been read a second time before its suspension in the last Parliament) read a second time and committed.

University of Bristol Bill. — A Bill to amend the University of Bristol Act 1960; and for other purposes, was read the first time and (the Bill having been read a second time before its suspension in the last Parliament) read a second time and committed.

Workington Harbour Bill. — A Bill to transfer to the Cumbria County Council the undertaking of the Workington Harbour and Dock Company Limited; to empower the County Council to manage Workington Harbour; and for other purposes, was read the first time and (the Bill having been read a second time before its suspension in the last Parliament) read a second time and committed.

Zetland County Council Bill. — A Bill to impose upon the county council of Zetland duties of conservancy and development, and harbour duties; to enable the council to exercise harbour jurisdiction and powers, including powers to construct works and to acquire lands; and for other purposes, was read the first and second time and (the Bill having been reported and considered in the last Parliament) ordered to be read the third time.

Accounts and Papers. — Several Papers were presented, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Message from the Lords. — A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

Statutory Instruments. — The Lords communicate that they have come to the following Resolution, viz. : That it is desirable that a joint Committee of both Houses be appointed to scrutinise delegated legislation; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Forestry. — The Order made on 15th January 1974, in the last Parliament, for printing the Accounts of the Forestry Commission for the year ended 31st March 1973 was read and discharged.

Business of the House. — Ordered, That—

(1) Standing Order No. 6 (Precedence of government business) shall have effect for this Session with the following modifications, namely:—

In paragraph (2) the word "five" shall be substituted for the word "ten" in line 5; in paragraph (3) the word "fourth" shall be substituted for the word "seventh" in line 8; in paragraph (4) the word "fourth" shall be substituted for the word "Fifth" in line 26; in paragraph (5) the word "Four" shall be substituted for the word "ten" in line 30; in paragraph (6) the word "three" shall be substituted for the word "four" in line 33; paragraph (8) shall not apply, and until after Wednesday 3rd April, no Private Member shall give notice of a motion for leave to bring in a Bill under Standing Order No. 13 (Motion for leave to bring in bills and nomination of select committees at commencement of public business) or for presenting a Bill under Standing Order No. 37 (Presentation and first reading);
(2) Private Members' Bills shall have precedence over Government business on Friday 3rd May, Friday 10th May, Friday 17th May, Friday 21st June and Friday 28th June:

(3) Private Members' Notices of Motions shall have precedence over Government business on Friday 5th April, Friday 14th June, Friday 5th July and Friday 12th July, and ballots for these Notices shall be held after Questions on Wednesday 20th March, Wednesday 22nd May, Wednesday 19th June and Wednesday 26th June:

(4) On Monday 8th April, Monday 20th May and Monday 8th July, Private Members' Notices of Motions shall have precedence until Seven o'clock and ballots for these Notices shall be held after Questions on Wednesday 21st March, Thursday 2nd May and Thursday 20th June;

(5) No Notice of Motion shall be handed in for any of the days on which Private Members' Notices have precedence under this Order in anticipation of the ballot for that day.—(Mr. Edward Short.)

Business of the House (Supply).—Ordered, That Standing Order No. 18 shall have effect for this Session with the following modifications, namely:—

(a) in paragraph (1), for the reference to twenty-nine days there shall be substituted a reference to fourteen days:

(b) paragraph (6) shall cease to have effect;

(c) for paragraph (7) there shall be substituted:

"(7) On the first allotted day any of the following numbers or total amounts may be put down for consideration:

(a) any vote relating to numbers for defence services for the coming financial year;

(b) all supplementary estimates for civil departments for the current financial year; and

(c) all supplementary estimates for defence services for the current financial year;

and Mr. Speaker shall put the questions set out in paragraph (11) of this order";

(d) in paragraph (8), at the end of line 132, there shall be inserted—

"(c) any excess votes for civil departments, provided that the Committee of Public Accounts shall have reported that they see no objection to the sums necessary being provided by excess vote; and

(d) any excess votes for defence services, provided that the Committee of Public Accounts shall have reported that they see no objection to the sums necessary being provided by excess vote;" and

(e) in paragraph (11), in lines 149 to 151, the words "that shall have been put down for consideration on at least one previous allotted day" shall be omitted.—(Mr. Edward Short.)

Queen's Speech (Motion for an Address).—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed yesterday, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as follows:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

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

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

And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.29 p.m.]
APPENDIX

Wednesday 13th March 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Joel Barnett:

Civil Estimates (Supplementary Estimates) 1973-74,—Estimates of further sums required to be voted for the service of the year ending 31st March 1974, for Civil Departments [by Command]; to be printed [Nos. 3 and 5].

Defence Estimates (Supplementary Estimates) 1973-74,—Estimates of further sums required to be voted for the service of the year ending 31st March 1974, for Defence Services [by Command]; to be printed [Nos. 4 and 6].

Dr. John Gilbert:

Currency and Bank Notes,—Copy of an Order, dated 11th March 1974, entitled the Fiduciary Note Issue (Extension of Period) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 405) [by Act].

Isle of Man,—Account of Her Majesty’s Commissioners of Customs and Excise with the Government of the Isle of Man for the year ended 31st March 1973 ; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act].

Maplin Development,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 27th February 1974 on loans raised by the Maplin Development Authority [by Act]; to be printed [No. 34].

Water,—Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury on 27th February on loans—

(1) raised by the National Water Council, and

(2) raised by the South West Water Authority

[by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 35 and 36].

Mr. Secretary Mason:

Defence (Votes A), 1974-75,—Estimates of the maximum numbers of personnel to be maintained for service with the Armed Forces for the year ending 31st March 1975 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 10].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:


Rating and Valuation,—Copies of—

(1) an Order, dated 7th March 1974, entitled the Rating of Minor Structural Alterations to Dwellings (Specified Amount) Order 1974,

(2) an Order, dated 13th March 1974, entitled the Plant and Machinery (Rating) (Amendment) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 413), and

(3) Regulations, dated 12th March 1974, entitled the Rate Rebate Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 411)

[by Act].

Road Traffic,—Copy of Regulations, dated 11th March 1974, entitled the Cycle Racing on Highways (Special Authorisation) (England and Wales) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 401) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Rees:


Mr. Frederick Peart:

Agriculture,—Draft of a Scheme, entitled the Calf Subsidies (United Kingdom) Scheme 1974 [by Act].
Forestry.—Copy of the Report of the Forestry Commissioners for the year ended 31st March 1973 [by Act]; to be printed, together with the Accounts of the Forestry Commission for the year ended 31st March 1973 [No. 37].

The Chairman of Ways and Means:

Statutory Orders (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 Urban District Council of Farnham (Weybourne Recreation Ground) Appropriation Order 1972,
(2) the M18 Motorway (Armithorpe—Hatfield Section) Compulsory Purchase Order (CNE No. 1) 1974,
(3) the Warkworth Harbour Revision Order 1973,
(4) the Borough of Todmorden (Todmorden Cricket Ground) Appropriation Order 1973, and
(5) the Clowne Rural (Fox Green, Creswell) Compulsory Purchase Order 1973 [by Act].

MEMORANDUM

Mr. Speaker has appointed 12 noon at Committee Room No. 10 as the time and place for holding the Ballot for Private Members' Bills on Thursday 21st March.

[No. 7.]

Thursday, 14th March, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

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

The Right Honourable Merlyn Rees, for Leeds, South.
The Reverend Ian Richard Kyle Paisley, for North Antrim.
James Alexander Kilfedder, Esquire, for North Down.
Gerard Fitt, Esquire, for Belfast, West.
David Russell Johnston, Esquire, for Inverness.
William Rupert Rees-Davies, Esquire, Q.C., for Thanet, West.

Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Adjournment Motions under Standing Order No. 9.—Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of Motions for Adjournment under Standing Order No. 9, showing the date of such Motion, the name of the Member proposing the specific and important matter and the result of any Division taken thereon, during Session 1973-74.—(The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Closure of Debate (Standing Order No. 30).—Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return respecting application of Standing Order No. 30 (Closure of Debate) during Session 1973-74 (1) in the House and in Committee of the whole House, under the following heads:—

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—(The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Private Bills and Private Business,—Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of the number of Private Bills, Hybrid Bills and Bills for confirming Provisional Orders introduced into the House of Commons and brought from the House of Lords, and of Acts passed in Session 1973-74:

Of all Private Bills, Hybrid Bills, and Bills for confirming Provisional Orders which in Session 1973-74 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 on which each selected Member served; 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:

Of all Private Bills and Bills for confirming Provisional Orders which, in Session 1973-74 were referred by the Committee of Selection to the Committee on Unopposed Bills, together with the names of the Members who served on the Committee; the number of days on which the Committee sat; and the number of days on which each Member attended:

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 First 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 1973-74, showing:

(1) the number which received the Royal Assent;

(2) the number which did not receive the Royal Assent, indicating those which were introduced but not passed by this House, those passed by this House but not by the House of Lords, those passed by the House of Lords but not by this House, those passed by both Houses but Amendments not agreed to; and distinguishing the stages at which such Bills were dropped, postponed or rejected in either House of Parliament, or the stages which such Bills had reached by the time of the Prorogation or Dissolution.—(The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Public Petitions,—Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of the number of Public Petitions presented and printed in Session 1973-74 with the total number of signatures in that Session.—(The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Select Committees,—Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of the Select Committees appointed in Session 1973-74 with the Sub-committees appointed by them; the names of the Members appointed to serve on each, and of the Chairman of each; the number of days each met, and the number of days each Member attended; the total expenses of the attendances of witnesses at each Select Committee and Sub-committee; and the total number of Members who served on Select Committees; together with so much of the same information as is relevant to the Chairmen's Panel and the Court of Referees.—(The First 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 1973-74, stating for each day the 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 (2) the days on which Business of Supply was considered.—(The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)
Standing Committees.—Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return for Session 1973-74, 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, Estimates, Matters and Statutory Instruments, considered by all and by each of the Standing Committees, the number of sittings of each Committee and the titles of all Bills, Estimates, Matters and Statutory Instruments considered by a 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, Estimate, Matter and Statutory Instrument, the particular Committee by whom it was considered, the number of sittings at which it was considered and the number of Members present at each of those sittings.—(The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Special Procedure Orders.—Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of the number of Special Procedure Orders presented in Session 1973-74; the number withdrawn; the number against which Petitions or copies of Petitions were deposited; the number of Petitions of General Objection and for Amendment respectively considered by the Chairmen; the number of such Petitions certified by the Chairmen as proper to be received, and the number certified by them as being Petitions of General Objection and for Amendment respectively; the number referred to a Joint Committee of both Houses; the number reported with Amendments by a Joint Committee, and the number in relation to which a Joint Committee reported that the Order be not approved; and the number of Bills introduced for the confirmation of Special Procedure Orders: of Special Procedure Orders which, in Session 1973-74, were referred to a Joint Committee, together with the names of the Commons Members who served on each Committee; the number of days on which each Committee sat; and the number of days on which each such Member attended.—(The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Legal Aid and Advice (Northern Ireland).—The Order made on 12th March 1974, That the Accounts of the Northern Ireland Legal Aid Fund for the year ended 31st March 1973 do lie upon the Table and be printed, was read and discharged.

Paper withdrawn.

Dumping at Sea Bill.—Mr. Frederick Peart, supported by Mr. Secretary Crosland, Mr. Secretary Ross, Mr. Norman Buchan, Mr. S. Clinton Davis and Mr. Roland Moyle, presented a Bill to control dumping in the sea: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 2].

Queen’s Speech (Motion for an Address).—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 12th March, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as follows:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty’s most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in Parliament assembled, 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.

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

Debate to be resumed to-morrow.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes past Ten o’clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.29 p.m.]
APPENDIX

Thursday 14th March 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Joel Barnett:
- Civil Estimates (Supplementary Estimates) 1973-74.—Estimates of further sums required to be voted for the service of the year ending 31st March 1974, for Civil Departments [by Command]; to be printed [No. 30].
- Civil Estimates, 1974-75.—Estimates for Civil Departments for the year ending 31st March 1975 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 31].
- Defence Estimates, 1974-75.—Defence Estimates for the year ending 31st March 1975 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 13].

Dr. John Gilbert:

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:
- Coroners.—Copies of Orders, dated 20th February 1974, entitled—
  1. the Essex (Coroners' Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 409), and
  2. the Norfolk (Coroners' Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 410)
 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Callaghan:

Mr. Secretary Ross:
- Provisional Orders (Scotland).—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 27th November 1973, namely, the Brownies Taing Pier Order, the Lerwick Harbour (Miscellaneous Provisions) Order, the McDermott Scotland Order, the Port Cam, Wester Ross Order, the Scottish Transport Group (Oban Quay) Order, the Scottish Transport Group (Port Ellen Harbour) Order, and the Green, Aberdeen (Boots The Chemists Limited) Order; and except in the case of Port Cam, Wester Ross Order, about which they have sent a separate notice to the parties, they are of opinion that the Orders should be allowed to proceed, subject to such recommendations as they may hereafter make thereon [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:
- Acquisition of Land.—Copy of an Order, dated 25th September 1973, entitled the Clowne Rural (Recreation Ground, Creswell) Compulsory Purchase Order 1973, with a Certificate by the Secretary of State for the Environment under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 [by Act].
- Local Government.—Copies of—
  1. an Order, dated 14th March 1974, entitled the Rate Support Grant Order 1974, and
  2. Regulations, dated 14th March 1974, entitled the Rate Support Grant Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 428)
 [by Act].
- Local Government Finance.—Report by the Secretary of State for the Environment, under Section 3 of the Local Government Act 1974, on the Rate Support Grant Order 1974 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 33].

Mr. Frederick Peart:
- Agriculture.—Copy of an Order, dated 14th March 1974, entitled the Eggs Authority Levy Scheme (Approval) Order 1974 [by Act].
The Chairman of Ways and Means:

Statutory Orders (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, as amended by the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1965, That a Petition has been presented against the Harwich Harbour Revision Order 1973 by the East Suffolk County Council and others and that they have taken it into consideration and have certified it as proper to be received and as a Petition for Amendment [by Act].

[No. 8.]

Friday, 15th March, 1974.

The House met at Eleven o'clock.

PRAYERS.

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

Joan Christabel Jill, Mrs. Knight, M.B.E., for Birmingham, Edgbaston.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Parliamentary Expenses,—Resolved, That, as from 1st March 1974, for the Schedule in the Resolution of the House of 20th December 1971 relating to Parliamentary Expenses there shall be substituted the following:—

SCHEDULE

Camden, Hampstead; Camden, Holborn and St. Pancras, South; Camden, St. Pancras, North; City of London and Westminster, South; City of Westminster, Paddington; City of Westminster, St. Marylebone; Greenwich; Greenwich, Woolwich, East; Greenwich, Woolwich, West; Hackney, Central; Hackney, North, and Stoke Newington; Hackney, South, and Shoreditch; Hammersmith, Fulham; Hammersmith, North; Islington, Central; Islington, North; Islington, South, and Finsbury; Kensington and Chelsea, Chelsea; Kensington and Chelsea, Kensington; Lambeth, Central; Lambeth, Norwood; Lambeth, Streatham; Lambeth, Vauxhall; Lewisham, Deptford; Lewisham, East; Lewisham, West; Southwark, Bermondsey; Southwark, Dulwich; Southwark, Peckham; Tower Hamlets, Bethnal Green and Bow; Tower Hamlets, Stepney and Poplar; Wandsworth, Battersea, North; Wandsworth, Battersea, South; Wandsworth, Putney; Wandsworth, Tooting.—(Mr. Robert Sheldon.)

Queen's Speech (Motion for an Address),—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 12th March, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as follows:

Most Gracious Sovereign.

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in Parliament assembled, 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.

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

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Monday next.

Statutory Instruments,—Ordered, That the Lords Message of 13th March communicating a Resolution, That it is desirable that a Joint Committee of both Houses be appointed to scrutinise delegated legislation, be now considered.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Lords Message considered accordingly.

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

Message to the Lords to acquaint them therewith.
Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. Ernest Perry.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-four minutes past Four o'clock, adjourned till Monday next.

[Adjourned at 4.24 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Friday 15th March 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:

Local Government,—Copy of an Order, dated 23rd February 1974, entitled the Police (Revocation of Amalgamation Schemes etc.) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 351) [by Act].

Mrs. Secretary Castle:

National Health Service,—Copy of Regulations, dated 7th March 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Appointment of Consultants) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 361) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:

Counter-Inflation,—Copy of an Order, dated 15th March 1974, entitled the Counter-Inflation (Public Sector Residential Rents) (England and Wales) No. 2 Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 434) [by Act].


Local Government,—Copy of an Order, dated 12th March 1974, entitled the Water Authorities (Staff Protection and Transfer Schemes) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 435) [by Act].

Papers laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Adjournment Motions under Standing Order No. 9 (Adjournment on specific and important matter that should have urgent consideration),—Return to an Order made yesterday for a Return relating to Adjournment Motions under Standing Order No. 9 (Adjournment on specific and important matter that should have urgent consideration).

Closure of Debate (Standing Order No. 30),—Return to an Order made yesterday for a Return relating to Closure of Debate.

Private Bills and Private Business,—Return to an Order made yesterday for a Return relating to Private Bills and Private Business.

Public Bills,—Return to an Order made yesterday for a Return relating to Public Bills; to be printed [No. 39].

Public Petitions,—Return to an Order made yesterday for a Return relating to Public Petitions.

Select Committees,—Return to an Order made yesterday for a Return relating to Select Committees; to be printed [No. 40].

Sittings of the House and Business of Supply,—Return to an Order made yesterday for a Return relating to Sittings of the House and Business of Supply.

Special Procedure Orders,—Return to an Order made yesterday for a Return relating to Special Procedure Orders

Standing Committees,—Return to an Order made yesterday for a Return relating to Standing Committees; to be printed [No. 41].
Monday, 18th March, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

Members take the Oath.—The following Members took and subscribed the Oath:—

James Anthony Dunn, Esquire, for Liverpool, Kirkdale.
Patrick Henry Bligh Wall, Esquire, M.C., V.R.D., for Haltemprice.
George Colin Jackson, Esquire, for Brighouse and Spenborough.
Henry Paul Guinness Channon, Esquire, for Southend, West.
Victor Henry Goodhew, Esquire, for St. Albans.

Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix).

Queen’s Speech (Motion for an Address).—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 12th March, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as follows:

Most Gracious Sovereign.

We, Your Majesty’s most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, in Parliament assembled, 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.

Prices and Incomes.—An Amendment was proposed to the Question, at the end, to add the words “but humbly regret the absence in the Gracious Speech of any proposal to maintain a fair system of control, backed by the force of law, on incomes as well as prices, until such time as there has been evolved a firm voluntary arrangement which is fair as between different sections of the population and adequate to reconcile the system of free collective bargaining with the containment of inflation.”—(Mr. Robert Carr.)

The Question being proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Debate arising;

Mr. Robert Mellish 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.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Joseph Harper, Mr. Ernest Perry: 295.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Pardoe, Mr. David Steel: 21.

So the Question was agreed to.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the Amendment be made:—It was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Joseph Harper, Mr. Ernest Perry: 294.
Tellers for the Noes, Mrs. Winifred Ewing, Mr. Gordon Wilson: 7.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, as follows:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

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

Address to 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. Joseph Harper.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eight minutes to Eleven o’clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.52 p.m.]
APPENDIX

Monday 18th March 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:


Mr. Secretary Prentice:

Education,—Copy of Regulations, dated 7th March 1974, entitled the Teachers' Superannuation (Teacher's Contribution) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 390) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:

Burial,—Copy of an Order, dated 12th March 1974, entitled the Local Authorities' Cemeteries Order 1974 [by Act].


Road Traffic,—Copy of Regulations, dated 13th March 1974, entitled the Motorways Traffic (M56/M63) (Sharston By-Pass) (Speed Limit) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 436) [by Act].

Paper laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:


[No. 10.]

Tuesday, 19th March, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Zetland County Council Bill,—The Zetland County Council Bill was read the third time and passed.

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

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

Burmah-Total Refineries Trust Bill,—Ordered, That the Burmah-Total Refineries Trust Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Clifton Suspension Bridge Bill,—Ordered, That the Clifton Suspension Bridge Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

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

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Contingencies Fund 1972-73,—Ordered, That there be laid before this House Accounts of the Contingencies Fund 1972-73, showing (1) the Receipts and Payments in connection with the Fund in the year ended 31st March 1973, 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. James Hamilton.)

Business of the House (Supply),—Ordered, That this day, as soon as the House has entered upon the Business of Supply, Mr. Speaker shall put forthwith the Questions which, under the provisions of paragraph (11) of Standing Order No. 18 (Business of Supply), as amended by the Order of the House of 13th March, he is directed to put at Ten o'clock. (Mr. Laurie Pavitt.)

Supply [1st allotted Day],—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Business of Supply.
Mr. Speaker proceeded, pursuant to the Order this day, to put forthwith the Questions which he was directed to put at Ten o'clock by paragraph (11) of Standing Order No. 18 (Business of Supply).

Defence Estimate, 1974-75 (Navy)
Vote A: Numbers

1. The Question being put, That during the year ending on 31st March 1975 a number not exceeding 82,500 Officers, Ratings and Royal Marines be maintained for Naval Service:—It was agreed to.

Defence Estimate, 1974-75 (Army)
Vote A: Numbers

2. The Question being put, That during the year ending on 31st March 1975 a number not exceeding 188,500 all ranks be maintained for Army Service, a number not exceeding 65,000 for the Regular Reserve, a number not exceeding 89,000 for the Territorial and Army Volunteer Reserve and a number not exceeding 10,000 for the Ulster Defence Regiment:—It was agreed to.

Defence Estimate, 1974-75 (Air)
Vote A: Numbers

3. The Question being put, That during the year ending on 31st March 1975 a number not exceeding 104,000 all ranks be maintained for Air Force Service, a number not exceeding 10,600 for the Royal Air Force Reserve and a number not exceeding 400 for the Royal Auxiliary Air Force:—It was agreed to.

Civil and Defence Estimates, Supplementary Estimates, 1973-74

4. The Question being put, That a further Supplementary sum, not exceeding £501,887,000, be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund, to defray the charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending on 31st March 1974 for expenditure on Civil and Defence Services as set out in House of Commons Papers Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6 and 30:—It was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the last of the foregoing resolutions: And that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, the Paymaster General, Mr. Joel Barnett, and Dr. John Gilbert do prepare and bring it in.

Consolidated Fund Bill,—Dr. John Gilbert accordingly presented a Bill to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the year ending on 31st March 1974: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 1].

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

The Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

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

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

[Adjourned at 10.30 p.m.

APPENDIX

Tuesday 19th March 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Dr. John Gilbert:

Bank Notes.—Copies of Treasury Minutes—
(1) dated 11th January 1974, and
(2) dated 28th January 1974
relative to the Fiduciary Note Issue [by Act]: to be printed [Nos. 42 and 43].

Friendly Societies.—Copy of Regulations, dated 18th March 1974, entitled the Friendly Societies (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 474) [by Act].
Mr. Secretary Jenkins:

Dangerous Drugs.—Copy of Regulations, dated 7th March 1974, entitled the Misuse of Drugs (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 402) [by Act].

Local Government.—Copy of an Order, dated 7th March 1974, entitled the Local Government (Petty Sessional Divisions etc.) (Amendment) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 403) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Callaghan:

European Communities (No. 2, 1974),—Copy of an Interim Agreement, made at Ankara on 30th June 1973 between the European Economic Community and Turkey, consequent on the accession of the new Member States to the Community [by Command].

Treaty Series (No. 14, 1974),—Copy of Notes, exchanged at Jakarta on 16th July 1973 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Republic of Indonesia, concerning an interest-free development loan by the Government of the United Kingdom to the Government of Indonesia (United Kingdom/Indonesia (DK)) (Loan Agreement (No. 1) 1973) [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Ross:

Local Government (Scotland),—Copies of Orders—

(1) dated 18th March 1974, entitled the Rate Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1974,
(2) dated 12th March 1974, entitled the Rate Support Grant (Increase) (Scotland) Order 1974, and
(3) dated 12th March 1974, entitled the Rate Support Grant (Increase) (Scotland) (No. 2) Order 1974 [by Act].

Local Government (Scotland),—Reports by the Secretary of State for Scotland on—

(1) the Rate Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1974,
(2) the Rate Support Grant (Increase) (Scotland) Order 1974, and
(3) the Rate Support Grant (Increase) (Scotland) (No. 2) Order 1974 [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 38, 11 and 12.]

Representation of the People,—Copy of Regulations, dated 11th March 1974, entitled the Representation of the People (Scotland) Regulations 1974 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Benn:

Census of Production,—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production for 1971, relating to coal mining [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:


No. 11.

Wednesday, 20th March, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Ashdown Forest Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Ashdown Forest Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next at Seven o'clock.

British Railways Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Railways Bill:

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

Burmah-Total Refineries Trust Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Burmah-Total Refineries Trust Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.
Clifton Suspension Bridge Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Clifton Suspension Bridge Bill;

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

Greater London Council (General Powers) Bill,—The Greater London Council (General Powers) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and committed.

Renfrew County Council Order Confirmation Bill,—Mr. Secretary Ross presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under Section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, relating to Renfrew County Council: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be considered upon Tuesday next and to be printed [Bill 3].

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

Statutory Instruments,—The Lords have appointed a Committee of Seven Lords to join with a Committee of the Commons to consider:

(1) Every instrument which is laid before each House of Parliament and upon which proceedings may be or might have been taken in either House of Parliament, in pursuance of an Act of Parliament: being

(a) a statutory instrument, or a draft of a statutory instrument;

(b) a scheme, or an amendment of a scheme, or draft thereof, requiring approval by statutory instrument;

(c) any other instrument (whether or not in draft), where the proceedings in pursuance of an Act of Parliament are proceedings by way of an affirmative resolution; or

(d) an order subject to special parliamentary procedure:

(2) Every general statutory instrument not within the foregoing classes, and not required to be laid before or to be subject to proceedings in the Commons only, but not including Measures under the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act 1919 and instruments made under such Measures:

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 any enactment containing specific provisions excluding it from challenge in the courts, either at all times or after the expiration of a specific period;

(iii) that it purports to have retrospective effect where the parent Statute confers no express authority so to provide;

(iv) that there appears to have been unjustifiable delay in the publication or in the laying of it before Parliament;

(v) that there appears to have been unjustifiable delay in sending a notification under the proviso to subsection (1) of section (4) of the Statutory Instruments Act 1946, where an instrument has come into operation before it has been laid before Parliament;

(vi) that there appears to be a doubt whether it is intra vires or that it appears to make some unusual or unexpected use of the powers conferred by the Statute under which it is made;

(vii) that for any special reason its form or purport call for elucidation;

(viii) that its drafting appears to be defective;

or on any other ground which does not impinge on its merits or on the policy behind it; and to report their decisions with the reasons thereof in any particular case.
The Lords have ordered that Two be the Quorum of the Committee; that the Committee have power to agree with the Committee appointed by the Commons in the appointment of a Chairman; that the Committee have power to appoint one or more Sub-committees severally to join with any Sub-committee or Sub-committees appointed by the Committee appointed by the Commons; and to refer to such Sub-committee or Sub-committees any of the matters referred to the Committee; that it be an Instruction to the Committee that they do not consider any instrument which is directed by Act of Parliament to be laid before and to be subject to proceedings in the Commons only; and that the Committee do not join with the Committee appointed by the Commons in considering any such instrument; that it be a further Instruction to the Committee that, before reporting that the special attention of the House be drawn to any instrument, the Committee do afford to any Government Department concerned therewith an opportunity of furnishing orally or in writing to them or to any Sub-committee of the Committee such explanations as the department think fit; and that the Joint Committee have leave to report from time to time.

The Lords request that the Commons appoint an equal number of their Members to be joined with the said Lords.

Rabies Bill.—Mr. Frederick Peart, supported by Mr. Secretary Ross, Mr. Norman Buchan, Dr. David Owen, and Mr. Roland Moyle, presented a Bill to make further provision for the prevention and control of rabies, and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 4].

Business of the House (Consolidated Fund Bill).—Ordered, That, notwithstanding the practice of the House relating to the interval between the various stages of Bills of aids and supplies, more than one stage of the Consolidated Fund Bill may be proceeded with at this day’s sitting; and that as soon as the Bill has been read a second time the House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee on the Bill.—(Mr. Edward Short.)

Ways and Means.—Independent Broadcasting Authority.—Resolved, That it is expedient to make further provision as to the payments to be made to the Independent Broadcasting Authority by television programme contractors, including provision authorising or requiring the Authority to contract with programme contractors for payments to the Authority and provision for the whole or any part of those payments to be paid, directly or indirectly, into the Consolidated Fund, and to provide for other matters supplementary thereto.—(Mr. Alexander Lyon.)

Independent Broadcasting Authority [Money].—Her Majesty’s Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Independent Broadcasting Authority [Money]

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision as to the payments to be made to the Independent Broadcasting Authority by television programme contractors, including provision authorising or requiring the Authority to contract with programme contractors for payments to the Authority and provision for the whole or any part of those payments to be paid, directly or indirectly, into the Consolidated Fund, and to provide for other matters supplementary thereto.—(Mr. Alexander Lyon):—It was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the foregoing Resolutions: And that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr. Secretary Jenkins, Mr. Secretary Benn, Dr. John Gilbert, and Mr. Alexander Lyon, do prepare and bring it in.

Independent Broadcasting Authority Bill.—Mr. Alexander Lyon accordingly presented a Bill to make further provision as to the payments to be made to the Independent Broadcasting Authority by television programme contractors; 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 [Bill 5].

Consolidated Fund Bill.—The Order of the day being read for the Second Reading of the Consolidated Fund Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o’clock on Thursday morning:

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And the Question being put:—It was agreed to.

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

The House immediately resolved itself into the Committee, pursuant to the Order of the House this day.

(In the Committee)
Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. John Golding 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 forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 93 (Consolidated Fund Bills), That the Bill be now read the third time:—

It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

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

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes to Six o'clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

|APPENDIX|

Wednesday 20th March 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Dr. John Gilbert:

Contingencies Fund, 1972-73,—Accounts of the Contingencies Fund, 1972-73, showing (1) the Receipts and Payments in connection with the Fund in the year ended 31st March 1973, 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 [pursuant to Order yesterday]; to be printed [No. 44].

Mr. Secretary Callaghan:

European Communities (No. 1, 1974),—Copy of Supplementary Protocols, made at Ankara on 30th June 1973, to the Association Agreement between the European Economic Community and Turkey consequent on the accession of new Member States to the Community and on Products within the province of the European Coal and Steel Community (with Final Act and Supplementary Internal Financial Agreement) (the instruments are not in force) [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Foot:

Factories,—Copy of Regulations, dated 14th March 1974, entitled the Sanitary Accommodation (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 426) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Benn:

Ministers of the Crown,—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications (Dissolution) Order 1974 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:

Harbours, Docks, Piers and Ferries,—Copies of Orders—

(1) dated 31st December 1973, entitled the Forth Ports Authority (Borrowing Powers) Order 1973, and

(2) dated 26th January 1974, entitled the Aberdeen Harbour Revision Order 1974,

with Certificates by the Secretary of State for the Environment under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 (as substituted in relation to Orders extending to Scotland only by Section 10 of the Act) [by Act].

Local Government,—Copy of an Order, dated 19th March 1974, entitled the Local Authorities etc. (Staff Transfer and Protection) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 483) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Morris:

National Health Service,—Copy of Regulations, dated 11th March 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Appointment of Consultants) (Wales) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 477) [by Act].

Mr. Frederick Peart:

Diseases of Animals,—Copy of an Order, dated 15th March 1974, entitled the Importation of Animals for Exhibition Order 1974 [by Act].

Sea Fisheries,—Copy of an Order, dated 8th March 1974, entitled the Mackerel (Regulation of Landing) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 397) [by Act].
The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Election Expenses,—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 the Expenses of each Candidate at the General Election of February 1974, in the United Kingdom, as transmitted to the Returning Officers pursuant to the Representation of the People Act 1949, and of the number of votes polled by each candidate, the description of each candidate, the number of polling districts and stations, the number of electors, and the number of persons entitled to vote by post.—(Dr. Shirley Summerskill.)

Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

Health and Safety at Work, etc. Bill,—Mr. Secretary Foot, supported by Mr. Secretary Jenkins, Mrs. Secretary Castle, Mr. Secretary Crosland, Mr. Secretary Ross, Mr. Frederick Peart, Mr. Secretary John Morris, Mr. Edmund Dell, and Mr. Harold Walker, presented a Bill to make further provision for securing the health, safety and welfare of persons at work, for protecting others against risks to health or safety in connection with the activities of persons at work, for controlling the keeping and use and preventing the unlawful acquisition, possession and use of dangerous substances, and for controlling certain emissions into the atmosphere; to make further provision with respect to the employment medical advisory service; to amend the law relating to building regulations, and the Building (Scotland) Act 1959; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 61].

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

Royal Assent,—Mr. Deputy Speaker notified the House, in accordance with the Royal Assent Act 1967, That Her Majesty had signified Her Royal Assent to the following Act agreed upon by both Houses:

Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Act 1974.

Adjournment,—The Question being again proposed, That this House do now adjourn:

Lords Message considered accordingly.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to join with a Committee appointed by the Lords to consider:

(1) Every instrument which is laid before each House of Parliament and upon which proceedings may be or might have been taken in either House of Parliament, in pursuance of an Act of Parliament; being

(a) a statutory instrument, or a draft of a statutory instrument;
(b) a scheme, or an amendment of a scheme, or draft thereof, requiring approval by statutory instrument;
(c) any other instrument (whether or not in draft), where the proceedings in pursuance of an Act of Parliament are proceedings by way of an affirmative resolution; or
(d) an order subject to special parliamentary procedure.
(2) Every general statutory instrument not within the foregoing classes, and not required to be laid before or to be subject to proceedings in this House only, but not including Measures under the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act 1919 and instruments made under such Measures, 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 payment;

(ii) that it is made in pursuance of any enactment containing specific provisions excluding it from challenge in the courts, either at all times or after the expiration of a specific period;

(iii) that it purports to have retrospective effect where the parent Statute confers no express authority so to provide;

(iv) that there appears to have been unjustifiable delay in the publication or in the laying of it before Parliament;

(v) that there appears to have been unjustifiable delay in sending a notification under the proviso to subsection (1) of section four of the Statutory Instruments Act 1946, where an instrument has come into operation before it has been laid before Parliament;

(vi) that there appears to be a doubt whether it is intra vires or that it appears to make some unusual or unexpected use of the powers conferred by the Statute under which it is made;

(vii) that for any special reason its form or purport call for elucidation;

(viii) that its drafting appears to be defective;

or on any other ground which does not impinge on its merits or on the policy behind it; and to report their decision with the reasons thereof in any particular case:—And the Committee was nominated of Mr. Ronald Bell, Mr. Cryer, Mr. Denzil Davies, Mr. Arthur Latham, Mr. R. Graham Page, Mr. Paul B. Rose, and Mr. David Waddington.

Ordered, That Two be the Quorum of the Committee.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to appoint one or more Sub-committees severally to join with any Sub-committee or Sub-committees appointed by the Committee appointed by the Lords; and to refer to such Sub-committee or Sub-committees any of the matters referred to the Committee.

Ordered, That the Committee and any Sub-committee appointed by them shall have the assistance of the Counsel to Mr. Speaker and, if their Lordships think fit, of the Counsel to the Lord Chairman of Committees.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to sit notwithstanding any Adjournment of the House and to report from time to time, and that any Sub-committee appointed by them have power to sit notwithstanding any Adjournment of the House.

Ordered, That the Committee and any Sub-committee appointed by them have power to require any Government Department concerned to submit a memorandum explaining any instrument 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.

Ordered, That the Committee and any Sub-committee appointed by them have power to take evidence, written or oral, from Her Majesty’s Stationery Office relating to the printing and publication of any instrument.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to report to the House from time to time any Memorandum submitted to them or other evidence taken before them or any Sub-committee appointed by them from any Government Department in explanation of any instrument.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee that before reporting that the special attention of the House be drawn to any instrument the Committee do afford to any Government Department concerned therewith an opportunity of furnishing orally or in writing to them or to any Sub-committee appointed by them such explanation as the Department think fit.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee that they do consider any instrument which is directed by Act of Parliament to be laid before and to be subject to proceedings in this House only, being—

(a) statutory instruments, or drafts of statutory instruments;

(b) schemes, or amendments of schemes, or drafts thereof, requiring approval by statutory instrument; or
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(c) any other instrument (whether or not in draft), where the proceedings in pursuance of an Act of Parliament are proceedings by way of an affirmative resolution;

and that they have power to draw such instruments to the special attention of the House on any of the grounds on which the Joint Committee are empowered so to draw the special attention of the House; and that in considering any such instrument the Committee do not join with the Committee appointed by the Lords.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Message to the Lords to acquaint them with such of the said Orders as are necessary to be communicated to their Lordships.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.29 p.m.

APPENDIX

Thursday 21st March 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Dr. John Gilbert:


Appropriations in Aid,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 21st March 1974, directing the application of certain receipts as Appropriations in Aid of the Vote for Law, Order and Protective Services in Northern Ireland [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Callaghan:

Treaty Series (No. 6, 1974),—Copy of a Resolution, approved at the Twenty-second Session of the International Coffee Council on 14th April 1973, to extend the International Coffee Agreement 1968 with modifications (with text of Agreement as extended and Distribution of Votes) [by Command].

Treaty Series (No. 20, 1974),—Copy of a Decision made at Luxembourg on 25th June 1973 by the representatives of the Governments of the Member States of the European Coal and Steel Community, meeting within the Council, opening tariff preferences for products covered by that Community and originating in Norway [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Ross:

Education (Scotland),—Copy of Regulations, dated 4th March 1974, entitled the Teachers Superannuation (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Scotland) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 376) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Prentice:

National Museums and Galleries,—Copy of a Statement on Indemnities for Borrowed Objects (Tate Gallery) [by Command].

Mrs. Secretary Castle:

Social Security,—Report of the National Insurance Advisory Committee on the National Insurance (Health Service Reorganisation Consequential Amendments) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 410) [by Act]; to be printed [No. 32].


Mr. Secretary Crosland:

Housing,—Draft of an Order, entitled the Housing Corporation Advances (Increase of Limit) Order 1974 [by Act].

Local Government,—Copies of—

(1) an Order, dated 19th March 1974, entitled the Local Authorities etc. (Miscellaneous Provision) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 482), and

Road Traffic,—Copies of Regulations—
(1) dated 20th March 1974, entitled the Motor Vehicles (Speed Limits on Motorways) (Amendment) Regulations 1974, and
(2) dated 21st March 1974, entitled the Motorways Traffic (Speed Limit) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 502) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Varley:
Control of Fuel and Electricity,—Copy of an Order, dated 21st March 1974, entitled the Fuel and Electricity (Control) (Revocation) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 511) [by Act].

Paper laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:
Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Copy of the First Report of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, Session 1974 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 2].

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Friday, 22nd March, 1974.

The House met at Eleven o’clock.

PRAYERS.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix).

Dumping at Sea Bill,—The Dumping at Sea Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Committal of Bills).

Dumping at Sea [Money].—Her Majesty’s Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Dumping at Sea [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to control dumping in the sea, it is expedient to authorise—
(a) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of all sums required for the purpose of making payments on behalf of Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom to the international organisations mentioned in the said Act;
(b) the payment out of money so provided—
   (i) of such fees and allowances for members of committees under the said Act;
   (ii) of such salaries and allowances for the staff of such committees;
   (iii) of such other expenses of such committees; and
   (iv) of such salaries or other remuneration for British enforcement officers (within the meaning of the said Act), as the licensing authority constituting any such committee under the Act or appointing such staff or officers may, with the consent of the Minister for the Civil Service, determine;
(c) the payment out of money so provided of any expenses incurred under the said Act by a licensing authority and not mentioned in paragraph (a) or (b) above; and
(d) the payment into the Consolidated Fund of any receipts of a licensing authority under the said Act. —(Mr. Norman Buchan.)

Agriculture,—Resolved, That the Eggs Authority Levy Scheme (Approval) Order 1974, a copy of which was laid before this House on 14th March, be approved.—(Mr. Norman Buchan.)

Agriculture,—Resolved, That the Calf Subsidies (United Kingdom) Scheme 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 13th March, be approved.—(Mr. Norman Buchan.)

Representation of the People,—Resolved, That the Representation of the People Regulations 1974, a copy of which was laid before this House on 8th February, in the last Session of the last Parliament, be approved.—(Dr. Shirley Summerskill.)
Customs and Excise,—Resolved, That the Customs Duties and Drawbacks (Revenue Duties) (Morocco) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 143), dated 31st January 1974, a copy of which was laid before this House on 7th February, in the last Session of the last Parliament, be approved.—(Dr. John Gilbert.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till six minutes past Three o'clock, adjourned till Monday next.

[Adjourned at 3.6 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Friday 22nd March 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Dr. John Gilbert:


Mr. Secretary Jenkins:


Mr. Secretary Ross:

National Health Service (Scotland),—Copy of Regulations, dated 13th March 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Superannuation) (Scotland) Amendment Regulation 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 441) [by Act].

Mrs. Secretary Castle:


Mr. Secretary Shore:

Protection of Wrecks,—Copies of Orders, dated 15th March 1974, entitled—

(1) the Protection of Wrecks (Designation No. 5) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 457), and

(2) the Protection of Wrecks (Designation No. 6) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 458) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:

Local Government,—Copies of Regulations, dated 21st March 1974, entitled—

(1) the Local Authority (Mortgages) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 518), and

(2) the Local Authority (Stocks and Bonds) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 519) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Rees:

Control of Fuel and Electricity,—Copy of an Order, dated 21st March 1974, entitled the Fuel and Electricity (Revocation of Control) (Northern Ireland) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 512) [by Act].

Mr. Frederick Peart:


Papers laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Tribunals and Inquiries,—Copies of Rules, dated 11th March 1974, entitled—

(1) the Town and Country Planning (Inquiries Procedure) Rules 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 419), and

(2) the Town and Country Planning Appeals (Determination by Appointed Person (Inquiries Procedure) Rules 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 420) [by Act].

The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

Glasgow Corporation (Control of Parking, etc.) Order Confirmation Bill.—Mr. Secretary Ross presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under Section 8 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, relating to Glasgow Corporation (Control of Parking, etc.): And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next and to be printed [Bill 7].

Glasgow Corporation (Miscellaneous Provisions) Order Confirmation Bill.—Mr. Secretary Ross presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under Section 8 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, relating to Glasgow Corporation (Miscellaneous Provisions): And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next and to be printed [Bill 9].

Greenock Corporation Order Confirmation Bill.—Mr. Secretary Ross presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under Section 8 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, relating to Greenock Corporation: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next and to be printed [Bill 8].

Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented (see Appendix).

Local Government.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Rate Support Grant Order 1974, a copy of which was laid before this House on 14th March, be approved—(Mr. Secretary Crosland);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Joseph Harper : 292.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Marcus Fox, Mr. Michael Jopling : 217.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the Rate Support Grant Order 1974, a copy of which was laid before this House on 14th March, be approved.

Tuesday, 26th March, 1974:

Local Government (Scotland).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Rate Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1974, a copy of which was laid before this House on 19th March, be approved—(Mr. Secretary Ross);

And it being One and a half hours after the commencement of Proceedings on the Motion, Mr. Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3 (Exempted business):—It was agreed to.

Resolved, That the Rate Support Grant (Scotland) Order 1974, a copy of which was laid before this House on 19th March, be approved.

Local Government (Scotland).—Resolved, That the Rate Support Grant (Increase) (Scotland) Order 1974, a copy of which was laid before this House on 19th March, be approved.—(Mr. Secretary Ross.)

Local Government (Scotland).—Resolved, That the Rate Support Grant (Increase) (Scotland) (No. 2) Order 1974, a copy of which was laid before this House on 19th March, be approved.—(Mr. Secretary Ross.)

Representation of the People.—Resolved, That the Representation of the People (Scotland) Regulations 1974, a copy of which was laid before this House on 19th March, be approved.—(Mr. Bruce Millan.)

Rating and Valuation.—Resolved, That the Rating of Minor Structural Alterations to Dwellings (Specified Amount) Order 1974, a copy of which was laid before this House on 13th March, be approved.—(Mr. Gordon Oakes.)
Burial,—Resolved, That the Local Authorities' Cemeteries Order 1974, dated 12th March 1974, a copy of which was laid before this House on 18th March, be approved.—(Mr. Gordon Oakes.)

Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Donald Coleman)—Debate arising:

And the Question having been proposed after Ten o'clock on Monday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then thirteen minutes past Two o'clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.

Adjourned at 2.13 a.m.

APPENDIX

Monday 25th March 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:

Police,—Copy of an Order, dated 13th March 1974, entitled the Police etc. and Fire Pensions (Modification) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 432) [by Act].

Mrs. Secretary Castle:

National Health Service,—Copy of Regulations, dated 22nd March 1974, entitled the National Health Service (General Ophthalmic Services) (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 527) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:

London Government,—Copies of—

(1) an Order, dated 15th March 1974, entitled the London Highways (Transitional Provisions) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 449), and


[p by Act].

Pensions,—Copy of Regulations, dated 22nd March 1974, entitled the Local Government Superannuation Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 520) [by Act].


Mr. Secretary Morris:

Housing,—Copy of Regulations, dated 20th March 1974, entitled the Rent Rebate and Rent Allowance Schemes (Wales) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 516) [by Act].

Mr. Edward Short:

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Copies of Statutes made by the Governing Body of the University of Cambridge on 18th January 1974, amending the Statutes of the University [by Act].

Mr. Frederick Peart:

River Authorities,—Copies of the Reports for the year ended 31st March 1973 of—

(1) the Dee and Clwyd River Authority,

(2) the Glamorgan River Authority, and

(3) the Somerset River Authority,

[by Act].
Tuesday, 26th March, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Standing Order not previously inquired into complied with).—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 after the Second Reading thereof, the Standing Order not previously inquired into, which is applicable thereto, has been complied with, viz.:

Spanish and Portuguese Jews' (Golders Green) Burial Ground Bill.

Bill committed.

British Railways Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the British Railways Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday 8th April at Seven o'clock.

Burmah-Total Refineries Trust Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Burmah-Total Refineries Trust Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next at Seven o'clock.

Clifton Suspension Bridge Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Clifton Suspension Bridge Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next at Seven o'clock.

Renfrew County Council Order Confirmation Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Consideration of the Renfrew County Council Order Confirmation Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Tuesday next.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. R. Graham Page reported from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, 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 (First Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 52]-i.

Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Zetland County Council Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Statutory Instruments,—The Lords propose that the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments do meet in Committee Room 4 this day at Six o'clock.

Statutory Instruments,—Ordered, That so much of the Lords Message this day as relates to Statutory Instruments be now considered.

So much of the Lords Message considered accordingly.,

Ordered, That the Committee appointed by this House do meet the Lords Committee as proposed by their Lordships.

Message to the Lords to acquaint them therewith.

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. R. Graham Page reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Statutory Instruments, 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 (First Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 51]-i.

Financial Statement and Budget Report 1974-75,—Ordered, That there be laid before this House a copy of the Financial Statement and Budget Report as laid before the House by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer when opening the Budget.—(Dr. John Gilbert.)
Ways and Means.—Provisional Collection of Taxes.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That pursuant to section 5 of the Provisional Collection of Taxes Act 1968 provisional statutory effect shall be given to the following Motions—

(a) Spirits (customs and excise) (Motion No. 2),
(b) Beer (customs and excise) (Motion No. 3),
(c) Wine (customs) (Motion No. 4),
(d) British wine (excise) (Motion No. 5),
(e) Tobacco (customs and excise) (Motion No. 6),
(f) General betting duty (excise) (Motion No. 7),
(g) Pool betting duty (excise) (Motion No. 8),
(h) Value added tax (time of supply) (Motion No. 10)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer) : It was agreed to.

Ways and Means.—Amendment of the Law.—A Motion was made, and the Question being 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; but this Resolution does not extend to the making of amendments with respect to value added tax so as to provide—

(a) for zero-rating or exempting any supply;
(b) for refunding any amount of tax;
(c) for varying the rate of that tax otherwise than in relation to all supplies and importations; or
(d) for any relief other than relief applicable to goods of whatever description or services of whatever description—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer) :—Debate arising;

Ordered, That the Debate be now adjourned.—(Mr. Jack Dormand.)
Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

Ashdown Forest Bill.—The Order of the day being read for the Second Reading of the Ashdown Forest Bill;
And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;
The House divided.
Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Bryant Godman Irvine, Mr. Geoffrey Johnson Smith: 118.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Maxwell-Hyslop, Mrs. Lena Jeger: 33.
So the Question was agreed to.
The Bill was accordingly read a second time and committed.

Northern Ireland.—Resolved, That the Agriculture Payments (Extension) (Northern Ireland) Order 1974, a copy of which was laid before this House on 12th March, be approved.—(Mr. Stanley Orme.)

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Joseph Harper);
And it being Ten o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

Adjournment.—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. James Hamilton.)
And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-three minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

APPENDIX

Tuesday 26th March 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Joel Barnett:
National Loans Fund.—Copy of a Statement on loans from the National Loans Fund for 1974-75 [by Command].

Supply Estimates, 1974-75.—Memorandum on the Supply Estimates for the year ending 31st March 1975 [by Command].
Dr. John Gilbert:

Financial Statement 1974-75,—Copy of Financial Statement and Budget Report 1974-75 as laid before the House by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer when opening the Budget [pursuant to Order this day]; to be printed [No. 45].

Import Duties,—Copy of an Order, dated 18th March 1974, entitled the Import Duties (Temporary Reductions and Exemptions) (No. 3) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 475) [by Act].

Value Added Tax,—Copy of an Order, dated 26th March 1974, entitled the Value Added Tax (General) (No. 1) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 542) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:


Local Government,—Copy of an Order, dated 18th March 1974, entitled the Magistrates’ Courts (Transfer of Staff) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 499) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Callaghan:

European Communities (No. 4, 1974),—Copy of an Agreement, signed at Brussels on 18th April 1973, between the European Economic Community and the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia on trade in cotton textiles (with Exchange of Letters) [by Command].


Mrs. Secretary Castle:


Social Security,—Copy of Regulations, dated 18th March 1974, entitled the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) (Health Service Reorganisation Consequential Amendments) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 464) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:

Harbours, Docks, Piers and Ferries,—Copies of Orders, dated 8th February 1974, entitled—

1. the Port of Tyne Authority (Constitution) Revision Order 1974, and
2. the Porthmadog Harbour Revision Order 1974,

with Certificates by the Secretary of State for the Environment under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 [by Act].

Water,—Copies of Orders—

1. Dated 13th March 1974, entitled the Water Authorities (Collection of Charges) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 448), and

[b by Act].

Water Resources,—Copy of the Report of the Water Resources Board for the year ended 30th September 1973 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 9].

Mrs. Secretary Williams:

Counter-Inflation,—Copy of an Order, dated 26th March 1974, entitled the Counter-Inflation (Notification of Increases in Prices and Charges) (Amendment) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 543) [by Act].

Mr. Frederick Peart:

Smallholdings,—Copy of the Report on Smallholdings in England and Wales for the year ended 31st March 1973 [by Act].
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26th—27th March 1974

Papers laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Church of England (General Synod) (Measures).—Copies of Measures passed by the General Synod of the Church of England, entitled—

(1) the Synodical Government (Amendment) Measure 1974, and
(2) the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction (Amendment) Measure 1974
[by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 47 and 49].

Church of England (General Synod) (Measures).—Reports by the Ecclesiastical Committee upon—

(1) the Synodical Government (Amendment) Measure 1974, and
(2) the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction (Amendment) Measure 1974
[by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 48 and 50].

Magistrates’ Courts.—Copy of Rules, dated 14th March 1974, entitled the Magistrates’ Courts (Forms) (Amendment) Rules 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 444) [by Act].

No. 16

Wednesday, 27th March, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

Selection.—The Committee of Selection was nominated of Mr. Ronald Brown, Mr. Hugh Delargy, Mr. Harold Garder, Mr. Cledwyn Hughes, Mr. Adam Hunter, Mr. Bryant Godman Irvine, Mr. Ken Lewis, Mr. Martin McLaren, Miss Quennell, Mr. Albert Roberts, and Mr. Frederick Willey. (Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Ayr County Council Order Confirmation Bill.—Mr. Secretary Ross presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under Section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, relating to Ayr County Council: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be considered upon Tuesday next and to be printed [Bill 10].

St. Andrews Links Order Confirmation Bill.—Mr. Secretary Ross presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under Section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, relating to St. Andrews Links: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be considered upon Tuesday next and to be printed [Bill 11].

Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix).

Ways and Means.—Amendment of the Law.—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed yesterday, 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; but this Resolution does not extend to the making of amendments with respect to value added tax so as to provide—

(a) for zero-rating or exempting any supply;

(b) for refunding any amount of tax;

(c) for varying the rate of that tax otherwise than in relation to all supplies and importations; or

(d) for any relief other than relief applicable to goods of whatever description or services of whatever description;

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

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

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

Statutory Instruments.—Ordered, That Mr. Ronald Bell, Mr. Denzil Davies, and Mr. Paul B. Rose be discharged from the Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the Lords on Statutory Instruments; and that Mr. John Lee, Mr. Robert Redmond, and Mr. Peter Snape be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes past Ten o’clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.28 p.m.]
APPENDIX

Wednesday 27th March 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Dr. John Gilbert:

Institute of Cancer Research,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 27th March 1974, relative to the leasing at a nominal rental of land at the Royal Marsden Hospital, Sutton, to the Institute of Cancer Research [by Command].

Appropriations in Aid,—Copies of Treasury Minutes, dated 27th March 1974, directing the application of certain receipts as Appropriations in Aid of—

(1) the Vote for Transport Industries, and
(2) the Votes for the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Northern Ireland Office [by Act].

Government Annuities and Insurances,—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 the Contracts made, for 1973 [by Act].

Import Duties,—Copy of an Order, dated 26th March 1974, entitled the Import Duties (Temporary Reductions and Exemptions) (No. 4) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 570) [by Act].

Savings Banks,—Copy of Regulations, dated 26th March 1974, entitled the National Savings Bank (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 553) [by Act].

Savings Banks,—Drafts of Orders, entitled—

(1) the Post Office Savings Bank (Investment Deposits) (Limits) (Revocation) Order 1974, and
(2) the Trustee Savings Banks (Special Investments) (Limits) (Revocation) Order 1974 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Ross:

National Health Service (Scotland),—Copies of Orders, dated 15th March 1974, entitled—

(1) the National Health Service (Transfer of Local Authority Property—Change of Use and Exemption) (Scotland) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 471), and
(2) the National Health Service (Transfer of Speech Therapists) (Scotland) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 469) [by Act].

National Health Service (Scotland),—Copies of Regulations—

(1) dated 13th March 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Financial Provisions) (Scotland) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 468), and
(2) dated 15th March 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Designated Medical Officers) (Scotland) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 470) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Shore:

Civil Aviation,—Copy of Regulations, dated 26th March 1974, entitled the Civil Aviation (Navigation Services Charges) (Third Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 564) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Benn:

Census of Production,—Copy of the Report of the Census of Production for 1971 relating to the analysis of United Kingdom manufacturing (local) units by employment size [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:

Town and Country Planning,—Copies of Orders, dated 13th March 1974, entitled—

(1) the Town and Country Planning (Development Plans) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 460), and
Mr. Secretary Morris:

Acquisition of Land.—Copy of an Order, dated 21st January 1974, entitled the Welsh Office Highlands Compulsory Purchase Order (No. 1) (The M4 Motorway and the London-Fishguard Trunk Road, Stormy Down to Groes Section) 1974, with a Certificate by the Secretary of State for Wales under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 [by Act].

Mr. Frederick Peart:

Animals.—Copy of the Report of the Committee on the Export of Animals for Slaughter [by Command].

Food and Drugs.—Copies of Orders, dated 26th March 1974, entitled—
(1) the Milk (Great Britain) (Amendment) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 565), and
(2) the Milk (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 566) [by Act].

Mr. Attorney General:

Defamation.—Copy of the Interim Report of the Committee on Defamation [by Command].

Paper laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker:

Statutory Instruments (Notification).—Communication declaring that copies of the Combined Probation and After-Care Areas Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 529) had yet to be laid before Parliament, and explaining why such copies had not been so laid before the Order came into operation [pursuant to Standing Order No. 121 (Notification in respect of certain Statutory Instruments)].

Thursday, 28th March, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS

Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Ways and Means.—Amendment of the Law.—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 26th March, 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 ; but this Resolution does not extend to the making of amendments with respect to value added tax so as to provide—
(a) for zero-rating or exempting any supply ;
(b) for refunding any amount of tax ;
(c) for varying the rate of that tax otherwise than in relation to all supplies and importations ; or
(d) for any relief other than relief applicable to goods of whatever description or services of whatever description ;

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

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

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

Road Traffic.—Resolved, That the Motor Vehicles (Speed Limits on Motorways) (Amendment) Regulations 1974, a copy of which was laid before this House on 21st March, be approved.—(Mr. Frederick Mulley.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till seventeen minutes to Eleven o’clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.43 p.m.]
APPENDIX

Thursday 28th March 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:

Police,—Copy of the Report of the Working Group for England and Wales on the handling of complaints against the police [by Command].

Local Government,—Copy of an Order, dated 22nd March 1974, entitled the Transfer of Police Civilian Staff and Probation Staff Order 1974 (S.I. 1974, No. 533) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Callaghan:

Treaty Series (No. 16, 1974),—Copy of a Convention, signed at London, Moscow and Washington on 29th March 1972, on international liability for damage caused by space objects [by Command].

Treaty Series (No. 17, 1974),—Copy of Notes exchanged at Islamabad on 10th November 1973 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Pakistan, concerning an interest-free loan by Her Majesty's Government to the Government of Pakistan (United Kingdom/Pakistan Loan Agreement 1973) [by Command].

Treaty Series (No. 19, 1974),—Copy of an Agreement, signed at London on 10th January 1974, between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Fiji, for air services between and beyond their respective territories [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Ross:

Police,—Copy of the Report of the Working Group for Scotland on the handling of complaints against the police [by Command].

Atomic Energy and Radioactive Substances,—Copies of Orders, dated 14th March 1974, entitled—

(1) the Radioactive Substances (Hospitals' Waste) Exemption (Scotland) Amendment Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 487), and

(2) the Radioactive Substances (Thorium-X) Exemption (Scotland) Amendment Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 488) [by Act].

National Health Service (Scotland),—Copies of Regulations—

(1) dated 13th March 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Qualifications of Health Visitors) (Scotland) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 485), and

(2) dated 14th March 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Expenses in attending Hospitals) (Scotland) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 486) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Mason:

Defence (Territorial and Auxiliary Forces),—Copy of a Statement showing the financial position of Territorial, Auxiliary and Volunteer Reserve Associations on 31st March 1973 [by Command].

Mrs. Secretary Castle:


Medicines,—Copy of an Order, dated 19th March 1974, entitled the Medicines (Exemption from Licences) (Clinical Trials) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 498) [by Act].

National Health Service,—Copies of Regulations, dated 20th March 1974, entitled—

(1) the National Health Service (Professions Supplementary to Medicine) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 494), and

(2) the National Health Service (Speech Therapists) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 495) [by Act].
Mr. Secretary Crosland:
Atomic Energy and Radioactive Substances,—Copies of Orders, dated 20th March 1974, entitled—
(1) the Radioactive Substances (Hospitals’ Waste) Exemption (Amendment) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 501), and
(2) the Radioactive Substances (Thorium X) Exemption (Amendment) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 500) [by Act].
Local Government,—Copy of an Order, dated 27th March 1974, entitled the Local Government (Successor Parishes) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 569) [by Act].
Town and Country Planning,—Copy of an Order, dated 22nd March 1974, entitled the Land Compensation Development Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 539) [by Act].

Mr. Frederick Peart:
Animals,—Return of Proceedings under the Diseases of Animals Act 1950, for 1973 [by Act].

Mr. Attorney General:
University of Bristol Bill,—Report of the Attorney General on the University of Bristol Bill [pursuant to Standing Order 158 (Bills affecting charities or educational foundations)].

Paper laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:
Juries (Consolidation of Enactments),—Memorandum by the Lord Chancellor proposing corrections and minor improvements in certain enactments relating to Juries [by Act]; to be printed [No. 54].

CHAIRMEN’S PANEL
In pursuance of Standing Order No. 106 (Chairmen’s Panel), Mr. Speaker has nominated Mr. John Brewis, Mr. Richard Crawshaw, Mr. Alan Fitch, Sir Myer Galpern, Mr. Harold Gurden, Mr. Bryant Godman Irvine, Mrs. Lena Jeger, Sir Stephen McAdden, Miss Joan Quennell, and Mr. Woodhouse to be members of the Chairmen’s Panel during this Session.
House of Commons (Services).—Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to advise Mr. Speaker on the control of the accommodation and services in that part of the Palace of Westminster and its precincts occupied by or on behalf of the House of Commons, and to report thereon to this House.

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Sixteen Members.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Dr. Reginald Bennett, Mr. Arthur Bottomley, Mr. Richard Buchanan, Mr. Robert Cooke, Mr. James A. Dunn, Mr. Reginald Eyre, Mr. Geoffrey Finisberg, Mr. Ben Ford, Mr. Walter Harrison, Mr. Jasper More, Mr. John Robertson, Mr. Giles Shaw, Mr. Urwin, Mr. Bernard Weatherill, Mr. Phillip Whitehead, and Dr. Michael Winstanley.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum of the Committee.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers and records; to sit notwithstanding any Adjournment of the House 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 Two be the Quorum of every such Sub-committee.

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

Ordered, That the Committee have power to report from time to time the Minutes of the Evidence taken before Sub-committees and reported by them to the Committee.

Ordered, That any Sub-committee which may be appointed to deal with the organisation of and the provision of services in the Library do have the assistance of the Librarian.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services) and before any Sub-committee of that Committee in the last Session of the last Parliament and reported to the House on 7th and 8th February be referred to the Committee.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-six minutes to Three o'clock, adjourned till Monday next.

[Adjourned at 2.34 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Friday 29th March 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Dr. John Gilbert:
Import Duties,—Copy of an Order, dated 28th March 1974, entitled the Import Duties (General) (No. 2) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 608) [by Act].
National Debt,—Copy of Regulations, dated 26th March 1974, entitled the Savings Certificates (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 552) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:
Coroners,—Copies of Orders, dated 22nd March 1974, entitled—
(1) the Buckinghamshire (Coroners’ Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 576),
(2) the Cambridgeshire (Coroners’ Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 577),
(3) the Derbyshire (Coroners’ Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 578),
(4) the Devon (Coroners’ Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 579),
(5) the Gwynedd (Coroners’ Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 580),
(6) the North Yorkshire (Coroners’ Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 581),
(7) the Nottinghamshire (Coroners’ Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 582), and
(8) the West Midlands (Coroners’ Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 583) [by Act].
Coroners,—Copies of Orders, dated 25th March 1974, entitled—

(1) the Dyfed (Coroners' Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 584)
(2) the Leicestershire (Coroners' Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 585), and
(3) the Powys (Coroners' Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 586)

[by Act].

Coroners,—Copy of an Order, dated 26th March 1974, entitled the Suffolk (Coroners' Districts) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 587) [by Act].

Justices of the Peace,—Copy of Regulations, dated 22nd March 1974, entitled the Justices' Allowances (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 550) [by Act].


Police,—Copy of an Order, dated 22nd March 1974, entitled the Transfer of Police Officers Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 551) [by Act].

Probation and After-Care,—Copy of an Order, dated 20th March 1974, entitled the Combined Probation and After-Care Areas Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 529) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Ross:

National Health Service (Scotland),—Copies of Orders—

(1) dated 15th March 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Transfer of Hospital Endowments) (Scotland) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 510),
(2) dated 19th March 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Enforceability of Rights and Liabilities of Executive Councils and Joint Committees of Executive Councils) (Scotland) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 521), and
(3) dated 19th March 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Transfer of Rights and Liabilities of Regional Hospital Boards and Boards of Management) (Scotland) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 509)

[by Act].

National Health Service (Scotland),—Copies of Regulations, dated 19th March 1974, entitled—

(1) the National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 508),
(2) the National Health Service (Charges) (Scotland) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 522),
(3) the National Health Service (General Dental Services) (Scotland) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 505),
(4) the National Health Service (General Medical and Pharmaceutical Services) (Scotland) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 506),
(5) the National Health Service (General Ophthalmic Services) (Scotland) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 507), and
(6) the National Health Service (Service Committees and Tribunal) (Scotland) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 504)

[by Act].

National Health Service (Scotland),—Copy of Regulations, dated 22nd March 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Supply of Goods at Clinics) (Scotland) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 548) [by Act].

Police,—Copy of Regulations, dated 14th March 1974, entitled the Police (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 489) [by Act].

Provisional Orders (Scotland),—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 are of opinion that the provisions of the Port Cam, Wester Ross (Draft) Provisional Order raise questions of public policy of such novelty and importance that they should be dealt with by Private Bill and not by Provisional Order [by Act].

Mrs. Secretary Castle:

National Health Service,—Copies of Regulations—

(1) dated 15th March 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Service Committees and Tribunal) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 455),
(2) dated 25th March 1974, entitled the National Health Service Financial (No. 2) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 541), and
(3) dated 29th March 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Charges for Appliances) (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 609)

[by Act].
Mr. Secretary Crosland:

Local Government,—Copy of an Order, dated 27th March 1974, entitled the Local Authorities etc. (Miscellaneous Provisions) (No. 2) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 595) [by Act].


Mr. Frederick Peart:

Agriculture,—Copy of an Order, dated 28th March 1974, entitled the Eggs Authority (Rates of Levy) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 606) [by Act].

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[No. 19.]

Monday, 1st April, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Ways and Means,—Amendment of the Law,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 26th March, 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; but this Resolution does not extend to the making of amendments with respect to value added tax so as to provide—

(a) for zero-rating or exempting any supply;

(b) for refunding any amount of tax;

(c) for varying the rate of that tax otherwise than in relation to all supplies and importations; or

(d) for any relief other than relief applicable to goods of whatever description or services of whatever description;

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

And the Question being put:—It was agreed to.

2. Spirits (customs and excise).

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That, as from 27th March 1974—

(1) the rate of the duty of excise chargeable under section 1 of the Finance Act 1964 on British spirits by virtue of Schedule 1 to the Finance Act 1973 shall be increased by £1.5600 per proof gallon:

(2) the rates of the duties of customs chargeable under the said section 1 on imported spirits other than perfumed spirits by virtue of Schedule 1 to the Finance Act 1973 or any order made before that date under section 1(4) of the Finance Act 1973 shall each be increased—

(a) in the case of spirits not comprised in sub-paragraph (b) below, by £1.5600 per proof gallon; and

(b) in the case of liqueurs, cordials, mixtures and other preparations in bottle, entered in such manner as to indicate that the strength is not to be tested, by £2.1000 per liquid gallon,

but without prejudice to the powers conferred on the Treasury by section 1 of the Finance Act 1973.

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 1968—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.
3. Beer (customs and excise)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That—

(1) as from 27th March 1974 the rates of the duties of customs and excise chargeable under section 2 of the Finance Act 1964 on beer by virtue of Schedule 2 to the Finance Act 1973 or any order made before that date under section 1(4) of the Finance Act 1973 shall each be increased—

(a) except as regards the increases mentioned in paragraph (b) below, by £2.4600 per 36 gallons; and

(b) as regards the increases in the rates of duty falling to be made, in the case of beer of an original gravity exceeding 1,030 degrees, for each additional degree, by £0.0220 per 36 gallons;

(2) as respects beer on which there have been paid duties of customs or excise at the said increased rates, the rates of drawback allowable under the said section 2 by virtue of the said Schedule 2 or any such order shall each be increased by the like amount per 36 gallons,

but without prejudice to the powers conferred on the Treasury by section 1 of the Finance Act 1973.

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 1968—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—It was agreed to.

4. Wine (customs)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That, as from 27th March 1974, the rates of the duties of customs chargeable under section 3 of the Finance Act 1964 on imported wine (including the lees of wine) by virtue of Schedule 3 to the Finance Act 1973 or any order made before that date under section 1(4) of the Finance Act 1973 shall each be increased—

(a) except as regards the additions mentioned in paragraph (b) below, by £0.545 per gallon; and

(b) as regards the additions to the rates of duty falling to be made, in the case of wine exceeding 42 degrees of proof spirit, for each additional degree or fraction of a degree, by £0.045 per gallon,

but without prejudice to the powers conferred on the Treasury by section 1 of the Finance Act 1973.

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 1968—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—It was agreed to.

5. British wine (excise)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That, as from 27th March, the rates of the duty of excise chargeable under section 3 of the Finance Act 1964 on British wine by virtue of Schedule 4 to the Finance Act 1973 shall each be increased by £0.545 per gallon.

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 1968—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—It was agreed to.

6. Tobacco (customs and excise)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That—

(a) as from 27th March 1974 the rates of the duties of customs and excise chargeable under section 4 of the Finance Act 1964 on tobacco by virtue of Schedule 5 to the Finance Act 1973 or any order made before that date under section 1(4) of the Finance Act 1973 shall each be increased by £1.400 per pound;

(b) as respects tobacco on which there have been paid duties of customs or excise at the said increased rates, the rates of drawback allowable under the said section 4 by virtue of the said Schedule 5 or any such order shall each be increased by the like amount per pound,

but without prejudice to the powers conferred on the Treasury by section 1 of the Finance Act 1973.
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 1968—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

7. General betting duty (excise)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That the general betting duty chargeable under section 1 of the Betting and Gaming Duties Act 1972 or section 16 of the Miscellaneous Transferred Excise Duties Act (Northern Ireland) 1972 in respect of any bet made after 30th March 1974 which is not an on-course bet within the meaning of the section in question shall be of an amount equal to 7½ per cent. of the amount staked.

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 1968—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

8. Pool betting duty (excise)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That the amount of the pool betting duty chargeable under section 6 of the Betting and Gaming Duties Act 1972 or section 18 of the Miscellaneous Transferred Excise Duties Act (Northern Ireland) 1972 as respects bets made at any time by reference to any event taking place after 31st March 1974 shall be equal to 40 per cent. of the amount on which the duty falls to be computed.

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 1968—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

9. Surcharges and rebates in respect of revenue duties

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That the period after which orders under section 9 of the Finance Act 1961 may not be made or continue in force shall be extended until the end of August 1975—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

10. Value added tax (time of supply)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That Part I of the Finance Act 1972 (and in particular section 748) shall have effect, and be deemed always to have had effect, as if references to cases where—

(a) goods or services are supplied for a consideration the whole or part of which is determined or payable periodically or at the end of any period; or
(b) goods are supplied for a consideration the whole or part of which is determined at the time when the goods are appropriated for any purpose; or
(c) goods are supplied on hire for any period; or
(d) services are supplied for any period,

included cases where the supply took place or began before the passing of 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 1968—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

11. Income tax (surtax rates for 1972-73)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That section 10 of the Finance Act 1973 shall have effect as if each of the higher rates applied by subsection (1) of that section and the 40 per cent. mentioned in subsection (2) of that section were increased by 10 per cent. and one half of the surtax attributable to those increases shall be payable on 1st July 1974 and the other half on 1st January 1975; and that provision may be made for the recovery from members of dissolved companies of any surtax attributable to those increases.

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 1968—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.
A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That income tax for the year 1974-75 shall be charged at the basic rate of 33 per cent. and—

(a) in respect of so much of an individual's total income as exceeds £4,500 at such higher rates as are specified in the Table below; and

(b) in respect of so much of the investment income included in an individual's total income as exceeds £1,000 at the additional rates of 10 per cent. for the first £1,000 of the excess and 15 per cent. for the remainder;

except that, in the case of an individual who shows that, at any time within that year, his age or that of his wife living with him was 65 years or more, income tax at the additional rate of 10 per cent. shall not be charged in respect of the first £500 of the excess mentioned in paragraph (b) above.

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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 1968—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—It was agreed to.

13. Income tax (alteration of personal reliefs)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That the following alterations shall be made in Chapter II of Part I of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970—

(a) in section 8 (married and single relief)—

(i) in subsection (1)(a) (married) for £775 there shall be substituted £865 ;

(ii) in subsection (1)(b) (single) for £595 there shall be substituted £625 ; and

(iii) in subsection (2) (wife's earned income) for £595 there shall be substituted £625 ;

(b) in section 10(3) (appropriate amount for child)—

(i) for £265 (child over 16) there shall be substituted £305 ;

(ii) for £235 (child over 11 but not over 16) there shall be substituted £275 ; and

(iii) for £200 (child not over 11) there shall be substituted £240 ;

(c) in section 7 (relief for persons over 65 with small incomes)—

(i) for the references to £700 and £1,000 (income limits for exemption) there shall be substituted references to £810 and £1,170 ; and

(ii) for the reference to £340 (the excess over those limits beyond which relief by reduction of tax is excluded) there shall be substituted a reference to £565 ; and

(iii) for the reference to 50 per cent. (the percentage governing relief by reduction of tax) there shall be substituted a reference to 55 per cent.; and

(d) in section 24 (reduction on account of family allowances) for £60 there shall be substituted £52 ;

but this Resolution shall not require any change to be made in the amounts deductible or repayable under section 204 of that Act (pay as you earn) before 20th July 1974.

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 1968—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—It was agreed to.

14. Advance corporation tax (rate for financial year 1974)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That the rate of advance corporation tax for the financial year 1974 shall be thirty-three sixty-sevenths—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—It was agreed to.
15. Advance corporation tax (surcharge)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That charges may be imposed by requiring payments to be made in addition to payments of advance corporation tax falling due in the financial year 1974—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

16. Corporation tax (charge and rate for financial year 1973)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That corporation tax shall be charged for the financial year 1973 at the rate of 52 per cent.—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

17. Corporation tax (small companies)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That—
(a) the small companies rate for the financial year 1973 shall be 42 per cent; and
(b) the fraction by which corporation tax charged on income is reduced under section 95(2) of the Finance Act 1972 shall for the financial year 1973 be three-twentieths—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

18. Disallowance of interest (income tax)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That charges to income tax (including charges for past years of assessment) may be imposed by provisions restricting the circumstances in which interest may be deducted from or set off against income—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

19. Income tax (foreign elements)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That provision may be made—
(a) for charging to income tax certain income arising outside the United Kingdom and not remitted to the United Kingdom; and
(b) for amending the provisions relating to the charge to income tax in respect of emoluments from offices and employments and, in connection therewith, restricting the exemptions from charges under section 187 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970 (payments on retirement or removal from office or employment)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

20. Ordinary residence (income tax and capital gains tax)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That provision may be made whereby for the purposes of income tax and capital gains tax ordinary residence in the United Kingdom has in certain circumstances the same consequences as domicile in the United Kingdom—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

21. Life insurance companies (corporation tax)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That provision may be made for excluding section 93(2)(a) of the Finance Act 1972 (fraction reducing chargeable gains for purposes of corporation tax) in its application to certain gains made by life insurance companies—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

22. Friendly societies (income tax and corporation tax)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That charges to income tax and corporation tax may be imposed by provisions restricting the exemption of friendly societies from income tax and corporation tax and treating certain payments made by such societies as distributions—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.
23. Income tax (share option schemes and share incentive schemes)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That charges to income tax (including charges for the year 1973-74) may be imposed in connection with the acquisition by any person, as a director or employee of a body corporate, of shares or an interest in shares or of a right to acquire shares—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—It was agreed to.

24. Transactions in deposits of money or debts (income tax and corporation tax)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That charges to income tax and corporation tax, including charges for past years of assessment and accounting periods, may be imposed by provisions about transactions in deposits of money or debts—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

25. Depreciatory transactions (corporation tax)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That charges to corporation tax (including charges for past accounting periods) may be imposed by provisions amending section 280 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

26. Company liquidations

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That further provision may be made with respect to corporation tax chargeable on the profits of a company which is wound up—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

27. Interest paid to directors and directors' associates

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That it is expedient to provide for changes in the rate of interest prescribed by section 285(4) of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

28. Taxation of certain gains from land (income tax, corporation tax and capital gains tax)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That provision may be made for imposing charges or additional charges to income tax, corporation tax and capital gains tax in respect of capital gains accruing on disposals of interests in land in the United Kingdom, including disposals made since 17th December 1973—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

29. First lettings of buildings following material development (income tax, corporation tax and capital gains tax)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That charges to income tax, corporation tax and capital gains tax may be imposed in connection with provisions for treating interests in buildings in the United Kingdom which have resulted from or been the subject of material development (including interests in any associated land) as being disposed of in certain circumstances, including circumstances that have arisen since 17th December 1973—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

30. Stamp duties

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That for the period beginning on 1st May 1974 and ending 31 days after the earliest of the dates mentioned in subsection (2) of section 50 of the Finance Act 1973, the provisions set out below shall have effect.

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 said section 50.
(1) As from 1st May 1974 the stamp duty chargeable under the heading “Conveyance or Transfer on sale” in Schedule 1 to the Stamp Act 1891 shall be double that which would have been chargeable immediately before that date, but so that, except in the case of transfers of stock (including units under unit trust schemes) or marketable securities, the stamp duty chargeable under that heading shall be charged by reference to the amount or value of the consideration for the sale at the following rates, that is to say—

(a) where the amount or value of the consideration is £15,000 or under and the instrument is certified within the meaning of section 34 of the Finance Act 1958 at £15,000, nil;

(b) where the amount or value of the consideration is £20,000 or under and the instrument is certified as aforesaid at £20,000, one-quarter of the full rate;

(c) where the amount or value of the consideration is £25,000 or under and the instrument is certified as aforesaid at £25,000, one-half of the full rate;

(d) where the amount or value of the consideration is £30,000 or under and the instrument is certified as aforesaid at £30,000, three-quarters of the full rate; and any stamp duty chargeable by reference to that heading shall be charged accordingly.

(2) Where the amount of any stamp duty which would otherwise be chargeable under or by reference to the said heading is neither 5p nor a multiple of 5p, the amount chargeable shall be equal to the smallest sum greater than that amount which is either 5p or a multiple of 5p.

(3) Paragraph (1) above shall not affect the operation of any enactment limiting an ad valorem duty to 50p in certain cases.

(4) As from 1st May 1974—

(a) the heading “Bearer Instrument” in Schedule 1 to the Stamp Act 1891, as amended by paragraph 6 of Schedule 7 to the Finance Act 1970, shall have effect as if, in paragraphs (3) and (4), for the references to 5p there were substituted references to 10p;

(b) the heading “Duplicate or Counterpart of any instrument chargeable with any duty” in the said Schedule 1 shall have effect as if for each of the references to 25p there were substituted a reference to 50p;

(c) the heading “Lease or Tack” in the said Schedule 1 shall have effect as if—

(i) the duty chargeable under paragraph (2)(a) and paragraph (4) were £1 and £2 respectively; and

(ii) subject to section 12(3) of the Finance Act 1972, each of the rates specified in the Table set out in paragraph (3), as substituted by section 56(1) of the Finance Act 1963, were doubled;

(d) section 62(2) of the Finance Act 1963 (Commonwealth stock), as amended by paragraph 11 of Schedule 7 to the Finance Act 1970, shall have effect as if for the references to 5p and 25p there were substituted references to 10p and 50p respectively; and

(e) subsection (3) of section 65 of the Finance Act 1971 (composition in respect of transfer duty on certain loan capital) shall have effect as if for “15p” there were substituted “30p”, but only as regards agreements entered into under that section on or after 1st May 1974—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

31. Stamp duties (compositions)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That the stamp duties chargeable under section 115 of the Stamp Act 1891 and section 37 of the Finance Act 1939, as amended by subsequent enactments, by way of composition in respect of the transfer of certain stock (including units under unit trust schemes) and otherwise shall be double those now chargeable—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

32. Stamp duties (Northern Ireland)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That in the enactments relating to stamp duties having effect in Northern Ireland there may be made amendments corresponding to amendments made by any Finance Bill of the present Session in any enactment relating to stamp duties having effect in Great Britain—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.
33. Relief from tax (incidental and consequential charges)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That it is expedient to authorise any incidental or consequential charges to any duty or tax (including charges having retrospective effect) which may arise from provisions designed in general to afford relief from tax—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

Procedure (Future Taxation)—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the practice of the House relating to the matters which may be included in Finance Bills, any Finance Bill of the present Session may contain provisions taking effect in a future year whereby for the purposes of income tax and capital gains tax ordinary residence in the United Kingdom has in certain circumstances the same consequences as domicile in the United Kingdom—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

Procedure (Regional Employment Premiums)—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the practice of the House relating to matters which may be included in Finance Bills, any Finance Bill of the present Session may contain provisions amending the enactments relating to regional employment premiums—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

Finance [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Finance [Money];

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 94 (Ways and Means Motions), That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session relating to finance, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament—

(a) of any increase in the sums payable out of moneys so provided under section 92 of the Finance Act 1965 which is attributable to provisions of the said Act of the present Session increasing as from 12th February 1974 the maximum grant which may be paid under that section to a sum not exceeding, for every gallon of fuel used or estimated to have been used in operating a bus service within the meaning of that section, the rate per gallon of the duty of excise chargeable on hydrocarbon oil produced in the United Kingdom at the date of use of the fuel, including any addition to that duty by virtue of an order under section 9 of the Finance Act 1961; and

(b) of any increase in the sums payable out of money so provided under the Selective Employment Payments Act 1966 which may result from any provision made by the said Act of the present Session for continuing the payment of regional employment premiums in respect of weeks beginning after 6th April 1975—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer):—It was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the Resolutions relating to Ways and Means and Finance [Money] and the Orders relating to Procedure made this day; And that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Harold Lever, Mr. Edmund Dell, Mr. Joel Barnett, and Dr. John Gilbert, do prepare and bring it in.

Finance Bill,—Dr. John Gilbert 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 [Bill 13].

Ministers of the Crown,—Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications (Dissolution) Order 1974 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 20th March.—(Mr. Secretary Benn.)

Address to 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. John Golding.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till three minutes to Twelve o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.57 p.m.]
APPENDIX

Papers delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on 29th March 1974 pursuant to Standing Order No. 120 (Presentation of Statutory Instruments), and ordered to lie upon the Table:


Customs and Excise.—Copy of an Order, dated 28th March 1974, entitled the Customs Duties (Quota Relief) (No. 2) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 610) [by Act].

Import Duties.—Copy of an Order, dated 29th March 1974, entitled the Import Duties (Quota Relief) (No. 2) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 611) [by Act].

Housing.—Copy of Regulations, dated 29th March 1974, entitled the Slum Clearance Subsidy Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 618) [by Act].

Control of Fuel and Electricity.—Copy of an Order, dated 29th March 1974, entitled the Motor Fuel (Maximum Retail Prices) (Second Amendment) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 620) [by Act].

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table on Monday 1st April 1974:

Mr. Joel Barnett:

Civil Estimates (Revised Estimates), 1974-75,—Revised Estimates of Sums required in the year ending 31st March 1975 for certain civil services [by Command]; to be printed [No. 55].

Dr. John Gilbert:


Mr. Secretary Callaghan:

European Communities (No. 8, 1974),—Copy of the Text of a Statement delivered by the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs on 1st April 1974 in the Council of Ministers of the European Communities in Luxembourg relating to the renegotiation of the terms of entry of the United Kingdom into the European Economic Community [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Ross:

Teachers Superannuation (Scotland),—Report by the Government Actuary on the Teachers Superannuation Scheme (Scotland) 1966-71 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 46].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:


Paper laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Industrial Assurance,—Copy of Regulations, dated 20th March 1974, entitled the Industrial Assurance (Collecting Societies’ Deposits) (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 493) [by Act].

MEMORANDA

Monday 1st April 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has allocated the Dumping at Sea Bill and the Rabies Bill to Standing Committee A and the Independent Broadcasting Authority Bill to Standing Committee B.

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 106 (Chairmen’s Panel), Mr. Speaker has nominated Sir Alfred Broughton, Mrs. Joyce Butler and Mr. Ifor Davies to be additional members of the Chairmen’s Panel during this Session.
Tuesday, 2nd April, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

Zetland County Council Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Zetland County Council Bill; and the same were agreed to.

Ayr County Council Order Confirmation Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Ayr County Council Order Confirmation Bill.

Bill to be read the third time to-morrow.

St. Andrews Links Order Confirmation Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the St. Andrews Links Order Confirmation Bill.

Bill to be read the third time to-morrow.

Renfrew County Council Order Confirmation Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Renfrew County Council Order Confirmation Bill.

Bill to be read the third time to-morrow.

Glasgow Corporation (Control of Parking etc.) Order Confirmation Bill,—The Glasgow Corporation (Control of Parking etc.) Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and ordered to be considered to-morrow.

Glasgow Corporation (Miscellaneous Provisions) Order Confirmation Bill,—The Glasgow Corporation (Miscellaneous Provisions) Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and ordered to be considered to-morrow.

Greenock Corporation Order Confirmation Bill,—The Greenock Corporation Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and ordered to be considered to-morrow.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. R. Graham Page reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords 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 (Second Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 51 ii].

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. R. Graham Page 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 (Second Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 52 ii].

Supply [2nd allotted Day].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Business of Supply.

Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Donald Coleman):—The Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Burmah-Total Refineries Trust Bill,—The Order of the day being read for the Second Reading of the Burmah-Total Refineries Trust Bill:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. T. H. H. Skeet, Mr. Peter Emery: 16.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. David Croucher, Mr. Ovenden: 67.

So the Question was negatived.
Clifton Suspension Bridge Bill.—The Order of the day being read for the Second Reading of the Clifton Suspension Bridge Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Robert Cooke, Mr. Paul Dean: 20.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. David Stoddart, Mr. Terry Walker: 60.

So the Question was negatived.

House of Commons (Services).—Ordered, That Dr. Michael Winstanley be discharged from the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services) and that Mr. Clement Freud be added to the Committee.-(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

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

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

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.28 p.m.

APPENDIX

Tuesday 2nd April 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Dr. John Gilbert:

Bank Notes,—Copies of Treasury Minutes—

(1) dated 5th March 1974, and

(2) dated 8th March 1974,
relative to the Fiduciary Note Issue [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 62 and 63].

Civil List,—List of Pensions payable under the provisions of Section 4(1) of the Civil List Act 1972 granted during the year ended 31st March 1974 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Callaghan:

European Communities (No. 3, 1974).—Copy of an Agreement made at Brussels on 14th May 1973 between the European Economic Community and the Kingdom of Norway, with Final Act and Exchanges of Letters [by Command].

Treaty Series (No. 18, 1974),—Copy of Notes exchanged at Khartoum on 27th November 1973 between Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Sudan, concerning financial assistance by Her Majesty’s Government to the Government of the Sudan (United Kingdom-Sudan Aid Grant and Loan Agreement 1973) [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Ross:

Highlands and Islands Shipping Services,—Draft of an Undertaking between the Secretary of State for Scotland and the Orkney Islands Shipping Company Limited [by Act].

National Health Service (Scotland).—Copy of Regulations, dated 18th March 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Professions Supplementary to Medicine) (Scotland) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 549) [by Act].

National Health Service (Scotland).—Draft of Regulations, entitled the Scottish Hospital Trust (Amendment) Regulations 1974 [by Act].

National Health Service (Scotland).—Draft of a Scheme, entitled the Scottish Hospital Trust Scheme 1974 [by Act].
Mrs. Secretary Castle:
Abortion,—Copy of the Report of the Committee on the working of the Abortion Act 1967 [by Command].

National Health Service,—Copy of Regulations, dated 29th March 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 627) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Rees:
Northern Ireland,—Copy of an Order, dated 25th March 1974, entitled the Northern Ireland Assembly (By-Elections) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 545) [by Act].

The Chairman of Ways and Means:
Statutory Orders (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 the County Borough of Bolton Appropriation Order (No. 1) 1972 [by Act].

[No. 21.]

Wednesday, 3rd April, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Orkney County Council Bill,—Ordered, That any Committee to which the Orkney County Council Bill may be referred by the Committee of Selection have power to adjourn from place to place.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Ayr County Council Order Confirmation Bill,—The Ayr County Council Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

St. Andrews Links Order Confirmation Bill,—The St. Andrews Links Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Renfrew County Council Order Confirmation Bill,—The Renfrew County Council Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Glasgow Corporation (Control of Parking etc.) Order Confirmation Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Glasgow Corporation (Control of Parking etc.) Order Confirmation Bill.

Bill to be read the third time to-morrow.

Glasgow Corporation (Miscellaneous Provisions) Order Confirmation Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Glasgow Corporation (Miscellaneous Provisions) Order Confirmation Bill.

Bill to be read the third time to-morrow.

Greenock Corporation Order Confirmation Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Greenock Corporation Order Confirmation Bill.

Bill to be read the third time to-morrow.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

Selection,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Selection (Standing Committees),—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection a Resolution which was read as follows: That, after a Bill has been under consideration in a Standing Committee, no application for changes in the composition of that Committee in respect of that Bill will be entertained by this Committee 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.

Report to lie upon the Table.
Disqualification (Dr. Michael Winstanley).—Ordered, That, in accordance with the provisions of Section 6 of the House of Commons Disqualification Act 1957, this House directs that the disqualification incurred by Dr. Michael Winstanley by virtue of his employment in the Civil Service of the Crown as a sessional medical officer at the Royal Ordnance Factory, Patricroft, shall be disregarded for the purposes of that Section.—[Mr. Edward Short.)

Representation of the People Bill.—Mr. Secretary Jenkins, supported by Mr. Edward Short, Mr. Secretary Ross, and Dr. Shirley Summerskill, presented a Bill to increase the limits on candidates' election expenses at certain local government elections in Great Britain: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 14].

Prices Bill.—Mrs. Secretary Williams, supported by Mr. Secretary Foot, Mr. Secretary Benn, Mr. Secretary Ross, Mr. Secretary Shore, Mr. Secretary Rees, Mr. Secretary John Morris, Mr. Frederick Peart, Mr. Edmund Dell, Mr. Alan Williams, and Mr. Robert Maclemont, presented (under Standing Order No. 91 Procedure upon Bills whose main object is to create a charge upon the public revenue) a Bill to authorise the payment of food subsidies; to confer on the Secretary of State power to regulate the price of food and certain other goods and on the Price Commission additional powers for preventing or restricting increases in prices and charges; to make provision for requiring prices to be indicated on or in relation to goods offered or exposed for sale by retail; to confer power to abolish the Pay Board; and for purposes connected with those matters: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 15].

Local Revenue Bill.—Mr. R. Graham Page presented a Bill to authorise local authorities to promote lotteries, to charge fees in relation to applications for planning permission and to levy a rating surcharge upon the occupiers of hotels: And the same was the read first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 3rd May and to be printed [Bill 16].

Representation of the People (No. 2) Bill.—Mr. Cranley Onslow presented a Bill to enable electors who are away on holiday at the time of a Parliamentary election to vote by post or by proxy, to amend the law about the registration of members of the forces and about the correction of the register of electors and for related purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 10th May and to be printed [Bill 17].

Town and Country Amenities Bill.—Mr. Michael Shersby, supported by Sir John Rodgers, Mr. G. R. Strauss, Mr. Grimond, Mr. Geoffrey Rippon, Sir Geoffrey de Freitas, Mr. Michael Grylls, Mr. Ronald Bell, Mr. Tony Durant, Mr. Robert Cooke, Sir Edward Brown, and Mr. John Wells, presented a Bill to make further provision for the control of development in the interests of amenity, for the preservation and enhancement of conservation areas and of buildings of architectural or historic interest and their surroundings and landscapes, and for related purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 10th May and to be printed [Bill 18].

Youth and Community Bill.—Sir Edward Brown, supported by Mr. Nicholas Winterton, Mr. David Mudd, Mr. Michael Roberts, Mr. Philip Holland, Mr. Charles Morrison, Mr. Robert Cooke, and Mr. David Knox, presented a Bill to make further provision with respect to youth services in the community and participation by youth in community development; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 17th May and to be printed [Bill 19].

Rehabilitation of Offenders Bill.—Mr. Piers Dixon, supported by Mr. Kenneth Marks, Sir Edward Brown, Mr. Paul B. Rose, Mr. Mark Carlisle, Dr. Edmund Marshall, Mr. Edward Gardner, Mr. David Watkins, Mr. Michael Shersby, and Mr. David Weitzman, presented a Bill to rehabilitate offenders who have not been reconvicted of any serious offence for periods of years, to penalise the unauthorised disclosure of their previous convictions, to amend the law of defamation, and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 3rd May and to be printed [Bill 20].

Education (Mentally Handicapped Children) (Scotland) Bill.—Mr. Hamish Gray, supported by Mr. Hector Monroe, Mr. Teddy Taylor, Mr. George Younger, Mr. Russell Johnston, Mr. Donald Stewart, Sir John Gilmour, Mr. Iain Sproat, Mr. Michael Clark Hutchison, Mr. James Sillars, Mr. Harry Ewing, and Mr. Anthony Stoddart, presented a Bill to make provision as respects Scotland for discontinuing the ascertainment of mentally handicapped children as unsuitable for education at school, to impose a duty on education authorities to provide for the education of such children whether accommodated in a hospital within the meaning of the Mental Health (Scotland) Act 1960 or otherwise, and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 3rd May and to be printed [Bill 21].
Spouses of United Kingdom Citizens (Equal Treatment) Bill.—Mrs. Lena Jeger, supported by Mr. Paul B. Rose, Mr. Arthur Davidson, Mr. Emlyn Hooson, Mrs. Lynda Chalker, Mr. A. E. P. Duffy, Mrs. Joyce Butler, Dr. Maurice Miller, Miss Betty Boothroyd, Mr. Leslie Huckfield, Mrs. Dunwoody, and Mr. Bruce Douglas-Mann, presented a Bill to amend the law so that non-British men marrying British women shall have the same rights with regard to settlement and citizenship as non-British women marrying British men: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 10th May and to be printed [Bill 22].

Public Lending Right Bill.—Mr. Kenneth Baker, supported by Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas, Mr. Ernie Money, Mr. Andrew Foulds, Mr. Clement Freud, Mr. Jeffrey Archer, Mr. Robert Cooke, and Mr. Charles Fletcher-Cooke, presented a Bill to provide assistance to authors by establishing a public lending right and by other means; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 10th May and to be printed [Bill 23].

Carriage of Passengers by Road Bill.—Mr. Edwin Wainwright, supported by Mr. Marcus Lipton, Mr. John Peyton, Mr. Leslie Huckfield, Mr. David Mitchell, Mr. Neil Kinnock, Mr. Ray Mawby, Mr. Ted Leadbitter, Mr. Kenneth Marks, Mr. Richard Kelley, and Mr. A. E. P. Duffy, presented a Bill to give effect to a Convention on the Contract for the International Carriage of Passengers and Luggage by Road, and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 3rd May and to be printed [Bill 24].

Public Authority Dwellings (Right to Purchase) Bill.—Mr. Fred Silvester, supported by Mr. Geoffrey Finsberg, Mr. Harold Gurden, Mr. Cyril Smith, Dr. Rhodes Boyson, Mr. Ian MacArthur, Sir John Rodgers, and Sir Douglas Dodds-Parker, presented a Bill to extend to the tenants of dwellings owned by local authorities and other housing bodies the right to acquire the ownership or leasehold of their homes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 17th May and to be printed [Bill 25].

Health and Safety at Work, etc. Bill.—The Health and Safety at Work, etc. Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Committee of Bills).

Health and Safety at Work, etc. [Money].—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Health and Safety at Work, etc. [Money]:

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make further provision for securing the health, safety and welfare of persons at work, for protecting others against risks to health or safety in connection with the activities of persons at work, for controlling the keeping and use and preventing the unlawful acquisition, possession and use of dangerous substances, and for controlling certain emissions into the atmosphere, to make further provision with respect to the employment medical advisory service, and to amend the law relating to building regulations and the Building (Scotland) Act 1959, it is expedient to authorise—

(1) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of—

(a) any expenses incurred by a Minister of the Crown or government department for the purposes of the said Act of the present Session; and

(b) any increase attributable to the provisions of that Act in the sums payable under any other Act out of money so provided:

(2) the payment into the Consolidated Fund of any sums received by a Minister of the Crown or government department by virtue of the said Act of the present Session.

—(Mr. Harold Walker.)

Housing.—Resolved, That the Housing Corporation Advances (Increase of Limit) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 21st March, be approved.—(Mr. Gerald Kaufman.)

House of Commons (Services).—Ordered, That Mr. Reginald Eyre be discharged from the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services) and that Mrs. Peggy Fenner be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11 p.m.]
APPENDIX I

Wednesday 3rd April 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Crosland:


The Chairman of Ways and Means:

Statutory Orders (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 the Clowne Rural (Recreation Ground, Creswell) Compulsory Purchase Order 1973 [by Act].

Paper laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Sugar, — Copy of the Account of the Home Grown Sugar Beet (Research and Education) Fund for the year ended 31st March 1973; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 64].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee C, — Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had designated Standing Committee C as the Committee on which Government Bills shall not have precedence.

Standing Committee A, — Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Rabies Bill, viz.: Mr. J. Corrie, Mrs. Peggy Fenner, Mr. Clement Freud, Mr. George Grant, Mr. Peter Hardy, Mr. Paul Hawkins, Mr. Cledwyn Hughes, Mr. Marcus Kimball, Mr. Tom McMillan, Mr. Jasper More, Mr. Roland Moyle, Mr. Michael O’Halloran, Mr. Cranley Onslow, Mr. Ernest Perry, Mr. Geoffrey Rhodes, and Mr. John Spence.

Standing Committee A, — Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Dumping at Sea Bill, viz.: Mr. Norman Buchan, Mrs. Lynda Chalker, Mr. Thomas Cox, Mr. Tam Dalyell, Mr. Nicholas Edwards, Mr. Anthony Fell, Mr. Hall-Davis, Mr. James Johnson, Mr. David Lambie, Mr. Ian Lloyd, Dr. Colin Philp, Mr. Peter Rees, Mr. Stephen Ross, Mr. A. W. Stallard, Mr. Anthony Stodart, and Mr. Alec Woodall.

Standing Committee B, — Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee B in respect of the Independent Broadcasting Authority Bill, viz.: Mr. Jeffrey Archer, Sir Paul Bryan, Mr. Walter Clegg, Mr. Robert Cooke, Mrs. Gwyneth Dunwoody, Sir John Eden, Mr. Norman Fowler, Mr. John Golding, Mr. Ted Graham, Mr. Gwynoro Jones, Mr. Alexander Lyon, Mr. Edward Milne, Mr. Ovenden, Mr. Geoffrey Pattie, Mr. Phillip Whitehead, and Mr. Ian Wrigglesworth.

MEMORANDUM

Wednesday 3rd April 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has appointed Miss Quennell Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Rabies Bill, Sir Myer Galpern Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Dumping at Sea Bill, and Sir Stephen McAdden Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Independent Broadcasting Authority Bill.
Thursday, 4th April, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Glasgow Corporation (Control of Parking etc.) Order Confirmation Bill,—The Glasgow Corporation (Control of Parking etc.) Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Glasgow Corporation (Miscellaneous Provisions) Order Confirmation Bill,—The Glasgow Corporation (Miscellaneous Provisions) Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Greenock Corporation Order Confirmation Bill,—The Greenock Corporation Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. R. Graham Page 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 (Third Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 52—iii].

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. R. Graham Page reported from the Select Committee on Statutory Instruments, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them on 4th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 52—iv].

Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to provide for the manner in which Barclays Bank International Limited may alter, revoke or add to its objects; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Barclays Bank International Bill [Lords]].

Barclays Bank International Bill [Lords],—The Barclays Bank International Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

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

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Kilfedder, The Reverend Ian Paisley : 9.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Thomas Cox, Mr. Joseph Harper : 190.

So the Question was negatived.

Sittings of the House,—Ordered, That Standing Order No. 1 (Sittings of the House) be amended as follows:—

Paragraph 1, line 4, leave out “ petitions ”.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

No Debate on Presentation of Petition,—Ordered, That Standing Order No. 100 (No Debate on presentation of petition) be amended as follows:—

Line 1, leave out “ such ”.

Line 1, after “ petition ”, insert “ presented under Standing Order No. 99 (Presentation of petitions) ”.

Line 4, after “ shall ”, insert “ on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays ”.

Line 5, leave out “ by the direction of ” and insert “ after a member of the Government shall have signified his intention to move, That this House do now adjourn, for the purpose of bringing the sitting to a conclusion, or after a Minister of the Crown shall have signified his intention to move, pursuant to Standing Order No. 2 (Business of the House (Suspended sittings)), That the proceedings of this day’s sitting be suspended, and proceedings under this order shall not be interrupted at Ten o’clock, and ”.

Line 6, leave out “ who ”.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)
Petition as to Present Personal Grievance.—Ordered, That Standing Order No. 101 (Petition as to present personal grievance) be amended as follows:—

Line 1, leave out “such” and insert “a”; after “petitions”, insert “presented under Standing Order No. 99 (Presentation of petitions) and”.

Line 6, at end add “and proceedings under this Order shall not be interrupted at Ten o’clock and may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.”.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Printing of Petitions and of Ministerial Replies.—Ordered, That all petitions presented under Standing Order No. 99 (Presentation of petitions), and not proceeded with under Standing Order No. 101 (Petition as to present personal grievance), shall be ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed, and the Clerk of the House shall transmit all such petitions to a Minister of the Crown and any observations made by a Minister or Ministers in reply to such petitions shall be laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House and shall be ordered to be printed.

Ordered, That this Order be a Standing Order of the House.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Committee on Public Petitions.—Ordered, That Standing Order No. 102 (Reference of petitions to Committee on Public Petitions) be repealed.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Science and Technology.—Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider Science and Technology and to report thereon from time to time:—And the Committee was nominated of Mr. Ronald Brown, Mr. Ray Carter, Dr. John Cunningham, Mr. Neil Macfarlane, Mr. Alex Fletcher, Mr. David Ginsburg, Mr. Frank Hooley, Mr. Ted Leadbitter, Mr. Ian Lloyd, Mr. Airey Neave, Mr. Arthur Palmer, Mr. Norman Tebbit, Mr. Christopher Tugendhat, and Mr. Kenneth Warren.

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 Minutes of Evidence from time to time.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum of the Committee.

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 every such Sub-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 to the Committee from time to time.

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

Ordered, That the Committee have power to report from time to time the Minutes of the Evidence taken before such Sub-committees.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to appoint persons with technical or scientific knowledge for the purpose of particular inquiries, either to supply information which is not readily available or to elucidate matters of complexity within the Committee’s order of reference.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before Sub-committees of the Select Committee on Science and Technology in the last Session of the last Parliament, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before Sub-Committee D of the Select Committee on Science and Technology in Session 1972-73 be referred to the Committee.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Privileges.—Ordered, That the Committee of Privileges do consist of Seventeen Members:—

And the Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Attorney General, Mr. Arthur Bottomley, Mr. Edward du Cann, Mr. William Deedes, Mr. Hugh Fraser, Mr. Cledwyn Hughes, Mr. Sydney Irving, Mr. Angus Maude, Mr. Ian Mikardo, Sir David Renton, Mr. Edward Short, Mr. Michael Stewart, Mr. George Strauss, Mr. Jeremy Thorpe, Sir Derek Walker-Smith, Mr. William Whitelaw, and Mr. Frederick Willey.

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

Ordered, That Six be the Quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Nomination of Standing Committees.—Ordered, That Standing Order No. 62 (Nomination of Standing Committees) be amended as follows:—

Line 31, leave out “and Monmouthshire”.

Line 34, leave out “and Monmouthshire”.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Welsh Grand Committee.—Ordered, That Standing Order No. 72 (Welsh Grand Committee) be amended as follows:—

Line 4, leave out “and Monmouthshire”.

Line 7, leave out “and Monmouthshire”.

Line 17, leave out “and Monmouthshire”.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)
Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Thomas Cox):—Debate arising:

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

[Adjourned at 10.43 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Thursday 4th April 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Dr. John Gilbert:


Water,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 23rd January 1974 on loans raised by the North West Water Authority [by Act]; to be printed [No. 65].

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:

Uganda Resettlement Board,—Copy of the Final Report of the Uganda Resettlement Board [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Callaghan:

Treaty Series (No. 21, 1974),—Copy of an Agreement signed at London on 30th March 1973 between Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Malaysia, for the avoidance of double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to taxes on income (with Protocol) [by Command].

Treaty Series (No. 22, 1974),—Copy of an Agreement signed at Kingston on 16th March 1973 between Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Jamaica for the avoidance of double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to taxes on income and capital gains [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:

River Authorities,—Copies of the Reports, for the year ended 31st March 1973, of—

(1) the Devon River Authority,
(2) the Great Ouse River Authority, and
(3) the Severn River Authority
[by Statutory Instrument].

Mr. Edward Short:

Maintenance of Dependants,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 26th March 1974, entitled the Reciprocal Enforcement of Maintenance Orders (Designation of Reciprocating Countries) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 556) [by Act].

[No. 23.]

Friday, 5th April, 1974.

The House met at Eleven o’clock.

PRAYERS.

Accounts and Papers,—A Paper was presented (see Appendix).

Public Petitions,—The Order made on 14th March for a Return of Public Petitions was read and discharged.

Welsh Affairs,—Ordered, That the matter of Housing in Wales, being a matter relating exclusively to Wales, be referred to the Welsh Grand Committee for their consideration. —(Mr. Ernest Perry.)

State of the Nation,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House has no confidence in Her Majesty’s Government—(Mr. Anthony Fell);

The Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.
Reduction and Recycling of Waste.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House notes the importance of conserving both imported and indigenous materials by means of a co-ordinated policy to reduce waste and to encourage economic recycling, rather than disposal into the environment—(Mr. Giles Shaw):—Debate arising;

And it being Four o’clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Nationalised Industries,—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; and of the Independent Broadcasting Authority, Cable and Wireless Ltd., and the Horserace Totalisator Board, and to examine such activities of the Bank of England as are not—

(1) activities in the formation and execution of monetary and financial policy, including responsibilities for the management of gilt-edged, money and foreign exchange markets;

(2) activities, as agents of the Treasury, in managing the Exchange Equalisation Account and administering Exchange Control; or

(3) activities as a banker to other banks and private customers.

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Fourteen Members:—And the Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. David Crouch, Sir Donald Kaberry, Mr. Russell Kerr, Mr. Neil Kinock, Mr. Michael McNair-Wilson, Mr. Cranley Onslow, Mr. John Prescott, Mr. Dennis Skinner, Mr. Cyril Smith, Mr. John Spence, Mr. John Stanley, Mr. David Stoddart, Mr. Edwin Wainwright, and Mr. Ian Wrigglesworth.

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

Ordered, That the Committee have power to report from time to time the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committee.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to appoint persons with specialist knowledge for the purpose of particular enquiries, either to supply information which is not readily available or to elucidate matters of complexity within the Committee’s order of reference.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum of the Committee.

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 every such Sub-committee have power to send for persons, papers and records, to report to the Committee from time to time, and to adjourn from place to place.

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

Ordered, That the Committee have power to report from time to time any Minutes of Evidence taken before such Sub-committees.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence reported to the House by the Select Committee on Nationalised Industries on 7th February, in the last Session of the last Parliament, be referred to the Committee.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to examine the Reports of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration and of the Health Service Commissioners for England, Scotland and Wales, which are laid before this House, and matters in connection therewith:—And the Committee was nominated of Mr. Sydney Bidwell, Mr. Antony Buck, Mr. Anthony Durant, Mr. Nicholas Edwards, Mr. Charles Fletcher-Cooke, Dr. Mark Hughes, Mr. Dan Jones, Mrs. Elaine Kellett-Bowman, Mr. David Lombe, and Mr. Michael Stewart.

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

Ordered, That Four be the Quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

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

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

[Adjourned at 4.31 p.m.]
APPENDIX

Friday 5th April 1974

Paper presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Ross:
National Health Service (Scotland).—Copy of Regulations, dated 1st April 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Charges for Drugs and Appliances) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 647) [by Act].

Monday, 8th April, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix).

Companies Bill,—Sir Brandon Rhys Williams, supported by Mr. Sydney Bidwell, Mr. David Crouch, Mr. Hugh Dykes, Mr. Robert Edwards, Mr. Robert McCrindle, Mr. Tom Normanton, Mr. John Pardoe, Mr. David Price, Mr. Nicholas Ridley, Sir John Rodgers, and Mr. Michael Shaw, presented a Bill to require certain companies to appoint non-executive directors; to require such directors to make an annual statement to the shareholders; and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 3rd May and to be printed [Bill 26].

Future of the Coalmining Industry,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House declares its confidence in the future of the British mining industry; and, recognising the fundamental importance of coal in meeting the energy needs of the nation, calls upon Her Majesty's Government to indicate its plans for ensuring the security and expansion of the industry—(Mr. Fred Evans);

And it being Seven o'clock, Proceedings thereupon lapsed, pursuant to Standing Order No. 6 (Precedence of Government Business).

British Railways Bill,—The British Railways Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Representation of the People Bill,—The Representation of the People Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ernest Perry 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 forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.
Expenditure.—The Expenditure Committee was nominated of Mr. Michael Alison, Mr. James Allason, Sir Frederic Bennett, Mr. Arthur Blenkinsop, Mr. James Boyden, Mr. Bruce-Gardyne, Mr. Cope, Mr. A. P. Costain, Major-General d’Avigdor-Goldsmid, Mr. A. E. P. Duffy, Mr. Maurice Edelman, Sir John Eden, Mr. John Ellis, Mr. Michael English, Mr. Reginald Eyre, Mr. Geoffrey Finsberg, Miss Janet Fookes, Mr. Ted Garrett, Mr. Anthony Grant, Mr. W. W. Hamilton, Colonel Sir Harwood Harrison, Mr. Frank Hooley, Mr. Mark Hughes, Mr. Robert Maxwell-Hyslop, Mr. Gwynoro Jones, Mr. Nigel Lawson, Mr. Arthur Lewis, Mr. John Loveridge, Mr. Frank McEllhonne, Mr. Robert McCrindle, Mr. Max Madden, Mr. Kenneth Marks, Dr. Edmund Marshall, Mr. Neil Marten, Dr. Maurice Miller, Mr. Charles Morrison, Mr. Christopher Price, Mr. Peter Rees, Miss Jo Richardson, Mr. Nicholas Ridley, Mr. John Roper, Mr. Tim sety Sainsbury, Mr. Sedgemore, Mrs. Renee Short, Mr. Julius Silverman, Mr. Neville Trotter, Mr. Richard Wainwright, Mr. Watt, and Mr. Philip Whitehead.

Ordered, That the Members of the Expenditure Committee nominated this day shall continue to be Members of the Committee for the remainder of this Parliament.

Ordered, That this Order be a Standing Order of the House.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the several Sub-committees of the Expenditure Committee in the last Session of the last Parliament be referred to the Committee. (Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from Northwood for consideration of Compulsory Purchase Orders affecting Northwood was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-eight minutes to Nine o’clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 8.32 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Monday 8th April 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Shore:

Customs and Excise,—Copy of an Order, dated 5th April 1974, entitled the Customs Duties (Quota Relief) (No. 3) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 677) [by Act].

Import Duties,—Copy of an Order, dated 5th April 1974, entitled the Import Duties (Quota Relief) (No. 3) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 676) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Rees:

Counter-Inflation,—Copy of an Order, dated 4th April 1974, entitled the Counter-Inflation (Residential Rents) (Northern Ireland) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 660) [by Act].

Paper laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker:

Statutory Instruments (Notification),—Communication declaring that the undermentioned Statutory Instrument had come into operation before copies were laid before Parliament, and explaining why such copies had not been so laid before the Instrument came into operation [pursuant to Standing Order No. 121 (Notification in respect of certain Statutory Instruments)]:


Paper laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Supreme Court of Judicature,—Copy of Rules, dated 26th March 1974, entitled the Non-Contentious Probate (Amendment) Rules 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 597) [by Act].

MEMORANDUM

Monday 8th April 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has allocated the Health and Safety at Work etc. Bill to Standing Committee B.
Tuesday, 9th April, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Queen's Speech (Answer to Address).—The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That Her Majesty, having been attended with their Address of 18th March, 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.

Ministers of the Crown.—The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That their Address of 1st April relating to Ministers of the Crown 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 Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications (Dissolution) Order 1974 be made in the form of the draft laid before your House.

I will comply with your request.

Private Bills [Lords] (No Standing Order not previously inquired into applicable).—Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table, Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords and referred after the First Reading thereof, no Standing Order not previously inquired into is applicable thereto, viz:—

Barclays Bank International Bill [Lords].

Bill to be read a second time.

Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented (see Appendix).

Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration.—Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return of the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 16th January in the last Session of the last Parliament.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. R. Graham Page reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords 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 (Third Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 51-iii].

Rabies Bill.—Miss Joan Quennell reported from Standing Committee A, That they had gone through the Rabies Bill, and directed her to report the same, without Amendment.

Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 68].

Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confer further powers upon United Kingdom Temperance and General Provident Institution; to make further provision for the regulation and management of the Institution; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [United Kingdom Temperance and General Provident Institution Bill [Lords].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the time for completion of certain works by Crude Oil Terminals (Humber) Limited; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Crude Oil Terminals (Humber) Bill [Lords].

Consolidation, &c., Bills.—The Lords have appointed a Committee consisting of Twelve Lords to join with a Committee of the Commons as the Joint Committee on Consolidation Bills; and they have ordered that such Committee have power to agree with the Committee of the Commons in the appointment of a Chairman.

Harwich Harbour Revision Order 1973.—The Lords have appointed a Committee consisting of Three Lords to join with a Committee of the Commons to consider a Petition for Amendment of the Harwich Harbour Revision Order 1973, which stands referred to a Joint Committee; they have ordered that such Committee have power to agree with the Committee of the Commons in the appointment of a Chairman; and they propose that the Joint Committee do meet in Committee Room No. 3 on Tuesday 14th May at Eleven o'clock.
United Kingdom Temperance and General Provident Institution Bill [Lords].—The United Kingdom Temperance and General Provident Institution Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Crude Oil Terminals (Humber) Bill [Lords].—The Crude Oil Terminals (Humber) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Sittings of the House.—Resolved, That this House do meet on Thursday at Eleven o'clock, that no Questions be taken after Twelve o'clock, and that at Five o'clock Mr. Speaker do adjourn the House without putting any Question.—(Mr. Edward Short.)

Adjournment (Easter).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, at its rising on Thursday, do adjourn till Monday 29th April—(Mr. Edward Short):—Debate arising;

Mr. Robert Mellish 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.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Jack Dormand, Mr. Donald Coleman: 247.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Biffen, Mr. Patrick Cormack: 60.

So the Question was agreed to.

And the Question being accordingly put, That this House, at its rising on Thursday, do adjourn till Monday 29th April;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Jack Dormand, Mr. Donald Coleman: 238.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Biffen, Mr. Patrick Cormack: 28.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House, at its rising on Thursday, do adjourn till Monday 29th April.

Prices Bill.—The Order of the day being read for the Second Reading of the Prices Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—Debate arising;

And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Business of the House.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Prices Bill and the Motion relating to Ways and Means may be proceeded with at this day's sitting, though opposed, until any hour—(Mr. Walter Harrison);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. John Golding, Mr. Joseph Harper: 220.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Bruce-Gardyne, Mr. Michael Shersby: 31.

So the Question was agreed to.

Prices Bill.—The Question being again proposed, That the Prices Bill be now read a second time:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Wednesday morning:

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Mr. Robert Mellish 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 agreed to.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the Bill be now read a second time:—

It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Committal of Bills).
Prices [Money].—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Prices [Money];

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to authorise the payment of food subsidies, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of—

(a) any sums required by the Secretary of State for making payments under that Act for the purpose of reducing, or preventing or limiting increases in, food prices in the United Kingdom;

(b) any expenses incurred by any Government department in respect of the administration of that Act; and

(c) any increase attributable to that Act in the sums payable out of moneys so provided under any other Act;

Provided that the sums so authorised to be paid by virtue of paragraph (a) above, together with any payments out of moneys provided by Parliament in respect of the year ending with 31st March 1975 in pursuance of Council Regulation (EEC) No. 1191/73 or of any Regulation amending or replacing that Regulation, shall not in the aggregate exceed £700 million—(Mr. Robert Maclennan);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Laurie Pavitt: 215.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. David Steel, Dr. Michael Winstanley: 12.

So the Question was agreed to.

Ways and Means.—Prices.—Resolved, That any Act of the present Session to authorise the payment of food subsidies may make provision—

(a) for requiring payments to be made to the Secretary of State in respect of goods exported from the United Kingdom which consist of or contain food in respect of which payments have been made by the Secretary of State under the Act;

(b) for the payment into the Consolidated Fund of sums paid to the Secretary of State in pursuance of any such requirement.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Highlands and Islands Shipping Services.—Resolved, That the Undertaking between the Secretary of State for Scotland and the Orkney Islands Shipping Company Limited, a draft of which was laid before this House on 2nd April, be approved.—(Mr. Bruce Millan.)

National Health Service (Scotland).—Resolved, That the Scottish Hospital Trust Scheme 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 2nd April, be approved.—(Mr. Robert Hughes.)

National Health Service (Scotland).—Resolved, That the Scottish Hospital Trust (Amendment) Regulations 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 2nd April, be approved.—(Mr. Robert Hughes.)

Welsh Grand Committee.—Ordered, That during the proceedings on the matter of Housing in Wales the Welsh Grand Committee have leave to sit twice on the first day on which they shall meet; and that, notwithstanding the provision of Standing Order No. 64 (Meetings of Standing Committees), the second such sitting shall not commence before Four o'clock nor continue after Six o'clock.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Notices of Motions, Amendments and Questions.—Ordered, That a notice of a question or of an amendment to a motion standing on the Paper for which no day has been fixed or of the addition of a name in support of such a motion or amendment, which is given after half-past Ten o'clock in the evening shall be treated for all purposes as if it were a notice handed in after the rising of the House.

Ordered, That this Order be a Standing Order of the House.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Questions to Members.—Ordered, That Standing Order No. 8 (Questions to Members) be amended as follows:—

Leave out lines 24 to 27.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

National Insurance Bill.—Ordered, That in respect of the National Insurance Bill, notices of Amendments, new Clauses or new Schedules to be moved in Committee may be accepted by the Clerks at the Table before the Bill has been read a second time.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

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

And the Question having been proposed after Ten o'clock on Tuesday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-three minutes past Three o'clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 3.23 a.m.]
APPENDIX
Tuesday 9th April 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

The Prime Minister:
Pay Board,—Copy of the Third Advisory Report of the Pay Board, relating to criteria and methods for determining the pay of the Science Group in the Civil Service [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:
Redundant Churches Fund,—Copy of the Report of the Redundant Churches Fund for 1973; with the Revenue Account for the year ended 31st December 1973 and Balance Sheet as at that date [by Measure].

Mr. Secretary Callaghan:
Treaty Series (No. 23, 1974),—Copy of a Protocol made at Geneva on 8th August 1973, for the accession of Hungary to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade [by Command].


Mrs. Secretary Castle:
Census,—Copy of the Report of the Census 1971 on the availability of cars [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:
Water Resources,—Copy of an Order, dated 4th April 1974, entitled the Northumbrian Water Authority (Kielder Water) Order 1974, with a Certificate by the Secretary of State for the Environment under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Rees:

Mr. Secretary Varley:
Mines and Quarries,—Copy of the Report on the cause of, and circumstances attending, the overwind which occurred at Markham Colliery, Duckmanton, Derbyshire on 30th July 1973 [by Command].

Pipe-lines,—Copies of Orders, dated 27th March 1974, entitled—
(1) the Dwygyfylchi, Conway and Gyffin, Caernarvonshire, Compulsory Rights Order 1974,
(2) the St. Asaph, Flintshire, Compulsory Rights Order 1974,
(3) the Waen, Flintshire, Compulsory Purchase Order 1974, and
(4) the Waen, Flintshire, Compulsory Rights Order 1974,
with Certificates by the Secretary of State for Energy under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 [by Act].

Mr. Frederick Peart:
Covent Garden Market Authority,—Copy of the Report and Statement of Accounts of the Covent Garden Market Authority for the year ended 30th September 1973 [by Act].

The Chairman of Ways and Means:
Statutory Orders (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 Forth Ports Authority (Borrowing Powers) Order 1973, and
(2) the Aberdeen Harbour Revision Order 1974 [by Act].
MEMORANDUM
Tuesday 9th April 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has allocated the Health and Safety at Work etc. Bill to Standing Committee A (transferred from Standing Committee B).

[No. 26.]
Wednesday, 10th April, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

Science and Technology,—Mr. Arthur Palmer reported from the Select Committee on Science and Technology, 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 (First Special Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 69].

Selection,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Representation of the People Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Ayr County Council Order Confirmation Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the St. Andrews Links Order Confirmation Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Renfrew County Council Order Confirmation Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Glasgow Corporation (Miscellaneous Provisions) Order Confirmation Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Glasgow Corporation (Control of Parking &c.) Order Confirmation Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Greenock Corporation Order Confirmation Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to provide for the control of zoological gardens, to make provision for the care of animals therein; and for purposes connected therewith; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Control of Zoological Gardens Bill [Lords].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to provide for the incorporation of the Clerical, Medical and General Life Assurance Society; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Clerical, Medical and General Life Assurance Bill [Lords].

Clerical, Medical and General Life Assurance Bill [Lords],—The Clerical, Medical and General Life Assurance Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Channel Tunnel Bill,—Mr. Secretary Crosland, supported by Mr. Secretary Callaghan, Mr. Secretary Jenkins, Mr. Secretary Varley, Mr. Joel Barnett, Mr. Fred Mulley, and Mr. Neil Carmichael, presented a Bill to provide for the construction and operation of a railway tunnel system under the English Channel, together with associated works; to make provision for guaranteeing loans and for the expenditure necessary for and in connection with the construction and operation of that system and those works; to constitute a Board to participate in the operation of that system; to incorporate part of that system into the United Kingdom and to provide for the jurisdiction of courts in Great Britain over matters occurring in that system and trains proceeding through it; to provide controls in connection with passengers and goods passing through that system; to provide for the incidence and computation of tax in connection with the construction and operation of that system; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 27].

Ordered, That the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills do examine the Channel Tunnel Bill with respect to the applicability thereto of the Standing Orders relating to Private Business.
Rights of Patients Bill.—Mrs. Joyce Butler, supported by Mr. Arthur Blenkinsop, Mr. Sydney Bidwell, Mr. Loughlin, Miss Quennell, Dr. Winstanley, and Mr. Frederick Willey, presented a Bill to establish the rights of patients to privacy when receiving hospital treatment under the National Health Service, and in regard to medical experiments on human beings: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 10th May and to be printed [Bill 28].

Mines (Working Facilities and Support) (Amendment) Bill.—Mr. Martin McLaren presented a Bill to amend the Mines (Working Facilities and Support) Act 1966: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 3rd May and to be printed [Bill 29].

Business of the House.—Ordered, That if the National Insurance Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, further proceedings on the Bill shall stand postponed and that as soon as the proceedings on any Resolution come to by the House on National Insurance [Money] have been concluded, this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee on the Bill.—(Mr. Laurie Pavitt.)

National Insurance Bill.—The National Insurance Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

Further proceedings stood postponed, pursuant to the Order of the House this day.

National Insurance [Money].—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to National Insurance [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the provisions of the National Insurance Acts 1965 to 1973, the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) Acts 1965 to 1973 and the Industrial Injuries and Diseases (Old Cases) Acts 1967 to 1973 as to the rate or amount of benefit and contributions, it is expedient to authorise the following payments out of money provided by Parliament—

1. Such additional payments as result from—
   (a) raising to £8.00 and £5.35 the rates of attendance allowance;
   (b) raising to £6.00 and £3.70 the rates of retirement pension payable by virtue of section 1(1)(a) or (b) of the National Insurance Act 1970 or section 5 of the National Insurance Act 1971 or raising the weekly rates of the increases (where payable) for children or adult dependants.

2. In connection with the increase of contributions under section 3 (flat rate contributions) of the National Insurance Act 1965 or under section 2(1)(a) of the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) Act 1965, the payment of any resulting increase in the sums payable by way of Exchequer supplement under section 7 of the National Insurance Act 1965 or section 2(1)(b) of the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) Act 1965.

3. The payment to the National Insurance Fund, in addition to the Exchequer supplements under the National Insurance Act 1965, in respect of the financial year 1974-75 of the sum of £315 million instead of the amount required by section 2(4) of the National Insurance and Supplementary Benefit Act 1973.

4. Subject to the provision made by section 85 of the National Insurance Act 1965 for reimbursement out of the National Insurance Fund or by section 61 of the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) Act 1965 for reimbursement out of the Industrial Injuries Fund, the payment of any increase attributable to the said Act of the present Session in the expenses of the Secretary of State for Social Services or any other government department which are so payable under either of these sections (any reference in this paragraph to section 61 of the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) Act 1965 being taken to include that section as applied by section 13 of the Industrial Injuries and Diseases (Old Cases) Act 1967).

5. Subject to the provision made by subsection (4) of section 46 of the Social Security Act 1973 for reimbursement out of the National Insurance Fund, the payment of any increase in the sums so payable under subsection (2) of that section in respect of the expenses and benefits mentioned in that subsection where the increase is attributable to provisions of the said Act of the present Session substituting a reference to earnings for the reference to prices in section 39(3)(a) of the said Act of 1973 or providing for an order made under the said section 39, in consequence of a review carried out in pursuance of that section in the year beginning on 6th April 1975, to come into force not later than the end of the week beginning with 28th July 1975.—(Mr. Brian O'Malley.)

National Insurance Bill.—The House, according to the Order this day, resolved itself into a Committee on the National Insurance Bill.
(In the Committee)


Amendment (No. 1) proposed, in page 1, line 12, at the end, to insert the words—

"(2) A woman who has become entitled to any benefits under the Insurance Act and who ceases to be an employed or self-employed person in order to care, without payment, for a member of her family in respect of whom an attendance allowance is payable, and who thereafter ceases to pay any of the contributions which she is liable to pay under Part I of that Act, shall be entitled to benefits under that Act paid at the same rates to which she would have been entitled if she had continued, from the date of her ceasing employment for the purpose referred to above, to pay all the contributions for which she would have been liable".—(Mrs. Jill Knight.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Contributions under the National Insurance Act 1965).

Amendment (No. 2) proposed, in page 2, line 15, at the end, to insert the words—

"(2) In section 3 of the Insurance Act there shall be inserted after paragraph (c) the following proviso—

Provided that any self-employed person to whom this paragraph applies may, on proof of his average weekly earnings in any financial year, exercise an option to pay a total contribution in respect of that year of a sum not greater than twice the amount of the combined graduated and flat rate contributions that he would have paid if he had been an employed person with the same earnings.".—(Sir Brandon Rhys Williams.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 3 agreed to.

Clause No. 4 (Relaxation of the earnings rule).

Amendment (No. 3) proposed, in page 4, line 7, to leave out "£13" and insert "£90".—(Sir Brandon Rhys Williams.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 5 (Amendment of section 39 of the Social Security Act 1973).

Amendment (No. 5) proposed, in page 4, line 24, after the word "word", to insert the words "adult male industrial".—(Mr. Timothy Raison.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 7) proposed, in page 5, line 4, at the end, to insert the words—

"(3) In subsection (3)(b) of the said section 39, after sub-paragraph (i) there shall be inserted the following sub-paragraph:—

(ii) the relationship between the rates of social security benefits and the impact on benefits of income tax and the pattern of allowances for tax purposes under the Finance Acts.".—(Sir Geoffrey Howe.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Dr. Gerard Vaughan, Mr. Richard Luce: 253.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. John Golding: 282.

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 Mr. John Golding reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and moved, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That the National Insurance Bill may be proceeded with at this day's sitting, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)
Royal Assent,—Mr. Deputy Speaker notified the House, in accordance with the Royal Assent Act 1967, That Her Majesty had signified Her Royal Assent to the following Acts agreed upon by both Houses:

1. Representation of the People (No. 2) Act 1974.

National Insurance Bill,—The House again resolved itself into a Committee on the National Insurance Bill.

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 5 (Amendment of section 39 of the Social Security Act 1973).

Amendments (Nos. 8 and 9) made.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clauses Nos. 6 to 8 agreed to.
A Clause (Increase of death grant)—

"In paragraph 2 of Schedule 4 to the Insurance Act, for sub-paragraph (d) there shall be substituted:

"(d) over the age of 18 30.00"—(Mr. Robert Boscawen)—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 Ayes, Mr. Kenneth Clarke, Mr. Robert Boscawen : 36.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Thomas Cox, Mr. Jack Dormand : 253.
Schedule No. 1 (Provisions to be substituted in Schedule 3 to the National Insurance Act 1965).
Amendment (No. 10) proposed, in page 10, line 2, column 2, to leave out "£0.25" and insert the words

"£0.25 (in respect of retirement pensions to which paragraph 11 of this table refers) £0.50 (in all other cases)".—(Mr. Kenneth Clarke.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Schedule agreed to.
Schedules Nos. 2 to 4 agreed to.
Schedule No. 5 (Commencement and transitional provisions).
Amendment (No. 11) proposed, in page 23, line 24, after the word "dates", to insert the words "not later than 3rd June 1974".—(Sir Brandon Rhys Williams.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.
Schedule agreed to.
Schedule No. 6 agreed to.
Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Thomas Cox reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.
Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now considered:—The House accordingly proceeded to consider the Bill.
A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.
The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.
Consolidation, &c., Bills—Ordered, That the Lords Message yesterday relating to the Committee on Consolidation, &c., Bills be now considered.

Lords Message considered accordingly.

The Committee to join with the Committee appointed by the Lords on the Joint Committee on Consolidation, &c., Bills was nominated of Mr. Richard Crawshaw, Mr. Ian Gow, Mr. Greville Janner, Mrs. Elaine Kellett-Bowman, Mr. Ivan Lawrence, Mr. John Lee, Mr. Eddie Lyons, Mr. Patrick Mayhew, Mr. John Smith, Mr. Ivor Stanbrook, Mr. David Waddington, and Mr. William Wilson.

Ordered, That Two be the Quorum of the Committee.—(Mr. Thomas Cox.)

Message to the Lords to acquaint them with the Order necessary to be communicated to their Lordships.

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

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Thursday morning;

Thursday 11th April 1974:

And the Question being put;

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till sixteen minutes past Twelve o'clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.16 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 10th April 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Dr. John Gilbert:

Estate Duty,—Statement showing transfers of property accepted in lieu of Estate Duty during the year ended 31st March 1974 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:

Licensing (Liquor) (State Management Districts),—Copy of the Report of the Secretary of State for the Home Department and the Secretary of State for Scotland on the State Management Districts for the year ended 31st March 1973 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 57].

Mr. Secretary Ross:

Rating and Valuation,—Copy of Regulations, dated 25th March 1974, entitled the Rate Rebate (Scotland) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 680) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Mason:

Defence (Ulster Defence Regiment),—Copy of an Order providing for an Amendment (No. 10) to the Regulations for the Ulster Defence Regiment 1969 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Foot:

Wages Councils,—Copy of an Order, dated 1st April 1974, entitled the Boot and Floor Polish Wages Council (Great Britain) (Abolition) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 654) [by Act].

Mrs. Secretary Castle:

Food and Drugs,—Copy of Regulations, dated 8th April 1974, entitled the Butter Subsidy Amendments Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 678) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:


Transport,—Copies of the Reports for 1973 to the Secretary of State for the Environment of—

(1) the Central Transport Consultative Committee for Great Britain,
(2) the Transport Users' Consultative Committee for Scotland, and
(3) the Transport Users' Consultative Committee for Wales and Monmouthshire
[by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 58 to 60].

Mr. Secretary Varley:
Coal Industry.—Copy of the Report of the Domestic Coal Consumers' Council for 1973 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 53].

Mrs. Secretary Williams:
Fair Trading.—Copy of an Order, dated 10th April 1974, entitled the Restriction of Merger (No. 1) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 688) [by Act].
Monopolies and Mergers.—Copy of the Report of the Monopolies Commission on the proposed merger of Davy International Limited and the British Rollmakers Corporation Limited [by Act]; to be printed [No. 67].
Monopolies and Restrictive Practices.—Copy of the Report of the Monopolies Commission on the supply of certain cross-channel car ferry services [by Act]; to be printed [No. 14].
Weights and Measures.—Drafts of Orders, entitled—
(1) the Weights and Measures Act 1963 (Dentifrices) Order 1974, and
(2) the Weights and Measures (Sale of Wine) Order 1974
[by Act].

Mr. Attorney General:
Brookwood Cemetery Bill [Lords],—Report of the Attorney General on the Brookwood Cemetery Bill [Lords] [pursuant to Standing Order 158 relating to Private Business (Bills affecting charities or educational foundations)].

Papers laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:
Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Return to an Order yesterday, for a Return relating to the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration in the last Session of the last Parliament.

Crown Estate,—Abstract Accounts of the Crown Estate Commissioners for the year ended 31st March 1973; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 74].


Tithes,—Copy of the Accounts, prepared pursuant to section 27 of the Tithe Act, 1936, of (a) the sums received into and paid out of the Redemption Annuities Accounts, (b) the advances from the National Loans Fund, and (c) the Redemption Stock Sinking Fund, for the year ended 31st March 1973; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 72].

War Damage,—Account of the sums issued out of the Consolidated Fund and of payments under the War Damage Act 1943 in respect of war damage, or in respect of interest on such payments, for the year ended 31st March 1973; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 70].

APPENDIX II
Committee of Selection
Selection (Committee on Unopposed Bills) (Panel).—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had appointed Twenty-four Members to be the Panel of Members to serve on the Committee on Unopposed Bills under Standing Order 111 relating to Private Business (Reference to Committees of opposed and unopposed Bills).
MEMORANDA

Wednesday 10th April 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has allocated the Prices Bill to Standing Committee D.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has appointed Mr. Alan Fitch Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Bill, Mr. Bryant Godman Irvine Chairman of Standing Committee D in respect of the Prices Bill and Mr. Ifor Davies Chairman of the Welsh Grand Committee in respect of the matter of Housing in Wales.

CHAIRMEN'S PANEL

In pursuance of Standing Order No. 106 (Chairmen's Panel) Mr. Speaker has nominated Mr. Michael English and Mr. John Wells to be additional members of the Chairmen's Panel during this Session.
Thursday, 11th April, 1974.

The House met at Eleven o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented (see Appendix I).

Selection,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Housing Bill,—Mr. Secretary Crosland, supported by Mr. Secretary Jenkins, Mr. Secretary Ross, Mr. Secretary John Morris, Mr. Joel Barnett, Mr. Reginald Freeson, and Mr. Attorney General, presented a Bill to extend the functions of the Housing Corporation and provide for the registration of, and the giving of financial assistance to, certain housing associations; to make further provision in relation to areas in which living conditions are unsatisfactory or otherwise in need of improvement; to provide for the making of grants towards the improvement, repair and provision of housing accommodation and for the compulsory improvement of such accommodation; to amend the law relating to assistance for house purchase and improvement and expenditure in connection with the provision and improvement of housing accommodation and of hostels; to raise the rateable value limits under the Leasehold Reform Act 1967; to amend the Housing Finance Act 1972; to amend the law relating to the rights and obligations of landlords and tenants and the enforceability of certain covenants relating to the development of land; and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday 29th April and to be printed [Bill 30].

Public Accounts,—The Committee of Public Accounts was nominated of Mr. Tom Boardman, Mr. Richard Buchanan, Mr. Cant, Mr. Ray Carter, Mr. A. P. Costain, Mr. George Cunningham, Mr. Denzil Davies, Mr. Edward du Cann, Mr. James Lamond, Mr. John MacGregor, Mrs. Sally Oppenheim, Mr. Maurice Orbach, Mr. John Pardoe, Mr. David Price, and Mr. Michael Shaw.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committee of Public Accounts in the last Session of the last Parliament and reported by them to the House on 7th and 8th February be referred to the Committee. (Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Race Relations and Immigration,—Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to review policies but not individual cases, in relation to—

(a) the operation of the Race Relations Act 1968 with particular reference to the work of the Race Relations Board and the Community Relations Commission; and

(b) the admission into the United Kingdom of Commonwealth citizens and foreign nationals for settlement:

The Committee was nominated of Mr. Norman Atkinson, Mr. Guy Barnett, Mr. Sydney Bidwell, Mrs. Lynda Chalker, Mr. Deedes, Mr. Norman Fowler, Mr. Eric Mooman, Mr. William Shelton, Sir George Sinclair, Mr. Dudley Smith, Mr. Tom Torney, and Mr. William Wilson.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to appoint persons with expert knowledge for the purpose of particular inquiries, either to supply information which is not readily available or to elucidate matters of complexity within the Committee's order of reference.

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 Minutes of Evidence from time to time.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to report from time to time.

Ordered, That Four be the Quorum of the Committee.

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 every such Sub-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 to the Committee from time to time.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to report from time to time the Minutes of the Evidence taken before such Sub-committees.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum of every such Sub-committee.
Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Select Committee on Race Relations and Immigration and before the Sub-committee appointed by that Committee in the last Session of the last Parliament and reported by them to the House on 13th December, 24th and 31st January and 7th February be referred to the Committee.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Expenditure,—Ordered, That notwithstanding the Order of the House of 8th April relating to nomination of Members of the Expenditure Committee, Mr. Mark Hughes be discharged from the Committee and Mr. Bernard Conlan be added to the Committee for the remainder of this Parliament.

Ordered, That this Order be a Standing Order of the House.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eight minutes to Five o’clock, adjourned till Monday 29th April, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of 9th April.

[Adjourned at 4.52 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Thursday 11th April 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:
Police,—Copy of Regulations, dated 30th March 1974, entitled the Police (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 649) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Foot:
Industrial Relations,—Copy of the Report of the Commission on Industrial Relations for 1973 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Benn:
Industrial Development,—Copy of an Order, dated 2nd April 1974, entitled the Investment Grants Termination (No. 4) Order (S.I., 1974, No. 646) [by Act].

Mr. Edward Short:
Ministers of the Crown,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 10th April 1974, entitled the Secretary of State (New Departments) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 692) [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr. John Ellis (nominated in respect of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Cryer.

MEMORANDUM

Thursday 11th April 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 67 (Public Bills relating exclusively to Scotland) Mr. Speaker has certified that, in his opinion, the provisions of the Education (Mentally Handicapped Children) (Scotland) Bill relate exclusively to Scotland.
PRAYERS.

Channel Tunnel Bill (No further Standing Orders applicable).—Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, pursuant to the Standing Order of 8th February and the Order made upon 10th April, That in the case of the Channel Tunnel Bill, no further Standing Orders are applicable thereto.

Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

Committee of Selection.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

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

The Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Public Accounts.—Ordered, That Mr. Maurice Orbach be discharged from the Committee of Public Accounts and that Dr. John Gilbert be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.20 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Papers presented by Her Majesty's Command and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office during the Adjournment pursuant to Standing Order No. 119 (Presentation of Command Papers), and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Ancient Monuments.—Copies of the Interim Reports of the Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments and Constructions of England relating to—

(1) Ancient Monuments of York (No. IV) (Thirtieth Interim Report), and

France (No. 1, 1974).—Copy of an Agreement signed at Neuilly-sur-Seine on 13th December 1973 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the French Republic, concerning the association of the United Kingdom with the Ariane Launcher Programme (the Agreement is not in force).

Gibraltar (Miscellaneous No. 11, 1974).—Copy of Despatches exchanged between the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs and the Governor of Gibraltar, concerning reciprocal health care and social security arrangements between the United Kingdom and Gibraltar.

Greece (No. 1, 1974).—Copy of an Agreement signed at London on 26th February 1974 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Hellenic Republic, on the international carriage of goods by road (the Agreement is not in force).

Railways (Miscellaneous No. 7, 1974).—Copy of Protocol I drawn up at Berne between 9th November 1973 and 31st January 1974 by the Diplomatic Conference convened with a view to bringing into force the International Conventions concerning the Carriage of Goods by Rail (CIM) and the Carriage of Passengers and Luggage by Rail (CIV) of 7th February 1970.

Railways (Miscellaneous No. 8, 1974).—Copy of Protocol II drawn up at Berne between 9th November 1973 and 31st January 1974 by the Diplomatic Conference convened with a view to bringing into force the International Conventions concerning the Carriage of Goods by Rail (CIM) and the Carriage of Passengers and Luggage by Rail (CIV) of 7th February 1970 concerning the extension of the period of validity of the Additional Convention to the CIV of 1961 relating to the liability of the railway for death of and personal injury to passengers, signed on 26th February 1966 and entered into force on 1st January 1973 (the United Kingdom has not ratified the Protocol).
Railways (Miscellaneous No. 9, 1974),—Copy of Protocol III drawn up at Berne between 9th November 1973 and 31st January 1974 by the Diplomatic Conference convened with a view to bringing into force the International Conventions concerning the Carriage of Goods by Rail (CIM) and the Carriage of Passengers and Luggage by Rail (CIV) of 7th February 1970 concerning the increase in the maximum rates per kilometre of the contributions of Contracting States towards the expenses of the Central Office.

Shipping (Miscellaneous No. 5, 1974),—Copy of a proposed Amended Text to Article VII of the Convention on Facilitation of International Maritime Traffic 1965, adopted on 19th November 1973 (the Amended Text has not been accepted by the United Kingdom).


World Health Organisation (Miscellaneous No. 6, 1974),—Copy of a Resolution of the Twenty-Sixth World Health Assembly, adopted on 22nd May 1973, amending Articles 34 and 55 of the Constitution of the World Health Organisation (the Amendment has not been accepted by the United Kingdom).

Papers delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on the undermentioned dates pursuant to Standing Order No. 120 (Presentation of Statutory Instruments), and ordered to lie upon the Table:

16th April 1974

Local Government (Scotland),—Copies of—

(1) an Order, dated 29th March 1974, entitled the Local Government (New Councils etc.) (Scotland) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 653), and

(2) Regulations, dated 29th March 1974, entitled the Local Government (Travelling Allowances, etc.) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 652) [by Act].

17th April 1974


18th April 1974

National Health Service (Scotland),—Copy of Regulations, dated 2nd April 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Speech Therapists) (Scotland) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 667) [by Act].

Local Government,—Copy of an Order, dated 16th April 1974, entitled the Local Government Administration (Representative Body for Wales) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 707) [by Act].

19th April 1974

Import Duties,—Copy of an Order, dated 8th April 1974, entitled the Import Duties (Temporary Reductions and Exemptions) (No. 5) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 682) [by Act].

Justices of the Peace,—Copy of Regulations, dated 2nd April 1974, entitled the Justices Allowances (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 673) [by Act].

23rd April 1974

Defence,—Copy of Rules, dated 10th April 1974, entitled the Imprisonment and Detention (Army) (Amendment) Rules 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 702) [by Act].

Industrial Training,—Copy of an Order, dated 9th April 1974, entitled the Industrial Training Levy (Hotel and Catering) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 684) [by Act].

Sea Fisheries,—Copy of an Order, dated 9th April 1974, entitled the Foreign Sea-Fishery Officers (International Commission for the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Scheme) Variation Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 701) [by Act].
24th April 1974

Housing (Scotland).—Copy of Regulations, dated 18th April 1974, entitled the Rent Rebate and Rent Allowance Schemes (Scotland) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 723) [by Act].

Nurses and Midwives.—Copy of an Order, dated 4th April 1974, entitled the Nurses (Area Nurse-Training Committees) (Scotland) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 703) [by Act].


25th April 1974

Prisons.—Copy of Rules, dated 12th April 1974, entitled the Prison (Amendment) Rules 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 713) [by Act].

Education (Scotland).—Copy of Regulations, dated 11th April 1974, entitled the Milk and Meals (Education) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 708) [by Act].

Medicines.—Copy of an Order, dated 9th April 1974, entitled the Medicines (Interim Prescription Only) (No. 1) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 711) [by Act].

26th April 1974

Pensions.—Copy of Regulations, dated 17th April 1974, entitled the Pensions Increase (Civil Service Pensions) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 715) [by Act].

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table on Monday 29th April 1974:

Dr. John Gilbert:

Acquisition of Land.—Copies of Regulations, dated 19th April 1974, entitled—
(1) the Acquisition of Land (Rate of Interest after Entry) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 721), and
(2) the Acquisition of Land (Rate of Interest after Entry) (Scotland) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 722)
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:

Broadcasting.—Statement of a change in the remuneration of the Chairman of the Independent Broadcasting Authority [by Act].

Metropolitan Police.—Accounts of the Metropolitan Police Fund, showing the sums received and expended for the purposes of the Metropolitan Police and Inner London Magistrates' Courts and the Inner London Probation System for the year ended 31st March 1974, including the receipts and payments of the Metropolitan Police Loan Account from 1st April 1949 to 31st March 1974 [by Act].

Representation of the People.—Copy of an Order, dated 25th April 1974, entitled the London Borough Councillors Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 750) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Ross:

Law Commissions.—Statement by the Secretary of State for Scotland in respect of the superannuation provisions for a member of the Scottish Law Commission [by Act].

Tourism.—Statement of the appointment of, and the salary payable to, the Chairman of the Scottish Tourist Board [by Act].

Transport.—Copy of the Report of the Transport Users' Consultative Committee for Scotland for 1973 to the Secretary of State for Scotland [by Act]; to be printed [No. 75].

Mr. Secretary Mason:

Defence Expenditure.—Copy of Government Observations on the Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Reports from the Expenditure Committee, Session 1973-74 [by Command].

Defence (Territorial and Auxiliary Forces).—Copies of Amending Schemes, dated 27th March 1974, for the Territorial, Auxiliary and Volunteer Reserve Associations for—
(1) East Anglia,
(2) Eastern Wessex,
(3) Greater London,
(4) the North West of England and the Isle of Man,
(5) Northern Ireland,
(6) the South East,
(7) Wales,
(8) the West Midlands,
(9) Western Wessex, and
(10) Yorkshire and Humberside
[by Act].
Defence (Territorial and Auxiliary Forces),—Copies of Schemes, dated 27th March 1974, for the Territorial, Auxiliary and Volunteer Reserve Associations for—
(1) the East Midlands, and
(2) the North of England
[by Act].

Defence (Territorial and Auxiliary Forces),—Copies of Orders, dated 27th March 1974, providing for the dissolution of the Territorial, Auxiliary and Voluntary Reserve Associations of—
(1) the Counties of Cumberland, Durham, Northumberland, Westmorland and the North Riding of the County of York, and
(2) the Counties of Nottingham, Derby, Leicester, Rutland, Lincoln, and Northampton
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Foot:
Pay Board,—Copy of the Report of the Pay Board for the period 1st December 1973 to 28th February 1974 [by Act] ; to be printed [No. 78].

Mrs. Secretary Castle:

Mr. Edward Short:

Mr. Frederick Peart:

Paper laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:
Supreme Court (Northern Ireland),—Copy of Rules, dated 5th March 1974, entitled the Rules of the Supreme Court (Northern Ireland) (No. 1) 1974 (S.R. & O. (N.I.), 1974, No. 59) [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr. Gerald Kaufman and Mr. Tom King (nominated in respect of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Bill) ; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Charles R. Morris and Mr. John Page.

Standing Committee D,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from Standing Committee D Mrs. Peggy Fenner (nominated in respect of the Prices Bill) ; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Michael Shersby.

[No. 29.]

Tuesday, 30th April, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Standing Order not previously inquired into complied with),—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 after the Second Reading thereof, the Standing Order not previously inquired into, which is applicable thereto, has been complied with, viz:—

British Railways Bill.

Bill committed.
Private Bills [Lords] (No Standing Order not previously inquired into applicable).—Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords and referred after the First Reading thereof, no Standing Order not previously inquired into is applicable thereto, viz.:

- Crude Oil Terminals (Humber) Bill [Lords].
- United Kingdom Temperance and General Provident Institution Bill [Lords].

Bills to be read a second time.

Barclays Bank International Bill [Lords].—The Barclays Bank International Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

Greater London Council (Money) Bill.—A Bill to regulate the expenditure on capital account and lending to other persons by the Greater London Council during the financial period from 1st April 1974 to 30th September 1975; and for other purposes, was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. R. Graham Page reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords 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 had directed him to report Memoranda laid before them; And the Report was brought up and read (Fourth Report).

Report, together with Memoranda, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 51-iv].

Race Relations and Immigration.—Mr. William Deedes reported from the Select Committee on Race Relations and Immigration, 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 (First Special Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 83].

Science and Technology.—Mr. Arthur Palmer reported from the Select Committee on Science and Technology, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Sea-Bed Engineering Sub-Committee on 30th April.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 107-1].

Selection.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection (See Appendix II).

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. R. Graham Page 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 had directed him to report a Memorandum laid before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Fourth Report).

Report, together with Memorandum, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 52-v].

Independent Broadcasting Authority Bill.—Sir Stephen McAdden reported from Standing Committee B, That they had gone through the Independent Broadcasting Authority Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 33].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 85].

Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

Consolidation, &c., Bills.—The Lords propose that the Joint Committee on Consolidation, &c., Bills do meet in Committee Room 4 to-morrow at half-past Four o’clock.

Consolidation, &c., Bills.—Ordered, That the Lords Message this day relating to Consolidation, &c., Bills, be now considered.

The House proceeded to consider the Lords Message.

Ordered, That the Committee appointed by this House do meet the Lords Committee as proposed by their Lordships.

Message to the Lords to acquaint them therewith.

Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration.—Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration on 16th January, in the last Session of the last Parliament, be referred to the Committee.—(Mr. Charles Fletcher-Cooke.)
Privilege.—Complaint having been made yesterday by Sir Harmar Nicholls, Baronet, Member for Peterborough, that statements made by Mr. Joe Ashton, Member for Bassetlaw, in a broadcast interview on 26th April reflected on the conduct of Members of this House; and a copy of the transcript of the said broadcast interview having been delivered in;

Mr. Joe Ashton was heard in his place and then withdrew.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the matter of the complaint made by the honourable Baronet the Member for Peterborough relating to statements made by the honourable Member for Bassetlaw in a broadcast interview be referred to the Committee of Privileges—(Mr. Edward Short);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. Thomas Cox: 283.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Russell Kerr, Mr. John Lee: 94.

So the Question was agreed to.

Ordered, That the matter of the complaint made by the honourable Baronet the Member for Peterborough relating to statements made by the honourable Member for Bassetlaw in a broadcast interview be referred to the Committee of Privileges.

Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill.—Mr. Secretary Foot, supported by the Prime Minister, Mr. Edward Short, Mrs. Secretary Castle, Mr. Secretary Benn, Mr. Secretary Ross, Mr. Secretary John Morris, Mr. Edmund Dell, and Mr. Albert Booth, presented a Bill to repeal the Industrial Relations Act 1971; to make provision with respect to the law relating to trade unions, employers' associations, workers and employers, including the law relating to unfair dismissal, and with respect to the jurisdiction and procedure of industrial tribunals; and for connected purposes; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 31].

Safety Packaging for Medicines.—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make it compulsory for all medicines which could be fatal to young children to have child-proof opening devices fitted: And that Mrs. Jill Knight, Mr. Harold Gurden, Mr. Edward Bishop, Mr. Clement Freud, Mr. Philip Holland, and Mr. J. W. Rooker, do prepare and bring it in.

Safety Packaging for Medicines Bill.—Mrs. Jill Knight accordingly presented a Bill to make it compulsory for all medicines which could be fatal to young children to have child-proof opening devices fitted: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 10th May and to be printed [Bill 32].

Channel Tunnel Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Channel Tunnel Bill;

Mr. Frederick Mulley acquainted the House, That he had it in Command from the Queen to acquaint the House that Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, has consented to place Her prerogative and interests, so far as they are affected by the Bill, at the disposal of Parliament for the purposes of the Bill;

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Laurie Pavitt, Mr. Donald Coleman: 287.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. David Steel, Mrs. Winifred Ewing: 63.

So the Question was agreed to

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Select Committee of Eight Members, Four to be nominated by the House and Four by the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That there shall stand referred to the Select Committee—

(a) any Petition against the Bill presented by being deposited in the Private Bill Office at any time not later than 7th May 1974 (together with any Petition standing referred to the Select Committee under any Order of this House in the last Session), and

(b) any Petition which has been presented by being deposited in the Private Bill Office and in which the Petitioners complain of any amendment as proposed in the filled-up Bill or of any matter which has arisen during the progress of the Bill before the said Committee,

being a Petition in which the Petitioners pray to be heard by themselves, their Counsel or Agents.
Ordered, That if no such Petition as is mentioned in sub-paragraph (a) of the last Order 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 Standing Committee.

Ordered, That any Petitioner whose Petition stands referred to the Select Committee shall, subject to the Rules and Orders of the House and to the Prayer of his Petition provided that it 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 that 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. Frederick Mulley.)

Channel Tunnel [Money].—Her Majesty’s Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Channel Tunnel [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purpose of any Act of the present Session to provide for the construction and operation of a railway tunnel system under the English Channel, it is expedient to authorise—

(1) the payment out of the Consolidated Fund of such sums as may be required for fulfilling guarantees given by the Treasury in relation to money borrowed for the purpose of providing finance for the construction and maintenance of the tunnel system subject to a limit of £1,000 million in so far as the sums are required for the repayment of principal, and the payment into that Fund of sums received in pursuance of arrangements with the French Government towards the fulfilment of guarantees so given;

(2) the payment out of the Consolidated Fund of such sums as may be required for contributing, in accordance with those arrangements, towards the fulfilment of guarantees given by or on behalf of the French Government in relation to money borrowed for the purpose mentioned in paragraph (1) above subject to a limit of £500 million in so far as the payments are required for the repayment of principal;

(3) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of sums required to meet expenditure incurred by the Secretary of State—
   (a) in fulfilling any obligations or exercising any rights which are or become his in pursuance of any agreement between the Secretary of State and other persons relating to the construction of the tunnel system;
   (b) in making payments for land vested in or acquired by him under the said Act of the present Session or payments of compensation for loss in connection with the exercise by the Secretary of State of powers of acquiring land under that Act; or
   (c) in carrying on the construction of the tunnel system in the event of the abandonment of the construction of that system by the other persons referred to in sub-paragraph (a) above;

(4) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to that Act in the sums so payable under any other enactment for land so acquired or otherwise by reason of the exercise of any statutory powers in connection with construction of the tunnel system;

(5) the payment into the Consolidated Fund of sums received or recovered by the Secretary of State in connection with or arising out of the construction, maintenance or operation of the tunnel system or the acquisition of land for the construction, maintenance or operation of that system or the disposal of land so acquired;

(6) the payment out of the National Loans Fund of such sums as are necessary to enable the Secretary of State to make loans to the British Channel Tunnel Board constituted by the said Act of the present Session (hereafter referred to as “the Board”), and the payment into that Fund of sums paid to him by way of repayments of such loans or payment of interest thereon;

(7) the payment out of the Consolidated Fund of sums required for fulfilling any guarantee given by the Treasury in relation to money lent to the Board by persons other than the Secretary of State, and the payment into that Fund of sums received by the Treasury by way of repayment of sums issued in fulfilment of such guarantees or interest on the sums so issued;

(8) the payment by the Secretary of State into the Consolidated Fund of sums paid to him by the Board.—(Mr. Frederick Mulley.)
Ways and Means,—Channel Tunnel,—

Resolved, That any Act of the present Session providing for the construction and operation of a railway tunnel system under the English Channel may include—

(a) provision treating, for the purposes of liability to tax, the discharge of functions in relation to that system as the carrying on of a trade by the British Channel Tunnel Board constituted by that Act; and

(b) provision affecting the computation of tax on that Board.—(Dr. John Gilbert.)

Value Added Tax.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Value Added Tax (General) (No. 1) Order 1974 (S.L., 1974, No. 542), a copy of which was laid before this House on 25th March, be approved—(Mr. Joel Barnett);

And it being half-past Eleven o'clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker put the Question, pursuivant to Standing Order No. 3 (Exempted Business);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Thomas Cox, Mr. John Golding: 282.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Walter Clegg, Mr. Paul Hawkins: 269.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the Value Added Tax (General) (No. 1) Order 1974 (S.L., 1974, No. 542), a copy of which was laid before this House on 26th March, be approved.

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

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 1st May, 1974:

And the Question being put;

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nine minutes past Twelve o'clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.9 a.m.

APPENDIX I

Tuesday 30th April 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

The Prime Minister:

Public Boards,—Copy of a List of members of Public Boards of a commercial character as at 1st April 1974, with salaries and a List of those holding more than one appointment by Command.

Dr. John Gilbert:

Air Corporations,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury as of 29th March 1974 on a loan to be made to the British Airways Board by the Union Bank of Switzerland by Act; to be printed [No. 86].

Bank Notes,—Copies of Treasury Minutes—

(1) dated 26th March 1974,
(2) dated 29th March 1974,
(3) dated 2nd April 1974,
(4) dated 5th April 1974,
(5) dated 9th April 1974, and
(6) dated 11th April 1974

relative to the Fiduciary Note Issue by Act; to be printed [Nos. 87 to 92].

Colonial Loans,—Statement of the total sums issued out of, and repayments made into, the Consolidated Fund up to 31st March 1974 in fulfilment of guarantees given by the Treasury in pursuance of Section 1 of the Colonial Loans Act 1949, as amended by Section 1 of the Colonial Loans Act 1952 and Section 1 of the Colonial Loans Act 1962 by Act; to be printed [No. 76].
Gas.—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 27th March 1974 on loans proposed to be raised by the British Gas Corporation [by Act]; to be printed [No. 93].

Post Office.—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 29th January 1974 on loans proposed to be raised by the Post Office [by Act]; to be printed [No. 94].

Water.—Statements of Guarantee given by the Treasury—

1. on 18th January 1974, on loans raised by the Severn-Trent Water Authority,
2. on 26th March 1974, on loans raised by the Anglian Water Authority,
3. on 26th March 1974, on loans raised by the National Water Council,
4. on 26th March 1974, on loans raised by the North West Water Authority,
5. on 26th March 1974, on loans raised by the Northumbrian Water Authority,
6. on 26th March 1974, on loans raised by the Severn-Trent Water Authority,
7. on 26th March 1974, on loans raised by the South West Water Authority,
8. on 26th March 1974, on loans raised by the Thames Water Authority,
9. on 26th March 1974, on loans raised by the Wessex Water Authority,
10. on 27th March 1974, on loans raised by the Yorkshire Water Authority,
11. on 29th March 1974, on loans raised by the Southern Water Authority, and
12. dated 29th March 1974, on loans raised by the Welsh National Water Development Authority [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 95 to 106].

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:


Gaming.—Copy of the Report of the Gaming Board for Great Britain for 1973 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 61].

Mr. Secretary Callaghan:

Treaty Series (No. 24, 1974).—Copy of Notes exchanged at Islamabad on 19th November 1973 between Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Pakistan, concerning wheat to be supplied by Her Majesty’s Government to the Government of Pakistan within the framework of the Cereals Food Aid Programme of the European Economic Community (UK Food Aid Grant: Pakistan Agreement 1973) [by Command].


Mr. Secretary Prentice:

National Gallery and Tate Gallery.—Draft of an Order, entitled the National Gallery (Lending Outside the United Kingdom) Order 1974 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Foot:

Industrial Training.—Copy of an Order, dated 18th April 1974, entitled the Industrial Training Levy (Clothing and Allied Products) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 719) [by Act].

Industrial Training.—Copy of the Report and Statement of Accounts of the Electricity Supply Industry Training Board for the period 1st April 1973 to 28th February 1974 [by Act].

Mrs. Secretary Castle:

Social Security.—Draft of Regulations, entitled the Supplementary Benefit ( Determination of Requirements) Regulations 1974 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Shore:

Customs and Excise.—Copy of an Order, dated 22nd April 1974, entitled the Anti-Dumping Duty (Temporary Suspension) (No. 2) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 724) [by Act].
Mr. Secretary Benn:
Census of Production,—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production 1971, relating to jute [by Act].


Mr. Secretary Crosland:
Transport,—Statement of the appointment of, and the salary payable to, a part-time member of the British Waterways Board [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Rees:


Mrs. Secretary Williams:
Price Commission,—Copies of the Reports of the Price Commission—
(1) for the period 1st December 1973 to 28th February 1974, and
(2) relative to the fresh food reference, for the period September 1973 to February 1974 [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 56 and 79].

The Chairman of Ways and Means:
Statutory Orders (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 Port of Tyne Authority (Constitution) Revision Order 1974,
(2) the Welsh Office Highways Compulsory Purchase Order (No. 1) (The M4 Motorway and the London-Fishguard Trunk Road, Stormy Down to Groes Section) 1974,
(3) the Northumbrian Water Authority (Kielder Water) Order 1974,
(4) the Dywgyfylchi, Conway and Gyffin, Caernarvonshire, Compulsory Rights Order 1974,
(5) the St. Asaph, Flintshire, Compulsory Rights Order 1974,
(6) the Waen, Flintshire, Compulsory Rights Order 1974, and
(7) the Waen, Flintshire, Compulsory Purchase Order 1974 [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee B,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated the Members appointed to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Dumping at Sea Bill to serve on Standing Committee B in respect of that Bill (transferred from Standing Committee A).

MEMORANDUM

Tuesday 30th April 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has allocated the Dumping at Sea Bill to Standing Committee B (transferred from Standing Committee A).
The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were laid upon the Table and ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

Morpeth Common Bill,—The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Morpeth Common Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the facts as proved by the evidence adduced, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto; and had amended the Title as follows: A Bill to provide for the preservation and for restricting the user of certain land in the borough of Castle Morpeth in the county of Northumberland known as Morpeth Common; and for other purposes; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, and Report to lie upon the Table.

Report to be printed.

University of Bristol Bill,—The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the University of Bristol Bill and found the same to be true; and had directed him to report the Bill 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.

Bill to be read the third time.

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed.

Spanish and Portuguese Jews' (Golders Green) Burial Ground Bill,—The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Spanish and Portuguese Jews' (Golders Green) Burial Ground 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.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, and Report to lie upon the Table.

Report to be printed.

Chairmen's Panel,—The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Chairmen's Panel, several Resolutions, which were read, as follow:—

(1) That if, at any two sittings of a Standing Committee called for the consideration of a Bill, the Committee is adjourned by reason of the absence of a Quorum before Twelve o'clock noon, the Committee shall not proceed again to the consideration of that Bill until any other Bills committed to the Committee have been considered.

(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.

Report to lie upon the Table.

Nationalised Industries,—Mr. Russell Kerr reported from the Select Committee on Nationalised Industries, 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 (First Special Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 109].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee on 1st May to be printed [No. 109].

Selection,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
Harwich Harbour Revision Order 1973 (Petition for Amendment) (Joint Committee),—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Three Members to serve on the Joint Committee on the Harwich Harbour Revision Order 1973 (Petition for Amendment), viz.: Mr. Tom Ellis, Mr. David James, and Mr. Hugh McCartney.

Control of Zoological Gardens Bill [Lords],—The Control of Zoological Gardens Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next and to be printed [Bill 35].

Harwich Harbour Revision Order 1973 (Petition for Amendment),—Ordered, That the Lords Message of 9th April relating to the Joint Committee on the Harwich Harbour Revision Order 1973 (Petition for Amendment) be now considered.

Lords Message considered accordingly.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them that this House has appointed Three Members to serve on the said Committee.

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. David James.)

Message to the Lords to acquaint them therewith.

Transplant of Human Organs,—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to allow hospitals to take the organs, such as kidneys, of any patient, once clinical death has been established, other than those of a deceased person who has contracted out during his lifetime by registering, on a central computer, his desire not to donate organs: And that Mr. Tam Dalyell, Mr. Edward Bishop, Miss Betty Boothroyd, Mr. Lewis Carter-Jones, Dr. John Cunningham, Mrs. Dunwoody, Mr. A. E. P. Duffy, Dr. J. Dickson Mabon, Dr. Maurice Miller, Mr. Terry Walker, and Mr. Brian Walden, do prepare and bring it in.

Transplant of Human Organs Bill,—Mr. Tam Dalyell accordingly presented a Bill to allow hospitals to take the organs, such as kidneys, of any patient, once clinical death has been established, other than those of a deceased person who has contracted out during his lifetime by registering, on a central computer, his desire not to donate organs: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next and to be printed [Bill 34].

Supply [3rd allotted Day],—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Business of Supply.

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

The Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That the Rabies Bill may be proceeded with at this day's sitting, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Joseph Harper.)

Rabies Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Rabies Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time: —It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Expenditure,—Ordered, That, notwithstanding the Order of the House of 8th April relating to nomination of Members of the Expenditure Committee, Mr. A. P. Costain, and Mr. Anthony Grant be discharged from the Committee and Sir John Rodgers and Mr. Ralph Howell be added to the Committee for the remainder of this Parliament.

Ordered, That this Order be a Standing Order of the House.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-one minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.21 p.m.]
APPENDIX I

Wednesday 1st May 1974

Papers laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Administration of Justice,—Copy of the Accounts of Funds in Court in England and Wales for the year ended 28th February 1973; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 110].

Erskine Bridge Tolls,—Copy of the Operating Account for the year ended 31st March 1973 and Balance Sheet as at that date; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 111].

Foreign Compensation,—Copy of the Accounts of the Egyptian, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and Egyptian Nationalised Property Funds for the year ended 31st March 1973; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 112].

Legal Aid and Advice,—Copy of the Account of the receipts and expenses of the Law Society paid into and out of the Legal Aid Fund in the year ended 31st March 1973; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 113].

Legal Aid and Advice (Scotland),—Copy of the Account of the receipts and expenses of the Law Society of Scotland paid into and out of the Legal Aid (Scotland) Fund in the year ended 31st March 1973; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 114].

Public Health,—Accounts of the Public Health Laboratory Service Board for the year ended 31st March 1973; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 115].

Severn Bridge Tolls,—Copy of the Operating Account of the Severn Bridge Tolls for the year ended 31st March 1973 and Balance Sheet as at that date; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 116].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Channel Tunnel Bill (Select Committee),—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Four Members to serve on the Select Committee on the Channel Tunnel Bill, viz.: Dr. Edmund Marshall, Mr. Jasper More, Dr. Colin Phipps, and Mr. R. Bonner Pink.

[No. 31]

Tuesday, 2nd May, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented (see Appendix).

Orkney County Council Bill,—Mr. George Lawson reported from the Committee on the Orkney County Council Bill, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same so as to make it consistent with the facts as proved by the evidence adduced, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, and Report to lie upon the Table.

Report to be printed.
Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

Clerical, Medical and General Life Assurance Bill [Lords].—The Lords request that the Commons will be pleased to return the Clerical, Medical and General Life Assurance Bill [Lords], the same having been sent to them in error before the privilege Amendment had been made.

The House proceeded to consider the Lords Message.

Ordered, That the said Bill be returned to the Lords, as desired by their Lordships: And that the Clerk do deliver the same.

Clerical, Medical and General Life Assurance Bill [Lords].—The Order made on 10th April, That the Clerical, Medical and General Life Assurance Bill [Lords] be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, was read and discharged.

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

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

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

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

[Adjourned at 10.30 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Thursday 2nd May 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Dr. John Gilbert:

Water Research Centre,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 2nd May 1974, relative to the transfer free of charge of the assets of the Water Pollution Research Laboratory and the Water Resources Board to the Water Research Centre [by Command].

Counter-Inflation,—Copy of an Order, dated 2nd May 1974, entitled the Counter-Inflation (Price and Pay Code) (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 785) [by Act].

Import Duties,—Copy of an Order, dated 26th April 1974, entitled the Import Duties (Temporary Reductions and Exemptions) (No. 6) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 756) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Callaghan:

Treaty Series (No. 26, 1974),—Copy of Declarations made by Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom at Strasbourg on 3rd January and 6th March 1974 in respect of the United Kingdom and certain overseas territories, prolonging the period of recognition or acceptance of the Competence of the European Commission of Human Rights to receive individual petitions; and the period of recognition as compulsory of the jurisdiction of the European Court of Human Rights [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Benn:

Census of Production,—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production for 1971 relating to—

(1) agricultural machinery (except tractors),
(2) bolts, nuts, screws, rivets, etc.,
(3) chalk, clay, sand and gravel extraction,
(4) food and drink processing machinery,
(5) metal furniture, and
(6) watches and clocks

[by Act].

Mrs. Secretary Williams:

Counter-Inflation,—Copy of an Order, dated 2nd May 1974, entitled the Counter-Inflation (Notification of Increases in Prices and Charges) (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 775) [by Act].

Mr. Frederick Peart:

Seeds,—Copy of Regulations, dated 23rd April 1974, entitled the Seeds (Fees) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 736) [by Act].
Friday, 3rd May, 1974.

The House met at Eleven o’clock.

PRAYERS.

Newham, South, Writ,—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 Newham, South, in the room of the Right Honourable Sir Frederick Elwyn Jones, Q.C., called up to the House of Peers.—(Mr. Robert Mellish.)

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented (see Appendix).

Housing (Scotland) Bill,—Mr. Secretary Ross, supported by Mr. Bruce Millan and Mr. Robert Hughes, presented a Bill to provide for the making of grants towards the improvement, repair and provision by conversion of housing accommodation, to make provision for housing action areas and to re-enact with amendments certain provisions of Part I of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1969, to make provision as respects landlords and tenants in housing action areas, to extend the power of local authorities to make advances for the purpose of increasing housing accommodation, to empower the Secretary of State to make payment of a subsidy in order to compensate local authorities for the loss of rents as a result of the exercise of the power conferred by section 11 of the Counter-Inflation Act 1973, to amend the provisions of Part V of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1969 relating to the improvement of amenities of residential areas, 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 [Bill 36].

Local Revenue Bill,—The Local Revenue Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Committal of Bills).

Rehabilitation of Offenders Bill,—The Rehabilitation of Offenders Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Committal of Bills).

Education (Mentally Handicapped Children) (Scotland) Bill,—The Education (Mentally Handicapped Children) (Scotland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Committal of Bills).

Carriage of Passengers by Road Bill,—The Carriage of Passengers by Road Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Committal of Bills).

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

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Sir Brandon Rhys Williams, Mr. Martin McLaren: 18.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Walter Harrison, Mr. Michael Cocks: 0.

And it appearing on the report of the Division that Forty Members were not present, Mr. Deputy Speaker declared that the Question was not decided, and the business under consideration stood over until the next sitting of the House.

Mines (Working Facilities and Support) (Amendment) Bill,—The Mines (Working Facilities and Support) (Amendment) Bill was, according to Order, 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. Martin McLaren);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Martin McLaren, Sir Brandon Rhys Williams: 16.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Walter Harrison, Mr. Michael Cocks: 0.

And it appearing on the report of the Division that Forty Members were not present, Mr. Deputy Speaker declared that the Question was not decided, and the business under consideration stood over until the next sitting of the House.
Channel Tunnel Bill,—Ordered, That Mr. Bryan Davies, Mr. Fred Evans, Mr. Robin Maxwell-Hyslop, and Mr. Peter Snape be members of the Select Committee on the Channel Tunnel Bill.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Overseas Development,—Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider United Kingdom assistance for overseas development, and to report thereon: And the Committee was nominated of Sir Bernard Braine, Mr. Christopher Brocklebank-Fowler, Mr. Lewis Carter-Jones, Mr. George Cunningham, Mr. Bryan Davies, Sir Geoffrey de Freitas, Mr. Michael Grylls, Mr. Michael Marshall, and Mr. Kevin McNamara.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to appoint persons with expert knowledge for the purpose of particular inquiries, either to supply information which is not readily available or to elucidate matters of complexity within the Committee’s order of reference.

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 Three be the Quorum of the Committee.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Select Committee on Overseas Development in the last Session of the last Parliament, together with the Memoranda laid before that Committee, be referred to the Committee.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Nationalised Industries,—Ordered, That Mr. Cranley Onslow be discharged from the Select Committee on Nationalised Industries and that Mr. Iain Sproat be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-one minutes past Four o’clock, adjourned till Monday next.

[Adjourned at 4.21 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Friday 3rd May 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Crosland:

Highways,—Copy of an Order, dated 24th April 1974, entitled the Severn Bridge Tolls (Amendment) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 745) [by Act].

Rights of Way,—Copy of Regulations, dated 22nd April 1974, entitled the Walkways (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 735) [by Act].

Mr. Frederick Peart:

Sea Fisheries,—Copy of an Order, dated 24th April 1974, entitled the Herring (Celtic Sea) Licensing Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 738) [by Act].

Monday, 6th May, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented (see Appendix).

Companies Bill,—The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Companies Bill, was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time upon Friday next.

Standing Orders (Public Business),—Ordered, That the new Standing Orders relating to Public Business made on 4th and 9th April and the Standing Orders as amended on those days, be printed [No. 117].
The Housing Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Committal of Bills).

Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Housing [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to extend the functions of the Housing Corporation and to provide for the registration of, and the giving of financial assistance to, certain housing associations, to make further provision in relation to areas in which living conditions are unsatisfactory or otherwise in need of improvement, to provide for the making of grants towards the improvement, repair and provision of housing accommodation and for the compulsory improvement of such accommodation, to amend the law relating to assistance for house purchase and improvement and expenditure in connection with the provision and improvement of housing accommodation and of hostels and to amend the Housing Finance Act 1972, it is expedient to authorise:

(1) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any sums required for the payment, in pursuance of the said Act,—
   (a) of grants to registered housing associations,
   (b) of grants to housing authorities in Scotland in respect of expenditure on housing projects relating to hostels,
   (c) of contributions to local authorities in respect of expenditure incurred by them in making certain grants and in giving assistance towards the carrying out of certain works in areas declared, in accordance with the said Act, to be housing action areas,
   (d) of contributions to local authorities and certain other bodies having housing functions in respect of expenses incurred by them in providing and improving dwellings in circumstances where a grant might be paid under the said Act to a private individual, and
   (e) of salaries and other remuneration to members of the Housing Associations Registration Advisory Committee;

(2) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any administrative expenses of the Secretary of State attributable to the said Act;

(3) any increase attributable to the said Act in the sums payable out of money provided by Parliament under any other Act;

(4) the issue out of the National Loans Fund of any sums necessary to enable the Secretary of State to make loans under any provision of the said Act to the Housing Corporation;

(5) the issue out of the Consolidated Fund of any sums required by the Treasury for fulfilling any guarantee given by them under any provision of the said Act in respect of sums borrowed by the Housing Corporation; and

(6) the payment into any Public Fund of any sums falling to be so paid by virtue of the said Act.—(Mr. Jack Dormand.)

Resolved, That one-tenth of the sums deducted or set aside in the current year from the salaries of Members of Parliament under Section 1 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 1 of the House of Commons Members' Fund Act 1957, be appropriated for the purposes of Section 4 of the House of Commons Members' Fund Act 1948.—(Mr. Albert Roberts.)

Ordered, That Mr. Bryan Davies be discharged from the Select Committee on the Channel Tunnel Bill and that Mr. Robin F. Cook be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Ordered, That Mr. William Deedes and Mr. Angus Maude be discharged from the Committee of Privileges and that Mr. Edward Heath and Sir Peter Rawlinson be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

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

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.29 p.m.]
APPENDIX

Monday 6th May 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Ross:
Diseases of Animals,—Copy of an Order, dated 26th April 1974, entitled the Importation of Cattle (No. 3) Order 1974 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Shore:
Trade,—Returns to Orders made on 11th December 1972 and 10th December 1973 for Statistics relating to Overseas Trade.

Mr. Secretary Benn:
Census of Production,—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production for 1971, relating to—
(1) insulated wires and cables, and
(2) wire and wire manufactures
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:
Road Traffic,—Copies of Regulations, dated 3rd May 1974, entitled—
(1) the Motor Vehicles (Compulsory Insurance) (No. 2) (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 791), and
(2) the Motor Vehicles (Third Party Risks) (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 792)
[by Act].

MEMORANDA

Monday 6th May 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees) Mr. Speaker has appointed Mr. Michael English an additional Chairman of Standing Committee D in respect of the Prices Bill.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 67 (Public Bills relating exclusively to Scotland) Mr. Speaker has certified that, in his opinion, the provisions of the Housing (Scotland) Bill relate exclusively to Scotland.

[No. 34.]

Tuesday, 7th May, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Greater London Council (Money) Bill (Standing Orders applicable thereto complied with),—Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills that, in the case of the Greater London Council (Money) Bill referred after the First Reading thereof, the Standing Orders which are applicable thereto have been complied with.

Bill to be read a second time.

University of Bristol Bill,—The University of Bristol Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Crude Oil Terminals (Humber) Bill [Lords],—The Crude Oil Terminals (Humber) Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

United Kingdom Temperance and General Provident Institution Bill [Lords],—The United Kingdom Temperance and General Provident Institution Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.
Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. R. Graham Page reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords 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 had directed him to report Memoranda laid before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Fifth Report).

Report, together with Memoranda, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 51-v].

House of Commons (Services),—Mr. Arthur Bottomley reported from the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services), 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 (First Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 121].

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. R. Graham Page 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 (Fifth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 52-vii].

Dumping at Sea Bill,—Sir Myer Gaipern reported from Standing Committee B, That they had gone through the Dumping at Sea Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 38].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 120].

Mines (Working Facilities and Support) (Amendment) Bill,—The Mines (Working Facilities and Support) (Amendment) Bill was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Committal of Bills), the Motion that the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House having lapsed.

Parliamentary Broadcasting Unit,—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to establish a broadcasting unit under the control of Parliament for the purpose of preparing radio and television broadcasts of proceedings for an experimental period: And that Mr. Phillip Whitehead, Mr. Jack Ashley, Mr. Churchill, Mr. Michael English, Mr. Norman Fowler, Mr. Barney Hayhoe, Mr. Neil Kinnock, Mr. Sedgemore, Mr. Paul Tyler and Mr. Dafydd Wigley do prepare and bring it in.

Parliamentary Broadcasting Unit Bill,—Mr. Phillip Whitehead accordingly presented a Bill to establish a broadcasting unit under the control of Parliament for the purpose of preparing radio and television broadcasts of proceedings for an experimental period: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 14th June and to be printed [Bill 37].

Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Trade Union and Labour Relations 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 the Question, to leave out from the word "That" to the end of the Question and add the words "this House, reaffirming its belief that good industrial relations require a proper framework of law and recalling the undertaking of the previous Government to amend the Industrial Relations Act 1971 after consultation, declines to give a Second Reading to a Bill which fails to secure any such proper framework of law, gives trade unions special privileges in law without corresponding responsibilities and deprives individuals of effective protection of their rights"—(Mr. William Whitelaw),—instead thereof.

The Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Walter Clegg, Mr. Paul Hawkins: 264.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Ernest Perry, Mr. Laurie Pavitt: 299.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 39 (Amendment on second or third reading):—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Committal of Bills).

Trade Union and Labour Relations [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Trade Union and Labour Relations [Money]:
Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to repeal the Industrial Relations Act 1971, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of—

(a) any sums required for making payments of compensation for loss of office attributable to the provisions of that Act:

(b) any administrative expenses incurred by the Secretary of State in consequence of the provisions of that Act; and

(c) any increase attributable to the provisions of that Act in the sums payable out of moneys so provided under any other enactment.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Weights and Measures,—Resolved, That the Weights and Measures Act 1963 (Dentifrices) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 10th April, be approved. —(Mr. Alan Williams.)

Weights and Measures,—Resolved, That the Weights and Measures (Sale of Wine) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 10th April, be approved. —(Mr. Alan Williams.)

European Secondary Legislation, &c,—Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to consider draft proposals by the Commission of the European Economic Community for secondary legislation and other documents published by the Commission for submission to the Council of Ministers, and to report their opinion as to whether such proposals or other documents raise questions of legal or political importance, to give their reasons for their opinion, to report what matters of principle or policy may be affected thereby, and to what extent they may affect the law of the United Kingdom, and to make recommendations for the further consideration of such proposals and other documents by the House.

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Sixteen Members:—And the Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. Ronald Bell, Mr. Peter Blaker, Mr. Tam Dalyell, Mr. Denzil Davies, Mr. John Davies, Sir Geoffrey de Freitas, Mr. Douglas Jay, Mr. Russell Johnston, Mr. David Knox, Mr. Edward Lyons, Dr. J. Dickson Mabon, Mr. Peter Mills, Mr. Ian Percival, Mr. John Roper, Mr. Julius Silverman, and Mr. David Waddington.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to appoint persons with expert knowledge for the purpose of particular inquiries, either to supply information which is not readily available or to elucidate matters of complexity within the Committee's order of reference.

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 Minutes of Evidence from time to time.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to report from time to time.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum of the Committee.

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 every such Sub-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 to the Committee from time to time.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to report from time to time the Minutes of the Evidence taken before such Sub-committees.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum of every such Sub-committee.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Housing (Scotland) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing (Scotland) Bill:

Ordered, That the Housing (Scotland) Bill be referred to the Scottish Grand Committee.—(Mr. Bruce Millan.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till half-past Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.30 p.m.]
APPENDIX

Tuesday 7th May 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Dr. John Gilbert:
Federal Government of Nigeria,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 7th May 1974, relative to a gift of property to the Federal Government of Nigeria [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:
Immigration,—Copy of the Immigration Statistics for 1973 [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Ross:

Mr. Secretary Crosland:
Development,—Copy of the Report of the Development Commissioners for the eight years ended 31st March 1973 on Change and Development in Rural Areas [by Act]; to be printed [No. 81].

Metropolitan Water Board,—Copy of the Report of the Metropolitan Water Board for the year ended 31st March 1974 [by Act].

Mrs. Secretary Williams:
Monopolies and Mergers,—Copy of the Report of the Monopolies and Mergers Commission on the proposed transfer of five newspapers owned by Courier Printing and Publishing Company Limited to Associated Newspapers Group Limited [by Act]; to be printed [No. 108].

Monopolies and Mergers,—Statement of Consent by the Secretary of State, under Section 58 of the Fair Trading Act 1973, to the transfer by Courier Printing and Publishing Company Limited of the Kent and Sussex Courier, the Tunbridge Wells Advertiser, the Sevenoaks Chronicle, the Sevenoaks News, and the East Grinstead Courier to Associated Newspapers Group Limited [by Act].

Mr. Frederick Peart:
Seeds,—Copy of Regulations, dated 29th April 1974, entitled the Seeds (Registration and Licensing) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 760) [by Act].

MEMORANDUM

Tuesday 7th May 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has allocated the Housing Bill to Standing Committee B, the Local Revenue Bill, the Rehabilitation of Offenders Bill, the Carriage of Passengers by Road Bill and the Mines (Working Facilities and Support) (Amendment) Bill to Standing Committee C and the Education (Mentally Handicapped Children) (Scotland) Bill to the First Scottish Standing Committee.

[No. 351]

Wednesday, 8th May, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

Old London Road, Hythe, Burial Ground Bill,—The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Old London Road, Hythe, Burial Ground Bill and had 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; 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.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, and Report to lie upon the Table.

Report to be printed.

British Transport Docks Bill,—The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the British Transport Docks Bill and found the same to be true; 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.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, and Report to lie upon the Table.

Report to be printed.

London Transport Bill,—The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the London Transport Bill and found the same to be true; 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.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, and Report to lie upon the Table.

Report to be printed.

Selection,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Welsh Grand Committee,—Mr. Ifor Davies reported from the Welsh Grand Committee, That they had considered the matter of Housing in Wales, referred to them on 5th April, and had directed him to report accordingly to the House.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 125].

Lord High Commissioner (Church of Scotland) Bill,—Mr. Secretary Ross, supported by Mr. Bruce Millan, and Dr. John Gilbert, presented (pursuant to Standing Order No. 91 (Procedure upon Bills whose main object is to create a charge upon the public revenue)) a Bill to empower the Secretary of State, with the concurrence of the Treasury, to pay an allowance in respect of the expenses attributable to the office of Her Majesty’s High Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland of an amount which from time to time the Secretary of State may think appropriate: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 39].

Abortion (Amendment),—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to regulate the referral to, and recommendation of, medical or other services in connection with treatment authorised by the Abortion Act 1967, where the said referral or recommendation is made for reward otherwise than by a medical practitioner: And that Mr. Michael Grylls, Mr. Deedes, Mr. David Steel, Mr. Leo Abse, Dr. Gerard Vaughan, Mr. John Hunt, Mr. Brittan, Sir Nigel Fisher, Mr. Neville Sandelson, and Mr. Michael Alison do prepare and bring it in.

Abortion (Amendment) Bill,—Mr. Michael Grylls accordingly presented a Bill to regulate the referral to, and recommendation of, medical or other services in connection with treatment authorised by the Abortion Act 1967, where the said referral or recommendation is made for reward otherwise than by a medical practitioner: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next and to be printed [Bill 40].

Supply [4th allotted Day],—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Business of Supply.

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

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Walter Clegg, Mr. Paul Hawkins: 268.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Walter Harrison, Mr. Joseph Harper: 279.

So the Question was negatived.

Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Ordered, That Mr. Sydney Bidwell be discharged from the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration and that Mr. Maurice Orbach be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)
Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from Northern Ireland for the dissolution of the Northern Ireland Executive was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eleven minutes to Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.49 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 8th May 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Joel Barnett:
Civil Estimates (Supplementary Estimates) 1974-75,—Estimates of further sums required to be voted for the service of the year ending 31st March 1975, for Civil Departments [by Command]; to be printed [No. 119].

Mr. Secretary Ross:

Transport,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Scottish Transport Group for 1973 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Mason:
Defence,—Copies of Rules—
(1) dated 26th April 1974, entitled the Rules of Procedure (Air Force) (Amendment) Rules 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 752), and
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:
Clean Air,—Copy of an Order, dated 30th April 1974, entitled the Smoke Control Areas (Exempted Fireplaces) (Variation) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 762) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary John Morris:
Welsh Economic Trends,—Copy of Statistics relating to Welsh Economic Trends (No. 1, 1974) [by Command].

The Chairman of Ways and Means:
Statutory Orders (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, as amended by the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1965, That a Petition has been presented against the Porthmadog Harbour Revision Order 1974 by the Dwyfor District Council, and that they have taken it into consideration and have certified it as proper to be received and as a Petition of General Objection [by Act].

Paper laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:
Tribunals and Inquiries,—Report of the Council on Tribunals for the year ended 31st July 1973 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 82].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee B,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Twenty-two Members to serve on Standing Committee B in respect of the Housing Bill, viz.: Mr. James Allason, Mr. Frank Allaun, Mr. Benyon, Mr. George Cunningham, Mr. Joseph Dean, Mr. Bruce Douglas-Mann, Mr. Peter Emery, Mr. Geoffrey Finsberg, Miss Janet Fookes, Mr. Reginald Freeson, Mr. Bruce George, Mr. Gerald Kaufman, Mr. Michael Morris, Mr. Neubert, Mr. Cecil Parkinson, Mr. Ernest G. Perry, Mr. Hugh Rossi, Mr. Sedgemore, Mr. Julius Silverman, Mr. David Stoddart, Mr. Cyril D. Townsend, and Mr. Dafydd Wigley.
Standing Committee C, - Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Local Revenue Bill, viz.: Mr. Robert Adley, Mr. Gordon A. T. Bagier, Mr. Guy Barnett, Mr. A. P. Costain, Mr. Cryer, Mr. Durant, Mr. Martin Flannery, Mr. N. Garrett, Mr. John Hannam, Mr. Gordon Oakes, Mr. R. Graham Page, Mr. Stephen Ross, Mr. Hugh Rossi, Mr. Spence, Dr. Shirley Summerskill, and Mr. James Wellbeloved.

Standing Committee C, - Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Rehabilitation of Offenders Bill, viz.: Mr. J. Callaghan, Mr. Mark Carlisle, Mrs. Lynéa Chalker, Mr. Piets Dixon, Mr. Emlyn Hooson, Mr. Alexander Lyon, Mr. Ken Marks, Mr. Hal Miller, Mr. Malcolm Rifkind, Mr. Sims, Mr. Ivor Stanbrook, Mr. David Watkins, Mr. David Weitzman, Mr. James White, Mr. Wrigglesworth, and Mr. David Young.

Standing Committee E, - Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Thirty Members to serve on Standing Committee E in respect of the Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill, viz.: Mr. Albert Booth, Mr. Brittan, Mr. Bulmer, Mr. Adam Butler, Mr. Clemitson, Mr. Thomas Cox, Mr. John Ellis, Mr. John Evans, Mr. Harry Ewing, Mr. Michael Foot, Mr. Barney Hayhoe, Mr. Douglas Henderson, Mr. Russell Kerr, Mr. Jim Lester, Mr. Ray Mawby, Mr. David Mitchell, Mr. Cranley Onslow, Mr. John Page, Mr. Ian Percival, Mr. Giles Radice, Mr. James Sillars, Mr. Cyril Smith, Mr. Leslie Spring, Mr. John Stanley, Mr. Tomlinson, Mr. Tugendhat, Mr. Urwin, Mr. David Waddington, Mr. Edwin Wainwright and Mr. William Whitelaw.

First Scottish Standing Committee, - Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on the First Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Education (Mentally Handicapped Children) (Scotland) Bill, viz.: Mr. Michael Ancram, Mr. Ian Campbell, Mr. Harry Ewing, Mr. Hamish Gray, Mr. Robert Hughes, Mr. Adam Hunter, Mr. Michael Clark Hutchison, Mr. Ian MacArthur, Mr. Hector Monro, Mr. James Sillars, Mr. John Smith, Mr. Ian Sproat, Mr. Donald Stewart, Mr. Anthony Stoddart, Mr. James White, and Mr. Alexander Wilson.

Scottish Grand Committee, - Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Ten Members to serve on the Scottish Grand Committee in respect of the Housing (Scotland) Bill, viz.: Mr. Aitken, Mr. Daniel Awdry, Mr. Ronald Bell, Mr. Budgen, Mr. Cockcroft, Colonel Sir Harwood Harrison, Mr. Norman Miscampbell, Sir George Sinclair, Mr. John Stokes, and Mr. Nicholas Winterton.

Channel Tunnel Bill (Select Committee), - Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had discharged Mr. Jasper More from the Select Committee on the Channel Tunnel Bill and had added Mr. Keith Stainton.

MEMORANDA

Wednesday 8th May 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has allocated the Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill to Standing Committee E.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has appointed Mr. John Wells an additional Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Health and Safety at Work, etc. Bill, Mrs. Joyce Butler Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Housing Bill, Sir Myer Galpern Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Local Revenue Bill, Sir Stephen McAdden Chairman of Standing Committee E in respect of the Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill, Sir Myer Galpern Chairman of the Scottish Grand Committee in respect of the Housing (Scotland) Bill and Sir Alfred Broughton Chairman of the First Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Education (Mentally Handicapped Children) (Scotland) Bill.
The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

Race Relations and Immigration,—Mr. Deedes reported from the Select Committee on Race Relations and Immigration, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them on 9th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 123-i].

Selection,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Rating Reform Bill,—Mr. Patrick Cormack, supported by Mr. John Biffen, Mr. John Wells, Mr. Tom Normanton, Mr. Timothy Sainsbury, Mr. Michael Marshall, Mr. Jasper More, Mrs. Elaine Kellett-Bowman, Mr. Evelyn King, Mr. Hugh Fraser, and Mr. Nicholas Ridley, presented a Bill to reform the rating system in England and Wales; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 14th June to be printed [Bill 41].

Business of the House,—Ordered, That, at this day’s sitting, proceedings on the Motion standing on the Order Paper in the name of Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer relating to the Committal of the Finance Bill shall not be subject to the provisions of Standing Order No. 40(3) and may be proceeded with, though opposed, for a period of three-quarters of an hour after Ten o’clock or after they have been entered upon, whichever is the later, and at the end of that period Mr. Speaker shall proceed to put any Question necessary to dispose of those proceedings.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Finance Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Finance 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 the Question, to leave out from the word “That” to the end of the Question and add the words “this House declines to give a Second Reading to a Finance Bill which does nothing to stop the rate of inflation rising to a level which is a danger to democracy, fails to protect those on lower incomes who suffer most from inflation, and yet increases the danger of an unacceptable level of unemployment”—(Mr. John Pardoe),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Debate arising;

And it being Ten o’clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That the Motion relating to Procedure (Trustee Savings Banks) may be proceeded with at this day’s sitting, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Finance Bill,—The Question being again proposed, That the Amendment be made to the Question, That the Finance Bill be now read a second time:—

The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. John Pardoe, Dr. Michael Winstanley: 12.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Thomas Cox, Mr. James A. Dunn: 120.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 39 (Amendment on second or third reading):—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That Clauses Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 19, and

(a) any new Clause relating to exemption for trade unions; and

(b) any new Clause first appearing on the Order Paper not later than 17th May 1974 and relating to income tax, capital gains tax or corporation tax;

be committed to a Committee of the whole House; that the remainder of the Bill be committed to a Standing Committee; that, when the provisions of the Bill considered, respectively, by the Committee of the whole House and by the Standing Committee have been reported to the House, the Bill be proceeded with as if the Bill had been reported as a whole to the House from the Standing Committee.—(Dr. John Gilbert.)

Committee to-morrow.
Procedure (Trustee Savings Banks).—Ordered, That, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the practice of the House relating to the matters which may be included in Finance Bills, any Finance Bill of the present Session may include provision for relaxing the restriction imposed by section 18(1) of the Trustee Savings Bank Act 1969 on the making of special investments.—(Dr. John Gilbert.)

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Finance Bill that they have power to make provision therein pursuant to the said Order.

Channel Tunnel Bill.—Ordered, That Mr. Robin Maxwell-Hyslop be discharged from the Select Committee on the Channel Tunnel Bill and that Mr. Toby Jessel be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. James A. Dunn):—Debate arising:

And the Question having been proposed after Ten o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put. pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-two minutes to Twelve o'clock, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.38 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Thursday 9th May 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

The Prime Minister:

Pensions,—Copy of Regulations, dated 24th April 1974, entitled the Pensions Increase (Federated Superannuation System for Universities) (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 737) [by Act].

Dr. John Gilbert:

Borrowing and Securities,—Draft of an Order, entitled the Local Loans (Increase of Limit) Order 1974 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:

Local Government,—Copy of Regulations, dated 25th April 1974, entitled the Police (Compensation) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 759) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Callaghan:

Food (Miscellaneous No. 12, 1974),—Copy of Protocols, made at Washington between 2nd and 22nd April 1974, for the extension of the Wheat Trade Convention and the Food Aid Convention constituting the International Wheat Agreement 1971 (the United Kingdom has not signed the Protocol for the extension of the Food Aid Convention) [by Command].


Mr. Secretary Ross:

Housing (Scotland),—Copy of a Statement of the rents of Public Authority houses and of rent rebates and allowances in Scotland for 1973 [by Command].

Education (Scotland),—Copy of Regulations, dated 25th April 1974, entitled the Teachers Superannuation (Contributions) (Scotland) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 769) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Shore:

Seamen's Savings Banks,—Account of all deposits received and repaid on Account of Seamen's Savings Banks during the period 21st November to 31st May 1973, and of the interest thereon [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Benn:

Census of Production,—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production for 1971, relating to formulated adhesives, gelatine, etc. [by Act].
Mr. Secretary Crosland:

Harbours, Docks, Piers and Ferries,—Copy of an Order, dated 25th March 1974, entitled the Clyde Port Authority Order 1974, with a Statement by the Secretary of State for the Environment under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 (as substituted in relation to Orders extending to Scotland only by Section 10 of the Act) [by Act].

Merchandise Marks,—Copy of Regulations, dated 5th April 1974, entitled the Motor Vehicles (Designation of Approval Marks) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 764) [by Act].

Road Traffic,—Copies of Regulations, dated 5th April 1974, entitled—

1. the Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 765), and
2. the Motor Vehicles (Type Approval) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 763) [by Act].

Papers laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Irish Land Purchase Fund,—Accounts of Receipts and Payments by the National Debt Commissioners, and Statements of Liabilities outstanding, in respect of the Irish Land Purchase Fund for the year ended 31st March 1973; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 126].

Plant Health,—Copies of Orders, dated 1st May 1974, entitled—

1. the Dutch Elm Disease (Restriction on Movement of Diseased Elms) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 767), and
2. the Watermark Disease (Local Authorities) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 768) [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee B,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee B Mr. Sedgemore (nominated in respect of the Housing Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Ted Rowlands.

Standing Committee E,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from Standing Committee E Mr. Urwin (nominated in respect of the Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Neil Kinnock.

MEMORANDUM

Thursday 9th May 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 67 (Public Bills relating exclusively to Scotland) Mr. Speaker has certified that, in his opinion, the provisions of the Lord High Commissioner (Church of Scotland) Bill relate exclusively to Scotland.

Friday, 10th May, 1974.

The House met at Eleven o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented (see Appendix).

Representation of the People (No. 2) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Representation of the People (No. 2) Bill:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—Debate arising:

Mr. Cranley Onslow 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.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. David Walder, Mr. Victor Goodhew: 65.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Wrigglesworth, Mr. John Lee: 2.
Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker declared that the Question was not decided in the Affirmative because it was not supported by the majority prescribed by Standing Order No. 31 (Majority for Closure).

And it being after Four o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday next.

Spouses of United Kingdom Citizens (Equal Treatment) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Spouses of United Kingdom Citizens (Equal Treatment) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 21st June.

Public Lending Right Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Lending Right Bill;

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

Rights of Patients Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rights of Patients Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 14th June.

Safety Packaging for Medicines Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Safety Packaging for Medicines Bill;

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

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

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

Abortion (Amendment) Bill,—The Abortion (Amendment) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Committal of Bills).

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-four minutes to Five o'clock, adjourned till Monday next.

{Adjourned at 4.36 p.m.}

APPENDIX

Friday 10th May 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Dr. John Gilbert:

Value Added Tax,—Copies of Orders, dated 9th May 1974, entitled—

(1) the Value Added Tax (Aids for Disabled) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 821), and
(2) the Value Added Tax (Protective Boots and Helmets) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 822)

[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Ross:

National Health Service (Scotland),—Copy of Regulations, dated 26th April 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Supply of Prescribed Goods) (Scotland) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 773) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Prentice:

Pensions,—Copies of Rules, dated 30th April 1974, entitled—

(1) the Superannuation (Teachers' Interchange) (Revocation) Rules 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 778), and
(2) the Superannuation (Teaching and Civil Service) Interchange (Revocation) Rules 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 777)

[by Act].
[No. 38.]


The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

**PRAYERS.**

South Ockendon Hospital.—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 the Report of the Committee of Inquiry into the South Ockendon Hospital.—(Mrs. Secretary Castle.)

**Accounts and Papers.**—Several Papers were presented (see Appendix I).

**Selection.**—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

**Message from the Lords.**—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the National Insurance Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intitled, An Act to provide for the incorporation of the Clerical, Medical and General Life Assurance Society; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Clerical, Medical and General Life Assurance Bill [Lords].]

**Clerical, Medical and General Life Assurance Bill [Lords].**—The Clerical, Medical and General Life Assurance Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

**Contingencies Fund Bill.**—Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, supported by Mr. Joel Barnett, and Dr. John Gilbert, presented pursuant to Standing Order No. 91 (Procedure upon Bills whose main object is to create a charge upon the Public Revenue) a Bill to make new provision with respect to the maximum capital of the Contingencies Fund: And the same was read the first time: and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 43].

**Supply [5th allotted Day].**—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Business of Supply.

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn (Mr. Thomas Cox); Royal Assent.—Mr. Speaker notified the House, in accordance with the Royal Assent Act 1967, That Her Majesty had signified Her Royal Assent to the following Act agreed upon by both Houses:


Supply.—The House again proceeded to consider the Business of Supply.

Adjournment.—The Question being again proposed, That this House do now adjourn:—The Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Business of the House.—Ordered, That this day the Business of Supply may be taken after Ten o'clock and that the Motion relating to Civil Estimates, Supplementary Estimates, 1974-75, may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Supply.—The House again proceeded to consider the Business of Supply.

Civil Estimates, Supplementary Estimates, 1974-75.—Resolved, That a Supplementary sum, not exceeding £499,499,000, be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to defray the charge which will come in course of payment during the year ending on 31st March 1975, for expenditure by the Department of the Environment on subsidies, the option mortgage scheme, improvements, the rent officer service and sundry other housing services including residual expenditure in respect of a temporary bridging grant made in 1973-74 to certain Building Societies registered in Great Britain, and temporary loans and other payments in connection with assistance to certain Building Societies registered in Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the foregoing Resolution: And that the Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Edmund Dell, Mr. Joel Barnett, and Dr. John Gilbert do prepare and bring it in.

Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill.—Dr. John Gilbert accordingly presented a Bill to apply a sum out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the year ending on 31st March 1975: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 42].
Social Security.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Family Income Supplements (Computation) Regulations 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 29th April, be approved—(Mr. Robert C. Brown);

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Tuesday morning;

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And the Question being put;

Resolved, That the Family Income Supplements (Computation) Regulations 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 29th April, be approved.

Social Security.—Resolved, That the Supplementary Benefit (Determination of Requirements) Regulations 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 30th April, be approved.—(Mr. Robert C. Brown.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till One o'clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 1 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

Monday 13th May 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mrs. Secretary Castle:

National Health Service,—Copy of Regulations, dated 6th May 1974, entitled the National Health Service Reorganisation (Retirement of Senior Officers) (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 801) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:

Local Government,—Copy of Regulations, dated 3rd May 1974, entitled the Rate Support Grant (Specified Bodies) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 788) [by Act].

Mr. Edward Short:

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Copy of a Statute, made by the Governing Body of Corpus Christi College, Oxford, on 12th February 1974, amending the Statutes of the College [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee E,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee E Mr. Leslie Spriggs ( nominated in respect of the Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. J. W. Rooker.

MEMORANDUM

Monday 13th May 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has allocated the Abortion (Amendment) Bill to Standing Committee C.
Tuesday, 14th May, 1974.

PRAYERS.

Spanish and Portuguese Jews' (Golders Green) Burial Ground Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Spanish and Portuguese Jews' (Golders Green) Burial Ground Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

Morpeth Common Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Morpeth Common Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

Old London Road, Hythe, Burial Ground Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Old London Road, Hythe, Burial Ground Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

British Transport Docks Bill,—Ordered, That the British Transport Docks Bill, as amended in the Committee, be considered to-morrow.

London Transport Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the London Transport Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

Orkney County Council Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Orkney County Council Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

Greater London Council (Money) Bill,—Ordered, That the Greater London Council (Money) Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. R. Graham Page reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords 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 had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them on 14th May, together with a Memorandum laid before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Sixth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 51-vi].

Minutes of Evidence, together with Memorandum, to lie upon the Table: and to be printed [No. 51-vii].

Expenditure,—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, 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 (First Special Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 133].

Minutes of Evidence, together with Appendices, to be printed [No. 129].

Nationalised Industries,—Mr. Russell Kerr reported from the Select Committee on Nationalised Industries, 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 part of the Minutes of the Evidence taken before Sub-Committee C of the Select Committee on Nationalised Industries in Session 1972-73 of the last Parliament and part of the Minutes of the Evidence taken before Sub-Committee A of the Select Committee on Nationalised Industries in Session 1973-74 of the last Parliament and referred to the Committee on 5th April, together with Appendices: And the Report was brought up and read (First Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 129].

Minutes of Evidence, together with Appendices, to be printed [No. 129].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee on 14th May to be printed [No. 129].

Science and Technology,—Mr. Arthur Palmer reported from the Select Committee on Science and Technology, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Sea-Bed Engineering Sub-Committee on 14th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [Nos. 107-ii and 107-iii].
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Statutory Instruments.—Mr. R. Graham Page 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 (Sixth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 52-vii].

Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords as follows:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to prevent non-British subjects being prohibited from becoming or practising as solicitors; to amend the Solicitors Acts 1957 to 1965; to make further provision as to the powers of the Law Society to intervene in a solicitor's practice, the termination of a solicitor's retainer and the administration of oaths and taking of affidavits; and for connected purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Solicitors (Amendment) Bill [Lords]].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorise the disposal by the Secretary of State for the Environment to the British Airports Authority of certain sections of the Longford River; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [British Airports Authority (Longford River) Bill [Lords]].

Solicitors (Amendment) Bill [Lords].—The Solicitors (Amendment) Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 45].

British Airports Authority (Longford River) Bill [Lords].—The British Airports Authority (Longford River) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Privileges.—Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee of Privileges this day to be printed [No. 134].

Divorce (Scotland).—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the law of Scotland relating to divorce and separation; to facilitate reconciliation of the parties in consistorial causes; to amend the law as to the power of the court to make orders relating to financial provision arising out of divorce and to settlements and other dealings by a party to the marriage, and as to the power of the court to award aliment to spouses in actions for aliment; and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid: And that Mr. W. W. Hamilton, Mr. Hugh D. Brown, Mr. Malcolm Rifkind, Mr. David Steel, Mr. Reid, Mr. Robin F. Cook, Mr. Ian McArthur, Mr. James Sillars, and Dr. Maurice Miller do prepare and bring it in.

Divorce (Scotland) Bill,—Mr. W. W. Hamilton accordingly presented a Bill to amend the law of Scotland relating to divorce and separation; to facilitate reconciliation of the parties in consistorial causes; to amend the law as to the power of the court to make orders relating to financial provision arising out of divorce and to settlements and other dealings by a party to the marriage, and as to the power of the court to award aliment to spouses in actions for aliment; 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 Friday 14th June and to be printed [Bill 44].

Supply [6th allotted Day].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Business of Supply.

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

The Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Business of the House.—Ordered, That the Lord High Commissioner (Church of Scotland) Bill and the Contingencies Fund Bill may be proceeded with at this day's sitting, though opposed, until any hour. (The Prime Minister.)

Northern Ireland.—Resolved, That the Northern Ireland (Emergency Provisions) Act 1973 (Amendment) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 30th April, be approved. (Mr. Stanley Orme.)

Lord High Commissioner (Church of Scotland) Bill,—The Lord High Commissioner (Church of Scotland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

Committee to-morrow.

Lord High Commissioner (Church of Scotland) [Money].—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Lord High Commissioner (Church of Scotland) [Money]:

Resolved. That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session under which a
determination is made by the Secretary of State, with the concurrence of the Treasury.
of the amount of the allowance to be paid in respect of the expenses of his office to
Her Majesty's High Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland
in any year, there shall be paid out of moneys provided by Parliament any such sums
as may from time to time be authorised by any such determination as aforesaid.—
(Mr. John Golding.)

Contingencies Fund Bill.—The Contingencies Fund Bill was, according to Order, read a
second time.

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

Committee to-morrow.

Contingencies Fund [Money].—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the
proposed Motion relating to Contingencies Fund [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make new
provision with respect to the maximum capital of the Contingencies Fund, it is
expedient to authorise any increase in the sums to be issued out of or paid into the
Consolidated Fund which is attributable to any such new provision as aforesaid.—
(Dr. John Gilbert.)

Education (Mentally Handicapped Children) (Scotland) [Money].—Her Majesty's Recommend-
having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Education
(Mentally Handicapped Children) (Scotland) [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision
as respects Scotland, for discontinuing the classification of handicapped children as
unsuitable for education at school, to impose a duty on education authorities to provide
for the education of such children and for purposes connected therewith, it is expedient
to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament—

(1) of any expenses incurred by the Secretary of State under regulations providing
for payment of compensation to persons whose employment is affected by the
operation of the Act ; and

(2) of any increase attributable to the Act in the sums payable by way of rate
support grant.—(Mr. Secretary Ross.)

Public Accounts,—Ordered, That Mr. Ray Carter be discharged from the Committee of
Public Accounts and that Mr. Maurice Orbach be added to the Committee.—(Mr.
Walter Harrison.)

Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. James A. Dunn.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till three minutes past Eleven
o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.3 p.m.

APPENDIX

Tuesday 14th May 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table :

Dr. John Gilbert :

Bank Notes,—Copies of Treasury Minutes—

(1) dated 24th April 1974,

(2) dated 25th April 1974, and

(3) dated 26th April 1974

relative to the Fiduciary Note Issue [by Act] ; to be printed [Nos. 130 to 132].

Mr. Secretary Callaghan :

Road Transport (Miscellaneous No. 17, 1974).—Copy of a Convention, made at
Geneva between 1st March 1973 and 1st March 1974, on the contract for the inter-
national carriage of passengers and luggage by road (CVR) (The United Kingdom
has not acceded to the Convention) [by Command].
Soviet Union (No. 1, 1974).—Copy of a Protocol, made at Moscow on 1st March 1974, to the Treaty on merchant navigation between the United Kingdom and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics signed at London on 3rd April 1968 (Instruments of ratification have not been exchanged) [by Command].

Treaty Series (No. 30, 1974).—Copy of International Labour Convention No. 135, adopted at Geneva on 23rd June 1971 by the General Conference of the International Labour Organisation at its Fifty-sixth Session, concerning protection and facilities to be afforded to workers' representatives in the undertaking [by Command].

Mrs. Secretary Castle:

South Ockendon Hospital.—Return to an Address yesterday for the Report of the Committee of Inquiry into South Ockendon Hospital; to be printed [No. 124].

Mr. Secretary Shore:

Civil Aviation.—Statement of determination of the pension, allowance or gratuity payable on retirement to a member of the Civil Aviation Authority [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:

Local Government.—Copy of an Order, dated 10th May 1974, entitled the Tyne Tunnel Joint Committee Order 1974, (S.I. 1974, No. 833) [by Act].

Road Traffic.—Copy of an Order, dated 3rd May 1974, entitled the Crown Roads (Royal Parks) (Application of Road Traffic Enactments) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 797) [by Act].

Transport.—Copy of the Report and Statement of Accounts of the National Freight Corporation for 1973 [by Act].

Transport.—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the Carriage by Railway (Revision of Conventions) Order 1974 [by Act].

Mr. Frederick Peart:

Animals.—Copy of an Order, dated 6th May 1974, entitled the Docking of Pigs (Use of Anaesthetics) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 798) [by Act].

Animals.—Drafts of Regulations, entitled—

(1) the Welfare of Livestock (Cattle and Poultry) Regulations 1974, and

(2) the Welfare of Livestock (Docking of Pigs) Regulations 1974

[by Act].

MEMORANDUM

Tuesday 14th May 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has allocated the Finance Bill (except Clauses Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 19 and certain new Clauses) to Standing Committee A.

[No. 40.]

Wednesday, 15th May, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

British Transport Docks Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for considering the British Transport Docks Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered to-morrow.

Greater London Council (Money) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Greater London Council (Money) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.
Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

United Kingdom Temperance and General Provident Institution Bill [Lords],—The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the United Kingdom Temperance and General Provident Institution Bill [Lords] and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and had directed him to report the same without Amendment.

Bill to be read the third time.

Barclays Bank International Bill [Lords],—The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Barclays Bank International Bill [Lords] and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and had directed him to report the same without Amendment.

Bill to be read the third time.

British Waterways Bill,—The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the British Waterways Bill and had 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; had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereof; 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.

Bill as amended in the Committee, and Report to lie upon the Table.

Report to be printed.

Consolidation, &c., Bills,—Mr. Edward Lyons reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills, to whom the Statute Law (Repeals) Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, was referred, That they had gone through the Bill and had made Amendments 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.

Report, together with Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 140].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 140].

Harwich Harbour Revision Order 1973 (Petition for Amendment),—Mr. David James reported from the Joint Committee, to whom a Petition for Amendment to the Harwich Harbour Revision Order 1973 was referred, pursuant to the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Acts 1945 and 1965, That they had considered the said Petition; and had made an Amendment to the Order and directed him to report the Order, as amended, to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Order, as amended, and Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Amendment be printed [No. 141].

Science and Technology,—Mr. Arthur Palmer reported from the Select Committee on Science and Technology, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Energy Resources Sub-Committee on 15th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 127-i].

Selection,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Education (Mentally Handicapped Children) (Scotland) Bill,—Sir Alfred Broughton reported from the First Scottish Standing Committee, That they had gone through the Education (Mentally Handicapped Children) (Scotland) Bill, and made Amendments thereof.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered on Friday 21st June; and to be printed [Bill 47].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 136].

Business of the House (Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill),—Ordered, That notwithstanding the practice of the House relating to the interval between the various stages of bills of aids and supplies, more than one stage of the Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill may be proceeded with at this day’s sitting.—(Mr. Laurie Pavitt)
Labelling of Toilet Preparations.—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confer powers in relation to the provision of information or instructions on the sale of toilet preparations, and for purposes connected therewith: And that Mrs. Joyce Butler, Mr. Arthur Davidson, Miss Janet Fookes, Dr. J. Dickson Mabon, Mr. Arnold Shaw, Miss Betty Boothroyd, Mr. Ted Graham, and Mr. Emlyn Hooson do prepare and bring it in.

Labelling of Toilet Preparations Bill.—Mrs. Joyce Butler accordingly presented a Bill to confer powers in relation to the provision of information or instructions on the sale of toilet preparations, and for purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 21st June and to be printed [Bill 46].

Independent Broadcasting Authority Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Independent Broadcasting Authority Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendment (No. 1) proposed to the Bill, in page 8, line 25, at the end, to insert the words—

"or
(c) income derived from publications including TV Times".—(Sir Paul Bryan.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Sir Paul Bryan, Mr. Jeffrey Archer: 104.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. Ernest Perry: 217.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

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

Dumping at Sea Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Dumping at Sea Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendment (No. 1) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, line 2, after the word “ship”, to insert the words “(including a dredger used by or on behalf of a harbour authority)”.—(Mr. Anthony Stodart.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments (Nos. 2 and 5) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 6) proposed to the Bill, in page 7, line 6, to transfer subsection (8) to the end of subsection (10).—(Mr. Anthony Stodart.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 8) made to the Bill.

A Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mrs. Secretary Williams, 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.

Mrs. Secretary Williams, by Command of the Prince of Wales, acquainted the House, That his Royal Highness, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives his Consent, as far as the Prince of Wales's interest is concerned, That the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Counter-Inflation.—Resolved, That the Counter-Inflation (Price and Pay Code) (Amendment) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 661), a copy of which was laid before this House on 4th April, be approved.—(Mrs. Secretary Williams.)

Counter-Inflation.—Resolved, That the Counter-Inflation (Price and Pay Code) (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 785), a copy of which was laid before this House on 2nd May, be approved.—(Mrs. Secretary Williams.)
Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill.—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 immediately resolve itself into a Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Jack Dormand 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 forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 93 (Consolidated Fund Bills), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

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

Channel Tunnel Bill,—Ordered, That Mr. Toby Jessel be discharged from the Select Committee on the Channel Tunnel Bill and that Mr. Victor Goodhew be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

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

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

Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Mr. James A. Dunn.)

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.29 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 15th May 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Dr. John Gilbert:
Post Office,—Statement of Guarantee, given by the Treasury on 29th April 1974, on loans proposed to be raised by the Post Office [by Act]; to be printed [No. 137].

Mr. Secretary Ross:
Pensions,—Copy of Regulations, dated 7th May 1974, entitled the Local Government Superannuation (Scotland) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 812) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Shore:
British Trade Mark Law and Practice,—Copy of the Report of the Committee appointed to examine British Trade Mark Law and Practice [by Command].

Mr. Secretary John Morris:
Acquisition of Land,—Copy of an Order, dated 7th July 1971, entitled the Breconshire County Council (Abercrave-Onllwyn Link Road) Compulsory Purchase Order 1971, with a Certificate by the Secretary of State for Wales under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 [by Act].
Mrs. Secretary Williams:

Counter-Inflation,—Copy of an Order, dated 15th May 1974, entitled the Counter-Inflation (Notification of Increases in Prices and Charges) (Amendment) (No. 3) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 840) [by Act].

Mr. Edward Short:

General Medical Council,—Copy of the Accounts of the General Medical Council for 1973 [by Act].

Paper laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker:

Statutory Instruments,—Report to the Lord Chancellor and to Mr. Speaker from the Statutory Instruments Reference Committee, That they have considered notifications from the Department of the Environment and the Welsh Office made in accordance with Regulation 11(3) of the Statutory Instruments Regulations 1947 in respect of schedules referred to in the Local Authorities etc. (England) (Property etc.: Further Provision Order) 1974 and the Local Authorities (Wales) (Property etc.: Further Provision Order) 1974, and have taken no further action in any of these matters.

Papers laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

National Health Service,—Summarised Accounts of Regional Hospital Boards, Boards of Governors of teaching hospitals, Hospital Management Committees and Executive Councils (including Joint Pricing Committees) and the Account of the Dental Estimates Board, for England and Wales, for the year ended 31st March 1973; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 138].

National Health Service (Scotland),—Summarised Accounts of Regional Hospital Boards (including Boards of Management) and Executive Councils (including Drug Accounts Committee) and the Account of the Dental Estimates Board, for Scotland, for the year ended 31st March 1973; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 139].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Selection (Chairmen's Panel) (Parliament Act 1911),—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, That, in pursuance of Section 1(3) of the Parliament Act 1911, they had appointed Mr. John Brewis and Sir Alfred Broughton to be the Two Members whom Mr. Speaker shall consult, if practicable, before certifying a Bill to be a Money Bill.

Provisional Orders (Scotland) (Panel),—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That, in pursuance of Standing Order 228 relating to Private Business (Parliamentary Panel), they had added Six Members to the Parliamentary Panel of Members of this House to act as Commissioners under the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, viz.: Mr. John Corrie, Mr. Craigen, Mr. Russell Fairgrieve, Mr. Harry Gourlay, Mr. David Lambie, and Mr. Hugh McCartney.

Standing Committee A,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Forty Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Finance Bill (except Clauses Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 19 and certain new Clauses), viz.: Mr. Joel Barnett, Mr. Bates, Mr. Robert Carr, Mr. Ray Carter, Mr. William Clark, Mr. Cope, Mr. Tam Dadyell, Mr. Bryan Davies, Mr. Peter Doig, Mr. A. E. P. Duffy, Mr. Geoffrey Edge, Mrs. Peggy Fenner, Dr. John Gilbert, Mr. David Ginsburg, Sir John Hall, Mr. William Hamling, Mr. Terence L. Higgins, Mr. John Horam, Mr. Peter Hordern, Mr. Mark Hughes, Mr. Sydney Irving, Mr. Norman Lamont, Mr. Nigel Lawson, Mr. Ian Lloyd, Mr. John MacGregor, Mr. Maurice Macmillan, Mr. Magee, Mr. Jasper More, Mr. Newton, Captain Orr, Mr. R. Graham Page, Mr. John Pardeoe, Mr. Peter Rees, Mr. Nicholas Ridley, Mr. Caerwyn Roderick, Mr. John Roper, Mr. Peter Rost, Mr. John Stradling Thomas, Mr. Alec Woodall, and Mr. Wrigglesworth.

Standing Committee C,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Carriage of Passengers by Road Bill, viz.: Mr. Daniel Awdry, Mr. Anthony Berry, Mr. Daniel Dews, Mr. A. E. P. Duffy, Dr. Keith Hampson, Mr. Leslie Huckfield, Mr. Richard Kelley, Mr. Nell Kinnock, Mr. Ted Leadbetter, Mr. Marcus Lipton, Mr. Ken Marks, Mr. Ray Mawby, Mr. David Mitchell, Mr. John Peyton, Mr. Dafydd Elis Thomas, and Mr. Edwin Wainwright.
MEMORANDUM

Wednesday 15th May 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has appointed Mr. Woodhouse Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Finance Bill (except Clauses Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 19 and certain new Clauses).

[No. 41.]

Thursday, 16th May, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

British Transport Docks Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for considering the British Transport Docks Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Monday next at Seven o'clock.

Greater London Council (Money) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Greater London Council (Money) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next at Seven o'clock.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented (see Appendix I).

Selection,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Control of Zoological Gardens Bill [Lords],—Ordered, That the Control of Zoological Gardens Bill [Lords] be read a second time to-morrow.

Rights of Patients Bill,—The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday 14th June, the Rights of Patients Bill, was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time upon Friday 21st June.

Finance Bill (Clauses Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 19, and new Clauses relating to the matters referred to in the Order of the House [9th May]),—The House according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill (Clauses Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 19, and new Clauses relating to the matters referred to in the Order of the House [9th May]).

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 5 (Charge of income tax for 1974-75).

Amendment (No. 1) proposed, in page 4, line 5, to leave out " 33 " and insert " 30 ".

—(Mr. Robert Carr.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 3) proposed, in page 4, line 7, to leave out " £4,500 " and insert " £5,000 ".—(Mr. Peter Hordern.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. John Stradling Thomas, Mr. Le Marchant : 162.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Golding, Mr. James Hamilton : 196.

Another Amendment (No. 7) proposed, in page 4, to leave out lines 9 to 17 and insert the words—

" (b) in respect of so much of the investment income included in an individual's total income as exceeds £2,000 at the additional rate of 15 per cent.".—(Mr. Terence L. Higgins.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Le Marchant, Mr. John Stradling Thomas : 167.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James A. Dunn, Mr. James Hamilton : 189.
Another Amendment (No. 10) proposed, in page 4, line 15, after the word "more", to insert the words "or that at any time within that year he is a registered disabled person or a registered blind person".—(Mr. Terence L. Higgins.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Debate arising;

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 Mr. James Hamilton reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and moved, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That the Contingencies Fund Bill may be proceeded with at this day's sitting, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. James Hamilton.)

Finance Bill,—The House again resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill (Clauses Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 19, and new Clauses relating to the matters referred to in the Order of the House [9th May]).

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 5 (Charge of income tax for 1974-75).

Question again proposed, That the Amendment (No. 10) to be made.

Question put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 12) proposed, in page 4, line 17, to leave out "£500" and insert "£1,000".—(Mr. Terence L. Higgins.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Marcus Fox, Mr. Hall-Davis: 155.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Laurie Pavitt, Mr. Thomas Cox: 172.

Another Amendment (No. 13) proposed, in page 4, line 17, at the end, to insert the words "and shall not be charged upon the next £500 of such excess if the investment income mentioned in paragraph (b) above does not exceed £2,000. If such investment income exceeds £2,000 but does not exceed £2,500, the income tax payable at the additional rates shall not exceed 25 per cent. of the excess of the investment income over £2,000".—(Mr. John Pardoe.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 16) proposed, in page 4, line 28, at the end, to insert the words—

"(2) If at any time the official retail price index shall rise above that obtaining on 5th April 1974 the Treasury shall, by order, substitute for the amounts specified in subsection (1) above such higher amounts as shall then have the same purchasing power (calculated by reference to that index) as the corresponding amounts in the above subsection had on 5th April 1974:

Provided that no order under this section shall be made before 5th October 1974 or thereafter at less than six-monthly intervals".—(Mr. Norman Lamont.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made;

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Question put and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 6 (Increase of surtax rates for 1972-73).

An Amendment (No. 17) made.

Another Amendment (No. 18) proposed, in page 6, line 15, at the end, to insert the words—

"(9) The surcharge shall not apply to an individual who shows that, at any time within that year, his age or that of his wife living with him was 65 years or more".—(Mr. William Clark.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

To report Progress and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Joel Barnett.)
Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Joseph Harper 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 Committee.

Contingencies Fund Bill.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Contingencies Fund Bill.

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 1 (Maximum capital of Contingencies Fund).

Amendment (No. 1) proposed, in page 1, line 6, to leave out from the word "exceed" to the end of line 20 and insert "£300 million".—(Mr. Terence L. Higgins.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 2 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Joseph Harper 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 forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

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

Race Relations and Immigration,—Ordered, That Mr. Norman Atkinson be discharged from the Select Committee on Race Relations and Immigration and that Mr. Robert Kilroy-Silk be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Expenditure,—Ordered, That, notwithstanding the Order of the House of 8th April relating to nomination of Members of the Expenditure Committee, Mr. Maurice Edelman be discharged from the Committee and Mr. John Garrett be added to the Committee for the remainder of this Parliament.

Ordered, That this Order be a Standing Order of the House.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Public Accounts,—Ordered, That Mrs. Sally Oppenheim be discharged from the Committee of Public Accounts and that Mr. Peter Hordern be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

European Secondary Legislation &c.—Ordered, That Mr. David Knox and Mr. Peter Blaker be discharged from the Committee on European Secondary Legislation &c., and that Mr. James Spicer and Mr. Ian MacArthur be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Adjournment,—A Motion was made and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Joseph Harper):—Debate arising:

And the Question having been proposed after Ten o'clock on Thursday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-seven minutes past One o'clock on Friday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 1.27 a.m.

APPENDIX I

Thursday 16th May 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Callaghan:

Treaty Series (No. 35, 1974).—Copy of an Agreement, signed at London on 15th March 1974, between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom, the Government of the Kingdom of Norway and the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, on the regulation of the fishing of North-East Arctic (Arcto-Norwegian) cod [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Prentice:

Pensions,—Copy of Regulations, dated 8th May 1974, entitled the Pensions Increase (Teachers) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 813) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Mason:

Defence (Royal Air Force),—Copy of an Order, dated 10th May 1974, providing for amendments to the Queen's Regulations for the Royal Air Force (Fourth Edition) [by Act].

Mrs. Secretary Castle:


Mr. Frederick Peart:

Sea Fisheries,—Report by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food of his proceedings in 1973 under Sections 1 to 5 of the Sea Fisheries (Shellfish) Act 1967 [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr. David Ginsburg and Mr. Woodall (nominated in respect of the Finance Bill (except Clauses Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 19 and certain new Clauses)) ; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Jack Dormand and Mr. Sedgemore

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In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has appointed Mr. Richard Crawshaw an additional Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Finance Bill (except Clauses Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 19 and certain new Clauses).

[No. 42.]

Friday, 17th May, 1974.

The House met at Eleven o'clock.

PRAYERS

Private Bills [Lords] (No Standing Order not previously inquired into applicable),—Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords and referred after the First Reading thereof, no Standing Order not previously inquired into is applicable thereto, viz:—

Clerical, Medical and General Life Assurance Bill [Lords].

Bill to be read a second time.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented (see Appendix).

Race Relations and Immigration,—Mr. William Deedes reported from the Select Committee on Race Relations and Immigration, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them on 15th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 123-iii].

Race Relations and Immigration,—Mr. William Deedes reported from the Select Committee on Race Relations and Immigration, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before Sub-Committee A on 16th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 128-i].
Town and Country Amenities Bill,—The Town and Country Amenities Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Committal of Bills).

Youth and Community Bill,—The Youth and Community Bill was, according to Order, read a second time and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Committal of Bills).

Public Authority Dwellings (Right to Purchase) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Public Authority Dwellings (Right to Purchase) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—Debate arising;

And it being Four o’clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday 14th June.

Safety Packaging for Medicines Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Safety Packaging for Medicines Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 14th June.

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

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

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till half-past Four o’clock, adjourned till Monday next.

[Adjourned at 4.30 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Friday 17th May 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mrs. Secretary Castle:

Social Security,—Copy of an Order, dated 9th May 1974, entitled the Social Security Act 1973 (Commencement No. 4) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 823) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:

Housing,—Draft of an Order, entitled the Assistance for House Purchase and Improvement (Increase of Subsidy) Order 1974 [by Act].

[No. 43.]


The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented (see Appendix).

Public Accounts,—Mr. Edward du Cann 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 (First Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 146.]

Public Accounts,—Mr. Edward du Cann 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 the Report was brought up and read (Second Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 147].

Science and Technology,—Mr. Arthur Palmer reported from the Select Committee on Science and Technology, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Sea-Bed Engineering Sub-Committee on 20th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 107-iv].
Savers and Those on Fixed Incomes.—Resolved, That this House regrets the catastrophic effects of inflation upon savers and those on fixed incomes; and calls upon the Government to take positive measures to give both adequate protection and incentive to savers. 
—(Mr. Norman Lamont.)

Problems of Small Savers.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House deplores the damaging effects of Government policies on small savers and other groups of people who live on fixed and low incomes.—(Mr. Barry Henderson);

And it being Seven o'clock, Proceedings thereon lapsed, pursuant to Standing Order No. 6 (Precedence of Government Business).

Greater London Council (Money) Bill.—The Greater London Council (Money) Bill 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 to reduce the sums mentioned in Item 10 of Part I of the Schedule (Page 6) as follows:

(a) in column 3, by leaving out "£142,601,000" and inserting "£87,601,000";
and
(b) in column 4, by leaving out "£82,605,000" and inserting "£55,605,000"—(Mr. Geoffrey Finsberg):—Debate arising;

Sir Marcus Worsley 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:—Debate resumed;

And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Business of the House.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Proceedings on the Motion for an Instruction relating to the Greater London Council (Money) Bill, set down for consideration at Seven o'clock this evening by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means, may be proceeded with at this day's sitting, though opposed, for a period of one hour after Ten o'clock; and that the Proceedings on the British Transport Docks Bill, set down for consideration at Seven o'clock this evening by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means, may be proceeded with at this day's sitting, though opposed, until any hour; and that the Lord High Commissioner (Church of Scotland) Bill and the Solicitors (Amendment) Bill [Lords] may be proceeded with at this day's sitting, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Robert Mellish):—It was negatived.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute past Ten o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.01 p.m.

APPENDIX

Monday 20th May 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Ross:

National Health Service (Scotland).—Copy of Regulations, dated 9th May 1974, entitled the National Health Service Reorganisation (Retirement of Senior Officers) (Scotland) (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 824) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Benn:

Census of Production.—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production 1971, relating to made-up household textiles [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:

Clean Air.—Copy of an Order, dated 20th May 1974, entitled the Smoke Control Areas (Exempted Fireplaces) (Variation) (No. 2) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 855) [by Act].


Mr. Attorney General:

Law Reform.—Copy of the Interim Report of the Law Reform Committee on limitation of actions (personal injury claims) [by Command].
MEMORANDUM
Monday 20th May 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has allocated the Town and Country Amenities Bill and the Youth and Community Bill to Standing Committee C and the Abortion (Amendment) Bill to Standing Committee B (transferred from Standing Committee C).

[No. 44.]

Tuesday, 21st May, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bill [Lords] (No Standing Order not previously inquired into applicable),—Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table, Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords and referred after the First Reading thereof, no Standing Order not previously inquired into is applicable thereto, viz.:—

British Airports Authority (Longford River) Bill [Lords].

Bill to be read a second time.

British Transport Docks Bill,—Ordered, That the British Transport Docks Bill, as amended in the Committee, be considered to-morrow.

Greater London Council (Money) Bill,—Ordered, That the Adjourned Debate on the Question proposed yesterday, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Bill to reduce the sums mentioned in Item 10 of Part I of the Schedule (Page 6) as follows:—

(a) in column 3, by leaving out “£142,601,000” and inserting “£87,601,000”, and

(b) in column 4, by leaving out “£82,605,000” and inserting “£55,605,000”

be resumed to-morrow.

Morpeth Common Bill,—The Morpeth Common Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Old London Road, Hythe, Burial Ground Bill,—The Old London Road, Hythe, Burial Ground Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Orkney County Council Bill,—A Motion being made, That the Orkney County Council 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.

And the Question being put:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Spanish and Portuguese Jews' (Golders Green) Burial Ground Bill,—The Spanish and Portuguese Jews' (Golders Green) Burial Ground Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Barclays Bank International Bill [Lords],—The Barclays Bank International Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

London Transport Bill,—A Motion being made, That the London Transport 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.

And the Question being put:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

United Kingdom Temperance and General Provident Institution Bill [Lords],—The United Kingdom Temperance and General Provident Institution Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix 1).
Statutory Instruments.—Mr. R. Graham Page reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords 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 had directed him to report Memoranda laid before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Seventh Report).

Report, together with Memoranda, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 51-viii].

House of Commons (Services).—Mr. Jasper More reported from the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services), 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 (Second Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 151].

House of Commons (Services).—Mr. Jasper More reported from the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services), 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 (Third Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 152].

Selection.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. R. Graham Page 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 (Seventh Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 52-viii].

Health and Safety at Work, etc. Bill.—Mr. Alan Fitch reported from Standing Committee A, That they had gone through the Health and Safety at Work, etc. Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 48].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 148].

Housing (Scotland) Bill.—Sir Myer Galpern reported from the Scottish Grand Committee, That they had considered the Housing (Scotland) Bill in relation to the principle of the Bill and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Bill to be read a second time to-morrow.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 150].

Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund (No. 2) Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Contingencies Fund Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intitled, An Act to establish for the protection of consumers a new system, administered by the Director General of Fair Trading, of licensing and other control of traders concerned with the provision of credit, or the supply of goods on hire or hire-purchase, and their transactions, in place of the present enactments regulating moneylenders, pawnbrokers and hire-purchase traders, and their transactions; and for related matters; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Consumer Credit Bill [Lords].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intitled, An Act to make further provision with respect to waste disposal, water pollution, noise, atmospheric pollution and public health; and for purposes connected with the matters aforesaid; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Control of Pollution Bill [Lords].

Consumer Credit Bill [Lords].—The Consumer Credit Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 51].

Control of Pollution Bill [Lords].—The Control of Pollution Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 50].

Greater London Council (Money) Bill.—Ordered, That the adjourned Debate on the question proposed yesterday, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Bill to reduce the sums mentioned in Item 10 of Part I of the Schedule (Page 6) as follows:—

(a) in column 3, by leaving out “£142,601,000” and inserting “£87,601,000”, and

(b) in column 4, by leaving out “£82,605,000” and inserting “£55,605,000”

be resumed to-morrow.

House of Commons (Services).—Minutes of Proceedings of the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services) on 9th April and 7th and 21st May to be printed [No. 153].
Adult Literacy Resources,—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to establish a National Resource Council for Literacy to direct and co-ordinate action research into the extent and causes of illiteracy among adults; to develop and co-ordinate literacy teaching techniques and to make other provision to combat functional illiteracy among adults; to provide for a supplementary system of adult literacy teaching grants for local education authorities and to establish a Literacy Fund from which such grants may be made; and for related purposes: And that Mr. Christopher Price, Mr. Bryan Davies, Mr. S. G. Thorne, Mr. Geoffrey Pattie, Mr. Clement Freud, Mr. George Rodgers, Mr. Anthony Steen, Mr. Eddie Loyden, and Mr. Neil Kinnock do prepare and bring it in.

Adult Literacy Resources Bill,—Mr. Christopher Price accordingly presented a Bill to establish a National Resource Council for Literacy to direct and co-ordinate action research into the extent and causes of illiteracy among adults; to develop and co-ordinate literacy teaching techniques and to make other provision to combat functional illiteracy among adults; to provide for a supplementary system of adult literacy teaching grants for local education authorities and to establish a Literacy Fund from which such grants may be made; and for related purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 21st June and to be printed [Bill 49].

Finance Bill (Clauses Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 19, and new Clauses relating to the matters referred to in the Order of the House [9th May]),—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill (Clauses Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 19, and new Clauses relating to the matters referred to in the Order of the House [9th May]).

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 7 (Charge of corporation tax for financial year 1973).

Amendment (No. 19) proposed, in page 6, line 17, to leave out “52” and insert “50”. (Mr. Maurice Macmillan.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 46) proposed, in page 6, line 17, at the end, to insert the words “on profits calculated in real terms on the basis of assets valued by reference to the movement of the Retail Price Index since the date of purchase.” (Mr. John Pardoe.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. John Pardoe, Mr. Clement Freud: 24.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Thomas Cox, Mr. James A. Dunn: 239.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 9 agreed to.

Clause No. 10 (Payments in addition to advance corporation tax due in financial year 1974).

Amendment (No. 22) proposed, in page 6, line 38, after the word “company”, insert the words “not being a company paying the small company rate of corporation tax”. (Mr. David Mitchell.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. John Stradling Thomas, Mr. Marcus Fox: 227.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Ernest Perry: 245.

Another Amendment (No. 31) proposed, in page 6, line 39, after the word “tax”, to insert the words “on any dividends declared after 26th March 1974”. (Mr. Michael Shaw.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. John Stradling Thomas, Mr. Le Marchant: 224.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Thomas Cox, Mr. John Golding: 250.

Another Amendment (No. 43) proposed, in page 6, line 42, at the end, to insert the words “but subject in the case of a company being an authorised unit trust or an investment trust as provided by subsection (9) below.” (Mr. Peter Rees.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Finance Bill, continued

Another Amendment (No. 39) proposed, in page 6, line 45, after the word "period", to insert the words "or in the case of a parent company, where the company makes a claim, the payment shall be deemed to be made on account of its subsidiary's liability to corporation tax for the relevant accounting period".—(Sir John Hall.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 25) proposed, in page 7, line 30, at the end, to insert the words "or on the date when the liability for such corporation tax is established, or on the date on which an amount of such corporation tax is either not in dispute or agreed under section 55 of the Taxes Management Act 1970, whichever is the earliest".—(Mr. William Clark.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 32, 26 and 27) made.

To report Progress and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Edmund Dell.)

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Jack Dormand 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 Committee.

Channel Tunnel Bill.—Ordered, That the Select Committee on the Channel Tunnel Bill have leave to visit and inspect the sites of the works proposed in the Bill provided that no evidence shall be taken in the course of such visit.—(Mr. Jack Dormand.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-seven minutes to Twelve o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.33 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Tuesday 21st May 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Callaghan:

Privileges and Immunities (Miscellaneous No. 13, 1974),—Copy of Notes exchanged at London on 25th January and 13th February 1974 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the International Labour Organisation, regarding the application in the United Kingdom of Section 10 of the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies of the United Nations of 21st November 1947 (the Exchange of notes is not in force) [by Command].

Privileges and Immunities (Miscellaneous No. 14, 1974),—Copy of Notes exchanged at London on 31st January and 4th February 1974 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the International Tin Council, amending the Headquarters Agreement of 9th February 1972 between Her Majesty's Government and the International Tin Council (the Exchange of Notes is not in force) [by Command].

Privileges and Immunities (Miscellaneous No. 15, 1974),—Copy of Notes exchanged at London on 13th February and 13th March 1974 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the International Wheat Council, amending the Headquarters Agreement of 28th November 1968 between Her Majesty's Government and the International Wheat Council (the Exchange of Notes is not in force) [by Command].

Privileges and Immunities (Miscellaneous No. 16, 1974),—Copy of Notes exchanged at London on 18th and 30th January 1974 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the International Sugar Organisation, amending the Headquarters Agreement of 29th May 1969 between Her Majesty's Government and the International Sugar Organisation (the Exchange of Notes is not in force) [by Command].
Mrs. Secretary Castle:

Medicines.——Copy of Regulations, dated 9th May 1974, entitled the Medicines (Renewal Applications for Licences and Certificates) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 832) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary John Morris:


Paper laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Plant Health.——Copy of an Order, dated 13th May 1974, entitled the Dutch Elm Disease (Local Authorities) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 830) [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr. John Roper (nominated in respect of the Finance Bill (except Clauses Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 19, and certain new Clauses)); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Roger Stott.

[No. 45]

Wednesday, 22nd May, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

British Waterways Bill.—The House proceeded to consider the British Waterways Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

Clerical, Medical and General Life Assurance Bill [Lords].—The Clerical, Medical and General Life Assurance Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

British Transport Docks Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the British Transport Docks Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

Greater London Council (Money) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 20th May, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Bill to reduce the sums mentioned in Item 10 of Part I of the Schedule (Page 6) as follows:—

(a) in column 3, by leaving out “£142,601,000” and inserting “£87,601,000”, and

(b) in column 4, by leaving out “£82,605,000” and inserting “£55,605,000”;

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

Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

British Railways Bill.—Mr. Richard Crawshaw reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the British Railways Bill and had 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; had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto; had amended the Title as follows: A Bill to empower the British Railways Board and the Greater Manchester Passenger Transport Executive to construct works and to acquire lands; to extend the time for the compulsory purchase of certain lands; to confer further powers on the Board, the Executive, Cleveland Potash Limited and the National Coal Board; and for other purposes; and had considered the several matters required by the Standing Orders and directed him to make a report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, and Report to lie upon the Table.

Report to be printed.
Greater London Council (General Powers) Bill.—Mr. Richard Crawshaw reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, that they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Greater London Council (General Powers) Bill and had 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; 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.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, and Report to lie upon the Table.

Report to be printed.

Thurrock District Council Bill.—Mr. Richard Crawshaw reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, that they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Thurrock District Council Bill and found the same to be true; 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.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, and Report to lie upon the Table.

Report to be printed.

Consolidation, &c., Bills.—Mr. Edward Lyons reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills, to whom the Juries Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, was referred, that they had gone through the Bill and had 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.

Report, together with Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 159].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 159].

Overseas Development.—Sir Geoffrey de Freitas reported from the Select Committee on Overseas Development, 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 (First Special Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 158].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 158].

Selection.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Local Revenue Bill.—Sir Myer Galpern reported from Standing Committee C, that they had gone through the Local Revenue Bill and made Amendments thereunto; and had amended the Title, as follows: A Bill to authorise local authorities to promote lotteries.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered upon Friday 21st June; and to be printed [Bill 55].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 160].

Prices Bill.—Mr. Bryant Godman Irvine reported from Standing Committee D, that they had gone through the Prices Bill, and made Amendments thereunto, and had amended the Title, as follows: A Bill to authorise the payment of food subsidies; to confer on the Secretary of State power to regulate the price of food and certain other goods and on the Price Commission additional powers for preventing or restricting increases in prices and charges; to make provision for requiring prices to be indicated on or in relation to goods offered or exposed for sale by retail and for requiring information as to the range within which food and certain other goods are commonly being sold by retail within the United Kingdom to be displayed by retailers dealing in those goods; to confer power to abolish the Pay Board; and for purposes connected with those matters.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 52].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 157].

Historic Churches Preservation Bill.—Mr. Patrick Cormack, supported by Sir Marcus Worsley, Mr. Edward Bishop, Mr. David Steel, Mr. Ernie Money, Mr. Arthur Blenkinsop, Mr. Ron Lewis, and Mr. Greville Jenner, presented a Bill to make further provision for the preservation of churches and other ecclesiastical buildings of historic and architectural importance and of the character of the area surrounding them: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 14th June and to be printed [Bill 53].
Business of the House.—Ordered, That, at this day’s sitting, proceedings on the Motions relating to Members’ Interests, standing on the Order Paper in the name of the Prime Minister, may be proceeded with until Eleven o’clock, though opposed; and Mr. Speaker shall not later than Eleven o’clock put any Question thereon already proposed from the Chair and shall thereafter successively put forthwith any other Questions necessary to dispose of the Motions relating to Members’ Interests and of any Amendments proposed thereto which may have been selected by the Chair; and proceedings on those Questions may be disposed of, though opposed, after Eleven o’clock.—(Mr. Edward Short.)

Welsh Affairs.—Ordered, That the matter of Agriculture and Rural Affairs in Wales, being a matter relating exclusively to Wales, be referred to the Welsh Grand Committee for their consideration.—(Mr. Edward Short.)

Hare Coursing.—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make hare coursing matches illegal: And that Mr. Kevin McNamara, Mr. Marcus Lipton, Mr. Neil Kinnock, Mr. John Ellis, Mr. John Prescott, Mr. David Stoddart, Mr. Arnold Shaw, Mr. James Wellbeloved, Mr. Peter Hardy, Mr. A. W. Stallard, Mr. Charles Loughlin, and Mr. A. E. P. Duffy do prepare and bring it in.

Hare Coursing Bill,—Mr. Kevin McNamara accordingly presented a Bill to make hare coursing matches illegal: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next and to be printed [Bill 54].

Members’ Interests (Declaration) (No. 1).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, in any debate or proceeding of the House or its committees or transactions or communications which a Member may have with other Members or with Ministers or servants of the Crown, he shall disclose any relevant pecuniary interest or benefit of whatever nature, whether direct or indirect, that he may have had, may have or may be expecting to have.—(Mr. Edward Short);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 4, to leave out from the word “disclose” to the end of the Question and add the words “any pecuniary interest or benefit of whatsoever kind which in his judgment would be regarded by the House as relevant to the matter under consideration”—(Mr. James Prior), instead thereof.

The Question being proposed, That the Amendment be made:— Debate arising; And it being Ten o’clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Business of the House.—Ordered, That the Solicitors (Amendment) Bill [Lords] and the Motion relating to Ways and Means may be proceeded with at this day’s sitting, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Members’ Interests (Declaration) (No. 1).—The Question being again proposed, That the Amendment be made to the proposed Motion (Members’ Interests (Declaration) (No.1)):—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put:
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Philip Goodhart, Mr. John Osborn: 219.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Ernest Perry, Mr. Thomas Cox: 335.

So the Question was negatived.

And it being after Eleven o’clock, Mr. Speaker proceeded to put forthwith the Questions necessary to dispose of the Motions relating to Members’ Interests, pursuant to the Order of the House this day.

The Main Question being put:—It was agreed to.

Resolved, That, in any debate or proceeding of the House or its committees or transactions or communications which a Member may have with other Members or with Ministers or servants of the Crown, he shall disclose any relevant pecuniary interest or benefit of whatever nature, whether direct or indirect, that he may have had, may have or may be expecting to have.

Members’ Interests (Declaration) (No. 2).—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That every Member of the House of Commons shall furnish to a Registrar of Members’ Interests such particulars of his registrable interests as shall be required, and shall notify to the Registrar any alterations which may occur therein, and the Registrar shall cause these particulars to be entered in a Register of Members’ Interests which shall be available for inspection by the public.—(Mr. Edward Short);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Thomas Cox, Mr. Ernest Perry: 363.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Philip Goodhart, Mr. John Osborn: 168.

So the Question was agreed to.
Members' Interests (Declaration) (No. 3),—Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the arrangements to be made pursuant to the Resolutions of the House this day relative to the declaration of Members' interests and the registration thereof, and, in particular:

(a) what classes of pecuniary interest or other benefit are to be disclosed;

(b) how the register should be compiled and maintained and what arrangements should be made for public access thereto;

(c) how the resolutions relating to declaration and registration should be enforced;

(d) what classes of person (if any) other than Members ought to be required to register;

and to make recommendations upon these and any other matters which are relevant to the implementation of the said Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Committee have power to send for persons, papers and records; to sit notwithstanding any adjournment of the House; to report from time to time; and to report from time to time the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Fourteen Members.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum of the Committee.

Ordered, That the Committee shall report to the House, within the shortest reasonable period, their recommendations, especially with regard to paragraphs (a), (b) and (c).—(Mr. Edward Short.)

Solicitors (Amendment) Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Solicitors (Amendment) Bill [Lords];

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Thursday morning;

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And the Question being put:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Committal of Bills).

Solicitors (Amendment) [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Solicitors (Amendment) [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to prevent non-British subjects being prohibited from becoming or practising as solicitors and to amend the Solicitors Acts 1957 to 1965, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament—

(a) of such remuneration for lay observers appointed under the said Act and for their staff and such other expenses of lay observers, and

(b) of such fees and allowances for the lay members of the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal constituted under the said Act

as the Lord Chancellor may, with the approval of the Minister for the Civil Service, determine.—(Dr. John Gilbert.)

Housing (Scotland) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Housing (Scotland) Bill;

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 67 (Public Bills relating exclusively to Scotland), That the Bill be committed to a Scottish Standing Committee.—(Mr. Bruce Millan):—It was agreed to.

Housing (Scotland) [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Housing (Scotland) [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for the making of grants towards the improvement, repair and provision by conversion of housing accommodation, to make provision for housing action areas and to re-enact with amendments certain provisions of Part I of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1969, to empower the Secretary of State to make payment of a subsidy in order to compensate local authorities for the loss of rents as a result of the exercise of the power conferred by section 11 of the Counter-Inflation Act 1973, and to amend the provisions of Part V of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1969 relating to the improvement of amenities of residential areas, it is expedient to authorise—
(1) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any sums required for the payment in pursuance of the said Act—
   (a) of contributions to local authorities in respect of expenditure incurred by them in making improvement grants,
   (b) of contributions to local authorities in respect of expenditure incurred by them in making improvement grants at a higher rate and repairs grants in areas declared, in accordance with the said Act, to be housing action areas,
   (c) of a subsidy to local authorities to compensate them for loss of rents as a result of the prevention of an increase in rents by virtue of an order made under section 11 of the Counter-Inflation Act 1973,
   (d) of contributions to local authorities, development corporations and the Scottish Special Housing Association in respect of expenses incurred by them in improving houses and providing houses by conversion in circumstances where a grant might be paid under the said Act to a private individual, and
   (e) of contributions to local authorities, development corporations and the Scottish Special Housing Association in respect of expenditure incurred by them in improving the amenities of predominantly residential areas and to local authorities and development corporations in respect of expenditure incurred by them in assisting others to do so on land not owned by those bodies;

(2) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any administrative expenses of the Secretary of State attributable to the said Act;

(3) any increase attributable to the said Act in the sums payable out of money provided by Parliament under any other Act; and

(4) the payment into the Consolidated Fund of any sums falling to be so paid by virtue of the said Act. (Dr. John Gilbert.)

Ways and Means,—Wine (Customs),—Resolved, That as from 23rd May 1974 the rates of the duties of customs chargeable under section 3 of the Finance Act 1964 on imported wine by virtue of the Customs Duties (Quota Relief) Order 1973 shall each be increased by £0.545 per gallon, but without prejudice to the powers conferred on the Secretary of State by section 5 of the Import Duties Act 1958, as amended.

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 1968. (Dr. John Gilbert.)

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Finance Bill that they have power to make provision therein pursuant to the said Resolution.

Nationalised Industries,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Dennis Skinner be discharged from the Select Committee on Nationalised Industries and that Mr. Joe Ashton be added to the Committee—(Mr. Walter Harrison);—Debate arising:

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

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed this day.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-three minutes to One o'clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.37 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 22nd May 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Dr. John Gilbert:

Bank Notes,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 30th April 1974, relative to the Fiduciary Note Issue [by Act]; to be printed [No. 154].

Import Duties,—Copy of an Order, dated 20th May 1974, entitled the Import Duties (Morocco) (Reduction) (Amendment) Order 1974 (S.T., 1974, No. 867) [by Act].
Mr. Secretary Crosland:

National Bus Company.—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the National Bus Company for 1973 [by Act].

National Ports Council.—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the National Ports Council for 1973 [by Act].

Transport.—Statement of the appointment of, and the salary payable to, a part-time member of the British Waterways Board [by Act].


Mr. Edward Short:

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge.—Copies of Statutes, made by the Governing Body of the University of Cambridge on 4th March 1974, amending the Statutes of the University [by Act].

The Lord Advocate:

Law Commissions.—Copy of the Report of the Scottish Law Commission for the year ended 15th June 1973 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 84].

Paper laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:


APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee B.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee B in respect of the Abortion (Amendment) Bill, viz.: Mr. Leo Abse, Mr. Benyon, Mr. Andrew Bowden, Mr. Deedes, Mr. Michael Grylls, Sir Arthur Irvine, Mr. Dan Jones, Mrs. Jill Knight, Dr. J. Dickson Mabon, Mr. Carol Mather, Dr. David Owen, Mr. Neville Sandelson, Mrs. Renée Short, Mr. Spence, Mr. David Steel, and Mr. William Wilson.

First Scottish Standing Committee.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on the First Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Housing (Scotland) Bill, viz.: Mr. Michael Ancram, Mr. Ian Campbell, Mr. Ian Campbell, Mr. Robin F. Cook, Mr. John Corrie, Mr. Russell Fairgrieve, Mr. Hamish Gray, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Barry Henderson, Mr. Michael Clark Hutchinson, Mr. David Lambie, Mr. Bruce Millan, Mr. Malcolm Rifkind, Mr. Harry Selby, Mr. John Smith, Mr. Edward M. Taylor, and Mr. James White.

MEMORANDA

Wednesday 22nd May 1974

In pursuance of Section 2(2) of the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act 1919, Mr. Speaker has nominated Mr. Michael Alison, Mr. Edward Bishop, Mr. Clemitson, Mr. Patrick Cormack, Mr. Richard Crawshaw, Sir Douglas Dodds-Parker, Mr. Michael English, Mr. Michael Hamilton, Mr. Joseph Harper, Mr. Ron Lewis, Dr. Edmund Marshall, Mr. John Page, Mr. Geoffrey Pattie, Mr. James Wellbeloved, and Sir Marcus Worsley, to serve, for the duration of the present Parliament, upon the Ecclesiastical Committee.

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has allocated the Housing (Scotland) Bill to the First Scottish Standing Committee.
The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Greater London Council (Money) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 20th May, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Bill to reduce the sums mentioned in Item 10 of Part I of the Schedule (Page 6) as follows:

(a) in column 3, by leaving out "£142,601,000" and inserting £87,601,000", and
(b) in column 4, by leaving out "£82,605,000" and inserting £55,605,000";

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday 11th June.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Expenditure,—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, 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 (Second Special Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 164].

Expenditure,—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the General Sub-Committee on 23rd May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 166].

Public Accounts,—Mr. Edward du Cann reported from the Committee of Public Accounts, That they had directed him to report part of the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them on 20th May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 147-i].

Race Relations and Immigration,—Mr. Deedes reported from the Select Committee on Race Relations and Immigration, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before Sub-Committee A on 23rd May.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 128-ii].

Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Rabies Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Independent Broadcasting Authority Bill, without Amendment.

Royal Assent,—Mr. Speaker notified the House, in accordance with the Royal Assent Act 1967, That Her Majesty had signified Her Royal Assent to the following Acts agreed upon by both Houses:


Adjournment (Whitsuntide),—Resolved, That this House, at its rising to-morrow, do adjourn till Monday 10th June.—(Mr. Edward Short.)

Supply [7th allotted Day],—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Business of Supply.

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

The Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That the Lord High Commissioner (Church of Scotland) Bill may be proceeded with at this day's sitting, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Ernest Perry.)
Borrowing and Securities.—Resolved, That the Local Loans (Increase of Limit) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 9th May, be approved.—(Mr. Joel Barnett.)

Housing.—Resolved, That the Assistance for House Purchase and Improvement (Increase of Subsidy) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 17th May, be approved.—(Mr. Gerald Kaufman.)

Lord High Commissioner (Church of Scotland) Bill.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Lord High Commissioner (Church of Scotland) Bill.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 3 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Laurie Pavitt 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 forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

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

Nationalised Industries.—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed yesterday, That Mr. Dennis Skinner be discharged from the Select Committee on Nationalised Industries and that Mr. Joe Ashton be added to the Committee;

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

And the Question being put;

Ordered, That Mr. Dennis Skinner be discharged from the Select Committee on Nationalised Industries and that Mr. Joe Ashton be added to the Committee.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes to Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.40 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Thursday 23rd May 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Dr. John Gilbert:

Electricity.—Statements of Guarantee given by the Treasury—
(1) on 19th February 1974, and
(2) on 23rd April 1974,
on loans raised by the Electricity Council [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 162 and 163].

Trustee Savings Banks.—Report of the Inspection Committee of Trustee Savings Banks for the year ended 20th November 1973 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Mason:

Defence (Royal Air Force).—Copy of Regulations, dated 2nd April 1974, entitled the Royal Air Force Terms of Service (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I. 1974, No. 818) [by Act].
Mr. Secretary Foot:

Wages Councils,—Copies of Orders, dated 14th May 1974, entitled—

(1) the Brush and Broom Wages Council (Great Britain) (Abolition) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 843), and

(2) the Hair, Bass and Fibre Wages Council (Great Britain) (Abolition) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 844)

[by Act].

Mrs. Secretary Castle:

Social Security,—Copy of Regulations, dated 15th May 1974, entitled the National Insurance and Industrial Injuries (Northern Ireland Reciprocal Arrangements) (Revocation) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 842) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Shore:

Patents,—Copy of the Report of the Comptroller-General of Patents, Designs and Trade Marks for 1973 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 135].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:

Local Government,—Copy of the Report of the Prime Minister’s Committee on Local Government Rules of Conduct, Volume I [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Rees:

Law Enforcement Commission,—Copy of the Report of the Law Enforcement Commission to the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland and the Minister of Justice of Ireland [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Varley:

Gas,—Copies of Regulations, dated 14th May 1974, entitled—

(1) the Gas (Declaration of Calorific Value) (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 847), and

(2) the Gas (Meter) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 848)

[by Act].

Mrs. Secretary Williams:

Weights and Measures,—Draft of an Order, entitled the Weights and Measures Act 1963 (Sugar) Order 1974 [by Act].

Paper laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Parliamentary Contributory Pension Fund,—Accounts of the House of Commons Members’ Contributory Pension Fund for the period 1st April 1972 to 26th July 1972 and of the Parliamentary Contributory Pension Fund for the period 27th July 1972 to 31st March 1973; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 165].

MEMORANDA

Thursday 23rd May 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has allocated the Solicitors (Amendment) Bill [Lords] to Standing Committee D.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has appointed Miss Joan Quennell Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Rehabilitation of Offenders Bill and Sir Myer Galpern Chairman of the First Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Housing (Scotland) Bill.
PRAYERS.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented and ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Parliamentary Broadcasting Unit Bill.—The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday 14th June, the Parliamentary Broadcasting Unit Bill, was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time upon Friday 28th June.

Pakistan Bill,—Mr. Secretary Jenkins, supported by Mr. Secretary Ross, Mr. Secretary Rees, and Mr. Alexander Lyon, presented a Bill to amend the Pakistan Act 1973 so as to extend the voting rights of certain persons who, by virtue of that Act, ceased to be British subjects: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday 10th June and to be printed [Bill 56].

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

And it being Four o'clock, the Motion for the Adjournment of the House lapsed, without Question put.

Privileges,—Ordered, That the matter of the complaint made by Mr. Anthony Wedgwood Benn, Member for Bristol, South-East, on 24th January 1974 in the last Session of the last Parliament, and referred to the Committee of Privileges on 25th January, be referred to the Committee of Privileges.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Members' Interests (Declaration),—Ordered, That Mr. Cant, Mr. Arthur Davidson, Mr. Nicholas Edwards, Mr. Hall-Davis, Sir Michael Havers, Mr. Sydney Irving, Mr. W. H. Johnson, Mr. Ian MacArthur, Mr. Simon Mulhern, Mr. Angus Maude, Mr. Arthur Palmer, Mr. James Prior, Mr. Frederick Willey, and Dr. Michael Winstanley, be Members of the Select Committee on Members' Interests (Declaration).—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till half-past Four o'clock adjourned till Monday 10th June, pursuant to the Resolution of the House yesterday.

[Adjourned at 4.30 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Friday 24th May 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Dr. John Gilbert:

Air Corporations,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 5th April 1974 on loans proposed to be raised by the British Airways Board [by Act]; to be printed [No. 167].

Iron and Steel,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 4th April 1974 on loans proposed to be raised by the British Steel Corporation [by Act]; to be printed [No. 168].

National Health Service,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 24th April 1974 on stock issued by the General Practice Finance Corporation [by Act]; to be printed [No. 169].

Notice given by Mr. Deputy Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order No. 122 (Earlier meeting of House in certain circumstances).

Whereas Her Majesty's Government have represented to me, George Thomas, Deputy Speaker of the House of Commons, that the public interest requires the House to meet at an earlier time than the tenth day of June 1974, and I am satisfied that the public interest does so require:

Now, therefore, I hereby give notice, pursuant to the Standing Order (Earlier meeting of House in certain circumstances), that the House shall meet on Monday the third day of June 1974, at half-past Two o'clock.

Given under my hand this thirtieth day of May 1974.

George Thomas, Deputy Speaker.
Monday, 3rd June, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented (see Appendix).

Rating Reform Bill,—The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday 14th June, the Rating Reform Bill, was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time upon Friday 28th June.

Historic Churches Preservation Bill,—The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday 14th June, the Historic Churches Preservation Bill, was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time upon Friday 28th June.

Adjournment,—Resolved, That this House, at its rising to-morrow, do adjourn till Monday next.—(Mr. Robert Mellish.)

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

The Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-nine minutes past Ten o’clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 10.29 p.m.]

APPENDIX

1. Papers presented by Her Majesty’s Command and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office, during the Adjournment pursuant to Standing Order No. 119 (Presentation of Command Papers) and ordered to lie upon the Table:


European Communities (No. 6, 1974),—Copy of an Agreement signed at Brussels on 30th April 1973, extending the period of validity of the Trade Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia signed at Brussels on 19th March 1970.

European Communities (No. 7, 1974),—Copy of a Trade Agreement signed at Luxembourg on 26th June 1973, between the European Economic Community and the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (with Declarations and Exchanges of Letters).

Treaty Series (No. 34, 1974), Copy of Notes exchanged at Jakarta on 20th December 1973 between Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Republic of Indonesia, concerning an interest-free development loan by the United Kingdom to Indonesia (United Kingdom/Indonesia Loan Agreement (No. 2) 1973).


2. Papers delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on the undermentioned dates pursuant to Standing Order No. 120 (Presentation of Statutory Instruments), and ordered to lie upon the Table:

29th May 1974

National Health Service (Scotland),—Copy of Regulations, dated 16th May 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Appointment of Consultants) (Scotland) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 858) [by Act].

Merchant Shipping,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 21st May 1974, entitled the Merchant Shipping (Light Dues) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 868) [by Act].
30th May 1974

Sea Fisheries,—Copy of an Order, dated 20th May 1974, entitled the North Sea Herring (Restrictions on Landing) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 881) [by Act].

Protection of Wrecks,—Copy of an Order, dated 23rd May 1974, entitled the Protection of Wrecks (Designation No. 7) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 910) [by Act].

31st May 1974

Coal Industry,—Copy of an Order, dated 22nd May 1974, entitled the Opencast Coal (Rate of Interest on Compensation) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 888) [by Act].

Pensions,—Copy of Regulations, dated 17th May 1974, entitled the Pensions Increase (Teachers) (Scotland) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 882) [by Act].

Counter-Inflation,—Copy of an Order, dated 30th May 1974, entitled the Counter-Inflation (Notification of Increases in Prices and Charges) (Amendment) (No. 4) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 933) [by Act].

Seeds,—Copy of Regulations, dated 21st May 1974, entitled the Forest Reproductive Material (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 877) [by Act].

3. Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table on Monday 3rd June 1974:

Mr. Secretary Mason:

Defence (Ulster Defence Regiment),—Copy of an Order providing for an Amendment (No. 11) to the Regulations for the Ulster Defence Regiment 1969 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Shore:

Merchant Shipping Acts (Dispensing Powers),—Report by the Department of Trade of exemptions granted under section 78 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1906, during 1973 [by Act].

Mr. Edward Short:

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Copies of Statutes—

(1) made by the Governing Body of St. Hugh's College, Oxford, on 26th February 1974, amending the Statutes of the College, and

(2) made by the Governing Body of the University of Cambridge on 15th March 1974, amending the Statutes of the University [by Act].

3. Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table on Monday 3rd June 1974:

Mr. Secretary Mason:

Defence (Ulster Defence Regiment),—Copy of an Order providing for an Amendment (No. 11) to the Regulations for the Ulster Defence Regiment 1969 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Shore:

Merchant Shipping Acts (Dispensing Powers),—Report by the Department of Trade of exemptions granted under section 78 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1906, during 1973 [by Act].

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(1) made by the Governing Body of St. Hugh's College, Oxford, on 26th February 1974, amending the Statutes of the College, and

(2) made by the Governing Body of the University of Cambridge on 15th March 1974, amending the Statutes of the University [by Act].

Tuesday, 4th June, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

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 Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table (see Appendix).

European Secondary Legislation, &c.—Mr. John Davies reported from the Committee on European Secondary Legislation, &c. That they had agreed to a Report which they had directed him to make to the House: And the Report was brought up and read (First Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 171].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 171].

New Member Sworn.—Nigel John Spearing, Esquire, Member for Newham South, was sworn.

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

The Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

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

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

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit until twenty-nine minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned till Monday next, pursuant to the Resolution of the House yesterday.

[Adjourned at 10.29 p.m.]
APPENDIX

Tuesday, 4th June, 1974.

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Shore:
Cinematograph Films,—Statement of advances made under the Cinematograph Film Production (Special Loans) Act 1949 to the National Film Finance Corporation in 1969 which have not been repaid within five years [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:
Milford Haven Conservancy Board,—Copy of the Accounts of the Milford Haven Conservancy Board for 1973 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Benn:
Census of Production,—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production 1971 relating to—
(1) Cement,
(2) Drop forgings, &c.,
(3) Fruit and vegetable products,
(4) Glass,
(5) Industrial engines,
(6) Metal hollow-ware,
(7) Pottery,
(8) Textile machinery and accessories, and
(9) Wooden containers and baskets
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Varley:
Control of Fuel and Electricity,—Copy of an Order, dated 3rd June 1974, entitled the Motor Fuel (Filling Stations) (Scotland) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 948) [by Act].

Paper laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker:
Statutory Instruments (Notification).—Communication declaring that the undermentioned Statutory Instrument had come into operation before copies were laid before Parliament, and explaining why such copies had not been so laid before the Instrument came into operation [pursuant to Standing Order No. 121 (Notification in respect of certain Statutory Instruments)]:—

[No. 50.]

Monday, 10th June, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Petition for additional Provision) (Standing Orders not complied with).—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, the Standing Orders have not been complied with, viz.:—
Greater London Council (Money) Bill.
Report referred to the Standing Orders Committee.

British Railways Bill,—Ordered, That the British Railways Bill, as amended in the Committee, be considered to-morrow.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Expenditure,—Mr. James Boydén reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Environment Sub-Committee on 10th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 172-i].

Hare Coursing Bill,—The Order for reading a second time this day the Hare Coursing Bill was read and discharged.

Bill to be read a second time upon Friday next.
Finance Bill (Clauses Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 19, and new Clauses relating to the matters referred to in the Order of the House [9th May]).—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill (Clauses Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 19, and new Clauses relating to the matters referred to in the Order of the House [9th May]).

(In the Committee)

Ordered, That consideration of the new Clause relating to exemption for trade unions be postponed till after consideration of other new Clauses.—(Mr. Joel Barnett.)

Clause No. 10, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 11 (Alteration of personal reliefs).

Amendment (No. 35) proposed, in page 8, line 29, to leave out “£865” and insert “£943.”—(Mr. John Cope.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 49) proposed, in page 8, line 32, at the end, to insert the words—

“(c) provided that if a married claimant proves that at any time within the year of assessment he or his wife living with him reaches the age of 65 years or upwards for the figure £865 shall be substituted the figure £950. And if a single claimant proves that at any time within the year of assessment he reached the age of 65 years or upwards for the figure £625 shall be substituted the figure £675”.—(Mr. Newton.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Adam Butler, Mr. Cecil Parkinson: 227.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Laurie Pavitt, Mr. Joseph Harper: 250.

Another Amendment (No. 34) proposed, in page 8, line 40, at the end, to insert the words—

“(4) In section 10(5) (restriction on child allowance by reference to the child’s income) for the reference to £115 there shall be substituted a reference to £215”.—(Mr. John MacGregor.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Marcus Fox, Mr. Cecil Parkinson: 221.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Jack Dormand, Mr. Thomas Cox: 245.

Another Amendment (No. 70) proposed, in page 9, line 3, to leave out from “£565” to the end of line 6.—(Mr. Norman Lamont.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 42) proposed, in page 9, line 6, at the end, to insert the words—

“(5) In section 12 (widower’s or widow’s housekeeper), section 13 (relative taking charge of unmarried person’s young brother or sister) and section 14 (widows, other single persons and husbands with disabled wives with children) for the references to £100 there shall be substituted a reference to £150, and for the references to £130 there shall be substituted a reference to £180”.—(Mr. Cope.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 52) proposed, in page 9, line 6, at the end, to insert the words—

“(5) In section 18 (blind persons), for the references to ‘registered blind person’ or ‘registered blind persons’ there shall in each case be substituted ‘registered blind person or registered disabled person’ or ‘registered blind persons or registered disabled persons’”.—(Mr. Norman Lamont.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause No. 13 (Share option and share incentive schemes).
Amendment (No. 29) proposed, in page 10, line 34, to leave out from the beginning to the end of line 43 and insert the words—

"(a) section 78 of the Finance Act 1972 (approved share option schemes) except:

(i) in its application to cases where a right obtained as mentioned therein was exercised before 27th March 1974, and

(ii) in relation to schemes to which Part III of Schedule 8 to the Finance Act 1973 applies; and

(b) subsections (2)(a) and (3)(a) of section 79 of that Act (which excludes the application of subsections (4) and (7) of that section in cases of acquisitions made under approved share incentive schemes) except:

(i) in their application to cases where the acquisition was made before 27th March 1974, and

(ii) in relation to schemes to which Part II of Schedule 8 to the Finance Act 1973 applies; and".—(Mr. Maurice Macmillan.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Michael Jopling, Mr. Le Marchant: 221.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. Ernest Perry: 249.

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 Mr. Donald Coleman reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and moved, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Business of the House.—Ordered, That the Motion relating to Ways and Means may be proceeded with at this day's sitting, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Donald Coleman.)

Finance Bill.—The House again resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill (Clauses Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 19, and new Clauses relating to the matters referred to in the Order of the House [9th May]).

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 13 (Share option and share incentive schemes).

Another Amendment (No. 64) proposed, in page 11, line 10, at the end, to add the words—

"(3) Where a person becomes liable to tax as a result of this section or of section 89(4) or 79(7) of the Finance Act 1972 as amended by Schedule 8 to the Finance Act 1973 and this section his employer shall be entitled to deduct for the purpose of calculating his liability to corporation tax a sum equal to the sum chargeable to tax in the hands of that person".—(Mr. Maurice Macmillan.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James A. Dunn, Mr. Laurie Pavitt: 239.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Hamish Gray, Mr. Le Marchant: 202.

To report Progress and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Joseph Harper.)

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Joseph Harper 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 Committee.

Ways and Means.—Capital gains tax—Unit trust and funds in court.—Resolved, That the rate of capital gains tax provided for by section 113 of the Finance Act 1972 shall be increased to 16½ per cent..—(Dr. John Gilbert.)

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Finance Bill that they have power to make provision therein pursuant to the said Resolution.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eighteen minutes to Twelve o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.42 p.m.]
APPENDIX

1. Papers presented by Her Majesty's Command and delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office during the Adjournment pursuant to Standing Order No. 119 (Presentation of Command Papers), and ordered to lie upon the Table:


Privileges and Immunities (Miscellaneous No. 18, 1974),—Copy of Notes exchanged at London on 24th and 31st January 1974 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Western European Union, regarding the application in the United Kingdom of Article 9 of the Agreement on the Status of the Western European Union, National Representatives and International Staff, of 11th May 1955 (The Exchange of Notes is not in force).


2. Papers delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on the undermentioned dates pursuant to Standing Order No. 120 (Presentation of Statutory Instruments), and ordered to lie upon the Table:

5th June, 1974.

Income Tax,—Copy of Regulations, dated 23rd May 1974, entitled the Lloyd's Underwriters (Tax) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 896) [by Act].

European Communities,—Copy of Regulations, dated 23rd May 1974, entitled the European Communities (Iron and Steel Employees Re-adaptation Benefits Scheme) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 908) [by Act].

6th June, 1974.

Pensions,—Copy of Regulations, dated 23rd May 1974, entitled the Pensions Increase (Trustee Savings Banks Pensions) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 914) [by Act].

Industrial Training,—Copy of an Order, dated 23rd May 1974, entitled the Industrial Training Levy (Printing and Publishing) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 904) [by Act].


Insurance,—Copies of Regulations, dated 23rd May 1974, entitled—
(1) the Insurance Companies (Contents of Advertisements) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 901), and
(2) the Insurance Companies (Intermediaries) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 902)
[by Act].

7th June, 1974.

Import Duties,—Copies of Orders, dated 21st May 1974, entitled—
(1) the Import Duties (Developing Countries) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 886),
(2) the Import Duties (Egypt) (Reductions) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 889),
(3) the Import Duties (General) (No. 3) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 887), and
(4) the Import Duties (Turkey) (Reductions and Exemptions) (Amendment) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 885)
[by Act].

Education,—Copy of an Order, dated 3rd June 1974, entitled the Remuneration of Teachers (Burnham Committees) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 959) [by Act].

Local Government,—Copy of an Order, dated 4th June 1974, entitled the Local Authorities etc. (Miscellaneous Provision) (No. 3) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 968) [by Act].
Public Health.—Copies of Orders, dated 28th May 1974, entitled—

(1) the Gipsy Encampments (Designation of the London Borough of Croydon) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 919),
(2) the Gipsy Encampments (Designation of the London Borough of Greenwich) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 920),
(3) the Gipsy Encampments (Designation of the London Borough of Sutton) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 921), and
(4) the Gipsy Encampments (part Oxfordshire) Designation Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 922)

[b by Act].

Control of Fuel and Electricity.—Copy of an Order, dated 7th June 1974, entitled the Motor Fuel (Filling Stations) (Scotland) (Revocation) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 986) [by Act].

Seeds.—Copies of Regulations, dated 22nd May 1974, entitled—

(1) the Beet Seeds Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 898),
(2) the Cereal Seeds Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 900),
(3) the Fodder Plant Seeds Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 897), and
(4) the Oil and Fibre Plant Seeds Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 899)

[b by Act].

3. Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table on Monday 10th June 1974:

Dr. John Gilbert:

Liverpool City Council.—Copies of Treasury Minutes, dated 10th June 1974, relative to the leasing at a nominal rental to the Liverpool City Council of—

(1) Crofton Hospital, Liverpool and
(2) Hahnenmann Hospital and Nurses Quarters, Liverpool

[b by Command].

Borrowing and Securities.—Copy of Regulations, dated 4th June 1974, entitled the Public Works Loans (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 989) [by Act].


Land Commission.—Copy of an Order, dated 4th June 1974, entitled the Betterment Levy (Rate of Interest) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 974) [by Act].

Landlord and Tenant.—Copy of Rules, dated 4th June 1974, entitled the Irish Land (Finance) (Amendment) Rules 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 977) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:

Charity Commissioners.—Copy of the Report of the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales for 1973 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 142].

Dangerous Drugs.—Copy of Regulations, dated 31st May 1974, entitled the Misuse of Drugs (Licence Fees) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 942) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Ross:

Education.—Copy of the Report on Education in Scotland in 1973 [by Command].


Mr. Secretary Prentice:

Education.—Copy of the Report on Education and Science in 1973 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Mason:

Government Trading Funds.—Draft of an Order entitled the Royal Ordnance Factories Trading Fund Order 1974 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Foot:

Factories.—Copy of Regulations, dated 23rd May 1974, entitled the Woodworking Machines Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 903) [by Act].
MEMORANDUM

Monday 10th June 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has appointed Mr. Michael English an additional Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Housing Bill.

[No. 51.]

Tuesday, 11th June, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bill Petitions [Lords] (Standing Orders not complied with).—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:—

Corn Exchange Company Bill [Lords].

Report referred to the Standing Orders Committee.
British Transport Docks Bill.—Ordered, That the British Transport Docks Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

British Waterways Bill.—The British Waterways Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Thurrock District Council Bill.—The House proceeded to consider the Thurrock District Council Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

British Airports Authority (Longford River) Bill [Lords].—The British Airports Authority (Longford River) Bill [Lords] was read a second time, and committed.

British Railways Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for considering the British Railways Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered to-morrow.

Greater London Council (Money) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 20th May, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Bill to reduce the sums mentioned in Item 10 of Part I of the Schedule (Page 6) as follows:—

(a) in column 3, by leaving out “£142,601,000” and inserting “£87,601,000”; and
(b) in column 4, by leaving out “£82,605,000” and inserting “£55,605,000”;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday 19th June at Seven o’clock.

Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. R. Graham Page reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords 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 present to the House and had directed him to report a Memorandum laid before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Eightieth Report).

Report, together with Memorandum, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 51-ix].

Expenditure.—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Employment and Home Office Sub-Committee on 11th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 173-i].

Science and Technology.—Mr. Arthur Palmer reported from the Select Committee on Science and Technology, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Sea-Bed Engineering Sub-Committee on 11th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 107-v].

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. R. Graham Page 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 (Eightieth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 52-ix].

Abolition of Peerage.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the extinction of all titles attaching to peerages; to provide for the cessation on death or statutory renunciation of all hereditary rights to attend as a Member of the House of Lords; and to provide for the appointment of Senators as Members of that House, including the conversion of present life Peers—(Mr. John Lee);

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 Standing Order No. 13 (Motions for leave to bring in bills and nomination of select committees at commencement of public business);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Cryer, Mr. Thorne: 120.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Robert Cooke, Mr. Cranley Onslow: 162.

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

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

Agriculture,—Resolved, That the Welfare of Livestock (Cattle and Poultry) Regulations 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 14th May, be approved.—(Mr. Roland Moyle.)

Agriculture,—Resolved, That the Welfare of Livestock (Docking of Pigs) Regulations 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 14th May, be approved.—(Mr. Roland Moyle.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till Twelve o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 12 midnight.

APPENDIX

Tuesday 11th June 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

The Prime Minister:

Pensions,—Copy of a Scheme, dated 11th June 1974, entitled the Principal Civil Service Pension Scheme (Amendment) Scheme 1974 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:

Police,—Copy of the Report of the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis for 1973 [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Callaghan:

Expenditure,—Copy of Observations by the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs and the Secretary of State for the Environment on the First Report from the Expenditure Committee, Session 1973-74, on accommodation and staffing in Ottawa and Washington [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Ross:

Pensions,—Copy of Regulations, dated 23rd May 1974, entitled the Pensions Increase (National Health Service Pensions) (Scotland) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 940) [by Act].

Mrs. Secretary Castle:

Social Security (Amendment) Bill,—Copy of a Report by the Government Actuary on the financial provisions of the Social Security Amendment Bill [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:

Harbours, Docks, Piers and Ferries,—Copy of an Order, dated 22nd May 1974, entitled the Medway Ports Authority Revision Order 1974, with a Certificate by the Secretary of State for the Environment under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 [by Act].


Mr. Secretary Rees:


Mr. Edward Short:

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge,—Copy of a Statute made by the Governing Body of Corpus Christi College, Oxford, on 18th March 1974, amending the Statutes of the College [by Act].

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The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Greater London Council (General Powers) Bill.—The House proceeded to consider the Greater London Council (General Powers) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

British Transport Docks Bill.—A Motion being made, That the British Transport Docks 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.

And Notice being taken that the interest of Her Majesty, in right of Her Duchy of Lancaster, 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 Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And the Question being put:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

British Railways Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for considering the British Railways Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered to-morrow.

Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix D).

Clerical, Medical and General Life Assurance Bill [Lords].—The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Clerical, Medical and General Life Assurance Bill [Lords] and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, to lie upon the Table.

Crude Oil Terminals (Humber) Bill [Lords].—The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Crude Oil Terminals (Humber) Bill [Lords] and had verbally amended the same, and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, to lie upon the Table.

Workington Harbour Bill.—The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Workington Harbour Bill and had 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; 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.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, and Report to lie upon the Table.

Report to be printed.

Consolidation, &c., Bills.—Mr. Richard Crawshaw reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills, to whom the Insurance Companies Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, was referred. That they had gone through the Bill and had made Amendments 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.

Report, together with Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 184].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 184].
European Secondary Legislation, &c.—Mr. John Davies reported from the Select Committee on European Secondary Legislation, &c., That they had agreed to a Report, which they had directed him to make to the House: And the Report was brought up and read (Second Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 183].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 183].

Expenditure.—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Social Services Sub-Committee on 12th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 181-i].

Expenditure.—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Sub-Committee on 12th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 185-i].

Members' Interests (Declaration).—Mr. Frederick Wilely reported from the Select Committee on Members' Interests (Declaration), 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 (First Special Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 176].

Race Relations and Immigration.—Mr. Deedes reported from the Select Committee on Race Relations and Immigration, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them on 12th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 123-iii].

Science and Technology.—Mr. Arthur Palmer reported from the Select Committee on Science and Technology, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Energy Resources Sub-Committee on 12th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 127-iii].

Selection.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Social Security Amendment Bill.—Mrs. Secretary Castle, supported by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Secretary Ross, Mr. Secretary John Morris, Mr. Secretary Rees, Mr. Brian O'Malley, and Mr. Robert Brown, presented a Bill to amend the provisions of the Social Security Act 1973 as to the rate or amount of benefit and contributions; to alter the meaning of "year" in certain provisions of that Act; 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 [Bill 57].

Railways Bill.—Mr. Secretary Crosland, supported by Mr. Secretary Jenkins, Mr. Secretary Benn, Mr. Secretary Ross, Mr. Secretary John Morris, Mr. Joel Barnett, Mr. Fred Mulley, and Mr. Neil Carmichael, presented (under Standing Order No. 91 (Procedure upon Bills whose main object is to create a charge upon the public revenue)) a Bill to amend the law relating to the British Railways Board; to make provision for the performance by the Secretary of State of functions in relation to the Board under certain regulations of the Council of the European Communities relating to transport; to make provision with respect to certain pension schemes; to make provision for grants in connection with freight haulage facilities; to make provision with respect to the chairmen of Transport Consultative Committees; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 59].

Policing of Airports Bill.—Mr. Secretary Jenkins, supported by Mr. Secretary Shore, Mr. Secretary Ross, Mr. Secretary Rees, Dr. Shirley Summerskill, and Mr. S. Clinton Davis, presented a Bill to make provision for enabling the policing of any airport designated for that purpose to be undertaken by the police force for the area in which it is wholly or mainly situated; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 58].

Ways and Means.—Prices.—Resolved, That any Act of the present Session to authorise the payment of food subsidies may make provision—

(a) for requiring payments to be made to the Secretary of State or the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food by persons who contravene provisions of that Act for preventing abuse in connection with such subsidies;

(b) for the payment into the Consolidated Fund of sums paid to the Secretary of State or that Minister in pursuance of any such requirement.—(Mr. Robert Maclennan.)
Prices Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Prices Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Exemption for small traders)—(Mrs. Sally Oppenheim)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Marcus Fox, Mr. Hall-Davis : 251.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. Ernest Perry : 273.

Amendments (Nos. 1 to 4) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 6) proposed to the Bill, in page 4, line 14, at the end, to insert the words—

“(d) an order under paragraph (a) of that subsection shall have regard to the principles enunciated in any code for the time being contained in an order under section 2 of the Counter-Inflation Act 1973, to the extent that they enable persons to avoid selling at a loss or at a low margin of profit”.—(Mr. Paul Channon.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 7) proposed to the Bill, in page 4, line 16, to leave out “31st March 1975” and insert “7th November 1974” —(Mrs. Sally Oppenheim), instead thereof.

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 8 and 24) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 5) proposed to the Bill, in page 4, line 33, to leave out Clause No. 3.—(Mr. Paul Channon.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Marcus Fox, Mr. Le Marchant : 226.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Laurie Pavitt, Mr. Tom Pendry : 264.

Other Amendments (Nos. 9, 10 and 13) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 14) proposed to the Bill, in page 5, line 36, at the end, to insert the words—

“(c) No order shall be made in this section to require the indication of a price at point of sale where identical goods are liable to be offered or exposed for sale simultaneously at differing prices, according to the requirements of the Counter-Inflation (Price and Pay Code) (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 785)”.—(Mr. Bruce-Gardyne.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 15) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 16) proposed to the Bill, in page 6, line 1, to leave out Clause No. 5.—(Mrs. Sally Oppenheim.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Michael Jopling, Mr. Marcus Fox : 217.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. Ernest Perry : 271.

Other Amendments (Nos. 17 and 19 to 23) made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time:—Debate arising;

And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That the Prices Bill may be proceeded with at this day's sitting, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. John Golding.)

Prices Bill.—The Question being again proposed, That the Prices Bill be now read the third time:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Thursday morning;
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And the Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Ernest Perry: 209.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Pardoe, Mr. Richard Wainwright: 20.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty minutes to One o'clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.40 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 12th June 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Dr. John Gilbert:

Bank Notes,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 17th May 1974, relative to the Fiduciary Note Issue [by Act]; to be printed [No. 178].

Import Duties,—Copy of an Order, dated 10th June 1974, entitled the Import Duties (Temporary Reductions and Exemptions) (No. 7) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 995) [by Act].

Post Office,—Statements of Guarantees given by the Treasury—

(1) on 6th May 1974, and
(2) on 13th May 1974

on loans proposed to be raised by the Post Office [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 179 and 180].

Mr. Secretary Callaghan:

Diplomatic and International Immunities and Privileges,—Drafts of Orders in Council, entitled—

(1) the Asian Development Bank (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974,
(2) the Central Treaty Organisation (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974,
(3) the Customs Co-operation Council (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974,
(4) the European Molecular Biology Laboratory (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974,
(5) the European Space Research Organisation (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974,
(6) the International Atomic Energy Agency (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974,
(7) the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974,
(8) the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974,
(9) the South-East Asia Treaty Organisation (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974,
(10) the Specialised Agencies of the United Nations (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, and
(11) the United Nations and International Court of Justice (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974

[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Ross:

Electricity,—Draft of an Order, entitled the Electricity (Borrowing Powers) (Scotland) Order 1974 [by Act].

Hospital Endowments,—Copy of the Report of the Scottish Hospital Trust for the year ended 31st March 1973 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 149].
Mr. Secretary Foot:

Industrial Training.—Copy of an Order, dated 3rd June 1974, entitled the Industrial Training Levy (Distributive Board) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 961) [by Act].

Mrs. Secretary Castle:

Health Service Commissioner.—Copy of the First Report of the Health Service Commissioner, Session 1974 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 161].

Mr. Secretary Benn:

Census of Production.—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production 1971, relating to—

1. Engineers’ small tools and gauges,
2. Gloves,
3. Motor cycle, tricycle and pedal cycle manufacturing,
4. Musical instruments, and
5. Toilet preparations
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:

Acquisition of Land.—Copies of Orders—

1. Dated 19th September 1973, entitled the County Borough Council of Doncaster (Westfield Park) Appropriation Order 1973,
2. Dated 24th October 1973, entitled the Ennerdale King George V Playing Field, Cleator Moor Appropriation Order No. 1 1973, and
3. Dated 29th April 1974, entitled the Newport—Worcester Trunk Road (Link Top Malvern, Improvement) Compulsory Purchase Order (WMRT No. 4) 1974

with Certificates by the Secretary of State for the Environment under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 [by Act].

Maplin Development Authority.—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Maplin Development Authority for the year ended 31st March 1974 [by Act].

Mrs. Judith Hart:

Commonwealth Development Corporation,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Commonwealth Development Corporation for 1973 [by Act].

APPENDIX II
Committee of Selection

Standing Committee C.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, that they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Town and Country Amenities Bill, viz.: Mr. Robert Banks, Mr. Edward Blishen, Mr. Jim Callaghan, Mr. Stanley Cohen, Mr. Robert Cooke, Mr. Cryer, Sir Geoffrey de Freitas, Mr. Durant, Mr. Ted Graham, Mr. Grimond, Mr. Neil Macfarlane, Mr. Charles R. Morris, Mr. Rathbone, Sir John Rodgers, Mr. Michael Shersby, and Mr. G. R. Strauss.

Standing Committee C.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, that they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Youth and Community Bill, viz.: Sir Edward Brown, Mrs. Lynda Chalker, Mr. Cryer, Mr. Denzil Davies, Mr. Durant, Mr. Tom Ellis, Mr. Gerry Fowler, Dr. Keith Hampson, Mr. James Johnson, Mr. David Knox, Mr. Eddie Loyden, Mr. Iain MacCormick, Mr. Peter Snape, Mr. Anthony Steen, Mr. Frederick Willey, and Mr. Nicholas Winterton.

Standing Committee C.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, that they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of the Mines (Working Facilities and Support) (Amendment) Bill, viz.: Dr. Alan Glyn, Mr. Alec Jones, Mr. Michael McGuire, Mr. Martin McLaren, Mr. Tom McMillan, Mr. Ray Mawby, Mr. Michael Meacher, Mr. David Mitchell, Mr. Jasper More, Mr. David Mudd, Mr. Eric Ogden, Mr. George Rodgers, Mr. T. H. H. Skeet, Mr. Alexander Wilson, Dr. Michael Winstanley, and Mr. David Young.

Standing Committee C.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, that they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee D in respect of the Solicitors (Amendment) Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr. Daniel Awdry, Mr. Ronald Bell, Mr. Kenneth Clarke, Mr. Walter Clegg, Mr. Michael Cocks, Mr. Arthur Davidson, Mr. Michael English, Mr. Martin Flannery, Mr. Norman Fowler, Sir Michael Havers, Mr. James Kilfedder, Mr. Edward Lyons, Mr. R. C. Mitchell, Mr. Geoffrey Pattie, Mr. J. W. Rooker, and Mr. Solicitor General.
Welsh Grand Committee.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Two Members to serve on the Welsh Grand Committee in respect of the matter of Agriculture and Rural Affairs in Wales, viz.: Mr. Roland Moyle, and Mr. Peter Thomas.

MEMORANDA

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In pursuance of paragraph (l) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has appointed Mrs. Lena Jeger Chairman of Standing Committee D in respect of the Solicitors (Amendment) Bill [Lords], Mr. Alan Fitch an additional Chairman of Standing Committee E in respect of the Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill, and Mr. Ifor Davies as Chairman of the Welsh Grand Committee in respect of the matter of Agriculture and Rural Affairs in Wales.

In pursuance of paragraph (l) of Standing Order No. 67 (Public Bills relating exclusively to Scotland) Mr. Speaker has certified that, in his opinion, the provisions of the Divorce (Scotland) Bill relate exclusively to Scotland.

[No. 53.]

Thursday, 13th June, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Speaker's Absence,—Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had been asked by Her Royal Highness the Duchess of Gloucester to attend the funeral of the Duke of Gloucester at Windsor to-morrow; and that he hoped that the House would approve his decision to accept, and would grant him the necessary leave of absence.

The House signified its assent, for which Mr. Speaker returned his thanks.

British Railways Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for considering the British Railways Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Tuesday next.

Fife County Council Order Confirmation Bill,—Mr. Secretary Ross presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under Section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936, relating to Fife County Council: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be considered upon Wednesday next and to be printed [Bill 60].

Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented (see Appendix I).

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. R. Graham Page reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords 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 had directed him to report a Memorandum laid before them: And the Report was brought up and read (Ninth Report).

Report, together with Memorandum, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 51-x].

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. R. Graham Page reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Statutory Instruments, That they had directed him to report part of the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them on 13th June, together with a Memorandum laid before them.

Minutes of Evidence, together with Memorandum, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 51-xl].

Race Relations and Immigration,—Mr. Deedes reported from the Select Committee on Race Relations and Immigration, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them on 13th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 123-iv].

Selection,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
Standing Orders.—The Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Standing Orders Committee several Resolutions, as follow:

1. That, in the case of the Greater London Council (Money) Bill, Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with: That the Parties be permitted to insert their additional Provision, if the Committee on the Bill think fit.

2. That, in the case of the Corn Exchange Company Bill, Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with.

The first Resolution was agreed to.

So much of the Report as relates to the second Resolution to lie upon the Table.

Housing Bill.—Mrs. Joyce Butler reported from Standing Committee B, That they had gone through the Housing Bill, and made Amendments thereunto, and had amended the Title as follows: A Bill to extend the functions of the Housing Corporation and provide for the registration of, and the giving of financial assistance to, certain housing associations; to make further provision in relation to clearance areas and other areas in which living conditions are unsatisfactory or otherwise in need of improvement; to provide for the making of grants towards the improvement, repair and provision of housing accommodation and for the compulsory improvement of such accommodation; to amend the law relating to assistance for house purchase and improvement and expenditure in connection with the provision and improvement of housing accommodation and to raise the rateable value limits under the Leasehold Reform Act 1967; to amend the Housing Finance Act 1972; to amend the law relating to the rights and obligations of landlords and tenants and the enforceability of certain covenants relating to the development of land; and for purposes connected therewith.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 62].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 186].

Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Lord High Commissioner (Church of Scotland) Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to provide, as respects Scotland, for the prohibition of new feuudities and other periodical payments from land; for the right to redeem feuudities and other such perpetual payments on a term day; for the redemption by law of feuudities and other such payments on transfer of land; for limitations on the residential use of property subject to long lease and other rights of occupancy; for the variation of heritable securities in the event of residential use of the security subjects; for restrictions on certain rights of reversion, redemption and pre-emption; for limitation of the right to raise an action of irritancy for non-payment of feuudity; for abolition of the right to create leasehold casualties; for the recognition of interposed leases; for amendment of the law relating to registration of leases; for abolition of the registration and recording of documents in the Office of Chancery; and for related matters; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Land Tenure Reform (Scotland) Bill [Lords].

Expenditure,—Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord Kahn to attend to be examined as a Witness before the General Sub-Committee appointed by the Expenditure Committee.—(Mr. James Boyden.)

Land Tenure Reform (Scotland) Bill [Lords].—The Land Tenure Reform (Scotland) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 61].

Control of Zoological Gardens Bill [Lords].—Ordered, That the Control of Zoological Gardens Bill [Lords] be read a second time to-morrow.

Finance Bill (Clauses Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 19, and new Clauses relating to the matters referred to in the Order of the House [9th May]),—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill (Clauses Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 19, and new Clauses relating to the matters referred to in the Order of the House [9th May]).

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 14 (Cases I and II of Schedule E).

Amendment (No. 68) proposed in page 11, line 21, at the end, to insert the words “and subject to an exception for the years 1974-75 and 1975-76 where the emoluments are foreign emoluments.”—(Mr. Michael Shaw.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Marcus Fox, Dr. Gerard Vaughan: 220.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Laurie Pavitt, Mr. John Golding: 253.
Another Amendment (No. 69) proposed, in page 11, line 26, to leave out the words “the deduction” and insert the words “a deduction of 50 per cent. or such larger deduction as is”.—(Mr. Maurice Macmillan.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 61) proposed, in page 11, line 31, to leave out subsection (2) and insert the words—

“(2) Where a person performs any duties of an office or employment in the United Kingdom the emoluments from which are assessable under Case I of Schedule E and, in addition, he receives emoluments in respect of duties performed under a directorship or employment to which section 198 of the Taxes Act 1970 applies, such part only of his total emoluments shall be deemed to be in respect of duties performed wholly outside the United Kingdom as is just and reasonable taking into consideration the nature of those duties and the period of time during which the person was engaged on them. Any remaining part of the total emoluments shall be assessable under Case I of Schedule E.”.—(Mr. Terence L. Higgins.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

An Amendment (No. 56) made.

Another Amendment (No. 62) proposed, in page 12, line 29, to leave out subsection (5) and insert the words—

“(5) In section 221(4) of the Taxes Act, for the words from “but” to “employment for that year” there shall be substituted “but the circumstances in which he performs the duties of his employment are such that the emoluments received are foreign emoluments or duties are performed wholly outside the United Kingdom”.”.—(Mr. Maurice Macmillan.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 19 (Sub-contractors in construction industry).

Amendment (No. 38) proposed, in page 15, line 42, at the end, to add the words—

“(5) In section 29(4) of the Finance Act 1971 leave out “30” and insert “33””.—(Mr. Michael Shaw.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

A Clause (Amendment of section 343 of Incomes and Corporation Taxes Act 1970 to allow Pension Funds to invest in building societies and reclaim income tax)—(Mr. William Clark)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Debate arising;

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 Mr. Thomas Cox reported, That the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and moved, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That the Motions relating to Ways and Means and to Procedure (Future Taxation) (No. 2) may be proceeded with at this day’s sitting, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Thomas Cox.)

Finance Bill.—The House again resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill (Clauses Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 19, and new Clauses relating to the matters referred to in the Order of the House [9th May]).

(In the Committee)

Question again proposed, That the Clause (Amendment of section 343 of Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970 to allow Pension Funds to invest in building societies and reclaim income tax) be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Capital gains tax and inflation)—(Mr. David Mitchell)—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 Ayes, Mr. Hamish Gray, Mr. J. Stradling Thomas: 118.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Thomas Cox, Mr. Laurie Pavitt: 136.

To report progress and ask leave to sit again.—(Mr. Joseph Harper.)

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Joseph Harper 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 Committee.

Ways and Means.—Residence (income tax and capital gains tax).—Resolved, That provision may be made whereby for the purposes of income tax and capital gains tax residence in the United Kingdom has in certain circumstances the same consequences as domicile in the United Kingdom.—(Mr. Joel Barnett.)

Procedure (Future Taxation) (No. 2).—Resolved, That any provision included in the Finance Bill in pursuance of the Order of this House of 1st April 1974 authorising provisions relating to ordinary residence in the United Kingdom and taking effect in a future year may be amended as if in that order the word “ordinary” had been omitted.—(Mr. Joel Barnett.)

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Finance Bill that they have power to make provision therein pursuant to the foregoing Resolutions.

Channel Tunnel [Money] (No. 2).—Her Majesty’s Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Channel Tunnel [Money] (No. 2):

Resolved, That, for the purpose of any Act of the present Session to provide for the construction and operation of a railway tunnel system under the English Channel, it is expedient to authorise—

(1) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of sums required to meet expenditure incurred by the Secretary of State in making payments for the purpose of restoring any land in pursuance of that Act;

(2) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to that Act in the sums so payable under any other enactment in connection with the use of the tunnel system;

(3) the payment out of the Consolidated Fund of such sums as may be required for fulfilling guarantees given by the Treasury in relation to money borrowed for the purpose of providing finance for the construction and maintenance of the tunnel system provided the sums so borrowed do not exceed £1,000 million.—(Mr. Joseph Harper.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till half-past Eleven o’clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

APPENDIX I

Thursday 13th June 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Callaghan:

Disarmament (Miscellaneous No. 20, 1974).—Copy of further documents on Disarmament, relating to the Disarmament Negotiations 1973 [by Command].


Overseas Aid.—Drafts of Orders, entitled—

(1) the International Development Association (Fourth Replenishment: Interim Payments) Order 1974, and

(2) the International Development Association (Fourth Replenishment) Order [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Shore:

Import Duties.—Copy of an Order, dated 12th June 1974, entitled the Import Duties (Quota Relief) (No. 4) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1014) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:

Harbours, Docks, Piers and Ferries.—Copy of an Order, dated 22nd April 1974, entitled the Mersey Docks and Harbour (Miscellaneous Provisions) Revision Order 1974, with a Certificate by the Secretary of State for the Environment under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 [by Act].
APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr. Maurice Macmillan (nominated in respect of the Finance Bill (except Clauses Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 19 and certain new Clauses)); and had appointed in substitution Mr. David Howell.

Standing Committee C,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from Standing Committee C Mr. G. R. Strauss (nominated in respect of the Town and Country Amenities Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Joe Dean.

Standing Committee E,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from Standing Committee E Mr. William Whitelaw (nominated in respect of the Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. James Prior.

[No. 54.]

Friday, 14th June, 1974.

The House met at Eleven o’clock.

Mr. Speaker’s Absence.—The House being met, the Clerk at the Table informed the House of the absence of Mr. Speaker from this day’s sitting, pursuant to leave given yesterday.

Whereupon Mr. George Thomas, the Chairman of Ways and Means, proceeded to the Table.

PRAYERS.

The Chairman of Ways and Means took the Chair as Deputy Speaker, pursuant to the Standing Order.

Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented (see Appendix I).

Selection.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft Carriage by Railway (Revision of Conventions) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Tom Pendry):—It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft Weights and Measures Act 1963 (Sugar) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Tom Pendry):—It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft Calf Subsidies (United Kingdom) (Variation) Scheme 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Tom Pendry):—It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft Royal Ordnance Factories Trading Fund Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Tom Pendry):—It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft International Development Association (Fourth Replenishment) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Tom Pendry):—It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft International Development Association (Fourth Replenishment: Interim Payments) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Tom Pendry):—It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the
Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft Asian Development Bank (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Tom Pendry): —It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft European Molecular Biology Laboratory (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Tom Pendry): —It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft Central Treaty Organisation (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Tom Pendry): —It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft Customs Co-operation Council (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Tom Pendry): —It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft International Atomic Energy Agency (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Tom Pendry): —It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Tom Pendry): —It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Tom Pendry): —It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft South-East Asia Treaty Organisation (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Tom Pendry): —It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft Specialised Agencies of the United Nations (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Tom Pendry): —It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft United Nations and International Court of Justice (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Tom Pendry): —It was agreed to.

Ministers of the Crown Bill.—The Prime Minister, supported by Mr. Edward Short, Mr. Secretary Callaghan, Mr. Secretary Jenkins, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Mr. Robert Sheldon, presented a Bill to amend the Ministerial and other Salaries Act 1972 and other provisions about Ministers of the Crown: And the same was read the first time: and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next and to be printed [Bill 63].
North-East Lancashire,—Resolved, That this House draws the attention of Her Majesty's Government to the serious problems still facing North-East Lancashire; and urges the Government to pursue policies which will help to stop any further drift of population away from the area and will encourage industry, widen educational and employment opportunities, improve the environment and communications and give every possible help to those living in North-East Lancashire in their resolve to make the area a great place in which to live and work.—(Mr. David Waddington.)

Liberty of the Citizen,—Resolved, That this House affirms its belief in a democratic society in which the law is the prime guarantee of the liberty of the citizen, and in which the law, enacted by a legally elected Parliament, is indivisible, no citizen nor institution having the right to select which laws and courts will be obeyed; and deplores both politically motivated attacks upon the judiciary and attempts to remove disqualifications from, or to recompense, those who have been fined or disqualified from public office for past defiance of the law.—(Mr. Tebbit.)

Supersonic Civil Aviation,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House understands that man flies rather than sails the oceans in order to save time; believes that supersonic trans-Atlantic flight in three and a half hours will attract custom; further believes that airline passengers will demand supersonic flight from the airlines; notes that Concorde exists; recalls that, historically, new British civil aircraft receive an unenthusiastic welcome not only from "professional" critics but also from our nationalised airlines; remembers the development stage of the world's first turbine-powered aeroplane, the Viscount, also the VC10; notes that British aerospace companies are currently achieving annual exports around £500,000,000, much of which emanates from decisions taken 25 years ago; condemns the Government's pathetic stance, caused by a split Cabinet; and now calls on the Government and British Airways to stop twittering about the difficulties and get on with the job of putting Concorde into service, so that, in a quarter of a century, we shall be able accurately to measure its value to the nation—(Mr. Robert Adley):—Debate arising;

And it being Four o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Divorce (Scotland) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Divorce (Scotland) Bill;

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

Safety Packaging for Medicines Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Safety Packaging for Medicines Bill;

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

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-five minutes past Four o'clock, adjourned till Monday next.

[Adjourned at 4.25 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Friday 14th June 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Ross:

Provisional Orders (Scotland),—Copy of a Report of 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 March 1974, namely the Ayr County Council (No. 2) Order, the Dumbarton Burgh Order, the McDermott Scotland Order, the Ross and Cromarty County Order, and the Scrabster Harbour Order; and except in the case of the Ross and Cromarty County Council Order, about which they have sent a separate notice to the parties, they are of opinion that the Orders should be allowed to proceed, subject to such recommendations as they may hereafter make thereon [by Act].

Mrs. Secretary Castle:

Pensions,—Copy of Regulations, dated 5th June 1974, entitled the Pensions Increase (National Health Service Pensions) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 975) [by Act].
Mr. Secretary Benn:

Census of Production,—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production 1971, relating to—

(1) Cardboard boxes, cartons and fibre-board packing cases, and
(2) Linoleum, plastics floor-covering, leathercloth, &c.
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:

Road Traffic,—Copy of Regulations, dated 3rd June 1974, entitled the Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1973) [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee D,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee D Mr. Arthur Davidson (nominated in respect of the Solicitors (Amendment) Bill [Lords]) ; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Christopher Price.

MEMORANDUM

Friday 14th June 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 67 (Public Bills relating exclusively to Scotland) Mr. Deputy Speaker has certified that, in his opinion, the provisions of the Land Tenure Reform (Scotland) Bill [Lords] relate exclusively to Scotland.

[No. 55.]

Monday, 17th June, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

Expenditure,—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Education and Arts Sub-Committee on 17th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 182-i].

Expenditure,—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had directed him to report part of the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Environment Sub-Committee on 17th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the table ; and to be printed [No. 172-ii].

Expenditure,—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the General Sub-Committee on 17th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 188].

Selection,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Dumping at Sea Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to promote the reform of the statute law by the repeal, in accordance with recommendations of the Law Commission and the Scottish Law Commission, of certain enactments which (except in so far as their effect is preserved) are no longer of practical utility [Statute Law (Repeals) Bill [Lords]].

Expenditure Committee,—The Lords give leave to the Lord Kahn, his Lordship in his place consenting, to attend to be examined as a Witness before the General Sub-Committee of the Expenditure Committee.
Select Committee on the European Communities.—The Lords request that the Commons will be pleased to give leave to the Right honourable Roy Sydney George Hattersley, a Member of their House, to attend to be examined as a Witness before Subcommittee A of the Select Committee appointed by the Lords on the European Communities.

Statutory Instruments.—The Order made on 14th June, That the draft International Development Association (Fourth Replenishment: Interim Payments) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, was read and discharged.

Overseas Aid.—The Order made on 13th June, That the draft International Development Association (Fourth Replenishment: Interim Payments) Order 1974 do lie upon the Table, was read and discharged.

Paper withdrawn.

Statutory Instruments.—The Order made on 14th June, That the draft International Development Association (Fourth Replenishment) Order be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, was read and discharged.

Overseas Aid.—The Order made on 13th June, That the draft International Development Association (Fourth Replenishment) Order do lie upon the Table, was read and discharged.

Paper withdrawn.

Statute Law (Repeals) Bill [Lords].—The Statute Law (Repeals) Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 64].

Consumer Credit Bill [Lords].—The Consumer Credit Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Committal of Bills).

Westminster Hall (Explosion).—Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received a Message from Her Majesty, which he read to the House, as follows:

I was greatly shocked by the explosion in Westminster Hall this morning. I am very distressed about the injuries and damage that this has caused.

Consumer Credit [Money].—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Consumer Credit [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to establish for the protection of consumers a new system, administered by the Director General of Fair Trading, of licensing and other control of traders concerned with the provision of credit, or the supply of goods on hire or hire-purchase, and their transactions, in place of the present enactments regulating moneylenders, pawnbrokers and hire-purchase traders and their transactions, it is expedient to authorise—

(1) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of—

(a) all expenses incurred by the Secretary of State in consequence of the provisions of that Act,

(b) any expenses incurred in consequence of those provisions by any other Minister of the Crown or Government department, and

(c) any increase attributable to that Act in the sums payable out of money so provided under the Superannuation Act 1972 or the Fair Trading Act 1973; and

(2) the payment into the Consolidated Fund of any fees received by the Director General of Fair Trading under that Act.—(Mr. Alan Williams.)

Control of Pollution Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read for the Second Reading of the Control of Pollution Bill [Lords]:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—Debate arising:

And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Business of the House.—Ordered, That the Control of Pollution Bill [Lords] may be proceeded with at this day's sitting, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. John Golding.)

Control of Pollution Bill [Lords].—The Question being again proposed, That the Control of Pollution Bill [Lords] be now read a second time:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put:—It was agreed to.
The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Comittal of Bills).

Control of Pollution [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Control of Pollution [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present session to make further provision with respect to waste disposal, water pollution, noise, atmospheric pollution and public health, it is expedient to authorise—

(1) The payment out of money provided by Parliament of any expenses incurred by the Secretary of State for the purposes of that Act and of any increase attributable to the provisions of that Act in the sums payable under any other Act out of money so provided.

(2) The payment into the Consolidated Fund of any sums received by the Secretary of State by virtue of that Act.—(Mr. Denis Howell.)

Land Tenure Reform (Scotland) Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Tenure Reform (Scotland) Bill [Lords];

Ordered, That the Land Tenure Reform (Scotland) Bill [Lords] be referred to the Scottish Grand Committee.—(Mr. John Golding.)

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

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

[Adjourned at 10.51 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Monday 17th June 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Dr. John Gilbert:

Bank Notes,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 24th May 1974, relative to the Fiduciary Note Issue [by Act]; to be printed [No. 189].

Hydro-Electric Development (Scotland),—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 23rd May 1974 on loans raised by the North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Board [by Act]; to be printed [No. 190].

Import Duties,—Copies of Orders—

(1) dated 12th June 1974, entitled the Import Duties (General) (No. 4) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1020) and

(2) dated 17th June 1974, entitled the Import Duties (Temporary Reductions and Exemptions) (No. 9) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1037)

[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:

Parole Board,—Copy of the Report of the Parole Board for 1973 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 143].

Mr. Secretary Mason:

Greenwich Hospital and Travers Foundation,—Accounts of the Greenwich Hospital and Travers Foundation for the year ended 31st March 1973; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 187].

Mrs. Secretary Castle:

Smallpox,—Copy of the Report of the Committee of Inquiry into the smallpox outbreak in London in March and April 1973 [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Shore:

Customs and Excise,—Copy of Regulations, dated 12th June 1974, entitled the Commonwealth Preference (Standstill Area) (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1019) [by Act].
Mr. Frederick Peart:


Sea Fisheries.—Copy of an Order, dated 5th June 1974, entitled the Lynn Deeps Fishery (Variation) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 981) [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Welsh Grand Committee.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from the Welsh Grand Committee Mr. Roland Moyle (nominated in respect of the matter of Agriculture and Rural Affairs in Wales); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Norman Buchan.

MEMORANDUM

Monday 17th June 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has allocated the Consumer Credit Bill [Lords] to Standing Committee B.

[No. 56.]

Tuesday, 18th June, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Greater London Council (General Powers) Bill.—The Greater London Council (General Powers) Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Thurrock District Council Bill.—The Thurrock District Council Bill was read the third time, and passed.

British Railways Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for considering the British Railways Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered to-morrow.

Standing Orders (Private Business).—Ordered, That the Amendment to Standing Orders relating to Private Business hereinafter stated in the Schedule be made:

SCHEDULE

In Page 100, leave out Section VII (Fees to be taken by the Shorthand Writer) and insert:—

"VII. FEES TO BE TAKEN BY THE SHORTHAND WRITER

For each day he shall attend—

Home ........................................... £11.45
Distance of more than 60 miles from Charing Cross ................................ £13.55
For the transcript of his notes, per folio of 72 words—
where carbon copies of transcript are supplied ........................................ 21.5p
where no carbon copies of transcript are supplied .................................... 27.25p
carbon copy, per folio of 72 words .......................................................... 1.2p
where evidence is sound recorded ............................................................. 36.5p”.

(The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).
Statutory Instruments.—Mr. R. Graham Page reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords 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 (Tenth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 51-xii].

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. R. Graham Page reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Statutory Instruments, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them on 18th June, together with a Memorandum.

Minutes of Evidence, together with Memorandum, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 51-xiii].

European Secondary Legislation, &c.—Mr. John Davies reported from the Committee on European Secondary Legislation, &c., That they had agreed to a Report which they had directed him to make to the House: And the Report was brought up and read (Third Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 192].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 192].

Expenditure.—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Employment and Home Office Sub-Committee on 18th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 173-ii].

House of Commons (Services).—Mr. Arthur Bottomley reported from the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services), 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 (Fourth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 193].

Science and Technology.—Mr. Arthur Palmer reported from the Select Committee on Science and Technology, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Sea Bed Engineering Sub-Committee on 18th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 107-vii].

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. R. Graham Page 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 (Ninth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 52-x].

Housing (Scotland) Bill.—Sir Myer Galpern reported from the First Scottish Standing Committee, That they had gone through the Housing (Scotland) Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 66].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 191].

Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

Select Committee on the European Communities.—The Lords communicate that they have come to the following Resolution, viz., That,

(1) the Select Committee on the European Communities, or any Sub-committee appointed by the Committee, have leave to confer with any Committee, or any Sub-committee of it, appointed by the Commons on European Secondary Legislation, &c.; and

(2) any Lord requested by the Committee on European Secondary Legislation, &c. of the House of Commons to attend as a Witness before them or before any Sub-committee appointed by them shall have the leave of this House so to attend if his Lordship think fit.

Hare Coursing Bill.—Ordered, That the Hare Coursing Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Statutory Instruments.—The Order made on 14th June, That the draft Calf Subsidies (United Kingdom) Variation Scheme 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, was read and discharged.
Scottish Estimates,—Ordered, That the following Estimates be referred to the Scottish Grand Committee:

Class III, Vote 2,—Agricultural Support (Department of Agriculture and Fisheries for Scotland).

Class III, Vote 5,—Other Agricultural Services (Department of Agriculture and Fisheries for Scotland).

Class III, Vote 8,—Fisheries (Scotland) and Herring Industry.

Class IV, Vote 17, Trade and Industry and Employment (Scottish Economic Planning Department).

Class VIII, Vote 5,—Other Environmental Services (Scotland).

Class XIII, Vote 23,—Other Services (Scottish Office).

Class XVII, Vote 2,—Rate Support Grants to Local Revenues, Scotland.—(Mr. James Hamilton.)

Cinematograph and Indecent Displays,—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Cinematograph Acts 1909 and 1952 and, so far as it relates to things done in the course of cinematograph exhibition, section 1 of the Obscene Publications Act 1959; to make fresh provision with respect to the display, advertisement or distribution of indecent matter and to the use of machines for the viewing of indecent pictures; and for purposes connected with those matters: And that Mr. Patrick Cormack, Mr. Emlyn Hooson, Mr. Malcolm Rifkind, Mr. Peter Mills, Mr. Michael McNair-Wilson, Mr. Ron Ron, Mr. E. S. Bishop, Mr. Simon Malcon, Mr. Raphael Tuck, Mr. Donald Stewart, Mr. Mark Carlisle, and Mr. Norman Fowler do prepare and bring it in.

Cinematograph and Indecent Displays Bill,—Mr. Patrick Cormack accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Cinematograph Acts 1909 and 1952 and, so far as it relates to things done in the course of cinematograph exhibition, section 1 of the Obscene Publications Act 1959; to make fresh provision with respect to the display, advertisement or distribution of indecent matter and to the use of machines for the viewing of indecent pictures; and for purposes connected with those matters: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 12th July and to be printed [Bill 65].

Health and Safety at Work, etc. Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Health and Safety at Work, etc. Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Amendment of Companies Acts as to directors' reports)—(Mr. Harold Walker)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Duties of local planning authorities and the Commission in respect of plans for construction of certain premises liable to endanger health or safety)—(Mr. David Watkins)—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.

Amendments (Nos. 1 to 3) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 4) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, line 16, at the end, to insert the words—

"(3) Nothing in this Act shall permit the Secretary of State to remove, or limit the application of any of the provisions imposing absolute liability contained in any of the relevant statutory provisions or any regulations, orders or other instruments made thereunder."—(Mr. Cryer.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Cryer, Mr. Max Madden: 37.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Thomas Cox, Mr. John Golding: 222.

And it being after Ten o'clock, further consideration of the Bill, as amended, stood adjourned.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That the Health and Safety at Work, etc. Bill and the Ministers of the Crown Bill may be proceeded with at this day's sitting, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Harold Walker.)

Health and Safety at Work, etc. Bill,—The House again proceeded to consider the Health and Safety at Work, etc. Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Another Amendment (No. 11) made to the Bill.
Another Amendment (No. 17) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 18, to leave out from the word “by” to the second word “of” in line 19 and insert the words “employees or organisations representing employees” — (Mr. David Madel), instead thereof.

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Adam Butler, Mr. Cecil Parkinson: 207.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Thomas Cox, Mr. Joseph Harper: 251.

Another Amendment (No. 20) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 36, at the end, to insert the words

“(1) It shall be the duty of every employer, where an accident has occurred, to facilitate access to his premises and plant by the legal and expert advisers of any safety representatives, safety committee or recognised trade unions (within the meaning of the regulations) of his employees for inspection to obtain information required by them in connection with the accident” — (Mr. David Watkins).

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:— Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 25, 28, 31, 34 and 35) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 36) proposed to the Bill, in page 7, line 30, to leave out the word “six” and insert the word “seven” — (Mr. David Madel), instead thereof.

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 41 to 45, 47 to 50, 52 to 55 and 57 to 59) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 60) proposed to the Bill, in page 14, line 37, to leave out from the word “shall” to the word “consult” in line 39 and insert the words “before it approves a code of practice under subsection (l) above” — (Mr. David Madel), instead thereof.

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 63) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 64) proposed to the Bill, in page 16, line 35, at the end, to insert the words

“(2) Every enforcing authority shall be empowered, subject to the provisions of section 43 of this Act, to employ such legal advice and representation as they may consider necessary in order to discharge their functions properly” — (Mr. Cryer).

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o’clock on Wednesday morning;

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Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 66 to 85, 87 and 90 to 134) made to the Bill.

A Motion being made, That the Health and Safety at Work, etc. Bill be now read the third time;

The Lord Advocate, 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.

The Lord Advocate, by Command of the Prince of Wales, acquainted the House, That His Royal Highness, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives his Consent, as far as the Prince of Wales’s interest is concerned, That the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And the Question being put:— It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ministers of the Crown Bill.—The Ministers of the Crown Bill was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

Committee this day.

Ministers of the Crown [Money].—Her Majesty’s Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Ministers of the Crown [Money]:
Resolved, That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the Ministerial and Other Salaries Act 1972, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any sums to be so paid in pursuance of—

(a) provisions increasing or regulating (as to numbers or otherwise) the salaries payable to Ministers of the Crown, or

(b) provisions about the expenses of Ministers, including salaries or remuneration of members of their departments.—(Mr. Robert Sheldon.)

Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from the National Association of Ladies’ Circles of Great Britain and Northern Ireland for a screening programme to facilitate the early diagnosis of breast cancer was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

Adjournment,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. John Golding):—Debate arising:

And the Question having been proposed after Ten o’clock on Tuesday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then half-past Two o’clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 2.30 a.m.]

APPENDIX

Tuesday 18th June 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

The Prime Minister:
Review Body on Top Salaries,—Copy of the Third Interim Report of the Review Body on Top Salaries [by Command].

Pensions,—Copies of Regulations, dated 6th June 1974, entitled—

(1) the Pensions Increase (Judicial Pensions) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 985),
(2) the Pensions Increase (Judicial Pensions) (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 984), and
(3) the Pensions Increase (Presidents and Chairmen of Industrials Tribunals) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 983)

[by Act].

Dr. John Gilbert:
Income Tax,—Drafts of Orders in Council, entitled—

(1) the Double Taxation Relief (Air Transport Undertakings and their Employees) (Soviet Union) Order 1974,
(2) the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (British Solomon Islands Protectorate) Order 1974,
(3) the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony) Order 1974, and
(4) the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Seychelles) Order 1974

[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:
Race Relations,—Copy of the Report of the Race Relations Board for 1973 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 144].

Mr. Secretary Ross:

Mr. Secretary Prentice:
Advisory Board for the Research Councils,—Copy of the First Report of the Advisory Board for the Research Councils [by Command].
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Mrs. Secretary Castle:
Doctors’ and Dentists’ Remuneration,—Copy of the Fourth Report of the Review Body on Doctors’ and Dentists’ Remuneration [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:
Acquisition of Land,—Copy of an Order, dated 11th December 1972, entitled the Sutton-in-Ashfield (Hill Crescent Recreation Ground) Appropriation Order 1972, with a Certificate by the Secretary of State for the Environment under Section 2 of the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1945 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary John Morris:

Paper laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:
Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Copy of the Second Report of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, Session 1974 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 170].

MEMORANDA
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In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has allocated the Control of Pollution Bill [Lords] to Standing Committee F, the draft Carriage by Railway (Revision of Conventions) Order 1974 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, the draft Weights and Measures Act 1963 (Sugar) Order 1974 to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments; the draft Royal Ordnance Factories Trading Fund Order 1974 to the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments; the draft Asian Development Bank (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, the draft European Molecular Biology Laboratory (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, the draft Central Treaty Organisation (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, the draft Customs Co-operation Council (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, the draft European Space Research Organisation (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, the draft International Atomic Energy Agency (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, the draft North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, the draft Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, the draft South-East Asia Treaty Organisation (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, the draft Specialised Agencies of the United Nations (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, and the draft United Nations and International Court of Justice (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, to the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments; and the Prison (Amendment) Rules 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 713) to the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has appointed Mr. John Wells an additional Chairman of Standing Committee D in respect of the Solicitors (Amendment) Bill [Lords].

[No. 57.]

Wednesday, 19th June, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS

British Railways Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for considering the British Railways Bill, as amended in the Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be considered to-morrow.

Fife County Council Order Confirmation Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Fife County Council Order Confirmation Bill.

Bill to be read the third time to-morrow.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix D).
Ashdown Forest Bill,—The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Ashdown Forest Bill, and had 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; 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.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, and Report to lie upon the Table.

Report to be printed.

Channel Tunnel Bill,—Ordered, That the Select Committee on the Channel Tunnel Bill have leave to make a Special Report.

Dr. Edmund Marshall reported from the Select Committee on the Channel Tunnel Bill, That they had agreed to a Special 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.

Report, together with Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 195].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 195].

Channel Tunnel Bill,—Dr. Edmund Marshall reported from the Select Committee on the Channel Tunnel Bill, That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Select Committee, be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House; and be printed [Bill 68].

Committee to-morrow.

Expenditure,—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Social Services Sub-Committee on 19th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 181-ii].

Expenditure,—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Sub-Committee on 19th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 185-ii].

Expenditure,—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the General Sub-Committee on 19th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 188-ii].

Selection,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Rehabilitation of Offenders Bill,—Miss Quennell reported from Standing Committee C, That they had gone through the Rehabilitation of Offenders Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered upon Friday 28th June; and to be printed [Bill 69].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 196].

Welsh Grand Committee,—Mr. Ifor Davies reported from the Welsh Grand Committee, That they had considered the matter of Agriculture and Rural Affairs in Wales, referred to them on 22nd May, and had directed him to report accordingly to the House.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 196].

Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make provision for the transfer to New Zealand of the registered office of Wrightson NMA Limited; for the cesser of application to that company of provisions of the Companies Acts 1948 to 1967; and for other purposes incidental thereto; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Wrightson NMA Limited Bill [Lords].

Wrightson NMA Limited Bill [Lords].—The Wrightson NMA Limited Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.
Business of the House,—Ordered, That, at this day's sitting, the Motion for an Instruction relating to the Greater London Council (Money) Bill, set down by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means for consideration at Seven o'clock, shall, instead of being considered at that hour, be entered upon at the conclusion of any proceedings in Committee on the Finance Bill this day, may be proceeded with after Ten o'clock, though opposed, and shall be interrupted at the end of a period of one hour after it has been entered upon; but if proceedings in Committee on the Finance Bill have not been concluded at Ten o'clock the Chairman shall leave the Chair at that hour without putting any Question and the Motion for an Instruction may then be proceeded with, though opposed, for a period of one hour; and, in such case, at the conclusion of proceedings on the Motion, the House will again resolve itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill.—(Mr. Thomas Cox.)

Abolition of Tied Cottages,—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to abolish the system of tied cottages: And that Mr. Cryer, Mr. Martin Flannery, Mr. A. W. Stallard, Mr. Max Madden, Mr. Newens, Mrs. Audrey Wise, Mr. Dennis Skinner, Mr. Fred Evans, Mr. Brian Sedgemore, Mr. Phillip Whitehead, Mr. Roger Stott, and Mr. Tom Torney, do prepare and bring it in.

Abolition of Tied Cottages Bill,—Mr. Cryer accordingly presented a Bill to abolish the system of tied cottages: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 28th June and to be printed [Bill 67].

Finance Bill (Clauses Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 19, and new Clauses relating to the matters referred to in the Order of the House [9th May]),—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Finance Bill (Clauses Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 19, and new Clauses relating to the matters referred to in the Order of the House [9th May]).

(In the Committee)

Another Clause (Trade Unions)—(Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer)—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 Ayes, Mr. John Golding, Mr. Laurie Pavitt: 299.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Walter Clegg, Mr. Paul Hawkins: 308.

Bill (Clauses Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 19), as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Joseph Harper reported, That the Committee had gone through Clauses Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 19 of the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That Clauses Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 19 of the Bill, as amended, do lie upon the Table.

Greater London Council (Money) Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 20th May, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Greater London Council (Money) Bill to reduce the sums mentioned in Item 10 of Part I of the Schedule (Page 6) as follows:—

(a) in column 3, by leaving out "£142,601,000" and inserting "£87,601,000", and

(b) in column 4, by leaving out "£82,605,000" and inserting "£55,605,000";

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

And the Question being put:

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Walter Clegg, Mr. Cecil Parkinson: 278.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Thomas Cox, Mr. John Golding: 304.

So the Question was negatived.

European Secondary Legislation, &c.,—Ordered, That the Committee on European Secondary Legislation, &c., or any Sub-committee appointed by the Committee have leave to confer with any Committee appointed by the Lords on the European Communities or any Sub-committee appointed by them.—(Mr. Joseph Harper.)

Message to the Lords to acquaint them therewith.
European Communities,—Ordered, That any Member requested by the Committee appointed by the Lords on the European Communities to attend as a Witness before them or before any Sub-committee appointed by them shall have the leave of this House so to attend, if the Member think fit.—(Mr. Joseph Harper.)

Message to the Lords to acquaint them therewith.

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

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Thursday morning;

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And the Question being put ;

Resolved. That this House do now adjourn.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till seven minutes past Twelve o'clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.7 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 19th June 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Ross:

Fisheries,—Copy of the Report on Fisheries of Scotland for 1973 [by Command].


Mrs. Secretary Castle:

Social Security,—Copy of Regulations, dated 7th June 1974, entitled the Social Security (Contributions) Amendment Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 988) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Benn:

Census of Production,—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production 1971, relating to—

(1) brushes and brooms, and

(2) mining machinery

[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:


British Waterways Board,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the British Waterways Board for 1973 [by Act].

Mr. Frederick Peart:

Horticulture,—Copy of a Scheme, dated 10th June 1974, entitled the Horticulture (Apple and Pear Growers) (Special Payments) Scheme 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1003) [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee B,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee B in respect of the Consumer Credit Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr. Paul Channon, Mr. Geoffrey Dodsworth, Mr. John Evans, Miss Janet Fookes, Mr. John Gorst, Mr. Ted Graham, Mr. Eddie Griffiths, Mr. W. W. Hamilton, Mr. Robert Maclemann, Mr. William Molloy, Mrs. Sally Oppenheim, Mr. Cecil Parkinson, Mr. Ernest G. Perry, Mr. Tim Renton, Mr. Dafydd Wigley, and Mr. Alan Williams.

Standing Committee D,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from Standing Committee D Mr. Michael Cocks (nominated in respect of the Solicitors (Amendment) Bill [Lords]) ; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Tom Pendry.
Standing Committee F.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee F in respect of the Control of Pollution Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr. Benyon, Mr. Arthur Blankinsop, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. Iain L. Evans, Mr. Bruce George, Mr. Frank Hooley, Mr. Denis Howell, Mr. Michael McNair-Wilson, Mr. David Madd, Mr. Gordon Oakes, Mr. Stephen Ross, and Mr. Hugh Rossi.

Scottish Grand Committee.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Ten Members to serve on the Scottish Grand Committee in respect of the Land Tenure Reform (Scotland) Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr. Richard Boddy, Sir Bernard Braine, Mr. John Carter, Sir Nigel Fisher, Mr. Hugh Fraser, Mr. T. L. Freshwater, Mr. David Knox, Mr. Angus Maude, Mr. Keith Stainton, and Sir Marcus Worsley.

Scottish Grand Committee.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Ten Members to serve on the Scottish Grand Committee in respect of the Scottish Estimates, viz.: Mr. Ronald Bray, Mr. Reginald Eyre, Mr. Michael Fidler, Mr. Charles Fletcher-Cooke, Colonel Sir Harwood Harrison, Sir Donald Kaberry, Mr. Michael Marshall, Mr. Ernle Money, Sir Harman Nicholls, and Mr. Julian Ridsdale.

MEMORANDUM

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In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has appointed Mr. Harold Gurden Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Consumer Credit Bill [Lords], Miss Joan Quennell Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Carriage of Passengers by Road Bill, Sir Alfred Broughton Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Mines (Working Facilities and Support) (Amendment) Bill, Mr. John Wells Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Town and Country Amenities Bill, Mr. Bryant Godman Irvine Chairman of Standing Committee F in respect of the Control of Pollution Bill [Lords], and Sir Myer Galpern Chairman of the Scottish Grand Committee in respect of the Land Tenure Reform (Scotland) Bill [Lords].

[No. 58.]

Thursday, 20th June, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

British Railways Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for considering the British Railways Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Wednesday next at Seven o'clock.

Fife County Council Order Confirmation Bill,—The Fife County Council Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented (see Appendix I).

Greater London Council (Money) Bill,—The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Greater London Council (Money) Bill and found the same to be true; had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereof; 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.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, and Report to lie upon the Table.

Report to be printed.

House of Commons (Services),—Mr. Arthur Bottomley reported from the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services), 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 (Fifth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 197].

Science and Technology,—Mr. Arthur Palmer reported from the Select Committee on Science and Technology, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Sea-Bed Engineering Sub-Committee on 20th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 107-vii].

Selection,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate certain enactments relating to juries, jurors and jury service with corrections and improvements made under the Consolidation of Enactments (Procedure) Act 1949; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Juries Bill [Lords].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make further provision concerning oil pollution by ships and related matters; to give power to protect shipping and trading interests against foreign action concerning or affecting carriage of goods by sea; to make provision relating to the operation of submersible apparatus; to alter the constitution of the Commissioners of Northern Lighthouses; and to amend certain provisions of the Merchant Shipping Act 1970 relating to offences committed by seamen; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords].
Juries Bill [Lords].—The Juries Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 70].

Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords].—The Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 71].

Control of Zoological Gardens Bill [Lords].—Ordered, That the Control of Zoological Gardens Bill [Lords] be read a second time to-morrow.

Supply [8th allotted day].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Business of Supply.

Labour's Plans for Industry.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House regrets the Government's damaging industrial policies based on a massive extension of nationalisation and control of individual companies—(Mr. Edward Heath);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, to leave out from the word "House" to the end of the Question and add the words "recalling that subsidies paid to private companies by the previous Government, coupled with State intervention, did not correct the long term problems of British industry, failed to sustain investment, and ended in a collapse of confidence, believes that the time has come to re-examine the workings of the mixed economy and to seek ways to improve production and exports, raise investments and provide more jobs in Scotland, Wales and the English regions, and supports the Statement by the Prime Minister on 12th March in the Debate on the Address on the Government's intentions in respect of the forthcoming Industry Bill and the National Enterprise Board"—(Mr. Secretary Benn),—instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Dunn, Mr. John Golding : 290.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Walter Clegg, Mr. Paul Hawkins : 311.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Walter Clegg, Mr. Paul Hawkins : 311.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Dunn, Mr. John Golding : 290.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House regrets the Government's damaging industrial policies based on a massive extension of nationalisation and control of individual companies

Off-Peak Electricity Charges.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, recalling the encouragement given to consumers by the electricity boards to instal night storage heating, notes the widespread public dismay at the disproportionate 70 per cent. increase in off-peak charges; deplores the failure of the Government to give an adequate justification for such an increase; and calls for any increase that may be required to be phased so as to avoid hardship to pensioners, the disabled and other hard-pressed householders—(Mr. Patrick Jenkin);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, to leave out from the word "House" to the end of the Question, and add the words "whilst deploring the policies of the previous Government which led to the unprecedented deficit of the electricity boards, noting the announcement of the former Chancellor of the Exchequer on 17th December 1973 that it was anomalous to subsidise electricity prices at a mounting rate, regretting that the previous Government did not inform the country of the full size of the prospective deficit, and noting further that the previous Government had accepted the principle of the fuel adjustment clauses which have led directly to increased charges for night storage heaters, acknowledges the action taken by the Government to help those in need through the largest ever increases in pensions and other benefits, and welcomes the Government's decision to review the policy for energy prices in the light of their impact on household expenditure"—(Mr. Secretary Varley),—instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the Amendment be made:—The Amend-ment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ministers of the Crown Bill.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Ministers of the Crown Bill.

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 1 agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Increase in limit of number of Ministers in Commons).
Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill:—Debate arising;
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 Mr. Joseph Harper reported, That the
Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and moved, That the Committee may have
leave to sit again.

Business of the House.—Ordered, That the Ministers of the Crown Bill and the Pakistan
Bill may be proceeded with at this day's sitting, though opposed, until any hour.—
(Mr. Joseph Harper.)

Ministers of the Crown Bill,—The House again resolved itself into a Committee on the
Ministers of the Crown Bill.

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 2 (Increase in limit on number of Ministers in Commons).
Question again proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.
Question put and agreed to.
Clauses Nos. 3 and 4 agreed to.
Schedules Nos. 1 to 3 agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Joseph Harper 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 forthwith pursuant to Standing
Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was
agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

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

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

Committee to-morrow.

Finance [Money] (No. 2).—Her Majesty’s Recommendation having been signified to the
proposed Motion relating to Finance [Money] (No. 2);

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session relating to finance,
it is expedient to authorise any increase in the sums payable out of moneys provided
by Parliament which is attributable to amendments of Schedule 6 to the Finance Act
1972 relating to sums payable to or in respect of the President or chairmen of value
added tax tribunals.—(Dr. John Gilbert.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-seven minutes to
Twelve o’clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.33 p.m.

APPENDIX I

Thursday 20th June 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

The Prime Minister:
Queen’s Gallantry Medal,—Copy of a Royal Warrant, dated 20th June 1974, instituting the
Queen's Gallantry Medal [by Command].
Mr. Secretary Callaghan:

Shipping (Miscellaneous No. 19, 1974),—Copy of a Resolution to amend Chapters II, III, IV and V of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea 1960, adopted by the Assembly of the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organisation on 20th November 1973 (the Amendments have not been accepted by the United Kingdom) [by Command].

Shipping (Miscellaneous No. 22, 1974),—Copy of a Resolution to amend Chapter VI of the Regulations annexed to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea 1960, adopted by the Assembly of the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organisation on 20th November 1973 (the Amendment has not been accepted by the United Kingdom) [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Mason:

Defence (Territorial and Auxiliary Forces),—Copy of an Amendment (No. 29) to the Regulations for the Territorial and Army Volunteer Reserve 1967 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Foot:

Industrial Training,—Copy of an Order, dated 10th June 1974, entitled the Industrial Training Levy (Shipbuilding) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 998) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Shore:

Insurance,—Copies of Regulations, dated 18th June 1974, entitled—

(1) the Insurance Companies (Contents of Advertisements) (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1052), and

(2) the Insurance Companies (Intermediaries) (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1051) [by Act].


Mr. Secretary Crosland:

Counter-Inflation,—Copy of an Order, dated 13th June 1974, entitled the Counter-Inflation (Business Rents) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1030) [by Act].

Mr. Edward Short:


(1) the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Pensions) (No. 1) Order 1974, and

(2) the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Pensions) (No. 2) Order 1974 [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee B,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee B Mr. John Evans and Mr. Cecil Parkinson (nominated in respect of the Consumer Credit Bill [Lords]) ; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Richard Luce and Mr. Woodall.

Standing Committee C,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from Standing Committee C Mr. Marcus Lipton (nominated in respect of the Carriage of Passengers by Road Bill) ; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Neil Carmichael.

Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments Lord Balniel (nominated in respect of the draft Asian Development Bank (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, the draft European Molecular Biology Laboratory (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, the draft Central Treaty Organisation (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, the draft Customs Co-operation Council (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, the draft European Space Research Organisation (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, the draft International Atomic Energy Agency (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, the draft North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, the draft Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, the draft South-East Asia Treaty Organisation (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, the draft Specialised Agencies of the United Nations (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, and the draft United Nations and International Court of Justice (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974) ; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Anthony Kershaw.
MEMORANDUM

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In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has appointed Mr. John Wells Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the draft Carriage by Railway (Revision of Conventions) Order 1974; Mrs. Joyce Butler Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the draft Weights and Measures Act 1963 (Sugar) Order 1974; Mr. Ifor Davies Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the draft Royal Ordnance Factories Trading Fund Order 1974; Sir Myer Galpern Chairman of the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the draft Asian Development Bank (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, the draft European Molecular Biology Laboratory (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, the draft Central Treaty Organisation (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, the draft Customs Co-operation Council (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, the draft European Space Research Organisation (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, the draft International Atomic Energy Agency (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, the draft North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, the draft Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, the draft South-East Asia Treaty Organisation (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, the draft Specialised Agencies of the United Nations (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, and the draft United Nations and International Court of Justice (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974; and Mr. Alan Fitch Chairman of the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the Prison (Amendment) Rules 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 713).

[No. 59.]

Friday, 21st June, 1974.

The House met at Eleven o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented (see Appendix).

Education (Mentally Handicapped Children) (Scotland) Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Education (Mentally Handicapped Children) (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Local Revenue Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Local Revenue Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendments (Nos. 1 to 3) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 4) proposed to the Bill, in page 1, line 16, to leave out "£6,000,000" and insert "£500,000"—(Dr. Shirley Summerskill), instead thereof.

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Clemitson, Mr. Wrigglesworth : 41.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Victor Goodhew, Mr. Paul Hawkins : 49.

Other Amendments (Nos. 6, and 8 to 28) made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. R. Graham Page, Mr. Victor Goodhew : 55.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Graham, Mr. Wrigglesworth : 46.

So the Question was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed (changed to Local Lotteries Bill).
Spouses of United Kingdom Citizens (Equal Treatment) Bill.—The Spouses of United Kingdom Citizens (Equal Treatment) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Commital of Bills).

Labelling of Toilet Preparations Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Labelling of Toilet Preparations Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—Debate arising:

And it being Four o'clock, Mr. Deputy Speaker proceeded to interrupt the Business:—

Whereupon Mrs. Joyce Butler rose in her place and claimed to move, That the Closure claimed.

Question be now put; but Mr. Deputy Speaker withheld his assent and declined then to put that Question; and the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed upon Friday next.

Rights of Patients Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rights of Patients Bill;

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

Adult Literacy Resources Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Adult Literacy Resources Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 25th October.

Divorce (Scotland) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Divorce (Scotland) Bill;

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

Safety Packaging for Medicines Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Safety Packaging for Medicines Bill;

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

Channel Tunnel (re-committed) Bill.—The Order of the day being read for the Committee on the Channel Tunnel (re-committed) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Select Committee, be re-committed to a Standing Committee.—(Mr. Michael Cocks.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-seven minutes to Five o'clock, adjourned till Monday next.

| Adjourned at 4.33 p.m. |

APPENDIX

Friday 21st June 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Dr. John Gilbert:

Import Duties,—Copy of an Order, dated 20th June 1974, entitled the Import Duties (Temporary Reductions and Exemptions) (No. 10) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1063) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Ross:

Provisional Orders (Scotland).—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 are of the opinion that the provisions of the Ross and Cromarty County Council draft Provisional Order raise questions of public policy of such novelty and importance that they should be dealt with by Private Bill and not by Provisional Order [by Act].

Public Health (Scotland).—Copies of Regulations, dated 10th June 1974, entitled—

(1) the Public Health (Aircraft) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1017), and

(2) the Public Health (Ships) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1008) [by Act].
Mr. Secretary Foot:

Industrial Training,—Copies of Orders, dated 12th June 1974, entitled—

(1) the Industrial Training Levy (Footwear, Leather and Fur Skin) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1022), and

(2) the Industrial Training Levy (Road Transport) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1021).

[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:

Ecclesiastical Law,—Draft of an Order, entitled the Grants to Redundant Churches Fund Order 1974 [by Act].

Rating and Valuation,—Copy of Regulations, dated 20th June 1974, entitled the Rate Rebate (Amendment) (No. 1) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1060) [by Act].

Road Traffic,—Copy of Regulations, dated 11th June 1974, entitled the Motor Vehicles (Tests) (Exemption) (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1023) [by Act].


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[No. 60.]

Monday, 24th June, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o’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 Geoffrey William Rhodes, Esquire, Member for Newcastle-upon-Tyne, East, 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.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

Expenditure,—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Education and Arts Sub-Committee on 24th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 182-ii].

Race Relations and Immigration,—Mr. Deedes reported from the Select Committee on Race Relations and Immigration. That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committee on 20th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 123-v].

Science and Technology,—Mr. Arthur Palmer reported from the Select Committee on Science and Technology, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the U.K. Computer Industry Sub-Committee on 24th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 199-i].

Selection,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Race Relations and Immigration,—Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord Boyle of Handsworth to attend to be examined as a Witness before the Select Committee on Race Relations and Immigration.—(Mr. Deedes.)

Railways Bill,—The Railways Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Committal of Bills).
Railways [Money].—Her Majesty’s Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Railways [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the law relating to the British Railways Board, it is expedient to authorise—

(1) the reduction to £250 million of the total liability of the Board in respect of their commencing capital debt under section 39 of the Transport Act 1962 and in respect of sums borrowed from the Secretary of State under section 19 of that Act;

(2) any increase in the sums to be paid into or out of the National Loans Fund or the Consolidated Fund in consequence of any provisions of the new Act increasing the limit imposed by section 42(6) of the Transport Act 1968 on the aggregate amount outstanding in respect of the Board’s borrowings and commencing capital debt to £900 million;

(3) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of sums required by the Secretary of State to reimburse the Board the amount of—

(a) payments made to the persons administering or the trustees of any relevant pension scheme, and sums appropriated by the Board for the benefit of any such scheme, for the purpose of funding any such scheme, including payments made and sums appropriated by way of interest; and

(b) expenditure incurred by the Board and sums appropriated by them for the benefit of the fund of any scheme to which the British Railways Board (Alteration of Pension Schemes) Order 1973 relates, for the purpose of repaying, and paying interest on, sums belonging to any such scheme and deposited with the Board or applied to the general purposes of their undertaking.

(4) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of sums required by the Secretary of State for making grants towards expenditure on the provision of facilities for the loading and unloading of rail freight;

(5) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of sums required by the Secretary of State to pay remuneration to the chairman of the Central Transport Consultative Committee for Great Britain or to the chairman of any Area Transport Users’ Consultative Committee established under section 56 of the Transport Act 1962.

In this resolution “relevant pension scheme” means a pension scheme in relation to which the Board have or exercise functions or which was established by the Board.—(Mr. Laurie Pavitt.)

Policing of Airports Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Policing of Airports Bill;

And it being Ten o’clock, Mr. Speaker interrupted the Business.

Business of the House.—Ordered, That the Policing of Airports Bill and the Statute Law Repeals Bill [Lords] may be proceeded with at this day’s sitting, though opposed, until any hour and that the Motion relating to the Children and Young Persons Act 1969 (Transitional Modifications of Part I) (Amendment) Order 1974 may be proceeded with at this day’s sitting, though opposed, until half-past Eleven o’clock.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Policing of Airports Bill.—And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Policing of Airports Bill be now read a second time;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o’clock on Tuesday morning:

Tuesday, 25th June, 1974:

And the Question being put:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Committal of Bills).

Policing of Airports [Money].—Her Majesty’s Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Policing of Airports [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make provision for enabling the policing of any airport designated for that purpose to be undertaken by the police force for the area in which it is wholly or mainly situated it is expedient to authorise the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any sums required by the Secretary of State for making payments to the authority managing any such airport in respect of expenses incurred by it under or by virtue of any provisions of that Act.—(Dr. Shirley Summerskill.)
Statute Law Repeals Bill [Lords].—The Statute Law Repeals Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 4 agreed to.
Schedule agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. John Golding 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 forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till seventeen minutes to One o'clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.43 a.m.]

APPENDIX I

Paper delivered to the Votes and Proceedings Office on 22nd June 1974 pursuant to Standing Order No. 120 (Presentation of Statutory Instruments), and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Import Duties,—Copy of an Order, dated 11th June 1974, entitled the Import Duties (Temporary Reductions and Exemptions) (No. 8) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1007) [by Act].

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table on Monday 24th June 1974:

Dr. John Gilbert:

Bank Notes,—Copies of Treasury Minutes—
(1) dated 21st May 1974, and
(2) dated 31st May 1974 relative to the Fiduciary Note Issue [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 200 and 201].

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:

Police,—Copy of the Report of Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Constabulary for 1973 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 145].

Mr. Secretary Ross:

National Health Service (Scotland),—Copy of Regulations, dated 11th June 1974, entitled the National Health Service (Service Committees and Tribunal) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1031) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:

Town and Country Planning,—Copy of Regulations, dated 10th June 1974, entitled the Town and Country Planning (National Coal Board) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1006) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Varley:

Gas,—Copies of the Reports, for the period 1st January 1973 to 31st March 1974, of—
(1) the East Midlands Gas Consumers' Council and
(2) the South Western Gas Consumers' Council [by Act].
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Mr. Frederick Peart:

Sea Fisheries,—Copy of an Order, dated 13th June 1974, entitled the White Fish Authority (General Levy) (Amendment) Regulations Confirmatory Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1032) [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr. Jasper More (nominated in respect of the Finance Bill (except Clauses Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 19 and certain new Clauses)) ; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Michael Shaw.

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments Mr. Neil Carmichael (nominated in respect of the draft Carriage by Railway (Revision of Conventions) Order 1974) ; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Gerald Kaufman.

[No. 61.]

Tuesday, 25th June, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [Lords], (No Standing Order not previously inquired into applicable),—Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords and referred after the First Reading thereof, no Standing Order not previously inquired into is applicable thereto, viz.:

Wrightson NMA Limited Bill [Lords].

Bill to be read a second time.

Workington Harbour Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Workington Harbour Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

Clerical, Medical and General Life Assurance Bill [Lords],—The House proceeded to consider the Clerical, Medical and General Life Assurance Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. David Waddington reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords 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 had directed him to report a Memorandum laid before them and part of the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them on 25th June: And the Report was brought up and read (Eleventh Report).

Report, together with Memorandum and Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [Nos. 51-xiv and 51-xv].

European Secondary Legislation, &c.,—Mr. Douglas Jay reported from the Committee on European Secondary Legislation, &c., That they had agreed to a Report which they had directed him to make to the House: And the Report was brought up and read (Fourth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table: and to be printed [No. 205].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 205].

European Secondary Legislation &c.,—Mr. Douglas Jay reported from the Committee on European Secondary Legislation &c., That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them on 25th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 208-i].
Expenditure,—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Employment and Home Office Sub-Committee on 25th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 173-iii].

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. David Waddington 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 (Tenth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 52-xi].

Land Tenure Reform (Scotland) Bill [Lords].—Sir Myer Galpern reported from the Scottish Grand Committee, That they had considered the Land Tenure Reform (Scotland) Bill [Lords] in relation to the principle of the Bill and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House: And the Report was brought up and read.

Bill to be read a second time to-morrow.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 209].

Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to declare the law relating to the tenure of the Office of Lord Chancellor by Roman Catholics and to make provision for the exercise of ecclesiastical functions during any tenure of the Office of Lord Chancellor by Roman Catholics; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Lord Chancellor (Tenure of Office and Discharge of Ecclesiastical Functions) Bill [Lords].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to prevent and avoid suffering by and cruelty to horses arising from the shoeing of horses by unskilled persons; to promote the proper shoeing of horses; to promote the training of farriers and shoeing smiths; to provide for the establishment of a Farriers Registration Council to register persons engaged in farriery and the shoeing of horses; to prohibit the shoeing of horses by unqualified persons; and for purposes connected therewith; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Farriers (Registration) Bill [Lords].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to empower the Weymouth and Portland Borough Council to provide facilities for water sports; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Weymouth and Portland Water Sports Bill [Lords].

Race Relations and Immigration,—The Lords give leave to the Lord Boyle of Handsworth to attend to be examined as a Witness before the Select Committee on Race Relations and Immigration, if his Lordship think fit.

Weymouth and Portland Water Sports Bill [Lords].—The Weymouth and Portland Water Sports Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Public Authority Dwellings (Right to Purchase) Bill,—Ordered, That the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 17th May, That the Public Authority Dwellings (Right to Purchase) Bill be now read a second time, be resumed upon Friday next.

Hare Coursing Bill,—Ordered, That the Hare Coursing Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Nationalised Industries,—Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Lord Burton to attend to be examined as a Witness before Sub-Committee B appointed by the Select Committee on Nationalised Industries.—(Mr. Russell Kerr.)

Statutory Instruments,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft Electricity (Borrowing Powers) (Scotland) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Edward Short):—It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Horticulture (Apple and Pear Growers) (Special Payment Scheme 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1003) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Edward Short):—It was agreed to.
Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (British Solomon Islands Protectorate) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Edward Short) : It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Edward Short) : It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Seychelles) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Edward Short) : It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft Double Taxation Relief (Air Transport Undertakings and their Employees) (Soviet Union) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Edward Short) : It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft Grants to Redundant Churches Fund Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Edward Short) : It was agreed to.

Planning Permission Charges.—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to empower local authorities to levy charges with respect to the grant of planning permission for development: And that Sir Anthony Meyer do prepare and bring it in.

Planning Permission Charges Bill.—Sir Anthony Meyer accordingly presented a Bill to empower local authorities to levy charges with respect to the grant of planning permission for development: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next and to be printed [Bill 72].

Housing Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Housing Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Tax exemptions for self-build societies)—(Mr. Gerald Kaufman)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Revenue deficit grants for registered housing associations)—(Mr. Reginald Freeson)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Purchase of houses and flats by tenants of local authorities)—(Mr. Michael Morris)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Le Marchant, Mr. Parkinson: 185.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Laurie Pavitt, Mr. Ernest Perry: 211.

Another Clause (Transfer of land in housing action areas)—(Mr. Bruce Douglas-Mann)—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 (Shorthold Tenure)—(Sir Brandon Rhys Williams)—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 (Right of tenant of flats to specific performance of landlord's covenants)—(Mr. Bruce Douglas-Mann)—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 (Provisions to be inserted after Schedule 6 to the Leasehold Reform Act 1967)—(Mr. Hugh Rossi)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Dr. Vaughan, Mr. Parkinson: 155.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Thomas Cox, Mr. James Hamilton: 166.

Amendment (No. 69) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, line 27, at the end, to insert the words "subject to consultation with the relevant local authority."—(Mr. Kenneth Marks)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 73) proposed to the Bill, in page 4, line 27, at the end, to insert the words—

"(2) In exercising their powers to provide dwellings under subsection (1) above, the Corporation shall arrange so far as practicable for the provision in any such dwellings of chimneys or flues capable of serving Class I appliances within the meaning of the Building Regulations 1972 (hereinafter referred to as 'Class I appliances').

(3) In exercising their powers to improve dwellings under subsection (1) above, the Corporation shall take such steps as are practicable to restore and put in order chimneys and flues serving Class I appliances".—(Mr. Rost)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

An Amendment (No. 17) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 46) proposed to the Bill, in page 6, line 11, at the end, to insert the words—

"(2) The Secretary of State shall only give such consent where he is satisfied that such subscription for or acquisition of securities of a corporate body satisfies one of the following conditions, that is to say—

(a) it is the most convenient way of acquiring development land or buildings for the provision of residential accommodation belonging to such corporate body; or

(b) such corporate body is incorporated for the purpose of promoting, assisting or financing housing associations as for the purpose of managing residential properties as its main object.—(Mr. Hugh Rossi)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Le Marchant, Dr. Vaughan: 147.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Walter Johnson: 178.

Another Amendment (No. 71) proposed to the Bill, in page 6, line 11, at the end, to insert the words—

"(2) The Corporation shall only acquire a controlling interest of any private company within the meaning of section 28 of the Companies Act 1948 if three quarters of the directors of that company have agreed in writing thereto.

(3) The Corporation shall not purchase or acquire more than ten per cent. of the issued share capital of any public company within the meaning of section 1(1) of the Companies Act unless a simple majority of the shareholders (including proxies) at a specially convened Extraordinary General Meeting have given consent thereto; and the Corporation shall not acquire more than 49 per cent. of the issued share capital unless the majority at the aforesaid meeting (including proxies) exceeds sixty-six and two-thirds per cent. of those eligible to vote and voting excluding any voting rights that the company may itself be able to exercise by virtue of the acquisition of securities".—(Mr. James Allason)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 52) proposed to the Bill, in page 9, line 31, at the end, to insert the words—

"(7) Subject to the provisions of subsection (9) below, in any case where the Corporation makes a loan to any of the bodies specified in paragraphs (a), (c) and (d) of subsection (1) above, it shall require that body to include in any new housing scheme that it proposes such proportion of dwellings as is prescribed in subsection (8) below, which are designed to meet the special needs of chronically sick and disabled persons.
(8) The proportion of specially designed dwellings in any housing scheme to which the preceding subsection applies shall be—
   (a) in a scheme comprising 10, but less than 20 units, not less than one such dwelling,
   (b) in a scheme comprising 20, but less than 30 units, not less than two such dwellings, and
   (c) in a scheme comprising 30 or more units, not less than 3 such dwellings or 5 per cent. of the total, whichever is the greater.

(9) On an application from any body to whom subsection (7) above applies, the Corporation may, having regard to all due circumstances, authorise the reduction or waiver of the requirements of subsection (7) above, if it is satisfied either—
   (a) that conditions beyond the control of the said body would render any accommodation that it could provide unsuitable for chronically sick and disabled persons, or
   (b) that the special purpose for which it is intended to provide the accommodation does, and in the foreseeable future would, entail the exclusion of all chronically sick and disabled persons .—(Mrs. Lynda Chalker.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Debate arising; And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That the Housing Bill may be proceeded with at this day's sitting, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Ernest Perry.)

Housing Bill,—The House again proceeded to consider the Housing Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Question again proposed, That the proposed Amendment (No. 52) be made to the Bill:—Debate resumed.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 16) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 47) proposed to the Bill, in page 11, line 37, at the end, to insert the words—
   "(c) is a housing association not a registered charity but which was founded by a registered charity other than an exempt charity and its rules or any agreement entered into in connection with its formation so state".—(Mr. Michael Morris.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 51) proposed to the Bill, in page 12, line 37, at the end, to insert the words—
   "(7) A housing association whose application for registration has been refused by the Housing Corporation shall have a right of appeal—
   (a) in matters of procedure concerning the Corporation's use of powers through the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, and
   (b) in matters relating to the substance of a decision to the Housing Associations' Registration Advisory Committee.".—(Mr. Michael Morris.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 6) proposed to the Bill, in page 34, line 23, to leave out the words "appearing to the authority to be suitably qualified" and insert the words "normally resident in the area".—(Mr. Stallard), instead thereof.

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 22) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 61) proposed to the Bill, in page 41, line 10, at the end, to insert the words—
   "(4) In Section 72(1)(a) of the Housing Act 1964 the words 'a local authority have made an order under Part 1 of Schedule 1 of the Acquisition of Land (Authorisation Procedure) Act 1946 (the Act of 1946) shall be deleted and replaced with the words 'a local authority have resolved that an order be made and submitted under Part 1 of Schedule 1 etc . . .' and after the word "family" at the end of the section there should be added 'Provided that this section shall cease to apply where an order is not confirmed by the "confirming authority" under the Act of 1946.'".—(Mr. Stallard.)
Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 8) proposed to the Bill, in page 42, line 17, after the word "as", to insert the words "social and".—(Mr. Stallard.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 14) proposed to the Bill, in page 43, line 26, to leave out "£50" and insert "£200".—(Mr. Stallard),—instead thereof.

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 49) proposed to the Bill, in page 44, line 31, to leave out sub-section (2) and insert the words—

"(2) The Greater London Council may exercise the powers of a local authority under section 34 above, with respect to any area in Greater London, but only with the agreement of the London borough in which district the area, or part of the area is situated; and in likewise London boroughs and the Common Council of the City of London may exercise the powers of a local authority under section 34 above, with respect to areas that are situated in other London boroughs but only with the agreement of the London borough(s) concerned".—(Mr. Townsend),—instead thereof.

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House proceeded to a Division.

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Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. John Moore, Mr. Townsend: 45.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Ernest Perry: 139.

Other Amendments (Nos. 26, 79, 80, 23, 24, 81, 82, 64, 83, 27, 28, 84, 30, 31, 65 and 25) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 2) proposed to the Bill, in page 84, to leave out lines 41 and 42.—(Mr. Ronald Brown.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 29 and 60) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 5) proposed to the Bill, in page 91, line 3, to leave out Clause 98.—(Mr. Stallard.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 77) proposed to the Bill, in page 93, line 13, to leave out the words "approved by the local authority on or before 30th September" and insert the words "received by the local authority on or before 23rd June".—(Sir Brandon Rhys Williams),—instead thereof.

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 56, 32, 18 and 33 to 36) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 78) proposed to the Bill, in page 121, line 16, at the end, to insert the words—

"The provision of an adequately impermeable and hygienic surface for the walls and floors of a water closet or bathroom or shower ... ... £100".—(Miss Fookes)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 63) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 48) proposed to the Bill, in page 123, line 33, at the end, to insert the words—

"(c) as mentioned in both paragraphs (c) and (e) of subsection (1A) above shall also contain a statement of the provisions of subsection (1D) below".—(Mr. Hugh Rossi.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Other Amendments (Nos. 20, 58, 59, 19, 57, 37 to 45, and 21) made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Agriculture.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Calf Subsidies (United Kingdom) (Variation) Scheme 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 10th June, be approved.—(Mr. Norman Buchan);

And it being one and a half hours after the commencement of proceedings on the Motion, Mr. Speaker put the Question, pursuant to Standing Order No. 3 (Exempted Business):—It was agreed to.

Resolved, That the Calf Subsidies (United Kingdom) (Variation) Scheme 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 10th June, be approved.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till nineteen minutes past Three o'clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 3.19 a.m.]

APPENDIX

Tuesday 25th June 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Dr. John Gilbert:
Post Office,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 5th June 1974 on loans proposed to be raised by the Post Office [by Act]; to be printed [No. 206].

Taxes,—Draft of an Order, entitled the Regional Employment Premium (Continuation of Payment) (Winsford) (Amendment) Order 1974 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Callaghan:
Denmark (No. 1, 1974),—Copy of a Cultural Convention between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Kingdom of Denmark, made at London on 2nd May 1974 (The Convention is not in force) [by Command].

Treaty Series (No. 41, 1974),—Copy of an Agreement, made at London on 20th June 1972, between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Sultanate of Oman, for Air Services between and beyond their respective territories, with Amending Notes, exchanged at Muscat on 17th April 1974 [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Ross:

Hydro-Electric Development (Scotland),—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Board for the year ended 31st March 1974 [by Act].

Mrs. Secretary Castle:
Social Security,—Copy of Regulations, dated 13th June 1974, entitled the National Insurance and Industrial Injuries (Classification and Collection of Contributions) Amendment Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1036) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:
Housing,—Copy of Regulations, dated 24th June 1974, entitled the Rent Rebate and Rent Allowance Schemes (England and Wales) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1076) [by Act].

Mr. Frederick Peart:
Agriculture,—Copy of the Report of the Central Council for Agricultural and Horticultural Co-operation for the year ended 31st March 1974 [by Act].

Paper laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

County Courts,—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the County Courts Jurisdiction Order 1974 [by Act].
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In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has allocated the Railways Bill to Standing Committee A, the Spouses of United Kingdom Citizens (Equal Treatment) Bill to Standing Committee C, the Policing of Airports Bill to Standing Committee D and the Channel Tunnel Bill to Standing Committee E.

[No. 62.]

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The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Crude Oil Terminals (Humber) Bill [Lords].—The House proceeded to consider the Crude Oil Terminals (Humber) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

Ashdown Forest Bill.—The House proceeded to consider the Ashdown Forest Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

Greater London Council (Money) Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Greater London Council (Money) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented (see Appendix I).

Expenditure.—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the General Sub-Committee on 26th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 188-iii].

Expenditure.—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Social Services Sub-Committee on 26th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 181-iii].

Expenditure.—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Trade and Industry Sub-Committee on 26th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 185-iii].

Science and Technology.—Mr. Arthur Palmer reported from the Select Committee on Science and Technology, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Energy Resources Sub-Committee on 26th June, together with Appendices.

Minutes of Evidence and Appendices to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 127-iii].

Selection.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Carriage of Passengers by Road Bill,—Miss Quennell reported from Standing Committee C, That they had gone through the Carriage of Passengers by Road Bill, and directed her to report the same, without Amendment.

Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered upon Friday next.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 211].

Mines (Working Facilities and Support) (Amendment) Bill (changed to Mines (Working Facilities and Support) Bill),—Sir Alfred Broughton reported from Standing Committee C, That they had gone through the Mines (Working Facilities and Support) (Amendment) Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered upon Friday next ; and to be printed [Bill 75].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 216].
Town and Country Amenities Bill.—Mr. John Wells reported from Standing Committee C, That they had gone through the Town and Country Amenities Bill, and made Amendments thereunto; and had amended the Title, as follows: A Bill to make further provision for the control of development in the interests of amenity, for the protection of trees and the preservation and enhancement of conservation areas, and of buildings of architectural or historic interest and their surroundings and landscapes, and for related purposes.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered upon Friday next and to be printed [Bill 76].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 218].

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments.—Mr. John Wells reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments the draft Carriage by Railway (Revision of Conventions) Order 1974, referred to a Committee on 14th June.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 213].

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Ifor Davies reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments the draft Royal Ordnance Factories Trading Fund Order 1974, referred to a Committee on 14th June.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 210].


Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 217].

Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Alan Fitch reported from the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments the Prison (Amendment) Rules 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 713), referred to a Committee on 14th June.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 214].

Farriers (Registration) Bill [Lords].—The Farriers (Registration) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 5th July and to be printed [Bill 77].

Independent Broadcasting Authority (No. 2) Bill.—Mr. Secretary Jenkins, supported by Mr. Secretary Ross, Mr. Secretary Rees, Dr. John Gilbert, and Mr. Alexander Lyon, presented a Bill to extend from 31st July 1976 to 31st July 1979 the date until which the Independent Broadcasting Authority are to provide television and local sound broadcasting services: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 73].

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft County Courts Jurisdiction Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Thomas Cox):—It was agreed to.

Protection from Slum Landlords.—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to prohibit the sale by rental-purchase or otherwise of residential property which has been designated as being within an area where properties are subject to compulsory purchase orders or where the local authority is unable to grant a home improvement grant by reason of the life expectancy of the property; and to make miscellaneous provisions regarding the renting of similar property: And that Mr. Kevin McNamara, Mr. Joe Ashton, Mr. Robin F. Cook, Mr. Tom Ellis, Mr. George, Mr. Russell Kerr, Mr. Nell Kinnock, Mr. Kenneth Marks, Mr. Stan Newens, Mr. Prescott, Mr. Arnold Shaw, and Mr. Stallard, do prepare and bring it in.

Protection from Slum Landlords Bill.—Mr. Kevin McNamara accordingly presented a Bill to prohibit the sale by rental-purchase or otherwise of residential property which has been designated as being within an area where properties are subject to compulsory purchase orders or where the local authority is unable to grant a home
improvement grant by reason of the life expectancy of the property; and to make miscellaneous provisions regarding the renting of similar property: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next and to be printed [Bill 74].

Supply [9th allotted Day].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Business of Supply.

Agriculture.—Resolved, That this House calls on Her Majesty's Government to take immediate steps, especially in the livestock sector, to safeguard the future supplies of home grown food for the consumer.—(Mr. Francis Pym.)

British Railways Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the British Railways Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Amendment proposed to the Bill, in page 4, line 1, to leave out "3".—(Sir Bernard Braine.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Moate, Mr. Stephen Ross: 59.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Bob Cryer, Mr. Ted Graham: 141.

Bill to be read the third time.

Housing (Scotland) Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Housing (Scotland) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Obligation of local authorities in relation to rehousing in housing action areas)—(Mr. Bruce Millan)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Amendment (No. 1) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 16, to leave out the word "sufficient" and insert the words "appropriate in relation to interests of residents in the area".—(Mr. Teddy Taylor),—instead thereof.

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 29) proposed to the Bill, in page 4, line 33, to leave out "£2,400" and insert "£3,000".—(Mr. Robin F. Cook),—instead thereof.

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. David Steel, Mr. Douglas Henderson: 16.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. James Dunn: 130.

Amendments (Nos. 2 to 4, 31, 6 and 8) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 9) proposed to the Bill, in page 18, line 24, at the end, to insert the words "and specifying whether the plans for the area are for demolition, improvement, or both".—(Mr. Teddy Taylor.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 10) proposed to the Bill, in page 18, line 24, at the end, to insert the words—

"(c) make arrangements for public meetings at which the plans can be explained in detail by the officials of the authority."—(Mr. Barry Henderson.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 11 to 15, 17 to 20, 22, 24 to 26 and 28) made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Land Tenure Reform (Scotland) Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Land Tenure Reform (Scotland) Bill [Lords]:

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 67 (Public Bills relating exclusively to Scotland), That the Bill be committed to a Scottish Standing Committee.—(Mr. Bruce Millan):—It was agreed to.
Members' Interests (Declaration).—Ordered, That Mr. James Prior be discharged from the Select Committee on Members' Interests (Declaration) and that Mr. Cranley Onslow be added to the Committee.—(Mr. James Hamilton.)

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

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

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-two minutes past Ten o'clock, adjourned till tomorrow.

[Adjourned at 10.22 p.m.]

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 26th June 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Ross:

Mr. Secretary Mason:

Mrs. Secretary Castle:

Mr. Secretary Benn:
Census of Production,—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production 1971, relating to—
1. hand tools and implements,
2. mechanical handling equipment,
3. printing and bookbinding machinery, and
4. water supply
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Rees:


Mr. Attorney General:
Law Commissions,—Copy of a Report by the Law Commission and the Scottish Law Commission on the consolidation of the Friendly Societies Acts 1896 to 1971 and certain other enactments relating to the Societies to which those Acts apply [by Command].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Railways Bill, viz.: Mr. Daniel Awdry, Mr. Tom Bradley, Sir Bernard Braine, Mr. Stanley Cohen, Mr. Marcus Fox, Mr. Leslie Huckfield, Mr. Roy Hughes, Mr. Walter Johnson, Mr. Frederick Mulley, Mr. Cranley Onslow, Mr. John Peyton, Mr. Michael Roberts, Mr. Peter Snape, Mr. Leslie Spriggs, Mr. Neville Trotter, and Mr. Dafydd Wigley.
Standing Committee D.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee D in respect of the Policing of Airports Bill, viz.: Mr. A. J. Beith, Mr. E. S. Bishop, Mr. S. Clinton Davis, Mr. Ben Ford, Mr. Norman Fowler, Mr. John Golding, Mr. Stephen Hastings, Mr. Paul Hawkins, Mr. Dan Jones, Mr. David Lane, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Albert Roberts, Mr. Neville Sandelson, Sir George Sinclair, Dr. Shirley Summerskill, and Mr. Norman Tebbit.

Standing Committee E.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee E in respect of the Channel Tunnel (re-committed) Bill, viz.: Mr. Robert Adley, Mr. Ronald Atkins, Mr. Anthony Berry, Mr. Neil Carrichmichael, Mr. Albert Costain, Mr. Tom Ellis, Mr. Sydney Irving, Mr. Ron Lewis, Mr. Roger Maate, Mr. John E. M. Moore, Mr. Eric Ogden, Mr. Laurie Pavis, Mr. Peter Rees, Mr. Stephen Ross, Mr. Stan Thorne, and Dr. Gerard Vaughan.

First Scottish Standing Committee.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on the First Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Land Tenure Reform (Scotland) Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr. Michael Ancram, Mr. Alick Buchanan-Smith, Mr. J. M. Craigen, Mrs. Winifred Ewing, Mr. Harry Gourlay, Mr. Hamish Gray, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Barry Henderson, Mr. Adam Hunter, Mr. Tom McMillan, Mr. Ronald King Murray, Mr. Malcolm Rijkind, Mr. John Smith, Mr. Iain Sproat, Mr. Teddy Taylor, and Mr. Alexander Wilson.

Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the draft Electricity (Borrowing Powers) (Scotland) Order 1974, viz.: Mr. Michael Ancram, Mr. J. Bruce-Gardyne, Mr. John Corrie, Mr. Thomas Cox, Mr. Russell Fairgrieve, Mr. E. Fernyhough, Mr. George Grant, Miss Harvie Anderson, Mr. Barry Henderson, Mr. Russell Kerr, Mr. Iain MacCormick, Mr. Bruce Millan, Mr. David Stoddart, Mr. Teddy Taylor, Mr. James Tinn, and Mr. Alexander Wilson.

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (British Solomon Islands Protectorate) Order 1974, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony) Order 1974, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Seychelles) Order 1974, and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Air Transport Undertakings and their Employees) (Soviet Union) Order 1974, viz.: Mr. Nick Budgen, Mr. Jim Callaghan, Mr. Donald Coleman, Dr. John Gilbert, Mr. Alastair Goodlad, Mr. Ian Gow, Mr. Frank Hatton, Mr. Terence Higgins, Mr. Mark Hughes, Mr. Evelyn King, Mr. Michael Marshall, Mr. R. J. Maxwell-Hyslop, Mr. Christopher Mayhew, Mr. James Molyneaux, Mr. Michael O’Halloran, and Mr. Maurice Orbach.

Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the draft Grants to Redundant Churches Fund Order 1974, viz.: Mr. E. S. Bishop, Mr. John Cordle, Mr. Patrick Cormack, Mr. F. P. Crowder, Mr. Tam Dalyell, Mr. Michael English, Sir John Hall, Mr. Joseph Harper, Mr. Ron Lewis, Dr. Edmund Marshall, Mr. Peter Mills, Mr. Charles R. Morris, the Reverend Ian Paisley, Sir George Sinclair, Mr. Alec Woodall, and Sir Marcus Worsley.

Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the draft County Courts Jurisdiction Order 1974, viz.: Mr. Leo Abse, Dr. Rhodes Boyson, Mr. Arthur Davidson, Mr. Jack Dunnett, Mr. Charles Fletcher-Cooke, Mr. Percy Grieve, Mr. Joseph Harper, Sir Michael Havers, Mr. Emlyn Hoosen, Mr. Ernie Money, Mr. Geraint Morgan, Mr. W. R. Rees-Davies, Mr. William Small, Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. John Stonehouse, and Mr. David Weitzman.
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MEMORANDA

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has allocated the Abortion (Amendment) Bill to Standing Committee C (transferred from Standing Committee B), the Land Tenure Reform (Scotland) Bill [Lords] to the First Scottish Standing Committee, the draft Electricity (Borrowing Powers) (Scotland) Order 1974 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, the Horticulture (Apple and Pear Growers) (Special Payments) Scheme 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1003) to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments; the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (British Solomon Islands Protectorate) Order 1974, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony) Order 1974, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Seychelles) Order 1974, and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Air Transport Undertakings and their Employees) (Soviet Union) Order 1974 to the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments; the draft Redundant Church Fund Order 1974 to the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments; and the draft County Courts Jurisdiction Order 1974 to the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees) Mr. Speaker has appointed Sir Myer Galpern Chairman of the Scottish Grand Committee in respect of the Scottish Estimates referred to that Committee.

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Thursday, 27th June, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented (see Appendix I).

Race Relations and Immigration,—Mr. Deedes reported from the Select Committee on Race Relations and Immigration, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them on 27th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [Nos. 123-vi and 123-viii].

Science and Technology,—Mr. Arthur Palmer reported from the Select Committee on Science and Technology, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Sea-Bed Engineering Sub-Committee on 27th June.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [Nos. 107-viii and 107-ix].

Selection,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Solicitors (Amendment) Bill [Lords],—Mrs. Lena Jeger reported from Standing Committee D, That they had gone through the Solicitors (Amendment) Bill [Lords], and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 78].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 220].

Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Ministers of the Crown Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make further provision with respect to road traffic, operators' licences and drivers' hours, and for connected purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Road Traffic Bill [Lords]].

Nationalised Industries,—The Lords give leave to the Lord Burton to attend to be examined as a Witness before Sub-Committee B of the Select Committee on Nationalised Industries, his Lordship consenting.

Road Traffic Bill [Lords],—The Road Traffic Bill [Lords], was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 79].
Supply [10th allotted Day].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Business of Supply.

Rates.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, in view of the massive increases in rates in many areas greatly in excess of the growth of incomes, stresses the need for a fundamental reform of the rating system; and urges Her Majesty's Government to introduce a measure of interim relief this year for the benefit of those worst affected and to provide that water and sewerage charges should rank for rate rebate—(Mrs. Margaret Thatcher);

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, in line 2, to leave out from the word “areas” to the end of the Question and add the words “caused by the inflationary policies of the previous administration, endorses the decision of Her Majesty's Government to undertake a fundamental review of Local Government finance”—(Mr. Secretary Crosland), instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the Amendment be made;

Royal Assent.—Mr. Speaker notified the House, in accordance with the Royal Assent Act 1967, that Her Majesty had signified Her Royal Assent to the following Acts agreed upon by both Houses:

1. Lord High Commissioner (Church of Scotland) Act 1974.

Supply.—The House again proceeded to consider the Business of Supply.

Rates.—The Question being put, That the Amendment be made:

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Thomas Cox, Mr. James Hamilton: 289.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Walter Clegg, Mr. Paul Hawkins: 298.

So the Question was negatived.

And the Main Question being put:

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Walter Clegg, Mr. Paul Hawkins: 298.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Thomas Cox, Mr. Laurie Pavitt: 289.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House, in view of the massive increases in rates in many areas greatly in excess of the growth of incomes, stresses the need for a fundamental reform of the rating system; and urges Her Majesty's Government to introduce a measure of interim relief this year for the benefit of those worst affected and to provide that water and sewerage charges should rank for rate rebate.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That the Motions relating to the First, Second and Third Reports from the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services) may be proceeded with at this day's sitting, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Robert Mellish.)

House of Commons (Services).—Ordered, That the First, Second and Third Reports of the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services) be now considered.—(Mr. Arthur Bottomley.)

The House accordingly proceeded to consider the said Reports.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services) in their First Report—(Mr. Arthur Bottomley);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Ernie Money, Mr. Phillip Whitehead: 76.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Paul Tyler, Mr. Patrick Cormack: 31.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House doth agree with the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services) in their First Report.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services) in their Second Report—(Mr. Arthur Bottomley);

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Friday morning:
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And the Question being put:—It was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House doth agree with the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services) in their Second Report.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services) in their Third Report—(Mr. Arthur Bottomley);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Phillip Whitehead, Mr. Ernie Money: 39.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Robert Cryer, Mr. Russell Kerr: 14.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House doth agree with the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services) in their Third Report.

Transport.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Carriage by Railway (Revision of Conventions) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 14th May, be approved—(Mr. Walter Harrison):—It was agreed to.

Government Trading Funds.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Royal Ordnance Factories Trading Fund Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 10th June, be approved—(Mr. Walter Harrison):—It was agreed to.

Diplomatic Privileges and Immunities.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Asian Development Bank (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 12th June, be approved—(Mr. Walter Harrison):—It was agreed to.

Diplomatic Privileges and Immunities.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the European Molecular Biology Laboratory (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 12th June, be approved—(Mr. Walter Harrison):—It was agreed to.

Diplomatic Privileges and Immunities.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Central Treaty Organisation (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 12th June, be approved—(Mr. Walter Harrison):—It was agreed to.

Diplomatic Privileges and Immunities.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Customs Co-operation Council (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 12th June, be approved—(Mr. Walter Harrison):—It was agreed to.

Diplomatic Privileges and Immunities.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the European Space Research Organisation (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 12th June, be approved—(Mr. Walter Harrison):—It was agreed to.

Diplomatic Privileges and Immunities.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 12th June, be approved—(Mr. Walter Harrison):—It was agreed to.
Diplomatic Privileges and Immunities.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the South-East Asia Treaty Organisation (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 12th June, be approved—(Mr. Walter Harrison):—It was agreed to.

Diplomatic Privileges and Immunities.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Specialised Agencies of the United Nations (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 12th June, be approved—(Mr. Walter Harrison):—It was agreed to.

Diplomatic Privileges and Immunities.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the United Nations and International Court of Justice (Immunities and Privileges) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 12th June, be approved—(Mr. Walter Harrison):—It was agreed to.

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Walter Harrison):—Debate arising:

And the Question having been proposed after Ten o'clock on Thursday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-eight minutes to Two o'clock on Friday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 1.32 a.m.

APPENDIX I

Thursday 27th June 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:

Constabulary (Ireland),—Copy of Regulations, dated 17th June 1974, entitled the Royal Irish Constabulary (Widows' Pensions) (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1055) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Callaghan:

Soviet Union (No. 2, 1974),—Copy of an Agreement between Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, signed at London on 3rd May 1974, for the avoidance of double taxation of air transport undertakings and their employees (The Agreement is not in force) [by Command].

Treaty Series (No. 38, 1974),—Copy of Notes exchanged at London on 3rd April 1974 between Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Tunisian Republic, further modifying the Route Schedule to the Air Services Agreement signed at London on 22nd June 1971 [by Command].

Treaty Series (No. 43, 1974),—Copy of an Agreement between Her Majesty’s Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, signed at London on 6th May 1974, on the development of economic, scientific, technological and industrial co-operation [by Command].

Mrs. Secretary Castle:

Pensions,—Copy of a Scheme, dated 18th June 1974, entitled the Personal Injuries (Civilians) (Amendment) Scheme 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1044) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Shore:

Import Duties,—Copy of an Order, dated 26th June 1974, entitled the Import Duties (Quota Relief) (No. 5) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1093) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:

Town and Country Planning,—Copy of an Order, dated 18th June 1974, entitled the Control of Office Development (Designation of Areas) (Variation) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1054) [by Command].

Mines and Quarries,—Copy of an Order, dated 18th June 1974, entitled the Ironstone Restoration Fund (Standard Rate) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1053) [by Act].
APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged from Standing Committee A Mr. Michael Roberts (nominated in respect of the Railways Bill); and had appointed in substitution Dr. Gerard Vaughan.

Standing Committee E,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from Standing Committee E Dr. Gerard Vaughan (nominated in respect of the Channel Tunnel (re-committed) Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Michael Roberts.

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments Mr. Fernyhough, Mr. George Grant, Mr. Russell Kerr, Mr. David Stoddart, and Mr. James Tinn (nominated in respect of the draft Electricity (Borrowing Powers) (Scotland) Order 1974; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Ian Campbell, Mr. George Lawson, Mr. John Robertson, Mr. William Small, and Mr. James White.

MEMORANDA

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In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has allocated the draft County Courts Jurisdiction Order 1974 to the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, and the draft Weights and Measures Act 1963 (Sugar) Order 1974 to the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments (transferred from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments).

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees) Mr. Speaker has appointed Mr. John Wells Chairman of Standing Committee D in respect of the Policing of Airports Bill, Sir Myer Galpern Chairman of the First Scottish Standing Committee in respect of the Land Tenure Reform (Scotland) Bill [Lords], Mrs. Joyce Butler Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the draft Electricity (Borrowing Powers) (Scotland) Order 1974, and of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the Horticulture (Apple and Pear Growers) (Special Payments) Scheme 1974, Sir Alfred Broughton Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (British Solomon Islands Protectorate) Order 1974, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony) Order 1974, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Seychelles) Order 1974, and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Air Transport Undertakings and their Employees) (Soviet Union) Order 1974, and Mr. Michael English Chairman of the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the draft County Courts Jurisdiction Order 1974 and the draft Redundant Churches Fund Order 1974.

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has appointed Sir Alfred Broughton Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the draft Weights and Measures Act 1963 (Sugar) Order 1974 in place of Mrs. Joyce Butler.

[No. 64.]

Friday, 28th June, 1974.

The House met at Eleven o’clock.

PRAYERS.

Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented (see Appendix).

Rehabilitation of Offenders Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Rehabilitation of Offenders Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Rehabilitation of persons dealt with in service disciplinary proceedings)—(Mr. Alexander Lyon)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Limitations on rehabilitation under this Act, etc.)—(Mr. Alexander Lyon)—brought up, and read the first and second time.
Amendment proposed to the proposed Clause, in line 29, after the word "hearing ", to insert the words—

"(f) in any proceedings relating to the disciplinary jurisdiction of any judicial authority having the power referred to in subsection (4) of section 2 (Effect of Rehabilitation)".—(Mr. Ivor Stanbrook.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made to the proposed Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Special provision with respect to certain disposals by children's hearings under the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968)—(Mr. Robert Hughes)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

An Amendment (No. 1) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 2) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, line 59, to leave out from the first word "to" to the end of line 11 on page 3 and insert the words "his or any other person's past which cannot be answered without acknowledging or referring to a spent conviction or spent convictions or any circumstances ancillary thereto.

(1A) Subject to the following provisions of this section and to sections 5 and 6 below—

(a) any question seeking information with respect to a person's previous convictions, offences, conduct or circumstances, put to him or to any other person otherwise than in proceedings to which subsection (1)(b) above applies, shall, if it is capable of being answered on the basis that it does not relate to spent convictions or circumstances ancillary thereto, be deemed not so to relate, and the answer to any such question may be framed accordingly; and

(b) a person shall not be subjected to any liability or penalty, or otherwise prejudiced in law, by reason of any answer given by him, otherwise than in any such proceedings, to any question referring expressly to a spent conviction or spent convictions as such, or to any circumstances ancillary to any convictions or convictions, being circumstances peculiar to spent convictions as such.

(2) The Secretary of State may by order make such provision as seems to him appropriate for excluding or modifying the application of either or both of paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (1A) above in relation to questions put in such circumstances as may be specified in the order.

(3) For the purposes of"—(Mr. Alexander Lyon),—instead thereof.

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 3 to 7, 35, 8 to 21, 36, 23 and 25 to 34) made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Verbal Amendments were made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Carriage of Passengers by Road Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Carriage of Passengers by Road Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

A Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. Frederick Mulley, 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 forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Mines (Working Facilities and Support) Bill (changed from Mines (Working Facilities and Support) (Amendment) Bill).—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Mines (Working Facilities and Support) Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.
Town and Country Amenities Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider
the Town and Country Amenities Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. Frederick Mulley, 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.

Mr. Frederick Mulley, by Command of the Prince of Wales, acquainted the House,
That His Royal Highness, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives his
Consent, as far as the Prince of Wales's interest is concerned, That the House may do
therein as they shall think fit.

And the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third
Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Members' Interests (Declaration),—Ordered, That Mr. Walter H. Johnson be discharged from
the Select Committee on Members' Interests (Declaration) and that Mr. Nigel Spearing
be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Laurie Pavitt.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till One o'clock, adjourned till
Monday next.

[Adjourned at 1 p.m.

APPENDIX

Friday 28th June 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Dr. John Gilbert:

Customs and Excise.—Copy of an Order, dated 27th June 1974, entitled the Hydro-
carbon Oil (Customs Duties) Amendment Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1105) [by Act].

Import Duties,—Copy of an Order, dated 26th June 1974, entitled the Import Duties
(Temporary Reductions and Exemptions) (No. 11) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1095) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Callaghan:

Overseas Aid,—Drafts of Orders, entitled—

(1) the International Development Association (Fourth Replenishment) Order, and

(2) the International Development Association (Fourth Replenishment: Interim
Payments) Order 1974 [by Act].

Pensions,—Copy of Regulations, dated 19th June 1974, entitled the Increase of
Pensions (Governors) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1094) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Ross:

Housing (Scotland),—Copy of Regulations, dated 25th June 1974, entitled the Rent
Rebate and Rent Allowance Schemes (Scotland) (No. 2) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974,
No. 1097) [by Act].

Housing (Scotland),—Draft of an Order, entitled the Scottish Special Housing
Association (Limit of Advances) (Scotland) Order 1974 [by Act].

Rating and Valuation,—Copy of an Order, dated 14th June 1974, entitled the
Valuation (Combination of Councils) (Scotland) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1056)
[by Act].

Mrs. Secretary Castle:

National Health Service,—Copy of Regulations, dated 19th June 1974, entitled the
National Health Service (Superannuation) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1974
(S.I., 1974, No. 1047) [by Act].

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The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [Lords] (No Standing Order not previous inquired into applicable),—Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bill, originating in the Lords and referred after the First Reading thereof, no Standing Order not previously inquired into is applicable thereto, viz.:—

Weymouth and Portland Water Sports Bill [Lords].

Bill to be read a second time.

Greater London Council (Money) Bill,—The Greater London Council (Money) Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

Expenditure,—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Education and Arts Sub-Committee on 1st July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 182-iii].

Expenditure,—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the General Sub-Committee on 1st July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed [No. 188-iv].

Selection,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the University of Bristol Bill, with Amendments ; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Rent Act 1968 and the Rent (Scotland) Act 1971, and for connected purposes ; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Rent Bill [Lords].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorise Eastbourne Harbour Company Limited to construct works ; and for other purposes ; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Eastbourne Harbour Bill [Lords].

Rent Bill [Lords].—The Rent Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 82].

Eastbourne Harbour Bill [Lords].—The Eastbourne Harbour Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Lord Chancellor (Tenure of Office and Discharge of Ecclesiastical Functions) Bill [Lords].—The Lord Chancellor (Tenure of Office and Discharge of Ecclesiastical Functions) Bill [Lords] was read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next and to be printed [Bill 81].

Rating Reform Bill,—Ordered, That the Rating Reform Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Historic Churches Preservation Bill,—Ordered, That the Historic Churches Preservation Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Parliamentary Broadcasting Unit Bill,—Ordered, That the Parliamentary Broadcasting Unit Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Hare Coursing Bill,—Ordered, That the Hare Coursing Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That at this day's sitting, Mr. Speaker shall put any Question necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Social Security Amendment Bill not later than Seven o'clock.—(Mr. John Golding.)
Social Security Amendment Bill.—The Social Security Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Committal of Bills).

Social Security Amendment [Money].—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Social Security Amendment [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the provisions of the Social Security Act 1973 as to the rate or amount of benefit and contributions, it is expedient to authorise the payment out of money provided by Parliament of—

(1) any increase in the sums payable out of money so provided under any enactment where the increase is attributable to provisions of the said Act of the present Session—

(a) raising to £8.00 and £5.35 the rates of attendance allowance;
(b) raising to £6.00 and £3.70 the rates of Category C and D retirement pensions or raising the rates of increases (where payable) for children and adult dependants;

(2) any increase in the sums payable out of money so provided by way of Treasury supplements under subsection (5) of section 1 of the said Act of 1973 where the increase is attributable to provisions of the said Act of the present Session altering such contributions as are mentioned in subsection (2) of that section.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Ways and Means.—Social Security Amendment.—Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the provisions of the Social Security Act 1973 as to the rate or amount of benefit and contributions, it is expedient to authorise—

(1) any increase attributable to the said Act of the present Session in the sums which, under the said Act of 1973, are to be taken as paid towards the cost of the national health service in Great Britain;
(2) the payment into the Consolidated Fund of any increase attributable to the said Act of the present Session in the sums payable into that Fund under the said Act of 1973.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Pension Policy.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House deplores the arbitrary decision of the Secretary of State for Social Services not to bring into operation Parts II and III of the Social Security Act 1973; regrets the serious confusion and uncertainty that this will cause; further regrets that this is likely to deprive many people of an early opportunity to secure a second retirement pension; and calls upon the Secretary of State to reverse her decision so as to allow the 1973 scheme to come into effect, while referring any proposals for subsequent improvement of that scheme to an all-party committee, with the intention of establishing an agreed foundation for pension policy—(Sir Geoffrey Howe);—

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, to leave out from the word "House" to the end of the Question and add the words "notes that the financial provision made under the Social Security Act 1973 was insufficient to support an adequate level of retirement pensions; welcomes the prompt improvements in pensions made by the present Administration; endorses the determination of the Government to ensure that employees are relieved from contributing to a scheme which would have provided inadequate pension cover, especially for women and older workers; recognises that the pension arrangements under the Act could not have served as a sound foundation for an effective and fair pensions policy directed to relating the living standards of pensioners more closely to their earnings and avoiding reliance on means tested benefits; and calls upon the Government to bring forward as soon as possible proposals for public and Parliamentary discussion which would meet the legitimate aspirations of workers in modern conditions and merit the widest possible support"—(Mrs. Secretary Castle), instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Thomas Cox, Mr. Walter Johnson: 282.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Walter Clegg, Mr. Paul Hawkins: 280.

So the Question was agreed to.

And the Main Question, as amended, being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Thomas Cox, Mr. Walter Johnson: 282.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Walter Clegg, Mr. Paul Hawkins: 279.

So the Question was agreed to.
Resolved, That this House notes that the financial provision made under the Social Security Act 1973 was insufficient to support an adequate level of retirement pension; welcomes the prompt improvements in pensions made by the present Administration; endorses the determination of the Government to ensure that employees are relieved from contributing to a scheme which would have provided inadequate pension cover, especially for women and older workers; recognises that the pension arrangements under the Act could not have served as a sound foundation for an effective and fair pensions policy directed to relating the living standards of pensioners more closely to their earnings and avoiding reliance on means tested benefits; and calls upon the Government to bring forward as soon as possible proposals for public and Parliamentary discussion which would meet the legitimate aspirations of workers in modern conditions and merit the widest possible support.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That the Pakistan Bill may be proceeded with at this day's sitting, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. John Golding.)

Pakistan Bill,—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Pakistan 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.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Church of England (General Synod) (Measures),—Resolved, That the Synodical Government (Amendment) Measure 1974, passed by the General Synod 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.—(Mr. Edward Bishop.)

Church of England (General Synod) (Measures),—Resolved, That the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction (Amendment) Measure 1974, passed by the General Synod 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.—(Mr. Edward Bishop.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till two minutes to Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

APENDIX I

Monday 1st July 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Joel Barnett:

Civil Estimates (Revised Estimates), 1974-75,—Revised Estimates of Sums required in the year ending 31st March 1975 for certain civil services [by Command]; to be printed [No. 203].

Civil Estimates (Supplementary Estimates), 1974-75,—Estimates of further sums required to be voted for the service of the year ending 31st March 1975 for Civil Departments [by Command]; to be printed [No. 204].

Defence Estimates (Revised Estimates), 1974-75,—Revised Estimates of Sums required in the year ending 31st March 1975 for certain defence services [by Command]; to be printed [No. 202].

Dr. John Gilbert:

Civil and Defence Estimates (Excesses), 1972-73,—Statement of the sums required to be voted in order to make good excesses on certain grants for civil and defence services for the year ended 31st March 1973 [by Command]; to be printed [No. 219].
Ultimus Haeres (Scotland) (Account and List of Estates),—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 in 1973, and of an Alphabetical List of Estates which fell to the Crown as Ultimus Haeres in Scotland, administered by the Queen's and Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer, in the same year [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Ross:
Transport,—Statement of determination of the salaries of—
(1) the Chairman, and
(2) a full-time member
of the Scottish Transport Group [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Foot:
London Weighting,—Copy of the Report of the Pay Board on London Weighting [by Command].

Mrs. Secretary Castle:
One-Parent Families,—Copy of the Report of the Committee on One-Parent Families [by Command].

Census,—Copy of Usual Residence Tables compiled from the 1971 census data [by Act].

National Assistance Services,—Copy of Regulations, dated 28th June 1974, entitled the National Assistance (Charges for Accommodation) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1118) [by Act].

Radioactive Substances,—Draft of an Order, entitled the National Radiological Protection Board (Extension of Functions) Order 1974 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Shore:
Customs and Excise,—Copy of an Order, dated 27th June 1974, entitled the Anti-Dumping Duty (Temporary Suspension) (No. 3) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1103) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Benn:
Mineral Exploration and Investment Grants,—Report by the Secretary of State for Industry on the discharge of his functions under the Mineral Exploration and Investment Grants Act 1972 for the year ended 31st March 1974 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 198].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:
Rating and Valuation,—Copy of Regulations, dated 25th June 1974, entitled the Rate Rebate (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1086) [by Act].


Mr. Secretary Rees:

Mr. Secretary Varley:

Mr. Frederick Peart:
Agriculture,—Draft of a Scheme, entitled the Calf Subsidies (United Kingdom) (Variation) (No. 2) Scheme 1974 [by Act].

Mrs. Judith Hart:
Overseas Pensions,— Copies of Schemes, dated 28th June 1974, entitled—
(1) the Gambia Public Officers' Pensions (United Kingdom) Scheme 1974, and
(2) the Gambia Public Officers' Widows' and Orphans' Pensions (United Kingdom) Scheme 1974 [by Act].
Statutory Instruments.—Report to the Lord Chancellor and to Mr. Speaker from the Statutory Instruments Reference Committee, That they have considered notifications from the Department of the Environment and the Welsh Office made in accordance with Regulation 11(3) of the Statutory Instruments Regulations 1947 in respect of Schedules referred to in the Local Authorities etc. (Miscellaneous Provision) (No. 2) Order 1974, and have taken no further action in any of these matters.

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee C.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated the Members appointed to serve on Standing Committee B in respect of the Abortion (Amendment) Bill to serve on Standing Committee C in respect of that Bill (transferred from Standing Committee B).

Standing Committee D.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from Standing Committee D Mr. Edward Bishop (nominated in respect of the Policing of Airports Bill) ; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Sydney Bidwell.

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated the Members appointed to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the draft Weights and Measures Act 1963 (Sugar) Order 1974 to serve on the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of that Order (transferred from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments).

Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated the Members appointed to serve on the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the draft County Courts Jurisdiction Order 1974 to serve on the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of that Order (transferred from the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments).

Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments Mr. Solicitor General (nominated in respect of the draft County Courts Jurisdiction Order 1974) ; and had appointed in substitution Mr. Attorney General.

MEMORANDUM

Monday 1st July 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has appointed Miss Joan Quennell Chairman of the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, in respect of the draft Redundant Churches Fund Order 1974, in place of Mr. Michael English.

[No. 66.]

Tuesday, 2nd July, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Clerical, Medical and General Life Assurance Bill [Lords].—The Clerical, Medical and General Life Assurance Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Crude Oil Terminals (Humber) Bill [Lords].—The Crude Oil Terminals (Humber) Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Ashdown Forest Bill.—The Ashdown Forest Bill was read the third time, and passed.

British Railways Bill.—Ordered, That the British Railways Bill be read the third time to-morrow.
Workington Harbour Bill.—A Motion being made, That the 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.

And the Question being put:—It was agreed to.
The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Wrightson NMA Limited Bill [Lords].—The Wrightson NMA Limited Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented (see Appendix).

Merseyside Metropolitan Railway Bill.—Mr. David James reported from the Committee on the Merseyside Metropolitan Railway Bill, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to 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.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, and Report to lie upon the Table.
Report to be printed.

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Robert Redmond reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords 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 (Twelfth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 51-xvi].

European Secondary Legislation, &c.—Mr. John Davies reported from the Committee on European Secondary Legislation, &c., That they had agreed to a Report, which they had directed him to make to the House: And the Report was brought up and read (Fifth Report).

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 223].

Expenditure,—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Employment and Home Office Sub-Committee on 2nd July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 1734].

Privileges,—Mr. George Strauss reported from the Committee of Privileges, to whom was referred the matter of the complaint by Sir Harman Nicholls, Member for Peterborough, that statements made by Mr. Joe Ashton, Member for Bassetlaw, in a broadcast interview on 26th April reflected on the conduct of Members of this 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 the Report was brought up and read (First Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 228].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 228].

Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Robert Redmond 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 (Eleventh Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 52-xii].

Control of Pollution Bill [Lords].—Mr. Bryant Godman Irvine reported from Standing Committee F, That they had gone through the Control of Pollution Bill [Lords], and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 83].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 227].
Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill.—Sir Stephen McAdden reported from Standing Committee E, That they had gone through the Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 84].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 229].

Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Clerical, Medical and General Life Assurance Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make temporary provision for the holding in custody of young persons charged with certain offences in Northern Ireland; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Northern Ireland (Young Persons) Bill [Lords]].

Northern Ireland (Young Persons) Bill [Lords].—The Northern Ireland (Young Persons) Bill [Lords] was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 80].

Abolition of Tied Cottages Bill.—Ordered, That the Abolition of Tied Cottages Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft Regional Employment Premium (Continuation of Payments) (Winsford) (Amendment) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Ernest Perry):—It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft International Development Association (Fourth Replenishment: Interim Payments) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Ernest Perry):—It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft International Development Association (Fourth Replenishment) Order be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Ernest Perry):—It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft Scottish Special Housing Association (Limit of Advances) (Scotland) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Ernest Perry):—It was agreed to.

Amendment of School-leaving Age.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the school-leaving age—(Mr. Clement Freud);

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 Standing Order No. 13 (Motions for leave to bring in Bills and nomination of Select Committees at Commencement of Public Business).

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. David Steel, Dr. Winstanley: 93.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Richard Mitchell, Mr. Arnold Shaw: 179.

So the Question was negatived.

Supply [11th allotted Day].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Business of Supply.

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Ernest Perry):—The Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Business of the House.—Ordered, That the Juries Bill [Lords] may be proceeded with at this day's sitting, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Ernest Perry.)
Juries Bill [Lords].—The Juries Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 23 agreed to.

Schedules Nos. 1 to 3 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ernest Perry 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 forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

European Secondary Legislation, &c.—Ordered, That Mr. Ian MacArthur be discharged from the Committee on European Secondary Legislation, &c., and that Mr. Iain Sproat be added to the Committee.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

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

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

[Adjourned at 10.32 p.m.

APPENDIX

Tuesday 2nd July 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Callaghan:

Treaty Series (No. 31, 1974),—Copy of the European Convention for the protection of animals during international transport, signed at Paris on 13th December 1968 [by Command].

Treaty Series (No. 46, 1974),—Copy of Notes exchanged at London on 26th October 1973 between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Government of Norway, on duty-free quotas for imports into the United Kingdom of paper products from Norway [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Ross:

National Assistance Services,—Copy of Regulations, dated 27th June 1974, entitled the National Assistance (Charges for Accommodation) (Scotland) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1126) [by Act].

Mrs. Secretary Castle:

Social Security,—Copy of Regulations, dated 1st July 1974, entitled the National Insurance (Increase of Benefit and Miscellaneous Pension) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1128) [by Act].
Mr. Secretary Benn:

Census of Production,--Copy of the Report on the Census of Production 1971, relating to--

(1) Abrasives,
(2) Asbestos,
(3) Electrical appliances primarily for domestic use,
(4) Lace,
(5) Radio and electronic components, and
(6) Weatherproof outerwear.

[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:

Water,--Copy of an Order, dated 24th June 1974, entitled the Water Authorities (Collection of Charges) (Amendment) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1081) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Rees:


Mr. Frederick Peart:

Agriculture,--Draft of an Order, entitled the Agricultural Lime Scheme (Extension of Period) Order 1974 [by Act].

Horticulture,--Copy of a Scheme, dated 20th June 1974, entitled the Hop Gardens (Replanting and Restructuring) Scheme 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1072) [by Act].

The Chairman of Ways and Means:

Statutory Orders (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 County Borough Council of Doncaster (Westfield Park) Appropriation Order 1973,
(2) the Ennerdale King George V Playing Field, Cleator Moor Appropriation Order No. 1 1973, and
(3) the Newport--Worcester Trunk Road (Link Top Malvern, Improvement) Compulsory Purchase Order (WMRT No. 4) 1974

[by Act].

MEMORANDUM

Tuesday 2nd July 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has appointed Mr. Michael English Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Railways Bill.

[No. 67.]

Wednesday, 3rd July, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

British Railways Bill,--The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the British Railways Bill;

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

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented (see Appendix I).
British Airports Authority (Longford River) Bill [Lords],—The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, that they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the British Airports Authority (Longford River) Bill [Lords], and had 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.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, to lie upon the Table.

Expenditure,—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Social Services Sub-Committee on 3rd July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 181-iv].

Science and Technology.—Mr. Arthur Palmer reported from the Select Committee on Science and Technology, that they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Energy Resources Sub-Committee on 3rd July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 127-iv].

Selection,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Porthmadog Harbour Revision Order 1974 (Petition of General Objection) (Joint Committee),—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, that they had nominated three Members to serve on the Joint Committee on the Porthmadog Harbour Revision Order 1974 (Petition of General Objection), viz.:—Mr. Harold Boardman, Mr. Denzil Davies, and Mr. R. Bonner Pink.

Finance Bill (except Clauses Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 19 and certain new Clauses),—Mr. Woodhouse reported from Standing Committee A, that they had gone through the Finance Bill (except Clauses Nos. 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 19 and certain new Clauses) and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Committee and in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 86].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 222].

Land Tenure Reform (Scotland) Bill [Lords],—Sir Myer Galpern reported from the First Scottish Standing Committee, that they had gone through the Land Tenure Reform (Scotland) Bill [Lords], and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 233].

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments,—Mrs. Joyce Butler reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments the draft Electricity (Borrowing Powers) (Scotland) Order 1974, referred to a Committee on 25th June.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 235].

Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments,—Mrs. Joyce Butler reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments the draft Horticulture (Apple and Pear Growers) (Special Payments) Scheme 1974, referred to a Committee on 25th June.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 236].

Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Michael English reported from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments the draft County Courts Jurisdiction Order 1974, referred to a Committee on 26th June.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 231].

Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments,—Miss Joan Quennell reported from the Fifth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments the draft Grants to Redundant Churches Fund Order 1974, referred to a Committee on 25th June.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 232].

Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the London Transport Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Crude Oil Terminals (Humber) Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intitled, An Act to consolidate, with certain exceptions, the provisions of the Insurance Companies Acts 1958 to 1973; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Insurance Companies Bill [Lords]].
The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to establish the Crouch Harbour Authority for the administration and control of the Harbour formed by the rivers Crouch and Roach and adjacent waters in the county of Essex; to confer on the Authority powers necessary or expedient for the preservation, protection, regulation, management, maintenance and improvement of the said harbour and the navigation thereof; to enact provisions in connection with the matters aforesaid; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Crouch Harbour Bill [Lords].

Insurance Companies Bill [Lords].—The Insurance Companies Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 87].

Crouch Harbour Bill [Lords].—The Crouch Harbour Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Porthmadog Harbour Revision Order 1974 (Petition of General Objection).—Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to acquaint them that this House has appointed Three Members to serve on the Joint Committee to consider the Petition of General Objection to the Porthmadog Harbour Revision Order 1974, which stands referred to a Joint Committee.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft Calf Subsidies (United Kingdom) (Variation) (No. 2) Scheme 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Laurie Pavitt):—It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft National Radiological Protection Board (Extension of Functions) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Laurie Pavitt):—It was agreed to.

Crowd Control.—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the establishment of a code of practice for securing the safety of persons attending pop concerts and other entertainments: And that Mr. Greville Janner, Mr. Marcus Lipton, Mr. Hugh Fraser, Mr. Tom Bradley, Mr. Charles Fletcher-Cooke, Mr. Leslie Huckfield, Mr. Philip Goodhart, Mr. Dan Jones, Mr. Clement Freud, and Sir Nigel Fisher, do prepare and bring it in.

Crowd Control Bill,—Mr. Greville Janner accordingly presented a Bill to provide for the establishment of a code of practice for securing the safety of persons attending pop concerts and other entertainments: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 12th July and to be printed [Bill 85].

Supply [12th allotted Day].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Business of Supply.

Education.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, in view of the widespread disquiet amongst parents about the standards of conduct and learning in certain schools, calls upon Her Majesty's Government to modify its educational policies so as to preserve the rights of parents guaranteed by section 76 of the Education Act 1944, and to raise academic standards in schools; and, in particular, to withdraw Circular 4174 which seeks to impose a system of universal comprehensive schools without regard to educational considerations, parental wishes or local needs and conditions—(Mr. Norman St. John-Stevas); An Amendment was proposed to the Question, to leave out from the word “ House ” to the end of the Question and add the words “ recognises the need to raise academic standards in schools; and, having regard to the denial of any real choice to the majority of children in a selective system, congratulates the Government on the steps it has taken to develop a fully comprehensive system of secondary education and to increase the opportunities for all children, without regard to means or social position, to realise their educational potential to the full ”—(Mr. Secretary Prentice),—instead thereof. And the Question being put, That the Amendment be made; The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Thomas Cox, Mr. Walter Johnson: 285.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Walter Clegg, Mr. Paul Hawkins: 271.
So the Question was agreed to.
And the Main Question, as amended, being put; Resolved, That this House recognises the need to raise academic standards in schools; and, having regard to the denial of any real choice to the majority of children in a selective system, congratulates the Government on the steps it has taken to develop
a fully comprehensive system of secondary education, and to increase the opportunities for all children, without regard to means or social position, to realise their educational potential to the full.

Community Guidelines for Economic Policy, etc.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House takes note of Commission Documents Nos. R/1253/74, R/1474/74 and COM(74)696—(Mr. Edmund Dell):—Debate arising:

Mr. Nigel Spearing rose in his place and claimed to move, That the Question Closure claimed. be now put; but Mr. Speaker withheld his assent and declined then to put that Question:—Debate resumed.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Laurie Pavitt, Mr. Ernest Perry: 107.

Tellers for the Noes, Mrs. Maureen Colquhoun, Mr. Max Madden: 70.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That this House takes note of Commission Documents Nos. R/1253/74, R/1474/74 and COM(74)696.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That the Motion relating to Regional Policy may be proceeded with at this day’s sitting, though opposed, until half-past Eleven o’clock.—(Mr. Secretary Benn.)

Regional Policy,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House takes note of Commission Documents Nos. R/2055/73 and R/2474/73—(Mr. Secretary Benn):—Debate arising:

Mr. Tom King 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.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Robert Adley, Sir Anthony Meyer: 35.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Lee, Mr. Bob Cryer: 26.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker declared that the Question was not decided in the Affirmative because it was not supported by the majority prescribed by Standing Order No. 31 (Majority for Closure).

And it being after half-past Eleven o’clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Ordered, That the Debate be resumed to-morrow.

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

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o’clock on Thursday morning:

Thursday, 4th July, 1974:

And the Question being put;

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eight minutes past Twelve o’clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.8 a.m.

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 3rd July 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

The Prime Minister:


Dr. John Gilbert:

Motorway Service Areas,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 3rd July 1974, relative to the modification of rent payable by motorway service area lessees [by Command].
Mr. Secretary Jenkins:

Charities,—Draft of an Order, entitled the Charities (The Hundred Acres Charity, Enfield) Order 1974 [by Act].

Mrs. Secretary Castle:

Census,—Copy of summary statistics of the Census 1971 for local government areas as constituted on 1st April 1974 [by Act].

Medicines,—Copy of an Order, dated 20th June 1974, entitled the Medicines (Phenacetin Prohibition) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1082) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Shore:

Import Duties,—Copy of an Order, dated 1st July 1974, entitled the Import Duties (Quota Relief) (Paper, Paperboard and Printed Products) (Amendment) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1133) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Benn:

Census of Production,—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production 1971, relating to—

(1) Miscellaneous manufactures of paper and board, and

(2) Wallcovering

[by Act].

Mr. Frederick Peart:

White Fish Authority,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the White Fish Authority for the year ended 31st March 1974 [by Act].

The Chairman of Ways and Means:

Statutory Orders (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 the Mersey Docks and Harbour (Miscellaneous Provisions) Revision Order 1974 [by Act].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Social Security Amendment Bill, viz.:—Mr. Robert Boscawen, Mr. Robert C. Brown, Mr. Nick Budgen, Mr. Kenneth Clarke, Mr. J. D. Dormand, Mr. Harry Gourlay, Mr. A. G. F. Hall-Davies, Mr. William Hamilton, Mr. Frank Hatton, Mr. Ralph Howell, Mr. T. Abee Jones, Mrs. Elaine Kellett-Bowman, Mrs. Jill Knight, Mr. Max Madden, Mr. Brian O’Malley, and Dr. Michael Winstanley.

Standing Committee E,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had discharged from Standing Committee E Mr. Peter Rees (nominated in respect of the Channel Tunnel (Re-committed) Bill); and had appointed in substitution Mr. Ray Mawby.

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the draft International Development Association (Fourth Replenishment: Interim Payments) Order 1974 and the draft International Development Association (Fourth Replenishment) Order, viz.:—Mr. Norman Atkinson, Mr. A. J. Beith, Miss Betty Boothroyd, Sir Bernard Braine, Mr. Christopher Brocklebank-Fowler, Mr. F. F. A. Burden, Mr. R. B. Cant, Mr. Lewis Carter-Jones, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. Julian Critchley, Dr. John A. Cunningham, Mr. Peter Fry, Mrs. Judith Hart, Mr. Michael Marshall, Mr. Raphael Tuck, and Mr. Richard Wood.

Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the draft Calf Subsidies (United Kingdom) (Variation) (No. 2) Scheme 1974 and the draft Regional Employment Premium (Continuation of Payments) (Winsford) (Amendment) Order 1974, viz.: Mr. Joe Ashton, Dr. Reginald Bennett, Mr. E. Bishop, Mr. James Boiden, Mr. Hugh Dykes, Mr. Ted Fletcher, Dr. John Gilbert, Mr. Terence Higgins, Mr. Mark Hughes, Mr. Douglas Hurd, Mr. Michael Jopling, Mr. Charles Morrison, Mr. Tom Pendry, Mr. Robert Redmond, Mr. A. W. Stallard, and Mr. Harry West.
Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the draft Scottish Special Housing Association (Limit of Advances) (Scotland) Order 1974 and the draft National Radiological Protection Board (Extension of Functions) Order 1974, viz.: Mr. Michael Ancram, Mr. J. M. Craigen, Sir John Gilmour, Mr. T. Alec Jones, Sir John Langford-Holt, Mr. Frank McElhone, Mr. Tom McMillan, Mr. Bruce Millan, Dr. David Owen, Mr. Timothy Raison, Mr. George Reid, Mr. Harry Selby, Mr. John Smith, Mr. Edward M. Taylor, Mr. Kenneth Warren, and Sir George Young.

MEMORANDUM

Wednesday 3rd July 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has allocated the Social Security Amendment Bill to Standing Committee A, the draft International Development Association (Fourth Replenishment: Interim Payments) Order 1974 and the draft International Development Association (Fourth Replenishment) Order to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, the draft Calf Subsidies (United Kingdom) (Variation) (No. 2) Scheme 1974 and the draft Regional Employment Premium (Continuation of Payments) (Winsford) (Amendment) Order 1974 to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, and the draft Scottish Special Housing Association (Limit of Advances) (Scotland) Order 1974 and the draft National Radiological Protection Board (Extension of Functions) Order 1974 to the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments.

[No. 68.]

Thursday, 4th July, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

University of Bristol Bill.—The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the University of Bristol Bill; and the same were agreed to.

British Railways Bill.—The Order of the day being read for the Third Reading of the British Railways Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday next.

Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented (see Appendix).

Expenditure.—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the General Sub-Committee on 4th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 188-v].

Race Relations and Immigration.—Mr. Deedes reported from the Select Committee on Race Relations and Immigration, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them on 4th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 123-viii].

Science and Technology.—Mr. Arthur Palmer reported from the Select Committee on Science and Technology, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Sea-Bed Engineering Sub-Committee on 2nd July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 107-x].

Policing of Airports Bill.—Mr. John Wells reported from Standing Committee D, That they had gone through the Policing of Airports Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 240].

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments.—Sir Alfred Broughton reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (British Solomon Islands Protectorate) Order 1974, the draft
Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony) Order 1974, the draft Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Seychelles) Order 1974, and the draft Double Taxation Relief (Air Transport Undertakings and their Employees) (Soviet Union) Order 1974, referred to a Committee on 25th June.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 238].

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments,—Sir Alfred Broughton reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments the draft Weights and Measures Act 1963 (Sugar) Order 1974, referred to a Committee on 14th June.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 239].

Statutory Instruments,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Porthmadog Harbour Revision Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Edward Short)—It was agreed to.

Western Samoa (Gift of a Mace),—Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that Her Majesty will give directions that there be presented on behalf of this House a gift of a Mace to the Legislative Assembly of the Independent State of Western Samoa and assuring Her Majesty that this House will make good the expenses attending the same.—(Mr. Edward Short.)

Address to 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.

Independent Broadcasting Authority (No. 2) Bill,—The Independent Broadcasting Authority (No. 2 Bill was read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Committal of Bills).

Independent Broadcasting Authority (No. 2) [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Independent Broadcasting Authority (No. 2) [Money];

Resolved, That for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to extend from 31st July 1976 to 31st July 1979 the date until which the Independent Broadcasting Authority are to provide television and local sound broadcasting services, it is expedient to authorise—

(1) the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any increase attributable to the extension of that date by that Act in the sums payable under any other Act; and

(2) the payment out of the Consolidated Fund of any increase attributable to that extension in the sums falling to be so paid under any other Act.—(Mr. Alexander Lyon.)

Ways and Means,—Independent Broadcasting Authority (No. 2),—Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to extend from 31st July 1976 to 31st July 1979 the date until which the Independent Broadcasting Authority are to provide television and local sound broadcasting services, it is expedient to authorise the payment into the Consolidated Fund of any increase attributable to the extension of that date by that Act in the sums falling to be so paid under any other Act.—(Mr. Alexander Lyon.)

Northern Ireland (Young Persons) Bill [Lords],—The Order of the day being read for the Second Reading of the Northern Ireland (Young Persons) Bill [Lords];

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—Debate arising;

And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That the Northern Ireland (Young Persons) Bill [Lords] and the Solicitors (Amendment) Bill [Lords] may be proceeded with at this day's sitting, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. John Golding.)

Northern Ireland (Young Persons) Bill [Lords],—The Question being again proposed, That the Northern Ireland (Young Persons) Bill [Lords] be now read a second time:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Committal of Bills).

Solicitors (Amendment) Bill [Lords],—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Solicitors (Amendment) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendments (Nos. 1 to 4) made to the Bill.
Another Amendment (No. 10) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, line 38, at the end, to insert the words—

"Provided that nothing in the training regulations made under subsection 2(a) (iv) or (v) of this section shall apply to teachers and students at universities or other educational institutions, other than those institutions under the direct control of the society ".—(Mr. Christopher Price.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 5) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 6) proposed to the Bill, in page 4, line 48, at the end, to insert the words—

"(9) The Society shall furnish a lay observer with such information as he may from time to time reasonably require.
(10) The Lord Chancellor shall direct the submission to him of annual reports by lay observers on the discharge of the functions conferred on them by this section.
(11) The Lord Chancellor shall lay a copy of any report under subsection (10) above before each House of Parliament."—(Mr. Solicitor General.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made;

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Question put and agreed to.

Other Amendments (Nos. 11, 8 and 9) made to the Bill.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Weights and Measures.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Weights and Measures Act 1963 (Sugar) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 23rd May, be approved—(Mr. John Golding):—It was agreed to.

Electricity.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Electricity (Borrowing Powers) (Scotland) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 12th June, be approved—(Mr. John Golding):—It was agreed to.

Horticulture.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Horticulture (Apple and Pear Growers) (Special Payments) Scheme 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1003), a copy of which was laid before this House on 19th June, be approved—(Mr. John Golding):—It was agreed to.

Income Tax.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (British Solomon Islands Protectorate) Order 1974 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 18th June—(Mr. John Golding):—It was agreed to.

Address to 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.

Income Tax.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Incomes) (Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony) Order 1974 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 18th June—(Mr. John Golding):—It was agreed to.

Address to 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.

Income Tax.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Seychelles) Order 1974 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 18th June—(Mr. John Golding):—It was agreed to.

Address to 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.
Income Tax.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Double Taxation Relief (Air Transport Undertakings and their Employees) (Soviet Union) Order 1974 be made in the form of the draft laid before this House on 18th June—(Mr. John Golding):—It was agreed to.

Address to 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.

Ecclesiastical Law.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Grants to Redundant Churches Fund Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 21st June, be approved—(Mr. John Golding):—It was agreed to.

County Courts.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the County Courts Jurisdiction Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 25th June, be approved—(Mr. John Golding):—It was agreed to.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till eleven minutes past One o'clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day. [Adjourned at 1.11 a.m.

APPENDIX
Thursday 4th July 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Callaghan:


Treaty Series (No. 44, 1974),—Copy of an Agreement, signed at Brussels on 22nd July 1972, between the Member States of the European Coal and Steel Community and the European Coal and Steel Community, of the one part, and the Kingdom of Sweden, of the other part (with Final Act and Exchanges of Letters) [by Command].

Mrs. Secretary Castle:

Pensions,—Copies of—

(1) a Royal Warrant, dated 18th June 1974, to amend certain Royal Warrants concerning pensions and other grants in respect of disablement or death due to service in the military forces during the 1914 World War and after 2nd September 1939, and

(2) an Order by Her Majesty, dated 21st June 1974, to amend certain Orders concerning pensions and other grants in respect of disablement or death due to service in the Air Forces during the 1914 World War and after 2nd September 1939 [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Shore:

Import Duties,—Copy of an Order, dated 3rd July 1974, entitled the Import Duties (Quota Relief) (No. 6) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1145) [by Act].

Insurance Business,—Copy of the Report by the Department of Trade on the exercise of its functions under the Insurance Companies Act 1958, the Companies Act 1967 and the Insurance Companies Amendment Act 1973, for 1973 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Rees:

Northern Ireland,—Copy of Government Proposals relating to the Northern Ireland Constitution [by Command].


Legal Aid,—Copy of Regulations, dated 17th June 1974, entitled the Legal Aid (General) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1974 (S.R. & O. (N.I.), 1974, No. 126) [by Statutory Instrument].
Mr. Secretary Varley:

Electricity.—Draft of an Order, entitled the Electricity (Borrowing Powers) Order 1974 [by Act].

Mines and Quarries.—Copy of Regulations, dated 21st June 1974, entitled the Coal and other Mines (Support) (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1075) [by Act].

Mr. Edward Short:

Fugitive Criminal.—Copies of Orders in Council, dated 28th June 1974, entitled—

(1) the Extradition (Hijacking) (Amendment) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1107), and

(2) the Extradition (Protection of Aircraft) (Amendment) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1108) [by Act].

Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions.—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 28th June 1974, amending certain Orders in Council concerning pensions and other grants in respect of disablement or death due to service in the Naval Forces during the 1914 World War and after 2nd September 1939 [by Act].

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Thursday 4th July 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has appointed Mr. Richard Crawshaw Chairman of Standing Committee E in respect of the Channel Tunnel (Re-committed) Bill and Mr. Alan Fitch Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the draft International Development Association (Fourth Replenishment; Interim Payments) Order 1974 and the draft International Development Association (Fourth Replenishment) Order.

[No. 69.]

Friday, 5th July, 1974.

The House met at Eleven o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from South West Staffordshire for a prompt and thorough reform of the rating system was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Regional Policy.—The Order for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 3rd July, That this House takes note of Commission Document Nos. R/2055/73 and R/2474/73, was read and discharged.

Northern Ireland Bill.—Mr. Secretary Rees, supported by the Prime Minister, Mr. Secretary Jenkins, Mr. Joel Barnett, Mr. Stanley Orme, and Mr. Attorney General, presented a Bill to provide for the dissolution of the existing Northern Ireland Assembly and its prorogation until dissolution; to make temporary provision for the government of Northern Ireland; to provide for the election and holding of a Constitutional Convention in Northern Ireland; and for purposes connected with those matters: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next and to be printed [Bill 88].

Local Government Finance.—Resolved, That this House notes the difficulties facing many ratepayers, anomalies in the present rating system, and anomalies in the operation of the Water Act 1973 and the savage increases caused by it; welcomes the setting up of the Committee of Inquiry into Local Government Finance; suggests some reforms it might consider; but also urges upon the Secretary of State for the Environment the need to introduce some interim changes before the Committee reports.—(Mr. Caerwyn Red Eck.)

Farriers (Registration) Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Farriers (Registration) Bill [Lords];

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

Lord Chancellor (Tenure of Office and Discharge of Ecclesiastical Functions) Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Lord Chancellor (Tenure of Office and Discharge of Ecclesiastical Functions) Bill [Lords];
Mr. Secretary Shore acquainted the House, that he had it in Command from the Queen to acquaint the House that Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, has consented to place Her prerogative and interests, so far as they are affected by the Bill, at the disposal of Parliament for the purposes of the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.—(Sir Michael Havers.)

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 3 agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Ernest Perry 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 forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

Rating Reform Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rating Reform Bill:

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

Historic Churches Preservation Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Historic Churches Preservation Bill:

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

Parliamentary Broadcasting Unit Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Broadcasting Unit Bill:

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

Hare Coursing Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hare Coursing Bill:

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

Abolition of Tied Cottages Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Abolition of Tied Cottages Bill:

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

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till twenty-four minutes to Five o'clock, adjourned till Monday next. [Adjourned at 4.36 p.m.

APPENDIX

Friday 5th July 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Mason:

Defence (Royal Air Force).—Copy of an Order by Her Majesty, dated 26th June 1974, providing for Amendments to the Queen's Regulations for the Royal Air Force (Fourth Edition) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:

Housing.—Copy of an Order, dated 25th June 1974, entitled the Housing Finance (Transferred Property of London Authorities) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1099) [by Act].
Transport,—Statement of the appointment of a Vice-Chairman of the British Waterways Board and of a part-time member of the British Railways Board [by Act].

Papers laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Public Petitions,—Observations by the Secretary of State for the Environment on the Petition [8th April] from citizens of Northwood concerning Compulsory Purchase Orders [by Standing Order]; to be printed.

Supreme Court of Judicature,—Copy of Rules, dated 27th June 1974, entitled the Rules of the Supreme Court (Amendment No. 2) 1974 (S.I. No. 1115) [by Act].

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In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has appointed Mr. Bryant Godman Irvine Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the draft Calf Subsidies (United Kingdom) (Variation) (No. 2) Scheme 1974 and the draft Regional Employment Premium (Continuation of Payments) (Winsford) (Amendment) Order 1974; and Sir Myer Galpern Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the draft Scottish Special Housing Association (Limit of Advances) (Scotland) Order 1974 and the draft National Radiological Protection Board (Extension of Functions) Order 1974.

[No. 70.]

Monday, 8th July, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [Lords] (No Standing Order not previously inquired into applicable).—Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table.—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That, in the case of the following Bills originating in the Lords and referred after the First Readings thereof, no Standing Order not previously inquired into is applicable thereto, viz.:—

Crouch Harbour Bill [Lords].

Eastbourne Harbour Bill [Lords].

Bills to be read a second time.

Weymouth and Portland Water Sports Bill [Lords].—The Weymouth and Portland Water Sports Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented (see Appendix).

Expenditure.—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the General Sub-Committee on 8th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 188-vi].

Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Prices Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Morpeth Common Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend further the Parks Regulation Act 1872; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Parks Regulation (Amendment) Bill [Lords].

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorise the Port of Tyne Authority to acquire land and to construct works, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Port of Tyne (North Shields Fish Harbour) Bill [Lords].
Porthmadog Harbour Revision Order 1974 (Petition of General Objection).—The Lords have appointed a Committee consisting of Three Lords to join with a Committee of the Commons to consider the Porthmadog Harbour Revision Order 1974 (Petition of General Objection), pursuant to the Commons Message of 4th July, and they propose that the Joint Committee do meet in Committee Room No. 3 on Tuesday 16th July, at Two o'clock.

Port of Tyne (North Shields Fish Harbour) Bill [Lords].—The Port of Tyne (North Shields Fish Harbour) Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Porthmadog Harbour Revision Order 1974 (Petition of General Objection).—Ordered, That so much of the Lords Message this day as relates to the Porthmadog Harbour Revision Order 1974 (Petition of General Objection) be now considered.

So much of the Lords Message considered accordingly.

Ordered, That the Members appointed to serve on the said Committee do meet the Lords appointed to serve thereon as proposed by their Lordships.

Message to the Lords to acquaint them therewith.

School Leaving Age.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House notes with concern the problems that have arisen as a result of the raising of the school leaving age to 16 years; and calls upon the Government, as a matter of urgency, to provide that those children whose best interests would be served by leaving at 15 be permitted to do so.—[Mr. Nigel Lawson]:—Debate arising;

Mr. Nigel Lawson 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.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Nigel Lawson, Mr. Peter Rees: 88.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Martin Flannery, Mr. Kenneth Marks: 1.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker declared that the Question was not decided in the Affirmative because it was not supported by the majority prescribed by Standing Order No. 31 (Majority for Closure).

And it being after Seven o'clock, proceedings thereon lapsed, pursuant to Standing Order No. 6 (Precedence of Government Business).

Rent Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rent Bill [Lords];

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—Debate arising;

Mr. Walter Harrison 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.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Joseph Harper, Mr. James Dunn: 155.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Cordle, Mr. William Rees-Davies: 6.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the Bill be now read a second time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Committal of Bills).

Business of the House.—Ordered, That the Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords] and the Motion relating to Ways and Means may be proceeded with at this day's sitting, though opposed, until any hour.—[Mr. Walter Harrison.]”

Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords].—The Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Committal of Bills).

Ways and Means.—Merchant Shipping.—Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make further provision concerning oil pollution by ships and other matters relating to merchant shipping, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the imposition on importers of oil and others of obligations to contribute to an international fund for compensation for oil pollution damage,
(b) the imposition of charges (payable into the Consolidated Fund) in respect of ships entering the United Kingdom where the shipping or trading interests of the United Kingdom are damaged or threatened, or in fulfilment of any international obligation,

c) the charging of fees in respect of the performance of any of the Secretary of State's functions under the said Act of the present Session,

d) the payment of any sum into the Consolidated Fund.—(Mr. James Dunn.)

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till Sixteen minutes past Eleven o'clock, adjourned till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.16 p.m.

APPENDIX

Monday 8th July 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Callaghan:

European Communities.—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the European Communities (Definition of Treaties) Order 1974 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Rees:


Legal Aid.—Copy of Regulations, dated 14th June 1974, entitled the Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1974 (S.R. & O. (N.I.), 1974, No. 127) [by Statutory Instrument].

Mr. Secretary Varley:

Electricity.—Copy of an Order, dated 25th June 1974, entitled the Electricity (Transfer of Transmission Assets) (South Western Electricity Board) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1092) [by Act].

Mr. Frederick Peart:

Covent Garden Market Authority.—Statement of remuneration and allowances payable to the Chairman of the Covent Garden Market Authority [by Act].

Sea Fisheries.—Copy of an Order, dated 25th June 1974, entitled the North West Atlantic (Demersal Fish) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1100) [by Act].

The Chairman of Ways and Means:

Statutory Orders (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, as amended by the Statutory Orders (Special Procedure) Act 1965, That Petitions had been presented against the Medway Ports Authority Revision Order 1974 by (1) the Kent County Council, the Gillingham Borough Council, the Medway Borough Council and the Swale District Council and (2) the Corporation of Trinity House; that they had taken them into consideration and had certified them as proper to be received and as Petitions for Amendment [by Act].

Statutory Orders (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 the Sutton-in-Ashfield (Hill Crescent Recreation Ground) Appropriation Order 1972 [by Act].

MEMORANDUM

Monday 8th July 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has allocated the Independent Broadcasting Authority (No. 2) Bill to Standing Committee F, the Northern Ireland (Young Persons) Bill [Lords] to Standing Committee D and the Porthmadog Harbour Revision Order 1974 to the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments.
Tuesday, 9th July, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Royal Assent,—Mr. Speaker notified the House, in accordance with the Royal Assent Act 1967, That Her Majesty had signified Her Royal Assent to the following Acts agreed upon by both Houses and to the following Measures passed under the provisions of the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act 1919:


Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction (Amendment) Measure 1974.

London Transport Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the London Transport Bill; and the same were agreed to.

Merseyside Metropolitan Railway Bill,—Ordered, That the Merseyside Metropolitan Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee, be considered to-morrow.

British Airports Authority (Longford River) Bill [Lords],—The House proceeded to consider the British Airports Authority (Longford River) Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Bill to be read the third time.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. R. Graham Page reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords 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 (Thirteenth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 51-xvii].

European Secondary Legislation, &c.,—Mr. John Davies reported from the Committee on European Secondary Legislation, &c., That they had agreed to a Report which they had directed him to make to the House: And the Report was brought up and read (Sixth Report).

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 245].

Privileges,—Mr. George Strauss reported from the Committee of Privileges, to whom was referred, on 24th May, the matter of the complaint by Mr. Anthony Wedgwood Benn of a letter from Messrs. Lovell, White and King, Solicitors acting for Aims of Industry, stating that they had been instructed to commence proceedings for defamation following a speech made by him in 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 the Report was brought up and read (Second Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 246].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 246].

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. R. Graham Page 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 (Twelfth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 52-xiii].
Consumer Credit Bill [Lords],—Mr. Harold Gurden reported from Standing Committee B, that they had gone through the Consumer Credit Bill [Lords], and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 90].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 247].

Railways Bill,—Mr. Michael English reported from Standing Committee A, That they had gone through the Railways Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 242].

Scottish Estimates,—Sir Myer Galpern reported from the Scottish Grand Committee, That they had considered the Estimates referred to them on 18th June and had directed him to report accordingly to the House.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 243].

Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Fife County Council Order Confirmation Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Spanish and Portuguese Jews’ (Golders Green) Burial Ground Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Old London Road, Hythe, Burial Ground Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Statutory Instruments,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Robert Mellish);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. Joseph Harper: 153.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Lee, Mr. Raphael Tuck: 52.

So the Question was agreed to.

Ordered, That the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That at this day’s sitting, notwithstanding the provisions of Standing Order No. 3 (Exempted Business), Mr. Speaker shall put any Question necessary to dispose of proceedings on the Northern Ireland (Emergency Provisions) Act 1973 (Continuance) Order 1974 not later than One o’clock or three hours after the commencement of the proceedings, whichever is the later.—(Mr. Robert Mellish.)

Town and Country Planning (Amendment),—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Town and Country Planning Acts: And that Mr. William Molloy, Mr. Ted Graham, Mr. Alec Woodall, Mr. Sydney Bidwell, Mr. Ron Brown, Mr. Mr. Gwilym Roberts, Mr. Joan L. Evans, Mr. W. W. Hamilton, and Mr. John Lee, do prepare and bring it in.

Town and Country Planning (Amendment) Bill,—Mr. William Molloy accordingly presented a Bill to amend the Town and Country Planning Acts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday 18th July and to be printed [Bill 89].

Northern Ireland Constitution,—Resolved, That this House takes note of the White Paper on the Northern Ireland Constitution (Command Paper No. 5675).—(Mr. Secretary Rees).

Northern Ireland,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Northern Ireland (Emergency Provisions) Act 1973 (Continuance) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 4th July, be approved—(Mr. Secretary Rees);

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o’clock on Wednesday morning:
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And the Question being put;

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Dunn, Mr. Walter Johnson: 98.

Tellers for the Noes, Mrs. Colquhoun, Mr. Kevin McNamara: 17.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the Northern Ireland (Emergency Provisions) Act 1973 (Continuance) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 4th July, be approved.

Northern Ireland Bill,—Ordered, That in respect of the Northern Ireland Bill, notices of Amendments, new Clauses or new Schedules to be moved in Committee may be accepted by the Clerks at the Table before the Bill has been read a second time.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Public Petitions,—A Public Petition for the National Association of Widows and others for amendment of the Cohabitation Rule was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from residents of the Melton parliamentary constituency for an urgent inquiry into the system of Local Government finance was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till two minutes past One o'clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 1.2 a.m.

APPENDIX

Tuesday 9th July 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Dr. John Gilbert:

Post Office,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 17th June 1974 on loans proposed to be raised by the Post Office [by Act]; to be printed [No. 244].

Mr. Secretary Callaghan:

Treaty Series (No. 45, 1974),—Copy of an Agreement between the Member States of the European Coal and Steel Community and the European Coal and Steel Community, of the one part, and the Republic of Austria, of the other part, signed at Brussels on 22nd July 1972 (with Final Act and Exchange of Letters) [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Ross:

Education (Scotland),—Copy of Regulations, dated 26th June 1974, entitled the Milk and Meals (Education) (Scotland) (Amendment No. 2) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1134) [by Act].

Highlands and Islands Development,—Copy of the Report of the Highlands and Islands Development Board for 1973 [by Act].

Tourism,—Copy of the Report of the Scottish Tourist Board for the year ended 31st March 1974 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Prentice:

Education,—Copy of Regulations, dated 27th June 1974, entitled the Provision of Milk and Meals (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1125) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Foot:

Counter-Inflation,—Draft of an Order, entitled the Counter-Inflation (Abolition of Pay Board) Order 1974 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Benn:

Telecommunications,—Copy of the International Telecommunications Convention, made at Malaga-Torremolinos on 25th October 1973, and related documents (the Convention has not been ratified by the United Kingdom) [by Command].
MEMORANDUM

Tuesday 9th July 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has allocated the Rent Bill [Lords] to Standing Committee A and the Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords] to Standing Committee B.

[No. 72.]

Wednesday, 10th July, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Merseyside Metropolitan Railway Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for considering the Merseyside Metropolitan Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered to-morrow.

Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

Consolidation, &c., Bills.—Mr. Edward Lyons reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills, to whom the Friendly Societies Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, was referred, That they had gone through the Bill and made Amendments 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.

Report, together with Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 250].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 250].

Expenditure.—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the General Sub-Committee on 10th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 188-vii].

Race Relations and Immigration.—Mr. Deedes reported from the Select Committee on Race Relations and Immigration, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them on 10th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 123-ix].

Selection.—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Porthmadog Harbour Revision Order 1974 (Petition of General Objection) (Joint Committee),—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had discharged Mr. Harold Boardman from the Joint Committee on the Porthmadog Harbour Revision Order 1974 (Petition of General Objection) and had added Mr. Caerwyn Roderick.

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Alan Fitch reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments the draft International Development Association (Fourth Replenishment) Order and the draft International Development Association (Fourth Replenishment: Interim Payments) Order 1974, referred to a Committee on 3rd July.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 251].
Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Bryant Godman Irvine reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments the draft Regional Employment Premium (Continuation of Payment) (Winsford) (Amendment) Order 1974 and the draft Calf Subsidies (United Kingdom) (Variation) (No. 2) Scheme 1974, referred to a Committee on 3rd July.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 248].

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments,—Sir Myer Galpern reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments the draft Scottish Special Housing Association (Limits of Advances) (Scotland) Order 1974 and the draft National Radiological Protection Board (Extension of Functions) Order 1974, referred to a Committee on 3rd July.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 249].

Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confer powers on the Torquay Market Company in relation to the capital and management of their undertaking; to confer further powers on the Company; and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Torquay Market Bill [Lords].

Torquay Market Bill [Lords].—The Torquay Market Bill [Lords] was read the first time.

Bill referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Labelling of Toilet Preparations Bill,—Ordered, That the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 21st June, That the Labelling of Toilet Preparations Bill be now read a second time, be resumed upon Friday next.

Rights of Patients Bill,—Ordered, That the Rights of Patients Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Spouses of United Kingdom Citizens (Equal Treatment) Bill,—Ordered, That Standing Committee C be discharged from considering the Spouses of United Kingdom Citizens (Equal Treatment) Bill.

Bill withdrawn.

Statutory Instruments,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft Agricultural Lime Scheme (Extension of Period) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Tom Pendry):—It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Hop Gardens (Replanting and Restructuring) Scheme 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Tom Pendry):—It was agreed to.

Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Rights of workers against arbitrary exclusion from trade union membership)—(Mr. Barney Hayhoe)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Adam Butler, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant : 301.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Thomas Cox, Mr. Laurie Pavitt : 302.

Another Clause (Rules of trade unions and employers' associations)—(Mr. Ian Percival)—brought up and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House proceeded to a Division.

The Tellers being come to the Table, it was stated by Mr. James Dunn, one of the Tellers, that the Tellers were not agreed as to the number who voted with the Ayes.

Whereupon Mr. Deputy Speaker directed the House to proceed again to a Division.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Adam Butler, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant : 303.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Golding, Mr. James Dunn : 304.

Another Clause (Application to High Court with a view to discontinuing or deferring industrial action which endangers lives, imperils national security, etc.)—(Mr. David Mitchell)—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 (Rights of workers in respect of trade union membership)—(Mr. Cyril Smith)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Dr. Michael Winstanley, Mr. David Steel: 117.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. John Golding: 305.

Another Clause (Restriction of right of trade unions to persuade persons to engage in strike)—(Mr. Cranley Onslow)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—
Debate arising;
And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Business of the House.—Ordered, That the Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill may be proceeded with at this day's sitting, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Donald Coleman.)

Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill,—Question again proposed, That the Clause (Restriction of right of trade unions to persuade persons to engage in strike), proposed on consideration of the Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill, be read a second time:—
Debate resumed.

Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments (Nos. 1 and 2) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 44) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, to leave out lines 1 to 3 and insert the words—

(1) A trade union may be either a body corporate or an unincorporated association.

(2) Where a trade union is unincorporated—(Mr. Ian Percival),—instead thereof.

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 50) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, subsection (5), paragraph (b), to leave out from the word “voidable” to the end of Clause No. 2.—
(Mr. Christopher Tugendhat.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 3 and 4) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 61) proposed to the Bill, in page 5, line 33, at the end, to insert the words—

“(5A) The Registrar shall not under subsection (3) above enter the name of any organisation in the relevant list unless he is satisfied that the organisation applying to have its name entered in the relevant list has made adequate provisions for complying with the requirements of sections 7 and 8 of this Act”.

(Mr. Christopher Tugendhat.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 5 and 6) made to the Bill.

Ordered, That further consideration of the Bill, as amended, be now adjourned.—
(Mr. Secretary Foot.)

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be further considered to-morrow.

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. James Dunn):—Debate arising;
And the Question having been proposed after Ten o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then eighteen minutes to Twelve o'clock, till to-morrow.

[Adjourned at 11.42 p.m.]
APPENDIX I

Wednesday 10th July 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Foot:
Pay Board.—Copy of the Fifth Report of the Pay Board for the period 1st March to 31st May 1974 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 237].

Mrs. Secretary Castle:
Social Security,—Copies of Regulations—
(1) dated 27th June 1974, entitled the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) (Mariners) Amendment Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1130), and
(2) dated 1st July 1974, entitled the National Insurance (Mariners) Amendment Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1129) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Benn:
Census of Production,—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production 1971, relating to—
(1) Fertilizers,
(2) Grain milling, and
(3) Miscellaneous manufacturing industries
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Varley:
Nuclear Reactor Policy,—Copy of a Report on nuclear reactor systems for electricity generation [by Command].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Standing Committee A,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, that they had nominated Eighteen Members to serve on Standing Committee A in respect of the Rent Bill [Lords] viz.: Mr. James Allason, Mr. Walter Clegg, Mr. Robin Cook, Mr. Tom Cox, Mr. Bruce Douglas-Mann, Mr. Reginald Freeson, Sir John Gilmour, Mr. Robert Hughes, Mr. Gerald Kaufman, Mr. Ivan Lawrence, Mr. R. Graham Page, Mr. Rees-Davies, Mr. Hugh Rossi, Mr. Timothy Sainsbury, Mr. Julius Silverman, Mr. A. W. Stallard, Mr. David Stoddart, and Mr. Paul Tyler.

Standing Committee B,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, that they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee B in respect of the Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr. Clinton Davis, Mr. Geoffrey Dodsworth, Mr. George Gardiner, Mr. James Johnson, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Ian Lloyd, Mr. Eddie Loyden, Mr. Kevin McNamara, Mr. Christopher Mayhew, Mr. R. C. Mitchell, Rear Admiral Morgan-Giles, Mr. Cranley Onslow, Mr. Tom Pendry, Mr. John Prescott, Mr. Roger Stott, and Mr. Neville Trotter.

Standing Committee D,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, that they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee D in respect of the Northern Ireland (Young Persons) Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr. John Biggs-Davison, Mr. John Carson, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. Tom Dalyell, Mr. Arthur Davison, Mr. Deedes, Mr. Norman Fowler, Mr. Hugh Fraser, Mr. Edward Lyons, Mr. McCusker, Mr. Kevin McNamara, Dr. Edmund Marshall, Mr. Carol Mather, Mr. Roland Moyle, Mr. Cecil Parkinson, and Mr. David Young.

Standing Committee F,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, that they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on Standing Committee F in respect of the Independent Broadcasting Authority (No. 2) Bill, viz.: Mr. Jonathan Aitken, Mr. Jeffrey Archer, Mr. W. Benyon, Sir Paul Bryan, Mr. Robert Cooke, Mr. Julian Critchley, Mrs. Gwyneth Dunwoody, Mr. John Golding, Mr. Hugh McCartney, Dr. Colin Phipps, Mr. George Reid, Mr. Wyn Roberts, Dr. S. Summerskill, Mr. Jeffrey Thomas, Mr. Philip Whitehead, and Mr. Ian Wrigglesworth.

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, that they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) Order 1974, viz.: Mr. Ronald Bell, Mr. Peter Blaker, Mr. Jim Callaghan, Mr. Eric Deakins, Mr. John Dunlop, Mr. Hugh Dykes, Mr. Percy Grieve, Mr. Joseph Harper, Mr. Roy Hattersley, Mr. John Lee, Mr. Neil Macten, Mr. Norman McCampbell, Mr. Dennis Skinner, Mr. Jim Spicer, Mr. Raphael Tuck, and Mr. Alistair Woodall.
Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the Porthmadog Harbour Revision Order 1974, viz.: Mr. Leo Abse, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. Nicholas Edwards, Mr. Tom Ellis, Mr. Fred Evans, Mr. David Gibson-Watt, Mr. Alastair Goodlad, Sir Raymond Gower, Mr. Geraint Howells, Mr. Douglas Hurd, Mr. Gwynoro Jones, Mr. Geraint Morgan, Mr. Frederick Mulley, Mr. Wyn Roberts, Mr. D. E. Thomas, and Mr. Dafydd Wigley.

MEMORANDA

Wednesday 10th July 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has allocated the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) Order 1974 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has appointed Mr. Bryant Godman Irvine Chairman of Standing Committee A in respect of the Kent Bill [Lords], Mrs. Lena Jeger Chairman of Standing Committee D in respect of the Northern Ireland (Young Persons) Bill [Lords], Sir Stephen McAdden Chairman of Standing Committee F in respect of the Independent Broadcasting Authority (No. 2) Bill, Mr. John Wells Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the Draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) Order 1974 and Mr. Michael English Chairman of the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the Porthmadog Harbour Revision Order 1974.

[No. 73.]

Thursday, 11th July, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

British Railways Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the British Railways Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday next.

Merseyside Metropolitan Railway Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for considering the Merseyside Metropolitan Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee:

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Thursday next.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Expenditure,—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, 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 (Third Special Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 253].

Science and Technology,—Mr. Arthur Palmer reported from the Select Committee on Science and Technology, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Energy Resources Sub-Committee on 11th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 127-v].

Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Health and Safety at Work, etc., Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Solicitors (Amendment) Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Parks Regulation (Amendment) Bill [Lords],—The Parks Regulation (Amendment) Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 92].

Health and Safety at Work, etc., Bill,—Lords Amendments to the Health and Safety at Work, etc., Bill to be considered to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 93].
Friendly Societies (Amendment) Bill.—Mr. John Roper presented a Bill to repeal section 1(4) of the Friendly Societies Act 1896: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday 19th July and to be printed [Bill 91].

Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded further to consider the Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee.

Another Amendment (No. 80) proposed to the Bill, in page 9, line 9, to leave out subsection (1) and insert the words:—

" (1) An act done by a person in contemplation or furtherance of a trade dispute shall not be actionable in tort on the ground only—

(a) that it induces another person to break a contract of employment; or

(b) that it consists in his threatening that a contract of employment (whether one to which he is a party or not) will be broken or that he will induce another person to break a contract of employment to which that other person is a party "—(Mr. Ian Percival), instead thereof.

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Walter Clegg, Mr. Adam Butler: 284.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. J. D. Dormand, Mr. Thomas Cox: 287.

Another Amendment (No. 64) proposed to the Bill, in page 9, to leave out lines 29 and 30.—(Mr. Cyril Smith.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. David Steel, Dr. Winstanley: 287.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. J. D. Dormand, Mr. Thomas Cox: 290.

Another Amendment (No. 81) proposed to the Bill, in page 9, line 38, at the end, to insert the words—

" ( ) The provisions of this section shall not apply to any act done by a person if at the time of doing the act—

(a) he knows or has reasonable grounds for believing that another person has entered into a contract with a person whether or not that other person is a party to the trade dispute;

(b) his purpose or principal purpose in taking or threatening to take those steps is knowingly to induce that other person to break that contract or to prevent him from performing it; and

(c) that other person is an extraneous party in relation to the trade dispute.

( ) For the purposes of this section a person shall be regarded as an extraneous party in relation to the trade dispute if—

(a) he is not a party to that dispute, and

(b) he has not, in contemplation or furtherance of that dispute, taken any action in material support of a party to it.

( ) A person shall not be regarded for the purposes of this section as a party to a trade dispute or as having taken action as mentioned in subsection ( ) of this section by reason only that he—

(a) is an associated employer in relation to an employer who is a party to the trade dispute, or

(b) is a member of an organisation of employers of which a party to the trade dispute is also a member, or

(c) has contributed to a fund which may be available to such a party by way of relief in respect of losses incurred or to be incurred in consequence of the dispute, where the fund was established, and his contribution to it was paid, without specific reference to that trade dispute, or

(d) supplies goods to, or provides services for, a party to the trade dispute in pursuance of a contract entered into before the trade dispute began, or is a party to such a contract under which he is or may be required to supply goods to, or provide services for, a party to the trade dispute "—(Mr. Barney Hayhoe.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Walter Clegg, Mr. John Stradling Thomas: 291.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Laurie Pavitt: 292.
Another Amendment (No. 78) proposed to the Bill, in page 10, line 29, at the end, to insert the words—

"(2) No such picketing shall be lawful unless the trade union whose members are to attend at or near any such place as is mentioned in the foregoing subsection for any purpose mentioned therein shall first notify the chief officer of police for the area which includes any such place giving him the following information—

(a) the names of the union members who are so to attend; and

(b) the dates and times at which, and places at or near which, such members are so to attend."—(Sir David Renton.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 7, 10, 8, 9 and 11 to 20) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 79) proposed to the Bill, in page 20, line 11, to leave out subsection (3).—(Sir David Renton.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 93) proposed to the Bill, in page 20, line 12, at the end, to insert the words "so long as the person or persons whose actions in Great Britain are said to be in contemplation or furtherance of a trade dispute relating to matters occurring outside Great Britain are likely to be affected in respect of one or more of the matters specified in subsection (1) of this section by the outcome of that dispute".—(Mr. Tugendhat.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Paul Hawkins, Mr. Benyon: 291.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Golding, Mr. Joseph Harper: 294.

Another Amendment (No. 65) proposed to the Bill, in page 20, line 17, to leave out sub-section (5).—(Mr. Cyril Smith.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 21) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 101) proposed to the Bill, in page 22, in the definition of "union membership agreement", at the end, to insert the words "or of another appropriate independent trade union".—(Mr. Ian Percival.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Debate arising.

And it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That the Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill may be proceeded with at this day's sitting, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill,—Question again proposed, That the proposed Amendment (No. 101) be made to the Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill:—Debate resumed.

Question put.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Paul Hawkins, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant: 291.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Dunn, Mr. Walter Johnson: 290.*

Whereupon, the numbers being equal, Mr. Speaker stated that he would, in Mr. Speaker's casting vote, vote for the Bill as reported from the Standing Committee, and that accordingly he gave his voice against the Amendment.

Other Amendments (Nos. 22 to 26) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 96) proposed to the Bill, in page 27, to leave out lines 35 to 43 and insert the words—

"(a) it is the practice in accordance with a union membership agreement, for all the employees of this employer or all employees of the said class as the dismissed employee to belong to independent trade unions; and

(b) the reason for the dismissal was that the employee was not a member of an appropriate independent trade union and had refused or proposed to refuse to become or remain a member of such a trade union".—(Mr. Ian Percival), instead thereof.

* The number of the Noes has been altered from 291 in accordance with directions given to the Clerk of the House by Mr. Speaker on 16th July.
Question put, That the Amendment be made.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Dr. Vaughan : 290.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Joseph Harper, Mr. Walter Johnson : 291.

Another Amendment (No. 86) proposed to the Bill, in page 27, line 44, at the end, to insert the words " or conscience ".—(Mr. Barney Hayhoe.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Benyon, Mr. Walter Clegg : 284.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Walter Johnson, Mr. Laurie Pavitt : 286.

Another Amendment (No. 28) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 66) proposed to the Bill, in page 27, line 45, at the end, to insert the words " or on any reasonable grounds to being a member of a particular trade union ".—(Mr. Cyril Smith.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. David Steel, Mr. Paul Tyler : 283.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Dunn, Mr. Thomas Cox : 282.*

Whereupon, the numbers being equal, Mr. Deputy Speaker stated that he would, in accordance with precedent, vote to keep the Bill as reported from the Standing Committee, and that accordingly he declared himself with the Noes.

Other Amendments (Nos. 29, 67 and 68) made to the Bill.

Friday, 12th July, 1974:

Another Amendment (No. 106) proposed to the Bill, in page 33, line 32, at the end, to insert the words:—

"(1) The provisions of this paragraph shall have effect where, in any proceedings on a complaint under paragraph 14 of this Schedule, an industrial tribunal makes an award of compensation to be paid by an employer in consequence of action taken by the employer or by a person acting on his behalf, and the employer claims that the action so taken by him or on his behalf was induced by pressure exercised on him by another person (in this paragraph referred to as ' the third party ') by means of action to which the preceding paragraph of this Schedule applies.

(2) In the circumstances specified in the preceding sub-paragraph the employer may, in accordance with industrial tribunal regulations, require the third party to be joined as a party to the proceedings; and if in the proceedings the industrial tribunal finds that the claim of the employer (as specified in the above sub-paragraph) is well-founded, then, subject to the preceding sub-paragraph (4) of this paragraph, the tribunal may, if it considers that it would be just and equitable to do so, make an order requiring the third party to pay to the employer a contribution in respect of the compensation awarded against him.

(3) The amount of the contribution ordered to be paid under this section in respect of any compensation—

(a) shall be such amount as the industrial tribunal considers to be just and equitable in the circumstances and

(b) may, if the tribunal so determines, be such as to constitute a complete indemnity.

(4) Where the third party is an official of a trade union, and it is shown that in taking the action in question, he was acting in his capacity as such an official and within the scope of his authority on behalf of the trade union—

(a) the industrial tribunal shall not order him to pay any contribution to the employer under this paragraph but

(b) nothing in sub-paragraph (4)(a) above shall affect the power of the tribunal to order a contribution to be paid by the trade union ".—(Mr. Ian Percival.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 30) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 40) proposed to the Bill, in page 34, line 16, to leave out the words " a recommendation " and insert the words " and order ".—(Mr. Woodhouse),—instead thereof.

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

* The number of the Noes has been altered from 283 in accordance with directions given to the Clerk of the House by Mr. Speaker on 16th July.
Other Amendments (Nos. 31 and 32) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 107) proposed to the Bill, in page 36, to leave out lines 12 to 14.—(Mr. Ian Percival.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 33 to 38 and 69) made to the Bill.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

Rent [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Rent [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to amend the Rent Act 1968 and the Rent (Scotland) Act 1971 it is expedient to authorise any increase attributable to the said Act of the present Session in the sums payable out of money provided by Parliament under any other Act.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Taxes,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Regional Employment Premium (Continuation of Payment) (Winsford) (Amendment) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 25th June, be approved—(Mr. Walter Harrison):—It was agreed to.

Overseas Aid,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the International Development Association (Fourth Replenishment: Interim Payments) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 28th June, be approved—(Mr. Walter Harrison):—It was agreed to.

Overseas Aid,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the International Development Association (Fourth Replenishment) Order, a draft of which was laid before this House on 28th June, be approved—(Mr. Walter Harrison):—It was agreed to.

Housing (Scotland),—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Scottish Special Housing Association (Limit of Advances) (Scotland) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 28th June, be approved—(Mr. Walter Harrison):—It was agreed to.

Agriculture,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Calf Subsidies (United Kingdom) (Variation) (No. 2) Scheme 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 1st July, be approved—(Mr. Walter Harrison):—It was agreed to.

Radioactive Substances,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the National Radiological Protection Board (Extension of Functions) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 1st July, be approved—(Mr. Walter Harrison):—It was agreed to.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till Twenty-one minutes to One o'clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.39 a.m.

APPENDIX

Thursday 11th July 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Dr. John Gilbert:

Taxes,—Copy of an Order, dated 5th July 1974, entitled the Profits Tax (Interest on Unpaid Tax) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1148) [by Act].

Value Added Tax,—Copy of an Order, dated 4th July 1974, entitled the Value Added Tax (Consolidation) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1146) [by Act].

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Mr. Secretary Ross:

Education (Scotland).—Copy of Regulations, dated 27th June 1974, entitled the Teachers Superannuation (Added Years and Interchange) (Scotland) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1135) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Shore:

Civil Aviation.—Copies of Regulations—
(1) dated 2nd July 1974, entitled the Civil Aviation (Navigation Services Charges) (Fourth Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1132), and
(2) dated 3rd July 1974, entitled the Civil Aviation (Joint Financing) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1144) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:


Mr. Secretary Varley:

Offshore Oil and Gas.—Copy of Government Proposals relating to United Kingdom offshore oil and gas policy [by Command].

Coal Industry.—Draft of an Order, entitled the Coal Industry (Borrowing Powers) Order 1974 [by Act].

Mr. Frederick Peart:

Food and Drugs.—Copies of Regulations, dated 28th June 1974, entitled—
(1) the Antioxidant in Food Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1120),
(2) the Cheese (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1122),
(3) the Miscellaneous Additives in Food Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1121), and
(4) the Preservatives in Food Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1119) [by Act].

Paper laid upon the Table by Mr. Speaker:

Administrative Services of the House of Commons.—Copy of the Report on the Review of the Administrative Services of the House of Commons ; to be printed [No. 254].

Paper laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Plant Breeders' Rights.—Copy of Rules, dated 26th June 1974, entitled the Plant Varieties and Seeds Tribunal Rules 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1136) [by Act].

MEMORANDUM

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In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has appointed Sir Alfred Broughton Chairman of Standing Committee B in respect of the Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords], Mr. Harold Gardem Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Abortion (Amendment) Bill and Mr. Alan Fitch an additional Chairman of Standing Committee E in respect of the Channel Tunnel Bill.

[No. 74]

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The House met at Eleven o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Accounts and Papers,—A Paper was presented (see Appendix).

Race Relations and Immigration,—Mr. Deedes reported from the Select Committee on Race Relations and Immigration, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them on 11th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table ; and to be printed (No. 123-x).
Road Traffic Bill [Lords].—Ordered, That the Road Traffic Bill [Lords] be referred to a Second Reading Committee.—(Mr. Laurie Pavitt.)

Industrial Policy.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House would welcome an early statement on the Government's industrial policy.—(Mr. Robert Kilroy-Silk):—Debate arising:

And it being Four o'clock, The Debate stood adjourned.

Cinematograph and Indecent Displays Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Cinematograph and Indecent Displays Bill;

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

Farriers (Registration) Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Farriers (Registration) Bill [Lords];

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

Rating Reform Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rating Reform Bill;

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

Historic Churches Preservation Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Historic Churches Preservation Bill;

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

Parliamentary Broadcasting Unit Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parliamentary Broadcasting Unit Bill;

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

Hare Coursing Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Hare Coursing Bill;

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

Abolition of Tied Cottages Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Abolition of Tied Cottages Bill;

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

Labelling of Toilet Preparations Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed on 21st June, That the Labelling of Toilet Preparations Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday 25th October.

Rights of Patients Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Rights of Patients Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday 25th October.

Parks Regulation (Amendment) Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Parks Regulation (Amendment) Bill [Lords];

Mr. John Silkin acquainted the House, That he had it in Command from the Queen to acquaint the House that Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, has consented to place Her prerogative and interest, so far as they are affected by the Bill, at the disposal of Parliament for the purposes of the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

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

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

The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.
Schedule agreed to.
Bill to be reported.
Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Thomas Cox 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 forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading):—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till Twenty three minutes to Five o’clock, adjourned till Monday next.

[Adjourned at 4.37 p.m.

APPENDIX

Friday 12th July 1974

Paper presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Frederick Peart:

Diseases of Animals,—Copy of an Order, dated 12th July 1974, entitled the Importation of Cattle Order (No. 4) 1974 [by Act].

[No. 75.]


The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills [Lords] (No Standing Order not previously inquired into applicable),—Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the following Bills, originating in the Lords and referred after the First Reading thereof, no Standing Order not previously inquired into is applicable thereto, viz.:

Port of Tyne (North Shields Fish Harbour) Bill [Lords].

Torquay Market Bill [Lords].

Bills to be read a second time.

Crouch Harbour Bill [Lords],—The Crouch Harbour Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

Eastbourne Harbour Bill [Lords],—The Eastbourne Harbour Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Education (Mentally Handicapped Children) (Scotland) Bill, without Amendment.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That if the Northern Ireland Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, further proceedings on the Bill shall stand postponed and that, as soon as the proceedings on any Resolution come to by the House on Northern Ireland [Money] have been concluded, this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee on the Bill.—(Mr. Laurie Pavitt.)

Northern Ireland Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Northern Ireland Bill:

Mr. Secretary Rees acquainted the House, That he had it in Command from the Queen to acquaint the House that Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, has consented to place Her prerogative and interest, so far as they are affected by the Bill, at the disposal of Parliament for the purposes of the Bill.
A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a
second time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

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

Further proceedings stood postponed pursuant to the Order of the House this day.

Northern Ireland [Money], Her Majesty’s Recommendation having been signified to the
proposed Motion relating to Northern Ireland [Money];

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to provide for the
dissolution of the existing Northern Ireland Assembly and its prorogation until dis-
solution; to make temporary provision for the government of Northern Ireland; and
to provide for the election and holding of a Constitutional Convention in Northern
Ireland, it is expedient to authorise—

(a) the payment out of the Consolidated Fund of any costs incurred by a Govern-
ment department (including a Northern Ireland department) in connection with
the election of that Convention or any poll held by virtue of that Act for the
purpose of obtaining the views of the people of Northern Ireland on any matter
contained in or arising out of a report of the Convention or otherwise concerned
with the future government of Northern Ireland;
(b) the payment out of moneys provided by Parliament of any expenses of the
Secretary of State in connection with that Convention, not being costs falling
within paragraph (a) above;
(c) the payment into the Consolidated Fund of any sums required by that Act
to be so paid.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Northern Ireland Bill,—The House, according to the Order this day, resolved itself into a
Committee on the Northern Ireland Bill.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 3 agreed to.

Schedule No. 1 (Temporary Provision for Government of Northern Ireland).

Amendment (No. 2) proposed, in page 4, line 24, at the end, to insert the words
"and no draft of an order shall be brought forward for approval under paragraph (a)
above unless and until it has been approved by a Standing Committee established
for the purpose".—(Captain Orr.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, with-
drawn.

Another Amendment (No. 3) proposed, in page 2, line 35, to leave out the words
"seventy-eight " and insert the words "eighty-one".—(Mr. Harry West.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Molyneaux, Captain Orr: 11.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Golding, Mr. Walter Johnson: 131.

Another Amendment (No. 4) proposed, in page 7, line 36, at the end, to insert the words "and

(c) Members of the House of Commons for constituencies in Northern Ireland".—

(Captain Orr.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.

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 Mr. Walter Johnson reported, That
the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and moved, That the Committee may
have leave to sit again.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That the Northern Ireland Bill, the Policing of Airports
Bill, the Railways Bill and the Land Tenure Reform (Scotland) Bill [Lords] may be
proceeded with at this day’s sitting, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Walter
Johnson.)

Northern Ireland Bill,—The House again resolved itself into a Committee on the Northern
Ireland Bill.
Schedule No. 1 (Temporary Provision for Government of Northern Ireland).

Question again proposed, That the Amendment (No. 4) be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Schedule agreed to.

Schedule No. 2 (Convention on Future Government of Northern Ireland).

Amendment (No. 9) proposed, in page 7, line 37, to leave out from the second word "the" to the end of line 43 and insert the words "electors of Northern Ireland under a list system of proportional representation".-(Mr. Michael English.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 6) proposed, in page 8, line 3, after the word "instrument" to insert the words "but such date shall not be later than 31st December 1974".—(Mr. Robert Bradford.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 7) proposed, in page 8, line 20, at the end, to insert the words:

"6A. Provisions for bye-elections to the convention shall be the same as would apply for the Northern Ireland Assembly".—(Reverend Ian Paisley.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. John Golding 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 forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading):—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Policing of Airports Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Policing of Airports Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendment (No. 1) proposed to the Bill, in page 1, line 5, to leave out from the word "state" to the word "in" in line 8 and insert the words "shall by order designate for the purposes of this Act all aerodromes used for the purpose of civil aviation unless, following inspection of the arrangements made for policing any aerodrome, he is satisfied that the policing of that aerodrome need not".—(Mr. Norman Fowler), instead thereof.

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments (Nos. 2 and 3) made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time:

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Tuesday morning:

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And the Question being put:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Railways Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Railways Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith, pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Land Tenure Reform (Scotland) Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Land Tenure Reform (Scotland) Bill [Lords], not amended in the Standing Committee.
A Clause (Superiors' existing rights)—(Mr. Michael English)—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.

Amendment (No. 1) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 3, to leave out from the word "agent" to the end of line 5 and insert the words "notice of his desire to redeem the feuudary exigible in respect of such land as he sufficiently identifies in said notice"—(Mr. Teddy Taylor), instead thereof.

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments (Nos. 2 and 3) made to the Bill.

A Motion being made, That the Land Tenure Reform (Scotland) Bill [Lords] be now read the third time;

The Lord Advocate, 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.

The Lord Advocate, by Command of the Prince of Wales, acquainted the House, That His Royal Highness, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives his Consent, as far as the Prince of Wales's interest, in respect of the Principality and Stewartry of Scotland, is concerned, That the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from citizens of Great Britain relating to the export of live food animals was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till one minute to One o'clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourmed at 12.59 a.m.

**APPENDIX**

*Monday 15th July 1974*

*Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:*

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:

- Community Relations.—Report of the Community Relations Commission for 1973-74 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 221].
- Police.—Copy of Regulations, dated 4th July 1974, entitled the Police Cadets (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1153) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Ross:

- Plant Health.—Copy of an Order, dated 2nd July 1974, entitled the Prevention of Spread of Pests (Seed Potatoes) (Great Britain) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1152) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Prentice:

- National Museums and Galleries.—Copy of a Statement on Indemnities for Borrowed Objects (Tate Gallery) [by Command].

Mrs. Secretary Castle:

- Medicines.—Copy of an Order, dated 5th July 1974, entitled the Medicines (Exemption from Licences) (Ingredients) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1150) [by Act].
- Social Security.—Copy of Regulations, dated 8th July 1974, entitled the National Insurance (Members of the Forces) Amendment Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1157) [by Act].
Mr. Secretary Benn:

Census of Production.—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production 1971, relating to—

(1) Coke ovens and manufactured fuel,
(2) Dyestuffs, and pigments,
(3) Furniture and upholstery,
(4) Lubricating oils and greases,
(5) Miscellaneous (non-electrical) machinery,
(6) Packaging products of paper and associated materials,
(7) Paint, and
(8) Surgical bandages

[by Act].

Mr. Edward Short:


(1) the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Disablement Awards) Order 1974, and
(2) the Naval and Marine Pay and Pensions (Widows’ Attributable Pensions) Order 1974

[by Act].

Papers laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Church of England (General Synod) (Measures).—Copy of a Measure passed by the General Synod of the Church of England, entitled the Church of England (Worship and Doctrine) Measure [by Act]; to be printed [No. 255].

Church of England (General Synod) (Measures).—Report by the Ecclesiastical Committee upon the Church of England (Worship and Doctrine) Measure [by Act]; to be printed [No. 256].


Industrial Injuries.—Account showing the nature and nominal amount of the securities held by the National Debt Commissioners on 31st March 1974, as investments for moneys forming part of the Industrial Injuries Fund, paid to them under section 59(3) of the National Insurance (Industrial Injuries) Act 1965 [by Act].

Ironstone Restoration.—Account showing the nature and nominal amount of the securities held by the National Debt Commissioners on 31st March 1974, as investments for moneys forming part of the Ironstone Restoration Fund [by Act].

National Insurance.—Account showing the nature and nominal amount of the securities held by the National Debt Commissioners on 31st March 1974, as investments for moneys forming part of the National Insurance Fund and the National Insurance (Reserve) Fund [by Act].

Legal Aid and Advice.—Copies of Regulations, date 12th July 1974, entitled—

(1) the Legal Advice and Assistance (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974,
(2) the Legal Advice and Assistance (Financial Conditions) (No. 2) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1184), and
(3) the Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) Regulation 1974

[by Act].

MEMORANDUM

Monday 15th July 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has allocated the Agricultural Lime Scheme (Extension of Period) Order 1974 and the Hop Gardens (Replanting and Restructuring) Scheme 1974 to the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments.
Tuesday, 16th July, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Old London Road, Hythe, Burial Ground Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Old London Road, Hythe, Burial Ground Bill; and the same were agreed to.

British Airports Authority (Longford River) Bill [Lords].—The British Airports Authority (Longford River) Bill [Lords] was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented (see Appendix).

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. R. Graham Page reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords 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 had directed him to report Memoranda laid before them and the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them on 16th July: And the Report was brought up and read (Fourteenth Report).

Report, together with Memoranda and Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table.

Report to be printed [No. 51-xviii].

Memoranda and Minutes of Evidence to be printed [No. 51-xix].

European Secondary Legislation, &c.,—Mr. John Davies reported from the Committee on European Secondary Legislation, &c., That they had agreed to a Report, which they had directed him to make to the House: And the Report was brought up and read (Seventh Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 257].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 257].

European Secondary Legislation, &c.,—Mr. John Davies reported from the Committee on European Secondary Legislation, &c., That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them on 16th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 208-ii].

House of Commons (Services),—Mr. Arthur Bottomley reported from the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services), 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 (Sixth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 263].

House of Commons (Services),—Mr. Arthur Bottomley reported from the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services), 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 (Seventh Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 264].

House of Commons (Services),—Mr. Arthur Bottomley reported from the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services), 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 (Eighth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 265].

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. R. Graham Page 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 (Thirteenth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 52-xiv].
Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords].—Sir Alfred Broughton reported from Standing Committee B, That they had gone through the Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords], and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 262].

Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Michael English reported from the Fourth Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments the Porthmadog Harbour Revision Order 1974, referred to a Committee on 4th July.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 261].

Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:—

The Lords have agreed to the Orkney County Council Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate the Friendly Societies Acts 1896 to 1971 and certain other enactments relating to the societies to which those Acts apply, with amendments to give effect to recommendations of the Law Commission and the Scottish Law Commission; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Friendly Societies Bill [Lords].

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the British Airports Authority (Longford River) Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Friendly Societies Bill [Lords].—The Friendly Societies Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 95].

Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill.—Mr. Harold Lever, Member for Manchester Central, acquainted the House, That in the Divisions on Amendments Nos. 101 and 66 proposed on consideration of the Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, he was recorded as having voted with the Noes; but he had to inform the House that he was not within the Precincts of the House at the time of those Divisions and that in consequence his vote ought not to have been so recorded.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker directed the Clerk to correct the numbers in the Journal as follows:—

In the Division relating to Amendment No. 101: Ayes 291, Noes 290.
In the Division relating to Amendment No. 66: Ayes 283, Noes 282.

Ordered, That the Proceedings relating to Mr. Speaker's and Mr. Deputy Speaker's casting votes, which followed the said Divisions, be null and void.

Ordered, That the Proceedings of 11th July in relation to the Third Reading of the Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill be null and void; that a Message be sent to the Lords to request that they will be pleased to return to this House the said Bill because Clause No. 27 and Schedule No. 1 are incorrect; and that when the Bill has been returned by the Lords and corrected it shall be read the third time.—(Mr. Edward Short.)

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft Coal Industry (Borrowing Powers) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Edward Short):—It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Edward Short):—It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Legal Advice and Assistance (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Edward Short):—It was agreed to.

Protection of Passengers (Fares).—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to limit the extent to which forfeiture of fares, including deposits paid, may be included in contracts for the carriage of passengers: And that Mr. George Lawson, Mr. W. W. Hamilton, Mr. John Smith, Mr. William Small, Mr. Robin F. Cook, Mr. Harry Ewing, and Mr. John Ellis, do prepare and bring it in.

Protection of Passengers (Fares) Bill.—Mr. George Lawson accordingly presented a Bill to limit the extent to which forfeiture of fares, including deposits paid, may be included in contracts for the carriage of passengers: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next and to be printed [Bill 94].
Ways and Means.—Disallowance of interest (consequential amendments).—Resolved, That the charges to income tax and corporation tax (including charges for past years of assessment or accounting periods) may be imposed by provisions corresponding with or consequential on provisions restricting the circumstances in which interest may be deducted from or set off against income for the purposes of income tax. (Mr. Joel Barnett.)

Procedure (Future Taxation) (No. 3).—Ordered, That notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the practice of the House relating to the matters which may be included in Finance Bills, any Finance Bill of the present Session may contain provision taking effect in a future year for substituting a larger amount for the £2,000 referred to in section 198(3) of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970. (Dr. John Gilbert.)

Finance Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Finance Bill, as amended in the Committee and in the Standing Committee.

Ordered, That on consideration of the Finance Bill any Amendments relating to the Clauses and Schedules be considered in the following order of Clauses and Schedules, namely: Clauses Nos. 1 to 15; Schedule No. 1; Clauses Nos. 16 and 17; Schedule No. 2; Clauses Nos. 18 to 33; Schedules Nos. 3 and 4; Clause No. 34; Schedule No. 5; Clause No. 35; Schedule No. 6; Clauses Nos. 36 and 39; Schedules Nos. 7 and 8; Clause No. 40; Schedule No. 9; Clauses Nos. 41 and 42; Schedule No. 10; Clauses Nos. 43 and 44; Schedule No. 11; Clauses Nos. 45 and 46; Schedule No. 12; Clause No. 47; Schedule No. 13; Clauses Nos. 48 to 51; Schedule No. 14.—(Dr. John Gilbert.)

A Clause (Expenditure on Fire Safety)—(Dr. John Gilbert)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Partnership retirement annuities)—(Dr. John Gilbert)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Trade unions)—(Mr. Joel Barnett)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Expenses allowances to directors and others)—(Dr. John Gilbert)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Mitigation of corporation tax liability of small companies)—(Mr. David Mitchell)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Aye., Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Michael Roberts: 292.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Walter Johnson, Mr. Laurie Pavitt: 267.

Clause added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Amendment of Section 343 of Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970 to allow Pension Funds to invest in building societies and reclaim income tax)—(Mr. William Clark)—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 (Vehicle excise duty: exemption for the disabled)—(Mr. Terence L. Higgins)—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.

Amendment (No. 169) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 28, at the end to insert the words—

"except in the case of bets made by way of pool betting in respect of a competition for prizes held by—

(a) the holder of a licence under the Pool Competitions Act 1971, or

(b) any person approved by the Secretary of State in that behalf on the recommendation of the Gaming Board for Great Britain, in respect of which the amount of the pool betting duty shall be 33⅓ per cent."—(Mr. Reginald Eyre.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. J. Stradling Thomas, Mr. Richard Luce: 291.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Ernest Perry: 274.

Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have returned the Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill, pursuant to the Commons Message this day.
Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill.—Mr. Speaker further acquainted the House, That Clause No. 27 of and Schedule No. 1 to the Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill had been corrected by the insertion of Amendments Nos. 101 and 66 proposed on consideration of the Bill.

Mr. Speaker proceeded, pursuant to the Order of the House this day, to put the Question, That the Bill be now read the third time; and the Question being put forth-with pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading):—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Bill, as corrected in this House, be returned to the Lords.

Finance Bill.—The House again proceeded to consider the Finance Bill, as amended in the Committee and in the Standing Committee.

Another Amendment (No. 2) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 42, after the word "effect", to insert the words “and be deemed always to have had effect.”—(Dr. John Gilbert.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. John Golding, Mr. Thomas Cox: 280.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Paul Hawkins, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant: 298.

Another Amendment (No. 120) proposed to the Bill, in page 4, to leave out lines 9 to 17 and insert the words—

“(B) in respect of so much of the investment income included in an individual’s total income as exceeds £2,000, at the additional rate of 15 per cent.”—(Mr. John Pardoe).—instead thereof.

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. David Steel, Dr. Winstanley: 296.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Golding, Mr. Joseph Harper: 280.

Ordered, That further consideration of the Bill, as amended, be now adjourned.—(Mr. Joel Barnett.)

Bill, as amended in the Committee and in the Standing Committee, to be further considered to-morrow.

House of Commons (Services).—Ordered, That the Catering Sub-committee of the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services) have power to appoint persons with expert knowledge for the purpose of particular inquiries, either to supply information which is not readily available or to elucidate matters of complexity within the Sub-committee’s order of reference.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

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

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o’clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 17th July, 1974:

And the Question being put;

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till fourteen minutes past Twelve o’clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.14 a.m.

APPENDIX

Tuesday 16th July 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:

Cabs,—Copy of an Order, dated 7th July 1974, entitled the Leeds Corporation (Consolidation) Act 1905 (Amendment) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1165) [by Act].
Mr. Secretary Ross:
Legal Aid and Advice (Scotland),—Copies of Regulations, dated 15th July 1974, entitled—
(1) the Legal Advice and Assistance (Scotland) (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974,
(2) the Legal Advice and Assistance (Scotland) (Financial Conditions) (No. 2) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1197), and
(3) the Legal Aid (Scotland) (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974 [by Act].

Mrs. Secretary Castle:
Census,—Copy of the Report of the Census 1971 relating to non-private households [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:
Transport,—Statement of the appointment of, and salary payable to, a part-time member of the British Waterways Board [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Rees:
Legal Aid,—Copy of Regulations, dated 27th June 1974, entitled the Legal Aid (Assessment of Resources) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1974 (S.R. & O. (N.I.), 1974, No. 145) [by Statutory Instrument].

Summary Jurisdiction,—Copies of Orders, dated 28th June 1974, entitled—
(1) the Petty Sessions Districts Order (Northern Ireland) 1974 (S.R. & O. (N.I.), 1974, No. 152), and
(2) the Petty Sessions Times Order (Northern Ireland) 1974 (S.R. & O. (N.I.), 1974, No. 151)
[by Statutory Instrument].

Mr. Secretary Varley:

[No. 77.]
Wednesday, 17th July, 1974.
The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

Expenditure,—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee. 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 (First Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 269].

Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Mr. Charles Fletcher-Cooke reported from the Select Committee on the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration 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 Minutes of the Evidence taken on 16th January in the last Session of the last Parliament and referred to the Committee on 30th April: And the Report was brought up and read.

Report, together with Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 268].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 268].

Selection,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).
Northern Ireland (Young Persons) Bill [Lords].—Mrs. Lena Jeger reported from Standing Committee D, That they had gone through the Northern Ireland (Young Persons) Bill [Lords], and directed her to report the same, without Amendment.

Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 270].

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments.—Mr. John Wells reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments the draft European Communities (Definition of Treaties) Order 1974, referred to a Committee on 9th July.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 267].

Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Northern Ireland Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Housing (Scotland) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Housing (Scotland) Bill.—Lords Amendments to the Housing (Scotland) Bill to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 98].

Abolition of Chief Rents.—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to abolish chief rents at the transfer of title, and for connected purposes: And that Mr. Frederick Silvester, Mr. John Cope, and Mr. Kenneth Marks, do prepare and bring it in.

Abolition of Chief Rents Bill.—Mr. Frederick Silvester accordingly presented a Bill to abolish chief rents at the transfer of title, and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 96].

Finance Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded further to consider the Finance Bill, as amended in the Committee and in the Standing Committee.

Another Amendment (No. 101) proposed to the Bill, in page 6, line 28, to leave out from “ 1973 ” to the word “ and ” in line 29 and insert the words “ and subsequent years shall be three fourths of the corporation tax rate ”—(Mr. David Mitchell),—instead thereof.

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 103) proposed to the Bill, in page 6, line 29, to leave out “ 42 ” and insert “ 40 ”—(Mr. William Clark),—instead thereof.

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. William Benyon, Mr. Adam Butler: 283.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Joseph Harper, Mr. Laurie Pavitt: 292.

An Amendment made to the Bill, in page 6, line 31, by leaving out the words “ three twentieths ” and inserting the words “ one sixth ”, instead thereof.

Royal Assent.—Mr. Speaker notified the House, in accordance with the Royal Assent Act 1967, That Her Majesty had signified Her Royal Assent to the following Acts agreed upon by both Houses:

1 Solicitors (Amendment) Act 1974.
2 Education (Mentally Handicapped Children) (Scotland) Act 1974.
3 Northern Ireland Act 1974.
5 Fife County Council Order Confirmation Act 1974.
8 British Airports Authority (Longford River) Act 1974.

Finance Bill.—The House again proceeded to consider the Finance Bill, as amended in the Committee and in the Standing Committee.

Another Amendment (No. 116) proposed to the Bill, in page 6, line 38, to leave out Clause 12.—(Mr. Robert Carr.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Debate arising;

Motion made and Question proposed. That the Debate be now adjourned.—(Mr. Robert Mellish.)
The Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Question again proposed, That the proposed Amendment (No. 116) be made to the Bill:—Debate resumed.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 5 to 9) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 180) proposed to the Bill, in page 8, line 10, after the word "up" to insert the words "or where a company ceases to be within the charge to corporation tax".—(Mr. Peter Rees.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 109) proposed to the Bill, in page 8, line 35, at the end to insert the words—

"(c) provided that if a married claimant proves that at any time within the year of assessment he or his wife living with him reaches the age of 65 years or upwards for the figure of £865 shall be substituted the figure £975 and if a single claimant proves that at any time within the year of assessment he reaches the age of 65 years or upwards for the figure of £625 shall be substituted the figure £680".—(Mr. Terence L. Higgins.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 10 and 174) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 200) proposed to the Bill, in page 9, line 35, to leave out paragraph (b) and insert the words—

"(b) at the end of subsection (1) there shall be added the following words:

'Provided always that as regards any debt incurred after August 1st 1974 for which this Section gives relief the amount of interest thereon shall only be deducted from or set off against a person's income for the purpose of assessing that person's liability to income tax at the basic rate only, and no relief thereon shall be given in respect of higher rates of tax or the investment income surcharge'".—(Mr. John Pardoe), instead thereof.

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. John Pardoe, Dr. Michael Winstanley: 24.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Jack Dormand, Mr. James Hamilton: 274.

Another Amendment (No. 11) proposed to the Bill, in page 9, line 56, to leave out subsection (4) and insert the words—

"(4) Interest is excepted from subsection (3) above if it is payable on a debt incurred on or before 26th March 1974 or on a debt replacing one so incurred and—

(a) where it is payable on an overdraft, it is payable before 6th April 1975; and

(b) where it is not payable on an overdraft but on a debt replacing an overdraft, the overdraft was replaced (either by the debt on which the interest is payable or by another debt which was not an overdraft) before 6th April 1975 and the interest is payable before 6th April 1980; and

(c) in any other case the interest is payable before 6th April 1980;

but where the interest is payable on an overdraft or on a debt replacing an overdraft it shall be eligible for relief to the extent only that it or, as the case may be, the amount on which it is payable, does not exceed the limit imposed by subsection (5) below".—(Dr. John Gilbert), instead thereof.

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.

Amendment (a) proposed to the words proposed to be inserted, in line 5, to leave out "1975" and insert "1976".—(Mr. Terence L. Higgins), instead thereof.

Question put, That the Amendment be made to the words proposed to be inserted.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Cecil Parkinson: 270.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Golding, Mr. Tom Pendry: 289.

Another Amendment (c) proposed to the words proposed to be inserted, in line 10, to leave out "1980" and insert "1984".—(Mr. Terence L. Higgins), instead thereof.

Question put, That the Amendment be made to the words proposed to be inserted.
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Hall-Davis: 273.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Golding, Mr. Walter Johnson: 289.

Question, That the Amendment (No. 11) be made, put and agreed to.

Other Amendments (Nos. 12 to 15, 23 to 27 and 207) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 28) proposed to the Bill, in page 43, line 15, to leave out sub-paragraph (2).—(Dr. John Gilbert.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. John Golding, Mr. Jack Dormand: 102.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Norman Lamont, Mr. Nigel Lawson: 29.

Other Amendments (Nos. 29 to 35, 105, 104, 36, 37 and 106) made to the Bill.

Ordered, That further consideration of the Bill, as amended, be now adjourned.—(Mr. Joel Barnett.)

Bill, as amended in the Committee and in the Standing Committee, to be further considered to-morrow.

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

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Thursday morning;

Thursday, 18th July, 1974:

And the Question having been proposed after Ten o'clock on Wednesday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House, without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then seventeen minutes past Twelve o'clock on Thursday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.17 a.m.

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 17th July 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:

Mentally Abnormal Offenders,—Copy of the Interim Report of the Committee on mentally abnormal offenders [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Ross:

Ancient Monuments,—Copy of the Report of the Ancient Monuments Board for Scotland for 1973 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 212].

Census,—Copy of Population Tables of the Census 1971 relating to Scotland [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Shore:

Civil Aviation,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the British Airports Authority for the year ended 31st March 1974 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Benn:

Census of Production,—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production 1971, relating to—

(1) miscellaneous stationers' goods, and

(2) refrigerating machinery

[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Varley:

The Lord Advocate:

Law Commissions,—Copy of the Report of the Scottish Law Commission on presumption of death [by Act]; to be printed [No. 225].

Paper laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Friendly Societies,—Copy of the Report of the Chief Registrar of Trade Unions and Employers’ Associations for 1973 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 207].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

Second Reading Committee,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Twenty Members to serve on a Second Reading Committee in respect of the Road Traffic Bill [Lords], viz.: Mr. Daniel Awdry, The Reverend Robert Bradford, Mr. Jim Callaghan, Mr. Carter-Jones, Mr. Alan Clark, Mr. Stanley Cohen, Mr. Jack Dunnett, Mr. Tony Durant, Mr. Geoffrey Finsberg, Mr. Marcus Fox, Mr. Peter Fry, Mr. John Golding, Mr. John Horam, Mr. Ralph Howell, Mr. Leslie Huckfield, Mr. Roy Hughes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Jim Lester, Mr. Frederick Mulley, and Mrs. Audrey Wise.

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the Legal Advice and Assistance (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974 and the Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974, viz.: Mr. Leo Abse, Mr. Hugh Brown, Mr. Richard Buchan, Mr. Crowder, Mr. Russell Fairgrieve, Mr. Charles Fletcher-Cooke, Mr. T. G. D. Galbraith, Dr. Alan Glyn, Mr. George Lawson, Mr. John Lee, Mr. Edward Lyons, Mr. Hector Monro, Mr. Brian Sedgemore, Mr. Cyril Smith, Mr. Solicitor General, and Mr. David Waddington.

Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the draft Agricultural Lime Scheme (Extension of Period) Order 1974 and the Hop Gardens (Replanting and Restructuring) Scheme 1974, viz.: Mr. Edward Bishop, Mr. Christopher Brocklebank-Fowler, Mr. Anthony Buck, Mr. Ian Campbell, Mr. Alan Clark, Ms. Maureen Colquhoun, Mr. Bernard Conlan, Mr. David Crouch, Mr. George Grant, Mr. Joseph Harper, Mr. Geraint Howells, Mr. Michael Jopling, Mr. Peter Rees, Mr. John Roper, Mr. Peter Temple-Morris, and Mr. Tom Torney.

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the draft Coal Industry Borrowing Powers Order 1974, viz.: Mr. Alex Eadie, Mr. R. W. Elliott, Mr. John Farr, Mr. Michael Hamilton, Mr. Joseph Harper, Mr. Adam Hunter, Mr. Patrick Jenkin, Mr. Richard Kelley, Mr. Michael McGurie, Mr. Patrick McNair-Wilson, Mr. John Nott, Mr. Albert Roberts, Mr. Wm. Ross, Mr. T. H. H. Skeet, Mr. Roger Stott, and Mr. Tom Swain.

MEMORANDA

Wednesday 17th July 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has allocated the draft Coal Industry (Borrowing Powers) Order 1974 to the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments and the Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has appointed Mr. Harold Gurden an additional Chairman of Standing Committee A, in respect of the Rent Bill [Lords], Sir Alfred Broughton Chairman of the Second Reading Committee, in respect of the Road Traffic Bill [Lords], Mr. John Wells Chairman of the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, in respect of the draft Agricultural Lime Scheme (Extension of Period) Order 1974 and the Hop Gardens (Replanting and Restructuring) Scheme 1974, and Mr. Hor Davies Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, in respect of the draft Coal Industry (Borrowing Powers) Order 1974.
The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

British Railways Bill,—The Order of the day being read for the Third Reading of the British Railways Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Tuesday next at Seven o'clock.

Merseyside Metropolitan Railway Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for considering the Merseyside Metropolitan Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Tuesday next.

Lerwick Harbour Order Confirmation Bill,—Mr. Secretary Ross presented a Bill to confirm a Provisional Order under Section 7 of the Private Legislation Procedure (Scotland) Act 1936 relating to Lerwick Harbour: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be considered upon Wednesday next and to be printed [Bill 99].

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

Porthmadog Harbour Revision Order 1974 (Petition of General Objection),—Mr. Denzil Davies reported from the Joint Committee to whom a Petition of Dwyfor District Council of General Objection against the Porthmadog Harbour Revision Order 1974 was referred, That they had considered the said Petition; and had directed him to report the Order without Amendment to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Order and Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table.

Science and Technology,—Mr. Arthur Palmer reported from the Select Committee on Science and Technology, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Energy Resources Sub-Committee on 18th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 127-vi].

Selection,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

Independent Broadcasting Authority (No. 2) Bill,—Sir Stephen McAdden reported from Standing Committee F, That they had gone through the Independent Broadcasting Authority (No. 2) Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered tomorrow.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 272].

Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Pakistan Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Carriage of Passengers by Road Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Mines (Working Facilities and Support) Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the British Waterways Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Privilege,—Complaint having been made yesterday by Mr. Paul Tyler, Member for Bodmin, of letters which, he submitted, contained threats against him on account of the way in which he had cast his vote on an Amendment proposed to the Finance Bill on 19th June:

The said letters were delivered in and read as follow:

16th July, 1974.

Paul Tyler, Esq., M.P.

Dear Colleague,

I have received a complaint against you from one of our members, Mr. George Findlay. A copy is enclosed.

Our Branch complaints committee has arranged a hearing of the complaint for 2 p.m. on August 2 at the Trades Union Centre, Carlton Place, Glasgow and in accordance with Rule 18 I am inviting you to attend.
I am also sending a copy of the complaint to the secretary of the branch to which you belong, in order that your branch may also be represented.

Yours sincerely,

SANDY CRITCHLEY.

Mrs. Sandy Critchley,
Secretary,
National Union of Journalists,
West of Scotland Freelance Branch.

Dear Colleague,

It is laid down in clause one of the Union Code of Professional Conduct that a member should not act against the interests of the Union.

I wish to invoke Rule 18 in regard to a breach of this clause by the undernoted members of other branches of the Union:

Jonathan Aitken, M.P.
Clement Freud, M.P.
George Gardiner, M.P.
Philip Goodhart, M.P.
Peter Kirk, M.P.

Ian Sproat, M.P.
Christopher Tugendhat, M.P.
Paul Tyler, M.P.
Dr. Michael Winstanley, M.P.

In the House of Commons on June 19, 1974, a motion which, if it had been successful, would have been to the financial interest of the trade union movement as a whole and this Union in particular, was before Parliament.

As Members of Parliament, all the above named members were entitled to vote on this issue and, as members of this Union, had a clear obligation under the Code of Conduct to support the motion. All the members above named in fact voted against the motion which was lost.

It is my contention that members of this Union do not become absolved from their obligations, freely undertaken when they apply for membership, when they become members of other organisations, including the House of Commons.

The purpose of this complaint is to attempt to ensure that all members of this Union remember and honour the obligations they have undertaken by becoming members and to eliminate any possible suggestion that certain members of the Union, by virtue of holding office totally unconnected with the Union, are relieved of these obligations.

I shall be pleased, therefore, if you will take the necessary steps to set up the procedure for dealing with this complaint as laid down in Rule 18.

Yours sincerely,

GEORGE S. FINDLAY.

Mr Speaker stated that in his opinion the importance of the Complaint was such that he would have permitted a Motion relating to it to be given precedence over the Orders of the day; but he wished to inform the House that he had received a letter from the General Secretary of the National Union of Journalists as follows:

18th July, 1974.

Mr. Speaker,

I learned yesterday from Mr. Tyler’s statement in the House of Commons that Mr. George Findlay, a member of the National Union of Journalists, had made complaints to our Glasgow Freelance Branch against other members of the NUJ who are Members of Parliament. I was not aware of the complaints until Mr. Tyler made his statement.

The rules of the NUJ make provision for a member complaining against another about a trades union or professional grievance. They provide a fair complaints and appeal procedure.

I have never known them invoked in a matter touching the Parliamentary rights and duties of a member of the Union who is a Member of Parliament. They were not designed for that purpose, and I made clear yesterday that in my view any attempt to use them for that purpose was extremely ill advised.

On my advice Mr. Findlay last night withdrew his complaint against Mr. Tyler and other Members of Parliament. I ask you to accept my assurance on behalf of the Union, its branch, and Mr. Findlay that the complaints have been withdrawn.

I should be grateful, too, if you would accept my apology on behalf of the Union for you and your House having been troubled with this matter, and for any apparent offence by the National Union of Journalists to your, Mr. Tyler’s, or Parliament’s dignity and powers. No such offence was intended.
I have given these assurances and apology to Mr. Tyler by telephone and by a copy of this letter.

Yours sincerely,

Kenneth Morgan.

Mr. Tyler intimated to the House that he accepted the apology and the withdrawal and suggested that in view of the reassertion of the Privileges of this House no action need be taken.

Mr. Speaker stated that he hoped that in these circumstances the House would not wish to pursue the matter.

Education (Awards and Grants) Bill,—Mr. Secretary Prentice, supported by Mr. Gerald Fowler, and Dr. John Gilbert, presented a Bill to make further provision with respect to awards and grants by local education authorities: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 97].

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Legal Advice and Assistance (Scotland) (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. James Dunn):—It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Legal Aid (Scotland) (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. James Dunn):—It was agreed to.

Counter-Inflation,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Counter-Inflation (Abolition of Pay Board) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 9th July, be approved—(Mr. Secretary Foot):

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. John Golding, Mr. Walter Johnson: 310.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Paul Hawkins, Mr. Richard Luce: 277.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the Counter-Inflation (Abolition of Pay Board) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 9th July, be approved.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That the consideration of Lords Amendments to the Health and Safety at Work, etc. Bill may be proceeded with at this day’s sitting, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Health and Safety at Work, etc. Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Health and Safety at Work, etc. Bill.

Lords Amendment No. 1, in page 2, line 9, after “ regulations ”, insert “ and agricultural health and safety regulations ”.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Mr. Harold Walker):

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. John Golding, Mr. Laurie Pavitt: 153.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Cecil Parkinson: 159.

So the Question was negatived.

A Consequential Amendment was made to the Bill, in page 45, line 44, by inserting, after the word “ regulations ”, the words “ and agricultural health and safety regulations ”.—(Mr. Harold Walker.)

Lords Amendment No. 2, in page 3, line 25, at end insert—

“(4A) Regulations made by the Secretary of State may provide for the election in prescribed cases by employees of safety representatives from amongst the employees, and those representatives shall represent the employees in consultations with the employers under subsection (5) below and may have such other functions as may be prescribed.”

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Mr. Harold Walker):

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. John Golding, Mr. Laurie Pavitt: 143.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. David Steel, Mr. Adam Butler: 147.

So the Question was negatived.
Lords Amendments Nos. 3 to 18 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 19, in page 29, line 5, at end insert new Clause "A" (General functions of Ministers responsible for agriculture in relation to the relevant agricultural purposes) was agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their Privileges.

Lords Amendment No. 20, in page 29, line 5, at end insert new Clause "B" (Agricultural health and safety regulations)—

"B.—(1) Regulations under this section (in this Part referred to as ‘agricultural health and safety regulations’) may be made for any of the relevant agricultural purposes.

(2) Agricultural health and safety regulations may be either regulations applying to Great Britain and made by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State acting jointly, or regulations applying to England and Wales only and made by the said Minister, or regulations applying to Scotland only and made by the Secretary of State.

(3) Where health and safety regulations make provision for any purpose with respect to a matter that relates to (but not exclusively to) agricultural operations—

(a) provision for that purpose shall not be made with respect to that matter by agricultural health and safety regulations so as to have effect while the first-mentioned provision is in force except for the purpose of imposing requirements additional to those imposed by health and safety regulations, being additional requirements which in the opinion of the authority making the agricultural health and safety regulations are necessary or expedient in the special circumstances of agricultural operations; and

(b) in the event of any inconsistency between the first-mentioned provision and any provision made with respect to that matter by agricultural health and safety regulations, the first-mentioned provision shall prevail.

(4) The provisions of section 15(2) to (10) and Schedule 3 shall have effect in relation to agricultural health and safety regulations as they have effect in relation to health and safety regulations subject to the following modifications, that is to say—

(a) references to the relevant statutory provisions shall be read as references to such of the relevant statutory provisions as relate to agriculture;

(b) in section 15(4) the references to the Commission shall be read as references to the appropriate Agriculture Minister;

(c) in section 15(6) and paragraph 23 of Schedule 3, the reference to health and safety regulations shall be read as a reference to agricultural health and safety regulations.

(5) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection (1) above, agricultural health and safety regulations may, as regards agricultural licences under any of the relevant statutory provisions, make provision for requiring the authority having power to issue, renew, vary, transfer or revoke such licences to notify—

(a) any applicant for the issue, renewal, variation or transfer of such a licence of any proposed decision of the authority to refuse the application; or

(b) the holder of such a licence of any proposed decision of the authority to revoke the licence or to vary any term, condition or restriction on or subject to which the licence is held;

and for enabling persons aggrieved by any such proposed decision to make representations to, or to a person appointed by, the relevant authority within the period and in the manner prescribed by the regulations.

(6) In relation to any agricultural health and safety regulations made in pursuance of paragraph 2 of Schedule 3 as applied by this section, subsection (2) above shall have effect as if after the words ‘Great Britain’ there were inserted the words ‘or the United Kingdom’—

was amended, in line 1 of subsection (4) by leaving out ‘(10)’ and inserting ‘(11)’, instead thereof; by leaving out paragraph (a) of subsection (4) and inserting—

‘(a) references to the relevant statutory provisions or the existing statutory provisions shall be read as references to such of those provisions as relate to agriculture’, instead thereof:

and in paragraph (c), of subsection (4), after ‘15(6)’, by inserting ‘and (11)’)—(Mr. Harold Walker)—and, as so amended, was agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 21, in page 29, line 5, at end insert new Clause C (Enforcement of the relevant statutory provisions in connection with agriculture) was agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their Privileges.

Lords Amendment No. 22, in page 29, line 5, at end insert new Clause D (Application of provisions of this Part in connection with Agriculture) was agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their Privileges.
Lords Amendments Nos. 23 to 37 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 38, in page 42, line 22, leave out subsection (3) and insert the following subsection—

"(3) Regulations made under this subsection may, in the case of a provision which falls within any of paragraphs (a) to (c) of subsection (1) above and contains words which refer to units other than metric units, repeal those words if the appropriate Minister is of the opinion that those words could be omitted without altering the effect of that provision."—

was amended, in line 1, by inserting, after the words "Regulations made ", the words "by the appropriate Minister"—(Mr. Harold Walker)—and, as so amended, was agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 39, in page 42, line 28, leave out subsection (4) and insert—

"(4) In this section the appropriate Minister means—

(a) in relation to any provision not relating exclusively to agricultural operations the Secretary of State;

(b) in relation to any provision not relating exclusively to the relevant agricultural purposes that applies to Great Britain or the United Kingdom the Agriculture Ministers;

(c) in relation to any provision so relating that applies to England and Wales only, the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food;

(d) in relation to any provision so relating that applies to Scotland only, the Secretary of State."—

was amended in paragraph (b) of the words inserted by the Lords Amendment by leaving out the word "not"—(Mr. Harold Walker)—and, as so amended, was agreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 40 to 47 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 48, in page 45, line 41, at end insert—

"'the relevant agricultural purposes' means the following purposes, that is to say—

(a) securing the health, safety and welfare at work of persons engaged in agricultural operations,

(b) protecting persons other than persons so engaged against risks to health or safety arising out of or in connection with the activities at work of persons so engaged;"—

was amended, at the end, by adding the words " and the reference in paragraph (b) above is the risks there mentioned shall be construed in accordance with Section 1(3) "—(Mr. Harold Walker)—and, as so amended, was agreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 49 to 54 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 55, in page 91, line 16, at end insert new Schedule "A"—

"A": MODIFICATIONS OF PART I IN CONNECTION WITH AGRICULTURE

Provisions applied  Modifications
1. Section 13(1) (various powers).

(a) Paragraph (b) shall be omitted;

(b) references to the Commission or the Secretary of State shall be read as references to the appropriate Agriculture Minister, so however that references to the Commission's functions shall be read as references to the functions of that Minister under the relevant statutory provisions in relation to matters relating exclusively to the relevant agricultural purposes.

2. Section 14 (power to direct investigations and inquiries).

(a) References to the Commission shall be read as references to the appropriate Agriculture Minister;

(b) in subsection (1), the reference to the general purposes of Part I shall be read as a reference to the relevant agricultural purposes;

(c) in subsection (2), for the words from "direct" to "other" in paragraph (a) there shall be substituted the words "authorise any", the words "with the consent of the Secretary of State" shall be omitted, and for the words from "only matters" to the end of the subsection there shall be substituted the words "matters relating exclusively to the relevant agricultural purposes";

(d) in subsection (6), references to the Secretary of State shall be read as references to the appropriate Agriculture Minister.
Provisions applied

3. Section 16 (approval of codes of practice).

(a) In subsection (1), the words from “and except” to “agricultural operations” shall be omitted, but so that the section shall confer power to approve or issue codes of practice for any provision mentioned in section 16(1) only for the purposes of the application of that provision to matters relating exclusively to the relevant agricultural purposes;

(b) a code of practice may either be approved for Great Britain and be so approved by the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State acting jointly, or be approved for England and Wales only and be so approved by that Minister or be approved for Scotland only and be so approved by the Secretary of State, and the references to the Commission shall be accordingly be read as references to the Agriculture Ministers or the said Minister or the Secretary of State as the case may require;

(c) for subsection (2) there shall be substituted—

"(2) Before approving a code of practice under subsection (1) above the Minister or Ministers proposing to do so shall consult the Commission and any other body that appears to him or them to be appropriate.";

(d) for subsection (5) there shall be substituted—

"(5) The authority by whom a code of practice has been approved under this section may at any time withdraw approval from that code, but before doing so shall consult the same bodies as the authority would be required to consult under subsection (2) above if the authority were proposing to approve the code."

was amended in paragraph 3(a) thereof, after the words "In subsection (1)" by inserting the words "The reference to health and safety regulations shall be read as a reference to agricultural health and safety regulations and"—(Mr. Harold Walker)—and, as so amended, was agreed to.

Lords Amendments Nos. 56 to 58 were agreed to.

European Communities,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the European Communities (Definition of Treaties) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 8th July, be approved—(Mr. John Golding);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Laurie Pavitt, Mr. John Golding: 90.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Russell Kerr, Mr. John Lee: 24.

So the Question was agreed to.

Resolved, That the European Communities (Definition of Treaties) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 8th July, be approved.
Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Walter Harrison);
And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Friday morning;

Friday, 19th July, 1974:

And the Question being put;
Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.
And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes past Twelve o'clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Adjourned at 12.10 a.m.

APPENDIX I

Thursday 18th July 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Ross:
Education (Scotland),—Copy of Regulations, dated 9th July 1974, entitled the Education Authority Bursaries (Scotland) (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1173) [by Act].
Poultry,—Copy of an Order, dated 3rd July 1974, entitled the Poultry and Hatching Eggs (Importation) Amendment Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1183) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Mason:
Defence (Royal Air Force),—Copy of Particulars of grants of pay allowances &c., sanctioned by the Minister for the Civil Service during the year ended 31st March 1974 under the Dispensing Order of 14th January 1922 made under Section 2 of the Air Force (Constitution) Act 1917 [by Command].
Defence (Royal Air Force),—Copy of Regulations, dated 11th July 1974, providing for amendments to the Queen's Regulations for the Royal Air Force (Fourth Edition) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Foot:
Industrial Training,—Copies or Orders, dated 8th July 1974, entitled—
(1) the Industrial Training Levy (Chemical and Allied Products) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1160), and
(2) the Industrial Training Levy (Cotton and Allied Textiles) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1161)
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:
Roads,—Copy of the Report on roads in England for the year ended 31st March 1974 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 241].

Mr. Secretary John Morris:
Tourism,—Statement of a determination of the salary payable to the Chairman of the Wales Tourist Board [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Varley:

Mr. Frederick Peart:
Plant Health,—Copy of an Order, dated 7th July 1974, entitled the Wart Disease of Potatoes (Great Britain) Amendment Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1159) [by Act].

Mrs. Judith Hart:
Overseas Aid,—Draft of an Order, entitled the Caribbean Development Bank (Additional Contributions) Order 1974 [by Act].
APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the Legal Advice and Assistance (Scotland) (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974 and the Legal Aid (Scotland) (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974, viz.: Mr. Leo Abse, Mr. Hugh Brown, Mr. Richard Buchanan, Mr. Crowder, Mr. Russell Fairgrieve, Mr. Charles Fletcher-Cooke, Mr. T. G. D. Galbraith, Dr. Alan Glyn, Mr. George Lawson, Mr. John Lee, Mr. Edward Lyons, Mr. Hector Monro, Mr. Brian Sedgemore, Mr. Cyril Smith, Mr. Solicitor General and Mr. David Waddington.

MEMORANDA

Thursday 18th July 1974

In pursuance of the Church of England Assembly (Powers) Act 1919, Mr. Speaker has nominated Mr. Alec Woodall to serve, for the duration of the present Parliament, upon the Ecclesiastical Committee in the room of Mr. Edward Bishop, resigned.

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has allocated the Legal Advice and Assistance (Scotland) (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974 and the Legal Aid (Scotland) (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments.

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has appointed Mrs. Joyce Butler an additional Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Abortion (Amendment) Bill.

[No. 79.1

Friday, 19th July, 1974.

The House met at Eleven o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Greater London Council (Money) Bill, with Amendments; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Consumer Credit Bill [Lords],—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Consumer Credit Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Determinations etc. by Director)—(Mr. Alan Williams)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Alternative procedure for business consumers)—(Mr. Alan Williams)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Amendments (Nos. 1, 2, 86 and 97) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 3) proposed to the Bill, in page 7, line 7, at the beginning to insert the words " having regard to the terms of the agreement as they apply at the time of its making and to the circumstances then prevailing ".—(Mr. Geoffrey Dodsworth.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:— Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 4 and 5) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 6) proposed to the Bill, in page 8, line 13, to leave out subsection (5).—(Mr. Paul Channon.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 7 to 15, 76, 80 to 82, 71, 72, 83 to 85, 16 to 19, and 77) made to the Bill.
Another Amendment (No. 66) proposed to the Bill, in page 39, line 27, to leave out the word "like" and insert the word "joint"—(Mr. Tim Renton)—instead thereof.

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 21) proposed to the Bill, in page 43, line 53, at the end, to insert the words "and any action by the creditor stopping the right to further drawings under the credit shall not be treated as a separate agreement or as providing fixed-sum credit".—(Mr. Tim Renton.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 22) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 23) proposed to the Bill, in page 46, line 21, at the end to insert the words—

"(2A) Subsection (1) applies only where—,

(a) a period for the duration of the agreement is specified in the executed agreement, and

(b) that period has not ended when the creditor or owner does an act mentioned in subsection (1) but so applies notwithstanding that, under the agreement, any party is entitled to terminate it before the end of the period so specified,".—(Mr. Tim Renton.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 88) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 24) proposed to the Bill, in page 50, line 5, after the word "writing", to insert the word "expressly".—(Mrs. Sally Openheim.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 25 to 30, 73, 31 to 35, 89 to 96, 36, 37, 78, 79, 38 to 42, 74 and 44) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment made to the Bill, in page 85, line 12, by leaving out the word "authorities" and inserting the word "authorises", instead thereof.

Other Amendments (Nos. 46, 47 and 87) made to the Bill.

Other Amendments made to the Bill, in page 94, in line 11, by leaving out the word "the" and inserting the word "a"; in line 12, by leaving out the word "the" and inserting the word "a"; in line 15, by leaving out the word "the" and inserting the word "a"; in line 22, by leaving out the word "the" and inserting the word "a", instead thereof; and in line 23, by leaving out the word "the".

Other Amendments (Nos. 75 and 48 to 53) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment made to the Bill, in page 106, line 34, by leaving out subsection (3).

Another Amendment made to the Bill, in page 107, line 13, by leaving out the words "45.—(1) Failure to indicate in advertisements that goods, etc.", and inserting the words "oral" after the word "previous".

Other Amendments (Nos. 55, 56, 56(a), 56(c), 56(d), and 57 to 65) made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Control of Pollution Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Control of Pollution Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Production of heat and electricity from waste, etc.)—(Mr. Dennis Howell) brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Prohibition of parking to facilitate street cleaning)—(Mr. Dennis Howell)—brought up, read the first and second time and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Outfall pipes for sewage disposal works)—(Mr. Denis Howell)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Supplementary provisions relating to pipes)—(Mr. Denis Howell)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Power to give effect to international agreements)—(Mr. Denis Howell)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.
Another Clause (Control of sanitary appliances on trains)—(Mr. Hugh Rossi)—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 (Defence available to persons charged with offences)—(Mr. Hugh Rossi)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Another Clause (Control of noise caused by motorways)—(Mr. Peter Snape)—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 (Determination of standard levels of noise)—(Mr. Michael McNair-Wilson)—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 (Emission of pollutants from premises in respect of which planning application is made)—(Mr. Michael McNair-Wilson)—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 (Compensation payable in respect of agriculture and horticulture)—(Mr. Ralph Howell)—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.

Amendment (No. 2) proposed to the Bill, in page 4, line 40, after the word “waste”, to insert the words “other than for the purpose of recycling or reclaiming”.(Mr. Arthur Jones.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments (Nos. 3 and 4) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 5) proposed to the Bill, in page 11, line 36, at the end to insert the words—

"Provided that if a disposal authority has under paragraph (b) of this subsection disregarded a water authority or, in Scotland, a river purification authority and it appears to the water authority or the river purification authority (as the case may be) that the activities permitted by the conditions specified in the disposal licence, as modified by the disposal authority, are causing or are likely to cause pollution to relevant waters (within the meaning of Part II of this Act) in the area of the authority, the authority may request the Secretary of State to direct the disposal authority to cancel or alter the conditions specified in the disposal licence as so modified; and it shall be the duty of the disposal authority to comply with the direction given to it in pursuance of this subsection".—(Mr. Arthur Jones.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 7) proposed to the Bill, in page 12, line 30, at the end to insert the words—

"Provided that a disposal authority may on receipt of such a notice serve a counter notice on the holder of the disposal licence requiring him within such reasonable period as may be specified in the counter notice either to reinstate the land to which the licence relates to the condition in which it was before the licence was issued or to take such measures as may be reasonably necessary to prevent pollution of water or danger to public health or injury to the amenities of the locality and, if within the period specified in the counter notice the holder of the disposal licence has failed to take the action specified therein, the disposal authority may enter on the land, take such action and recover from the holder of the licence the reasonable costs thereby incurred by it. A holder of a disposal licence may appeal to the Secretary of State against any requirement of a disposal authority under this subsection".—(Mr. Arthur Jones.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Other Amendments (Nos. 8 and 9) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 89) proposed to the Bill, in page 18, line 55, at the end, to insert the words " and any charges which are payable under this subsection in respect of a cesspool shall be paid by the water authority in whose area the cesspool is situated ".—(Mr. Hugh Rossi.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 13 to 23, 81, 24, and 26 to 30) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 31) proposed to the Bill, in page 38, to leave out lines 9 to 11.—(Mr. Cranley Onslow.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made: —Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 32) proposed to the Bill, in page 48, line 38, to leave out subsection (4).—(Mr. Arthur Jones.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made: —Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 33) proposed to the Bill, in page 48, line 43, to leave out subsection (5).—(Mr. Arthur Jones.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made: —Debate arising; And it being Four o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That the Control of Pollution Bill [Lords] may be proceeded with at this day's sitting, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Control of Pollution Bill [Lords].—The House again proceeded to consider the Control of Pollution Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

Question again proposed, That the Amendment (No. 33) be made: —Debate resumed.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 34) proposed to the Bill, in page 51, line 14, at the end, to insert the words " or 

(c) that it is necessary to protect the flora and fauna as provided in section 42 of this Act ".—(Mr. Arthur Jones.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made: —Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 38) proposed to the Bill, in page 61, line 14, after the word " that ", to insert the words " in consequence of a change in circumstances ".—(Mr. Stephen Ross.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made: —Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 40) proposed to the Bill, in page 61, line 16, after the word " caused ", to insert the words " (other than by the intermittent appearance of sewage fungus) ".—(Mr. Hugh Rossi.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made: —Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 79) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 42) proposed to the Bill, in page 62, to leave out lines 45 to 48.—(Mr. Arthur Jones.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made: —Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 80) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 25) proposed to the Bill, in page 64, line 25, at the end, to insert the words—

" (3) Registration of a vessel by any water authority in accordance with byelaws made by that authority under subsection (1) of this section, or (pursuant to any other enactment) by any other body which may be prescribed, shall be deemed to constitute registration also of that vessel by any (or, as the case may be, by any other) water authority in accordance with any such byelaws which are so made by that authority ".

—(Mr. Hugh Rossi.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made: —Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.
Another Amendment (No. 44) proposed to the Bill, in page 66, line 44, to leave out from the first word “Act” to the word “as” in line 1 on page 67. —(Mr. T. H. H. Skeet.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made: — Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 46 to 54 and 57 to 60) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 61) proposed to the Bill, in page 89, line 54, at the end, to insert the words—

“‘and in any one instance shall do so if requested by at least sixty persons listed in a current Electoral Register in the area of or adjacent to the relevant emission’.” —(Mr. Leslie Spriggs.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 62, 67 to 69 and 71 to 78) made to the Bill.

A Motion being made, That the Control of Pollution Bill [Lords] be now read the third time;

Mr. John Silkin, 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 forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time: — It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Rating and Valuation,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that the Rate Rebate (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1086), dated 25th June 1974, a copy of which was laid before this House on 1st July, be annulled.—(Mr. Kenneth Clarke);

The Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till seven minutes to Six o’clock, adjourned till Monday next.

[Adjourned at 5.53 p.m.

APPENDIX

Friday 19th July 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Dr. John Gilbert:

Bank Notes,—Copies of Treasury Minutes—

1. dated 7th June 1974,
2. dated 21st June 1974, and
3. dated 25th June 1974

relative to the Fiduciary Note Issue [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 273 to 275].

Mr. Secretary Ross:

Public Health (Scotland),—Copy of Regulations, dated 9th July 1974, entitled the Nursing Homes Registration (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1182) [by Act].

Tourism,—Statement of determination of the salary payable to the Chairman of the Scottish Tourist Board [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Foot:

Terms and Conditions of Employment,—Draft of an Order, entitled the Redundancy Payments (Calculation of Payments) Order 1974 [by Act].

Mrs. Secretary Williams:

Price Commission,—Copy of the Report of the Price Commission for the period 1st March to 31st May 1974 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 234].
MEMORANDUM
Friday 19th July 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has appointed Mrs. Lena Jeger Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974, the Legal Advice and Assistance (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974, the Legal Advice and Assistance (Scotland) (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974, and the Legal Aid (Scotland) (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974; and Mr. Alan Fitch an additional Chairman of Standing Committee C in respect of the Abortion (Amendment) Bill.

[No. 80.]

Monday, 22nd July, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Port of Tyne (North Shields Fish Harbour) Bill [Lords],—The Port of Tyne (North Shields Fish Harbour) Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

Torquay Market Bill [Lords],—The Torquay Market Bill [Lords] was read a second time and committed.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

House of Commons (Services),—Mr. Arthur Bottomley reported from the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services), 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 (Ninth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 280].

Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the British Transport Docks Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Business of the House (Finance Bill),—Ordered, That each further stage of the Finance Bill may be proceeded with at the conclusion of the preceding stage, notwithstanding the practice of the House as to the interval between the stages of such a Bill.—(Mr. Joel Barnett.)

Finance Bill,—The House, according to Order, proceeded further to consider the Finance Bill, as amended in the Committee and in the Standing Committee.

Other Amendments (Nos. 16 to 20) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 38) proposed to the Bill, in page 51, line 22, to leave out the words "one tenth" and insert the words "one quarter"—(Mr. Joel Barnett),—instead thereof.

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.

Amendment proposed to the words proposed to be inserted, to leave out the words "one quarter" and insert the words "two fifths"—(Mr. David Howell),—instead thereof.

Question put, That the Amendment be made to the words proposed to be inserted.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Paul Hawkins, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant: 255.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Walter Johnson, Mr. Ernest Perry: 273.

Question, That the Amendment (No. 38) be made, put and agreed to.
Another Amendment (No. 38A) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 236) proposed to the Bill, in page 52, line 7, to leave out the words "paragraph 6" and insert the words "paragraphs 6 and 7"—(Mr. David Howell),—instead thereof.

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 61) proposed to the Bill, in page 13, line 17, to leave out the words "one tenth" and insert the words "two fifths"—(Mr. David Howell),—instead thereof.

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Michael Roberts: 255.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Jack Dormand, Mr. Laurie Pavitt: 270.

Other Amendments (Nos. 215, 21, 22, 167 and 39) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 40) proposed to the Bill, in page 22, line 28, to leave out from the word "made" to the word "and" in line 31.—(Mr. Joel Barnett.)

Question put, That the Amendment be made.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Joseph Harper, Mr. Jack Dormand: 279.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Adam Butler, Mr. Holl-Davis: 260.

Other Amendments (Nos. 241, 41 and 42) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 142) proposed to the Bill, in page 56, line 33, at the end, to insert the words—

"(3) For the purpose of sub-paragraphs (2) and (3) above a change of use shall be deemed to take place on the later of the dates that planning permission for the change of use was granted or the date that the land is last occupied for the original use, provided that, if at that time the land is held out as still being available for the original use, the change of use shall be treated as taking place at the time when it ceases to be so available."—(Mr. R. Graham Page.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 43 to 45, 122, 46, 47, 49 to 51, 86, 87, 154, 243, 52 and 53) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 126) proposed to the Bill, in page 24, line 56, to leave out from the beginning to the word "shall" and insert the words "Without prejudice to subsection (3) of section 36 or subsection (5) of section 37 of this Act, nothing in either of those sections"—(Mr. Joel Barnett),—instead thereof.

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:

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Question put and agreed to.

Other Amendments (Nos. 54, 55 and 157 to 159) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 218) proposed to the Bill, in page 24, line 58, to leave out Clause 36.—(Mr. Nicholas Ridley.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 127 to 130, 71, 74, 72, 131, 63 to 68, 75, 163, 132 to 134, 73, 69, 70, 85, 149 to 151, 76, 155, 156, 152, 164, 90, 160, 91, 92, 161 and 93 to 98) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 118) proposed to the Bill, in page 73, line 6, at the end, to insert the words—

"(5) Where—

(a) the preceding sub-paragraph would apply to a person's interest in the relevant land but for the fact that the rent or aggregate of the rents there mentioned can be made to reflect the value or part of the value of the relevant development; but

(b) that rent or the aggregate of those rents cannot be made to reflect that value (or part of it) until a date as from which the rent or one or more of the rents in question could be increased under provisions for the review of the rent contained in any relevant lease or agreement,
then, if that person makes a claim under this sub-paragraph, subsection (1) of the principal section shall in the case of that interest apply as if the last reference therein to the material date were a reference to the date mentioned in paragraph (b) of this sub-paragraph”.—(Dr. John Gilbert.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.

Amendments made to the proposed Amendment, in line 12, by inserting after the word “interest” the words “or, if the rent or rents which can be increased as mentioned in paragraph (b) above extend to part only of a person’s interest, that part of his interest”, and in line 15, by adding at the end the words “and where the rent or rents which can be increased at that date extend to part only of a person’s interest, as if his interest in the relevant land were limited to that part”.—(Mr. R. Graham Page.)

Question, That the Amendment (No. 118) be made, put and agreed to.

Other Amendments (Nos. 162, 99, 153, 123 to 125, 88, 89, 56, 57, 77 and 78) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 107) proposed to the Bill, in page 81, line 26, at the end, to insert the words—

“(3) This part of this Schedule, so far as it increases any duty chargeable under or by reference to the heading ‘Conveyance or Transfer on Sale’ in the First Schedule to the Stamp Act 1891, shall not apply in any case to transfers of debenture stocks and bonds issued or to be issued by the Agricultural Mortgage Corporation Limited and the Scottish Agricultural Securities Corporation”.—(Mr. Charles Morrison.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 58, 178, 209, 58A and 58B) made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House in respect of the new Clause (Vehicle excise duty—disabled persons) standing on the Notice Paper in the names of Mr. Robert Carr, Mr. Terence L. Higgins and Mr. David Howell.—(Dr. John Gilbert.)

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:—

The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

A Clause (Vehicle excise duty—disabled persons)—(Mr. Terence L. Higgins)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Oscar Murton reported, That the Committee had added a Clause to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended on re-committal, be now considered:—The House accordingly proceeded to consider the Bill.

The Bill was read the third time, and passed.

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

And the Question having been proposed after Ten o’clock on Monday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then six minutes to Two o’clock on Tuesday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 1.54 a.m.]

APPENDIX

22nd—23rd July 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Dr. John Gilbert:


Bank Notes.—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 1st July 1974, relative to the Fiduciary Note Issue [by Act]; to be printed [No. 279].

Counter-Inflation.—Copy of an Order, dated 22nd July 1974, entitled the Counter-Inflation (Dividends) (Amendment) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1223) [by Act].
Taxes,—Draft of an Order, entitled the Regional Employment Premium (Variation of Amounts) Order 1974 [by Act].

Value Added Tax,—Copy of an Order, dated 22nd July 1974, entitled the Value Added Tax (Change of Rate) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1224) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Ross:
Diseases of Animals,—Copy of an Order, dated 15th July 1974, entitled the Importation of Sheep Order (No. 1) 1974 [by Act].

Education (Scotland),—Copy of Regulations, dated 10th July 1974, entitled the Students’ Allowances (Scotland) (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1187) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Prentice:
Medical Research Council,—Copy of the Report of the Medical Research Council for the year ended 31st March 1974 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 224].

Mr. Secretary Shore:
Companies,—Copy of the Report on companies for 1973 by the Department of Trade [by Act].


Mr. Secretary Benn:
Census of Production,—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production 1971, relating to—

1. footwear,
2. fur,
3. iron castings, etc.
4. leather goods, and
5. miscellaneous electrical goods
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Varley:
Control of Fuel and Electricity,—Copy of an Order in Council, dated 22nd July 1974, entitled the Motor Fuel (Maximum Retail Prices) (Third Amendment) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1225) [by Act].

Mr. Edward Short:
Civil Aviation,—Copy of an Order, dated 28th June 1974, entitled the Air Navigation Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1114) [by Act].

MEMORANDUM

Monday 22nd July 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has appointed Mr. John Brewis Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974, the Legal Advice and Assistance (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974, the Legal Advice and Assistance (Scotland) (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974, and the Legal Aid (Scotland) (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974, in place of Mrs. Lena Jeger.

[No. 81.]

Tuesday, 23rd July, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

Orkney County Council Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Orkney County Council Bill; and the same were agreed to.

British Waterways Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the British Waterways Bill; and the same were agreed to.
Greater London Council (Money) Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Greater London Council (Money) Bill; and the same were agreed to.

Merseyside Metropolitan Railway Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the consideration of the Merseyside Metropolitan Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Tuesday next.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented, one ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Weymouth and Portland Water Sports Bill [Lords],—Mr. Toby Jessel reported from the Committee on the Weymouth and Portland Water Sports Bill [Lords], that they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to 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.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, and Report to lie upon the Table.

Report to be printed.

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. R. Graham Page reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords 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 (Fifteenth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 51-xx].

European Secondary Legislation, &c.,—Mr. John Davies reported from the Committee on European Secondary Legislation, &c., that they had agreed to a Report which they had directed him to make to the House: And the Report was brought up and read (Eighth Report).

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 282].

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. R. Graham Page 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 (Fourteenth Report).

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 52-xv].

Road Traffic Bill [Lords],—Sir Alfred Broughton reported from the Second Reading Committee on the Road Traffic Bill [Lords], that they had come to a Resolution, which they had directed him to report to the House: And the same was read, as follows: That the Committee recommend that the Road Traffic Bill [Lords] ought to be read a second time.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 284].

Channel Tunnel (re-committed) Bill,—Mr. Richard Crawshaw reported from Standing Committee E, that they had gone through the Channel Tunnel (re-committed) Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Select Committee and on re-committal to the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 101].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 283].

Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Workington Harbour Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Thurrock District Council Bill (changed to Thurrock Borough Council Bill), with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Business of the House,—Ordered. That, at this day's sitting, proceedings on the British Railways Bill, set down for consideration at Seven o'clock by direction of the Chairman of Ways and Means, shall, instead of being considered at that hour, be considered at Ten o'clock, and may be proceeded with, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Robert Mellish.)
Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft Caribbean Development Bank (Additional Contributions) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments.—(Mr. Robert Mellish):—It was agreed to.

Statutory Instruments.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the draft Redundancy Payments (Calculation of Payments) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments.—(Mr. Robert Mellish):—It was agreed to.

Estate Agents Regulation.—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to regulate certain practices of estate agents and agents for business transfers: And that Mr. Norman Fowler, Mr. Reginald Eyre, Mrs. Jill Knight, and Mr. Harold Gurden, do prepare and bring it in.

Estate Agents Regulation Bill.—Mr. Norman Fowler accordingly presented a Bill to regulate certain practices of estate agents and agents for business transfers: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next, and to be printed [Bill 100].

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

The Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Business of the House.—Ordered, That the Independent Broadcasting Authority (No. 2) Bill, the Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords] and the Northern Ireland (Young Persons) Bill [Lords] may be proceeded with at this day's sitting, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. James A. Dunn.)

British Railways Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the British Railways Bill;

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.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time:—Debate arising;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 24th July, 1974:

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned—(Mr. Ronald Brown);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Cryer, Mr. Whitehead: 0.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Tebbit, Mr. Moate: 1.

And it appearing on the report of the Division that Forty Members were not present, Mr. Deputy Speaker declared that the Question was not decided, and the business under consideration stood over until the next sitting of the House.

Independent Broadcasting Authority (No. 2) Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Independent Broadcasting Authority (No. 2) Bill, not amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendment proposed to the Bill, in page 1, line 8, at the end, to insert the words “or such later year as the Secretary of State may by order prescribe (being a year not later than 1981): Provided that no order shall be made under this subsection until the Secretary of State has received the Annan Committee's Report.”—(Mr. Robert Cooke.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.
Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords], not amended in the Standing Committee.

Amendment made to the Bill, in page 22, line 42, by leaving out subsection (6).

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with an Amendment.

Northern Ireland (Young Persons) Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Northern Ireland (Young Persons) Bill [Lords], not amended in the Standing Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes to Three o’clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 2.50 a.m.]

APPENDIX

Tuesday 23rd July 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Joel Barnett:
Civil Estimates (Supplementary Estimates), 1974-75,—Estimates of further sums to be voted for the service of the year ending 31st March 1975 for Civil Departments [by Command]; to be printed [No. 277].

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:
Criminal Statistics,—Copy of Statistics and Supplementary Statistics relating to crime and criminal proceedings in England and Wales in 1973 [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Foot:
Industrial Training,—Copy of an Order, dated 12th July 1974, entitled the Industrial Training Levy (Petroleum) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1190) [by Act].

Mrs. Secretary Castle:
National Health Service,—Copy of an Order, dated 15th July 1974, entitled the National Health Service Reorganisation Act 1973 (Commencement No. 4) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1191) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Benn:
Census of Production,—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production 1968, Part 158 [by Act].
Iron and Steel,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the British Steel Corporation for the year ended 30th March 1974 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:
Local Government,—Copy of Regulations, dated 8th July 1974, entitled the Accounts and Audit Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1169) [by Act].

Mrs. Secretary Williams:
Prices,—Copy of an Order, dated 23rd July 1974, entitled the Food Subsidies (Exports) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1240) [by Act].

Mr. Frederick Peart:
MEMORANDUM

Tuesday 23rd July 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has appointed Sir Myer Galpern Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the draft Coal Industry (Borrowing Powers) Order 1974 in the place of Mr. Ifor Davies.

[No. 82.]

Wednesday, 24th July, 1974.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

British Railways Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the British Railways Bill;

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

Lerwick Harbour Order Confirmation Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lerwick Harbour Order Confirmation Bill.

Bill to be read the third time to-morrow.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix I).

Wrightson NMA Limited Bill [Lords].—The First Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means reported from the Committee on Unopposed Bills, That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble to the Wrightson NMA Limited Bill [Lords] and had 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 had made no further Amendments thereunto.

Bill, as amended in the Committee, to lie upon the Table.

Consolidation, &c., Bills,—Mr. William Wilson reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords on Consolidation, &c., Bills, to whom the Solicitors Bill [Lords], now pending in the House of Lords, was referred, That they had gone through the Bill and had made Amendments 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.

Report, together with Minutes of Evidence, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 302].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 302].

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. R. Graham Page reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords 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 had directed him to report a Memorandum laid before them, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them on 24th July: And the Report was brought up and read (Sixteenth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 51-xxi].

Minutes of Evidence, together with Memorandum, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 51-xxii].

Expenditure,—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee. That they had made further progress in the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, which they had directed him to make to the House: And the Report was brought up and read (Second Report).

Report, together with Appendices, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 305].

Expenditure,—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had made further progress in the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, which they had directed him to make to the House: And the Report was brought up and read (Third Report).

Report, together with Appendices, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 306].
Expenditure,—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had made further progress in the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, which they had directed him to make to the House: And the Report was brought up and read (Fourth Report).

Report, together with Appendices, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 307].

Expenditure,—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, 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 the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Defence and External Affairs Sub-Committee on 11th June, together with an Appendix to the Minutes of Evidence: And the Report was brought up and read (Fifth Report).

Report, together with Minutes of Evidence and Appendix, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 308].

Expenditure,—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had made further progress in the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, which they had directed him to make to the House: And the Report was brought up and read (Sixth Report).

Report, together with Appendices, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 309].

Expenditure,—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had made further progress in the matter to them referred, and had agreed to a Report, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence, which they had directed him to make to the House: And the Report was brought up and read (Seventh Report).

Report, together with Appendices, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 310].

Expenditure,—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Defence and External Affairs Sub-Committee on 18th June and part of the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them on 9th and 23rd July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [Nos. 175-i to 175-iii].

Expenditure,—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Social Services Sub-Committee on 24th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 286-i].

Overseas Development,—Sir Geoffrey de Freitas reported from the Select Committee on Overseas Development, 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, together with Appendices, and part of the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Select Committee on Overseas Development in the last Session of the last Parliament and referred to the Committee on 3rd May: And the Report was brought up and read.

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 230-i].

Minutes of Evidence, together with Appendices, to be printed [Nos. 230-i and 230-iil].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 230-ii].

Public Accounts,—Mr. Edward du Cann 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 directed him to report part of the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them and the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committee in the last Session of the last Parliament and referred to the Committee on 11th April, together with Appendices: And the Report was brought up and read (Third Report).

Report, together with Minutes of Evidence and Appendices, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 303].

Public Accounts,—Mr. Edward du Cann 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 directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committee on 20th May, together with Appendices: And the Report was brought up and read (Fourth Report).

Report, together with Minutes of Evidence and Appendices, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 304].
Selection,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection (see Appendix II).

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments,—Mr. John Brewis reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments the Legal Advice and Assistance (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974, the Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974, the Legal Advice and Assistance (Scotland) (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974 and the Legal Aid (Scotland) (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974, referred to a Committee on 16th July.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 285].

Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments,—Mr. John Wells reported from the Second Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments the draft Agricultural Lime Scheme (Extension of Period) Order 1974 and the Hop Gardens (Replanting and Restructuring) Scheme 1974, referred to a Committee on 10th July.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 297].

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments,—Sir Myer Galpern reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments the draft Coal Industry (Borrowing Powers) Order 1974, referred to a Committee on 16th July.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 298].

Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Housing Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to certain of the Amendments made by the Lords to the Health and Safety at Work, etc., Bill, and to the consequential Amendment made by this House thereto, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Land Tenure Reform (Scotland) Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Merchant Shipping Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Terms and Conditions of Employment,—The Order made on 19th July, That the draft Redundancy Payments (Calculation of Payments) Order 1974 do lie upon the Table, was read and discharged.

Paper withdrawn.

Statutory Instruments,—The Order made on 23rd July, That the draft Redundancy Payments (Calculation of Payments) Order 1974 be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, was read and discharged.

Statutory Instruments,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, That the Valuation (Combination of Councils) (Scotland) Order 1974 (S.I. 1974, No. 1056) be referred to a Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments—(Mr. Ernest Perry):—It was agreed to.

Supply [13th allotted Day].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Business of Supply.

Economic Situation,—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House regrets that the measures announced by Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer on Monday are irrelevant to the underlying problems of the economy, make no attempt to restore business confidence, and do nothing to encourage the industrial investment which alone can safeguard the jobs and future prosperity of the nation—(Mr. Edward Heath);—

An Amendment was proposed to the Question, to leave out from the word “House” to the end of the Question, and add the words “welcomes the statement of the Chancellor of the Exchequer on July 22nd in relation to the extension of rate relief, the reduction in value added tax, the extension of food subsidies, the doubling of the regional employment premium, and the easing of dividend restraint”—(The Prime Minister),—instead thereof:—Debate arising;

Mr. Robert Mellish 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 proceeded to a Division.

Mr. Donald Coleman and Mr. John Golding were appointed Tellers for the Ayes but no Member being willing to act as Teller for the Noes, Mr. Speaker declared that the Ayes had it.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the Amendment be made;
The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Donald Coleman, Mr. John Golding: 269.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Biffen, Mr. Peter Tapsell: 28.

So the Question was agreed to.

And the Main Question, so amended, being put:

Resolved, That this House welcomes the statement of the Chancellor of the Exchequer on 22nd July in relation to the extension of rate relief, the reduction in value added tax, the extension of food subsidies, the doubling of regional employment premium, and the easing of dividend restraint.

Business of the House.—Ordered, That the consideration of any Amendments which may be received from the Lords to the Housing Bill and the Motion relating to the European Parliament may be proceeded with at this day’s sitting, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Taxes.—Resolved, That the Regional Employment Premium (Variation of Amounts) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 22nd July, be approved.—(Dr. John Gilbert.)

Housing Bill.—Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Housing Bill be now considered.—(Mr. Gerald Kaufman.)

The House accordingly proceeded to consider the said Lords Amendments.

Lords Amendment on page 12, line 23, at end insert

"(3A) The Corporation shall, after consultation with the committee established under section 14 below, establish criteria which should be satisfied by a housing association seeking registration, and may from time to time, after such consultation, vary those criteria ", was agreed to.

Ordered, That further consideration of the Lords Amendments be now adjourned.—(Mr. Edward Short.)

Ordered, That the Lords Amendments be further considered tomorrow.

European Parliament.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, notwithstanding the Order of the House of 8th February 1974 relating to the Members designated members of the European Parliament on 19th December in Session 1972-73 of the last Parliament, Colonel Sir Tufton Beamish, Mr. John E. Hill, Sir John Peel, and Mr. Rafton Pounder be discharged from membership of the European Parliament and that Mr. Hugh Dykes, Mrs. Peggy Fenner, Mr. Ralph Howell and Mr. Michael Shaw be designated members of the European Parliament:

That this Order be a Standing Order of the House—(Mr. Walter Harrison);

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o’clock on Thursday morning;

Thursday, 25th July, 1974:

And the Question being put:—It was agreed to.

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the Order of the House of 8th February 1974 relating to the Members designated members of the European Parliament on 19th December in Session 1972-73 of the last Parliament, Colonel Sir Tufton Beamish, Mr. John E. Hill, Sir John Peel, and Mr. Rafton Pounder be discharged from membership of the European Parliament and that Mr. Hugh Dykes, Mrs. Peggy Fenner, Mr. Ralph Howell and Mr. Michael Shaw be designated members of the European Parliament.

Ordered, That this Order be a Standing Order of the House.

Harbours, Docks, Piers and Ferries (No. 3).—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That this House takes note of the Porthmadog Harbour Revision Order 1974, dated 8th February 1974:—(Mr. Dalydd Wigley):—It was negatived.

Road Traffic Bill [Lords].—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Road Traffic Bill [Lords]:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 66 (Second Reading Committees), That the Bill be now read a second time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

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

Committee this day.
Road Traffic [Money].—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Road Traffic [Money]:

Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make further provision with respect to road traffic, operators' licences and drivers' hours, it is expedient to authorise—

1. the payment out of money provided by Parliament of any expenses of the Secretary of State attributable to the said Act; and
2. any increase attributable to the said Act in the sums payable out of such money under any other Act.—(Mr. Frederick Mulley.)

Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from constituents of the Eye Parliamentary constituency and others, for a review of the arrangements for financing local expenditure, was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from electors in the County of Dorset for a Royal Commission on alternative methods of raising Local Government revenue was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till three minutes to One o'clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.57 a.m.

APPENDIX I

Wednesday 24th July 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Ross:
New Towns (Scotland),—Copy of the Reports of the Cumbernauld, East Kilbride and Stonehouse, Glenrothes, Irvine and Livingston Development Corporations for the year ended 31st March 1974 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 226].

Mr. Secretary Foot:
Terms and Conditions of Employment,—Draft of an Order, entitled the Calculation of Redundancy Payments Order 1974 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Benn:
Census of Production,—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production 1971, relating to—
(1) margarine,
(2) starch and miscellaneous foods,
(3) textile finishing,
(4) toys, games and children's carriages
[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:
Road Traffic,—Copy of an Order, dated 9th July 1974, entitled the Crown Roads (Royal Parks) (Application of Road Traffic Enactments) Amendment Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1202) [by Act].

Mr. Frederick Peart:
Agriculture,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the Home-Grown Cereals Authority for the year ended 30th June 1974 [by Act].

Papers laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Atomic Energy,—Copy of the Balance Sheet of the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority as at 31st March 1974, and Accounts for the year ended 31st March 1974; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 287].

Civil Aviation,—Accounts of the Civil Aviation Authority, prepared pursuant to Section 13(1) of the Civil Aviation Act 1971, for the year ended 31st March 1974, with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 288].
Hospital Endowments Fund,—Account of the Hospital Endowments Fund for the year ended 31st March 1974; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 289].

House of Commons Members’ Fund,—Accounts of the House of Commons Members’ Fund for the year ended 30th September 1973; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 290].

Independent Broadcasting Authority,—Account prepared pursuant to Section 27(5) of the Independent Broadcasting Act 1973 of additional payments to the Independent Broadcasting Authority by programme contractors under Section 26(1) and the sums paid into the Consolidated Fund under section 27(4) in the year ended 31st March 1974; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 291].

National Research Development Corporation,—Accounts of the National Research Development Corporation for the year ended 31st March 1974; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 292].

National Savings Bank,—Account of the National Savings Bank Investment Account Fund for 1973; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 293].

National Savings Bank,—Accounts with respect to ordinary deposits and expenses of the National Savings Bank in 1973; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 294].

Sugar,—Accounts of the Sugar Board, showing Revenue and Expenditure attributable to the period 1st January 1972 to 31st January 1973 and Balance Sheet as at 31st January 1973; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 295].

Trustee Savings Banks,—Accounts prepared pursuant to Sections 39 and 83 of the Trustee Savings Banks 1969 and Statement prepared pursuant to Section 42 of that Act, in respect of the Fund for the Banks for Savings, for the year ended 20th November 1973; with the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon [by Act]; to be printed [No. 296].

APPENDIX II

Committee of Selection

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee of Selection, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the draft Caribbean Development Bank (Additional Contributions) Order 1974, viz.: Mr. Harold Boardman, Sir Bernard Braine, Mr. Jim Callaghan, Mr. William Craig, Sir Douglas Dodds-Parker, Mr. Joseph Harper, Mrs. Judith Hart, Mr. James Hill, Mr. John Hunt, Mr. Roderick MacFarquhar, Mr. Robert Parry, Sir John Rodgers, Sir George Sinclair, Mr. Denis Walters, Mr. Alec Woodall and Mr. David Young.

Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments,—Mr. Hugh Delargy reported from the Committee, That they had nominated Sixteen Members to serve on the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the Valuation (Combination of Councils) (Scotland) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1056), viz.: Mr. Michael Ancram, Mr. William Baxter, Mr. John Corrie, Mr. Peter Doig, Mr. Jack Dormand, Mr. Craig, Sir John Gilmour, Mr. Grindlay, Miss Harvie Anderson, Mr. Barry Henderson, Mr. Adam Hunter, Mr. Bruce Miller, Mr. Malcolm Rifkind, Mr. Harry Selby, Mr. John Smith and Mr. Teddy Taylor.

MEMORANDUM

Wednesday 24th July 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (2) of Standing Order No. 60 (Constitution of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker allocated the draft Caribbean Development Bank (Additional Contributions) Order 1974 to the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments, and the Valuation (Combination of Councils) (Scotland) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1056) to the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments.

The House met at half-past Two o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Western Samoa (Gift of a Mace),—The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That their Address of 4th July relating to Western Samoa (Gift of a Mace) 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 I will give directions that there be presented on behalf of your House a Gift of a Mace to the Legislative Assembly of the Independent State of Western Samoa and assuring me that your House will make good the expenses attending the same.

It gave me the greatest pleasure to learn that your House desires to make such a presentation and I will gladly give directions for carrying your proposal into effect.

Income Tax,—The Vice-Chamberlain of the Household reported to the House, That their Addresses of 4th July relating to Income Tax 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 Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (British Solomon Islands Protectorate) Order 1974, the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony) Order 1974, the Double Taxation Relief (Taxes on Income) (Seychelles) Order 1974, and the Double Taxation Relief (Air Transport Undertakings and their Employees) (Soviet Union) Order 1974 be made in the form of the drafts laid before your House.

I will comply with your request.

British Transport Docks Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the British Transport Docks Bill; and the same were agreed to.

British Railways Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the British Railways Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Lerwick Harbour Order Confirmation Bill,—The Lerwick Harbour Order Confirmation Bill was, according to Order, read the third time, and passed.

Standing Orders (Private Business),—Ordered, That the several Amendments to Standing Orders relating to Private Business hereinafter stated in the Schedule be made:—

Schedule

Standing Order 1:

Leave out line 7 and insert "the term " community " means a community for the purposes of the Local Government Act 1972 ".

Line 9, leave out " administrative county " and insert " metropolitan county or non-metropolitan county ".

Leave out lines 10 and 11 and insert " the term " district " in relation to England means metropolitan district or non-metropolitan district ".

Leave out line 28.

Line 30, leave out " rural " in both places.

Line 31, leave out " rural ".

Line 32, at end insert " and the council of a community or group of communities or the community meeting of a community which has no separate community council ".

Line 47, at end insert " the term " parish " means a parish for the purposes of the Local Government Act 1972 ".

Line 62, at end insert " the term " water authority " means an authority established in accordance with section 1 of the Water Act 1973, that is to say, a regional water authority or the Welsh National Water Development Authority ".

Line 68, at end insert " Where the Standing Orders require anything to be deposited with, or delivered or sent to, the proper officer of a local authority, that requirement shall be satisfied by depositing it with or delivering or sending it to, the chief executive of the authority for transmission (where the chief executive is not the proper officer) to that officer ".
Standing Order 4A:
- Line 7, after "meeting" insert "or community council or community meeting".
- Line 10, after "meeting" insert "or community council or community meeting".
- Line 10, leave out "rural".
- Line 11, after "parish" insert "or community".
- Line 13, leave out "county borough".
- Line 19, leave out "and county boroughs".
- Line 25, leave out "rural".
- Line 27, after first "parish" insert "or community".
- Line 27, at end insert "or community".
- Line 31, leave out "or county borough".
- Line 34, leave out "or county borough".

Standing Order 5:
- Line 5, leave out "boroughs, and urban and rural".
- Line 6, leave out "(in the case of rural districts) the".
- Line 6, at end insert "or communities".
- Line 28, leave out "borough, or urban or rural".
- Line 29, leave out "(in the case of a rural district) the".
- Line 29, after "parish" insert "or community".
- Line 33, leave out "as if it were a borough" and insert "and a London borough as if they were districts".

Standing Order 6:
- Line 8, leave out "borough, or urban or rural".
- Line 8, leave out "(in the case of a rural district) the".
- Line 9, after "parish" insert "or community".
- Line 13, leave out "as if it were a borough" and insert "and a London borough as if they were districts".

Standing Order 10:
- Line 12, leave out "county borough".
- Line 20, leave out "and county boroughs".
- Line 29, leave out "or county borough".
- Line 33, leave out "or county borough".

Standing Order 16:
- Line 18, leave out "borough, urban or rural".
- Line 19, after first "district" insert "or London borough".
- Line 19, leave out "(in the case of a rural district) the".
- Line 19, at end insert "or community".
- Line 22, leave out first "clerks" and insert "proper officers".
- Line 22, leave out "and town clerks of county boroughs".
- Line 23, leave out "with the Clerk".

Standing Order 22:
- Line 10, after "the" insert "proper officer".
- Line 25, after "parish" insert "or community".
- Line 25, leave out "clerk" and insert "proper officer".
- Line 28, leave out "clerk" and insert "proper officer".
- Line 30, after "parish" insert "or community".
- Line 31, leave out "clerk" and insert "proper officer".

Standing Order 25:
- Line 20, leave out "county borough".
- Line 21, leave out "county".

Standing Order 27:
- Line 11, leave out "clerk" and insert "proper officer".
- Line 12, leave out "and the town clerk of each county borough".
- Line 20, leave out "clerk" and insert "proper officer".
Line 21, leave out "and with the town clerk of each county borough ".
Line 24, leave out " or county borough (as the case may be) ".
Line 44, leave out " clerk " and insert " proper officer ".
Line 45, leave out " or town clerk (as the case may be) ".
Line 47, leave out first " clerk " and insert " proper officer or chief executive ".
Line 47, leave out " and the town clerk of each county borough ".
Line 55, leave out " clerk " and insert " proper officer or executive ".
Line 80, leave out from " county " to the end of line 81.

Standing Order 30:
Line 5, leave out " and Industry ".

Standing Order 31:
Line 6, leave out " and Industry ".

Standing Order 32:
Line 11, leave out " river " and insert " water ".

Standing Order 33:
Line 5, leave out " river " and insert " water ".

Standing Order 36:
Line 11, leave out " or non-county ".
Line 12, leave out " town clerk of such " and insert " proper officer of the ".
Line 13, leave out " urban or rural ".
Line 13, leave out " clerk " and insert " proper officer ".
Line 15, after " council " insert " or community having a community council ".
Line 15, leave out " clerk " and insert " proper officer ".
Line 16, after " parish " insert " or community ".
Line 16, leave out " clerk " and insert " such officer ".
Line 18, leave out " comprised in a rural district, and " and insert " or community ".
Line 19, after first " parish " insert " or community ".
Line 19, at end insert " or community ".

Standing Order 39:
Line 5, after " Environment " insert " and at the Home Office ".
Line 6, leave out " and at the Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications ".
Line 9, leave out " and Industry, the Home Office ".

Standing Order 42:
Line 4, leave out " river " and insert " water ".

Standing Order 43:
Line 7, leave out " river " and insert " water ".

Standing Order 44:
Line 14, leave out " clerk " and insert " proper officer ".
Line 19, leave out from " meeting " to the end of line 20 and insert " or a community council or a community meeting ".

Standing Order 46:
Line 4, leave out " and Industry ".
Line 13, leave out " borough or urban or rural ".
Line 14, after " district " insert " or London borough ".
Line 22, leave out " local ".
Line 24, leave out " in the case of a rural district ".

Standing Order 47:
Line 28, leave out " boroughs, urban ".
Line 28, leave out " rural parishes in England and Wales " and insert " London boroughs ".

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Standing Order 61:
Line 14, leave out "clerk" and insert "proper officer".
Line 15, leave out "and the town clerk of every county borough".
Line 29, leave out "or county borough".
Line 45, leave out from "county" to the end of line 46.

Standing Order 62:
Line 12, leave out "county borough".

Standing Order 65:
Line 24, leave out "county borough".

Standing Order 97:
Line 2, leave out "borough or urban or rural".
Line 2, after "district" insert "or London borough".
Line 3, leave out "or the borough or district" and insert "or the district or borough".

Standing Order 98:
Line 7, leave out "county road, or along any other".
Line 12, leave out from first "county" to the end of line 13.

Standing Order 136A:
Line 3, leave out "county".
Line 4, leave out second "county".
Line 7, leave out "county".
Line 11, leave out "county".
Line 14, leave out "county".
Line 21, leave out "clerk" and insert "proper officer".
Line 26, leave out "county".

Standing Order 155:
Line 4, leave out "and Industry".

Standing Order 159:
Line 2, leave out "or any municipal borough".

Appendix A:
Line 25, leave out "Clerk, or other".—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)

Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Race Relations and Immigration.—Mr. Deedes reported from the Select Committee on Race Relations and Immigration, 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 before Sub-Committee A, together with Appendices, and the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Select Committee on Race Relations and Immigration and before the Sub-Committee appointed by that Committee in the last Session of the last Parliament, and referred to the Committee on 11th April: And the Report was brought up and read.

Report, together with Minutes of Evidence and Appendices, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 312].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 312].

Science and Technology.—Mr. Arthur Palmer reported from the Select Committee on Science and Technology, 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.

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 313].
Rent Bill [Lords].—Mr. Bryant Godman Irvine reported from Standing Committee A, That they had gone through the Rent Bill [Lords], and made Amendments thereto.

Bill, as amended in the Standing Committee, to be considered to-morrow; and to be printed [Bill 103].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 314].

Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Town and Country Amenities Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Policing of Airports Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Independent Broadcasting Authority (No. 2) Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Ashdown Forest Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Greater London Council (General Powers) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Control of Pollution Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Consumer Credit Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate the Solicitors Acts 1957 to 1974 and certain other enactments relating to solicitors; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House [Solicitors] Bill [Lords].

Solicitors Bill [Lords].—The Solicitors Bill [Lords] was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 105].

Housing Rents and Subsidies Bill.—Mr. Secretary Crosland, supported by Mr. Edward Short, Mr. Secretary Jenkins, Mrs. Secretary Williams, Mr. Secretary John Morris, Dr. John Gilbert, Mr. Reginald Freezon, and Mr. Gerald Kaufman, presented a Bill to repeal certain provisions of the Housing Finance Act 1972 and to make new provision for housing rents and subsidies; and for connected purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 104].

Business of the House (Supply).—Ordered, That this day, as soon as the House has entered upon the Business of Supply, Mr. Speaker shall put forthwith the Questions which, under the provisions of paragraph (11) of Standing Order No. 18 (Business of Supply), as amended by the Order of the House of 13th March, he is directed to put at Ten o'clock.—(Mr. Laurie Pavitt.)

Supply [14th allotted day].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Business of Supply.

Mr. Speaker proceeded, pursuant to the Order this day, to put forthwith the Questions which he was directed to put at Ten o'clock by paragraph (11) of Standing Order No. 18 (Business of Supply), as amended by the Order of the House of 13th March.

Civil and Defence Estimates (Excesses), 1972-73

The Question being put, That a sum, not exceeding £9,950,113-24, be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund, to make good excesses on certain grants for Civil and Defence Services for the year ended 31st March 1973, as set out in House of Commons Paper No. 219:—It was agreed to.

Civil and Defence Estimates, 1974-75 (Outstanding Votes)

The Question being put, That a sum, not exceeding £13,101,400,700, be granted to Her Majesty out of the Consolidated Fund to complete or defray the charges for Defence and Civil Services for the year ending 31st March 1975:—It was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the foregoing Resolutions: And that The Chairman of Ways and Means, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Edmund Dell, Mr. Joel Barnett, and Dr. John Gilbert, do prepare and bring it in.

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill.—Dr. John Gilbert accordingly presented a Bill to apply certain sums out of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the years ending on 31st March 1973 and 31st March 1975, to appropriate the supplies granted in this Session of Parliament, and to repeal certain Consolidated Fund and Appropriation Acts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 102].
Supply.—The House, according to Order, again proceeded to consider the Business of Supply.

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

The Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Business of the House.—Ordered, That the Motion relating to Passes for Members, &c., and the Consideration of Lords Amendments to the Housing Bill and the Housing (Scotland) Bill may be proceeded with at this day’s sitting, though opposed, until any hour. —(Mr. James Dunn.)

Passes for Members, &c.—Ordered, That Members and Officers of the House, the staff of the House and all persons who require to enter the precincts regularly on official duty or on the business of the House shall produce a photographic identification pass, provided by the authorities of the House, whenever so requested by the police officers or officials of either House responsible for security within the precincts or in the other parliamentary buildings in the vicinity; that the authorities of the House prepare and distribute such passes; and that the authorities of the House provide similar passes for Members’ spouses, if so requested.—(Mr. Edward Short.)

Housing Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded further to consider the Lords Amendments to the Housing Bill.

Lords Amendments Nos. 2 to 40 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 41, in page 46, after Clause 49, insert new Clause (Application to priority neighbourhoods of certain provisions of Part IV) was agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their Privileges.

Lords Amendment No. 42, in page 47, line 10, after “ dwelling ” insert “ or, in the case of a registered disabled person, works required for his welfare, accommodation or employment where the existing dwelling is inadequate or unsuitable for those purposes ” was agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their Privileges.

Lords Amendment No. 43, in page 47, line 14, after “ lacks ” insert “ or which in the case of a registered disabled person are inaccessible to that person by virtue of his disability ” was agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their Privileges.

Lords Amendment No. 50, in page 55, line 7, after “ concerned ” insert “ except in the case of a registered disabled person when this subsection shall not apply ” was agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their Privileges.

Lords Amendments Nos. 51 to 74 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 75, in page 92, line 42, at end insert new Clause (Compensation) was agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their Privileges.

Lords Amendment No. 76 was agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 77, in page 92, line 20, leave out “ and 34 ” and insert “ 32 and 34 ” was agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their Privileges.

Lords Amendments Nos. 78 to 126 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 127, in page 124, line 22, at end insert—

“ (1A). In paragraph (c) of subsection (3) of that section (declaration by borrower as to use of land, etc.)—

(a) for the words “ and the land ” there shall be substituted the words “ that the amount of the loan will not exceed the appropriate limit determined under section 24A of this Act and that, before the expiry of the period of 12 months beginning on the date referred to in paragraph (b) of this subsection, the land ”;

and

(b) for the words from “(being the borrower ” to “ one of them) ”, in the second place where those words occur, there shall be substituted the words “ or persons in such circumstances that the residence condition in section 24B of this Act is fulfilled ”;

and at the end of that paragraph there shall be added the words “ and

(d) in a case where the specified person or persons named in a declaration under paragraph (c) above is, are or include the borrower all or any of the joint borrowers, that if the borrower or, in the case of joint borrowers, any of them is married and is not treated for income tax purposes as living apart from his spouse, the borrower or, as the case may be, each of those joint borrowers and (in either case) his spouse have signed and delivered to the lender a declaration either that there is no existing loan—
(i) the whole or any part of the interest on which is payable (whether alone or jointly with any other person) by the spouse, and

(ii) in respect of which an option notice for the time being has effect or in respect of which a claim for relief has been or is to be made under section 75 of the Finance Act 1972 (relief for payment of interest), and

(iii) which relates to, or was made with a view to the repayment of a previous loan which related to, land used wholly or mainly for the purposes of a dwelling (not being the dwelling to which the declaration under paragraph (c) above relates) which is that spouse’s only or main residence or a caravan so used, or that such a loan does exist but the spouse intends that, within the period of 12 months beginning on the date referred to in paragraph (b) above, the dwelling referred to in sub-paragraph (iii) above will cease to be the spouse’s only or main residence.” was agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their Privileges.

Lords Amendments Nos. 128 to 131 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 132, in page 125, line 18, at end insert—

"The appropriate limit for loans.

24A.—(1) In relation to a loan in respect of which an option notice has been signed (in this section referred to as “the relevant loan”) the appropriate limit referred to in paragraph (c) of subsection (3) of section 24 of this Act is £25,000 reduced by the amount or, as the case may require, the aggregate amount outstanding by way of capital on the date referred to in paragraph (b) of that subsection in respect of every loan

(a) the whole or any part of the interest on which is payable (whether alone or jointly with any other person) by the borrower who signed the declaration under the said paragraph (c) or, in the case of joint borrowers, by any of the borrowers who signed that declaration or, where that borrower or any of those joint borrowers is married and is not treated for income tax purposes as being apart from his spouse, that spouse; and

(b) which falls to be taken into account by virtue of subsection (2) below and is not to be disregarded by virtue of subsection (4) below.

(2) Subject to subsections (3) and (4) below, a loan falls to be taken into account under subsection (1) above if—

(a) it is a loan in respect of which an option notice for the time being has effect; or

(b) it is a loan to which Part I of Schedule 9 to the Finance Act 1972 (loans for purchase or improvement of land on which interest is eligible for relief in full) for the time being applies (either in respect of the whole loan or subject to any limit of amount), and the land or caravan referred to in that Part is not used in such circumstances that it falls within paragraph 3(1)(b) of Schedule 1 to the Finance Act 1974 (commercial lettings).

(3) Without prejudice to section 34(2) of this Act, the reference in subsection (2)(b) above to Schedule 9 to the Finance Act 1972 is a reference to that Schedule either as amended by Schedule 1 to the Finance Act 1974 (restrictions on relief for interest) or (if interest on the loan is excepted from section 12(3) of that Act) as originally enacted; and in the case of a loan to which the said Schedule 9 applies as originally enacted, the reference in subsection (2)(b) above to the use of land or a caravan in circumstances falling within paragraph 3(1)(b) of the said Schedule 1 shall be construed as a reference to use which would fall within that paragraph if that Schedule applied in relation to interest on the loan in question.

(4) Notwithstanding anything in subsection (2) above, a loan (in this subsection referred to as a “previous loan”) which falls within paragraph (a) or paragraph (b) of that subsection shall be disregarded in determining the appropriate limit in relation to the relevant loan if—

(a) the relevant loan is made with a view to the repayment by means of the relevant loan of the amount outstanding on the previous loan; or

(b) the previous loan is an existing loan which is specified in a declaration made for the purpose of satisfying, in relation to the relevant loan, the condition in section 24(3)(d) of this Act; or
(c) the previous loan was in connection with the only or main residence of a person who is, or is a qualifying relative of, the borrower or any of the joint borrowers under the relevant loan and the relevant loan is made for or in connection with any one or more of the purposes specified in section 24(1)(b) of this Act in such circumstances that the dwelling referred to in that section is to be used instead as that person's only or main residence.

(5) In any case where the option notice in respect of the relevant loan is one to which a direction under section 24(5) of this Act applies, the preceding provisions of this section shall have effect subject to such modifications as may be prescribed.

24B.—(1) For the purposes of this Part of this Act, the residence condition is fulfilled with respect to a dwelling to which a declaration under section 24(3)(c) of this Act relates if and so long as—

(a) the dwelling is occupied wholly or partly as his only or main residence by the borrower himself or, in the case of joint borrowers, by each of them ; or

(b) at any time when the borrower or any joint borrower does not occupy the dwelling as mentioned in paragraph (a).

(2) For the purposes of this Part of this Act a person is a qualifying relative of a borrower (or a joint borrower) if he or she is—

(a) the borrower's spouse and is living apart from the borrower ;

(b) the borrower's former spouse ;

(c) the mother of either the borrower or his spouse and is widowed or living apart from her husband or, in consequence of dissolution or annulment of marriage, is a single woman ; or

(d) such a relative of the borrower or his spouse as is specified in subsection (3) below and is either over the age of 65 or incapacitated by infirmity from maintaining himself, in whole or in part.

(3) The relatives referred to in subsection (2)(d) above are—

(a) a parent or grandparent ;

(b) a brother or sister who is over the age of 16 ; and

(c) a child or grandchild (in either case whether legitimate, adopted or illegitimate) who is over the age of 16.

(4) A person shall be treated for the purposes of this section as living apart from his or her spouse if he or she would be so treated for income tax purposes.

(5) If, after the delivery of a declaration under paragraph (c) of subsection (3) of section 24 of this Act (other than a declaration delivered in respect of an option notice to which a direction under subsection (5) of that section applies) the residence condition is not, within the period of 12 months specified in that paragraph, fulfilled with respect to the dwelling concerned, then, within the period of one month beginning on the day following the expiry of that period of 12 months, the borrower or, in the case of joint borrowers, each of them shall notify the lender in writing to that effect.

(6) If, at any time after—

(a) the delivery of a declaration under paragraph (c) of section 24(3) of this Act, and

(b) the residence condition has been fulfilled with respect to the dwelling concerned,

the residence condition ceases to be so fulfilled, then, within the period of one month beginning on the date on which that condition first ceased to be so fulfilled, the borrower or, in the case of joint borrowers, each of them shall notify the lender in writing of the date on which the condition ceased, and of the fact that it has ceased, to be so fulfilled.

(7) Any person who knowingly fails to notify the lender as required by subsection (5) or subsection (6) above shall, on conviction on indictment, be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years "',"
Housing (Scotland) Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Housing (Scotland) Bill.

Lords Amendments Nos. 1 to 17 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 18, in page 34, line 37, at end insert—

"(2) After paragraph (a) of section 58(1) of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1969 (powers of local authority to improve amenities of residential areas) there shall be inserted the following paragraph—

"(aa) with the agreement of the owner of any land, carry out or arrange for the carrying out of works on that land at his expense or at the expense of the local authority or in part at the expense of both; ";"

was agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their Privileges.

Lords Amendment No. 19, in page 41, line 9, leave out "the sum" and insert "the grant, or where the grant was paid in instalments, from the date of payment of the final settlement of the balance ",

was agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their Privileges.

Lords Amendment No. 20, in page 41, line 28, after "outstanding" insert "together with interest thereon for the period from the date of payment of the grant or, where the grant was paid in instalments from the date of payment of the final settlement of the balance by the authority to the date of repayment of the appropriate amount to the authority"

was agreed to, the Commons being willing to waive their Privileges.

Lords Amendments Nos. 21 to 25 were agreed to.

Agriculture.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Agricultural Lime Scheme (Extension of Period) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 2nd July, be approved—(Mr. Walter Harrison):—It was agreed to.

Horticulture.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Hop Gardens (Replanting and Restructuring) Scheme 1974, a copy of which was laid before this House on 2nd July, be approved—(Mr. Walter Harrison):—It was agreed to.

Coal Industry.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Coal Industry (Borrowing Powers) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 11th July, be approved—(Mr. Walter Harrison):—It was agreed to.

Legal Aid and Advice.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Legal Advice and Assistance (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974, a copy of which was laid before this House on 15th July, be approved—(Mr. Walter Harrison):—It was agreed to.

Legal Aid and Advice.—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Legal Aid (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974, a copy of which was laid before this House on 15th July, be approved—(Mr. Walter Harrison):—It was agreed to.

Legal Aid and Advice (Scotland).—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Legal Aid (Scotland) (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974, a copy of which was laid before this House on 16th July, be approved—(Mr. Walter Harrison):—It was agreed to.

Legal Aid and Advice (Scotland).—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Legal Aid (Scotland) (Financial Conditions) Regulations 1974, a copy of which was laid before this House on 16th July, be approved—(Mr. Walter Harrison):—It was agreed to.

Select Committees (Reports during Adjournments).—Ordered, That, whenever the House stands adjourned for more than two days, any Select Committee shall have power to deliver the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them or before any Sub-committee appointed by them, or Minutes of their Proceedings, or any paper containing their observations, conclusions or recommendations, to the Clerk of the House; and the delivery of such Minutes or papers to the Clerk shall be deemed to be the reporting of them to the House; and the Committee shall have power to direct the printing of such Minutes or papers, and such printing shall be deemed to be by order of the House.—(Mr. Walter Harrison.)

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Laurie Pavitt):—Debate arising:
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And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Friday morning:

Friday, 26th July, 1974:

And the Question having been proposed after Ten o'clock on Thursday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then four minutes past Twelve o'clock on Friday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 12.4 a.m.]

APPENDIX

Thursday 25th July 1974

Paper laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Dr. John Gilbert:

Securities,—Copy of an Order, dated 17th July 1974, entitled the Stock Transfer (Amendment of Forms) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1214) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Prentice:

Science Research Council,—Copy of the Report of the Science Research Council for the year ended 31st March 1974 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 315].

Social Science Research Council,—Copy of the Report of the Social Science Research Council for the year ended 31st March 1974 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 177].

Mr. Secretary Varley:

Coal Industry,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the National Coal Board for the year ended 30th March 1974 [by Act].

Paper laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House:

Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration,—Copy of the Third Report of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration, Session 1974 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 281].

MEMORANDUM

Thursday 25th July 1974

In pursuance of paragraph (1) of Standing Order No. 61 (Chairmen of Standing Committees), Mr. Speaker has appointed Mr. Richard Crawshaw Chairman of the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the draft Caribbean Development Bank (Additional Contributions) Order 1974 and Mr. John Brewis Chairman of the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments in respect of the Valuation (Combination of Councils) (Scotland) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1056).

[No. 84.]

Friday, 26th July, 1974.

The House met at Eleven o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from London and Cambridgeshire for international disarmament, was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

Accounts and Papers.—Several Papers were presented (see Appendix).

Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Rehabilitation of Offenders Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.
Rehabilitation of Offenders Bill,—Lords Amendments to the Rehabilitation of Offenders Bill to be considered upon Tuesday next; and to be printed [Bill 106].

Abortion (Amendment) Bill,—Ordered, That Standing Committee C be discharged from further considering the Abortion (Amendment) Bill.

Bill withdrawn.
Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 320].

Divorce (Scotland) Bill,—Ordered, That the Divorce (Scotland) Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday 13th August.

Road Traffic Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Road Traffic Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 1 (Liability of vehicle owner in respect of certain fixed penalty offences).
Amendment (No. 55) proposed, in page 3, line 33, at the end, to insert the words " and (d) subsequent death of the person alleged in the statutory statement of facts to be the driver of the vehicle at the relevant time shall discharge the liability of any other person for the offence specified in the notice ".—(Mr. Peter Fry.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses Nos. 2 to 4 agreed to.

Clause No. 5 (Provisions supplementary to sections 1 to 4 and Schedule 1).
Amendments (Nos. 1 to 5) made.

Another Amendment (No. 6) proposed, in page 10, line 15, at the end, to insert the words—
" (5A) Where the person on whom a notice under section 1(6) or section 2(6) above is to be served is a person who subsequently or at the time claims diplomatic immunity, this fact shall be notified to the Foreign and Commonwealth Office forthwith ".—(Mr. Geoffrey Finsberg.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 6 (Traffic surveys).
An Amendment (No. 54) made.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause No. 7 (Prohibition of parking of vehicles on verges and footways).
Amendment (No. 53) proposed, in page 11, line 12, after the word " vehicle " to insert the words " other than a moped and ".—(Mr. Peter Fry.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments (Nos. 7 and 8) made.

Another Amendment (No. 44) proposed, in page 11, line 31, at the end, to insert the words " or 
(d) that to have parked wholly on the carriageway would have had the effect of reducing the width of the carriageway available to other vehicular traffic to less than 12 feet or such other width specified by the Secretary of State in regulations ".—(Mr. Peter Fry.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments (Nos. 9 and 10) made.

Another Amendment (No. 50) proposed, in page 12, line 13, at the end, to insert the words—
" (5A) Traffic signs shall be erected to indicate lengths of highway in regard to which such orders have been made and the effect thereof ".—(Mr. Peter Fry.)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment (No. 11) made.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clauses Nos. 8 and 9 agreed to.
Clause No. 10 disagreed to.
Clauses Nos. 11 to 13 agreed to.
Clause No. 14 (Weighing of motor vehicles).
An Amendment (No. 13) made.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clause No. 15 agreed to.
Clause No. 16 disagreed to.
Clause No. 17 (Certain small vehicles not to be public service vehicles).
Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.
The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Paul Hawkins, Mr. Michael Roberts: 63.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Golding, Mr. Walter Johnson: 114.

Clauses Nos. 18 and 19 disagreed to.
Clause No. 20 agreed to.
Clause No. 21 disagreed to.
Clause No. 22 (Experimental introduction of road humps for controlling vehicle speeds).
Amendment (No. 19) proposed, in page 29, line 42, after the word “dimensions” to insert the word “duration”.—(Mr. Geoffrey Finsberg)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments (Nos. 20 and 21) made.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clauses Nos. 23 to 27 agreed to.
Clause No. 28 (Interpretation).
An Amendment (No. 24) made.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clause No. 29 (Short title, amendments, repeals, commencement and extent).
An Amendment (No. 25) made.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.

A Clause (Fitting and sale of defective or unsuitable vehicle parts)—(Mr. Neil Carmichael)—brought up, and read the first time.

And it being Four o’clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. John Golding reported, That the Committee had made progress in the Bill, and moved, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Business of the House.—Ordered, That the Road Traffic Bill [Lords], the Education (Awards and Grants) Bill, the Solicitors Bill [Lords], the Friendly Societies Bill [Lords] and the Insurance Companies Bill [Lords] may be proceeded with at this day’s sitting, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. John Golding)

Road Traffic Bill [Lords].—The House again resolved itself into a Committee on the Road Traffic Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee)

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause (Fitting and sale of defective or unsuitable vehicle parts) be read a second time, put and agreed to.
Clause added.

Another Clause (Reckless driving)—(Mr. Geoffrey Finsberg)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.
Another Clause (Vehicle Excise Duty)—(Mr. Geoffrey Finsberg)—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 (Compulsory wearing of seat belts)—(Mr. Jerry Wiggin)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time:— Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Jerry Wiggin, Mr. Roger Moate: 3.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. James Dunn, Mr. Joseph Harper: 65.

Another Clause (Prohibition on stopping of vehicles at urban junctions)—(Mr. R. Graham Page)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:— Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Schedules Nos. 1 and 2 agreed to.

Schedule No. 3 (Amendments of Part III of Road Traffic Act 1972).

An Amendment (No. 26) made.

Schedule, as amended, agreed to.

Schedule No. 4 agreed to.

Schedule No. 5 (Variation of penalties for certain offences).

Amendments (Nos. 27 to 30 and 34) made.

Schedule, as amended, agreed to.

Schedule No. 6 (Minor and consequential amendments).

Amendments (Nos. 39 and 35 to 37) made.

Schedule, as amended, agreed to.

Schedule No. 7 agreed to.

Title amended.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Harold Gurden reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto, and had amended the Title, as follows: An Act to make further provision with respect to road traffic and operators' licences, and for connected purposes.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now considered:—The House accordingly proceeded to consider the Bill.

An Amendment made to the Bill, in page 11, line 7, by leaving out subsection (4) and inserting the words—

"(4) The power to give a traffic direction for the purposes of a traffic survey shall be so exercised as not to cause any unreasonable delay to a person who indicates that he is unwilling to furnish any information for the purposes of the survey"—(Mr. Frederick Mulley), instead thereof.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Electricity,—Resolved, That the Electricity (Borrowing Powers) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 4th July, be approved.—(Mr. Alex Eadie.)

Education (Awards and Grants) Bill,—The Education (Awards and Grants) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time, and was committed to a Standing Committee pursuant to Standing Order No. 40 (Committal of Bills).

Education (Awards and Grants) [Money],—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Education (Awards and Grants) [Money]:—Resolved, That, for the purposes of any Act of the present Session to make further provision with respect to awards and grants by local education authorities, it is expedient to authorise any increase in the sums payable out of moneys provided by
Parliament under the Local Government Act 1974 which is attributable to provisions of the said Act of the present Session—

(a) applying section 1 of the Education Act 1962 to courses for the diploma of higher education and the higher national diploma and courses for the initial training of teachers;

(b) confining the requirements of that section with respect to the possession of the requisite educational qualifications to courses comparable to first degree courses;

(c) applying section 2(1) of the said Act of 1962 to courses for the training of teachers, other than courses to which section 1 of that Act applies.—(Mr. Gerald Fowler.)

Solicitors Bill [Lords],—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. Laurie Pavitt.)

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:
—The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 90 agreed to.
Schedules Nos. 1 to 4 agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Laurie Pavitt 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 forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

Friendly Societies Bill [Lords],—The Friendly Societies Bill [Lords], was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee:
—The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 117 agreed to.
Schedules Nos. 1 to 11 agreed to.
Bill to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Laurie Pavitt 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 forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, without Amendment.

Insurance Companies Bill [Lords],—The Insurance Companies Bill [Lords] was, according to Order, read a second time.

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

Committee upon Monday next.

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

And the Question having been proposed after Four o'clock, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it being then twenty-three minutes past Eight o'clock, till Monday next.

[Adjourned at 8.23 p.m.]
APPENDIX

Friday 26th July 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:
Police,—Copy of Regulations, dated 18th July 1974, entitled the Police (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1217) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Benn:
Census of Production,—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production 1971, relating to miscellaneous wood and cork manufactures [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Rees:
Northern Ireland,—Copy of an Order in Council, entitled the Appropriation (Northern Ireland) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1266) [by Act].

Mrs. Secretary Williams:
Fair Trading,—Copy of an Order, dated 24th July 1974, entitled the Restriction of Merger (Revocation) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1249) [by Act].

PRAYERS.

Thurrock District Council Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Thurrock District Council Bill; and the same were agreed to.

Workington Harbour Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Workington Harbour Bill; and the same were agreed to.

Ashdown Forest Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendment to the Ashdown Forest Bill; and the same was agreed to.

Greater London Council (General Powers) Bill,—The House proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Greater London Council (General Powers) Bill; and the same were agreed to.

Wrightson NMA Limited Bill [Lords],—The House proceeded to consider the Wrightson NMA Limited Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That Standing Order 205 relating to Private Business (Notice of Third Reading) be suspended and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(The Deputy Chairman of Ways and Means.)

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

British Railways Bill,—The Order of the day being read for the Third Reading of the British Railways Bill;

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

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Experiments on Living Animals,—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 1973.—(Dr. Shirley Summerskill.)

Offences Relating to Motor Vehicles,—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, statistics of court proceedings 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 31st December 1973.—(Dr. Shirley Summerskill.)
Members' Interests (Declaration).—Mr. Frederick Willey reported from the Select Committee on Members' Interests (Declaration), That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table.

Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill.—Lords Amendments to the Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill to be considered tomorrow and to be printed [Bill 107].

House of Commons (Services).—Minutes of Proceedings of the Select Committee on House of Commons (Services) on 18th June and following days to be printed [No. 153-ii].

Public Accounts.—Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee of Public Accounts on 5th and 12th December, 23rd, 28th and 30th January and 4th and 6th February, in the last Session of the last Parliament, and on 6th May and following days in the present Session, to be printed [No. 304].

Sittings of the House.—Resolved, That this House do meet on Wednesday at Eleven o'clock, that no Questions be taken after Twelve o'clock, that Mr. Speaker shall not adjourn the House until he shall have reported the Royal Assent to the Acts which have been agreed upon by both Houses, but that, subject to this condition, Mr. Speaker shall at Five o'clock adjourn the House without putting any Question:

Provided that, if the sitting of the House tomorrow shall have continued beyond Eleven o'clock on Wednesday morning, Mr. Speaker shall not adjourn the House until he shall have reported the Royal Assent to any Acts agreed upon by both Houses, but as soon as he shall have so reported, he shall forthwith adjourn the House without putting any Question. (Mr. Edward Short.)

Adjournment (Summer).—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, at its rising on Wednesday, do adjourn till Tuesday 15th October (Mr. Edward Short):—Debate arising;

Mr. Walter Harrison 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 agreed to.

And the Question being accordingly put;

Resolved, That this House, at its rising on Wednesday, do adjourn till Tuesday 15th October.

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill.—The Order of the day being read, for the Second Reading of the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—Debate arising:

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve o'clock on Tuesday morning;

Tuesday, 30th July, 1974:

Mr. Walter Harrison 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 agreed to.

And the Question being accordingly put, That the Bill be now read a second time:—It was agreed to.

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

Committee this day.

Northern Ireland.—Resolved, That the Appropriation (Northern Ireland) Order 1974, a copy of which was laid before this House on 26th July, be approved. (Mr. Concannon.)

First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments.—Mr. Richard Crawshaw reported from the First Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments the draft Caribbean Development Bank (Additional Contributions) Order 1974, referred to the Committee on 23rd July.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 327].
Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments.—Mr. John Brewis reported from the Third Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments the Valuation (Combination of Councils) (Scotland) Order 1974, referred to a Committee on 24th July.

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 326].

Public Petitions.—A Public Petition from Weston-super-Mare and other places, for a new district general hospital at Weston-super-Mare, was presented and read, and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

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

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit till One o'clock on Tuesday afternoon, adjourned till this day. [Adjourned at 1 p.m.]

APPENDIX
Monday 29th July 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

The Prime Minister:
Review Body on Top Salaries,—Copy of the Fifth Report of the Review Body on Top Salaries [by Command].

Dr. John Gilbert:
Bank Notes,—Copies of Treasury Minutes—
(1) dated 5th July 1974, and
(2) dated 9th July 1974
relative to the Fiduciary Note Issue [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 321 and 322].

Mr. Secretary Ross:
Parole Board,—Copy of the Report of the Parole Board for Scotland for 1973 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 278].

Mr. Secretary John Morris:
Tourism,—Copy of the Report of the Wales Tourist Board for the year ended 31st March 1974 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Foot:
Industrial Training,—Copies of the Reports and Statements of Accounts, for the year ended 31st March 1974, of—
(1) the Agricultural, Horticultural and Forestry Industry Training Board,
(2) the Air Transport and Travel Industry Training Board,
(3) the Carpet Industry Training Board,
(4) the Ceramics, Glass and Mineral Products Industry Training Board,
(5) the Chemical and Allied Products Industry Training Board,
(6) the Clothing and Allied Products Industry Training Board,
(7) the Construction Industry Training Board,
(8) the Cotton and Allied Textiles Industry Training Board,
(9) the Distributive Industry Training Board,
(10) the Engineering Industry Training Board,
(11) the Food, Drink and Tobacco Industry Training Board,
(12) the Footwear, Leather and Fur Skin Industry Training Board,
(13) the Furniture and Timber Industry Training Board,
(14) the Gas Industry Training Board,
(15) the Hotel and Catering Industry Training Board,
(16) the Iron and Steel Industry Training Board,
(17) the Knitting, Lace and Net Industry Training Board,
(18) the Man-made Fibres Industry Training Board,
(19) the Paper and Paper Products Industry Training Board,
(20) the Petroleum Industry Training Board,
(21) the Printing and Publishing Industry Training Board,
(22) the Road Transport Industry Training Board,
(23) the Rubber and Plastics Processing Industry Training Board,
(24) the Shipbuilding Industry Training Board,
(25) the Water Supply Industry Training Board, and
(26) the Wool, Jute and Flax Industry Training Board
[by Act].
Mr. Secretary Benn:
Census of Production,—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production 1971 relating to—
(1) formulated pesticides and disinfectants, and
(2) space-heating, ventilating and air-conditioning equipment
[by Act].
Post Office,—Copy of the Report and Statement of Accounts of the Post Office for the year ended 31st March 1974 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Rees:

Mr. Secretary Varley:
Electricity,—Copies of the Reports and Statements of Accounts, for the year ended 31st March 1974, of—
(1) the Central Electricity Generating Board,
(2) the East Midlands Electricity Board,
(3) the Eastern Electricity Board,
(4) the Merseyside and North Wales Electricity Board,
(5) the Midlands Electricity Board,
(6) the North Eastern Electricity Board,
(7) the North Western Electricity Board,
(8) the South Eastern Electricity Board,
(9) the South Wales Electricity Board, and
(10) the South Western Electricity Board
[by Act].
Electricity,—Copies of the Report and the Statement of Accounts with the Reports of the Area Electricity Consultative Councils, for the year ended 31st March 1974, of—
(1) the London Electricity Board,
(2) the Southern Electricity Board, and
(3) the Yorkshire Electricity Board
[by Act].
Gas,—Copies of the Reports, for the period 1st January 1973 to 31st March 1974, of—
(1) the National Gas Consumers’ Council,
(2) the North Eastern Gas Consumers’ Council, and
(3) the Wales Gas Consumers’ Council
[by Act].

Mr. Frederick Peart:
Sea Fisheries,—Copy of an Order, dated 18th July 1974, entitled the Herring (North Yorkshire Coast) (Prohibition of Fishing) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1215) [by Act].

[No. 86.]

Tuesday, 30th July, 1974.
The House met at half-past Two o’clock.

PRAYERS.

Weymouth and Portland Water Sports Bill [Lords].—The House proceeded to consider the Weymouth and Portland Water Sports Bill [Lords], as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That Standing Order 205 (Notice of Third Reading) be suspended and that the Bill be now read the third time.—(The Chairman of Ways and Means.)
A Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

The Chairman of Ways and Means, by 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:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

British Railways Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the Third Reading of the British Railways Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Tuesday 15th October.

Merseyside Metropolitan Railway Bill,—The Order of the day being read, for the consideration of the Merseyside Metropolitan Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be considered upon Tuesday 15th October.

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. R. Graham Page reported from the Select Committee appointed to join with a Committee of the House of Lords 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 had directed him to report Memoranda laid before them and part of the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them on 30th July: And the Report was brought up and read (Seventeenth Report).

Report, together with Memorandum, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 51-xxii].

Minutes of Evidence, together with Memorandum, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 51-xxiv].

Minutes of Proceedings to be printed [No. 51-xxv].

European Secondary Legislation, &c.,—Mr. John Davies, reported from the Committee on European Secondary Legislation, &c., That they had agreed to a Report which they had directed him to make to the House: And the Report was brought up and read (Ninth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 332].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 332].

European Secondary Legislation &c.,—Mr. John Davies reported from the Committee on European Secondary Legislation, &c., That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them on 30th July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 208-iii].

Expenditure,—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, 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, together with Appendices to the Minutes of Evidence: And the Report was brought up and read (Ninth Report).

Report, together with Appendices, to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 328].

Expenditure,—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had directed him to report so much of the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Defence and External Affairs Sub-Committee and the Social Services Sub-Committee as had not been previously reported to the House.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table.

Nationalised Industries,—Mr. Russell Kerr reported from the Select Committee on Nationalised Industries, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before Sub-Committee A and Sub-Committee B.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table.

Statutory Instruments,—Mr. R. Graham Page 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 (Fifteenth Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 52-xxvii].

Minutes of Proceedings to be printed [No. 52-xxvii].
Message from the Lords.—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Finance Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Wrightson NMA Limited Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Weymouth and Portland Water Sports Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Expenditure,—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Expenditure Committee be printed [No. 331].

Science and Technology,—Ordered, That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Select Committee on Science and Technology be printed [No. 325].

Surviving Spouse (Continuation of Motor Insurance) Bill.—Mr. Robin Maxwell-Hyslop, supported by Mr. Robert Cooke, Mr. W. Benyon, and Miss Janet Fookes, presented a Bill to provide that, where there is in existence a contract of insurance which enables one spouse to drive for pleasure, social or domestic purposes a vehicle or vehicles which the said policy covers for the benefit of the other spouse with whom the contract of insurance was made, the contract of insurance shall continue until its normal date of expiry, or for fourteen days, whichever shall be the longer, on the death of the spouse who entered into the contract of insurance without additional premium payment, or notification: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow and to be printed [Bill 109].

Rape (Anonymity of Victims).—Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide anonymity for victims of illegal rape in criminal cases except by direction of the Court: And that Mr. Peter Crowder, Mrs. Jill Knight, Mr. Maurice Edelman, Rear-Admiral Morgan-Giles, Mr. Neville Sandelson, and Mr. Michael Shersby, do prepare and bring it in.

Rape (Anonymity of Victims) Bill.—Mr. Peter Crowder accordingly presented a Bill to provide anonymity for victims of illegal rape in criminal cases except by direction of the Court: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday 15th October and to be printed [Bill 108].

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill.—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Consolidated Fund ( Appropriation) Bill.

(In the Committee)

Clauses Nos. 1 to 5 agreed to.
Schedules A, B and C 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.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 93 (Consolidated Fund Bills), That the Bill be now read the third time:—

It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed.

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

Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Trade Union and Labour Relations Bill.

Lords Amendments Nos. 1 and 2 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 3, in page 4A, line 36, at end insert New Clause A (Rights of workers against arbitrary exclusion from trade union membership).

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Mr. Secretary Foot);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Thomas Cox, Mr. James Dunn : 270.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Paul Hawkins, Dr. Vaughan : 276.

So the Question was negatived.
Lords Amendment No. 4, in page 4A, line 36, at end insert New Clause B (Rules of trade unions and employers' associations).

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Mr. Albert Booth);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Thomas Cox, Mr. Donald Coleman: 269.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. William Benyon: 280.

So the Question was negatived.

Lords Amendment No. 5 was agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 6, in page 5, line 37, after “association” insert “or that its rules do not comply with the provisions of this Act.”

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Mr. Albert Booth);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Joseph Harper, Mr. Thomas Cox: 271.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Richard Luce: 281.

So the Question was negatived.

Lords Amendment No. 7, in page 9, leave out subsection (1) and insert—

“(1) An act done by a person in contemplation or furtherance of a trade dispute shall not be actionable in tort on the ground only:—

(a) that it induces another person to break a contract of employment; or

(b) that it consists in his threatening that a contract of employment (whether one to which he is a party or not) will be broken or that he will induce another person to break a contract of employment to which that other person is a party.”

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Mr. Secretary Foot);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Hamilton, Mr. Joseph Harper: 272.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Hall-Davis, Mr. Paul Hawkins: 282.

So the Question was negatived.

Lords Amendments Nos. 8 to 10 were agreed to.

Lords Amendment No. 11, in page 20, line 12, at end, insert—

“so long as the person or persons whose actions in Great Britain are said to be in contemplation or furtherance of a trade dispute relating to matters occurring outside Great Britain are likely to be affected in respect of one or more of the matters specified in subsection (1) of this section by the outcome of that dispute.”

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in the said Amendment—(Mr. Albert Booth);

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. James Dunn, Mr. Walter Johnson: 272.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Paul Hawkins, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant: 280.

So the Question was negatived.

Remaining Lords Amendments, Nos. 12 to 14, were agreed to.

Rent Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Rent Bill [Lords], as amended in the Standing Committee.

A Clause (Power of court in action for possession to reduce period of notice to quit)—(Mr. Reginald Freeson)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Rent allowances)—(Mr. Reginald Freeson)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Advance application for registration of a new rent)—(Mr. Kaufman)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.

Another Clause (Rent allowances in Scotland)—(Mr. Robert Hughes)—brought up, read the first and second time, and added to the Bill.
Another Clause (Agreements authorised by court not to give rise to protected tenancies)—(Mr. R. Graham Page)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. John Stradling Thomas, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant: 235.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. J. D. Dormand, Mr. Thomas Cox: 262.

Another Clause (Certain new lettings of residential accommodation not to be protected)—(Mr. Hugh Rossi)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time.

The House divided.

Tellers for the Ayes, Mr. Spencer Le Marchant, Mr. Michael Roberts: 222.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Joseph Harper, Mr. Thomas Cox: 257.

Another Clause (Harassment of landlord)—(Mr. Rees-Davies)—brought up and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:

Debate arising:

And, it being Ten o'clock, the Debate stood adjourned.

Business of the House,—Ordered, That the consideration of the Rent Bill [Lords], the Motion relating to Parliamentary Expenses, the Insurance Companies Bill [Lords] and consideration of any other Lords Amendments may be proceeded with at this day’s sitting, though opposed, until any hour.—(Mr. Donald Coleman.)

Rent Bill [Lords].—Question again proposed, That the Clause (Harassment of landlord), proposed on consideration of the Rent Bill [Lords], be read a second time:—Debate resumed.

Question put and negatived.

Another Clause (Winter lettings)—(Mr. Rees-Davies)—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 (Termination of existing fixed term tenancies)—(Mr. R. Graham Page)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Another Clause (Acceptance of rent after notice to quit)—(Mrs. Thatcher)—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 (Amendment of Section 73 of the Rent Act 1968)—(Mr. Hugh Rossi)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time, put and negatived.

Amendment (No. 17) proposed to the Bill, in page 2, line 33, after the word “ persons ”, to insert the words “ or by an individual or individuals of a dwelling house approved by a specified educational institution ”.—(Mrs. Thatcher)

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made.

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Question put and negatived.

Amendment (No. 1) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 19) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 37, to leave out the words “ has retired from regular employment and ”.—(Mr. James Allason.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 2 and 3) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 5) proposed to the Bill, in page 3, line 57, at the end, to insert the words—

“ In Part II of Schedule 3 to the Rent Act 1968, the following Case shall be inserted after Case 14—
Where, in respect of the property concerned, planning approval has been given and remains effective for a change of user, provided that not less than six months notice has been given in writing to the tenant by the landlord that possession might be recovered under this Case.”—(Sir Brandon Rhys Williams.)

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 7 to 9, 13, 49, 15, 35 and 36) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 34) proposed to the Bill, in page 10, line 17, to leave out the words “two weeks” and insert the words “one month”—(Mr. James Allason)—instead thereof.

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 46 and 47) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 30) proposed to the Bill, in page 11, line 6, to leave out the word “case” and insert the word “cases”—(Mr. Hugh Rossi)—instead thereof.

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 54) proposed to the Bill, in page 11, line 8, to leave out the word “furnished”—(Mr. R. Graham Page).

Question proposed, That the Amendment be made:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made to the Bill, in page 11, line 8, by leaving out from the word “where” to the word “the” in line 9.

Another Amendment (No. 45) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 25) proposed to the Bill, in page 13, line 43, to leave out from the word “dwelling-house” to the end of line 44 and insert the words “may contain the prescribed particulars with regard to such furniture, and must do so if so required by either party”—(Mr. James Allason)—instead thereof.

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 50 and 51) made to the Bill.

Another Amendment (No. 26) proposed to the Bill, in page 15, line 34, to leave out the word “flats” and insert the words “self-contained flats or maisonettes capable of exclusive possession”—(Mr. R. Graham Page)—instead thereof.

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 32) proposed to the Bill, in page 15A, line 24, to leave out “12” and insert “24”—(Mr. Hugh Rossi)—instead thereof.

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 28) proposed to the Bill, in page 15A, line 42, at the end, to insert the words “or (c) that interest is (or if it is held on trust for sale, the proceeds of its sale are) held on trust for beneficiaries any one of whom occupies as his residence a dwelling-house which forms part of the building referred to in paragraph (a) of that subsection”—(Mr. Hugh Rossi).

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Another Amendment (No. 29) proposed to the Bill, in page 15A, line 45, at the end, to insert the words—

“(3A) During any period when—

(a) the interest of the landlord under the tenancy referred to in the subsection (1) above is held by a married person; and

(b) that married person or his spouse or both of them occupies as his or her residence a dwelling-house which forms part of the building referred to in paragraph (a) of that subsection,

the condition in paragraph (c) of that subsection shall be deemed to be fulfilled and accordingly no part of that period shall be disregarded by virtue of subsection (2) above”—(Mr. Hugh Rossi).

Question, That the Amendment be made, put and negatived.

Other Amendments (Nos. 42 to 44, 52, 40, 53, and 37 to 39) made to the Bill.


The Bill was read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.
Parliamentary Expenses,—Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that further provision with respect to allowances, facilities and other payments for Members of this House should be made as follows:—

(1) the rate of the allowance which under the Resolution of this House of 20th December 1971 is now payable to certain Members of this House as a supplementary London allowance should be increased, in respect of periods after 1st August 1974, to £228 a year;

(2) the limit of £750 on the allowance which, under the Resolution of 20th December 1971, is now payable in respect of additional expenses necessarily incurred by certain Members of this House staying overnight away from their only or main residences for the purposes of performing their parliamentary duties should be replaced by a limit of—

(a) £950 for the period of twelve months from 1st April 1974 to 31st March 1975, and

(b) £1,050 for any subsequent period of twelve months beginning on 1st April;

(3) the limit of £1,000 on the allowance which, in accordance with the Resolution of 20th December 1971, is now payable to Members of this House in respect of expenses incurred for their parliamentary duties on secretarial assistance should be replaced by a limit of—

(a) £1,500 for the period of twelve months from 1st April 1974 to 31st March 1975; and

(b) £1,750 for any subsequent period of twelve months beginning on 1st April;

(4) the expenses in respect of which, in accordance with the Resolution of 20th December 1971, the allowance mentioned in paragraph (3) of this Resolution is payable to any Member of this House within that limit should (for any such period as is mentioned in that paragraph) include—

(a) general office expenses, and

(b) within a maximum of £465 for the first period of twelve months mentioned in that paragraph, and of £550 for any later period of twelve months, the expenses of employing a research assistant on work undertaken in the proper performance of the Member's parliamentary duties;

(5) the limit on the allowances which, under the Resolutions of 3rd November 1970 and 20th December 1971 are now payable to Members of this House for travel by road on certain journeys should, for journeys commenced after 1st August 1974, be replaced by a limit in respect of the use of a car of 7.7 pence a mile;

(6) provision should be made for any Member of this House who is a Member for a constituency—

(a) falling wholly or partly within Greater London; and

(b) not being a constituency mentioned in the Schedule to the Resolution of 20th December 1971, as amended by the Resolution of this House of 13th March 1974, to receive the allowance mentioned in paragraph (1) of this Resolution in place of any allowance of the kind mentioned in paragraph (2), if he so chooses.—(Mr. Edward Short.)

Terms and Conditions of Employment,—Resolved, That the Calculation of Redundancy Payments Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 24th July, be approved.—(Mr. John Fraser.)

Insurance Companies Bill [Lords].—The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Insurance Companies Bill [Lords].

(In the Committee)

Clause No. 1 agreed to.

Clause No. 2 (Persons permitted to carry on insurance business).

Amendment made, in page 2, line 24, by leaving out paragraph (e) and inserting the words—

"(e) a trade union or employers' association (within the meaning of the Trade Union and Labour Relations Act 1974) where the insurance business carried on by the union or association is limited to the provision for its members of provident benefits or strike benefits."

Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clauses Nos. 3 to 11 agreed to.
Clause No. 12 (Insurance Companies to which Part II applies).
Amendment made, in page 9, line 4, by leaving out subsection (3) and inserting the words—

" (3) Where a trade union or an employers' association carries on insurance business, this Part of this Act does not apply to it as an insurance company if the insurance business is limited to the provision for its members of provident benefits or strike benefits.

In this subsection "trade union" and "employers' association" have the same meanings respectively as they have in the Trade Union and Labour Relations Act 1974 ".
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clauses Nos. 13 to 90 agreed to.
Schedule No. 1 agreed to.
Schedule No. 2 (Repeals).
Amendment made, in page 69, by leaving out lines 42 to 45.
Schedule, as amended, agreed to.
Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Joseph Harper reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now considered:—The House accordingly proceeded to consider the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 56 (Third Reading), That the Bill be now read the third time:—It was agreed to.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time, and passed, with Amendments.

Comptroller and Auditor General (Salary).—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Comptroller and Auditor General (Salary);

Resolved, That the rate of the salary which may be granted to the Comptroller and Auditor General under section 1 of the Exchequer and Audit Departments Act 1957 be increased—

(a) for periods before 1st June 1974 from £16,000 to £16,350 per annum;
(b) for the period of June 1974 from £16,350 to £16,412.64 per annum;
(c) for the period of July 1974 from £16,412.64 to £16,454.40 per annum; and
(d) for later periods from £16,454.40 to £16,475.28 per annum,

and the date from which, under subsection (3) of that section, the person now holding that office is entitled to a salary at the said increased rates be 1st January 1974.—(Mr. Robert Sheldon.)

Parliamentary Commissioner (Salary).—Her Majesty's Recommendation having been signified to the proposed Motion relating to Parliamentary Commissioner (Salary);

Resolved, That the yearly rate of the salary payable to the Parliamentary Commissioner under section 2 of the Parliamentary Commissioner Act 1967 be increased—

(a) for periods before 1st June 1974 from £16,000 to £16,350;
(b) for the period of June 1974 from £16,350 to £16,412.64;
(c) for the period of July 1974 from £16,412.64 to £16,454.40; and
(d) for later periods from £16,454.40 to £16,475.28,

and the date from which this Resolution is to take effect be 1st January 1974.—(Mr. Robert Sheldon.)

Rehabilitation of Offenders.—The House, according to Order, proceeded to consider the Lords Amendments to the Rehabilitation of Offenders Bill; and the same were agreed to.

Adjournment.—A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do now adjourn—(Mr. Joseph Harper):—Debate arising:

And the Question having been proposed after Ten o'clock on Tuesday evening, and the Debate having continued for half an hour, Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the House without Question put, pursuant to the Standing Order, it then being eight minutes past Five o'clock on Wednesday morning, till this day.

[Adjourned at 5.8 a.m.]
APPENDIX

Tuesday 30th July 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Dr. John Gilbert:

Coal Industry,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 21st June 1974, on loans proposed to be raised by the National Coal Board [by Act]; to be printed [No. 333].

Electricity,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 20th June 1974, on loans proposed to be raised by the Electricity Council [by Act]; to be printed [No. 334].

Government Trading Funds,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 30th July 1974, relative to financial objectives for the Royal Ordnance Factories [by Act].

Post Office,—Statement of Guarantee given by the Treasury on 28th June 1974, on loans proposed to be raised by the Post Office [by Act]; to be printed [No. 335].

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:

Experiments on Living Animals,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty yesterday, relating to Experiments on Living Animals; to be printed [No. 299].

Mr. Secretary Ross:

Criminal Statistics (Scotland).—Copy of Statistics relating to Police Apprehensions and Criminal Proceedings in Scotland for 1973 [by Command].

Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons,—Statements by the Secretary of State for Scotland on—

(1) residential care of handicapped persons under the age of 65 in Scotland, and
(2) the separation of younger from older patients in hospitals in Scotland [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 260 and 259].

Criminal Procedure (Scotland).—Copy of Regulations, dated 17th July 1974, entitled the Fixed Penalty (Procedure) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1235) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Mason:

Defence (Army).—Copy of an Amendment [No. 27] to the Army Pensions Warrant 1960 [by Act].

Mrs. Secretary Castle:


Census,—Copy of Summary Tables of the Census 1971, relating to Housing [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Shore:

British Film Fund Agency,—Copy of the Report and Accounts of the British Film Fund Agency for the year ended 29th September 1973 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 356].

Import Duties,—Report by the Department of Trade on the exercise of the powers conferred by the Import Duties Act 1958 for the year ended 31st March 1974 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 337].

Overseas Investment and Export Guarantees,—Report by the Secretary of State for Trade on the discharge of his functions under the Overseas Investment and Export Guarantees Act 1972 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 338].

Trade Marks,—Copy of Rules, dated 30th July 1974, entitled the Trade Marks (Amendment) Rules 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1314) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Benn:

Industry,—Copy of the Report of the Secretary of State for Industry on the exercise of his functions under the Industry Act 1972 for the year ended 31st March 1974 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 339].

Post Office Users’ Councils,—Copies of the Reports for the year ended 31st March 1974 of—

(1) the Post Office Users’ Council for Northern Ireland,
(2) the Post Office Users’ Council for Wales, and
(3) the Post Office Users’ Council for Scotland [by Act]; to be printed [Nos. 340 to 342].

Post Office Users’ National Council,—Copy of the Report of the Post Office Users’ National Council for the year ended 31st March 1974 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 343].
Wednesday, 31st July, 1974

The House met at Eleven o'clock.

PRAYERS.

Kenneth Joseph Lennon,—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 the Report to the Home Secretary from the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis on the actions of police officers concerned with the case of Kenneth Joseph Lennon.—(Dr. Shirley Summerskill.)

Accounts and Papers,—Several Papers were presented or laid upon the Table, some ordered to be printed (see Appendix).
Expenditure,—Mr. James Boyden reported from the Expenditure Committee, That they had directed him to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Social Services Sub-Committee on 31st July.

Minutes of Evidence to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 286-ii].

Overseas Development,—Sir Geoffrey de Freitas reported from the Select Committee on Overseas Development, 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 (Second Special Report).

Report to lie upon the Table; and to be printed [No. 318].

Minutes of Proceedings of the Committee to be printed [No. 318].

Message from the Lords,—A Message was brought from the Lords, as follows:

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill, without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Road Traffic Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Rent Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Insurance Companies Bill [Lords], without Amendment.

Standing Orders (Private Business).—Ordered, That the Amendments to the Standing Orders relating to Private Business which were made upon 18th June and 25th July be printed [No. 348].

Overseas Aid,—A Motion was made, and the Question being put forthwith pursuant to Standing Order No. 73A (Standing Committee on Statutory Instruments), That the Caribbean Development Bank (Additional Contributions) Order 1974, a draft of which was laid before this House on 18th July, be approved—(Mrs. Judith Hart):—It was agreed to.

Public Petitions,—A Public Petition from Stanley Travis Dawson for redress of grievances against members of the legal profession was presented and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table and to be printed.

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

Royal Assent,—Mr. Speaker notified the House, in accordance with the Royal Assent Act 1967, That Her Majesty had signified Her Royal Assent to the following Acts agreed upon by both Houses:

1 Finance Act 1974.
2 Appropriation (No. 2) Act 1974.
5 Pakistan Act 1974.
6 Carriage of Passengers by Road Act 1974.
8 Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974.
9 Land Tenure Reform (Scotland) Act 1974.
10 Consumer Credit Act 1974.
11 Control of Pollution Act 1974.
15 Housing Act 1974.
16 Housing (Scotland) Act 1974.
17 Friendly Societies Act 1974.
23 Trade Union and Labour Relations Act 1974.

Adjournment.—The Question being again proposed, That this House do now adjourn:—It was agreed to.

And accordingly the House, having continued to sit two minutes to Five o'clock, adjourned till Tuesday 15th October, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of 29th July.

[Adjourned at 4.58 p.m.]

APPENDIX

Wednesday 31st July 1974

Papers presented and ordered to lie upon the Table:

Dr. John Gilbert:
   Bank Notes,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 23rd July 1974, relative to the Fiduciary Note Issue [by Act]; to be printed [No. 350].

Mr. Secretary Jenkins:
   Kenneth Joseph Lennon,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty this day for the Report to the Home Secretary by the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis on the actions of police officers concerned with the case of Kenneth Joseph Lennon; to be printed [No. 351].
   Offences relating to Motor Vehicles,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty of 29th July, relating to Offences relating to Motor Vehicles; to be printed [No. 301].
   Explosives,—Copy of the Report of Her Majesty's Inspectors of Explosives for 1973 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 300].
   Horserace Betting Levy Board,—Copy of the Reports and Statements of Accounts of the Horserace Betting Levy Board and the Horserace Totalisator Board for the year ended 31st March 1974 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Callaghan:
   Cyprus,—Copy of a Declaration, signed at Geneva on 30th July 1974, relating to Cyprus made by the Foreign Ministers of Greece, Turkey and Great Britain [by Command].

Mr. Secretary Ross:
   Hospital Endowments (Scotland),—Copy of the Report and Statement of Accounts of the Scottish Hospital Endowments Research Trust for the year ended 31st July 1973 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 252].
   Police,—Copy of Regulations, dated 18th July 1974, entitled the Police Cadets (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1248) [by Act].
   Transport,—Copy of an Order, dated 18th July 1974, entitled the Greater Glasgow Passenger Transport Area (Railway Passenger Services) Order 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1247) [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Prentice:
   Education,—Copy of Regulations, dated 18th July 1974, entitled the Awards (First Degree, etc. Courses) (Amendment) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1231) [by Act].
Mrs. Secretary Castle:

Central Health Services Council,—Copy of the Report of the Central Health Services Council for 1973, preceded by a Statement made by the Secretary of State for Social Services and the Secretary of State for Wales [by Act]; to be printed [No. 346].

Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons,—Copy of a Report on research and development work on equipment for the disabled in 1973 [by Act]; to be printed [No. 80].

Medicines,—Copy of the Report of the Medicines Commission for 1973 with the Reports of the Committee on Safety of Medicines, the Veterinary Products Committee and the British Pharmacopoeia Commission and a Memorandum prepared by the Medicines Division of the Department of Health and Social Security [by Act]; to be printed [No. 330].

Social Security,—Copy of the Report on Social Security provision for chronically sick and disabled people [by Act]; to be printed [No. 276].

Mr. Secretary Shore:

Merchant Shipping,—Copies of Regulations, dated 11th July 1974, entitled,—

(1) the Merchant Shipping (Medical Scales) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1193), and

(2) the Merchant Shipping (Medical Scales) (Fishing Vessels) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1192)

[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Benn:

Census of Production,—Copy of the Report on the Census of Production 1971 relating to—

(1) general chemicals (organic),

(2) locomotives, trams, railway carriages, wagons and track equipment,

(3) metalliferous mining and quarrying,

(4) paper and board, and

(5) production of man-made fibres

[by Act].

Mr. Secretary Crosland:

Housing,—Copy of the Report of the Housing Corporation for the year ended 31st March 1974 [by Act].

Rating and Valuation,—Copies of—

(1) Regulations, dated 30th July 1974, entitled the Rate Rebate (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1321), and

(2) Rules, dated 30th July 1974, entitled the Precepts (Rate of Interest) Rules 1974 (S.I., 1974, No. 1322)

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Mr. Secretary Rees:

Northern Ireland,—Draft of an Order in Council, entitled the Juries (Northern Ireland) Order 1974 [by Act].

Mr. Secretary Varley:

Nuclear Installations Inspectorate,—Copy of a Report by the Chief Inspector of Nuclear Installations on the incident in Building B204 at the Windscale Works of British Nuclear Fuels Limited on 26th September 1973 [by Command].

Mrs. Secretary Williams:

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